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ALBEMARLE NEWS.

A Big Mortgage. The Democratic Primaries Nominata a Ticket.

Stanly Enterprise, April 18th

Albemarle is completely at the mercy of the carnival this week.

Mr. O'Neal has taken charge of the depot here, Mr. Barring, of Granite Quarry, succeeding the vacancy at Norwood. Mr. Ross, the retiring agent at this place, will rest up awhile before taking other work.

Some of our citizens have conversed with officials of the proposed Southbound Railway, and have heard positive expression that the road will be built. It is a safe surmise that the company wants to make the Yadkin Narrows one of the objective points.

The Concord correspondent to Charlotte Observer says: The Whitney Reduction Company is having registered in this county a mortgage for \$5,000,000, given to the New York Trust Company. The mortgage contains 20,000 words.

T. S. Parker contemplates the erection of two brick stores to join his present building on Second street now occupied by Grant Brothers, though plans have not fully developed. At this writing we have been unable to gather particulars from Mr. Parker.

The Democratic primary on Monday evening resulted in the nomination of a good ticket, which will be elected in full at the municipal election in May. After a lively voting contest, in which perfect harmony prevailed, the following were declared nominees of the convention, viz: Mayor, J. M. Harris; Commissioners, J. M. Morrow, A. F. Biles, A. L. Patterson, M. F. Little, G. R. McCain.

District Deputy Whitehead Klutz, of Salisbury, visited the Norwood lodge K. of P. last week, and was accompanied from this place by Chancellor Commander Boycott. Mr. Klutz, while here, donated five volumes of the Windemere mill, which already has an interesting and valuable collection of books. It is a matter of note that the operatives take advantage of the opportunity afforded them, as the books are widely read by them.

A Spence Official Robbed.

Mr. Davis, a special yard officer at Spence, had an unusual experience one night last week. He discovered several tramps on a box car, ordered them down and failing to obey he made an effort to bring them down. Being alone he made the mistake of going after them. When on the car the tramps proceeded to get busy, took his pistol, nearly \$80 in cash, and caused him to keep their company until the train reached Lexington. They made him get down on one side of the car while they got down on the other and made their escape.

Robbed and Left For Dead.

The story of the good Samaritan has been actually exemplified in our midst during the last few days. Valentine Brawashock, an Australian, while in a narrow defile, Rock Out, on the Western N. C. Railway last Wednesday night was wounded, robbed and left for dead. He was found and cared for by people in the neighborhood and is being taken care of by the county. He claims to have been attacked by a negro and was robbed of a watch and \$1.60 in cash. Our Verble correspondent gives some particulars of the occurrence.

RAILROAD ELECTIONS FOR LEXINGTON.

Death of Mrs. Hege. A Company Formed to Manufacture Iron Beds.

Lexington Dispatch, April 12th.

The registration books for the railway bond election opened Thursday. An entirely new registration is ordered for Lexington, Cotton Grove and Midway townships, and in order to vote you must register.

A barrel of blockade liquor was seized near the premises of Jerry Biesicker, a few miles north of town, early last Thursday morning. The seizure was made by Revenue Officer Banks, of Greensboro, assisted by the local police of Lexington, and a wagon was included with the barrel of liquor.

At a recent meeting of the parties interested in the establishment of a plant for the manufacture of iron bedsteads here an organization was effected and the following officers elected: W. M. Koontz, president; C. M. Thompson, vice president; T. M. Hall, secretary and treasurer. Application for a charter was made and it is expected to be received in a few days.

The death of Mrs. Triphena Thera Hege, which took place at her home on Main street Tuesday morning at 10:30 o'clock, marked the passing of one of the oldest and most highly respected Christian women of Lexington. Her death came as a shock to many persons, as she was taken ill only on Thursday afternoon of last week and it was not known that this illness was of a serious nature.

