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EXCITEMENT PREVAILED

DISCOVERED WEST POLE SO THEY SAY.

Boys Out all Sunday Night—Unable to Send Message Home—Returns Monday.

Upon going down the streets on Monday morning the populace of Louisburg was greeted with the interest raising expressions of "Where are they," "Wonder what the trouble," "Have you heard anything," and such exciting interrogations. Interest was high and continued to rise for hours, and it seemed months before any real news was received. It had about gotten to the point where squads would be formed to go out in search, but just about 11:30 o'clock the boys were seen climbing the embankment just across the bridge and the smiles of satisfaction and ease rested upon the countenance of everybody.

On Sunday about 12 o'clock, Messrs. H. A. Bost, Leroy Ashbrook, W. B. Tucker, J. H. Doughton, P. B. Fleming, availed themselves of an invitation to accompany Dr. A. H. Fleming in a motor boat ride up the river. The party left with the intention of going up to the railroad bridge, about ten miles from here and did not expect to get back until about night as the water was up and the current was strong. The engine to the boat worked splendidly until they reached the bridge but when they went above and made the turn to return it went "dead." They worked upon it for some time with no result. Dr. Fleming finally secured a horse and buggy and drove to Franklinton, about five miles, where he secured a new set of batteries, thinking this his trouble, and a lunch for the party as it was now past suppertime. Upon returning and after taking lunch they began the work of connecting the batteries, expecting to get off for home in a few minutes, but she still refused to work. Deciding they would row back they proceeded to light up the headlight to the boat, but again there was "no go," so there was nothing else to do but spend the night on the river bank by a bonfire. Early in the morning they drew in anchor and began pulling for home, reaching here about 11:30. This was the occasion of the aroused interest early in the morning when it was learned the party was out and had not returned. The experience was great and although they made the best of it we have not found the one yet that wishes to repeat it during such cold wet weather and especially under the circumstances.

Being approached for an expression upon their trip the boys say that Cooke and Perry had discovered the North Pole Amundsen the South Pole. They felt they had a right to lay claim to the discovery of the "West Pole."

Explorers Banqueted.

Dr. Fleming and his gallant men were the recipients of a banquet given them by the Discoverers Club last Tuesday evening at the Louisburg Hotel. These young navigators having laid claims to the discovery of the West Pole the Club thought it very fitting to give them a banquet in honor of their great discovery and go over the records and observations taken on the trips. After a five course banquet had been served, Mayor Holden, in a fine speech introduced Dr. Fleming, the commanding officer of the "Princess Helen" in which boat the trip was made. Dr. Fleming arose amid the cheers and shouts of the entire party and it was fully ten minutes before the shouts had subsided sufficiently for his voice to be heard.

He then told of the great preparation for the trip and how the party had endured the cold and fatigue, without the aid of gum-drops or dogs and had forged their way toward the setting sun in search of the West Pole. Observations were made all along the trip and finally the meridian of five o'clock and thirty minutes west was reached and another observation was made. The Pole was reached but the observation showed that the engine was dead and refused to work any more. It was decided to go into camp and the cook came forward with the sad news that all supplies had been exhausted and that there only remained one owl and one muskrat. This was a very strong diet for the party so it was decided to send out searching parties which were done and finally a village by the geographical name of Franklinton was discovered. The natives of this place proved very friendly, supplies were received and the flag was raised and the place claimed in the name of Louisburg.

Observations were made all through the night, the most important of which was that Mates Tucker and Doughton

were fast asleep on the frozen ground. The crew was disturbed all through the night sometimes from passing trains; but generally from the thunderous snores of Mates Bost and Ashbrook.

Several of the party wandered off into the night in search of food but returned without having found any.

The records were carefully gone over and found accurate and medals will be given to the members of the discovering party. Just as the party was at the height of its enjoyment, one of the guests who was recently married, received a phone message from his wife that it was 11 o'clock.

No one had the nerve to ask the nature of the message but he went home so the party adjourned.

Add New Line.

We are informed that P. S. & K. K. Allen will in a few days move their line of men's furnishings into the Stokes store and place in their present building a full and complete line of ladies dress goods and millinery.

Will Be Here Tuesday.

See Dr. Rappart at the Louisburg Hotel Tuesday, March 19th. If you wish to have your eyes examined and glasses adjusted. The doctor will be here for one day only. Bear in mind the day and date.

Teachers Meeting March 30th.

Teachers will take notice that the date of meeting of association has been changed to March 30th. This will be the last meeting of the year and it is important that all teachers attend.

