

Local Notes.

McColl News Notes.

Mr. L. A. Monroe made a business trip to Lilesville Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Fields spent Sunday at Jackson Springs.

Mr. C. L. McCoy spent the weekend at Wrightsville Beach.

Mr. J. W. North is spending several days at Jackson Springs.

Miss Elizabeth Harrill of Charlotte is visiting Miss Mary Fields.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. F. Avinger were Sunday visitors at Jackson Springs.

Mr. Walter Roper of Charlotte is spending a few days here with friends.

Mr. E. D. Currie and sister of Laurinburg, Route 2, visited relatives at Parkton last week.

Miss Hattie James returned last week from a visit to home folks at Union, S. C.

Mrs. L. E. Benton and children left Wednesday for White Lake, where they will spend a week.

Miss Tom Stewart left last week to attend a house party at Blewitt's Falls.

Miss Mittie Sanford left Tuesday for Rocky River Springs for a vacation of several days.

Mr. J. M. Watson of Wagram left Tuesday for Hiddenite, where he will spend several days.

In the absence of Recorder E. H. Gibson there will be no sessions of Recorder's court this week.

Mr. F. G. Crouch left Wednesday morning for Ellerbe Springs, where he will spend a short vacation.

Mr. J. W. Jackson leaves next week for an extended trip to Richmond, Petersburg and Norfolk, Va.

Mr. John F. McNair, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Jones and children are spending several days at Jackson Springs.

Miss Maud McCollough of Raleigh and Miss Irma Davis of Elizabethtown are guests of Mrs. L. E. Benton.

Mr. Cecil Sanford is relieving Clerk of the Court C. D. McCormick for ten days, while Mr. McCormick is taking a vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Correll and little son, R. E. L. Jr., and Miss Annie Ferree were weekend visitors at Wrightsville Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Covington and daughters, Misses Bessie and Alice Covington, are spending several days at Jackson Springs.

Work is progressing nicely on the handsome new residences of Messrs. Jasper T. Gibson and J. Maxwell Gregg on East Church street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Morgan spent the week-end with Mrs. Morgan's sister, Mrs. W. M. Smith, at Bennettsville, S. C., returning home Monday.

Rev. N. H. D. Wilson, a former pastor of the Methodist church here, preached Sunday to the congregation at the Methodist church.

Clark on the Court C. D. McCormick is taking a ten days' vacation. He left Tuesday for Rocky River Springs, where he expects to spend a part of his vacation.

Mr. J. McN. Patterson of Laurel Hill was a visitor here Saturday. He was accompanied by Rev. W. V. Mae of Wilmington who is visiting friends in the Laurel Hill section.

Rev. James Long and Mrs. Long left Tuesday morning for Monroe. They will spend several days' vacation at the home of Mr. Long's father, Hon. W. D. Long.

Mrs. J. T. John and daughter, Miss Alice John, of Johns Station, left Tuesday morning for Hendersonville. They will spend some time at this famous mountain resort.

Mr. Aubrey Hammond is now on an extended trip through the North and East. He will visit Philadelphia, New York and other well known points of interest.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Gaddy returned last week from a month's vacation, which they spent with friends and relatives at Union and Spartanburg, S. C.

Mr. W. P. Covington of Raeford has been spending a few days in the city. Mr. Covington is the Democratic nominee for the house of representatives from Hoke county.

Mr. D. T. Currie of Old Hundred visited relatives at Parkton last week. He was accompanied home by his nieces, Misses Estelle and Bertha Currie, who will visit relatives at Old Hundred for a few days.

Mr. J. B. Bissell of Kinston has been spending a few days here with his sister, Mrs. John Moore. Mr. Bissell, a former Laurinburg citizen and his friends, are always glad to see him on the native soil.

Mr. and Mrs. Mac Cameron left Wednesday morning for Henderson, where they will live in the future. Mr. Cameron begins his new duties with the Henderson Daily Dispatch Monday, August 14.

Mr. W. I. Mason of McColl, S. C., a former citizen of Scotland county, was a visitor in Laurinburg Friday. Mr. Mason has been a resident of McColl for about eight years but has large farming interests in this country.

