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MRS. NOELL GETS FIVE YEARS.

Rowan Jury Finds Her Guilty And She Will Follow Husband to State Prison.

After a trial that bordered on the sensational Mrs. Charles Noell, formerly Jamie Wolf, was convicted of abducting Clara Belle Gibbs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Gibbs, and sentenced to serve five years in the state prison.

Added attraction at Salisbury was the Honorable Plummer Stewart, of Charlotte, who appeared for the woman. Mr. Stewart has a state-wide reputation as a scrapper and no dozen lawyers in the state can raise as much "cash" in a week as he can in a day.

Capt. Wade H. Phillips, of the local bar who aided Solicitor Hammer in the prosecution of Noell, helped also in the trial of the woman, rendering effective service. He spoke Thursday evening, making the first speech for the state. The Salisbury Evening Post paid him many high compliments on his effort, classing it with the most eloquent speeches that have been delivered in Salisbury in recent years.

The Charlotte Observer's account of the closing day of the trial, Friday, is very interesting, and is as follows: Mrs. Charles Noell will follow her husband to the state penitentiary, the length of her term of servitude to be made known tomorrow. Her fate was decided at 8:45 o'clock tonight, after the jury had taken three ballots, the first ballot resulting in eleven votes for conviction and one blank and the second the same. The jury then adjourned for supper and on the return to the court house took the third and final ballot, which opened the doors of the state prison to the Lexington woman, that she might join her husband in serving the penalty for enticing young girls from their homes for a life of degradation and disgrace.

The out-of-town counsel appearing in the case had the city before the verdict was reached and Mr. R. Lee Wright of the local bar could not be present, so Mr. P. S. Carlton, at Mr. Wright's request, was present when the verdict was received. The woman was brought into court unaccompanied, except by an officer. Only a dozen spectators were present as it had not become generally known that a trial had been called on account of the absence of the counsel in the case, sentence was deferred until tomorrow.

ABDUCTED TWO YOUNG GIRLS.

Mrs. Noell was convicted of a charge of abduction, Clara Belle Gibbs, 13 years old, of Lexington, being the victim. She and another young girl of Lexington were persuaded, on promises of plenty of money, fine clothes and other luxuries, to run away from their people and go with the Noells to Charlotte, where they were taken to a house in a questionable part of town and kept concealed until rescued a few days later by the Gibbs girl's father and Chief of Police T. M. Christenbury of Charlotte. Mr. and Mrs. Noell were arrested and taken to Lexington for trial. The husband was convicted a few weeks ago and sentenced to 15 years in the penitentiary, but at that time his wife was not to be found, she having been released from custody on account of her physical condition. Later she was arrested in Spartanburg, S. C., and returned to Lexington without requisition. The trial was removed to Rowan county and was begun Wednesday. Interest has been at fever heat since the rescue of the girls and the trials have been attended by record-breaking crowds. The verdicts meet with universal approval.

SCENES UNUSUAL.

Scenes unusual today marked the proceedings of the now famous Noell "white slave" case, which consumed nearly three days of Rowan superior court and held throughout an immense crowd. When court convened this morning R. Lee Wright, Esq., of the local bar, in a masterly address of an hour and a half, appealed to the jury to liberate Mrs. Noell. He was followed by Plummer Stewart, Esq., of Charlotte. It had already been intimated that Mr. Stewart was going to vigorously attack the state along certain lines and every one was anxious to hear him. Never before in Rowan has a lawyer pleaded more vigorously for a defendant, and when he reached the point where he was to attack the state for putting two negro cabmen of Charlotte on the stand to testify to the character of a white woman, there was the most intense interest in his words, for this was the point where it had already become known that she had been rescued.

VAUDEVILLE ARTIST ARRESTED.

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CITY SCHOOLS TO OPEN.

White Schools Will Open on September 18th—Very Few Changes in the Faculty.