A young white man, who looks to be about twenty years of age, was committed to jail here Saturday night on a charge of assault with intent to commit rape on a little four-year-old white girl, the daughter of M. C. Darr. The man's name is Moses Lewis, and the crime with which he is charged is alleged to have been committed one day last week. All the parties reside at Thomasville, where, it is said, Lewis has been employed in a furniture factory. A preliminary hearing was held before J. C. Keen, Esq., who deemed the evidence against Lewis sufficient to warrant him in binding Lewis over to court.

The Extension of the Rural Mail Delivery Service.

Over 5,000 new rural routes were established in the various States and Territories during the ten months ending April 1, last, and over 1,000 additional routes were authorized and will be put into operation within the next sixty days, according to a bulletin made public today by Fourth Assistant Postmaster General DeGraw. At this rate it will be but a comparatively brief time until every rural community in the country sufficiently populated to justify the service will have rural delivery.

Postmaster General Cortelyou said today that the policy of extension would be continued, and that there would be no change save that an effort toward economy would be made wherever possible without curtailing the service.

On April 1 there were 29,998 rural routes in operation as against 24,568 June 30, 1904. Petitions for additional routes to the number of 4,521 are pending, and of these 1,016 have been authorized and will be started within sixty days.

The rural service has not as yet been extended to the insular possessions of the United States.

A NEW BANK FOR CONCORD.

Some Things of Local Interest Clipped From the Concord Times.

Robert Hall, of the Enochville section, tells us that much of the cotton land in that neighborhood will be planted in corn this year. He thinks cotton acreage has been reduced 50 per cent.

Of an accident which befell Mrs. C. B. McNairy, formerly Miss Lillie Nussman, of Rowan county, the Lenoir Topic says: Mrs. Dr. McNairy fell Monday and dislocated her hip again. It will be remembered that she met with this same accident about Christmas and she was just getting so she could get about.

Robert R. Corzine died in a Salisbury hospital last Saturday night. He was taken up there only a few days before, and his death was the result of meningitis. Mr. Corzine was 44 years of age, and leaves a wife and one child. He was deliveryman at the Cannon & Fetzer Co., for several years, and was a good man. The remains were brought to Concord Sunday and interred in the cemetery.

The new Concord bank, the Citizens' Bank & Trust Co., opened its doors for public business Saturday, and the beginning was exceedingly encouraging to the management. This bank has put in the very latest equipment in safes and vault, and has adopted the latest and most improved of bank book-keeping. They have a safety deposit vault for the benefit of the public, in which safety boxes are rented by the year at a very small sum. W. H. White, cashier of the First National Bank of Salisbury, spent Saturday here aiding the new bank to get started off in good shape. The officers of the Citizens' Bank & Trust Co., are among our best business men, as the following will show: President, A. Jones York; Vice President, H. L. Parks; cashier, C. B. Wagoner; book-keeper, John Fox.

Improper Use of Telephones.

Among the new laws of the State of Maine is one entitled, in part, an act "to prevent the improper use of telephones." This promises well, and reader scans the text with eager interest to see if it prohibits what seems to him improper use. He finds that "whoever without reasonable cause or provocation shall wilfully and wantonly or maliciously vex, irritate, harass, or torment any person by communications to or conversation with such person over or by means of telephone, or shall call out any fire department, police department, or other department or any portion or persons thereof, by intentionally giving a false alarm or call to such department, or to any officer or member thereof, by means of any telephone line or lines, shall be punished by imprisonment or a fine not exceeding \$500." Now, this is well, so far as it goes, but it does not seem to go far enough. It does not forbid, under heavy pain and penalties, eaves-dropping on party lines. It does not touch the curious and impert person, who cuts into your conversation not meant for his ears. It still allows the hello girl to talk back and to put you off at will with the statement from which there is no appeal. "Line's busy." And it permits the person with a long and inconsequential story to tell or a lot of gossip to retail to hold the line as long as he or she wants. Nor does this exhaust the list of improper uses of the telephones not covered by the new law.—Portland, Me., Press.

A MAN FOUND UNCONSCIOUS.