Rev. and Mrs. N. H. D. Wilson of Goldsboro are visiting friends here. Mr. Wilson was formerly pastor of the First Methodist church here. Friends are glad to have Mr. and Mrs. Wilson here for a season.

Rev. Livingston Johnson and family of Rocky Mount, and Editor and Mrs. Archibald Johnson and family of Thomasville are spending a few weeks at Riverton, occupying their cottages and living again in the atmosphere of their childhood.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Hammond and daughter, Miss Nannie, returned last week from Hamlet, after spending several weeks at that delightful western North Carolina resort. Misses Minnie May and Mamie Hammond stopped at Charlotte to visit their sister, Mrs. Thomas A. Coughlin.

Pee Dee Advocate.

McColl, Aug. 1.—The rain fall during July was 14.67 inches. Average during June and July was 26.11 inches.

The average yearly rainfall during the past ten years was 54.41 inches and the monthly average was: Jan. 2.59 in.; Feb. 3.91 in.; March 3.89 in.; April 2.44 in.; May 3.65 in.; June 5.29 in.; July 5.92 in.; Aug. 6.16 in.; Sept. 3.76 in.; Oct. 2.97 in.; Nov. 1.96 in.; Dec. 3.29 in.

Dr. Welling gave an interesting lecture last night at Main Street Methodist church, illustrating with

There was no preaching service at the First Baptist church on Sunday morning, as the pastor, accompanied by his family, is away on a vacation.

Means, Joe, Covington and Will Haywood of Rockingham were visitors in town last Thursday. They were accompanied home by Misses Margaret Covington and Eddie Ellen McLaurin.

Miss Marguerite Fletcher of Bennington visited relatives here last week.

Miss Elizabeth Haywood of Rockingham is a guest this week, at the home of her uncle, Mr. Luther McLaurin.

Mr. C. W. McLaurin, who had been spending some time at the summer school at Columbia, has returned home.

Miss Mattie Vaughn and Mr. Tolair Gore, both of the Mario mill village, were married at Bennettsville last Wednesday.

On last Saturday the following guests dined at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Willis of the Red Bluff section, a few miles from here: Mr. Servin Edens and daughter, Misses Servin and Agnes, of Georgetown, Texas; Mrs. Annie Barrington, of Clio; Mrs. Earl Charness of Bennington; Mr. Eli Willis and daughter, Misses Alice and Stella Willis of McColl.

Miss Murdock of Greenwood, who was recently elected as assistant Sup't of Connie Maxwell Orphanage, is expected to visit friends here this week.

Miss Annie McLaurin has accepted a school at Clemmons, Florence county.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Gibson and children, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Willis and children, dined at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Servin Willis on Sunday.

Rev. L. A. McLaurin of Jonesboro, N. C., preached at the Presbyterian church on Sunday morning. Mr. McLaurin is McColl boy, and his friends are always glad to hear him.

Miss Sadie Easterling is visiting friends here.

Miss Creighton Thorn, of Warren, N. C., is visiting at the home of her grandfather, Major P. G. Alston, in the Red Bluff community.

VETERAN WHO FOLLOWED LEE KILLED BY RATTLER.

Dock Belcher, 79 Years Old, Fought Duel With Reptile, Receiving Fatal Stings—He Killed the Snake.

Danville, Va., Aug. 4.—Dock Belcher, who fought with Lee's cavalry in the Civil war, fought a battle single-handed with a rattlesnake on Tuesday at his home in the country, and

died a short while later from the wounds he received, according to information received here this morning. Belcher killed the snake.

The veteran, who was 79 years of age, heard the rattle of the angered reptile in the grass. He quickly located it and seizing a stick tried to dispatch it. The snake, however, succeeded in striking him three times quickly on the hand in which he held the stick, but Belcher rained down blows upon it until he had killed it.