The children of Lexington may not have realized it, but it is a fact that play-days are about over. Within a few days the school bells will ring and back to nine months of study they will go. To their credit be it said that the majority of the children will go willingly—even gladly. The city school is made a very pleasant place and it has no terrors for any child.

Prof. A. H. Jarrett, superintendent, is fortunate in being able to retain practically all of his old teachers. Rev. S. W. Beck, who was principal last year, will not be here this year, much to the regret of all who knew him. He was a good teacher, a splendid scholar and a gentleman. His work will be done this year by Mrs. Anna Turnley and Miss Louise Hill.

This year there will be eleven grades. Professor Jarrett has not yet apportioned the work for the term, but the "line up" will probably be about as follows:

First Grade, Miss Annie Johnson; Second Grade, Mrs. J. O. Walker; Third, Miss Ida Hedrick; Fourth, Miss Roxie Sheets; Fifth, Mrs. Wade H. Phillips and Miss Edna McCrary; Sixth, Mrs. H. S. Radcliffe and Miss Vaughn Hutchison; Seventh, Miss Zula Hedrick and Miss Victoria Byrley; First Year High School, Mrs. Anna Turnley; Second Year High School, Miss Vera Lee Price; Third Year High School, Miss Lois Love; Fourth Year High School, Miss Louise Hill.

In a few days all of the teachers will be on hand ready for the year's work. School will open Monday, September 18th and Superintendent Jarrett asks that every parent co-operate with the faculty in the work by seeing to it that every child is on hand at the opening day, ready for work and fully equipped in every way. It is very important that every child should be in his or her place on the opening day.

The colored graded school is scheduled to open on Tuesday, September 19th.

Butner-Fitzgerald.

The following from the Salisbury Evening Post Sept. 1st, will be of interest to many people here:

Salisbury will be interested in the announcement of a romantic marriage which occurred here on Sunday night, April 29th, four months ago, and which is just revealed today. The parties were Mr. Leon Thaddeus Butner, of Winston, son of Prof. A. I. Butner, and Miss Bertha Lee Fitzgerald, of this city, but formerly of Lexington. The marriage took place at the home of Mr. D. R. Pritchett, salesman for Maynard Bros., dealers in pianos and organs, and the ceremony being performed at 11:30 o'clock by Rev. C. A. Munroe, of Hickory. It was intended securing Dr. Clark, but Mr. Munroe was supplying his pulpit for him that day and the Hickory pastor was called to officiate. The only witnesses to the marriage besides the pastor and the contracting parties were Mr. and Mrs. Pritchett and Mrs. N. W. Collett, and how well they have guarded the secret is seen in the fact that the affair has not been made known until today.

The young bride of four months has been a resident of Salisbury for almost a year in the employ of Maynard Bros., as stenographer. Her former home was Lexington, and both of her parents are dead. The groom is a civil engineer and is now with the Southern Power Company on its interurban line from Charlotte to Greenwood, constructing the new road. Mr. Butner was civil engineer on the Southbound railroad, three years ago, during its building and boarded with Miss Fitzgerald's sister while in the neighborhood of Lexington, where he met her. A friendship which grew into a stronger passion followed, resulting in the nuptials at Salisbury.

It was determined to keep the wedding a secret until such time as sufficient both parties, and the time has now arrived. Mrs. Butner left today on No. 36 for Lexington to spend the afternoon with relatives. Tonight Mr. Butner will join her at that place on No. 13 and the couple will leave on a bridal trip north. After an extended tour they will return to the groom's home at Winston.

Miss Fitzgerald is a sister of Misses Pearl, Annie and Ruth Fitzgerald, and of Mrs. E. A. Timberlake, of this city, and formerly lived here. At one time she was stenographer in The Dispatch office and she has many friends in Lexington. Mr. Butner has here for several months, connected with the engineering force of the Southbound. He is a young man of ability and of many good qualities and he made many friends while a citizen of Lexington.