To Locate in Louisburg.

We take pleasure in stating the fact that we have been informed that Dr. E. M. Perry, son of Mr. A. W. Perry, Sr., and a brother of our townsman, A. W. Perry, Jr., will locate in Louisburg about April 1st. Dr. Perry is a very popular young physician and will no doubt meet with much success here. We extend to him a hearty welcome to our town.

Pretty Stock.

Howell & Bunn are unloading their last car of furniture and house furnishings included in their order of a few weeks ago. In this lot there is lots of pretty goods and their store is now presenting a scene of beauty. This completes their stock which they claim to be one of the largest and nicest in Louisburg. Read their advertisement.

Came Near Being Serious.

On last Thursday afternoon, according to reports received here, while returning home from Louisburg Reuben Debnam, of near Djekens, happened to a very serious burn. It seems as if he was under the influence of whiskey and had a lantern burning in the foot of his buggy to keep his feet warm. The lantern exploded and set fire to the buggy robes and as a result his right foot was burned very badly. The accident occurred near the home of Mr. W. S. Sledge, near Mapleville, and was discovered by someone in passing who rendered all the aid possible.

Funeral of Mrs. Allen.

The funeral service of Mrs. T. K. Allen was held from the Methodist church on last Friday morning, conducted by Rev. R. W. Bailey, who paid the deceased a pretty and fitting tribute. The interment was made at the cemetery in the presence of a large number of friends who had gathered to pay a last sad tribute to one whose life had been a blessing to whatever community she had lived. The floral tributes were very large and beautiful. The pallbearers were: Honorary—F. B. McKinne, Dr. D. T. Smithwick, S. S. Meadows, O. S. Macon. Active—T. B. Wilder, B. G. Hicks, D. F. McKinne, F. W. Hicks, M. S. Davis, N. M. Perry.

Supply Business.

The Hill Live Stock Co., has purchased the Stokes stock of general merchandise from Mr. K. P. Hill and also the stock of general merchandise of Mr. F. S. Garrett, and will run a general supply business in the building next to the Farmers & Merchants Bank. They have also purchased the vacant lots on Nash street to the rear of the First National Bank building and we are informed will build a large store on same and make connection with their Main street store. When completed they will have a most convenient business house.

They have also purchased the Griffin & Beasley storage house on the south side of the river known as the Hughes-Davis storage house.

Our Presidential Possibilities Series



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WOODROW WILSON

His candidacy of the former president of Princeton university makes the expression "the scholar in politics" something more than a taunt in the mouths of politicians of the old type. During the time he has held office as governor of New Jersey Woodrow Wilson has made it evident that though he was before his election without practical experience in state or national politics, he is a man to be reckoned with by those who have played the game for many years. His administration has shown him to be the possessor of original ideas and of the force to carry them out, and his speeches delivered throughout the country have added to his popularity. The withdrawal at his own request of the formal support of Harper's Weekly, which has been his foremost newspaper advocate, has added interest to his campaign to secure the nomination at Baltimore.

Louisburg Baptist Church.

Public worship Sunday 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Ivy Allen superintendent. Pastor Gilmore will preach Sunday morning from the text, "The Lord hath need of them," at night the theme will be "Wanted—A Man."

Add to List.

Telephone subscribers will add to their directories the following new names:

W. H. Allen, Sheriff office	62
W. T. Person, residence	54
W. T. Person, office	492
J. S. Howell, store	94
Mrs. W. E. Hester, residence	51
Mayor B. T. Holden, residence	191
S. J. Pharam, residence	171
W. A. Rodabush, residence	162
C. M. Vaughan, residence	104-2
Howell & Bunn, store	196
A. W. Perry Jr. & Co, store	92
A. W. Perry Jr., residence	68

Pope's Items.

One of our beloved citizens who was liked by all and one who had a host of friends, Mr. John Sherron, died at his home near Pocomoke Saturday, March 9. Mr. Sherron was a good farmer and industrious. He leaves a wife and several children to mourn their loss.

Miss Mamie Dickens, our teacher at Pope's, visited her parents Saturday, near Franklinton.

Mrs. J. T. Holden visited relatives and friends near Youngville Sunday.

Mrs. Roy Perry is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. G. D. Kearney.

Mr. E. L. Moore is shooting some big guns in the old well that was blasted about 50 feet in solid rock about 50 years ago. Mr. Moore intends to get water if he goes to China.

Misses Maud and Ida Fuller called to see Mrs. T. B. Thomas Sunday evening.