He then started towards his house nearby but fell when he had gone a few yards. Two ladies passing in the road saw him lying down and hastened to him. He was nearly dead but had sufficient strength to relate the incidents of his fight with the snake. The two women hastened to his home for Belcher's daughter, the dying man expressing a desire to see her. Upon their return Belcher was dead. A short distance away they found the dead snake and the stick Belcher had used in killing it.

Listening to You.

Rockingham Post.

Our neighbor over in Laurinburg is a little late in announcing the Carolina Country Club and says:

It is stated that a movement is on foot for the establishment of a country club in Richmond county. No definite statement of plans has been made, but it is said that those behind the movement are anxious to have the club centrally located in the county, where it will be in easy reach of all towns and railroads. It is further stated that definite plans will probably take shape in the near future for the development of this work.

For his enlightenment he is asked to come over in a few days to the opening of the club which has already taken "definite shape" in that it is a handsome two-story and basement building, with a large main lobby, dancing hall, dining rooms, half a dozen sleeping rooms, water works, electric lights, boating, bathing, tennis courts, fishing and arrangements being made, now for an eighteen hole golf course. The club building itself cost in the neighborhood of \$3,500, being built jointly by the three towns of Rockingham, Hamlet and Cheraw, S. C., and is located on Everett's Lake, about equal distance between the three towns. The membership also is about equally divided, there being about one hundred in all.

Campaign Funds Committee.

In a letter to this paper Mr. Hugh McRae of Wilmington states that Messrs. W. H. Neal, W. H. Weatherup and M. H. McBryde have been designated as a committee for Scotland county for the purpose of receiving funds for the Democratic national campaign this year. Mr. McRae states that it will be very necessary to have sufficient funds to carry on an unprecedented publicity campaign, in order to get before all the people the record of the Wilson administration. This is very necessary for Democratic success this fall. Those who wish to contribute something to this fund may keep in mind the above statement.

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MEMORIES OF THE OLD CHINA.

"Sooty Wang Ger Yang Guay Tse." Yelled Mob as Dr. Bryan Escaped Them.

Wilmington Dispatch.

Robert T. Bryan, Jr., Esq., one of the promising young lawyers of Wilmington, has prepared an interesting article dealing with an incident which existed in China many years ago. In this incident Mr. Bryan's father escaped as if by a miracle from a heathen mob which considered him a "foreign devil," and set about to kill him. The article:

When Dr. R. T. Bryan first went to China as a Baptist missionary he was sent up into the interior at a place called Chingkiang to further the good work. Dr. Bryan and his family arrived at the gates of the city and started to go in, but were stopped by the man who kept the gate. The gatekeeper asked what the "foreign devil" was going to do in their fair city. The answer was that he had come to preach the gospel. The gatekeeper went in search of the mayor of the city, who, after some negotiating, allowed the missionary and his family to enter.

The little company entered the city

and proceeded to a house that had been rented for them by some faithful Chinese Christians.

The Chinese are a very curious race and in this instance they were not loth to live up to their reputations. They crowded around the little house, peeping through the cracks in the wall and through the tiny, blindless windows.

It was several days before the crowd

ceased to try to get a glimpse of the hated foreign devil and his family.

When the good missionary went out the people would gape at him as if he were one of the seven wonders of the world.

"The little chapel was soon rented

and the work of preaching began.

The people came in great crowds and drove

at first, merely out of curiosity to see

what the white man had to say. After

the novelty of his sermons had worn

off a few conversions took place. One

day a Chinese baby whose parents

lived right across the street from the

chapel was taken suddenly ill and

died in a very few hours of some

malady which the Chinese were not

familiar with. The mother of the

baby said that "the death of her child

was due to the wicked wiles of the

foreign devil, who was always talk-

ing across the way." This passed on

from mouth to mouth until finally a

crowd began to gather. As the crowd

grew and grew and increased it be-

came more turbulent, violent, and

noisy. Suddenly some one in the

crowd shouted, "Saty wang ger yang

guay tse," which means "Let's kill the

bad foreign devil." The cry was tak-

en up and repeated by thousands of

throats. All that the mob needed was

a leader and this leader soon put in

his appearance in the guise of a tall,

strong Manchu soldier.