Mr. and Mrs. Butner arrived here Friday afternoon and left Friday night on No. 13 for an extended bridal tour. It is almost impossible to recall his remarks. Suffice it to say he had dwelt on this phase only a few moments until there was a demonstration throughout the court room and vigorous applause followed some remark by the speaker. Judge Daniels promptly called a halt in the proceedings and remarked, "Mr. Sheriff, arrest that woman standing back yonder nearest the stove pipe and bring her up here." The woman, appearing at one of the vaudeville theaters, was present with two women companions listening to the speeches and fell particularly under the observation of the judge when the demonstration broke loose. She was placed in custody of a deputy and kept in an adjoining office until court adjourned this afternoon. Mr. Stewart then proceeded with his arguments, the close of which was listened to almost breathlessly by the spectators and those inside the bar and which was afterward re-

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J. W. FITZGERALD'S GREAT GIFT.

Offers \$10,000 to Greensboro Female College to Help Build New Dormitory.

Mr. J. W. Fitzgerald, of Linwood, one of the county's best citizens, last week made a conditional gift of \$10,000 to Greensboro Female College, in the great Methodist school for girls at Greensboro. The trustees, in order to secure this big donation, will have to raise \$15,000. Concerning the gift and the giver the News & Observer has the following news dispatch from Greensboro, which will be of interest to Mr. Fitzgerald's many friends in this section:

One of the largest gifts ever made for the education of young women in North Carolina was made today by Mr. J. W. Fitzgerald, of Davidson county. Mr. Fitzgerald has agreed to donate to the trustees of Greensboro Female College the sum of ten thousand dollars for the purpose of erecting a dormitory on the condition that other friends of the college contribute fifteen thousand dollars.

A few months ago the trustees decided to build a dormitory to cost twenty-five thousand dollars as soon as the funds could be secured. During the past three years many students have been turned away for the lack of room, and a new building was necessary before the patronage could be increased.

Wm. M. C. Lewis, secretary and treasurer of the college, has been engaged in the campaign to raise the necessary twenty-five thousand dollars. He has secured up to this time six thousand dollars, and now the gift of Mr. Fitzgerald leaves only nine thousand to be raised in order to secure the proposed new dormitory. The Methodists of the state surely will not be slow in raising this amount so as to secure the much needed building.

WHO THE PHILANTHROPIST IS.

Mr. Fitzgerald is a farmer. He is well known in Davidson county and is one of its best citizens. He is a loyal member of the Methodist church, and has been a philanthropist in a quiet way for many years. Through his generosity chiefly a splendid church was built near his home, and many times the benevolences and institutions of his church have received his gifts.

He has long been a friend of Greensboro Female College, and educated some of his nieces here. A few years ago when an effort was made to secure an endowment of one hundred thousand dollars, Mr. Fitzgerald contributed one thousand dollars. Believing that he can make a better investment than to invest in an institution, which has for its object the development of Christian womanhood he now comes forward with this magnificent gift of ten thousand dollars. Mr. Fitzgerald is not a man of large wealth, and his action of his should be an inspiration to others who have a desire to invest a part of their means for the uplift of humanity.

Horrible Crime in Robeson.

One of the most horrible crimes ever attempted in North Carolina is reported in the following dispatch from Lumberton in the Charlotte Observer Monday:

An unknown negro entered the home of Mr. Gray Tolar last night, shortly after 12 o'clock, struck him unconscious with a blow while he was sleeping and then attempted to criminally assault his wife, who was sleeping in another bed in the same room. Mr. Tolar was brought to the Thompson hospital here this morning and his skull was found to be badly fractured and he is not expected to live. He has extensive saw mill interests and was living in a house near one of his mills.

When the negro first entered the home he assaulted his owner, then attempted to assault Mrs. Tolar. She could feel his kinky hair on her face as he attempted to choke her. By some means she got his fingers off her throat and by screaming scared the brute away before he could accomplish his purpose. Mrs. Tolar went over to her husband's bed and found him lying in a pool of his own blood. She grabbed up her two children and with them in her arms, ran a half-mile to summon the assistance of her neighbors.

