

**LOCAL AND PERSONAL.**

**Matters of Interest To Homefolks.**

Prof. B. B. Dougherty of Boone was in town Friday last.

Work on Dula's new building next to Commercial Bank is advancing steadily.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. B. Steele visited in town Tuesday. They left for a short visit to Globe Wednesday.

Prof. G. M. Nolley, principal of a boys' school in Richmond, Va., is visiting his brother, Prof. H. B. Nolley.

Prof. Anderson Weaver returned last week from a the weeks' visit in Florida. He reports a delightful trip.

Prof. Jas. B. Conley and J. I. White were among those who attended the Teachers' Assembly at Raleigh last week.

Mr. John A. Lock and family, of Rowan county, are visiting at M. C. Jordan's this week. Mr. Lock is thinking of locating in Lenoir.

Mrs. Knox W. Henry, of Charlotte, is visiting friends and relatives in and around Lenoir. She will remain in Caldwell for several weeks.

Mr. Jesse Moore, Sr., of Globe, is reported critically ill. He has been in falling health for many years and his death expected at any time.

Read the new ads of Lenoir Realty & Insurance Co., Bernhardt-Seagle Hardware and Furniture Company, A. W. Dula and others in this issue.

The cooking contest which took place in Bernhardt-Seagle Hardware & Furniture Co.'s store last week created much interest. A full report is given in this week's News.

Mrs. H. M. Teague left on the early train Tuesday morning for a visit to her brother, Mr. Walter Powell, of Buckingham, Ill. She will visit in Chicago, Ill., and Racine, Wis., a few days and will be gone three weeks.

Mr. T. C. Wakefield will complete the laying of brick this week on his new store building on N. Main street. The building is 44x62 feet and will contain two store rooms on second floor, five to be prepared for offices.

Dr. Oscar J. Corpening made the News a pleasant call Tuesday. Dr. Corpening passed successfully the recent examination before the State Medical Board. He has not definitely decided on a location for the practice of his profession.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Coffey and children, of Lenoir, have been visiting Mrs. Coffey's aunt, Mrs. A. S. Payne. Mrs. Coffey left Sunday for Raleigh, where she will visit her mother, Mrs. C. M. Little. —Hickory Times-Mercury.

The sermon preached by Rev. D. Vance Price in the Methodist church Sunday morning was of especial interest to the thoughtful hearer. He discussed the Brevity of Human Life in such a way as to make a deep impression upon all present.

The following marriage license have been issued since the first of June: Walter Deal to Sarah Wallace, V. M. Hoke to Lela Mull, Marion Chambers to Etta Chester, Mansfield Shoo to Essie Green, Carroll E. Rabb to Byrd K. Moore, Wm. P. Branch to Mrs. L. G. Holsclaw.

We copy this week from Charity and Children an article entitled, "Eas Every Man his Price!" which we hope everybody will read. In this age of graft and corruption it is refreshing to feel that there are many who haven't gone to the bad. We believe in cultivating the habit of viewing things in an optimistic light. The chronic pessimist is to be shunned.

Mr. J. V. McCall is in Watauga on business this week.

Mr. W. H. Bower is attending court at Wilkesboro this week.

Mrs. Chas. C. Weayer entertained a few friends last Monday night.

Miss Emma Deal has a position as stenographer with the Moore Furniture Co.

Dr. C. L. Wilson has been sick for a few days. We hope he will soon be out again.

Mrs. H. C. Mackie, of Granite Falls, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. E. Woltz.

Mr. P. M. Keever and family visited relatives in Hickory from Saturday to Monday.

The young man found drunk on the streets Sunday was bound over to the Superior court.

Mr. E. A. Poe expects at an early date to open an elegant cafe in the new Harshaw building.

Messrs. Claude and Carroll Moore, of Globe, were visitors in Lenoir Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. W. P. Southern is conducting services on the Cotton Hill this week, morning and night.

Mrs. R. A. Corpening, of Morganton, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Allen, on West Main street.

So far as we can learn Mr. J. A. Triplett is in the lead for the nomination for sheriff by the Democrats.

Judge Shaw passed through Lenoir Sunday on his way to Boone to hold court and returned Wednesday.

Mrs. W. P. Ivey is visiting her father, Mr. E. L. Sherrill, in Catawba county. She will be away about two weeks.

