

# Correspondence.

## SOUTH ROWAN.

Miss Katie Barger was a welcome visitor at A. A. Castor's last Sunday.

John Park and his brother, Charlie, have been visiting at C. Trexler's quite often.

George H. Sifford has been having chills and malaria again, but is improving. Hope him a speedy recovery.

P. A. Jackson is rebuilding his house which was lost by fire some time ago. John Caudle is foreman and boss of the job.

W. H. Earnhardt is building a piece to his house.

S. J. Shinn is going to build a large barn and go into farming right another year.

J. R. Stadler will move from J. F. Park's place to Tom Artz's place this fall.

Shuping Bros. will build a shed to their mill house, which will make it more convenient for them, as they are doing a big business and need more room.

It seems as if the mail is almost loaded down with post cards sometimes. It seems that certain ones near Shuping's mill are doing a great business in the post card line. CLOD HOPPER

## FAITH.

Faith, Sept. 28.—P. A. Peeler has just finished a new residence for John Basinger today, and Mr. Basinger expects to move in it next week.

John Deal has awarded the contract to W. S. Earnhardt to build his new residence, near Dave Risher's, and carpenters are at work on it.

Several families left here this morning to go on Peeler & Fesperman's excursion to Wilmington.

Sunday night, September 27th, we had a good rain.

The Albert Lee Pink Granite Co., has a force of men at work under their new cutting shed.

R. B. Peeler was awarded the contract to haul a lot of large cut granite blocks to the railroad for the Albert Lee Pink Granite Co.

The granite firms who run quarries out on the granite belt have all they can do and teams are continually on the roads every day hauling to the railroad and loading on the cars. The following firms are busy all the time: The Albert Lee Pink Granite Co.; Peeler, Bame & Co., E. A. Brown & Co., Fisher & McCombs, Parker & Gant, J. T. Wyatt & Co., B. A. Fesperman & Co., M. G. M. Fisher, T. E. Sharpe, Mack Honbarrier & Co., D. A. Hodge & Co., Alex Hartman. This does not include the big granite firms who have up steam works and railroad tracks into their quarries near the railroad. Those named above are all away from the railroad except Mr. Honbarrier. VENUS.

## LOWERSTONE.

Sept. 28.—We had a much needed rain Sunday and Sunday night.

John A. M. Brown has been making molasses last week.

L. J. Shive has secured a position as clerk at Fesperman & Hodges at Faith.

Miss Nora Lee Foutz has started to school at Crescent.

We understand that Miss Mary E. Beaver will start to school at Granite Quarry before long. We hope her success.

Miss Mary Fisher has started to school at Crescent.

There were few people who went on the excursion to Wilmington from around here. JOE.

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## ROCKWELL.

Sept. 28.—We had plenty of rain Sunday night and it is still cloudy this morning.

A very large crowd attended Lutheran preaching Sunday morning.

Mrs. W. R. Misenheimer is very sick. She had a very hard chill Friday morning and has not been able to do anything since. It was the first chill she had for ten years. We hope she will get along all right.

There wasn't very many people at Sunday school Sunday evening at the Reformed church. Let all try and get to Sunday school, if possible.

The little girls and boys from six to fifteen years old had a candy party Saturday night at George Peeler's. They report a nice time.

Rev. Paul Barringer will preach in the Reformed church Sunday evening at 3:30 o'clock.

A great many of the boys went o'possum hunting Saturday night, but did not get any meat. AUNT JANE.

## LOWER ROWAN.

Sept. 28.—The health of our community is good at this writing.

Eli Arey, the eldest son of D. C. Arey, had the misfortune of getting his arm broken last Friday by falling off a wagon.

