WADESBORO SCHOOL CLOSES.

Mr. T. W. Bickett Delivers the Annual Address Before the Graduating Class—Principal and Teachers Re-Elected For Another Term.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Wadesboro, May 12.—A magnificent audience heard the magnificent address of Mr. T. W. Bickett before the graduating class of the high school last night. The speaker plead for education and insisted that the need to-day was equipped men for the battle of life. Profound impressions were made on his audience.

The members of the class occupied seats on the platform when Superintendent J. H. McIver in a few happily chosen words opened the programme and invited the president of the class, Preston A. McLendon, to preside.

Prizes were awarded by the faculty to all those who have been neither absent nor tardy during the year and in addition have been on the honor roll the entire year. Mr. W. C. Bivens acting for the faculty, delivered these prizes.

Rev. T. W. Chambliss presented the medals offered by J. G. Boylin and W. C. Bivens. The declamatory contest was between Preston McLendon and Archie Morrison, but the judges decided that Mr. Morrison was the winner and the Boylin medal went to him. The Bivens medal was presented to Miss Janie Gulledge.

The members of the class received many floral tributes from their friends and the school year closed for them with the applause of teachers and acquaintances.

The factulty of the past year through whose efforts the superintendent and principal have been able to achieve results have been unanimously re-elected for another year. These tachers are: Misses Rena Moore, of Farmville; Rena Lassiter, of Wake Forest, Bernice Turner, of Statesville; Lucy Hawkins, of Louisberg, and Misses Bessie Ashcraft, Jennie B. Brent, Daisy McKeithan and Jessie Moore, of Wadesboro. Prof. Wortham Wyatt has been re-elected principal and Prof. J. H. McIver, of Greensboro, as superintendent.

NEWTON'S OLDEST COUPLE.

Mrs. Mahala Sigmon Celebrates Her 83d Birthday and the 64th Year of Wedded Life.

Special to The Observer.

Newton, May 13.—Mrs. Mahala Sigmon, wife of Mr. Lauson Sigmon, celebrated her 83d birthday a few days ago. There was a large gathering at the home of this rather remarkable couple. Mr. and Mrs. Sigmon were married in 1845 and so have passed their 64th milestone of married life together. They are perhaps the oldest couple in the county. To them have been born nine children, four sons and five daughters, all of whom are still living. Mr. Sigmon went out in 1861 with Company F, 38th Regiment, but being over 45 he returned home, where he remained some time. Later he joined a company of cavalry from Burke county, but being unable to stand riding he was discharged and sent home. Later he joined the Senior Reserves under Colonel Hoke. His oldest son, M. S. Sigmon was a member of Co. B, 2nd Cavalry. This aged couple has 52 grandchildren and 49 great-grandchildren living, so that today they can gather around their fireside 110 descendants, without counting the husbands and wives of children and grandchildren, which if added would increase the number to 137. One remarkable incident is that all the children born to them are still living, although death has claimed six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. It will be difficult to find another couple that can show such a complete record of incidents in a long, well-spent life.

NEWTON NEWS ITEMS.

Woman Bitten by Copperhead Snake Now Out of Danger—Shipping Large Quantities of Strawberries.

Special to The Observer.

Newton, May 14.—Messrs. N. E. Propst, L. H. Phillips, M. C. Setzer and A. C. Sherrill have been appointed to the Methodist Quarterly Conference, as delegate to the District Conference, to be held in Taylorsville in July. Messrs. Lee Huitt and G. C. Little are alternates.

The Miller Brothers and Mr. R. A. Bumgarum are shipping large quantities of strawberries in crates. The former sends off stacks of crates on every train.

Mrs. Joseph Witherspoon, who was bitten by a copperhead snake last Friday, is now out of danger. She suffered intensely for several days, and was in great danger.

At the meeting of the board of trustees of the graded school last night the following teachers were elected: Prof. E. O. Smithdeal, superintendent and teacher 8th and 7th grades; Miss Katherine Abernathy, 6th; Miss Bertie Foard, 5th; Miss Olive Duke, 4th; Miss Lucy Fry, 3rd; Miss Carrie Thornton, 2nd; Miss Marianne Smith high 1st; Miss Annie Lowrance, low 1st.

Durham Republicans to Start a Semi-Weekly.

Special to The Observer.

Durham, May 13.—Local Republicans have been discussing a local and political semi-weekly which there is talk of starting either here or in Greensboro. The plan is to have a county bureau in ten counties with a non-partisan news feature. The publication is thought to be better adapted to the missionary needs of the Republicans than a daily. The price is very far lower and the time for reading and taking in everything gained would be greater. It is not known yet how soon or where the paper will be sprung. There are Republicans who say it is bound to come and they think judiciously managed it ought to pay.

Fayetteville Aldermen Name City Officers.

Special to The Observer.

Fayetteville, May 13.—The new board of aldermen, chosen at the recent municipal election, met for the first time Tuesday night and elected the following city officials: E. A. Poe, mayor protempore; H. J. McBule, city clerk; Alfred MacKethan, treasurer; J. Sprunt Newton, city attorney; W. A. Brown, superintendent of streets; J. D. McNeill, chief of fire department; J. McD. Monaghan, chief of police. The election of a city engineer and a health officer was postponed until the next meeting.

Wadesboro Bar Endorses Judge Allen For Associate Justice.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Wadesboro, May 12.—Wadesboro people are very much pleased at the appointment of Judge Connor to the Federal judgeship, although many politicians expressed themselves yesterday as of the opinion that the appointment would give the State to the Republicans at the next election.