We were delighted to see the bright sunshine Sunday, it seemed to put new life in everything. One of our neighbors hitched his horses to his wagon and carried his family to Sunday school, you may bet he had a load as none has as large family as he. G. H. P.

An Appreciation.

As I stood by the new mound that enclosed all that was mortal of Mrs. Lavinia McKenzie Allen and read in the faces of the concourse assembled there the realization of a keen personal loss, her life during the few months that I knew her, passed in review.

Less than two years ago she came into this community a stranger. On the morning of March 6th she passed out leaving a host of friends to mourn their loss.

Mrs. Allen was the shy daughter of W. V. and Lavinia M. McKenzie, and from them inherited the nobility of heart and charming personality that distinguished her wherever she was known. Having been born north of the Mason and Dixon line, in Rahway, N. J., she spoke of herself as "of the North," but her heart and interests recognized no dividing line in church or State. Before her marriage to Mr. Thurston K. Allen, of this place, she was an active member of the First Presbyterian church of her native city, an honorary member of the "Committee of Twenty One" and was instrumental in organizing a young peoples movement known as the "Cheerful Workers." She was also identified with the literary life of her city and was several times president of the "Home Reading Circle."

That there was no Presbyterian church near by with which she might affiliate did not cause her to relax her religious activities when she came to her new home. Perhaps because most of her friends were Methodists she soon became identified with them in their missionary societies, mission study circles, and in all that pertained to Christian welfare. The needs of the church she made her own, contributing generally to its support in the most delicate way. The beautiful communion service with a hundred and fifty cups was a gift from her to the Louisburg M. E. church in appreciation of the kindness shown the late Mrs. J. J. Allen.

She was so gentle and unassuming and with it so capable that a friend of her husband's family said to her that her coming into her new home just when she did—a few weeks before the

death of Mr. Allen's mother—reminded one of an incident in Hebrew history when the waters became so bitter that the people cried out to God in their distress, and he showed them a tree whose branches when dropped into the wells, made sweet the bitter waters. But that healing influence was not confined to her own friends. All who knew her felt its benediction. To a friend quarantined with a case of scarlet fever in her home her sympathy found expression in an exquisite piece of cut glass with a note as dear to the recipient as the accompanying gift. Such tender considerations linger as a memorial wherever her name is known.

Her new home and environment may have been very unlike her city home but she quickly adapted herself to southern ideas. None surpassed her in hospitality, indeed; few families entertain as many guests. She made as many friends during her short residence here as many people make in a life time. Her home was an ideal one. Upon her husband lavished the wealth of manhood's affection and received in turn his ideal and inspiration. She understood and appreciated every detail of his business—she was his comrade.

Besides her devoted husband she leaves four brothers, Mr. Charles T. McKenzie, of Rahway, N. J., Mr. Joel B. McKenzie, and Dr. E. T. McKenzie, of New York and Mr. R. M. McKenzie of the Iowa State Agricultural and Mechanical College, with the exception of the latter all of whom were present at the funeral.

M. D.

Franklin County Union.

The next session of the Franklin County Union of the Tar River Association will be held with the Midway Baptist church, beginning Friday night, March 29th, with a sermon by Rev. G. M. Duke.

Saturday—The general theme for discussion on Saturday will be "How can we bring our churches up to New Testament standards."

I—In respect to doctrines, Rev. W. B. Morton.

II—In respect to conduct in, 1 Public worship, Rev. Mack Stamps; 2 Sunday Schools, Rev. Jack Ellis; 3 Description Mr. T. H. Sledge.

III—In respect to evangelism, 1 at home, Mr. J. H. Harper; 2 in the regions beyond, Mr. D. T. Bunn.

IV—In respect to giving, 1 to current expenses, Rev. J. W. Sledge; 2 to objects fostered by the denomination, Rev. W. M. Gilmore.

Dinner will be served on the grounds, SUNDAY

9:30 a. m. Sunday school led by Mr. Dock Pearce.

11 a. m. sermon by Rev. W. B. Morton.

2 p. m. sermon by Rev. J. A. Ellis. IVBY ALLEN Moderator.

Gleanings From Sandy Creek Sunday School.

We are glad to note the interest that is being manifested in our school; last Sunday we had twelve new scholars to join us, and only three of the old ones were absent. Class No. 5 was the banner class. Next Sunday and Saturday before are our regular church days, preaching Saturday at 3 p. m., and Sunday at 10 a. m. Bro. Duke requests that as many of the members as can do so, be present on Saturday.