There was another highway robbery near Richfield last Saturday night. Three men held up a colored man robbed him of one dollar and twenty-five cents in cash and a seventeen dollar watch. The time has come, it seems, that it is unsafe for a country man to go to market with a load of produce to sell, that he may get some cash; for when he gets to the outskirts of town he may be held up and robbed, because he is a law abiding citizen he has nothing to protect himself with, and therefore he is an easy prey to highwaymen. The bad class carry weapons and rove around seeking whom they may rob, while the honest man, in obedience to law, goes unarmed, and, at the mercy of the robbers. There ought to be something done. The lawabiding people should have some protection.

Miss Ada D. Shaver went to Salisbury last Saturday to stay with a cousin for some time, where she will have the advantage of studying music.

We have had a gracious revival at Zion M. E. church, which lasted for eleven days, closing last Tuesday night with about twenty-two conversions and reclamations, there were eight added to the church and more are expected to follow. Rev. McIntosh, of Richfield, assisted in the meeting. BROWN EYES.

## Shemwell in Court.

In Guilford Superior Court yesterday afternoon the case of Baxter Shemwell, charging him with carrying concealed weapons, was called and the defendant pleaded guilty. Prayer for judgment was continued. The cases charging assault with deadly weapon upon Captain Smithers, and Dr. W. P. Webb, respectively, conductor and passenger upon the train upon which the alleged assault is said to have occurred, were then taken up and the State announced its readiness to proceed. But the defense wanted to have the case continued, stating that the defendant knew of three witnesses who would corroborate his testimony in that they could swear that he was justified in drawing his pistol upon Smithers.—Greensboro Telegram.

## How to Get Strong.

P. J. Daly, of 1247 W. Congress St., Chicago, tells of a way to be strong: He says: "My mother, who is old and was very feeble, is deriving so much benefit from Electric Bitters, that I feel it's my duty to tell those who need a tonic and strengthening medicine about it. In my mother's case a marked gain in flesh has resulted, insomnia has been overcome, and she is steadily growing stronger." Electric Bitters quickly remedy stomach, liver and kidney complaints. Sold under guarantee at all Druggists. 50c.

## In Memoriam.

Mumford Monroe Kirk departed this life September 20th, 1938, aged 62 years, 10 months and 26 days. The funeral services were conducted in the presence of a large congregation in the Baptist church near China Grove, his former pastor Rev. Dr. J. N. Stallings and the present Pastor, Jeff Lanning officiating. Surviving him are his devoted wife, one daughter, five sons, two of whom Revs. J. L. and J. E. Kirk are Baptist ministers; one granddaughter, two brothers and two sisters—two young sons preceded him to the Heavenly world.

Mr. Kirk professed faith in Jesus Christ early in life and became a member of Corinth Baptist church in lower Rowan. When he settled near China Grove he became one of the charter members of China Grove Baptist church. He was an earnest, devoted, consecrated Christian—not sectarian; but loyal to his convictions of the teachings of the Word of God and to the church. To him, very largely, the Baptist are indebted for their house of worship at China Grove.

As a citizen he was par excellence. When a youth he volunteered in the services of his State and of the South and served through the war between the States. A patriot soldier of his country; a good soldier of Jesus Christ, a model citizen; an earnest friend, an obliging neighbor; a devoted husband and father, he slept in Jesus and rests well. Peace to his ashes and bright be the memory of him.

The following Confederate veterans, his companion-in-arms in defense of the Confederate cause, were present and marched in solemn procession to the place of interment and committed all that was mortal to their brother-in-arms to the dust. May each of them meet him in Heaven: Messrs. Moses Eddleman, Lee Shulenberg, Sam Roberts, Rufus Beaver, Milas Ketchie, Jacob Barringer, P. R. Sloop, Jacob Lipe, Levi Deal, Frank Rogers, H. J. Pless.

Mr. Kirk had been afflicted with an incurable disease for several years; he was an inspiration to his brethren in the church and a model to all in his community. He reared a family of nine sons to whom he has left the rich heritage of a spotless character and of a devoted Christian. His bereaved wife and family have the sympathy of the community and all who know him. Respectfully, J. N. STALLINGS.

