

Town and County.

—Mrs. W. B. Gragg continues to improve.

—A good, much-needed rain on Monday, and the weather has been much cooler ever since.

—Mrs. I. G. Greer is visiting at the home of her parents, Atty. and Mrs. J. F. Spainhour, in Morganton.

—Preaching next Sunday morning and evening at the Baptist Church by the pastor. A cordial welcome to all who come.

—Mrs. L. W. Campbell, of Elizabethton, Tenn., returned to her home Tuesday, after a short visit to her sister, Mrs. D. D. Dougherty in Boone.

—Mrs. Verlie Thomasson, of Hickory, is a visitor at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. L. Winkler, just east of the village.

—Buy a Liberty Loan Bond. Literature can be had at the Watauga County Bank or at The Democrat office. Time is short. Act quickly. Cashier Hagaman has a word for you in this issue.

—Misses Josephine Lovill and her cousin, Miss Ola Marion, of Siloam, Surry county, both students at Davenport College, were visitors among relatives and friends in Boone last Sunday, returning to Lenoir Monday.

—Mr. Ed. G. Farthing, who has been working at the carpenters' trade at Camp Greene, near Charlotte, spent Saturday night with his family in East Boone, leaving on his return early Sunday morning.

—Miss Allie Henry Penn, with two of her co-workers in Davenport College, Prof. T. W. Birmingham and Miss Edna Holsclaw, returned Monday, after a short visit to relatives and friends in Watauga.

—On Monday evening last, Messrs. M. H. Rimer, Wm. Gragg, Grady Greer and Floyd R. Harmon left for Shulls Mills, where they boarded the train Tuesday morning bound for Camp Jackson, where they began military training.

—Friend "Bud" McRary, of Lenoir, was in the village Monday advertising "The Birth of a nation" that is to be given in the Opera House in Lenoir on Friday, Oct. 26. Already a number of our people have expressed their intention of attending, the weather permitting.

—The following carpenters in and around Boone left Tuesday for Camp Greene, where they hope to procure work: Messrs. Pink Hodges, Bill Hodges, Poley Wike, Carl Winkler and Don. D. Farthing. Mr. L. C. Farthing, a plumber by trade, who has secured work there, accompanied them. Good luck, boys.

—Dr. L. E. Farthing, of Pittsboro, N. C., with his wife and little son, John Wate, Jr., is spending a few days at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Farthing. The Dr. has been a very busy man of late, for aside from a heavy practice, he is a member of his county exemption board, and we hope this brief respite from his labors will be most pleasant and refreshing to him.

Buy a Liberty Loan Bond.

The Watauga County Bank will receive subscriptions to Liberty Loan Bonds and will make no charges for handling the transaction. The bonds are issued in denominations of \$50.00, \$100.00, \$500.00, etc. The terms are: 2 per cent. with application, 18 per cent. Nov. 15, 40 per cent. Dec. 15, and 40 per cent. January 15, 1918. The bonds bear 4 per cent. interest and are free from taxation. Subscriptions must be received before October 27th.

G. P. HAGAMAN, Cashier.

—Rev. J. A. Downs, an Advent minister, of Chicago, preached in the Methodist church here Sunday night. The minister is a half brother of the late Rev. J. M. Payne, of Boone, and was originally from Alexander county. He and his wife, who accompanied him, left Tuesday morning for a visit to their daughter, Mrs. J. I. Hickman, in Ashe county, before returning to their city home. He is indeed a good talker.

—The protracted services at the Methodist church, conducted by Evangelist J. J. Clark, of Knoxville, came to a close last Sunday evening, business matters calling the minister away at an earlier date than he expected. He is an earnest, forceful speaker and has the nerve to handle the popular sins and extreme fashions of the day with gloves off. It is hoped and believed that much good for the Master was accomplished during the services.

—Mrs. J. J. L. Sherwood, who, for a number of years, has been an inmate at the Western Hospital at Morganton, died at that institution early yesterday morning. The remains were shipped by way of Shouns to the old home at Amatha, where we presume interment will be made today. She leaves a husband and a large family of grown up children who are numbered among our best people. The many friends of deceased in Watauga who knew her intimately in years long gone, will hear of her death with sorrow. The Democrat extends sympathy to the aged husband and other loved ones in their deep trouble.

Work on Boone-Trail Highway to Begin.

Mr. H. W. Horton of North Wilkesboro, N. C. sends us the following:

Next Monday is to be the beginning of the saving to the State of that vast rich section lying northwest of the Blue Ridge. It has always been cut off by the mountains from its sister territory east of the Blue Ridge, and through necessity and not by choice has been tributary to Tennessee and Virginia.

The Good Roads Commission of Wilkes county is going to turn loose that most wonderful road builder, the revolving steam shovel, on the Boone-Trail Highway next Monday morning, with the order, "On to Deep Gap" and the Watauga County line as fast as possible. It may take a year or longer, but the building of this road is considered the most important of any road in Wilkes, and the whole state should look upon it as the most important development now projected. At the present time there is not a single railroad connection penetrating the counties of Watauga, Ashe and Alleghany from this side, neither is there satisfactory highway anywhere through the Blue Ridge anywhere between Asheville and where the Virginia-Carolina line crosses the Blue Ridge.

