

Town and County.

—Miss Jennie Bulla, who has spent a great part of the summer in our village, left Wednesday morning for her home at Sophia, N. C.

—Mrs. D. R. Shearer, wife of our popular electrician, has returned from a visit to Lenoir, Butler and Knoxville to the delight of her numerous friends.

—Mesdames M. E. Vestal and M. C. Chamberlain, of Yadkville and Marion respectively, are visiting their sister, Mrs. I. W. Gross, at her home west of the village.

—Owing to an overplus of matter we are forced to leave over the court proceedings and some other articles of interest until our next issue. Best we can do.

—Rev. J. N. Atkins will hold services at the Episcopal church in Boone on Sunday morning, September 12th, and at St. Matthews church, Todd, that night.

—Miss Ruth Perkins, who with her sister, Miss Donna, has visited their uncle, Mr. L. N. Perkins for some weeks, has returned to her home at Marion, Va., leaving Miss Donna, who will enter the A. T. S.

—The court is moving on with its work slowly but surely, and as we go to press the State docket has not yet been completed. The bar and people generally speak in the highest terms of Judge Adams, who is presiding.

—Mr. Lloyd S. Isaacs, of Mabel, began teaching school at Thomas Chapel on August 16th, and we are glad to learn that he is teaching one of the most successful schools that has ever been taught there, therefore we see no reason for his not making good at anything where there is an effort put forth.

—Mr. J. L. Vest, one of the company known as the Home Moving Picture Company of Norfolk, Va., is spending his vacation in Boone and its surroundings. Mr. Vest, who is a 200 pounder, isn't here on account of any physical ailments but rather just to enjoy the climate. He has been here before, knows quite a number of people, is a jolly good fellow and seems to be enjoying his stay among us.

—During the past week the chief highway engineer for the State and two assistants have been working in the county, mapping the roads and examining the soil and material for road building. The work is being done under the direction of the State Highway Commission at the request of the county commissioners. The object is to estimate the cost of building good roads in the county and to advise us as to what we can do with our resources.

—On last Saturday night Sheriff Moody and his deputy in that township, Mr. H. L. Yates, succeeded in capturing another block ade distillery, this one on Beach mountain, and one of the best yet brought in, being a comparatively new 60-gallon copper still. The owners were not apprehended, but while the faithful deputy was carrying out the copper on his shoulder several shots were fired at him from ambush, one ball piercing the still but all going wild of the officer. This No. 9 brought in by Sheriff Moody—six coppers and three tank outfits. In addition to the still the sheriff also brought with him as souvenirs a pack of greasy, well worn cards and six masks, worn, presumably, by the blockaders to hide their identity. The masks were most hideous, being made of fancy oilcloth with bits of red flannel stitched about on them. For an officer to sight a bunch of blockaders bedecked like this, in some one of the many lonely ravines of this mountain section in the dead hours of the night, it seems to us church would be out and going home time would be long past due.

—Editor H. C. Martin, of the Lenoir News, was in town Monday in the interest of his paper.

—Attorney J. C. Fletcher, Government Title Inspector, with headquarters at Asheville, is attending court here this week.

—Thank you, boys, for your kindness this week in settling up with the printer. It is much appreciated. But there are others.

—Dr. J. M. Hodges was in town yesterday, having come after his wife and little son, Jack, who have been spending some weeks with relatives in this section.

—Cashier Geo. W. Sudderth, of the Blowing Rock Bank, and Mrs. Sudderth and her sister, Miss Blanche Blair, come over from the Rock first of the week for a few days' visit to relatives.

—Regardless of the strenuous efforts being put forth, by our alert county officers to suppress the liquor traffic in Watauga; it was very much in evidence here the first part of the week, much to the regret of the town and community.

—The following visiting attorneys are in town attending court: Newland, Jones, and Harshaw, of Lenoir; ex-Judge Council of Hickory; Council, of Jefferson; Lowe, of Avery, and probably others. Solicitor Hayes, sorrow of offenders, of course is on hand.

—The cattle sale conducted on Monday by Mr. W. E. Shipley, was indeed a success and the prices paid did not bespeak hard times. In our next issue will appear a list of the purchasers, prices paid, etc., that we cannot use this week for want of space.

