

THE TWICE-A-WEEK DISPATCH

A PROGRESSIVE REPUBLICAN NEWSPAPER DEVOTED TO THE UPBUILDING OF AMERICAN HOMES AND AMERICAN INDUSTRY

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BOOZE CAPTURED

23 1/2 Gallons of Booze Was Captured Saturday Night near Glen Raven by Officer Story.

Hog Stolen

Deputy Sheriff Story and Esq. R. J. Hall, accompanied by Ralph Isley, having received a report that some one had stolen a hog near Glen Raven went in search for the stolen article Saturday night. Upon arriving at the home of Will Allen, a colored man, they failed to find the hog, but found thirteen and one-half gallons of "White Lightning." The juice was being served very lavishly to the friends and neighbors who were in and around the house, many of whom made their departure upon the arrival of the officers. The house of Henry Guy was also examined and sixteen gallons of the same tongue biting fluid found and captured, but John Henry saw that the officers had more than they could handle and left for regions unknown. The meat had been stolen from John Coleman and John Henry Guy had been suspected of the theft. Allen gave bond and was hired by the officers to haul the booze to Graham, where it was locked up. When the booze was found everybody forgot about hog, however the officers do not think that Guy was guilty of stealing the meat, as he claimed that he had killed two hogs last fall and did not have meat enough for three.

Rev. George H. Church to Conduct Revival Services at Hocutt Memorial Baptist Church.

Rev. George H. Church, of Statesville, will arrive in the city next Monday to conduct a series of revival services at the Hocutt Memorial Baptist Church in West Burlington. The services will begin Monday night, 16th inst., and continue for ten days or more.

Mr. Church was pastor of the First Baptist Church here from September 1, 1899, to November 1, 1901. During his pastorate the church made several permanent and aggressive advances. One was to open mission work in West Burlington, which finally resulted in the establishment of the Hocutt Memorial Baptist Church. Mr. Church's many friends will be glad to meet him and hear him preach again.

THE MEANING MISUNDERSTOOD.

The Progressive Democrats of the State Does Not Mean Insurgency Within the Ranks.

Men high in the political life of North Carolina who stand for progress and the untrammelled rule of the people are going to join hands this year for the advancement of progressive principles in legislation. The news comes that a call will be issued in a few days to the progressive Democrats of North Carolina to meet and organize for the battle, which they hope will result in winning the next Legislature to the cause of progress. This movement of course, does not mean that there will be a split in the Democratic party; it simply means that a mighty force will be organized within the party organization of the State to lift the Democratic party of North Carolina to a higher plane of progress and efficiency, where it ought to stand. The type of men who are leading the movement insure against insurgency of the kind suggested by the term "progressive," which unfortunately has been made odious to many good Democrats, who are at heart as progressive as any—Democrats who believe in the rule of the people through the primary and in other measures advocated by the progressive for the general uplift.—The Winston-Salem Journal.

Blushing she hid her face on her father's shoulder.
"He loves me," she breathed.
"Wants to marry you, eh?" the old man grunted.
"Yes, papa."
"What's his income?"
"She started."
"I don't know," she murmured.
"But the coincidence is very strange?"
"What coincidence?" asked her father.
"Clarence," she answered, "asked the very same question about your income."

THE SALARY SYSTEM

Tax Payer Wants to Know How Much the County Is Saving by the Salary System.

Up to the Officers

The change from the fee system to the salary system saved the county more than \$3,000 last year in the office of the register of deeds. And the remuneration is still such that there will never be any dearth of capable men seeking the office. The salary system is the right and business-like way of conducting public business. The counties are coming to its faster and faster, but it should have been adopted by all of them years ago. Suppose North Carolina had in good roads the money that might have been saved all these years by paying salaries to all the county officers. To the Editor of The Dispatch:
We see from the State press what other counties are saving to their taxpayers by adopting the salary system for their county officers, instead of the old system of fees. But I have seen nothing about Alamance, although our county officers have been on a salary basis since December 1, 1912. As a tax payer I would like to know how much salaries we have paid our county officers, and what has been collected in fees.
I think our citizens would like for our county officers to give the public this statement.

TAX PAYER.

Notes From Swepsonville. Swepsonville, March 8.—There has been a number of cases of pneumonia and typhoid fever here since Christmas, with two deaths. Mr. C. M. Webster's little 5-year-old daughter died and was buried at Phillips Chapel, and Blanche, the 8-year-old daughter of Mr. W. H. Ray died with fever and complications, and was buried last Monday at Phillips Chapel. Mr. Ray is some better and improving rapidly.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Freshwater's child that has been so sick with pneumonia, we are glad to say, is improving at this writing.
The Swepsonville Band has begun practice and from all reports are getting along nicely.

