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INTERESTING NEWS LETTER FROM DUKE

Duke, N. C., September 22.—The farmers through this section are rushing their cotton to the market just as fast as it can be picked and ginned. More cotton has been bought here already than in any previous year up to the same date. Friday of last week one hundred twenty-five bales were bought. The price is equal to any market in the state and cash is paid for every bale. The market closed Tuesday at 10 1-2 cents. The farmers claim that they have just as good stalk, but on account of not having used much fertilizer are not getting as much cotton as in recent years. However a good spirit prevails and they are cheerful over the 10-cent cotton.

Mr. William A. White, who last spring was compelled to give up his position as book keeper in Bank of Harnett has returned and resumed his duties with the bank. He spent the greater part of his time with his parents at Statesville. He has entirely recuperated.

At a recent meeting of the school board it was deemed advisable to change the date of opening the Duke Graded School from October 11th, to October 4th, which will be the first Monday in October. Prof. B. F. Dalton will again be in charge of the school and with the exception of Miss Flora McQueen and Miss Mary Beaman will have the same teachers as last year. Miss Wyche and Miss Fleming will take their places.

Mr. Thos. H. Webb and Mrs. Webb left Saturday and are this week and next week touring through the famous Shenandoah Valley and up into Pennsylvania thence through Washington, Baltimore, Charlottesville, and Richmond. At Hillsboro they will be joined by Mr. and Mrs. James H. Webb who will make the trip with them.

Work is progressing rapidly on the Duke and Dunn road. Already sand-clay has been placed on the half nearest Dunn and Tuesday the road force began work in front of the new building in Dunn and will soon complete the work. The superintendent of the road is Mr. W. S. Falls, State Highway Engineer, to co-operate and advise about other improvements on the road.

Rev. N. C. Duncan and wife, rector of St. Stephens Episcopal church who have been spending several weeks in Asheville, and Lincolnton on a vacation granted him by his parish, has returned and reports a most pleasant vacation.

The millinery opening of the Hassell-Johnson Company last Friday and Saturday drew a large crowd both days. The display of head wear was good. This year Miss Anne Powell from Baltimore is in charge of this department. Miss Powell originally came from Johnstown, Pa.

The E. R. Thomas Drug Co., has recently installed a very handsome marble cased soda fountain, of the latest style carrying all the modern conveniences. The large mirror was broken in transit and another will have to be ordered and when it is received and placed the store will be equal to any, if not superior to any in the county.

GIVES PORCH PARTY

Mrs. W. H. Stephenson Entertains For Mr. L. L. Young.

Angier, Sept. 21.—Friday evening from 8 to 11, Mrs. W. H. Stephenson charmingly entertained at a porch party at her new and attractive home, in honor of Mr. L. L. Young, who left for Richmond, Va. September 20, where he will be enrolled as a student of the university college of medicine.

The spacious porch was beautifully decorated with golden rods and ferns. Tables were placed for progressive games of rook and check. Delicious grapes, cream and cake were served by Mrs. Stephenson and Miss Ima Young.

At 11 o'clock the guests departed, bidding Mrs. Stephenson a charming hostess.

Those present were Misses Fannie Robertson, Laura Godwin, Kathleen Croft, Oza Taylor, Pearl Taylor, Ella Shalburne, Lucile Dowd, Lola Young, Ima Young and Mrs. J. E. Dowd; Messrs. Thurman Young, Fables Stephenson, and Irving Stephenson.

Jitty Jingle

"I'll give a nickel for a idea," said Cholly to a pretty miss, "Skidoo!" she cried; "you stinky cuss," "You're looking for a Jitney bust."

Mr. E. O. West, one of the recent applicants to receive his license to practice law, has opened his office in the new First National Bank building.

HIT HER PRIDE

A Story of Devotion and Weakness.

From Atlanta comes a human interest story that some of us have seen lived—that some of us have lived at least, in part.

