

Happenings in Williamston and Martin County Forty Years Ago

Gleanings From The Pen Of Late Editor In "Carolina News"

Almost Forgotten Paper Tells Of Events in County In July, 1896

(The following is a reprint of happenings recorded in the issue of July 23, 1896, of the "Eastern Carolina News," a newspaper published by the late Miss Hattie K. Thrower, editor and publisher.—Editor.)

Picnic At Parmele

About one thousand people attended the Odd Fellows' picnic at Parmele on Wednesday, the 15th instant. The grounds selected were some distance from the town, but convenient for those arriving by rail. The Washington Brass Band furnished music, and the pavilion was filled during the day with dancers. The Odd Fellows of Bethel, Robersonville and Parmele, marching together, made a very imposing spectacle. The managers were unable to secure a speaker from among a large number of prominent men who represent the Three Links. Dinner was served at 12 o'clock, in quantity it was beautiful, in quality excellent. The barbecue was exceptionally good, and the managers deserve much credit for the able manner in which everything was conducted.

Despite the extremely warm weather everybody had a good time, and free silver was discussed the day long. Pitt, Edgecombe and Beaufort counties were well represented.

Robersonville Cullings

Dozens of friends extend happy congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. F. Samuels Upton. May they live long and prosper.

Miss Fleming, of Paeolus, is spending a few days with Mrs. Hardison. She is quite a favorite.

It is a hard matter for a stranger to distinguish who keeps the Hotel, Everett or Mrs. C. Grimes, on account of the large number of guests at both houses. There is some material difference—Everett gets \$1 per day; Mrs. Grimes a "thank you." She is undoubtedly the most hospitable lady imaginable, and she loves company.

In And About Town

Speckled trout are plentiful. Two marriage licenses issued last week.

The cursing in the back lots on Main Street is a nuisance and the police should prevent it.

Bryan-Watson clubs are in order. Organize one here and fall in line.

The "Stay-as-late-as-you-please-club" has disbanded and pulled down its registration board.

Messrs. Stubbs, Martin and Alderman Godard were before the mayor for throwing dice. Fined \$3.50 each. His Honor lectured the alderman for breaking an ordinance made by his board.

C. M. Barnard is expected in town this week to confer with Mr. Martin as to the best means for saving the State.

The bicycle club has an excellent

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- Super Suds (Red box) sm 3 for 25c
- Super Suds (Red box) lg 2 for 35c
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- Su'r Suds (Blue box) lg 2 for 43c
- Octagon Soap gm 6 for 25c
- Octagon Soap st 10 for 23c
- Octagon Powder lg 6 for 25c
- Octagon Powder sm 10 for 23c
- Octagon Toilet 6 for 25c
- Octagon Cleanser 2 for 9c
- Octagon Flakes 2 for 18c
- Octagon Granulated 2 for 18c
- Crystal White Soap 3 for 14c
- Hollywood Beauty 3 for 14c
- Klex (Pumice) Soap 3 for 14c
- Crema Oil Soap 3 for 14c
- Universal Soap 3 for 14c
- Triple Cake Soap 3 for 10c

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Every Man Has His Harvest

The gleanings of some are small—of others, great in fruitfulness. But every man has his harvest—as every man has his riches. He who has saved irregularly amasses less than he who has saved as much as possible throughout his earning days.

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OLD PAPERS

Occasionally, The Enterprise operators are fortunate in getting hold of an old paper published in the county years ago, and they are anxious to increase the collection of the rare editions.

Just recently a copy of the "Eastern Carolina News" was uncovered by Mr. N. C. Green. Excerpts from the rare copy appear in an adjoining column. The publishers are indebted to Mr. Green for the use of the paper and make a liberal offer to any others who may have copies of old papers in their possession. If any of the old papers are not for sale, the Enterprise publishers will greatly appreciate borrowing them for short periods.

Fall Is Vegetable Garden Time, Too

Not many folks give much attention to their vegetable garden at this season of the year, but that's wrong, says H. R. Niswonger, horticulturist of the State College Extension Service. The garden soil should be prepared for spring planting in the fall, he says.

Give the garden a heavy coat of stable manure or sweepings from the poultry house, Niswonger advises. For each one-horse load of manure, broadcast 25 pounds of 16 per cent superphosphate. If the garden area is not subject to soil erosion, plow the manure under. Leave the soil in the rough and do not harrow or otherwise prepare the soil for planting until about the time preparations are made for the spring garden.

