

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. H. A. Merrill and children will leave tomorrow morning for Shelby, where they will spend the rest of the summer.

Mrs. W. L. Wilcox and son and daughter, Mrs. Moore, left yesterday morning for Asheville, where they will spend two or three weeks.

Misses Annie Bryant and Goldie Ribot will leave this morning for Lumberton and Portsmouth, Va. where they will visit relatives and friends.

Misses Alice and Janie Haughton have returned home after a visit to relatives at Lumberton.

Among the visitors in the city yesterday were Dr. W. D. Simpson, of Asheville, S. C., and bride, who was Miss Lucy Bowden, of Wilmington. They were guests at the Central.

Mrs. Frank H. Jones and children are spending a few days at Cleveland Springs.

Judge Walter H. Neal and daughter, Miss Fannie Louisa Neal, of Laurinburg, are visitors in the city, being guests at the Central.

Among the visitors in the city yesterday was Mr. Pearie Floyd, of Lumberton.

Misses Hatill and Minnie Miller and Mr. Lawrence Miller left yesterday morning for Asheville, where they will spend the rest of the summer.

Misses Maude Hayes and Fannie Paulner will leave this morning for Wrightsville Beach, where they will spend some time.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Brown and Nancy Brown returned home yesterday after spending a few weeks at Atlantic City, N. J.

Mrs. W. S. Lee, Jr. will entertain at cards at her home on East Tenth avenue, tonight, in compliment to her sisters, Misses Jeannette and Martha Martin, of Columbus, Ga.

At her home on West Trade street this afternoon, Mrs. Lottie C. Maffitt will entertain at euchre in honor of Misses Jeannette and Martha Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ferris and Mrs. A. L. Ferris left yesterday morning for Providence, R. I., where they will visit relatives for the next two or three weeks.

Miss Sadie Davis, of Salisbury, was the guest yesterday of Miss Willie Young. She was en route to Marietta, where she will visit Miss Anna Morrison.

Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Hussey and son have returned home after a visit to relatives at Warsaw.

Miss Margaret Willis is visiting friends at Salisbury.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Clemence will leave today for Blowing Rock, where they will spend some time.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Vernon and daughter, Miss Estelle, will leave this morning for Atlantic City. Mr. Vernon will return in a few days. Mrs. Vernon and Miss Estelle will remain in the North for several weeks.

Mrs. Jesse McDonald and Miss Jennie Wilkie will leave for New York on Tuesday next.

Misses Kathleen and Ida Moore Alexander were in the city yesterday on their way to their home at Shamrock from Providence, where they visited Miss Edna Ross.

Mr. and Mrs. Cameron Morrison are spending some time at Rockingham.

Miss Leoline Etheredge will leave Monday for Saluda, where she will spend a week or ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Dunn will move into their new home on North Tryon street next week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Maxwell are moving to their new home on Baldwin avenue, Elizabeth Heights.

Mrs. W. H. Green and son leave tomorrow morning to visit friends in Rock Hill, S. C.

Mrs. E. J. Vivian and two daughters, Misses Annie and Mary Vivian leave tomorrow morning for their home in Augusta, Ga.

Miss Bea Canby, of Lincolnton, is visiting relatives in the city.

Misses Annie and Carita Brown returned last night from the mountains of Virginia, where they spent the last month.

Miss Daisy King entertained a number of young people at her home in Crab Orchard last night in honor of Misses Mimmone, of Mississippi, and Hudson, of Union county.

Mr. Walter Morrison gave his annual picnic and dance at the Black Cat mine, in Cabarrus county, yesterday, and a host of young men and women gathered there. The dance was led by Mr. Luke Johnson and Miss Lucille Cross. A big crowd was present and a number of Mecklenburg people took part. Mr. Morrison's to-do is always one of the leading country social functions in this section of the State.

Miss Dell Hood entertained the following named guests at a party at her home on East Morehead street last night: Misses Marie McKinley, Anna Belle Dowd and Graham; Messrs. Tom Hall, Ramond Elerson, Ed Henderson.

Misses Anna and Freda Dotger will entertain a few friends at their home at Elizabeth Heights Monday night in compliment to their guest, Miss Lois Fornace, of Norristown, Pa.

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Kins and children have gone to Baltimore, Md., where they will spend a few weeks with relatives. They will also spend some time at Atlantic City before returning home.