Mr. Charlie Triplett left last Friday for his home in Wilkesboro, where he hopes to recover from a threatened attack of fever.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll E. Rabb returned Wednesday from Globe. Owing to the unfavorable weather, they postponed their trip till later in the summer.

Prof. B. B. Dougherty, of Boone, stopped over with Prof. Y. D. Moore Wednesday night on his way home from the meeting of County Superintendents at Raleigh.

Owing to feeble health the Rev. Mr. Powell could not fill his appointment at Warrior last Sunday evening as announced in last week's News. But through the kindness of Rev. Mr. Clarke, his congregation was not "left wanting."

Little Lucile, the 13 months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Seehorn, died Wednesday evening of acute indigestion, being sick only a few hours. The interment took place yesterday evening at 5 o'clock in Bellview cemetery. The bereaved family have the sympathy of the entire town in their affliction.

**Living on \$10 a Week**

Macon Telegraph.

Several young women of Chicago graduating last week from class in domestic science, are said to have received diplomas certifying that they are qualified to keep house for husbands getting \$10 a week. Their diplomas were given them after a practical exhibition of their skill in the preparation of breakfasts, luncheons and dinners. One breakfast that was shown had been prepared at an expense of 19 cents and was sufficient to satisfy the hunger of 4 persons. One of the exhibition dinners consisted of meat, 2 vegetables, a salad, and pudding for four, prepared for 40 cents. Young women who can perform these miracles deserve good husbands without delay, and husbands with more than \$10 a week.

**He Was in It, Too.**

Mrs. Jawback—You're a wretch, but I suppose if I had my life to live over again I'd marry you just the same.

Mr. Jawback—I'll bet a dollar you wouldn't. —Cleveland Leader.

**A Prolific Couple**

When Mr. Wm. P. Branch applied to Register Miller for marriage license to wed Mrs. L. G. Holsclaw, he informed the Register that he was the father of 20 children and his bride the mother of seven, making a total of twenty-seven children to start with.

**A Mistake Corrected.**

Elsewhere in this paper will be found an item copied from the Catawba County News entitled, "Opened by Mistake." The information given by the News was copied from "The Postmasters Everywhere," which seems to have been mistaken, as the following from the Department will show:

Dear Sir:—In answer to your communication of June 12th, you are advised that this Department has not "ruled that mail must be looked over before leaving the office that any letter put in a box by mistake must be returned before leaving the office under a penalty of \$200 for failure to do so."

Respectfully,  
F. H. HITCHCOCK,  
First Ass't Postmaster Gen.

**The Seventeen-Year Cicada.**

What are commonly called locusts are now coming from the earth where they have been for seventeen years in their larvæ state. When they come from the earth they change their coats and put on wings, mate, deposit eggs and the parents die. The female has a hard sharp attachment on her underside, with which she bores or gouges short cuts into the limbs of fruit and forest trees, in which she will deposit a dozen eggs. She then goes back between the egged limb and trunk a few inches, and girdles the limb so the part in which the eggs are deposited will die and fall to the ground. As soon as the eggs in the fallen limbs are hatched the young larvæ the tenth of an inch long work their way into the soil, where they remain their natural life-period, seventeen years.

In Alabama and other Southern States, their maturity requires only thirteen years.

The male insects are provided with a musical apparatus by the use of which they combine their notes, making so much noise that they compete fairly with a thunderstorm.

**My Mother.**

It has been truly said: "The first being that rushes to the collection of a soldier or sailor, in his heart's difficulty, is his mother. She clings to his memory and affection in the midst of all the hardships and forgetfulness induced by a roving life. The last message he leaves it for her; his last whisper breathes her name. The mother as she instills the lessons of piety and filial obligation into the heart of her infant son, should always feel that her labor is not in vain. She may drop into the grave, but she has left behind her influences that will work for her. The bow is broken, but the arrow is sped and will do its office."

**The World's Coal.**

According to the American Manufacturer, the coal deposits of North America are estimated to contain nearly as much as those of Europe, or 681,000,000,000 tons, but even this gigantic figure is completely dwarfed by Asia's wealth of coal, as to which it is at present impossible to make an approximate estimate. China more especially seems to possess inexhaustible, and a German scientist has put the coal deposits of the province of Shansi alone at 1,200,000,000,000 tons.