We are glad to learn that Mrs. Jas. Brewer and Mr. George Harper are improving, and hope they will be able to be at church next Saturday and Sunday.

Several of our people went over to Laurel last Friday evening to the closing exercises of the school there. They report a pleasant time.

Owing to the bad weather the farmers of this section have not done much towards preparing for their crop yet.

We regret that Mr. I. R. Gupton and Mrs. C. Wester who have been sick for sometime, are not improving very fast. We are sorry to learn that Mrs. Cade Parrish the principal of the public school here, has been sick for the past few days and hope that she will soon be well again.

Now don't forget our Sunday school, but come out and help us make it one of the best in the county. Remember the time, Sunday morning at 10 o'clock sharp. R. R.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to the good people of Louisburg and vicinity who rendered us kindness and courtesies during the recent death of our sister and to us during our stay in your midst while attending the last tribute to a loved one. Your kindness will always be remembered and appreciated.

E. T. MCKENZIE,
JOEL B. MCKENZIE,
CHARLES T. MCKENZIE

THE MOVING PEOPLE

THEIR MOVEMENTS IN AND OUT OF TOWN

Those Who Have Visited Louisburg the Past Week—Those Who Have Gone Elsewhere For Business or Pleasure.

Wm. Bailey spent Monday in Raleigh on business.

E. S. Ford spent Wednesday in Raleigh on business.

F. B. McKinne spent a few days this week in Charlotte.

Mr. Ernest Adams, of Linton, is visiting Mr. Jones Macon.

Mr. J. S. Williams, accompanied by little Gus Reavis, spent Monday in Raleigh.

Mrs. B. B. Benson, of Raleigh, visited her people in and near town the past week.

Miss Nonie Aycock, who has been in New York for some time, returned home yesterday.

Mr. H. A. Bost left the past week for his home near Salisbury where he will spend the summer.

Mr. M. F. Heuck left Wednesday for Henderson to attend the funeral of Mr. J. L. Currin, brother-in-law of Mrs. Houck.

Mrs. A. M. Hall and daughter, Miss Grace, left Saturday for the northern markets to purchase the spring stock of goods for the Racket. Watch for her announcement upon her return.

Mr. J. M. Allen returned yesterday from Baltimore and reports the condition of Mrs. R. L. Bernhard as much improved, which will be received with much interest by her many friends here.

Castalia Items.

We are glad to see spring time again. Hope this will be the last pretty snow so we can prepare to plant our crops.

Mrs. T. A. Matthews visited Rocky Mount the past week.

Messrs. S. J. Bartholomew and C. L. Moss went to Henderson last Thursday to the organization of the Virginia East Carolina Railroad.

Mrs. S. J. Boddie left last Thursday for Norfolk where she will make her future home.

Mr. John Terry has moved to the residence of Mrs. S. J. Boddie.

Mr. Mack Moss came home last Friday from Wake Forest on a visit.

We are very glad that Mr. Otho Parker, one of the school boys, is again able to be with us at school. He has been confined with measles.

The railroad men are surveying the road. Everything looks bright for the railroad which we soon hope to have.

Mrs. M. V. Lancaster is visiting her daughters near Castalia, Mrs. J. S. Bachelor and Mrs. E. E. Bachelor.

Mr. W. D. Insoe caught a fine opossum in the snow this morning.

Misses Geneva Hines, Lillie Leonard and Irene Sledge spent last Saturday night and Sunday with the Bachelor girls.

Mr. J. O. Sledge and Miss Annie Bachelor passed through the "city" Thursday en route to her sisters near Rocky Mount. Mr. Sledge will be gone several weeks and will organize the Farmers Union in Edgecombe.

Mr. Frank Wheelers has purchased a pair of fine young mules. Hope they will not run away and kill him.

Mr. Russell Bartholomew and Miss Kate Wilder went to see Miss Blanche Jones last Friday.

Mr. Rob Blackwell and family have moved to Rocky Mount.

The girls and boys of Castalia High School are looking forward to commencement, which will be April 22nd, 23rd and 24th. Everybody is cordially invited. We hope to have the best ever known to have been at Castalia.

With best wishes to the TIMES and its editor.

BLUE EMBLA.

[The above was written for last week but was received too late.—EDITOR.]

Social workers and reformers all over this broad land of ours are constantly trying to remedy problems of vice and install new reform methods; and it behooves every mother of our Home, Sweet Home to do her share by exerting preventive measures upon her boys and girls. Prevention is better than reform.