Three suspects have been arrested and bloodhounds were sent to the scene of the crime this morning. One of the suspects had an unused ticket to Fairmont in his pocket, which he purchased yesterday afternoon. Feeling over the outrage is running high, but violence will hardly be attempted as Mrs. Tolar cannot identify her assailant.

It is certain that the negro did not have robbery as his object, as he did not touch a roll amounting to \$120, which was in Mr. Tolar's trousers pocket.

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AN INTERESTING HEARING.

Seven Excellent Speeches From Emminent Lawyers—Before Captain Robbins, Referee.

The case of state of North Carolina on the relation of D. A. Jones vs. George W. Flynt was argued before Capt. F. C. Robbins, the referee, in the courthouse here Thursday. This is the case in which Mr. D. A. Jones, defeated republican candidate for sheriff in Forsyth county, is suing Mr. George W. Flynt, the successful democratic candidate, who now holds the office. It is charged that there was error in counting the vote of certain townships and that by reason of the error, Flynt was declared elected. Considerable feeling has been stirred up in Forsyth county over the matter and a number of red-hot articles have appeared in the Winston Journal and the Union Republican in regard to the matter. When the case came up in superior court there were so many conflicts and contradictions that a mass of details was agreed on and that a reference was agreed on and Captain F. C. Robbins, of this city, was named as referee.

Captain Robbins held a hearing in Winston-Salem some time ago, at which much evidence was presented, and the hearing Thursday was for the purpose of allowing the lawyers a chance to speak. One, Judge Byrum, of Greensboro, was away attending the meeting of the American Bar Association, in Boston, Mass., and he could not be present. The speaking began at 10:30 a. m., and lasted well into the afternoon with an intermission for dinner. Each lawyer was given thirty minutes and every man made good use of the half hour. District Attorney A. E. Holton, appearing for Jones, and ex-Judge E. B. Jones, for Mr. Flynt, had several spirited clashes and every speaker drove straight home, hitting the nail on the head with perfect precision. After the speechifying was over voluminous briefs were filed by both sides.

Captain Robbins is expected to make his report at an early date, so the case may be passed on at the September term of court, which convenes in Winston-Salem Sept. 11th. He is to take all the time necessary to make his decision and may not file it in time for this term.

Among those present at the hearing were the following: Hon. A. H. Eller, ex-Judge E. B. Jones, Hon. C. W. Watson, and Judge G. H. Hastings, counsel for the defendant; ex-Judge R. C. Strawickie, of Greensboro; Hon. Lindsay Patterson, U. S. District Attorney A. E. Helton, of counsel for the relator; Sheriff George W. Flynt, and Messrs. Millard Masten, H. O. Sapp, Will Hauser, J. E. Savage and others.

Another Aviator Killed.

From Norton, Kans., comes a story that it is believed that mankind has not reached a much higher state of development than the Roman populace exhibited in the days of the Caesars. In those days mankind delighted in the bloody fights of the amphitheatre and often the unfortunate gladiator was sent to his death by the shouts of the multitude and their down-turned thumbs. The story from Kansas, dated Friday, is as follows:

John J. Frisbie, the Curtis aviator, was killed today by a fall at the Norton county fair. Frisbie met with an accident yesterday and went into the air again today only when driven in to it by taunts and jeers. Frisbie fell about one hundred feet and the engine of his machine fell upon him, crushing his left side and chest. He lingered for about an hour before he died.

Frisbie had been giving exhibitions at Elmwood park for several days. Yesterday his machine acted badly and he had a fall of about forty feet, but beyond bruises and a shaking up, was not injured. He was skeptical about the ability of his machine to stand another flight today and announced he would not take the air this afternoon, but when this statement was communicated to the crowd there was an angry demonstration. The spectators hooted and shouted "Faki!" and refused to listen to explanations.

Mr. Frisbie announced that rather than have the big crowd go away with the impression that he was not willing to do his best he would attempt a flight. He ascended from the track without difficulty and at about a height of one hundred feet but in attempting to make a turn, the plane tipped and Frisbie lost control.