It is from The Journal, a front page spread, and presumably it happened. It relates that a well-to-do, let us quote the story as follows:

"Preferring death to separation from her husband, Mrs. J. J. Coulter, fifty-five years old, 95 Washita avenue, took carbolic acid at 11:45 o'clock Wednesday morning and died at noon in the Grady hospital.

"Mrs. Coulter is said to have been the sister of a millionaire manufacturer of an eastern city.

"Friends of Mrs. Coulter state that her husband has been invalid for more than a year; and that her wealthy brothers were willing to aid her and asked her to come east, leaving her husband in Atlanta.

"This, however, though desirable, Mrs. Coulter refused to do, and, it is said, has been living for the past several months almost entirely upon the charity of sympathetic friends, keeping constant watch at her husband's side.

"Mrs. Coulter and her husband boarded at the Washita avenue house. When she was discovered Wednesday morning, it was found that she had swallowed a large quantity of the acid. The Grady auto ambulance made a record run, but she died just as the machine drew up at the hospital doors.

"Persons living at the house say that Mrs. Coulter received a phone call a few minutes before she took the acid from a man who said he was coming out to levy on her furniture. Soon afterwards she went into the dining room and lay down on a sofa. Here she drank the acid.

Mr. Coulter, whose health has been feeble for three years, didn't seem to realize what had happened.

"Friends state that Mrs. Coulter was once wealthy. When her father died he left his fortune to his sons, because he thought they would be able to take care of it.

"Mr. Coulter and his bride moved to Chattanooga and then to Atlanta twenty years ago. Here they lived in comfort until three years ago, when Mr. Coulter lost all his money.

"Mrs. Coulter is survived by her husband, two brothers and one sister.

There you have it! The strange part of a woman's devotion—the inconsistent part of her philosophy—the inexplicable sum of her different figures. Here she was with rich relatives, vulgar, purse-proud reproaches—and tried to tell 'em this to their face, if the story is true, willing to care for her, to place her beyond want and perhaps put her in the lap of luxury, if she would desert her husband.

Hysterical, emotional, we call the weaker sex, and whatever it was or is she said:

"No, Sir-e-e!"

With a faith as sublime and beautiful as a dog's devotion, and on earth that is the superlative of the thing called Love, she spurned the offer of the rich brothers, and said that "until death do us part"—here, in this wretchedness and in this poverty and in this misery I will abide—and she meant it.

With the husband who had been true to her, as she, as a wife, had been true to him, would she walk the path of thorns.

But—Commercialism made a howl—and it stopped her.

"To levy on the furniture"—that was the giant's blow.

Love, devotion—everything that Admiration could have dreamed was thrust aside—and the law's harsh voice to "levy on the furniture," broke her pride, and caused surrender—Everything.

The Stronger Force.

Love is a stronger force than fear. Tomorrow a great army of prisoners, of slaves, of those under some sort of taskmaster, the world over, will go to unwilling toil, because they dare not do otherwise. But there are uncounted millions high and low in every walk of life and in all lands who will go to their work with the morrow's sun for love's sake. And these last will put heart into what they do. The labor may be wearying, the task uncongenial, it will involve hardship and sacrifice, but for some one's dear sake, it will be willingly undertaken.

The difference between false religion is the difference between love and fear. From dread of some cruel deity, men will torture themselves and sacrifice their choicest possessions; but Christianity alone renders the glad service of love. Forward.

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Dameron-Jackson.

Faison, Sept. 22.—On Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock the beautiful country home of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Dameron was the scene of a simple but attractive home wedding when their sister, Miss Mary Mosely Thompson was united in marriage to Mr. Wilbert Jackson, of Dunn.

The spacious oak grove and verandah were lighted with Japanese lanterns. The reception hall and parlors were a picture of loveliness in natural decorations of pine, ivy and Southern amaranth. The arch was banked with palms and ferns, while the soft glow of shaded candles added beauty to the scene.

