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LOCAL NEWS.

Stationery and pencils just in at the Company Store

The report of the condition of the Watauga County Bank in this issue. Look it up.

Solicitor F. A. Linney and Attorney J. C. Fletcher are at Catawba Court this week.

It has cured others and it might cure you—Vital-Ore, the great Rheumatic cure, for sale by W. L. Bryan.

We are requested to announce that there will be a box supper at Walnut Grove Institute on next Saturday night.

Messrs Moretz & Farthing are putting in place their wood-working machinery this week in East Boone, and will soon be ready for active operation.

Typical groundhog weather for the past few days. Snow, rain, etc. is to be found on the bill of fare that is being dished out by this dirty weather profit.

The Presiding Elder failing to come last Saturday, there was no quarterly Conference held but as he came in Tuesday, there was a business session yesterday at 11, a. m.

In our last issue we failed to say that Mr. Lee son of friend I. S. Gross, who has been in the United States service as a Philippine soldier for the past three years, is spending a while with his parents near town.

The Bank of Blowing Rock has a new ad this week to which we call the attention of all our readers. If you wish to open a bank account, you should investigate the advantages offered by this safe institution.

On last Monday Melville Cox, of Blowing Rock, who, for some time past, has carried the mail from that point to Boone, left for Richmond, Va., where he has procured a position in the street car service.

Rev. W. R. Savage asks us to say that he will preach and celebrate the Holy Communion in St. John's church, on the Watauga river below Valle Crucis, next Sunday at 11 o'clock, a. m. Sunday school there at 3, p. m.

Owing to his absence from the county Mr. Thos. L. Day did not fill his chair as a member of the board of county commissioner last Monday. However, the usual routine business was transacted by the two members present.

It is the earnest desire of the official members of the Daniel Boone Chapter of the Eastern Star, that as many members as possible be present at the regular communication to held at the Masonic Hall in Boone at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

Ladies and gents overgaiters at 25c. per pair at the Company Store.

Barbed fencing wire at 3 1/2 c. per pound; staples 5c. per pound at the company Store.

PUBLIC SALE

I will offer for sale at public auction on Feb. 18, 1910, all of my personal property, as follows: One fine blooded brood mare, to fold in June; two good young cows to calve in spring; two fine ewes; 50 bushels of corn; 20 bushels of good wheat; one buggy and all my household and kitchen furniture. Terms of sale \$5 and under cash in hand, and all larger amounts on six months time with note and approved security. This Jan. 31, 1910.

W. D. GLENN, Vtias, N. C.

L. H. Michael has been awarded a position in the Census department in this district. He, as we understand it, has charge of the manufacturing industries in his division, and left on Saturday for Bakersville where he began his work. How long his job will last we are not informed.

The change in dates for the Quarterly Conference for Boone, as it appeared in "The Advocate" was not authorized by me, and I knew nothing of it until I arrived in Boone the afternoon of the 8th, to be present at the published time, Feb. 9th. The change was an error in "The Advocate." R. M. TAYLOR, P. E. Feb. 9th, 1910.

It now seems that it is time for a number of our 'big pig' raisers to go way back and sit down. Will Winkler, of St. Jude, has butchered two English Berkshire pigs (the Ed Shipley stock) twelve months old, which, together, netted 1,092 pounds, which are, so far as we have learned, the heaviest pigs of their age ever slaughtered in the county.

Wm. Adams, recently returned from a short sojourn in New Mexico, was a caller at our office last Monday. On being asked of what he thought of that much talked of State, he replied: "It is one of the prettiest countries that ever a crow flew over; provided it takes its rations with it." Will now seems contented to remain in Watauga, the land of his birth.

Attorney L. D. Lowe, of Banner Elk, transacted legal business in the village Monday and Tuesday. He told us that the citizens of Elk Park who lost their property in the recent fire there, have brought suit against the E. T. & W. N. C. R. Co., in a sum aggregating \$25,000, alleging that carelessness on the part of said company caused the destruction of their property, the fire originating on the platform of the depot.

Our aged friend, Mr. A. P. Wilson, now nearing his 84th year, was up from his home on New River Monday, looking after some business. Regardless of his great age he made the trip, three miles and return through choice, on foot, and still travels at a gait that would set to shame the shamble of some of our younger men many years his junior. He says that his sister, Mrs. Lucretia Wilson, eleven years his senior, is still in good health.