As he came crashing to earth, the spectators could see the aviator trying to right the machine but as it approached the ground one of the wings crashed into a barn and the plane, glancing off, struck the earth with Frisbie underneath. Physicians who hurried to the aviator's assistance expressed the opinion at once that his injuries were fatal. Frisbie's wife, son and little girl were witnesses of the accident and Mrs. Frisbie was prostrated when she saw her husband fall. Tonight she bitterly denounced the action of the spectators in forcing her husband to make the flight with a disabled machine. Frisbie is well known among the aviators, having flown at Belmont park. He was a participant in the recent big meet in Chicago.

The Beattie Case Nearing an End.

The celebrated Beattie murder case being tried in Chesterfield Court House a few miles from Richmond, Va., continues to drag along. The evidence for the state was all in by the middle of last week and yesterday evidence for the defense was completed. Henry Beattie went on the stand and gave the same testimony that he gave at the coroner's hearing. The state will put on several witnesses in rebuttal and the case will go to the jury today or tomorrow, if there is no hitch.

Killed by an Automobile.

When an automobile took the wrong side of the road in Maryland a few nights ago, it collided with another machine and before the wreck could be cleared away, a third machine crashed into the debris. The first driver, the man who took the wrong side of the road, was killed and a number of others seriously injured in the wreck.

JUDGE BIGGS RESIGNS.

Popular Jurist Will Retire From Superior Court Bench—Aspirants For His Job.

The following from the Charlotte Observer Saturday came as a surprise to the many friends and admirers of Judge J. Crawford Biggs in this section of the state: Governor Kitchin tonight received the resignation of Judge J. Crawford Biggs of Durham as judge of the ninth North Carolina judicial district. Judge Biggs took this step this afternoon after considerable deliberation. He is moved primarily by consideration for his family, from whom the western districts keep him from forty-five to fifty weeks of the year. He has served notably for five years of his first eight as jurist and, having covered the eastern and middle sections, goes into the west for another five.

Judge Biggs will hold two weeks' court at Boone beginning Monday, and at the institution of Watauga court, his resignation becomes effective September 15. Upon his return to Durham he will become associate professor of law at Trinity College and teach in that great school headed by Dean Samuel F. Mordecai. He will resume his practice, one that became large and select before his ascendency to the bench, but has not chosen his office yet.

Judge Biggs became judge from this district by the election of 1906, when he defeated Judge Thomas Jefferson Shaw of Greensboro. He had previously taught in the university law school following his graduation as valedictorian in 1893, and returned to Oxford to practice in his native town. He had practiced seven and a half years in Durham, when he was elected to the bench.

Everywhere over the state he will be remembered as a great football star with the team that had Mike Hoke, Pete Murphy, Baby Kirkpatrick and other cracker on it. His career on the bench has been eminently successful and even brilliant. Less than 40, he is regarded the equal of any man on the superior court bench. In his five years he has been reversed but five times and the highest court has not sent back a case from his court in two years.

Judge Biggs will begin his lectures to Trinity students at the opening of the law school this month and that institution is accounted especially fortunate. He succeeds Prof. R. G. Anderson, who recently resigned after one year's teaching. Of course, the greater part of Judge Biggs' time will be given to the practice of law. His career on the bench has been very pleasant to him.

Immediately upon his resignation becoming known, members of the Durham bar began a move to have Howard A. Foushee, former law partner of Judge James S. Manning, appointed to succeed Judge Biggs. It is believed that with perfect fidelity to fact that Mr. Foushee will be the candidate from Durham. Friends of Judge Sykes of the recorder's court have asked him to press his name, while there are tonight suggestions of Solicitor Gattis, now prosecuting the docket. The only pronounced candidacy taken up by friends solely, however, is that of Senator Foushee.