## IMMANUEL.

Sept. 28.—The farmers are rejoicing over the good rain we had yesterday.

Master Theo. Beaver, has been quite sick with fever but is getting better we are glad to note.

Nearly all the peas in the community were cut down last week.

Rev. Fisher preached an excellent sermon at Immanuel Sunday.

Miss Jennie Beaver visited at M. J. Earnhardt's Sunday night.

Mrs. Mary C. Miller met with a painful accident Saturday. She was coming from the field on a wagon. While going over a rough place she was thrown off, bruising her quite seriously about the shoulders. She is not able to be about.

Uncle Joe should have included his name in the 'possum hunting, as he was one of the crowd. Guess he didn't want it known that he didn't get anything. Come down Brother, and we will try it again.

The Republican club, organized at Gold Hill, met at Bethany Saturday night where a number of new members were enrolled.

Clarence Brown is going to school at Crescent. Hope he likes school better than the Lowerstone switchboard business.

B. R. A. Beaver took a bale of new cotton to Salisbury Saturday.

P. A. Earnhardt visited folks Saturday night and Sunday.

Frank Fisher and family visited Mrs. Misenheimer Saturday night, also at A. S. Barringer's Sunday.

Jno. S. Beaver visited A. B. Clemence Saturday evening.

Wm. Trexler had a corn husking last week. Shuckings will soon be the order of the day now.

Mary Earnhardt has been having the chills. UNCLE JETHRO.

## GOLD HILL.

Sept. 28.—Hon. R. N. Hackett spoke at the school house on last Saturday evening to 26 voters 9 of whom were republicans.

Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly addressed the republican club at Bethany last Saturday night, also J. M. Proctor made a short talk. The school house was full and a good time was enjoyed by those present.

The Gold Hill Republican club now has 64 voters enrolled, all of whom reside in this precinct.

It has just leaked out that Miss Clara Proctor was secretly married to a Mr. Oliver, of Winston, N. C., about two months ago. Miss Proctor is well and favorably known here and it is hoped that the union may be a happy one.

Rev. John Summey has commenced a protracted meeting at the Baptist church, which will continue for several days. Rev. Willson will conduct a protracted meeting next week at the Methodist church.

Gold Hill is to have a real circus, the advertising car of Howes Loudon shows have billed our town for October 8th, which will make the heart of the boys glad to see the elephant and drink red lemonade.

We are having a nice excursion rain and it looks as if the excursion to Wilmington will be a rather "wet trip."

Wm. Smith and John Morgan, usually quiet citizens of upper Gold Hill, had some difficulty about hiring of a team of mules, and last Thursday night they had a little pugilistic encounter. Neither were seriously hurt, but scratched up somewhat. MIKE.

## WOODLEAF.

Sept. 28.—The Woodleaf high school opens Monday, October 5th, and we are expecting a large attendance this term.

Mrs. Lucy Gibbons, wife A. C. Gibbons, who recently moved to Woodleaf, is quite sick at this writing.

There are just 18 carpenters at work up here from Salisbury building houses for different people. Ira Bailey is building him a handsome residence, Lee Hart, Frank Thompson and H. P. Cranford all have the most up-to-date houses in course of construction.

R. C. Current, county commissioner, has bought here and will build at once, so as to be in reach of the high school.

We are soon to have the chain gang to macadam about 4 miles of road on each side of town.

Messrs. Rice and Lyerly are doing business proper on their new Huller cotton gins.

Woodleaf is one of the best cotton markets in Rowan county, if you doubt it just bring one load and try it.

There was a Democratic speaking here Friday night, September 25th. After the speaking a club was organized with the following officers: Pres., J. N. Benson; Vice Pres., H. P. Cranford; Secretary, W. C. Lyerly. It is the purpose of the club to try to get every Democratic voter to vote the straight ticket.

Lee Hart, formerly of Arkansas, will move to Woodleaf this week. He has bought property here. We give him a hearty welcome. ONE OF THE BOYS.

