

HAPPENINGS IN OUR NEIGHBORING VILLAGES

FAITH.

Some people in Asheville are reading the Faith items and they remember Venus and sent them a piece of an old newspaper "The Weekly Sun," published in Salisbury several years ago—about 1878. The people up in Asheville are mighty good people. The city of Asheville has bought many thousands of dollars worth of paving blocks and street curbing from Venus in years gone by and they have never forgotten him. We sent them from Faith to the Weekly Sun when it was published and it was a mighty good newspaper. We will mention some of the articles we saw in this issue of 1878.

Married at the magistrate's residence in Lock Township, December 11, 1922, J. P. Robinson, Esq., Mr. Andrew Kincaid to Miss C. E. Klutz, of Franklin township.

There is also a letter from Capt. H. Barker, while he was in the "Coke" with his mother at Salisbury which is very interesting. The letter is dated December 13, 1898, and tells what he sees and about his mother. Capt. Barker is now the register of deeds for Rowan county and is a mighty fine man.

There is another article: J. T. Wyatt, of Faith, N. C., shipped another pair of millstones to Wilkesboro Saturday and paid out to his lands \$248. And E. A. Fesperman also paid to his granite workers \$500.

Misses Lillie and Nora Peeler, sisters, were married to Mr. James Carter, of Craven, and Mr. Thos. Kester, of Peeler, December, 1898. Rev. J. M. L. Lively officiated.

Miss Marie Crossett writes and says that they once lived in Faith near to Venus, and Venus always gave her Christmas presents and birthday presents when she was a little girl. Now she is nearly grown and is one of the prettiest girls we have ever seen.

All kinds of business here in Faith is good now. Car load after car load of granite is going off to all parts of the country every week. That brings thousands of dollars to Faith.

Mr. George H. Peeler was 50 years of age February 15th. His relatives and friends gathered at his home and gave him a big surprise birthday dinner and a fine lot of presents. There were three ministers present and all enjoyed the fine dinner.

We received a fine lot of valentines for our collection this year from the little girls and boys from all over the country who read the Faith items.

How many miles is it around the world from east to west?

How many miles is it from the North Pole to the South Pole?

In what part of the world would one have to be to be directly under the sun?

If you have anything out of the ordinary send it to Venus for his collection.

Somebody is going to get married soon, but they won't tell us who it is. Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Frick, a daughter, Feb. 13, 1923.

Mr. Glenn Farmer, of Mount Pleasant, and his sister, Miss Eulabelle, of Greensboro Female College, spent the weekend at home with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Farmer.

The Reporter correspondent calls on Venus to beat that tin Lizette that ran six miles in eight minutes. We give it up. It's too dangerous to tackle.

Little Miss Viola Coolman, of Salisbury, of the Rowan Mills, writes Venus that she reads the Faith items and is pleased with them.

We want to get a pet squirrel. Send us an old time brass button for our collection. VENUS.

EASTERN NO. 11.

Misses Moody and Mast, teachers of Phoenix school, attended the teachers' meeting Saturday. They haven't missed a meeting this winter.

Mrs. R. G. Litaker is able to be out again, after being confined to her home with flu.

Mr. Lewis Platt, of Spencer, visited his parents here recently.

Messrs. Archie Bost and Harry Litaker, of Statesville, spent last Sunday here with friends and relatives.

Mr. D. G. Bost and family and Mr. Leon Platt visited Mr. C. E. Suther, of No. 10, last Friday evening.

Phoenix school celebrated Washington's birthday appropriately. During the afternoon the time was spent in cleaning the grounds, setting out trees and flowers.

Mr. Moses Hurlocker does not seem to improve very fast.

Master Brown Biggers, who has been very sick with whooping cough and threatened with pneumonia, is much improved.

cord to the bed'side of her mother, who has been very ill during the past week. We read some items in the Salisbury paper, last week, in which was a challenge to Venus to beat the man who swapped horses the last of one week and then on the first of the next week traded again. Now that is very small comparison to a man we know, Mr. Andy Robinson went to Concord recently with a good horse and traded eight times; apparently getting a worse bargain each time, until he finally traded the 9th time, and gave \$25 to boot, in order to get back home. Now who can beat that for a horse-trading record. BUSHY BEE.