While Mrs. J. M. Bowden played the bridal chorus from Lohengrin, little Miss Lucy Dameron, in a dainty white frock, preceded the bride, scattering roses in her pathway. The bride, handsomely gowned in a traveling suit of dark green chiffon broadcloth, and carrying a shower bouquet of bride's roses and lilacs of the valley, entered on the arm of her brother, Mr. Wm. C. Thompson, of Clinton, N. C. They were met at the arch by the groom and his best man, Mr. Warren Jackson, of Dunn. The Rev. P. McIntyre, of Goldsboro, N. C. performed the ceremony in his usual impressive manner.

The bride is the daughter of the late Dr. Wm. I. Thompson, and has a host of friends in Sampson and Duplin counties. By her cordial manner and charming personality she has endeared herself to all who know her.

The groom is a son of Mr. L. F. Jackson, a prominent and well-to-do farmer of Harnett county. He finishes a course this year at the Baltimore college of Dental Surgery.

The many beautiful presents attest the popularity of the happy couple.

Holt-Faircloth.

Benson, Sept. 22.—A Faircloth of Benson, was married Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the Presbyterian church of Greenville to Miss Mary McLaughlin Holt, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Holt, of Sanford. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Harris, pastor of the church in which the marriage took place. Only a few of the close relatives of the contracting parties were present to witness the occasion. Immediately after the ceremony the bride and groom left for Baltimore and Washington City for a few days' bridal tour. They will return to Benson Saturday and will be at home at the Hotel. The groom is engaged in the mercantile business here, having moved here from Clinton about five years ago.

All the leading merchants of Dunn are having a fall and winter opening. The millinery department of Johnson Brothers, the Tailor Company, B. Fleischman & Co., E. G. Taylor, have been joined with ladies the past few days selecting and examining the latest fashions and creations in millinery. The merchants here have a very select line to choose from, and the varied styles afford an opportunity for all to be suited. The customers are in charge of expert saleswomen who know their business and many attractive designs have been displayed.

Just after the wedding an informal reception was held for the relatives of the bride and groom. Mr. and Mrs. Holt left on the north bound train for Baltimore where they will remain during the winter.

Death of Mr. D. C. Culbreth.

News of the sudden death of Mr. Daniel C. Culbreth of Parkersburg, was received in this city yesterday afternoon. Mr. Culbreth passed through Fayetteville last Friday in excellent health to visit his old home place in the upper part of Cumberland county, and at the time of his death was a guest at the home of his brother-in-law, Mr. Alex. McArtian, Linden, N. C.

On Saturday night Mr. Culbreth complained of feeling a little unwell on account of indigestion, but apparently recovered from the slight attack. About 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon he suffered an acute attack and died very suddenly.

The funeral will take place at Manchester today at 10 o'clock, and his remains will be laid to rest in the family burying ground beside his wife who preceded him to the grave several years ago.

Mr. Culbreth leaves two sons and one daughter, Miss Mary Lou Culbreth, and a large number of relatives to mourn his death. Mr. Culbreth was a highly esteemed citizen of Parkersburg, where he had spent the greater part of his life. He was a devoted father, a kind neighbor and a true and faithful friend. He was sixty odd years of age.

The numerous friends of the bereaved sons and daughters feel great sympathy for them, as does also the large number of friends and acquaintances of the family—Fayetteville Observer, 20th.

Mr. George Pope will soon have in operation a flour mill at his lumber plant in the eastern part of the city.

Mrs. Esther Wade Hampton, of Petersburg, Va., was here last week on a short visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Wade.

CARELESS COUGHING AND SPITTING

Don't Spit—Laws Should be Made More Than Jokes

The dangerous and dirty habit of careless spitting, coughing and sneezing is without doubt the most costly carelessness that civilized society indulges in. The saying, "No spit, no consumption", is literally true, and this means that the consumption that we have, with 5,000 deaths a year, would be largely avoided if this habit could be avoided.

