

**Blowing Rock Items.**  
 Mr. W. C. Vannoy, familiarly known as "Wiley," while in Montana during 1913 learned the photographic art and has a well equipped studio in this town, situated on the upper floor of the Randall Memorial Building, better known as The Exchange, and is prepared to take photographs of all descriptions, singly or in groups, also landscapes and cloud effects, good work done at reasonable prices.

While on a hunting trip through this section of country, Mr. George Moore of Lenoir, the general proprietor of The Blowing Rock Hotel, stopped at Watauga Inn, delighting his friends with a vivid account of the trip through Caldwell, Burke, Avery and Watauga in search of game, among other pleasing subjects discussed, that of a proposed trip to the Panama-Pacific Exposition, the Moores to meet in reunion, sailing from New York to Panama, through the great Canal, up the Pacific coast to San Francisco, thence via the Phillipine Islands and the Suez Canal to America, thus encircling the Globe by water, a feat accomplished by few Carolinians of the North West. It may not be generally known that Mr. Moore has recently been honored by his election to the presidency of the Bank of Blowing Rock, the bank now in its new home which is probably the handsomest building of its kind in this part of the State, the tiled floor in intricate designs of delicate coloring, the whole effect charming and in excellent taste, the work done by Mr. James McGhee, the well known mason of Boone, upon whom undoubtedly, has fallen the "mantle" of his father, Mr. Jordan McGhee whose reputation as a mason in all branches of that art, rather than a trade, is little less than state wide.

Mrs. W. P. Pendley, through whose popularity among tourists who flock to this region during the summer season, and whose undoubted ability as a hotelist has greatly helped to build up the Watauga Inn, formerly called Watauga Hotel, the Inn managed and the property owned jointly by Mrs. Pendley and Squire Thomas H. Coffey, better known as just "Tom Coffey." Mrs. Pendley tells us that other improvements, in addition to those made last season, may be looked for soon. This hotel the only one on the mountain lit by electricity, this more modern system of lighting introduced a couple of years ago through the energy of Manager Coffey.

Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Curtis who spent the holiday season at Blowing Rock have returned to their handsome home in the State of Washington, leaving behind them many old and new friends regretful at their departure.

Mr. Thomas H. Coffey, representing Blowing Rock Lodge No. 458 at the meeting of the Grand Lodge in Raleigh last week, returned with reports of a pleasant and profitable visit,—in fact a grand time at the Grand Lodge! Hon. E. S. Coffey and Capt. Lovill returning with Mr. Coffey and spent some time at the Inn, being ever welcome here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Hardy Taylor of Valle Crucis spent Sunday and Monday of this week with their friends at the Watauga Inn, the Taylors ever welcome at the Rock where they are justly popular.

Dr. Jennings is here for the benefit of the public. Office at Watauga Inn.

Miss Rosena Brown has been assisting Cashier Sudderth during the trying days incident to the moving from the old quarters, the building bought by Mr. Sudderth, who is to re-

move it to his new lot on Palmer Avenue, east of Main Street, on the old W. L. Palmer property, formerly the estate of Wm. Morris, Esq., now of Hudson, N. C.  
 Rev. J. M. Payne filled his regular appointment here last Sunday to the usual satisfaction of his large following, both within and without the church, Mr. Payne possessing the confidence, love and esteem of the entire community who, to a man, considers him a consecrated follower of the Master and an earnest and able minister of the Gospel, who announced last Sunday that he would conduct the annual revival meeting next month, beginning on Monday following the third Sunday.

Your correspondent is in sympathy with every effort made to revive religion and awaken careless and thoughtless souls in the community, but feels that it is quite a "commentary" upon the religious life of any community that it is deemed necessary to "revive" the churchmembers each year, and surely, looking within at one's own heart in all the churches of all communities, there exists, seemingly, a need of such reviving, and yet, with the monthly ministrations and Sabbath teachings, the Sunday School open four times each month, Bible Reading with Prayer and Praise each week, daily Family Worship in the home, personal prayer to God morning and night, Grace at meals three times a day, frequent searching of the Scriptures, and hourly, yea, all the time "watchful and prayerfullest he enter into temptation," should render the Christian who is a churchmember in any community invulnerable to the effects of the "fiery darts" of the Evil One!—Why not?—What is religion for but to be lived each day as something as needful as the food we eat? And, surely, did we Christians live the true life each day, there would be no lapsing church members and few, if any "sinners."

**Training School Items.**  
 The new music Teacher, Miss Beulah Foster, came in Friday and has enrolled 19 pupils to date.

The Dew Drop will be issued in a short time. Its main feature will be the courses of study for the new Domestic Science, Sight singing, and Pedagogy. It will be sent to any one desiring it.

On Wednesday evening the Senior Cooking class entertained as their first guests Miss Lackey and Professor Downum. The effort of the girls was highly satisfactory to the guests.

Prof. Downum was called to Friendship Church on Saturday to perform the burial service for Mrs. Martha Canter, 81 years of age.

