

Social and Personal

The music faculty of the Presbyterian College will give a concert in the college auditorium Tuesday evening at 8:30 o'clock to which the public is invited.

Cards reading as follows have been received in the city: Mr. and Mrs. Jerome B. Johnson request the pleasure of your company at the wedding reception of their daughter Marion and Mr. Eugene Cleveland Gwaltney on the evening of Wednesday, the second of December, at Rock Hill, S. C.

Miss Johnson is one of the most popular young ladies of Rock Hill, S. C. Gwaltney is a graduate of Wake Forest College, and is now in the cotton manufacturing business in Winston-Salem, N. C. He has many friends in Charlotte and throughout the State.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cooper, of Sumter, S. C., are spending several days in the city with Mr. Cooper's mother, Mrs. E. C. Cooper, on North Broadway street. Mrs. Cooper will leave after a day or so for Iron Station to visit her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Carson are visiting near Lake Waccamaw.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Vernon and Miss Estelle Vernon, are expected home from New York early this week.

Mrs. Ernest Steinhart has returned from a visit to Washington, Baltimore and Philadelphia.

Mrs. Harvey Bryan is substituting for Mr. David T. Huyck, organist at the Tryon Street Methodist church, while he and his mother, Mrs. Leonard W. Huyck, are visiting in Jacksonville, St. Augustine and other resorts in Florida.

Miss Hal Morson, of Raleigh, is the guest of Mrs. R. S. Busbee at her home on East Morehead street.

Mrs. Franklin B. Bence, of Roanoke, Va., who has been the guest of Col. and Mrs. T. Leroy Kirkpatrick, in Dilworth, for the past two weeks, returned home yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto K. Ashbury have returned to their home in Richmond, Va. Mrs. Ashbury, who attended the marriage of her sister, Miss Hattie Miller to Mr. Overton Ludwell Watts, spent several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Miller, before her return.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Copeland have returned to the city and are again at the Seelye. Mr. Copeland has charge of the extensive work here of the Atlantic Bitulithic Company.

Mr. Overton Ludwell Watts and bride, who was Miss Hattie Miller, of this city, will arrive to-night from their honeymoon at North. For several days Mr. and Mrs. Watts will be the guests of Mrs. Watts' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Miller, before going on to Shelby, their future home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Vansandt and children, who have been making their home at the Central for some time, have gone to Philadelphia to visit until after the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. H. E. C. Bryant and little daughter, Miss Elizabeth Sharp, arrived in the city yesterday from Morgan and are with the Bryants at Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cutler's on East avenue.

The Friday afternoon Book Club met with Mrs. Claude Craig Matthews Friday afternoon.

PERSONAL

The Movements of a Number of People, Visitors and Others.

Mr. A. J. Strauss, a prominent traveling man of Baltimore, was a Charlotte visitor yesterday.

Mr. E. O. Pate, of New York, was a guest at the Southern Manufacturers' Club yesterday.

Mr. A. P. Weaver, of Baltimore, was a Charlotte visitor yesterday.

Mr. J. D. Fry, of South Boston, Va., was a Charlotte visitor yesterday, stopping at the Southern Manufacturers' Club.

Mr. John A. Parker, of Statesville, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

Mr. E. E. Gibson, of Richmond, Va., spent yesterday at the Southern Manufacturers' Club.

Mr. E. E. Pashall, of Atlanta, Ga., was a Charlotte visitor yesterday.

Capt. R. P. Bouting has returned to his home in Portsmouth, Va., after visiting his daughter, Mrs. C. F. Pleasant here.

Mr. J. E. Williamson, of Worthville, was a guest in the city yesterday, stopping at the Seelye.

Mr. R. E. Gibson, of Concord, spent yesterday in the city on business.

Mr. O. C. Long, of Atlanta, Ga., was a Charlotte visitor yesterday.

Among the guests at the Central yesterday was Mr. J. R. Young, of Concord.

A REMARK FROM MR. M'GHEE

He Denies That He Predicted the Election of Mr. Bryan, as Insinuated—Only Break He Made Was in Reference to Maryland, and He Nearly Had to Eat His Words.

Observer Bureau, 11 Post Building, Washington, Nov. 14.

Having read with profound mortification the astonishing insinuation made both by the editor of the Observer and the ever-entertaining Herr von Red Buck that "Dr." Zach McGhee is claimed among those who predicted the election of Mr. Bryan, I think I am justified in making a remark. The occasion demands it for the further reason that a distinguished gentleman from Charlotte, a former newspaper man whose present position prevents his engaging in open polemical controversy, stimulated by the remarks in the Observer, writes me this morning that "Your old Charlotte friends have been laughing at you for a month."

Having so carefully refrained from any kind of a prediction in print as to the outcome of the recent election, I am at a great loss to comprehend the psychological composition of the risibilities of my "old Charlotte friends." But I suppose I should be glad to satisfy one respect like our friend Jack Falstaff, "not only witty myself but the cause of wit in others."