Misses Mamie and Lena Smith left yesterday for Lincolnton, where they will visit their brother, Mr. T. J. Smith. They were accompanied by their nephew, Lloyd Ross.

Among the guests at the Central last night was Mrs. A. T. McCollum, of Red Springs.

Mrs. W. L. Lynch, of Bessemer City, was a guest at the Central last night.

Among the guests at the Hotel Buford last night were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wheeler, of Wilmington.

Mr. F. S. Kennett, of Asheville, is spending to-day in the city.

Among the out-of-town people in the city last evening was Mr. E. A. Carpenter, of Coolemans.

Among the guests at the Buford last night was Mr. M. P. Turner, of Wilmington.

If you want the very best, ask your grocer for Blue Ribbon Van. Absolutely pure. Give twice as far.

BIG PICNIC AT CORNELIUS

CROWD NUMBERED OVER 7,000

Mecklenburg's Growing Young Town Throws Wide Its Gates to Old and Young and Gives Them a Day of Unalloyed Pleasures—Veterans Present in Force as Are Also the Candidates—Col. Paul B. Means, of Concord, the Orator—Thoroughly Happy, Despite Frequent Showers—Sumptuous Basket Dinner Served.

Special to The Observer.

Cornelius, Aug. 3.—This little town, scarcely old enough to be out of its swaddling clothes, but long since, by its rapid growth, having passed beyond the needs of a nurse and able not only to stand and walk alone, but even to run a race with its rivals, threw wide open its doors and gates and highways today to the people that came crowding in by hundreds and thousands from every point of the compass, by train and wagon and carriage, on foot, on horseback, on bicycle, of all ages and sexes, of all conditions and ranks, from the well-to-do and prosperous to the poor man, whose bread is as uncertain as this August weather and whose household goods can be carried on his back. Covered wagons from a distance, carrying the whole family, father, mother and little folk; buggies, open and closed; carriages with tops and those without them, all streamed into the town. The procession began early in the morning and continued to move in until long after mid-day. The crowd was variously estimated at from 6,000 to 8,000. Probably 7,000 would not be far wrong.

VETERANS AND CANDIDATES ON HAND.

The old soldiers, the veterans, some of them mere striplings when they saw war service, gathered here once more, nearly 200 in number, to give each other the hearty handshake, the cordial greeting, and to hear and to tell of the old things and then of the new. And the candidates—oh, their presence constant, their courtesies marked, their manners agreeable, their smiles beaming, their hopes abounding, their expectations great. The presence of all these good fellows would have banished dull care from the hearts and minds of the multitude, had the occasion been even less joyous and the pleasures of the day less engrossing.

The bands were present to stir with martial music and to please with harmonious strains. The Steele Creek Band came in at 6 a. m. and at proper intervals discoursed soft cadences and loud blasts throughout the day. The Huntersville Band came in at mid-day and continued in the good work of making pleasant sounds after nightfall as the merry-go-round swings in its curve and rides the untiring youth and his best girl. The Charlotte Drum Corps was never silent when there was marching to be done, either by the corps itself or when the soldiers and attendant camp-followers were executing manoeuvres and doing the stunts of the long-ago war-time.

COLONEL MEANS THE ORATOR.

The oration of the day was delivered by Col. Paul B. Means, who was in his best vein and in his happiest mood. He was introduced by Mr. James P. Sossaman, a fellow soldier, in a two-minute speech, who, with good-natured raillery and pleasant banter, amused the crowd at Col. Means' expense. Col. Means in his oration indulged in war reminiscences and reconstruction incidents. He

gave in an interesting way details of a number of battles and stories characteristic of individuals who figured prominently in those stirring and soul-shaking events. He spoke for about an hour and a quarter, explaining to his audience that he had used up his time in a scattering fire and had never reached the beginning of his set oration. He spoke in the open air on a specially provided platform, which between showers needed no better awning than the shade the trees offered.

In the afternoon Hunter's drill squad and the sham battle of the veterans caught the attention of the crowd, which watched the entire programme with intense interest. Two games of ball between local teams were pulled off in the morning and in the evening. Cornelius won against Webb's by a score of 9 to 2.

A BOUNTIFUL BASKET DINNER.

