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STALEY MFG. CO.

Baltimore Starch Mfg Company
Incorporated.

HEADED BY RANDOLPH BOY.

Augustus E. Staley, brother of Mrs. S. E. Coble, of Providence Township, at the head of Big Baltimore Company—Began Business Nine Years Ago.

The Baltimore Sun says: There has been incorporated a concern which will probably add largely to Baltimore's prestige as a starch market.

The A. E. Staley Manufacturing Company, with an authorized capital of \$3,800,000, has been organized to take over the large business of the Staley Manufacturing Company, conducted as a private enterprise by Mr. Augustus E. Staley, and to operate a large starch and glucose plant.

Mr. Augustus E. Staley started in business here under the firm name of the Staley Manufacturing Company about nine years ago. The business has grown to be one of the largest corn-starch houses in the United States.

The president of the new company is Mr. Staley. The vice president is Mr. Richard H. Bond, also of this city, and the general counsel is Mr. Edwin J. Farber, who incorporated the company.

It is the purpose of the company to start with a plant the minimum capacity of which will be 10,000 bushels of corn a day. As soon as the plant is running smoothly the intention is to double the capacity and add a glucose plant.

The location of the company is at 437 439-441 North street. Mr. Staley formerly lived in this county and is a brother of Mrs. S. E. Coble, of Providence township.

THE NEW SCHEDULE.

In Effect December 16th—Vestibule Passes at Night.

Official announcement of the change of schedule for the vestibule has been received.

It passes Asheboro going north at 11:20 p. m. and going south at 5:50 a. m.

It will connect at High Point with No. 40 to Washington and with No. 39 going south on the main line. It will connect with the Seaboard at Aberdeen going and coming.

The mail car will be dropped on this train and all mail will be handled by local freights on both the A. & A. and the Asheboro division of the Southern. There is already much unfavorable comment upon the change. So far as known the Southern will remain the same.

This gives Asheboro only one mail a day.

The people of Asheboro will insist on this early morning train carrying mail, so that we can have the News and Observer before breakfast.

SPECIAL WRITER.

Mrs. Ida Ingold-Masten of Indiana Has Been Added to The Courier Staff.

Mrs. Ida Ingold Masten, formerly of Randolph county, but now of Frankfort, Ind., has become a weekly contributor to the Courier. Mrs. Masten is a writer of ability, and her articles, well founded of deep interest, and we bespeak the appreciation of our readers. At this time when question of uniting various denominations is being agitated her article on Church Federation will be interesting.

Good Road Meeting.

At the meeting of the Randleman Good Road Association held December 8th, it was decided to hold a county convention at the courthouse Monday January 7th, for the purpose of organizing the county into a good roads movement. Let every township be well represented. J. L. Fields, President of Randleman Good Roads Association.

At a recent meeting of the M. P. Baraca Class, the following officers were elected and installed.

President, B. A. Yeagan; Vice-President, Wiley Ward; Secretary, J. Baugh; Treasurer, W. H. G. Gogow. These officers compose the executive committee.

FRANKLINVILLE GLEANINGS.

Occurrences of Interest From Our Neighboring Town.

Messrs. Hugh Parks, Jr., H. A. Russell, and Dink Hughes made a business trip to Greensboro Monday. Mr. W. B. Cox, who has had charge of a saw mill at Jonesville, La., came home one day last week and will spend some time in our city.

Messrs. Neal McCorquodale, Monroe Burrow, and Miss Fannie Kinney went to Asheboro last Tuesday. R. W. Jordan attended the Baptist State Association at Greensboro last week.

S. L. Welch, who has been on the sick list for a few days, is improving.

The largest porkers killed in our community this season were butchered last week by Messrs. James Martindale and R. W. Jordan. Mr. Martindale's weighed 414 pounds, and Mr. Jordan's largest weighed 400, and the smallest nearly 400 pounds.

E. A. Routh is the happiest man in town and has been grinning for several days. It's a fine girl.

Little Velma, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Burros, died last Tuesday morning, of diphtheria, and was laid to rest in the Baptist cemetery Wednesday evening. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. C. A. Wood. She was a bright child and will be sadly missed by her loved ones. The bereaved family have the sympathy of our people.

James Buie has been moving machinery for the last few days from the card room of the Franklinville Mfg. Co. to make room for new machinery which will be installed in a few weeks.

Peter Alfred, one of our sportsmen, has the honor of bringing in the first wild turkey this season which he captured while out practicing with his Sure Shot early Monday morning.

James Craven and family, of Hillsboro, spent Saturday night and Sunday in the city with relatives and friends.

CARY QUICK IN JAIL.

Two of Those Charged With Killing Line Blind Tiger Combs are Discharged and One Jailed.