FINDS NO CHILD LABOR IN MILLS OF CAROLINAS

Providence Tribune Investigation Expresses Surprise at Conditions in South.

Gastonia, Feb. 24.—One surprise awaiting J. P. McNeill, who is publishing a series of articles in the Providence Tribune bearing on his recent personal investigation of southern cotton mill conditions, was that he found no child labor. So general is the belief in New England that the southern mills work children at the spinning frames that he was apparently not expecting to find any other condition.

In one of his articles he says: "There was one feature of the southern mills which surprised the Tribune's fact finder.

"That was the absence of that class of workers usually labeled 'small help.'"

"I saw no child workers at any of the mills visited in either North or South Carolina.

"If any of them were just above the 14-year limit, they were decidedly large for their years.

"It was said by the overseers and superintendents and some of the operatives also that further south and west, in Georgia and Alabama, where the hours, as a rule, are longer than they are in the Carolinas, the employment of young children in the cotton mills is much as it used to be all over the south a quarter century ago.

"The overseers agreed that it was better for the mills and the children too, to keep the latter out of the factories and at the schools until they were much more than 14.

"The size and apparent age of the average young operatives in the mills visited was much greater than would be found among the younger workers in many Rhode Island mills where so large a proportion of the children leave school at 14, as soon as they are entitled to an employment certificate, without completing more than the sixth or seventh grade."

THREE FIRES REPORTED DURING THE LAST DAY

Home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mills Damaged; Negro's Home and Farmer's Barn Burned.

Three fires broke in the city and one in the county have been reported here since 9 o'clock yesterday morning. At that time the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mills, on North Spring street, was partially burned; this morning about 9 o'clock the home of Will Cannon, colored, on Chestnut street, was totally burned, and at the same hour the barn of Mr. S. H. Linker, who lives near the Jackson Training School, was burned to the ground.

It is believed the Mills' home caught from a defective chimney. The blaze was detected by Mr. Mills, who went out to the street to get a morning paper and saw the smoke coming from the attic. The entire roof over the front of the house was burned off; several rooms on the second floor of the house also were burned; and the entire structure was damaged by water.

Mr. Mills stated that he had the maximum amount of insurance allowed on the structure. Part of his furniture also was destroyed, and this too was insured.

Cannon's house, and most of his household goods, were a total loss.

Mr. Linker's barn was burned to the ground, and he lost two horses, a calf, a reaper and feed stuff in the blaze. Mr. Linker had just been to the barn to roll out his cotton to get samples to bring to this city, when the fire was detected by his daughter. Its origin is unknown. The five bales of cotton were ignited, but it is not believed they were seriously damaged.

APPLETON MILLS TO BUILD IN THE STATE

Sites Are Offered in McDowell, Burke and Rutherford Counties—Cost Five Million.

Asheville, Feb. 25.—Actual construction of a southern plant of the Appleton mills, of Lowell, Mass., at a cost of approximately \$5,000,000 will probably be started within the next 90 days on a site to be selected, and five sites in western North Carolina are given high ratings in the report of J. E. Sirene, engineer, which will be submitted to officials at Boston on March 5, it was stated last night by Hugh Little, president of the Clinchfield mills and Marion Manufacturing Company, who is interested in the project.

D. D. Little, of Spartanburg, and Mr. Sirene, of Greenville, will leave during the latter part of next week for Massachusetts and will submit their recommendations to officials of the Appleton mills.

The western North Carolina sites are listed in the report as follows: One in McDowell county; one in Burke county; two in Rutherford county and one in Henderson county.

Grab Much Booze in Raid On Distillery.

York, Pa., Feb. 25.—Five masked men with pistols held up two guards at the Fourst distillery near Glenrock early today while other members of their band loaded more than 60 barrels of whisky on motor trucks and drove away. Government agents had failed to find a clue to the identity of the robbers tonight.

This is the second big robbery at the Fourst plant, 181 barrels of whisky having been removed July 15, last. Twenty-four persons are under indictment for that offense.

The Ex-Flirt.

"Do you know anything about flirting?" asked Cuthbert.

"No," replied Gilbert sadly. "I thought I did, but the girl I tried it on married me."