The basket dinner was abundant, appetizing, satisfying and bountifully served. No man went hungry for the lack of something to eat. Water-melons were more conspicuous by their absence than otherwise, though they were to be seen here and there. The rain took their place and supplied all the moisture and the juice over head and under foot that the crowd wished to see. Grassy lawns were cut up into mud slicks and women's white dresses looked, as the wearers dragged in the wet or held them above their shoe tops, as if they had been used as scouring rags on dirty floors.

Fortunately the rain came only in showers, heavy, pouring-down showers, but still they were intermittent with long periods of sunshine switched in between, so that people had time to dry off between acts, those at least who did not crowd into the capacious church and large school building and escape a drenching.

Col. Frank Sherrill—I call him colonel because it is only a short while before his generalship in time of peace will give him this rank—Col. Frank, as chairman of the committee of arrangements, deserves unqualified praise for the way in which he mapped out a fine programme and had it carried out to the letter.

GRAND NIECE OF PRES. POLK.

Mrs. M. E. Austin Passes Away at Home in Union County.

Special to The Observer.

Monroe, Aug. 2.—Mrs. M. E. Austin died early this morning at her home on Rocky river, this county. She had been in failing health for five years and had been in a serious condition for four or five months.

Mrs. Austin was born in Union county nearly 70 years ago. She was a daughter of the late Aaron Little and was a great niece of President James K. Polk. Her mother, a Miss Polk, came from Mecklenburg to Union county many years before the civil war. She was married about 1847 to Mr. J. Austin, a prosperous farmer, who survives. Nine children also survive. These are: Dr. J. A. Austin, of Charlotte; Attorney R. E. Austin, of Albemarle; and Messrs. B. O., D. W. and A. D. Austin, of Union county, and Messdames S. E. Baucum, M. Emma Duncan, S. A. Biggers and Daisy Brooks.

Mrs. Austin was a strong-minded woman of excellent traits of character and was held in high esteem by her neighbors. She was a life-long member of the Baptist Church and was prominent in the work of her congregation.

The funeral will be conducted at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning at Crooked Creek Baptist church.

IVEY'S

Explanation

Gold Top Dress Pins

39c PAIR

Instead of Each

We made an error in figuring the cost of the Pins, and they cost just half what we thought.

At 39 cents each they were a bargain, but we sell them as we buy, so we will sell out balance at 39 cents a pair.

All those who bought yesterday please call for half their money back, or get twice as many pins.

We have plenty left and, while we do not understand how they can be made for the price, we guarantee them solid gold top and will replace any that ever turn.

Sensational Hat Sale Saturday

Fine lot fresh Trimmed Hats, Tuscans, Leghorns, White Chips, etc., same grades as we sold up to \$4.00 each early in the season; a big lot to choose from at 95c. each.

Bargains Every Day

Come to see us for anything you want. The chances are we can please you, and save you money also.

IVEY'S

18 WEST TRADE STREET.

WANTED!

Bids for the construction of about 10,000 cubic yards of concrete bridge masonry, together with the necessary coffer-dams and excavation, will be received at the office of O. H. P. Cornell, Chief Engineer of the Winston-Salem South Bound Railway, Winston-Salem, N. C., until 12 m., Wednesday, August 15th, 1906.

BIDS WANTED

Sealed proposals will be received by the Mayor, Board of Aldermen of Salisbury, N. C., until 8 o'clock, p. m., Aug. 16th, 1906, for constructing 1,163 feet of 18-inch Sewer Pipe, 72 feet of 14-inch C. I. Pipe, 5 Man-holes and one Septic Tank, One 18-inch and one 8-inch vitrified elbow, Three 8-inch and two 12-inch C. I. Sluice Gates.

For specifications, forms, proposals, etc., address J. M. Bandy, Consulting Engineer, Greensboro, N. C., or J. W. Webb, Plumbing Inspector, Salisbury, N. C.

A. H. BOYDEN, Mayor. H. J. OVERMAN, City Clerk.

NOTICE!

This is to notify the public that there will be no excursion to either Richmond or Norfolk, Virginia, this year. Everybody had better take advantage of the Wilmington excursion, leaving Charlotte 10:30 a. m., August 14th; returning, leave Wilmington August 16th.