It has been shown by careful scientific experiments that in the act of coughing or sneezing, unless a handkerchief or other object is held in front of the nose and mouth, microscopic particles of saliva and nasal secretion are discharged into the air in which, even in a quiet room, may be carried a distance of from ten to fifty yards from the place where they were expelled. Many of these droplets can be seen if one will cough or sneeze in front of a mirror or windowpane they can see them, however, are too small to be visible to the naked eye. One can now readily understand how very impolite it is to cough or sneeze without holding a handkerchief in front of his face, for such a person literally spits on objects and people—perhaps on food, within a distance of from ten to fifty yards about him.

The germs of tuberculosis, diphtheria and perhaps grip, colds, pneumonia, whooping cough, measles and scarlet fever, are conveyed through expectoration. Many perfectly healthy people not suffering from the disease carry the germs of pneumonia and diphtheria and other contagious diseases in their mouths and throats. It becomes necessary that not only recognizably sick people shall desist from careless spitting, but that the apparently well, who may be germ carriers, should also be careful in expectorating.

Towns and cities should make their anti-spitting ordinances more than jokes. As a matter of fact they should not pass such ordinances until they are ready to enforce it. From a health point of view anti-spitting ordinances are not to be lightly regarded. They should be serious laws and the violation of them should be made more than a joke.—State Health Bulletin.

Mason-Pascetti.

Sunday night, last, the residence of Col. W. S. Cook, J. P., was invaded by an anxious couple from the country, who desired to be united in marriage. With his characteristic urbanity he invited the young couple into his parlor, where they were obligated by Col. Cook and duly united in the holy bonds of wedlock. James Pascetti was the name of the groom and hailed from Manchester, while Miss Nora Lee Mason, of Broadway, was the pretty young lady who became the bride. Immediately after the performance of the nuptials the happy couple left town. Joy go with them.—Fayetteville Observer, 20th.

DUNN GRADED SCHOOL FACULTY

The Dunn Graded School recently opened the fall session with the largest enrollment in the history of the school. Prof. J. B. Martin has an excellent faculty this year, composed of the following teachers:

First Grade—Miss Sallie McCollum, McCall, S. C.
Second Grade—Miss Hattie Stevens, of Matthews, N. C.
Third Grade—Miss Katie Smith, of Goldsboro, and Miss Marie Mosely, of Kinston.

Fourth Grade—Miss Effie Davis, of Linden.

Fifth Grade—Miss Mollie Butcher, of Petersburg, Va.

Sixth Grade—Miss Courtney Williams, of Richmond, Va.

High School Teachers—Miss Pauline Hassell, of Edenton, Miss Kate Jones, of Raleigh, Miss Winifred Tarlington, of Clinton, and Miss Grace Chestnam, of Lynchburg, Va.

Protest Against Increase in Tax Assessment.

Mr. J. W. Wilson, county attorney and Mr. David Henry Senter, chairman of the board of county commissioners, went to Raleigh last week where they appeared before the State tax commission and entered a protest against the five per cent increase in tax assessment for Harnett county. In their speeches before the body they made a strenuous effort to convince the commission that the increase was an injustice to the taxpayers of Harnett and that the present proposition was ample. The commission took the proposition presented by these two Harnett gentlemen under consideration and the result of their argument will be known later.

NEWS FROM BENSON

Benson, September 21.—Mr. O. A. Barbour went to Raleigh on business Thursday returning home Friday.

Mr. Jake Greenblatt returned this morning from a two week's visit to relatives in Baltimore.

Mr. W. L. Massengill was a visitor to Fayetteville Monday on business.

Messrs. A. W. Hodges and Carmel Jernigan were visitors to Oxford Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. M. A. Pascock and children returned Friday from Smithfield where she visited a few days.