Rockingham, December 6.—Cary Quick, Eb Quick and Lovely Knight, charged with the murder of Ju'e Combs, the notorious line state blind tiger, surrendered themselves and were given a hearing before Squire W. F. Long last Friday. The cases against Lovely Knight and Eb Quick were dismissed. Cary Quick was committed to jail. The evidence tended to show that he was being assaulted by the deceased when he fired the fatal shots.

Holiday Trade.

It is the time of year now when there will be much patronage of the stores and the shops, and it is the time when we should remember our local merchants, those who have invested their money and directed their energy toward the building up of our community. Before going away from home to purchase goods and gifts for the holidays, it would be well to examine the splendid stock of merchandise carried by the home merchants. And while doing this do not forget the grocers and the other merchants who keep a general line of merchandise. They, too, are entitled and worthy of your patronage and support.

Archibald Johnson to Deliver an Address in Asheboro.

Mr. Archibald Johnson Editor of "Charity and Children," the Baptist Orphanage paper at Thomasville, N. C., will address the people of Asheboro on orphanage work, next Sunday afternoon in the Presbyterian church, at 3 o'clock.

A cordial invitation to be present is extended to all, to hear this distinguished speaker.

REV. HENRY SHEETS.

Death of a North Carolinian.

Ex-Judge William Shepperd Bryan who was for 11 years a member of the Court of Appeals of Maryland, and the father of the present Attorney General, W. S. Bryan, of Maryland, died in Baltimore December 9th, aged 79 years. Judge Bryan was born in Raleigh, N. C., and is a brother of H. R. Bryan, of Newbern, N. C.

NEGRO BOY KILLED.

Run Over by Trains at Pinhurst Tuesday Night.

Tuesday night, a negro boy, Frank Miller, aged 15 years, was killed by a freight train at Pinhurst. He was beating a ride, when seen by the crew and told to go back to the caboose. He was not seen any more until several hours later when his body was found badly mangled on the track. Three trains are supposed to have passed over his body during the time. He is supposed to have fallen from the freight train about 7 o'clock.

Eastern North Carolina Conference.

The annual conference of the M. E. Church, South, known as the Eastern Conference, convened to Rocky Mount on Monday. Some of the appointments are as follows:

Presiding Elder of the Newbern District, Rev. M. Bradshaw; Rev. D. A. Fentell, formerly stationed at Asheboro, is on the Stanley circuit; Rev. W. O. Davis goes to Springhope in the Washington district; Rev. J. C. Humble goes to North Hampton; Rev. W. F. Craven back to Coway in the Warrenton District; Rev. D. L. Earnhardt to Camden in the Elizabeth City District; Rev. R. F. Bumpass to the Edenton Street Church, Raleigh; Rev. N. E. Coltrane to Franklinton; Rev. W. M. Shamburger to Oxford; Rev. T. A. Smoot to Durham; Rev. W. R. Royal, who was stationed at Troy last year, is stationed at Chapel Hill.

We give the Fayetteville and Rockingham Districts as follows:

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

J. T. Gibbs, Presiding Elder. Hay Street, G. F. Smith. Fayetteville circuit, W. A. Royall. Hope Mills, J. A. Sutton. Cokesbury, N. M. McDonald. Roseboro, M. D. Hussey. Bladen, E. B. Craven. Buckhorn, J. H. Buffalo. Duan, J. A. Lee. Duke, J. M. Daniel. Newton Grove, N. H. Gayton. Pittsboro, C. P. Jeroma. Haw River, E. E. Rose. Goldston, C. O. Durant. Carthage, H. M. Eure. Elizetown, J. W. Hoyle. Sanford, R. W. Bailey. Jonesboro, L. A. Joyner. Lillington, to be supplied by L. Pattishall. Siler City, E. R. Welch.

ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.

W. A. Moore, Presiding Elder. Rockingham, J. E. Underwood. Roberdel, A. J. Groves. Richmond, N. L. Scabot. Mount Gilead, S. T. Moyle. Pekin, W. A. Jenkins. Troy, J. W. Bradley. Montgomery, to be supplied by N. S. Webb. Aberdeen, D. H. Caviness. Hamlet, T. A. Sikes. St. Johns and Gibson, F. B. McCall. Laurinburg, R. A. Willis. Maxton and Caledonia, E. McWhorter. Red Springs, R. H. Broom. Rowland, R. M. Ashby. Lumberton, P. L. Kirtton. Elizabethtown, E. J. Poe. Robeson, T. J. Dailey, R. W. Townsend, and W. H. Townsend, supernumeraries. Carolina Institute, S. D. Mercer, agent.

Royal-Smitherman.

Invitations have been received by friends reading:

"Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Smitherman request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter
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to
The Reverend William Richard Royal on Wednesday evening the nineteenth of December
nineteen hundred and six
at six o'clock
Trinity Methodist Church
Troy, North Carolina."