Guest Mr. R. F. Foster has lost his attraction in Durham as he went down February 28th, and was happily married to Miss Lena Dupree. They will make their home Swepsonville. Here's wishing them a long and prosperous life.

The Old Maids of Swepsonville gave an entertainment Saturday night in the town hall which was largely attended.

It is reported that Mr. George Parish, one of our popular young men, was married to-day in Burlington to Miss Meta Prazier. Here's wishing them much success.

A. H. Nickis is still on his job. The bad weather doesn't stop him.

(Good morning, Swepsonville! We are glad to see you. Please come to see us real often.—Ed.)

Death of Mr. George Sykes. Mr. George Sykes, an aged gentleman, who lived near Sykes Fountain on R. F. D. No. 7, died Friday at his home. The funeral services were conducted Saturday at Mt. Harmon Methodist Church, of which he was a member.

Card of Thanks. We wish to express to our many neighbors and friends our most sincere thanks for the many kindnesses and favors shown as during the illness and death of our father.

BAXTER SLAUGHTER, On Behalf of the Family.

Miss Scott, of Graham Entertains in Honor of Her Brother's Birthday. Miss Blanche Scott entertained a number of friends at a 6 o'clock dinner Monday evening, complimentary to her brother Don's E's birthday. Pink carnations and ferns were used for the table decorations. The color scheme was carried out through the entire six courses. After dinner the guests were entertained with bridge and dancing. Miss Scott, with her brother, had as their guests, Misses: Myrtle McQuinn, of Raleigh; Mable Marie Parker, of Kinston; Louie Marie Goley, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin D. Goley, and Mrs. S. L. Scott, Jr. and Mr. Scott.

LETTER OF EXPLANATION

Graded School Teachers Reply to Article Published in The News, Attacking Superintendent.

Poorly Equipped Building

To the Editor of The Dispatch:

We beg space in your paper to reply to an article of last week in regard to the management of the Burlington Graded Schools. We wish it understood in the beginning that it is not our purpose to enter into any controversy with any one, but we do wish in reply to an attack directed chiefly at our superintendent to go on record before the public, as approving his management of the schools, during the recent siege of bad weather, and to make known some of the difficulties under which we labor.

When the Superintendent dismissed school for the one entire day and for the several half days he did just what we thought he should have done. No teacher desired to proceed with her work with less than 25% present. The cars were running very little of the time, many parents could not send their children to school and many would not for fear of endangering their lives by exposure.

With our imperfect heating and plumbing system everything that could be done was done to keep the machinery going. Our pipes are all exposed our stoves are on the inside of the buildings and in no way connected with the pipes and no amount of fire could keep them from freezing. Our children were begging for water, and our sanitary conditions were unthinkable.

The Superintendent and Teachers did all in their power to keep the thing going. School opened every day save one. All of the grades were supplied teachers, although in many cases not more than four or five were present in the grade.

We scarcely think it necessary to call the attention of the intelligent readers of Burlington to the fact that the closing out of school for a few days is no unusual occurrence, either here or elsewhere. It has been done in our own school and we do not think that the results were disastrous. It occurred two weeks ago in many of the schools of the State. Thinking men know that these things must occur in the best equipped and best regulated institutions because as yet we have not realized the Utopian dream of an idea citizenship working under ideal conditions.

Our school term has been shortened, it is true, but is it the fault of the Superintendent and the Teachers? Most certainly it is not. The teachers should put forth every reasonable effort possible at all times for the good of the school whether the school term be for four months or whether it be for twelve, and if because of forces over which she has no control the term is shortened, she should not be required to wade through frozen zones to do what others have left undone.

We do not think that the avenging fire of any one should be directed against the teacher or the superintendent because the school term has been shortened one month. The excuse is offered that the complaint had come so frequently that it became necessary to express the opinion of the public. Now it is possible that through the past six months there has come no word of praise or commendation, no one who has said that the school is doing good work, no one who has said that my little boy or my little girl is making progress in his or her books? Is there only one side? If the unfavorable reports much be voiced, can we not hear from the favorable reports, also? Can we not expect you to help us to this extent?

We are not kicking because of poor equipments, this is the business of the board of trustees and the citizens of Burlington. But we do understand the imperfect conditions under which we labor and we do think that if some others knew these conditions as we do, that we would not have to suffer this destructive criticism. We would not have to labor divided, but we would have the sympathy and co-operation of every parent in Burlington, and with the support and co-operation of the citizenship of Burlington, much could be done in overcoming the defects in our poorly equipped school.