Postmaster Blackburn had quite a class in his civil service examination for township census enumerators held in the court house last Saturday. A good representation from each township, save two, Cove Creek and North Fork, were on hand, the most of whom stood the rather rigid examination, but a small per cent. failing to take who had cards of admission to the examination, a large per cent. of which, in the opinion of Mr. Blackburn, will make satisfactory grades.

On last Sunday the body of Arnie Winebarger, son of Mr. Marcus Winebarger, of Meat Camp, was brought back to his father's home from Stuart, West Virginia, for interment in the family grave yard. He was at work in a coal mine and a huge slab of slate which, as we understand it, supported the top of what miners call a 'drift' broke loose, falling on him and crushing the life out. Another Watauga boy, Bynum Grose, helped to remove his body from the mine. Young Winebarger has many relatives and friends in this county to mourn his untimely departure.

Hon. James E. Shepherd, former Chief Justice of North Carolina, died in a Baltimore hospital, Sunday, after an operation on his throat. His home was in Raleigh, and he is survived by his wife and one son. He was a distinguished lawyer and a brother-in-law of Hon. Geo. H. Brown who is now on the Supreme Court Bench.

On a recent business trip to Hayesville, Clay county, our Attorney W. R. Lovill found an old veteran of the Sixties to whom he is indebted for great kindnesses during his stay there. Samuel Allison is his name, and he was a member of Col. G. N. Folk's Co. in the late Rebellion, and inquired particularly about Tol. Grant, Stephen and Roby Brown and Bob Rhea, all of whom are still living, and will be glad to know that their comrad-in-arms, Samuel Allison, has not yet answered the final roll-call, and that he intends to be present at the Confederate Re-union, to be held in Boone early this fall.

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Gustave, king of Sweden was Operated on Sunday for appendicitis, and the official reports say the operation was a success.

BANK STATEMENT.

Following is the report of the condition of the Watauga County Bank at Boone, N. C., in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business Jan. 31, 1910.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$58,883.49
Over drafts secured	264.86
Over drafts unsecured	981.10
Banking house	1,812.00
Furniture and fixtures	925.00
Due from banks and banks	15,271.05
Gold coin	1,922.50
Silver coin, including all minor coin currency	1,313.74
National bank notes and other U. S. Notes	1,696.00
Total	\$83,069.74

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock	\$11,800.00
Surplus fund	1,770.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and tax paid	1,242.21
Time certificates of deposit	23,897.88
Deposits subject to check	43,622.58
Cashier's ck's outstanding	737.87
Total	\$83,069.74

State of North Carolina, Watauga County, ss: I, G. P. Hagaman, Cashier of the above named bank do solemnly swear the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

G. P. Hagaman, Cashier
Correct—Attest: J. W. Horton, L. A. Greene, W. C. Coffey, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 7th day of Feb., 1910.

W. R. Gragg, Register of Deeds

Entry Notice No. 2493.
State of North Carolina, Watauga County, Office of Entry taker of said county.

Wm. L. Cook locates and enters 50 acres of land on the head waters of Stone Mt. Branch, in Beaver Dam township. Beginning on a rock in the State line, and running with J. C. Keller's line to the Palmer line, then with the Palmer line to J. H. Lunsford's line, then with said Lunsford's line to the State line, then with the State line to the beginning. Entered Feb. 4, 1910.
H. J. HARDIN, Entry Taker.

NOTICE.

North Carolina, Watauga County, Valle Crucis Manufacturing Co. vs. A. A. Gilliam, H. A. Dobbin, claimant.

The above claimant will sell one two-horse buggy, the property of A. A. Gilliam, to the highest bidder at public outcry, at the Valle Crucis Wagon Shop on Tuesday, Feb. 15, 1910, at 1 o'clock, p. m. to satisfy a laborer's lien on said property for material and repairs to the amount of (\$17.60) seventeen dollars and sixty cents and all costs. This Jan. 25, 1910.
H. A. DOBBIN, Claimant.

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Yours Very Truly,
THE RACKET.

R. M. Green, Prop.

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