Louis Sheets Given a Birthday Dinner. Mrs. Klutz Better.

Verble, April 18.—Very few of the farmers around here have planted any corn to amount to anything.

Louis Sheets was given a birthday supper Saturday evening by his friends.

Mrs. Jacob Klutz, who had a severe fall some time ago, and who has been since very low from the effects of it, is some better.

There was preaching at Gay's Chapel last Sunday at 11 o'clock. There will be preaching there the 8th Sunday in May at 11 o'clock.

L. P. Lucas had very sick mule Sunday. But after the usual remedies were given, he got well.

An unknown white man was found beside the Western N. C. railroad, just above the 6 mile cut, one night last week with a hole knocked in his head. He was found by the watchman of the cut lying in a pool of blood. When he regained consciousness he stated that he was attacked and knocked down with a rock, or some other hard instrument. He is getting better, but is still in a bad condition. It is not known who his assailant was.

Sunday school will be organized at Gay's Chapel next Sunday at 9 o'clock. SATURN.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The Observer says that a man who gives up his seat to a woman is entitled to at least a nod of thanks, and he is. This recalls a beautiful custom that 20 years ago prevailed in at least one South Carolina community. In that town a man who considered himself a gentleman never passed a lady on the street without raising his hat. No matter if he never saw her before, his hat was raised in simple acknowledgement of the presence of a lady; and the lady always bowed in acknowledgment of the honor. No man ever thought of presuming on that as an introduction. If he passed the same lady day after day he would raise his hat and she would bow, but the greeting went no further unless there was a formal introduction. Now in other communities if a man raises his hat to a lady without an introduction, unless she wants to flirt with him she will regard his act as presumption and she will be scorned.—Statesville Landmark.

About a year ago there was much talk as to the legal residence of Congressman Blackburn, it being charged that he was a resident of Greensboro and did not live in this district. This charge he and his friends indignantly denied, and for appearance sake Blackburn took up a temporary residence at Wilkesboro, but soon returned to Greensboro, which is really his home; and last week the commissioners of Wilkes, according to the Chronicle, remitted all taxes charged against Blackburn, on the ground that he is not a resident of Wilkesboro. There is no law requiring a Congressman to reside in the district he represents, and so far as The Landmark is concerned it is perfectly willing for Blackburn to live in Greensboro or anywhere, but inasmuch as he is not and has not been for years a resident of the district, he and his friends were very foolish to try to make the contrary appear.—Statesville Landmark.

One Prof. Allman has opened a dancing school in the Armory Hall and is meeting with success.

THE LUTHERAN PASTORS AT SALEM.

A Missionary Service for Easter Monday. Quarterly Meeting.

Manning, April 17.—The Lutheran Pastors' Association of Rowan county was royally entertained here last Tuesday by the Rev. and Mrs. H. A. Trexler at the parsonage. The meeting was socially, the most pleasant yet held since the Association was organized several years ago. Those present were: The Revs. Cox, Wilson, Harr, Bodie, Trexler, Boozer, Miller, Morgan, Parker and Ridenhour. Several members were absent, the Rev. Wertz of China Grove, who was to have read a paper on "Pastoral Courtesy" was unavoidably detained at home. Two new members were received, the Revs. H. A. Trexler and Theo. Parker. The Association will meet with the Rev. F. M. Harp, who is now living at the late Dr. Coleman's handsome residence near Rockwell, on Tuesday before the second Sunday in July. One of the main objects of the next meeting will be the establishment of a colportage agency here in Rowan county.

There will be an Easter Missionary exercise at Salem Easter Monday of more than ordinary interest. The songs and recitations by the band of Missionary children will be excellent. The programme as arranged for the day by Mrs. Rev. Trexler, and Mrs. Lit Lingle, president of the society, is as follows:

10 a. m.—Anthem—Bless the Lord.
Devotional Exercises by Pastor. Hymn—Rockingham.
Recitations—Concert Prayer, Children in the Church.
Hymn—Martyn.
Recitations—The Flowers keep Easter, and the Children.
Hymn—Olive's Brow.
Recitations—Bring Flowers, The Crowning Day, Let Me Go.
Dialogue—If We Were Chinese Children.
Hymn—Bealoth.
Recitations—Easter Messages, The Fairest Lilly, To-Day.
Hymn—Greenville.
Address—Rev. Thos. L. Parker.
Missionary Hymn.
Collection.
Doxology.
Benediction.