The members of the local bar have endorsed Judge W. R. Allen for the vacancy on the Supreme bench.

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NOTES FROM LUMBERTON.

Aldermen Purchase New Boilers For City Power Plant—Local Talent to Present Play.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Lumberton, May 12.—As a token of their appreciation for her faithful efforts in presenting "Under the Southern Cross," in the opera house a few weeks ago, the Daughters of the Confederacy have presented Mrs. F. J. Thomas with a silver meat-fork.

The Virginia & Carolina Southern Railroad expect to run an excursion to Fayetteville on the 20th inst. This will be the first excursion over this road.

The "city fathers" have purchased two 100-horse-power boilers from the Schofield Boiler Company, of Macon, Ga. These will replace the two 60-horse-power boilers that were recently condemned.

"Damon and Pythias" will be presented in the auditorium of the graded school Friday night by Mr. and Mrs. Edward D'Alize, of Baltimore, assisted by a strong cast of local talent under the auspices of Unity Lodge, No. 202, Knights of Pythias.

Mr. J. F. Head, who recently accepted a position as auditor and general freight and passenger agent of the Virginia & Carolina Southern Railroad, has moved his family from Wilmington to this place.

The First National Bank of Lumberton has begun suit against Dr. J. P. Brown, of Fairmont, for the recovery of a note for $750, given in payment of 500 shares of stock in the Seminole Security Company.

MILWOOD BOUND OVER.

Young Gaffneyite, Who Cashed Check Belonging to Another Person of the Same Name, Sent Up to the District Court.

Special to The Observer.

Gaffney, S. C., May 13.—A preliminary hearing was held yesterday in the case of John R. Milwood, before the United States commissioner here. Milwood was charged with obtaining the money on a check which was issued by the United States marshal in favor of another J. R. Milwood last October. The evidence showed that Milwood cashed the check, although he had never been a witness. A certain merchant in town testified that Milwood asked him about the check when he received same, and that he advised him to have same cashed and then make good in case there was any trouble about the matter.

It is understood that Milwood claims that he thought he was a witness before the commissioner in a case which was tried some three years ago, although he had not been summoned or sworn, and that it was for that he thought he was getting the check. The commissioner took the position that the merchant had given Milwood bad advice when he told him to cash the check, and that he should have investigated beforehand instead of first having it cashed, so he bound him over for trial at the next term of the district court at Greenville.

Through Train From Raleigh to Beaufort.

Special to The Observer.

Newbern, May 13.—The chamber of commerce has been notified by the Norfolk & Southern Railroad Company that it will on or before June 10 extend the run of the train which now runs from Raleigh to Chocowinity so that it will run through from Raleigh to Beaufort. This change will also cause some changes in the present schedules—one of which, it is said, will cause the trains which now meet here about 7:10, to reach here an hour earlier. The promised change is one which Newbern people have been wanting for a year or more, but until the present they have never succeeded in their effort to bring the Raleigh train here.

Indian George Out on Bond.

Special to The Observer.

Gaffney, S. C., May 13.—Owing to the fact that Judge Sease had left Darlington when the orders for bail arrived at that point in the cases of Mary Jane Watkins, charged with murder, and George Deerhorn, charged with the larceny of two bears, the orders for their release did not arrive at Gaffney until yesterday. Both defendants were released yesterday afternoon.

THE WEATHER.

Washington, May 13.—Forecast:

Virginia, partly cloudy Friday; Saturday partly cloudy, showers in north and west portions; light south and southwest winds.

North Carolina, South Carolina, fair Friday and Saturday; light variable winds.

East Florida, fair Friday and Saturday; light to moderate easterly winds.

West Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and east Texas, fair Friday and Saturday; light to moderate southerly winds.

West Texas, fair Friday, cooler in north portion; Saturday fair, cooler.

Arkansas, fair in south, thunderstorms in north portions Friday; Saturday fair and cooler.

Tennessee, increasing cloudiness Friday; showers Friday night or Saturday.

Kentucky, showers and thunderstorms Friday and probably Saturday.

West Virginia, increasing cloudiness with showers Friday; Saturday showers.

LOCAL OFFICE, U. S. WEATHER BUREAU.

Charlotte, May 13.—Sunrise 5:21 a. m.; sunset 7:18 p. m.

TEMPERATURE (in degrees)

8 a. m. 59; noon 70; 4 p. m. 78; 8 p. m. 72.

Highest temperature	76
Lowest temperature	53
Mean temperature	64
Deficiency for the day	4
Mean temperature this date last year	74

PRECIPITATION (in inches).

Total for 24 hours ending 8 p. m.	0
Total for the month to date	0.95
Deficiency for month	0.50
Deficiency for year	5.06
Prevailing wind direction	S. W.

W. J. BENNETT, Observer.

Contract Let For Theatre and City Building.

Special to The Observer.

Durham, May 13.—Work upon the new theatre and municipal building has begun and the contract for the roof has been let to J. T. Jones, of Raleigh. The contract calls for completion September 15. There is little doubt that the work can be finished in time for the opening of the season. The floor of the old academy is being torn out so that excavation necessary for a ground floor stage, is being made. The season will open the 1st of October and the bookings thus far have been the best that Durham has had. The work on the walls will be but little as it has been discovered that there is but small damage done to the structure.

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