Following H. A. Foushee and S. M. Gattis into the arena has come a number of others and now appears that every county of the six composing the district, will have one or more candidates. Because of his closeness to Kitchin it looks like Foushee has a decided advantage, but others are claiming to be close friends of the dispenser of favors. Those put forward for the honor are: A. Wayland Cooke, of Greensboro; Jacob A. Long, of Alamance; Ex-Judge A. W. Graham, of Granville.

Those who are well-read and who keep up with the times will recognize in the last-named individual a perpetual office-seeker, who has been asking for just any sort of a job for many years.

Salisbury Lad Drowns.

Braxton Barkley 17 years old, mailing clerk for the Salisbury Post was drowned in the North Yadkin river, about twelve miles from Salisbury, Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock at a point known as Horse Shoe bend.

Young Barkley, with Floyd and Lee Bost, brothers, had gone to the home of Mr. Ed. Davis, near the scene of the drowning, with a nephew of Mr. Davis, who lives in Florida and who is here on a visit. Arriving there they went to the river and went in swimming. Floyd Bost and Barkley were engaged in swimming from a certain point to a rock in the river called Sheephead rock. Floyd swam out, and Barkley was following close behind, when all of a sudden he called and said he was giving out and went under. Floyd swam out to where his companion had gone down and who was still under. Floyd let his foot down in an effort to locate the drowning boy, who grasped him by the foot, pulling him under. Bost struggled, freed himself and was then too weak to render further assistance to Barkley. Bost saved himself with difficulty.

Bank Examiner Doughton Resigns.

The corporation commission today accepted the resignation of J. Kemp Doughton as state bank examiner and elected in his stead Charles B. Brown, who for the past year has been assistant examiner. This leaves the position of assistant to be filled later.

Mr. Doughton is to become an active member of the Tomlinson Chair and Furniture Manufacturing Company of High Point, recently re-organized, that will take over the Globe-Home Furniture Company, the reorganized company having a capital of \$250,000, with \$750,000 authorized.—Raleigh dispatch, 2nd.

MR. W. H. PAGE ON GOOD ROADS.

Editor of World's Work Has a Few Words to Say About Moore County and Southern Good Roads.

In the September issue of World's Work, one of the most influential and widely read magazines of the United States, appears an interesting editorial under the heading, "Where Good Roads Lead." The editor of this great publication is Mr. Walter H. Page, a native of Moore county and a brother of Hon. R. N. Page, congressman from this district. In his editorial he refers to good roads activity in his native county and, it is supposed, to Southern Good Roads. The editorial is as follows:

A good road is the best thing to build and the dearest thing to write about in the whole world. When you've said that the difference between a good road and a bad one is the difference between an efficient civilization and the jungle, you've told the whole story. But there is a long and most cheerful story that might be told about the present progress of road-building in every part of the Union, thanks to the general awakening of the people and to the coming of the motor-car.

In a dark corner of one of the southern states—a county that God had forgotten and few men had discovered—the sparse population arose a year or two ago some people to one another: "People go to places where there are good roads. They avoid places where there are bad roads. We have bad roads. Few people come here. Let's make good roads and see what will happen." They went to work building good roads from nowhere to anywhere. County and townships went into debt. Private persons put up money. By great agitation and much sacrifice, they built road after road through the lonely woods. And the scoffer said that nobody would ever travel them. At first nobody did travel them. A lonely, perfect highway through a thinly settled corner of the world: it did look foolish to incur a debt for that. But presently people came—in motor-cars; then more came. Somebody discovered that the land along the highways was good land. It had before been taken for granted that because it had not been tilled it was of little value. Now its price has doubled—in places, quadrupled; prosperous farms already bloom where there was only waste before.

Nor is this all. The people of the lonely and formerly unvisited region themselves had stayed at home for lack of roads that tempted them to travel. But as soon as they had good roads, they began to go about. The more prosperous of them bought motor-cars to fit the roads. Then they began to take tours. They now go to adjacent states, to the mountains, to the sea—wherever they will in their touring cars. They are becoming a traveled folk.