JAMES KER, JR., C. P. A., Charlotte, N. C. C. H. GATTIS, T. P. A., Raleigh, N. C.

DID YOU GET ONE?

Ten Gross, or 120 Dozen, or 1,440 Bottles of Mrs. Joe Person's Remedy has been sold this week. Everybody ought to take Mrs. Joe Person's Remedy who needs a tonic. Now is the time you need it. You ought to keep it in your house all the time. Read the following:

For about eight or ten years I was subject to severe attacks of eczema, which would last for several weeks. I would try local treatments and doctors' medicine, which would relieve for a while, but it would always return, and everything failed in permanent effect. I then determined to try Mrs. Joe Person's Remedy two years ago. I took it regularly for six months, using a dozen and a half bottles, and it made a perfect cure of me. It has been over a year since I stopped taking the Remedy, and I have never had a touch of the trouble since, and my general health is excellent.

MRS. J. H. WILKINS, Bessemer City, July 8, 1906.

Our Greatest and Most Important Clearance Sale. Commences this a. m. at 8:30. Read yesterday's Observer and Evening News for To-Day's Extra Specials and Clearance Bargains. Nothing Charged at Sale Prices. Belk Brothers Wholesale and Retail.

COTTON LAND FOR SALE! On Monday, September 3rd, 1906, at 12 m., at the Court House Door in the town of Rockingham, N. C., the undersigned will sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, that highly improved cotton farm, containing 405 acres, known as the "Ledbetter Level," adjoining the town of Steele's Mills, a station on the main line of the S. A. L., four miles west of Rockingham, N. C.

High Grade Go-Carts at Right Prices. The Heywood-Wakefield line of Go-Carts and Reed Goods is acknowledged to be one of the finest obtainable in the Eastern markets. Below we give some interesting prices on some of the High-Grade Carts. Special prices in \$9.75, \$13.75, \$15.00 and \$17.50 Carts. When buying a Go-Cart or Reed Chairs, always insist on their having the "Heywood-Wakefield" trade-mark on them and then you can feel sure you have a first-class article.

W. T. McCOY South Tryon Street

NEGLIGEE SHIRTS, COLLARS AND CUFFS ATTACHED. There is quite a demand at present for soft shirts, collars and cuffs attached. Our stock is now complete in all sizes from 12 1/2 to 17, in many pretty and desirable patterns. \$1.00 To \$1.75. Wash Neckwear, Knee Length Drawers, and all styles of this Underwear for mid-summer use.

YORK BROS. & ROGERS

THE RIGHT VS. THE WRONG. There's just two ways of doing things—the Right Way and the Wrong Way. This laundry has been established a good many years, and, backed by modern ideas and equipment, does things the Right Way. That's one reason why we should have your work. Charlotte Steam Laundry Launderers, Dyers, Cleaners 219 South Tryon Street.

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CHARLOTTE'S FASTEST GROWING STORE THE BEE HIVE. Specials That Will Make Another Big Saturday at THE BEE HIVE.

Domino Check Gingham in Short Lengths. The best grade Check Gingham, all size and color checks 2 1-2 Cents.

Solid Color Chambray. Another big lot of the fine solid Light Blue, Pink and other good colors in Chambray, just like the lot we sold out so quickly last Saturday, to go again at 2 1-2 cents.

40 inch light weight Sheeting, splendid for quilt lining 3 1-2 cents. \$1.50 Counterpanes, very large and extra heavy, beautiful patterns, bleached pure white \$1.00 each.

Ladies' Gauze Vests. Full sizes and taped 2 1-2 cents. Brown Dress Linen, the good heavy quality 10 cents.

White Hand Bags. 59 cent ones going here at 25 cents. 25 cent ones here for 19 cents.

Lace Special. Fine lot wide edges and Insertions, Torchon and Val Laces 3 cents.

Talcum Powder and Soap. We sell the best Mennen's Talcum Perfumed or Borated 10 cents a box. Genuine A. & F. Pears Soap 10 cents a cake. Lana Oil, Buttermilk and Glycerine, 3 cakes in box 16 cents.

Witch Hazel Soap, the Blue Soap, 3 cakes to box 10c. Buy for cash. Buy here and save money.

6% COUPON CERTIFICATES "Saving Money by Mail" on request. The Bee Hive The Busiest Store in Town.