Mr. Robert Higgins of Smithfield was here last Friday and Saturday spending the time with relatives.

Judge F. H. Brooks, of Smithfield, was here Friday for a few hours on legal matters.

Rev. A. R. McQueen and F. J. Fearrell, of Dunn, were here Saturday for a few hours.

Mrs. Roland Covington, of Laurinburg, came Saturday and is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. J. E. Barbour.

Mr. Kit Barnes, of Durham, has been here for the past few days shaking hands with old friends.

Mr. John Cole, of Four Oaks, was here Saturday for a few hours.

Elder J. P. Tingle, of Grapeland, was here yesterday and held services at the Primitive Baptist Church last night.

Messrs. L. C. Barbour and Willis Barber, of Four Oaks, were here Sunday with relatives.

Mr. Arthur O'Neal who has been working with the Du Pont Powder Company for the past few months, was seriously hurt in a collision near Petersburg last Saturday. The auto truck on which he was riding was struck by a train and two persons on the truck were instantly killed, four others being seriously injured.

Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Duncan returned yesterday after being away for a few days. Mr. Duncan, while away, has been engaged in carrying on revival services.

The singing convention held here was attended by more than two thousand people. The address of welcome was delivered by Dr. W. T. Martin, and those who had the pleasure of hearing it say that it was very fitting to the occasion and one of the finest addresses heard here in some time.

Mr. Claude Cannaday was quietly married to Miss Willie Duncan this afternoon at six o'clock, the ceremony being performed by Rev. J. M. Duncan, pastor of the Baptist church here. The affair was known to only a few of the friends of the contracting parties and was consummated at the residence of the pastor of the bride and groom. Mr. Cannaday is a promising young lawyer of this city and his bride is the youngest daughter of Mrs. S. I. Duncan of our town. They will reside temporarily at the home of Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Utley, on Main street.

Rev. John M. Duncan, of Benson, will preach in the Ashboro Street Baptist church today at 8 p. m. He is said to be one of the strongest young ministers in the Baptist denomination. Having graduated at Wake Forest College and also at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. The public is invited to hear him.—Sunday's Greensboro News.

The True Preacher.

The true preacher is certainly a man with a task. He is the friend and servant of all man-kind, and he, as he cannot be soft, or lax, or effeminate, but a manly man in every way. In a certain sense, he is the universal man—the greatest artist, for his ideals are the best, being not his own, but the ideals of God; the greatest teacher, for he teaches the truth of God; the greatest philosopher for his truth is the wisdom of God. And in it all he is to make it manifest that the voice of the pulpit is the voice of God. Let him teach the poor that there is more in life than bread, and the rich that the true riches are not material; the leisure class that they can render a service that nobody else can render, and those in moderate circumstances that they owe more to society than simply to make a living. It is his to hasten the day when cease "war drums throb no longer," for those who bring on war do not go down to battle, and those who engage in the conflict have nothing against each other. It is his to sanctify not only the hearts of men, but the streets and the alleys, the shops and the stores, all the habitations of men. Yes, as a noble man, to have his noble part to play. That better day, that coming, that morning promised long. When guided high, with holy might shall overthrow the wrongs of men. Rev. A. T. Lanier, of Lenoir, was here yesterday for a few hours.



LILLINGTON FARM LIFE SCHOOL, WHICH OPENED THIS WEEK WITH A LARGE ATTENDANCE

A Death At Linden.

The many friends of Mr. Rufus H. Byrd have been saddened by his death which occurred at his home in Linden, N. C. on Thursday, August 26th, 1915. He was 74 years old. One of the oldest and most honored citizens of the community. He served as a Confederate soldier during the Civil War and was once slightly wounded in the cause of his country. A severe attack of acute indigestion took him very suddenly from time to eternity there to be united in a closer union with his God whom he loved, trusted and served. He had been a consistent member of the M. E. Church South for about forty years. He was one of the original members in the organization of Parker's Grove church and served acceptably in the capacity of steward for a number of years. He was loyal to his church, attended upon its ordinances and supported its institutions, was faithful to God, affectionate to his family, kind and considerate to his friends. These are some of the characteristics of his earthly career, which is now forever ended. He has entered his reward.