LOCAL MENTION

Cotton on the local market today is quoted at 30 cents per pound; cotton seed at 72 cents per bushel.

The Bethpage Community Club will meet on Friday night at 7:30 at the schoolhouse. A full program will be announced in Thursday's paper.

A number of cases were on docket for trial in recorder's court this morning. Police officers declared the cases were not of special importance.

We have been informed that guinea's belonging to Mrs. C. E. Maness, Concord Route 6, began laying this year on February 16th, an unusually early date.

No session of Cabarrus Superior Court is being held this week, it having been decided to continue the session which was scheduled to begin this morning.

There will be a box supper at Phoenix school Saturday evening, March 3, at seven-thirty. String music will be furnished and everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Mr. C. Ross Ritchie, of the Student Speakers Bureau of Lenoir College Appeal, presented the cause of his Alma Mater to the congregation of St. James Lutheran Church yesterday morning after the chief service.

The venereal clinic, which has been conducted here for several weeks, has been continued to extend through this week, it was reported at the office of the county health department today. The clinic will end on Saturday.

The weekly meeting of the Concord Rotary Club will be held at the Y tomorrow night at 6:30 o'clock. There will be no meeting of the club Wednesday, as the meeting tomorrow night will be the regular one for the week.

Will Bray, negro, held in jail here in connection with the death of Jesse Hasty, another negro, will be given a preliminary hearing on Wednesday of this week. In all probability he will be held for trial in Cabarrus Superior Court.

Friday eight new cases of whooping cough and 7 new cases of measles were reported to the county health department. Saturday eleven new cases of whooping cough and two new cases of measles were reported to the department.

The condition of Ruby Coble, 8-year-old child alleged to have been injured by an auto last Thursday, remains critical, a message from the Concord Hospital stated this morning. It is generally believed that the child has no chance to recover.

Marriage licenses have been issued to the following couples: James Thompson and Miss Nelle Poole, both of Kannapolis; John W. Helms and Miss Cora Jacobs, both of Concord; and Joseph L. Abrams, of Cornelius, and Miss Elizabeth Phillips, of Kannapolis.

Mr. J. A. B. Goodman, of Mooresville, spent Sunday with his daughter, Miss Vernie Goodman at the Jackson Training School and was here with his former pastor, Rev. L. A. Thomas Sunday night. He is spending the day in Concord with old friends today.

A Sunday School institute for Townships Nos. 6 and 7 was held yesterday at Mr. Olive Church. There was good attendance and interest was good. Several churches in the townships are doing progressive work along Sunday school lines and always welcome additional information.

Dr. S. E. Buchanan, county health officer, stated this morning that Dr. Sprull, who conducted two tuberculosis clinics in this county, will return here for another clinic in May. "The exact date for the beginning of the clinic has not been decided," Dr. Buchanan added, "but it will start some time in May and continue for ten days."

John P. Linker, prominent farmer, died yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock at his home in No. 9 township, near Georgeville. He was 45 years of age and died of pneumonia. Surviving are his wife and nine children. Funeral services were held this afternoon at 3 o'clock at Center Grove Church, and interment was made in the cemetery there.

The State intercollegiate basketball season is over, and Carolina is undisputed champion of the State and the South Atlantic States. She did not lose a game this year, defeating every team in North Carolina she played, and also winning from a number of Virginia teams. Trinity's record was second best in the State. The Carolina team has gone to Atlanta to play in the Southern Intercollegiate championship series.

At a meeting here Saturday the white teachers of the county decided to hold county commencement this year on the last Saturday in April, which comes on the 28th. The teachers also decided to hold their last meeting of the year on March 24th. At the meeting several teachers reported that improvements to the school grounds were made February 22, following a general plan outlined by the county superintendent.

Jaller McClure and his family had a slight scare yesterday morning when one of the inmates of the jail tried to set fire to the structure. The prisoner started a fire with the mattress on his bed, Mr. McClure stated, and then after the blaze started piled on blankets and quilts. The smoke attracted Mr. McClure's attention and the blaze was extinguished without doing much damage. No prisoners escaped during the fire, though the smoke in the building was so dense a person could hardly see three feet.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Rain tonight and Tuesday, warmer tonight.