Why, a man who has so often declared that he is scarcely able in a political campaign to tell what has happened, and who has been going to happen, should be classed with the late Democratic Chairman Jones or the later Chairman Hitchcock and Mack is a little beyond me.

No, both the editor of the Observer and Herr von Red Buck, as well as my laughing friends, are mistaken. I never gave expression in print to any prediction whatever as to the election. And, barring one slight break, I never made a single prediction in private conversation. That break was at the State of Maryland. Having made a special study of Maryland, I did in a moment of rashness declare to certain friends that for breakfast on the morning of the election the State was for Taft. I would eat my hat. And now I make the open confession that for several days I went about with anxious feelings in the gastronomic regions. But since, not even the most scientific of the medical men who have been able to figure out that I must eat more than one-fourth of the hat, and so no one can unqualifiedly say that Maryland did go for Taft, I have resumed my "baked apple, oatmeal and coffee" diet, and am again content but less important questions. I simply did not know and said so, and I never allowed myself to indulge in the illusions of hope. Those who were good enough to read my effusions know this already.

ZACH M'GHEE

BRIEFS

A Few Minor Happenings in and About the City.

The board of public service is due to meet to-morrow afternoon.

The condition of Miss Mabel Nuttall, who has been ill for the past ten days, remains unchanged.

The latest reports from Mr. D. E. Tate, a student in the law at the effect that he is steadily improving.

Mr. Rush T. Wray has bought from Mr. S. L. Vaughan the valuable house and lot at No. 3 Elizabeth avenue.

Mr. John Boyce became quite ill yesterday. He was removed to his home at the Smith store, where he was at work.

The Home Realty Company has sold to Miss Margaret Thurmond a lot on the Morehead place, on South Tryon street. The consideration was \$2,100.

Mr. John W. Smith was able to be at his store, corner of Second and College, yesterday, for the first time since his recent illness with appendicitis.

A deed was filed yesterday transferring title to a lot on East Ninth street from the Mutual Trust Company to Mrs. Fannie M. Osborn. The consideration was \$2,100.

Miss Rosa Meyer, one of the most popular salesladies in the Little-Long department stores, has resigned to take a similar position with Farley & Askin, on North Tryon street.

Good-sized crowds have been attending the vaudeville shows of the James J. Adams Company at the Auditorium during the week. The entertainment has been given each night this week, Saturday closing the winter work of the company. It will then disband until next spring, when it will start out with a week's engagement here.

Broken Arm in Fall.

Mr. D. K. Belue, of Blacksburg, S. C., lost his footing while walking up town near the square last night after 8 o'clock. He fell, breaking his fall with his right arm and at the same time breaking the same member near the elbow. He was taken into Jordan's, where medical attention was rendered him.

Ordway Company Contracts.

Mr. J. A. Ordway was here this week and accepted a contract for Ordway & Co. to build a large concrete reservoir at East Monbo for the Turner Mill Company. The reservoir will be located on the hill just above the plant of the company and will be built for the protection. The walls will extend fifty feet above the roof of the building and the reservoir will have a capacity of 30,000 gallons. Work will begin at once. The Ordway Company is building the big dam across the Catawba river and the mill buildings for the Turner Company, all of which are nearing completion.

Good Results of Government Demonstration.

In Tuesday's paper we told our readers something of the results accomplished in this county during the season just past by the farmers who cultivated ground under the plans outlined by the co-operative demonstration department of the government. One farmer raised over 90 bushels of corn on an acre, nearly 20 bushels more than he had ever raised before. Other farmers increased their yields, though not quite so much.

Arm Dislocated While in Bed.

Mr. J. M. Smith, who was operated on for appendicitis last Sunday, had his arm dislocated while in bed yesterday morning at the Lincoln Hospital. He was lying in bed with his arm raised over his head for a change of position. The force of the movement causing the humerus to slip out of socket. Dr. Crowell happened to be present, and at once re-set the dislocated joint.

COMMISSION IS DEFENDED

MR. CLARENCE POE ASTONISHED

Editor of Progressive Farmer Convicted That Country Life Commission, Which Governor Glenn so severely criticized in his Considered Interests, is Accomplishing Entail Good—Time For South to Get Over its Morbid and Babyish Sensitiveness—Lack of Sanitary Precautions is What Makes South's Death-Rate So High—Dr. Stiles Correct in His Statements.

To the Editor of the Observer: I am astonished at the criticisms of the country life commission. It is my conviction that the commission will accomplish untold good by directing the attention not only of the national government, but of our own home people to the pressing needs of rural life and the possibilities of rural development.

It is especially unfortunate that Governor Glenn talked prematurely in an interview concerning a "sealing" which he did not attend and reported in a paper whose representative did not attend—except for a mere fraction of the time. It is high time, anyhow, for the South to get over this morbid and babyish sensitiveness about the publication of every statistical fact that doesn't please our passing fancy. The bald truth is that our death-rate from typhoid fever and other preventable diseases is shockingly high and that the burning shame to our people amounting to nothing less than a sectional crime, and it is folly to deny it.