This highway not only connects up Watauga and Wilkes and brings all that part of the State west of the Blue Ridge into closer business and social relation with the state at large, but when the roads in Yadkin, Wilkes and Watauga, which are now under way, are finished, tourists from all eastern and Piedmont Carolina will have a continuous stretch of good road through Winston-Salem, Yadkinville, Wilkesboro or North Wilkesboro, Boone and on into Tennessee and Kentucky, and from Charlotte via Statesville, North Wilkesboro and on over the same route.

The completion of this highway a year or two from now ought to be made an event of state-wide interest—and we think it will.

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Dunwick Photo Studio, Lenoir, North Carolina.

Teachers Meeting.

Almost a hundred public school teachers were present to-day at the first teachers' meeting for this school year. Superintendent Hagaman sent out a notice requiring all to attend or forfeit a part of their salary. So all came except a very few, about six or eight being absent. It was worthy of note that as one looked over the body of teachers, all of the number with the exception of a very few (less than a dozen) were trained at the Appalachian Training School.

One of the chief features of the day was an address by Dr. Cooper of the State Department of Health at Raleigh, who spoke on the importance of health, and by actually examining a boy before the teachers, illustrated to them how to examine the children as required by law. He gave the teachers full instructions as to how to report and to whom to report after the examinations were made. The afternoon was given up to the discussion of various subjects pertaining to the best interests of the schools of the county. Superintendent Hagaman is wide awake to all the work of the schools and this interest is reflected in the teachers.

A Series of Evangelistic Meetings at the Baptist Church.

On Wednesday evening, Oct. 17, a series of evangelistic meetings will begin at the Baptist church in Boone. The pastor will preach until Saturday, the 20th, and then Evangelist J. C. Owen will arrive and do the preaching and have charge of the conduct of the meeting. Mr. Owen is one of the Home Board's forces of the Southern Baptist Convention, whose special work is with the mountain schools conducted in the several states. Mr. Owen is quite a successful soul winner, and a most excellent preacher. There will be only services in the evening from the 17th to the 20th, but after that time there will be a day service. All are cordially invited to come and take part in these meetings from the first service to the last.

M. A. ADAMS, Pastor.

ROLEY'S ORINO LAXATIVE FOR STOMACH TROUBLE AND CONSTIPATION

First Round for Taxes.

I will meet the tax payers of Watauga county for the purpose of collecting taxes for the year 1917 at following times and places:

Cove Creek, Thursday	October 18, 1917
Forenoon, W. F. Sherwood's store	
Afternoon, at Mabel, Reece's store	
North Fork, Thomas's store, Friday	October 19, 1917
Meat Camp Hodgson's store forenoon, afternoon	
at Will Norris' Saturday	" 20 "
Ball Mountain, Voting Place, Monday	" 22 "
Stony Fork, Frenon Ed Moretz, after, Virgil P. O	" 23 "
Elk, Jim Wheeler's store, Wednesday	" 24 "
Blue Ridge, Geo. Story's store, Thursday	" 25 "
Blowing Rock, Friday	" 26 "
Watauga, Shulls Mills, Saturday	" 27 "
Shawneehaw, Matney post office, Monday	" 29 "
Laurel Creek, John Ward's store, Tuesday	" 30 "
Beaver Dam, voting place, Wednesday	" 31 "
Boone, Monday	Nov. 5 "

All taxes will be collected without delay; all other taxes not paid will be collected at once. This October 2nd, 1917.

W. P. MOODY, Sheriff.

BYNUM B. BANNER.

F. M. RICHARDS, Jr.,

Automobile Repairing

We will make a specialty of automobile repairing at our garage this summer. We can take care of any and all makes of cars, put them to going and keep them going. We are prepared to look after your electric starting and lighting system regardless of the make.

PARTS AND ACCESSORIES.

We keep a full line of parts for Ford and Overland cars, and will not keep you waiting for repair work. Gasoline, oils and greases on sale at all times

AUTOMOBILE TIRES AND TUBES.

We are sole agents for Goodyear tires and tubes, and will maintain a Goodyear Service Station. Anyone that knows anything about tires will tell you that Goodyear tires are the best. We have tried them, and we know.

AUTOMOBILE LIVERY SERVICE.

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.

Banner & Richards

BANNER ELK, N. C.

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN WATAUGA CO

SERVICES AS FOLLOWS:

Blowing Rock: Every Sunday morning.

Foscoe: First Sunday night

Boone: Third Sunday night.

Shulls Mills: Fourth Sunday evening.

J. N. ATKINS.

Summer Complaint.

During the hot weather of the summer months some member of almost every family is likely to be troubled with some unnatural looseness of the bowels, and it is of the greatest importance that this be treated promptly, which can only be done when the medicine is kept at hand. Mr. F. F. Scott, Scotsville, New York state, "I first used Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy as much as five years ago. At that time I had a severe attack of summer complaint and was suffering intense pain. One dose relieved me. Other members of my family have since used it with like results."