The horticulturist also said that winter onion sets and shallots may be set out now for spring onions. "The young growth may be protected from severe weather by covering with leaves," he advised. "If you plan to grow mature onions for market by planting the seed next February or March, begin preparing the soil now. Select soil which will work easily and which will not bake after a rain."

Niswonger also suggested that the growth of spinach, kale and other greens can be increased if side-dressed with one pound of nitrate of soda per 100 feet of row. Cover the greens with straw in order to prevent freezing, and you will secure a longer cutting period. Cold frames may be utilized to grow lettuce and other greens at this season, he stated.

Recommendations of the specialist track around the academy campus, provided by Messrs. Harrell, Siubbs and Biggs. Several races are arranged for this week.

There is an ordinance prohibiting the placing of trash on the streets. We call the attention of the police to this violation in "New Town."

Hal Biggs, a Democrat, and John Tyner, Republican, fought over politics in J. G. Godard's bar on Friday. We regret to say that the Democrat got hurt. Both are colored and are known to fight every campaign year.

Mrs. Fannie Biggs and Miss Pattie Crawford left on Tuesday for New Jersey to visit relatives.

Miss Lottie Smith, of Scotland Neck, is visiting Miss Louise Lawrence.

Mrs. John D. Biggs, John D. Jr., and Miss Carrie, are at Panacea Springs.

Mrs. Geo. Blount and the children went up to Bethel on Friday and returned on Sunday.

Miss Jennie Moore left for Tarboro on Monday. She will take a course in music under Mrs. Julia Stafon.

Messrs. Carstarphen and Jones attended the picnic at Parmele and seemed very happy on their return.

We were glad to see J. T. Deans, superintendent of the Odd Fellows' Orphanage at Goldsboro, on our streets last week. He was here on business.

Mrs. Dennis Simmons went to Plymouth on Wednesday.

Rare Edition Old Paper Uncovered Here Few Days Ago

The Late Miss Hattie Thrower Edited "Eastern Carolina News" in 1896

Williamston and Martin County high spots of more than forty-three years ago are interestingly portrayed in the long extinct "Eastern Carolina News," a newspaper published in Williamston by the late Miss Hattie K. Thrower.

In the issue of July 23, 1896, the "Eastern Carolina News" dwells at length upon state and national politics, giving considerable space to William Jennings Bryan's famous Cross of Gold speech before the Chicago convention. Miss Thrower, an ardent Democrat and one who gave utterance to her noble thoughts, made no bone about her politics and unleashed a barrage against the opposition. For instance, she says in her editorial column of July 23, "There will probably be fusion in Martin between the Pops and Rads. It is a good combination, as both are for spoils and anything to break down a good government. We know something about Radical misrule, and a return to it would be disastrous to our country."

In the advertising columns is a train schedule of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company. The train ran from Plymouth to Tarboro in two hours and five minutes. Forty-three years later, the running time of the train between the two points was possibly a little longer. And they wonder why the trains were abandoned by the traveling public.

A striking advertisement, inserted in the old paper by a then leading physician in Williamston, reads, as follows:

... physician and surgeon, offers his services to the citizens of Williamston and vicinity. Calls attended to, at all hours. Diseases of women a specialty. Piles treated without the knife and almost without pain. All those suffering from piles will do well to consult him. Charges reasonable.

The following were listed among the group of advertisers in the paper: Jas. E. Moore and Harry W. Stubbs, attorneys; The University of North Carolina with 36 teachers and 534 students and tuition of \$60 a year; (Eli) Gurganus and (A. T.) Crawford, general merchants; B. B. Watts and Co., real diamonds and genuine gold watches; S. R. Biggs, druggist; Alex. H. Smith, attorney; W. B. Taylor and Co., livery, Jamesville, N. C.; Pizo's Cure for Consumption.

on storing collards and cabbage are as follows: Dig a trench deep enough to accommodate the roots and stems; pull up the collards and cabbage and set them out in a trench and cover both stems and roots with soil. Set the heads close together but do not pack against each other. Set a plank or board on edge on each side of the trench and bank on the outside with soil. Cover with pine brush or corn stalks. When freezing weather arrives, cover with a layer of dirt.