Miss Smitherman is a most attractive and accomplished young woman, a daughter of Mr. S. T. Smitherman, who is a leader in industrial enterprises, president of the Smitherman Cotton Mills. Mr. Royal is pastor of the Methodist church at Troy and is a young man of talent, greatly esteemed and with a large circle of friends.

Rowan county is to have a fair next year.

CONDENSED FOR BUSY READERS.

Mr. Carnegie is to give High Point \$15,000 for a public library.

The Clara Mill, at Gastonia, began operation Monday and by January 1st will be running at full capacity.

Century M. E. Church, of Newbern, has given to the Greensboro Female College a \$3000 pipe organ.

Howard Moser, aged 23 years, was instantly killed near Farmington, Davie county last Wednesday, by a tree falling on him. He was cutting timber for Geo. Hanser's saw mill.

Richard P. Mendenhall, son of the late Cyrus P. Mendenhall, died at the home of his sister, Mrs. Nielson, at Guilford College last week.

The North Carolina Case Association was in session at Winston-Salem last week. The Association declared for an increase in the price of furniture January 1st, due to the advance in the price of raw material and labor.

W. W. Finley, of Washington, has been elected to succeed the late Samuel Spencer, as president of the Southern Railway. Mr. Finley is one of the best railroad men in this country. It was James J. Hill, who recently wrote to him and said "come to the Great Northern and name your own salary."

It is claimed that oysters in bulk in some sections of the country are treated with formaldehyde, a poisonous preparation used with the oysters to preserve them and to keep them from spoiling.

W. H. Lancaster, 21 years of age, living in McDowell county, stole \$1600.00, all the money his father had, one day last week and ran away.

John H. Tate, of High Point, and Miss Harriett Garin, of Newton, were married last week.

Mr. W. T. Parker, of High Point was married to Mrs. Annie Dupree, of Baton Rouge, La., December 11th.

Mr. W. T. Parker left Tuesday for Baton Rouge, La., where on December 12th, he will be married to Mrs. Annie Dupree, Mr. J. Elwood Cox will act as best man and the ceremony will be performed by Rev. E. L. Siler who accompanied Mr. Parker. Miss Daphne Williams, of Asheboro, visited friends this week.—High Point Times

A celluloid collar button, accidentally placed in a pipe with tobacco exploded when lighted by R. M. Curtis, at Leominster, Mass., last week. His eye was badly burned and it is thought he will lose his sight.

Representative M. S. Griffin, of Nash county, has been arrested upon a true bill found by the Federal Grand Jury at Raleigh charging him with taking an illegal fee for handling the pension funds of Mrs. C. V. Follensber, who draws a pension from the government.

The High Point Hosiery Mills Co. is enlarging its building preparatory to increasing its capacity.

R. G. Campbell, of Greensboro, recently purchased what is known as the Hilliard lands, north of Lexington. The tract was sold under order of court and brought \$13,700, there being in all about 30 acres.

The Springs Hardware Co., of Lexington, has purchased the present site and buildings occupied by the National Bank, the consideration being \$5,000. The new owners will enlarge the building and remove their hardware business into the same. The National Bank will occupy its new quarters on the public square.

George Bittings, a 17 year old white boy, while walking on the railroad track near Pomona, was held up by a negro and robbed of \$47.00 last week.

Claud Parrish, a negro, fell off a house at Louisburg, one day last week and was instantly killed.

Salisbury has spent \$20,000 in sidewalk improvements, which represents about one-third of the amount expended. The property owners bore two-thirds of the expense. Salisbury is making rapid strides in municipal development.

High Point is to try municipal ownership of electric lights after January 1st.

High Point Plaining Mills is a new concern for High Point, with Robert Laughlin and J. G. Garland as owners and operatives.

There is to be a new division of the Southern Railroad, with headquarters at Spencer, with P. L. McManus as Division Superintendent.

The recent Baptist State Convention held in Greensboro, adopted resolutions favoring a reform school.

The Southern depot at Advance, Davie county and all its contents were destroyed by fire Wednesday night. Agent Womble says there was no fire in the building all day and he is confident that the fire was of incendiary origin.

Mayor J. R. Watson, of Jonesboro, died suddenly about seven o'clock Thursday morning. He was one of Chatham's best business men and a member of the county board of education.

Cal Hughes, a young white man, caught his arm in a cog wheel at the Lindsay Chair Factory at High Point a few days ago, lacerating it very badly.

The malicious wrecking of a logging train of the Rowland Lumber Co., at Bowden, N. C., last week resulted in the death of James Bisset, engineer. He was scalded to death by escaping steam.