The true Southerner, the man we ought to honor and follow, is not a man who looks upon a plain fact squarely in the face and sets about getting a remedy. In heaven's name, let's have done with our quack "popularity-hunting" doctors and leaders who tell us there is nothing the matter with us that we are the greatest and happiest people on earth and that all we need to do is to keep on forever in our old ruts of illiteracy, undeveloped resources and inefficient farming methods. Let us rather follow the doctor and the leader who loves the South with all his heart, but who loves her too well not to use the knife of criticism and reform upon the cancers upon her economic life.

It is to be noted at the point: The commission is criticized because in urging the need of better rural sanitation and hygiene Dr. Stiles pointed out the excessive death-rate in our rural districts compared with other sections of the country. For instance, he mentions typhoid fever in emphasizing the truth (of so much moment to us) that 90 per cent of the cases and the deaths from typhoid disease might be prevented by rural sanitary precautions. And he is right. The average number of deaths from typhoid in the United States is 25 in each 1,000. It is 45 in the South Central Appalachian region, 65 in the Southern Interior plateau (South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, and Mississippi sections) 74, and in the Southwestern Central region (New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas) 89 per cent. Wherever the negro population is high, as Dr. Stiles points out, the lack of sanitary precautions insures a high death-rate. From typhoid fever, the general average is 25 per cent, higher than the average for whites in the United States.

WHAT A STUDY OF SOUTHERN CITIES SHOWS.

But it is the registration area only, embracing not the entire South but only our Southern cities, for which the United States census takers have truly accurate mortality statistics, and we are going to take in alphabetical order just as they come in the census tables, every Southern city included in the registration area with their death-rates per 1,000 of population for both races, and compare each one of these Southern cities with the two cities in other sections immediately following in the census list. Here then is the showing:

Table with 2 columns: Name of City, Death-Rate per 1,000 Population. Rows include Atlanta, Ga. (25), Baltimore, Md. (19), Boston, Va. (18), Jacksonville, Fla. (22), Jacksonville, Ill. (22), Jamestown, N. C. (22).

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Table with 2 columns: City, Population. Rows include Lynchburg, Va. (11,350), Lynn, Mass. (16,300), McKeesport, Pa. (17,200), Nashville, Tenn. (27,000), Natick, Mass. (14,000), Natick, Conn. (17,000), New Orleans, La. (280,000), Newport, Ky. (29,000), Newark, N. J. (240,000), Norfolk, Va. (15,000), Norristown, Pa. (23,000), North Adams, Mass. (13,000), Raleigh, N. C. (23,000), Reading, Pa. (17,000), Revere, Mass. (15,000), Richmond, Va. (24,000), Rochester, N. Y. (23,000), Rochester, N. Y. (23,000), San Antonio, Tex. (22,000), San Diego, Cal. (27,000), San Francisco, Cal. (230,000), Savannah, Ga. (24,000), Schenectady, N. Y. (15,000), Scranton, Pa. (20,000), Shreveport, La. (22,000), Sioux City, Ia. (15,000), Somerville, Mass. (15,000), Wilmington, Del. (19,000), Windham, Conn. (16,000), Winona, Minn. (14,000).

A REMEDY NEEDED. These are the figures whose accuracy the government stands for and the Southern man who can look them in the face and still argue for a laissez-faire, do-nothing policy is the man who murders present and future generations by criminal carelessness. Dr. Stiles is a man who with rare self-devotion proposes to give his life to the effort to reduce this fearful Southern death-rate—its excessive proportions in our cities being but typical of similar conditions in our country districts—and there is no man in America to-day who more heartily deserves the co-operation of every agency in the Southern States. It is not climate that makes our Southern death-rate so high. It is lack of sanitary precautions upon the part of our large negro population and also upon the part of a large white population as well. In the name of human life, let us set about remedying these conditions. CLARENCE H. POE, Raleigh, Nov. 14th, 1908.

Ten Inches of Snow at Lexington, Va. Lexington, Va., Nov. 14.—As a result of the heaviest storm ever known at this season of the year, ten inches of snow fell to-day.

After a Cold. There's nothing so good to heal the lungs and brace up the system as Dr. King's Emulsion of Pure Norwegian Cod Liver Oil with Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda. Pleasant to take. 50c. and \$1.00 Bottles. Registered Nurses' Directory (Graduate Nurses Only). Burwell-Dunn Retail Store. 'Phones 41 and 300.

STYLISH BOOTS. Feminine Footwear is unusually handsome this season, and the styles we are showing. Be sure to see our specials. The "College" Patent Kid, plain toe style, Button and Blucher, "The City," Viol Kid and Bright Gunmetal, plain toe style, Blucher, "The Just It," soft Golden Brown Viol Kid, opera shape tip, style Blucher. These are all hand sewed welt, light sole, extension edge, military heel. All fallored to our order, with the five-dollar finish and wear. Price \$3.50. By mail \$3.75. GILMER-MOORE CO.

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White House Coffee. A large and handsome banner was hung across the square from Johnson's to the Central Hotel, corner yesterday, advertising the Municipal Convention of this week and inviting the public to attend the conference.

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