—Rev. J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder of the North Wilkesboro district, will commence a meeting in Boone on September 14th, to last, possibly, for ten days. All denominations are cordially invited to take part in the meeting, as it is wished to reach all the people of Boone and adjoining county.

—Capt. E. F. Lovill, who is just now superintending a gold mining proposition in Georgia in which he, Messrs. W. R. Lovill, Wade Wagner, and probably others in Watauga county are interested, is here for court this week, but will return just as soon as his business here can be transacted. He is much encouraged, and says the prospects for a rich development are most flattering. Here's hoping.

—Robert Wall, who was sentenced to the State prison at last term of court for the slaying of Martin Moretz, went alone, knocked at the door of the State prison for admission, was refused, and is now in Raleigh awaiting the arrival of an officer from Watauga, who will formally induct him into the prison walls. Supt. Mann, on the grounds that no officer was with him, refused to admit him.

—Editor Joseph H. Humphries of the Manatee River (Fla.) Journal, who, with his wife, have been spending some time at the lovely home of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Mast at Valle Crucis, was a most pleasant and welcome caller at our office Monday. The genial gentleman is not only editor of a bustling daily in the "Land of Flowers," but is postmaster in his town at a salary of \$2,400 per annum. His trips to the mountains have been a revelation to him, and he is highly pleased with our county.

—During a heated contest on Monday before the Board of Commissioners over a new road in the western part of the county, Mr. Jasper Thomas, of Mabel, and Mr. Jacob Snyder got wrathy, resulting in Thomas slapping Snyder, who in turn gave Thomas a blow in the face. They were soon quieted and a fine of \$2.50 each was placed upon them. After the fighting spirit had subsided the big hearted Jasper said to his antagonist, "Now, Jake, if you haven't the money, I will pay this little bill." But Snyder "stepped across."

—Miss Kate Moody visited relatives on Cove Creek the past week.

—Capt. Edmund Jones, of Lenoir, Watauga's decided choice, so far as we have been able to learn, for Attorney General of the State, tells the Democrat that his prospects are brightening as the days go by for the nomination.

—Mr. D. J. Cottrell, agent for the Ontario Drill people, who has sold almost a car-load to Watauga farmers within the past few weeks, had several on exhibit Monday, and several more deals were made. None better than the "Ontario."

—A. W. Dula of Lenoir, graduate optometrist, who returned a few days ago from Philadelphia where he took another post-graduate course, has been in town this week and reports a splendid business. Mr. Dula has spent a lot of money in preparing himself, and is now second to no optometrist in the State. He is now devoting his whole time to his profession, and is succeeding nicely.

Off to School

The following young people from Watauga have left for school within the past few days: Messrs. Fred Farthing, Walter Tatum, and Shelton Penn, University of North Carolina; Mr. Alonzo Payne, Wake Forest College; Misses Allie Henry Penn, Loise Fletcher, Nelia Greer, Eddie Kerley and Velma Rivers, Davenport College.

Ice Cream Supper a Success

The ice cream supper last Saturday night at Poplar Grove passed off nicely, though there was an abundance of rain and mud. There was not a large crowd but those present enjoyed themselves to the utmost, nothing occurring to mar the pleasure of the occasion. Mrs. W. L. Haynes was the winner of the last cake which brought \$14.40, and each one went away feeling that he had done his part in helping to raise \$30.60 clear of all expenses. A FRIEND.

Training School Items

We were glad to have Rev. Mr. Carpenter with us one day last week. He conducted chapel service for us and made a few very timely remarks.

Prof. Stedman has not been well for some time, but we are glad to say that he is much improved and is at his work.

The school is very much interested in good roads, as indicated by the fact that some of the teachers have been accompanying the "Good Roads Men" over the county during the past week. Three of these road men were in the county, Chief Fallas and Assistants Coble and Eldridge. Prof. Brown went with Mr. Coble to Todd and Prof. Greer went with him to Cove Creek.

Some of the young men students are now occupying Meadow View cottage under the care of Prof. Greene. Newland Hall is full as is also Lovill Home. Still they continue to come. Places will in some way be provided for the young ladies until the new dormitory is completed, when there will be ample room for a large number.

It is regretted that Miss Lucky did not return to take up her work in the Art Department. Another teacher will be secured as soon as possible.