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WHO SELLS IT?

Where Does the Whiskey Come From That is Ruining the Young Men of the Town.

Y. M. C. A. the Solution

To the Editor of The Dispatch:

Will you kindly give me some information through the columns of your paper as to how the laws of the City of Burlington are being enforced? Why is it that the majority of the young men of this town are allowed to debauch themselves as they do? It seems that there is no regard for the Sabbath whatever. Saturday night and Sunday are spent in drinking. Young men roaming around over town at all hours of the night, going to their homes at one or two o'clock on Sunday morning, disturbing their families and neighbors, and causing Oh, so much grief to their parents and sisters. Can not something be done? Some effort put forth to save them?

It wrings my heart to see so many young men going to their ruin through liquor. Where do they get their liquor and why is it allowed to be sold? We have no saloon. It would be better if we did have saloons. We at least would know where the deadly poison is being handed out to our youths.

Please give me all the light you can on this subject. For it is the desire of one who realizes to the fullest extent, the great evil which overshadows our homes.

A. READER.

(We are as much interested in the young men of our town as the reader who is seeking information. We are sorry we can not give direct answers to all the questions and especially to the one where the boys get the whiskey that makes them so intoxicated. However we are of the opinion that if fifty men of our town will band themselves together and resolve that no whiskey shall be sold in the town, the problem will be solved. A determined resolution will conquer even though it be by a small representative body. The building of a modern Y. M. C. A. building would doubtless do much in solving the problem. This, if properly conducted, would be a means of entertainment for the boys and young men which would be upbuilding and helpful. An idle mind is the devil's workshop. If the boy can be kept interested he will forget much of his folly and in many cases be turned from evil to good.

We will be glad to print any information that any of our readers can give on the above questions.—Ed.)

Miss L. Banks Holt Entertains the Priscilla Club at Graham.

Mrs. L. Banks Holt was hostess to the Priscilla Club at her handsome home on South Maple street Friday afternoon. Due to the inclemency of the weather a good number of the members were absent, but those present spent two pleasant hours. Mrs. Holt's entertainment was characterized by simplicity and elegance.

She served a salad course, complete in every detail. The members present were: Mrs. James McBride Holt, E. C. Murray, C. C. Thompson, J. A. Long, John C. Montgomery, James Kerr, Mable W. R. Goley, W. S. Rives, Robert Holmes, Allen Tate of Graham, and Mrs. James Proctor of Lumberton and Miss Corrie Henly of Guilford College.

City Barren Philatelic Union Organized.

Between fifty and seventy-five Barren and Philatelic Sunday school workers met at the Christian Church Sunday afternoon and organized a City Union with Mr. M. A. Coble as president, Miss Bertha Cates, vice president, Miss M. E. Stokes, Secretary; Mr. W. R. Futh, assistant secretary; Mr. J. J. Ish, treasurer; Miss Mamie Penville, organist; Miss Florine Robertson, reporter. Seven churches were represented, there being from one to three classes represented from a number of the churches. The next regular meeting will be held the first Sunday in April in Front Street Methodist Church. The organization is destined to do a great work for our town. We wish it every possible success.

Coin rare in circulation on an average of twenty-seven years.

NEW OPERA HOUSE

Mr. C. F. Neese Will Erect a \$15,000 Modern Opera House on His Lot on Worth Street.

Modern Building

Mr. C. F. Neese is having an architect draw plans for the erection of a \$15,000 opera house on his lot on Worth Street, between Front and Davis streets, where the residence now stands formerly occupied by Mr. Neese. The plans are being drawn to erect a modern up-to-date opera house 185 feet by 65 feet, two stories in height. The seating capacity of the building is estimated at seven hundred on the first floor and three hundred on the second. On each side of the front of the first floor will be two store rooms 22 1/2 feet by 44 with a fifteen foot passage which leads to the main entrance of the opera. Besides the balcony the second floor will contain four rooms on each side. The stage on the first floor will be erected with a view to accommodating any of the opera shows that come to our State.

For a long time the growing need of an opera house in Burlington has been felt and his many friends are glad to see Mr. Neese taking this progressive step.

The building and lot on which it will be placed will easily be worth \$25,000.

The present plans of Mr. Neese are to get the building ready for the fall season.

Death of Little Miss Clara Crutchfield.