The Alliance cotton gin, in Baldwin township, Chatham county, was burned last week. One man lost 18 bales of cotton and 1000 bushels of seed. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The old Mansion Hotel property at Salisbury has been sold to E. C. Gregory and W. C. Strachan for \$32,000. The purchasers propose to erect a steel frame skyscraper upon this site at an early date.

Miss Cora E. Cox, the adopted daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Cox, at Greensboro, who has for many years taught in the graded schools of Greensboro, and is a graduate of the State Normal and afterwards took a special course in the University of Chicago, will be married on December 27th, to Rev. Crawford Jackson, of Atlanta. A recent issue of the Atlanta Constitution published pictures of both the contracting parties.

TEACHERS' MEETING.

Meetings Will be Held in Different Parts of the County During January and February.

The Randolph County Association of Public School Teachers met at the school building in Asheboro last Saturday, December 8th. There was a large attendance of teachers and the discussion of the different subjects on the program was very interesting. Several instructive papers were read, and it is our aim to publish them.

New officers were elected as follows:

President, Prof. Chas. Staley; Vice-Presidents, Prof. D. M. Weatherly, Ferree Ross, Miss Merrie Richardson, and Miss Rolea Frazier; Recording Secretary, Miss Pearl Leonard; Corresponding Secretary, County Supt. J. M. Way.

It was decided to have five teachers' meetings in different parts of the county during January and February, these meetings to take the place of the regular township meetings.

Percy Gray Dead.

Capt. R. Percy Gray died in a Richmond hospital on December 8th. He was unmarried and aged 43 years. He was a son of Gen. Julius A. Gray, and grandson of Gov. J. M. Morehead, and was born on one of Gen. Gray's plantations in Randolph county.

It has been officially announced that the Southern railway will establish a new division with Salisbury as headquarters. The division will be superintended by Capt. P. L. McManus, of Charlotte.

FOR GOOD ROADS.

County Convention to be Held at Asheboro.

JANUARY 7TH IS THE DATE.

Movement Started In the Interest of Randolph's Public High Ways—Will Ask Legislature to Be Allowed to Hold Good Roads Election.

A good roads meeting is soon to be held in the courthouse, to take definite action looking to the betterment of the roads of the county. At a meeting of the Randleman Good Road Association held Saturday night a committee on arrangements, to provide for the meeting, and secure a delegation from each township, was appointed.

Messrs. S. Bryant, J. L. Fields, W. F. Tully, J. D. Mendenhall, and Dr. McFayden constitute the committee.

This committee will secure facts bearing on the possible means of providing funds to improve the roads, and present them to the convention to be held in the courthouse the first Monday in January. Every citizen of Randolph, and especially those who own farming lands and other property in the county, should attend this meeting.

The importance of this movement can be readily realized, and since the deplorable condition of Randolph's roads has been discussed for years, and since every one agrees that "something must be done" it is assured that a good roads association for the whole county will be organized and steps taken to improve present conditions.

Various means are being discussed over the county—bonds, special tax, township bonds, etc., providing funds for the work as well as the manner in which the work shall be done. All these will be discussed at the meeting and a bill drafted to be presented to legislature asking permission to hold an election to provide means to permanently improve the roads.

The county is expending each year over five thousand dollars for roads and bridges, and the convict force and road subjects find it impossible to cope with the washing rains. The demand for permanent road work is such that Randolph must act, and act at once; and at the meeting in January definite action will be taken.

Development Spoon Co.

Percy E. Elliott, of New York city, has purchased what is known as the Spoon Mine Property and 540 acres of land about six miles south-east of Asheboro, on the Moffitt's Mills road. Mr. Elliott has organized the Spoon Development Company, a corporation consisting of New York capitalists. He was in Asheboro yesterday with Capt. W. Cochran, the Superintendent of the Hercules Gold and Copper Co., W. H. Chandler, of New York City, Secretary of Spoon Development Co., going down to the Spoon Mining property, prospecting with a view of making preparations to develop the property. The intention of the new ownership is to operate the mine on a large scale. The corporation has a large capital and abundant resources with which to make the developments.

Asheboro Circuit Appointments.

The following appointments have been announced for the Asheboro M. E. Circuit:

Taird Sunday, 11 o'clock a. m., Union and at Pisgah at 8 p. m. Fourth Sunday, 11 a. m. at Lebanon, and at West Chapel at 3 p. m. Fifth Sunday, 11 a. m. at Shepherd and at night at Wartville.

R. L. MELTON, Pastor.

Gray's Chapel.

Quite a number of our farmers are hauling lumber cross-ties, etc. since they finished sowing wheat. Cicero Redding is on the sick list.

Mrs. Ella Coble is confined to her bed with a severe nervous attack.

A new boarder recently arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Pugh, of Millboro, visited here Sunday. Mr. Elmer Julian, of Millboro, is teaching school here.