

**Town and County.**

—One of the twin infants of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Brown, died Monday.

—There will be preaching at the Methodist church next Sunday. Subject: "Good Roads."

—The apple bloom is light in Watauga, but if it escapes getting killed the crop promises to be sufficient for home use.

—Mrs. R. H. Ray, who has been in very feeble health for some time is now suffering with a broken rib, the result of an unfortunate fall Tuesday evening.

—The fishing season opened on Tuesday, and Mr. R. M. Green, one of our crack anglers, was first to cast a fly, and reports a fine catch from the Boone Fork waters.

—Prof. Hartzog requests that the patrons of the Boone public school meet him on the grounds next Saturday for the purpose of planting trees, shrubbery and flowers. Bring a tree with you.

—Mrs. Lovill, widow of the late J. Claude Lovill, of Honey Grove Texas, arrived at the home of her brother-in-law, W. R. Lovill, Saturday, and will make her future home there.

—Rev. N. C. Combs, a local minister of the M. E. Church, South, died suddenly in the post office at Mabel on last Friday. Watauga had no better man than he. A tribute next week.

—We are glad to learn that Mr. Joe C. Cook, whose fearful accident at the Whiting plant we have mentioned from time to time, is somewhat better, and there is now some hope of his ultimate recovery.

—Mrs. J. M. Moretz and daughter, Mrs. Grover Triplett, attended the Sunday School Convention on Beaver Dam last Sunday and since her return Mrs. Moretz has been suffering from the effects of coming in contact with poison oak.

—Mr. Lathan, of Union county, arrived in Boone Sunday afternoon, and on Monday morning left for his home, taking with him his son, J. Barney, who has been seriously ill at the home of Mr. C. J. Cottrell for some time. The trip was made through to Monroe on Monday, and Tuesday Prof. Greene received a telegram that the young man had died that morning. Young Lathan was a member of the Senior class of the A. T. S., and no better or more popular student has ever attended school here.

—Mr. Allen, Chief Engineer on the Elkland-Boone extension of the Virginia-Carolina Railway, was in town a few hours Monday. He says they are making good progress on the survey, two lines having been run, one on each side of the river, for a distance of eight miles, and he is of the opinion that he can complete the survey on this line within the next two weeks, then the other two surveys, from Riverside and Bowie, respectively, will be completed at the earliest day possible. The work is being done along permanent lines, and it is safe to announce that, should we carry the road bonds on next Tuesday, the county will have a standard gauge railroad right in her midst.

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**Notice of Tax-Listing**

I will be at the following places on the dates named for the purpose of listing the taxes in Boone township for the year 1917, to wit: Vilas, Monday, May 14, before noon; T. L. Mast's store, the same date afternoon. Adams, Tuesday the 15th; Boone Wednesday and Thursday, 16 and 17th; New River Academy, Friday, the 18th.  
G. F. CLITCHER, List Taker.

**Our Federal Aid Must Be Saved.**

The County Road Commission feels that the county cannot afford to lose the aid offered us by the Federal government. If, by any chance; the road bonds should fail, we feel that we must carry out the following section of the State Road law, to which attention is called. This will raise \$27,000 a year. Of course this is not so fair to the outlying townships as the bond issue, as because under this plan it would be ten years before we can reach all parts of the county. The section follows:

"SECTION 20: Wherever in any county, township, or road district a condition exists in connection with the location, construction, maintenance, or repair of the roads of said county or township or road district that in the judgment of the county road commission or any other similar road commissioner board having charge of the roads and bridges of the county, township, or road district, the fund available for such condition is insufficient for the work demanded, then, on application of the county road commission or board of the county commissioners shall appropriate from the general fund of the county, or shall issue short-time notes or bonds in sufficient amount for the work required: Provided, that the amount of such fund or bonds issued shall not any one hear exceed one per cent. of the taxable valuation, both real and personal, of the county, township, or road district."