NOTICE

NORTH CAROLINA Watauga County In the Superior Court, Spring Term, 1916. Maggie Roten vs. Walter Roten.

Service by publication. The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior court of Watauga county for divorce, and the defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the next term of the Superior court of Watauga county to be held on the 3rd Monday after the first Monday in March, 1916, at the court house in Boone, N. C., and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the relief therein demanded will be granted. This 4th day of September, 1915. W. D. FARTHING, F. A. Linney, Clerk Sup. Court. Attorney for defendant.

—Copy for a change of ad. for Todd Mercantile Co. reached us too late to handle this week. Attention is directed to what they will have to say in our next issue.

The Rutherford Betterment Society

This society will give an entertainment at Rutherford School House on Saturday night, September 18, 1915.

The entertainment will be free and will consist of dialogues, speeches, quartets, duets and solos. Music will be furnished by an excellent string band.

Each lady will be expected to bring a box containing supper for two. These are to be sold to raise necessary funds for the school here.

Every one, from any community, is invited to come and spend a few pleasant hours.

We hope no lady will forget her box.

Caldwell County Fair TO BE HELD AT Lenoir Wednesday, Thursday and Friday Oct. 13, 14, 15, 1915 This is to be, without doubt, the biggest and in every way the most important public event ever held in Caldwell County. List of exhibits and prizes and premiums offered will soon be announced. Plenty of entertainments and amusements will be provided for both old and young. Begin now to make your arrangements to attend, for you can not afford to miss any of the three days attractions. CALDWELL COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION

Eye, Ear and Nose Specialist

Dr. W. H. Wakefield from Charlotte, N. C., a specialist on Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Troubles, can be consulted at Blackburn's Hotel in Boone on Thursday, Sept. 9th; at Blowing Rock Hotel on Friday, Sept. 10th; at Banner's Elk Monday, Sept. 13th. On these dates, owing to the scarcity of money, the Doctor will make no charge for testing for glasses for persons who order glasses from him. A low charge will be made for treatment if needed.

PIGS FOR SALE

Full blood Berk and half-blood pigs. Call on J. C. Ray, two miles east of Boone.

Valle Crucis News Work on the new bridge across the creek in front of the bank building has been resumed, and its early completion is hoped for. Mrs. Stella Kohnle has gone to Kinston to take a matron's position in the Caswell Training School, her little daughter, Mary Alice, going with her to Stateville where she will spend the winter with her aunt, Mrs. W. D. Clark. Mrs. Chas. Knoblauch and two children are visiting Mrs. Vesper Moore in the Globe valley. Miss Mattie Yates, who has spent a few weeks at Mr. C. D. Taylor's, has returned to Salisbury to take up her work again at the Whitehead Stokes Sanatorium. Miss Mary Swift and Miss Andrews, of Cove Creek, spent a day in our valley last week. Miss Susie Taylor left Monday for Lincoln where she will enter the Fassifern School. She was accompanied to Elk Park by her brother, Mr. Bynum Taylor, and Misses Nannie Taylor and Anne Moretz. Misses Mary and Mina Shull, Gladys and Mary Lizzie Taylor, and Annie Mae Shipley, students at the Training School in Boone, spent Sunday at home. Mrs. Wiley Swift and children, of Greensboro, who have spent the summer at the Methodist parsonage on Cove Creek, spent Sunday night at Mr. W. N. Mast's, en route to Montezuma to visit Mrs. Swift's parents, Rev. and Mrs. Bagby. In spite of the heavy storm Saturday night and the swollen streams Sunday, Rev. Mr. Bagby reached here Sunday to fill his appointment, coming from Montezuma. He arrived too late for the morning service, but preached Sunday night to an appreciative congregation. Mr. and Mrs. Manning, of Spartanburg, S. C., are guests at the Valle Crucis Inn, Mrs. Manning being a sister of Miss Horner. Bishop Horner accompanied the party here but returned hurriedly, owing to the illness of his son. A number of our citizens are attending court at Boone this week. BLAIR HOTEL BOONE, NORTH CAROLINA. FAMILY AND TOURIST HOTEL. Open all the Year. TERMS REASONABLE. REDUCED RATES TO PERMANENT BOARDERS. GEO. F. BLAIR, Prop.

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