The girls of Lovill Home made a pleasant trip to Winkler's Mill Sunday afternoon.

The Lady Teachers of Lovill Home and McNeil Cottage with Mrs. D. D. Dougherty, Mrs. Battle, and Miss Stephenson took light luncheon at McNeil Cottage on Sunday evening.

**Free Seeds.**  
 EDITOR DEMOCRAT: I am endeavoring to have sent to each family in my District a package of garden seeds. I have also allotted to me a limited number of flower seeds, and as long as they last, will be glad to send a package to any one writing a card requesting me to do so.

Yours very respectfully,  
 R. L. DOUGHTON.  
 Washington, D. C.

Col. H. C. Cowles of Statesville who has been clerk of the Federal court since 1872, and whose illness was mentioned on the first page of this paper is dead. The appointment of Col. Cowles' successor is in the hands of Marshal Millikan of Greensboro. Col. W. S. Pearson of Charlotte has been endorsed for the position by the Charlotte bar.

**Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA**

**DR. HOBSON'S OINTMENT HEALS ITCHY ECZEMA**  
 The constantly itching, burning sensation and other disagreeable forms of eczema, tetter, salt rheum and skin eruptions promptly cured by Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment. Geo. W. Fitch, of Mendota, Ill., says: "I purchased a box of Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment. Have had Eczema ever since the civil war, have been treated by many doctors, none have given me the benefit that one box of Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment has." Every sufferer should try it. We're so positive it will help you we guarantee it or money refunded. At all druggists or by mail. 50c. Pfeiffer Chemical Co. Philadelphia and St. Louis.  
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**GOOD YOUNG MULE For Sale**  
 I have for sale a splendid mule colt, year old next spring. If interested, call and see it on the J. W. Farthing farm, two miles east of town, or write E. G. Farthing, Boone, N. C.

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 All kinds of repair work done under a positive guarantee. When in need of any thing in my line give me a call and get honest work at honest prices.  
**WATCH REPAIRING A SPECIALTY.**

**NOTICE OF SALE.**  
 Under the power of sale contained in a mortgage deed executed on Aug. 5th, 1904, by Daniel V. Yates to J. C. Grimsley to secure notes to the amount of \$285 which mortgage is registered in the office of Register of deeds of Watauga co. N. C. in Book J page 300 we will, at the court house door in the town of Boone, on 18 February, 1914 sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described lands, situate in Watauga county, N. C. on Beest Mountain and known as the George Grimsley and Wm. A. Grimsley land being the land conveyed by deed from J. C. Grimsley and wife and Ann Grimsley to said Daniel V. Yates, and to a more definite description reference is made to said deed containing 130 acres, more or less to satisfy a balance of \$389.33 due on said notes and to costs of sale. This Jan. 10, 1914.  
 S. W. CULVER,  
 NELLIE WELBORN,  
 Assignees of Mortgagees.

**Some Shoe Talk.**

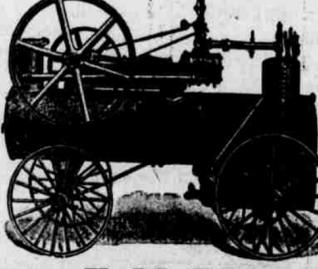
Being now sale owner of the J. W. Hodges and Co's store, I am in a position to sell you many bargains—yes real bargains, and this week we will have a short talk on shoes. In my big stock I am carrying a line of many of the standard makes, "Red Goose School Shoes" for misses and children, "Honesty" for men, "Pacife" for women, the "Atlantic for men. These are all in the.....

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 and are now going at great bargains lower than the same goods can be bought elsewhere. A big line of the famous Craddock-Terry shoes in stock that I will close at a bargain, and the "Gold Brand" for ladies is a beauty, which will also be sold at greatly reduced prices. If you need foot-wear come to me first, and I am sure to please you in style and price.  
 Most respectfully,  
**J. S. Winkler.**  
 [Successor to John W. Hodges & Co.]

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**The Man In The Moon**  
 Regrets that we can't reach him with a bottle of



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 Because he suffers with colds and is threatened with Pneumonia.  
 We have used Gowan's Preparation repeatedly in our home for congestion of the throat and lungs with gratifying results. We have frequently recommended its use to our friends and acquaintances and never heard of its failing to do all that is claimed for it. I unhesitatingly recommend it as a reliable remedy.  
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 CONCORD, N. C.

**PERSONAL PROPERTY SALE**  
 We the undersigned will sell to the highest bidder on Thurs. Jan. 29, 1914 at 10 o'clock all the personal property of David Adams, deceased, Vilas, N. C. viz: 1 cow, 1 calf, 1 hog, 7 sheep, bees, chickens, corn, wheat, oats, canned goods, pork, Farming tools, wind mill household and kitchen furniture and other things. Terms of sale: all over \$5 on 6 months time with approved security, under \$5 cash in hand, This Jan. 8, 1914. Sale at old home.  
 E. A. ADAMS,  
 TILMAN ADAMS, Adm'rs.

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 Yours truly,  
**D. J. Cottrell.**

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