He leaves a devoted wife and six affectionate children: Mr. G. B. Byrd, of Bunn Level, N. C.; Mrs. A. B. Godwin, of near Dunn; Mrs. W. O. Johnson, of Dunn; Mrs. J. S. Byrd, of near Linden; Mrs. L. A. Bethune, of Bunn Level; and Mrs. Lonnie Draughon, of Durham; several grandchildren and a number of relatives, who mourn their loss. But what is our loss is her gain.

His family miss him. The community misses him and his church, he loved so fondly, will continue to miss him in the days that will come and go.

His funeral services were conducted by his pastor and from the chancel of the church he loved, his body was borne to the cemetery and laid to rest with Masonic honors amid a large congregation of those who loved him. May the Great Comforter sustain and save his loved ones.

FROM DUKE

Duke, N. C., September 11.—At the regular meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Church held Friday afternoon, Miss Vera Herring, district secretary for the Fayetteville District of the Women's Missionary Society, conducted the religious worship and addressed the society. Her plea was for the organization of a woman's Missionary Society, for the organization of a Young folks society and for the organization of the children into an auxiliary. No definite steps were taken except that some members would see that the children were organized.

The supervisors of the roads of Duke township are busy at work having a sand-clay top put on the road leading from the Aversboro township line to the E. R. Thomas Drug Co. in Duke. This is known as the Dunn - and Duke road and when completed will give a sand-clay road from Duke to Dunn. The services of the Duke road force has been secured and are doing the work. Repair work has also been done on the upper River road and on the Lillington and Dunn roads and other repair work will be taken up next week.

The local motion picture show has just completed a week of showing "Duke Beauties." Mr. W. H. Cannady, local photographer, made slides of many views had scenes in and around town and of all the babies up to a certain age and the moving picture show used them between the reels. A keen interest was taken in the scenes and the show was strictly satisfactory and well attended.

The agent of the Durham and Southern railway gave, out Saturday morning that a special train would be run to Durham from Dunn and intermediate points Sunday, especially for the employees to attend the funeral services of the late J. E. Stagg, vice-president of the road. The train will leave Dunn at 11 o'clock and Durham after the funeral.

Epworth League Elects New Officers

The induction of the following officials of the Epworth League of the Methodist church took place Monday night:

Mr. Henry Herring, president.
Mr. J. W. Langley, 1st vice president.

Miss Nannie Thompson, 2nd vice president.
Miss Eugene Herring, 3rd vice president.

Miss Mattie Lewis, 4th vice president.
Mrs. H. O. Mattox, Treasurer.

Miss Mary Freeman, Secretary.
Mr. Gerrard Wilson, Assistant secretary.

Miss Pauline Blaylock, Organist.
Mr. Walter Strickland, Reporter.
Miss Hattie Wilson, Epworth Era Agent.

Already plans have been formulated for broadening the scope of influence of the organization in Dunn. It is hoped that a greater number of the people will become interested than heretofore; and if the efforts of those at the helm reach the principal objective, bigger things will be accomplished not only for the membership but also in the elevation, spiritually and mentally, of those who have allied themselves in the League for no other purpose than to be helpful to themselves and to others. New energy has been created for the inception of the highest and noblest things and we can but say, may this lofty ambition be fully realized are another election rolls around.

Good Roads Day will be observed at Coats on Monday, September 27. Mr. D. E. Winslow and Mr. G. K. Grantham will make speeches and exercises will be held in the school building at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon. The public is cordially invited to be present. Short talks by other citizens of the county will also be made.

Young and daughter Miss Isabel, have returned from a short visit to relatives at Wilson.