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Boundless Wealth and Commercial Possibilities

No section in this broad land of ours has had the advances in values that the country surrounding Big Stone Gap has enjoyed in the last few years, nor is there a section that is so likely to have a further advance.

New York City claims for its really values an advance of two hundred per cent in the last decade. In the congested business district this is true; but what about the values of coal land surrounding this wonderful little city of ours? In 1880 thousands of acres of land were bought for a dollar per acre, ten years later these same lands were held at a hundred dollars per acre, and today they cannot be bought for four hundred dollars per acre. As the worth of these wonderful deposits become known we will see these values multiplied again.

The owners of these lands are full well alive to the high-cooking qualities of their coal beds, and already around Big Stone Gap four thousand ovens give forth their daily yield to the iron world.

Only a short distance behind the coal fields come timber. The virgin forests that surround Big Stone Gap are being bought up by the investing world, and the clear-headed financier, no matter how astute he may be in the financial world or in the fields of commerce, could he possibly leave a greater heritage than that of coal and timber lands in this section.

Who can look at the report of the National Conservation Committee and doubt that iron ore is one of the best investments in the world today. This report shows us that in 1870 every man used 180 pounds of iron ore, in 1907 the consumption was 1344 pounds per capita, and today the consumption has increased 1138 per cent since 1870.

No wonder we feel rich here in this beautiful valley of ours, bounded on one side by coal, and on the other by iron ore, and on all sides by timber. No where in the United States can iron be made as cheaply, for from the coke ovens can be had a twenty five cent rate of freight; 40 per cent iron ore be had on a 20 cent rate, and limestone at the very door of the furnace. We have from this point a much lower freight rate on iron than from Birmingham.

Thousands of tons of food, supplies, etc., for the mine and miner geographically flow through this city, which makes it a veritable commercial center. Nature has surrounded Big Stone Gap with resources that gives us a bank account such as no other section of the United States can boast of.

Man has contributed three railroads, which open our markets to the world.

LOGAL ITEMS.

The Young People's Missionary Society will meet at the home of Misses Mary Blair and Lucille Martin on Friday afternoon, April 14th, at 8:30 o'clock with Adelaide Pettit as leader.

Regular services at the Methodist Episcopal Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Miss Alice Bruce, who has been teaching at Dorchester, left Tuesday morning for Washington, D. C., where she will enter one of the leading hospitals there and will undergo an operation.

Mrs. William Young, of Turkey Cove, has been very sick for several days, but Drs. Gilmer and Painter, who were called in consultation Monday morning are very hopeful of her speedy recovery.

Miss Margaret Pettit, who is teaching music in Rye Cove, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Pettit, Miss Beryl Howell, who is teaching Domestic Science in the school at Rye Cove accompanied her home.

Mrs. J. C. Pritchard, Jr. (nee Miss Zollie Palmer) who has been living in North Carolina, and sister, little Venus Palmer, who has been living with her grandparents at Yuma, in Scott County, are visiting friends in the Gap this week.

F. E. Richardson, auditor of the Interstate Railroad, spent a few days in Knoxville this week.

Mrs. R. Harris and baby, Raymond, has returned from a few days visit to relatives in Knoxville. Mr. and Mrs. Harris are now keeping house in the apartments in the Touraine Flute recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Chapman.

RECEIVED TO DAY. A large shipment of ladies silk suits and dresses, also a beautiful line of ladies neck wear and crepe de chine waists—Goodloe Brothers.

Rev. J. B. Craft left Monday morning to hold a meeting at Greenfield Church, near Meadow View, Va. There will be no preaching at the Baptist Church Sunday morning. Rev. A. B. Brooks, of Coeburn, will preach at night. The public is cordially invited to hear Mr. Brooks.

The Mineral Motor Company, which recently established an agency at this place for distributing Ford Cars and supplies for a large territory adjacent hereto, certainly believes in advertising. Last week they carried 42 inches of advertising in this paper and this week they have about 140 inches, and the way they are selling Ford Cars ought to convince any one that it pays to hustle and advertise. Mr. Cook, the manager, is a practical business man and goes after business in the right way and he is certainly getting it too.

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Look out for the Knoxville Boosters tomorrow morning, about ten o'clock, central time, and help give them a royal reception. They are a fine lot of fellows and want to get acquainted with you.

Hurd's Restaurant

This restaurant is located on East Fifth street and serves its customers meals at all hours. Mr. Hurd is a Tennessean, but has been living in the Gap for a good many years and is well pleased with Virginia.

NOTICE.

Stockholders' Meeting.
To the Stockholders of the Big Stone Gap Land Company.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Big Stone Gap Land Company will be held at the office of the Company in the town of Big Stone Gap, Wise county, Virginia, at ten o'clock a. m., on Wednesday, May 3rd, 1916, for the purpose of electing Directors and transacting such other business as may come before the said meeting.

JNO. W. CHALKLEY,
Secretary.

Camp Fire Girls

We are pleased to have in our midst an organization of the Camp Fire Girls which is composed of nine girls and their guardian, Mrs. J. L. McCormick.

This camp was organized over a year ago by Miss Jennie Scheetz, of Bayonne, N. J., while spending some time in the Gap with her uncles, W. T. and R. B. Alcover. Later it was chartered Camp Benge, taking its name from an Indian chief whose trail crossed the High Knob. The stream, Benge's Branch, from which Norton gets its supply of water also bears his name.

The Girls are to be commended on their work in helping to beautify the neglected spots in cemetery. The girls are now getting up a musical play which will be given at the Amuzu Theatre for benefit of club.

Magazine Subscription Agency

A small business which has been built up in the Gap and has grown steadily for the past five years is a Magazine Subscription Agency operated by Mrs. R. D. Morrison, who will quote you subscription rates on anything from the London Times to the booster edition of the Big Stone Gap Post, at a moment's notice, either singly at the regular annual rate or in the most enticing of "clubbing combinations." See the next catalogue she mails to you for proof of this statement.

Extra Copies

We have a limited number of Extra Copies of this week's issue of the Post, which we sell at five cents each. Got a few copies and send them to your friends. They will appreciate a copy and besides you will be helping advertise Big Stone Gap and will assist us in meeting the expense incurred in publishing this large Booster Edition.

Notice of Stockholders' Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the East Big Stone Gap Land and Improvement Company will be held at the office of the Company, Big Stone Gap, Virginia, April 26, 1916, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

I. N. JONES,
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