It was reported from Greensboro in Sunday's papers that ex-Judge Bynum was a candidate for Republican State chairman, which report Judge Bynum has promptly denied.

**New Rural Delivery Regulation**

The fourth assistant postmaster general has just issued an order providing that after July 1 next, rural delivery carriers, when making their trips, will visit and examine only those boxes for which they have mail for delivery and those on which the signals are displayed for dispatch.

Those patrons who are now maintaining mail boxes on which there are no signals will be required to procure some sort of device which will serve as a signal to carriers.

By this new arrangement it is expected that the delivery and collection of mail along rural free delivery routes will be greatly facilitated.

"Well sir," said Judge Phillips, "they are working night and day down yonder on the railroad, don't stop for nothing. Whistles blow all night long and the blasting and fuss is powerful." Now the Judge lives down that way, and he was asked, "How can you sleep with all that racket going on?" "Git used to it," said he, "sorter like the old women whose husband snored. 'Ever hear about that?' No. 'Why he snored terribly, but she got used to it, so when the old man died, she missed the fuss so they had to run a coffee mill all night to keep her asleep. Yes sir, that fuss down on the railroad is soothing."

That was a shrewd remark a colored North Carolina preacher got off just as the collection plates were about to be passed: "Salvation's free brethren, salvation's free! It don't cost nothin'! But we have to pay the freight on it. We will now pass aroun' the hat and collect the freight."

**DID YOU**

Know that the News Printery was the place to have your Stationery "fixed up."

**GIVE US A CALL.**



**RESTING OR EXERCISING**



Oxfords will give you more genuine foot-comfort than any other make of shoes you ever wore. It's not an accident, but the result of careful and expert study, coupled with the liberal expenditure of money. To make an Oxford shoe which WILL NOT CHAFE the heel, and which WILL NOT SPREAD at the ankle, it is necessary to have an entirely separate factory equipment. This costs money, but the results warrant the outlay.

When you try on a KING QUALITY Oxford, you are impressed by the fact that while it fits snugly, it does not bind. When you have worn the shoes for a week you are amazed at the comfort they give you. When you have worn them for months you realize the reason for the reputation of

**KING QUALITY**

shoes. Prices

\$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00

**W. A. Watson.**

**COURTNEYS**

**Special Clearance Sale**

—OF—

**Misses Sailor Hats and a Lot of Trimmed Dress Hats Begins Monday June 11th in our Millinery Department.**

Notwithstanding this has been the best season we ever had, still we have too many Hats of some kinds that must be sold. Note the big reductions and great Bargains to close out these lots:

Ladies Stylish Ready-to-wear Hats were cheap at \$1.50 now \$1.15, Ladies Stylish Ready-to-wear Hats, were cheap at \$1.75 now \$1.25 and \$1.35, Ladies fine Ready-to-wear Hats, good values at \$2.00 and \$2.25 all going this sale at \$1.50, Misses White Trimmed Sailor Hats, were 85c now 50c, Misses White Trimmed Sailor Hats, were 85c now 65c.

**We can show you the largest and cheapest line of Trimmed Dress Hats and untrimmed Hats to select from.**

**Don't Miss this Bargain Sale.**



**THE WINNER.**

A very unique affair was held at Bernhardt-Seagle Hardware & Furniture Company last Thursday. This enterprising concern offered a beautiful little nickled Buck's Junior Range to the little Miss who would bake the best biscuits on a Buck's Range, and about 25 of Lenoir's future housewives contested. Tables had been placed in the show windows of the store, and on these tables were all the ingredients for making good biscuits and as each little girl's name was called, she took her place at a table, and mixed bread for all she was worth. The contest attracted quite a crowd, who showed intense interest. In a very close contest little Miss Hettie Wall was awarded the Buck's Junior, the first prize; Miss Sarah Wakefield won the second prize and to Miss Alice Grist was awarded the third prize. The very competent judges were Misses Hailey, Thomas and Ballow. Mr. B. L. Ridley, the representative of the Buck's Stove & Range Co., told us confidentially that he would have another baking contest at Bernhardt-Seagle Hdw. & Co. sometime in the early fall, so we advise all the little girls to practice up on biscuit making. Practice with a pint of flour and use either sweet or butter milk, as Mr. Ridley says he doesn't care what kind of biscuits the girls make, just so they are good biscuits.