High Point Legion Puts on Campaign High Point, N. C., Feb. 23.—The High Point Post of the American Legion has started a campaign for new members. Four teams now are working to bring the membership here up to 500. The present number of members is 263.

SUNDERLAND NEWS.

The musical at the Central School was attended by the Sunderland Student body. They came back very much pleased with the recital and very appreciative for the kind invitation by the Woman's Club.

Dr. A. K. Emurian, of Norfolk, Va., was the guest of the school on Friday afternoon. He told us many things about his native country, Armenia, especially presenting the Armenia of today. His message was strong and very enthusiastically received by the students. Afterwards he sang the Armenian National Hymn and several other numbers for us. We were very happy to have him with us and just to be frank we want him to come back again.

The music pupils of Miss Elizabeth Cox-Lord gave a recital in the school auditorium on Friday evening, February 23rd. The program was varied and well rendered. Many of the parents and friends of the students were present, adding to the enjoyment of the occasion.

The following program was rendered: Chorus: "Habenera from 'Carmen'—Bizee. Solo: The Blacksmith—Heins—May Tucker. Solo: Waltz—Malsh—Muriel Shinn. Duet: March—Engelmann—Helen Beaver, Mina Misenhelmer. Solo: Valse Venitienne—Ringnet—Mary Lodee Jones. Solo: Doll's Dream—Oesten—Mary Elizabeth Stewart. Duet: March Militaire—Streabog—Gladys Fisher, Camille Alexander. Solo: Valse Brillante—Sartoris—Helen Beaver. Solo: Butterfly—Merkel—Edna Barkley. Choruses: (a) Three Little Chestnuts—Page; (b) I have a Little Shadow—Hadley. Duet: (a) Waltz—Billbrs; (b) March—Billbrs—Lillian Mullinax, May Tucker. Solo: Pixie's Goodnight—Brown—Mina Misenhelmer. Solo: Spring Showers—Fink—Mary Lewis Barringer. Duet: Rondo—Bohn—Lamelle Moose, Kathleen Howe. Solo: The Rosary—Grevin—Nellie Jenkins. Solo: To Spring—Grieg—Lamelle Moose. Trio: Husaren-Marsch—Gurlitt—Lamelle Moose, Edna Barkley, Mary Barringer. Chorus: May Dance—Daome.

Progressive Indeed. Official—No, I can't find you a job. I have so many people here after jobs that can't remember their names. Applicant—Couldn't you give me the job of keeping a record of them?

AGRICULTURAL COLUMN.

Conducted by R. D. Goodman.

Tick Quarantine Established. Secretary Wallace has found it necessary to quarantine, effective March 17, 1 county in Texas and 21 counties in Mississippi in order to prevent the spread of cattle-typhus ticks. These counties were released from Federal quarantine with the understanding that any herds of cattle which had not been entirely freed of ticks would be held under local quarantine and regularly dipped every 14 days until the ticks were entirely eradicated. This early release from quarantine was made in order to remove quarantine restrictions from those cattle owners whose herds had been dipped free from ticks, and to open the counties to shipments from other sections.

The counties which will be required to have failed to maintain the quarantine over local herds or to carry out their agreement relative to completing the tick-eradication work. This condition enables the tick to spread, endangers neighboring herds, and is misleading to cattle owners from other sections who might contemplate investment in land or cattle in areas which are supposed to be free from tick infestation. The department has therefore deemed it advisable to re-quarantine such counties until the last tick has been eradicated.

Eastern North Carolina still has some ticks—which are hindering the cattle production of the state.

Hearing on School Law Thursday. Persons who are interested in local school matters, and who are sponsoring or opposing the county board of education's bill, will be interested in the following telegram received this morning from J. B. Sherrill, Cabarrus' representative in the House of the State Legislature:

"County Board of Education bill to abolish local school taxes and adopt county-wide equalization plan will be heard before Senate committee Thursday afternoon when all interested may be heard."

Britain finds insanity increasing faster among women since the war than among men. Before the war 46.2 per cent of England's insane were males and 53.8 per cent females. Now the relative percentages are males 43.4; females 56.4. There is a reason. Women suffer more from war than men.

Miss Olga Bryant, an orphan girl who completed her high school course less than four years ago, is now auditor of a railroad in Arkansas.

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