More yet. They have become so thoroughly convinced of the value of good roads that an enterprising fellow in an adjacent county began the publication of a good roads magazine. They felt an impulse to tell the rest of the world of the value of their discovery—that good roads pay. And it's a good magazine, too. It is earnestly hoped that it pays. Thus, while bad roads leads nowhere and the sooner it ends the better, a good road may lead to anything.

Travel a good road and you'll find good stories without end. For example: A distinguished apostle of road building was addressing a meeting of farmers in the state of Washington several years ago, just when there was a contest going on for a United States senatorship. The speaker was not in the senatorial race; but his speech so pleased one farmer that he interrupted him:

"You're the man I want for Senator."

The speaker paid no attention to him. But presently the farmer again called out:

"My friend," said the speaker, "you are kinder than you are wise. Let me ask you a question. Do you know the name of either Senator from Massachusetts?"

"No, sir."

"Of either Senator from Ohio?"

"No, sir."

"Of either Senator from Virginia?"

"No, sir."

"Well, do you know who Julius Caesar was?"

"Yes, I've heard of him."

"Well, now, a mere Senator, even from any one of the most famous states, is not well enough known for his name to have reached your ears. But the Roman emperors were ear-builders; and, though Julius Caesar has been dead more than 2000 years, you know who he was. We are here not to consider such a small, transitory subject as a senatorship, but such a lasting and noble subject as road-building; and you have undervalued the importance of this meeting and underrated my ambition. Do not interrupt me again unless you have something to say worthy of the occasion."

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IN AND ABOUT LEXINGTON.

Personal Mention—Movements of the People—Small Items of Interest.

Mr. J. D. Davis went to High Point Sunday.

Mr. Ralph Moffitt leaves today for Guilford College to enter school.

Mrs. W. E. Holt, Jr., went to Charlotte Friday to visit her father, Dr. J. L. Caldwell.

Mr. Herbert Sink has returned to the city, after spending a few days in Bisco.

Miss Fallie Coggins is visiting Mrs. H. D. Scarborough in Alamance county for two weeks.

Mr. Eccles Hedrick left yesterday for A. & M. College, Raleigh, to resume his studies.

Mr. H. Cam Heitman left yesterday for Cincinnati, Cleveland and Chicago on business.

Miss Gena Gallimore, who has been visiting friends in Lenoir, returned to the city Monday night.

Mrs. J. W. Robertson, who has been visiting relatives in Burlington, returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Smith, who have been at Moores Springs for two weeks, are expected home tomorrow.

Miss Nancy Hankins returned to Winston-Salem, Friday, after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hankins.

Mrs. David Sink, and son, Mr. Oscar Sink, are visiting friends and relatives at Blackwell and Archdale this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar McCall of Salisbury, spent Sunday and Monday in the city as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. McCall.

Mrs. M. E. Davis and Mrs. Margaret Russell, of Denton, were in Lexington yesterday and were visitors at The Dispatch office.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Penry, and daughter, Elizabeth, left yesterday for Atlantic City, New York and other cities of the north.

Misses Pearl and Rosa Moffitt leave tomorrow for Lenoir to spend two weeks visiting Mrs. Tilden Stone and Miss Jessie Rameuse.

Miss Blanche Shore, of Winston-Salem, who has been visiting Miss Beulah Conrad for a week, returned home Monday afternoon.

Mr. E. A. Rothrock, county treasurer, left Monday for Hickory, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Irma, who will enter Claremont College this week.

Mr. C. A. Little went to High Point Sunday and returned Monday through the country, bringing two horses which he had purchased in High Point.

Dr. and Mrs. E. J. Buchanan returned Saturday from a very pleasant trip to Atlantic City, New York, Toronto, Can. and other points in the north.

Mrs. C. E. Senseman of Spartanburg, S. C., was called to Lexington Saturday on account of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. A. L. Clodfelter.

Rev. J. F. Deal, of Holly Grove, was in the city Monday evening to be present at the opening of Lenoir College which took place yesterday.