FARM FOR SALE.

PRICE \$6,000.00.

Located within 1/4 mile of the depot at Butler, Tenn. containing about 25 acres of the finest land in the country, this being a part of the Curtis and Farthing farm near the large springs at Dr. W. R. Butler's residence. A proposed pike road to be built to pass in front of dwelling within the next year. Most of this land being entirely level and will produce 100 bushels corn per acre, the buildings are all new, consisting of one good barn and dwelling house and all necessary out buildings. The buildings alone cost at least \$3,000. This is one of the most desirable places to live in or near the town of Butler. This little town of about one thousand people is one of the greatest school centers in East Tennessee, having two 9 months schools, and school property to the value of about \$25,000. This town will soon be intersected from Carter County, Virginia, and North Carolina with pike roads which will add greatly to the convenience of the people. If this property is sold it must be at once, otherwise the offer now pending will be withdrawn. If interested either see or write

H. M. WAGNER.

Butler, Tenn., 9-20 3t

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Shoes at the Present Wholesale Prices

I can sell you shoes at last years prices. Having placed my order for Spring Shoes and slippers last fall. So I can save you from 50c to \$1.00 per pair on shoes,

I Also Have Dress Goods, Notions, Clothing Etc., that I can sell you cheaper than I can buy the same goods back owing to the big advance in prices of goods. Come and see me and save money by so doing. Good stock always on hand.

Yours to Save You Money,

C. M. Critcher, R. F. D. Boone, N. C.

EAST TENNESSEE AND WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA RAILROAD COMPANY

LINVILLE RIVER RAILWAY COMPANY Time Table No. 77—In Effect 5:45 A. M. Sunday, May 27, 1917—Central Standard Time

EASTWARD		STATIONS	WESTWARD	
No. 4	No. 2	(E. T. and W. N. C. R. R.)	No. 1	No. 3
P. M.	A. M.		A. M.	P. M.
1:00	7:00	Leave Johnson City	10:40	5:00
1:12	7:12	Milligan College	10:27	4:47
1:16	7:16	Watauga Point	10:20	4:40
1:20	7:20	Sycamore Shoals	10:17	4:37
1:28	7:28	Elizabethton	10:12	4:32
1:42	7:42	Valley Forge	10:00	4:20
1:50	7:50	Hampton	9:58	4:15
1:57	7:57	Pardoe Point	9:50	4:07
2:05	8:05	Blevins	9:43	4:00
2:11	8:11	White Rock	9:37	3:53
2:17	8:17	Crabtree	9:30	3:45
2:25	8:25	Roan Mountain	9:25	3:40
2:32	8:32	Shell Creek	9:18	3:33
2:50	8:50	Elk Park	9:03	3:18
2:55	8:55	Arrive Cranberry	8:55	3:10
No. 6		(Linville River Railway)	No. 7	
P. M.	A. M.		A. M.	P. M.
3:15	9:15	Leave Cranberry	8:35	2:50
3:30	9:30	Minneapolis Junction	8:30	2:35
3:40	9:40	Vale	8:11	2:26
3:47	9:47	Newland	8:05	2:20
4:30	9:55	Montesuma	7:50	2:10
4:50		Pinola		7:00
4:05	10:05	Linville	7:45	2:00
4:20	10:20	The Gap	7:25	1:40
4:27	10:27	Jestas Siding	7:15	1:30
4:35	10:35	Townsend	7:05	1:20
4:45	10:45	Foscoe	6:55	1:10
4:55	10:55	Arrive Shulls Mills	6:45	1:00

*Flag Station.
Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4 daily.
Nos. 7 and 8 daily, except Sunday.
Nos. 1 and 4 carry parlor car.
NOTE—Connection is made at Shulls Mills with automobiles to go to Blowing Rock, N. C.,—distance seven miles.

N. L. MAST, Pres. W. C. COFFEY, Vice Pres.
G. P. HAGAMAN, Cash. J. T. MILLER, Ass't Cash.

The Bank

That Appreciates and Protects its Customers

Capital, Surplus, Profits and Stockholders' Liability \$50,000.00

It has been the policy of this bank to render the greatest service possible to the citizens of Watauga county. We appreciate the confidence the people have shown in us, and the success they have helped us to achieve in building up a strong banking institution. With our improved equipment we are better than ever prepared to serve them.

The Watauga County Bank

BOONE, NORTH CAROLINA.

L. D. LOWE, President. H. B. PERRY, Vice-President

L. M. FARTHING, Cashier.

The Valle Crucis Bank.



We solicit the accounts of all persons in this new Bank, and we will do our best to accommodate the people and render the greatest service consistent with sound banking.

War, War!

and high prices is the talk of the town. But send your produce to me for highest cash prices. Meet me at Cook Brothers Store at Todd on Friday of each week with your produce, and at Riverside on other days. Mail me a card today for prices. I pay cash on receipt of goods. My Motto: Honesty.

Respectfully,

N. C. PARSONS

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New Building near Todd Mercantile Co., Todd, N. C.