C. D. TAYLOR,  
ROY M. BROWN,  
W. W. STRINGFELLOW,  
County Road Commission.

**BLOWING ROCK BREEZES**

Miss Eunice Holsouser who has been visiting in Richmond, Va., and Rowan county has returned to her home. Miss Lena Reeves arrived several days ago. They were both missed while away, as they are regular attendants at Sunday School and prayer meetings.

The ice cream supper was a success, the receipts amounting to \$19.50.

Rev. G. L. Hodges preached an interesting sermon at the Presbyterian church to a very large and appreciative audience. Bro. Hodges is certainly a gifted speaker for one so young in the ministry.

Mr. T. H. Coffey is able to walk around town, but is still suffering from his fall. His many friends hope he will soon be well.

Mr. H. J. Teague, formerly of Caldwell county has moved to town, having purchased a house and lot from our barber, Henry Coffey.

The writer has just returned from a trip to Caldwell. The people are busy planting larger crops of corn than ever before, and there is a good prospect for a large crop of apples.

Rev. Walter Adams of Cary's Flats is spending some time at the Rock.

Mr. Job Blair of Vilas, passed through the village Saturday.

The citizens of Blowing Rock met Friday night and nominated Rev. Edwin Robbins for mayor, John Cox, B. J. Greene and Chas. Cannon for commissioners. Dr. Brooks made an able talk at the meeting on Sanitation, and May 15 was set apart as clean-up day. W. M. F.

The railroad is assured if the bonds are voted. The railroad itself and the property it will bring with it will, within five years, be paying the entire tax due to the road bonds.

**Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA**

**The County Canvass.**

The county canvass for road bonds is going steadily on; numbers of leading citizens in the various townships taking part there in. Supt. E. P. Kinzell, of the Virginia-Carolina Railway, after spending Tuesday in Boone, joined the speakers at Blue Ridge at night, and made a very practical talk on good roads for Watauga. He says that no county really needs a railroad until it has a system of good roads, and to prove his assertion, stated that, to [put it at the lowest figures possible, Ashe county lost during the past winter \$100,000, on account of being unable to get their lumber, acid wood, etc., to the rail road over the almost impassable dirt roads of the county. He says there is today within reach of their railway survey from Todd to Boone, enough dead chestnut wood, of no use to the owners, when delivered on the road, to pay the interest on our bonds for the next ten years. He says that no State, city, progressive town or county, can do without bonds if they expect to keep abreast with this age of development.

**THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN WATAUGA CO**

SERVICES AS FOLLOWS:  
Foscoe: Every Sunday 11 a. m. Sunday School 10 a. m.  
Blowing Rock: 2nd Sunday 7:30 p. m. Sunday School 3 p. m.  
Boone: Third Sunday 7:30 p. m.  
Todd: Tuesday after 3rd Sunday 10 a. m.  
Shulls Mills: 4th Sunday 3 p. m.  
J. N. ATKINS.

**John E. Brown**

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BOONE, N. C.

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NOTICE:—I have sold my jack to Mr. John H. Clawson of Meat Camp, who will stand him this year. He has an ad in another column.—H. Neal Blair.

**Attention Farmers.**

This is the year to raise big crops of corn and cabbage, by using Royster's High Grade Fertilizers. For sale at W. L. WINKLER'S, Boone, N. C.

**Men Wanted.**

To work in the mines at Cranberry, N. C., loading cars by contract. Can make from \$1.75 to \$2.25 per day. Fine climate and good treatment. Mines well ventilated. There will also be an advance in wages May, 1st. For further information apply to or write S. H. ODOM, Supt., Cranberry, N. C.

**Notice of Administration.**

The undersigned having duly qualified as administrator of the estate of C. J. Coffey, decd., all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present them to the undersigned on or before the 12th day of April, 1918, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All person indebted to said estate will please settle at once. This April 12, 1917.

T. H. COFFEY, Adm.

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We will maintain an automobile passenger service for the people of Watauga and Avery counties, and passengers coming up on the E. T. & W. N. C. Ry. Our cars will come on call anywhere that cars can go day or night. Prices will be as reasonable as we can make them, general high prices considered. Patronize the men that appreciate your business, and men that know their business. Experimenting is very expensive to the car owner.

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