After the "social" hour, dinner, etc., the "Egg Hunt," the chief attraction for the children, will take place. Dozens of eggs will be concealed about the church yard and it will be amusing to spectators watching the children find them.

A severe cold wave, accompanied by snow flurries struck us yesterday afternoon. The mercury fell to the freezing point last night. Considerable damage was done to fruit, gardens, truck, potatoes, etc. Wheat does not show any hurt.

The Councilmen of Salem will hold their quarterly meeting Saturday evening. At 3 p. m. preparatory service will be conducted by the pastor, followed Sunday by the Holy Communion.

Mrs. Caroline Bost is almost entirely kept to her bed now with inflammatory rheumatism in her feet.

S. L. Elliot is in Statesville this week attending the Federal court.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Briggs were over in Unity Sunday with relatives. W. L. S.

James B. Lanier, who has been in bad health for some time, will leave for New Mexico this week. Mr. Lanier hopes to regain his health.

ANOTHER LARGE TREE CUT.

Mr. Trexler Builds a Saw Mill and Cotton Gin. Other Items.

Gold Knob, April 17.—Our farmers are making good headway with their crops. Some are through planting corn and some have just begun. We presume that cotton planting will be next on programme.

Wheat and oats are looking very well considering the chances. From what we see now we have a bright prospect for a bountiful harvest.

Miss Lucy Barrier has returned home from Davie county, where she has been teaching school. Miss Barrier will spend the summer at home.

Your Uncle Lee had the sore eyes last week. Couldn't hardly see.

A slight snow fell at this place Sunday evening. We don't know how about the fruit, but we hope for a good crop.

Sunday school at St. Peter's opened April 2nd with 128 enrollment.

Our brother from Boston's X Roads is boasting on a large tree cut by one of his neighbors. Now we are not boasting, but T. J. G. Trexler cut an old poplar that measured 4 feet across the stump. It made seven large fourteen-foot logs and nine seven feet, which sawed 2,500 feet of square lumber. Can you beat that?

N. B. Drury has moved into his new residence up near Dunn's mountains.

P. A. Phillips has treated himself to a new corn planter. Mr. Phillips is one of our best farmers and is always ready for new and up-to-date farm implements.

Jno. H. A. Barger owns our brag wheat fields this year.

Alex. Waller and family have moved from Chestnut Hill to his farm near here. After all the farm is the best place.

Mrs. Sophia Klutz is on the sick list.

There will be communion services at St. Peter's E. L. Church on Easter Sunday.

J. M. Trexler will build a cotton gin and saw mill near the old Garfield post office some time during the summer.

Work at the Park Mining Company has been suspended for a few days.

The Goodman Sawmill Co. has moved their saw mill near this place on C. M. Miller's land. The Goodman Company, with a few others have purchased the Miller lands from Surveyor C. M. Miller of Salisbury.

See your agent and subscribe for the WATCHMAN, only \$1.00 per year. LEE.

If Lee's story about that big tree is correct, and we have no desire to question his statement, Rowan has certainly stepped up a notch or two in tree production. Listen: Seven 14 and nine 7-foot logs from one tree, a total of 161 feet, not including the branches. This would mean, if the tree was double, a height of about 180 feet.—Ed.

A man wanted a ticket at Olathe, and had only \$2 bill. It required \$3 to get the ticket. He took the \$2 to a pawnshop, and pawned it for \$1.50. On his way back to the station he met a friend to whom he sold the pawn ticket for \$1.50. That gave him \$3. Now, who's out that dollar?—Kansas City Star.