Clara, the nine-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Crutchfield, of East Burlington, who was so badly burned on the Morning of February 13, and who has been suffering untold pain, was called from suffering and pain to rest Sunday morning. No one who has never been burned can imagine the fearful suffering which this little girl endured patiently to the end. The work of skilled physicians could not stay the grim hand of death which overshadowed her from the day of the accident. The patient care of loving parents and friends could only comfort and cheer for a while the little life which was to pass into the loving care of a precious Savior who said: "Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

The funeral services were held at the Methodist Protestant church Monday evening at 2:30 o'clock by Rev. Curry, pastor of the church. The entire class of the Graded School of which she was a member, with Miss Carrie Hornaday as teacher, attended the funeral in groups. Interment taking place at Pine Hill Cemetery.

Keeping Young.

Mental and Physical discipline—there's the "secret."
Of course, there's no secret about it. It's a matter anyone can test out at any time. It isn't easy, but it's worth the time and effort spent upon it, if anything in this world is worth such expenditure.

We cannot stop the years or change the course of time as it affects inanimate things. But we can—if we will—so fortify ourselves against its ordinary inroads as to maintain a balance which cannot easily be upset by the common run of happenings.

The foundation of youth is within us.

We can keep young by proper attention to what we think and what we eat and wear, and how we spend our time.

It is our duty to do this. We must remember always that our Creator didn't contract for a company of human derelicts when He planted man on this planet.—Philadelphia North American.

After more than half a century of faithful work for the Pennsylvania Railroad, Frederick Ehrenfeld has retired with his well-earned pension. He began as a track laborer in 1851 and quits assistant to the chief engineer of the Pittsburg division.

Bill—Everything he touches turns to gold.

Jill—I don't believe it.

"Why not?"

"Because he was in here and 'took' me today."—Young Starbuck.

SCHOOL LINES

Report of What Is Going on at the Various Schools of the County.

Submitted by Supt.

The last meeting for the White Teachers was held in the court house last Saturday. Notwithstanding the muddy roads, a large number of the teachers were in attendance. The two general topics that were discussed were: How to Fill the Records to be Left, and Plans for the County Commencement.

A number of things pertaining directly to the work of the year and looking to completion of the year's work were discussed.

The Superintendent is mailing from his office this week to every teacher a complete scheme for the coming commencement.

Alamance has now enrolled seventy-two boys in the corn club for the coming summer. We should have two hundred. We stand now eighth in the State according to enrollment. Wake leads with 196. Let every teacher make an effort now to swell the number. Let us not stop short of 100.

Oospice will give a box party next Saturday night.

Swepsonville School gave a delightful entertainment last Saturday evening. It was the "Spinster's Return." The Friendship School will give in the Swepsonville Auditorium Saturday night, March 21, the play entitled, "The Deacon." This is an excellent performance and a large crowd should greet the Friendship talent.

McCray has recently organized a Country Life Club. Several of the clubs of the county are arranging meetings.

Dr. Balcomb of the State Normal College, is expected in the county soon to speak for the Friendship Club on Agriculture.

Our county led the State year before last in the production of tomatoes per club member. This year we are arranging to have more clubs and more members. Sylvan and Saxapahaw are organizing clubs and these are more to follow.

Colored Educational Rally.

Notice is hereby given that the Colored Educational Rally will be held at the Court House in Graham, at 11 o'clock Saturday, April 4, 1914.

This educational rally has the indorsement and co-operation of Prof. J. B. Robertson, County Superintendent of Public Schools.

The Colored Teachers and School Committeemen throughout the county are respectfully notified to be present with the pupils, patrons and friends of their respective schools.

After a general opening exercise, the order of the day will consist of programs rendered by the different townships.

The townships will be called alphabetically, and the schools in each of the townships will be called according to their district number.

Each teacher will be expected to arrange his program to show the development of his or her pupils along the literary and industrial lines.

The literary part is to consist of music, recitations, etc., limited to not more than five members. The industrial part will consist of work done by the pupils during the session.

Each teacher is expected to have on exhibition that day work done by pupils in drawing, writing, etc.

We appeal to our patrons and their friends, who have wagons, buggies and other conveyances to come themselves and to help their teachers by bringing as many of their pupils of their respective schools as will be convenient for them to do.

MRS. J. F. GUNN,
GEO. S. MABREY,
MRS. B. GRAVES VINCENT,
MRS. B. G. VINCENT,
Committee.

A Very Happy Situation.

The postoffice fight stands right where it did a month ago with all the candidates believing they will land it.

Col. J. J. Ish and cents for two yards.

Car. George M. Long, Cob.

Here, Party Deal and Ed. Hill need

putatives at Merchants Supply Co.

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