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SALE! NEW DRESSES

REAL "KNOCKOUT DRESS BARGAINS". They're the last word in real smart frocks. Alpaca Crepes, Pebble Crepes, Plain Woolens, Sport Spun Rayons, Dressmaker Woolens, New Novelty Silks. In all the newest flare skirts, pleated skirts, bustle effects and tailored styles.

\$1.98
\$2.98

Ladies' Satin Slips
Select rayon, full cut, tailored styles. All sizes to 44.
39c

Ladies' Cotton Hose
Excellent quality cotton hose in all the new Fall shades. Buy all you need today.
10c

- Fast Color DRESS PRINTS 10c
- MOTTLED OUTING 8c
- Heavy LL SHEETING 6c
- BLUE BOY PLAY CLOTH 5c
- 30-Square PRINTS 15c
- Heavy Fancy OUTING 15c
- Part Linen KITCHEN TOWELS 5c
- 27x27 Hemmed DIAPERS—doz. 97c
- Full Size Plaid BLANKETS 59c

Sale! Ladies' FALL COATS
Fitted and swagger dress and sport coats in all the newest tweeds and dressy materials. A full range of sizes in the new Fall shades. Be sure to see these lovely coats today. Use our lay-away plan.
\$7.95
\$9.95

Ladies' Cotton Bloomers
Full cut cotton bloomers in all sizes, color teatose.
19c

Ladies' Rayon Panties
Made of select rayons, tailored and lace trimmed styles. All sizes. SPECIAL.
25c

Chenille Spreads
Lovely chenille bedspreads in all the new pastel shades. Both single and double bed sizes. Regular \$1.69 value.
\$1.29

Ladies' Warm Pajamas
Ladies' warm pajamas in a full range of sizes. Buy all you need NOW.
98c

Product Cases
Full size 42x36 bleached pillow cases with deep hems. Buy Now. SAVE.
12c

Part Wool BLANKETS
Lovely part wool blankets in single and double bed sizes. A variety of colors to choose from. Buy Now—SAVE.
\$1.98 - \$2.98

Children's School Dresses
Guaranteed fast colors in adorable styles and attractive patterns. Just the thing for school wear. All sizes to 14.
48c



Budget HOSE
Lovely sheer silk hose in all the latest Fall colors. A full range of sizes. Extra Special.
GOLDEN HARVEST SALE
48c

Men's Dress Shirts
Fast color prints in all the new Fall patterns. A full range of sizes in stock.
59c

Men's Heavy Unions
Heavy weight union suits in all sizes. Color, ecru. Prepare for cold weather NOW.
69c

Men's Outing Pajamas
Men's heavy weight outing pajamas in a full range of colors. All sizes in stock.
98c

Ladies' Outing Gowns
Heavy weight outing gowns in all sizes. Be sure to take advantage of this low price.
69c - 98c

SALE! DRESS SHOES
Fine dress and sport shoes in all the new colors and materials for Fall. Styles that are really different. All heel heights. All sizes in stock.
GOLDEN HARVEST SALE
\$1.98
\$2.95

Children's SHOES
Sturdy shoes in black and brown. Get the kiddies fixed for the winter NOW.
98c — \$1.29

Men's Dress Socks
A large shipment just received. Excellent quality solid color socks in all sizes.
5c

MEN'S SWEATERS
Serviceable sweaters in pull-ons and zipper styles. All wanted colors and sizes to select from.
98c — \$1.98

Men's Work Pants
Heavy weight sanforized covert pants in blue and gray. All sizes to select from.
98c

Men's Dress Shoes
New Fall styles in extra quality all leather Dress Shoes. Colors, black and brown. All sizes in stock.
\$1.98

Men's Overalls
(Sanforized) **98c**
Red Camel
(Sanforized) **79c**
Bloodhound
Boys' (Sanforized) **59c**
Bloodhound

Men's Work Shirts
Extra heavy quality, full cut, blue & gray covert Work Shirts. Extra Special for this event.
48c

Sale! BOYS' SUITS
Hard finished worsted suits in all the newest fall shades. All the new styles to select from. Buy now while our stock is complete.
\$2.98
\$5.95

SALE! MEN'S FALL SUITS
Hard finished worsteds and tweeds in all the newest Fall styles and patterns. Woolens have advanced sharply. Take advantage of these low prices while our stock is complete.
\$9.95
\$12.95
\$14.75
Use Our Lay-away Plan



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