## Forestry in North Carolina.

During the past year forest work in North Carolina has been confined to the swamp lands near the coast, which are owned by the State board of education. After an examination most of these forest lands were withdrawn from sale until it could be definitely determined whether it is better to sell the land outright, to sell the timber on the stump and have it cut under the supervision of a forester, or to sell all the timber and clear the land for agricultural purposes. In a number of cases it is evidently the better policy to keep the forests and make them a perpetual source of income to the State. These examinations have encouraged the drainage of swamp lands, especially a 44,000-acre tract which belongs to the State, part of which is good forest land. A forester has been employed, who will carry out the plans regarding the State land, and take up questions regarding general State forestry. The State owns 700,000 acres of forest land, and its forest interests are second only to those of agriculture.

## CONFESSED THE DEED.

Negro Admits Having Caused Wreck at Welford, S. C.

A Spartanburg, S. C., dispatch tells that charged with having had a hand in throwing open the switch at Welford last night resulting in wrecking Southern passenger train No. 41 and the death of Engineer Fonville and Fireman Bowers and the serious injury of Baggage Master McConeley and several passengers, Clarence Agnew, colored, was arrested near Welford this morning by Constable T. W. Moore. Agnew put up a hard fight, attempted to take the handcuffs from the officer and it was after a desperate struggle that the negro was overpowered and locked up.

Agnew made a confession in jail here this afternoon. He said he caught hold of the chain and gave it a jerk and the lock came open. He threw back the lever and mashed it down. Looking about the track he found a piece of iron about seven or eight inches long and with this smashed the lock on the rails. He threw one part away and the other he placed in his pocket, until he got near Welford depot when he threw the other away. The negro told the officers he slept between a box car and the seed house at Welford last night. When he awoke this morning he saw a man walking down the track and asked him if there had been a wreck and was told there had been. Agnew replied that he hoped that no one had been killed. He walked down the track to the scene of the wreck, where he was arrested. The negro finished serving a term on the chain gang at Greens yesterday. He says his home is Toccoa, Ga.

## A Communication.

EDITOR WATCHMAN: Permit me a few words in relation to a subject which may have some interest for a number of your readers in Salisbury. I am not appealing to anybody to unite with the Episcopal church, and do not want to be understood that way. That is entirely outside of the question. I do, however, desire to call the attention of those who are not in the habit of attending Sunday School, to the fact that on every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, Hon. John S. Henderson conducts a Bible class in the chapter house of St. Luke's Episcopal church, and I want to say that it is the most interesting and instructive class of the kind I have ever attended. Mr. Henderson, who is a scriptural encyclopedia in himself, uses in his work the American Church Sunday School Magazine, which is edited and compiled by some of the ablest men in the Episcopal church. There is nothing dry or prosy about the lessons as they are presented here, but they are bright, freshening, instructive and highly entertaining. I merely write this in the interest of those who are not connected with any Sunday school, and who would no doubt enjoy attending a Bible class of the kind I know this one to be. Any information desired by anyone interested will be gladly given by any member of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. L. S. H.

## ROCKWELL.

Sept. 28.—It has been reported that the Barringer M'fg Company will start up in less than ten months. They will get power from the Southern Power Co.

There was a Democratic speaking in the school house last Thursday night. Quite a large crowd was present. Whitehead Klutz was the speaker.

A. A. Trexler is ginning cotton right along.

Charlie Holshouser is making molasses along now. Guess he is getting sweetened up for Saturday night.

Homer Misenheimer has been farming for the past few weeks.

There will be Baptist preaching the first Sunday night in October. Everybody is invited to attend.

Billy will surely be elected this time, makes no difference what happens. What do you think of it, Aunt Jane?

James Stackleather, Berry Miller and W. A. Carter are the champion o'possum hunters of

the season. They went all night and caught one little 'possum.

Two of the Gold Knob boys had planned to go and get some more peanuts last Saturday night but things didn't work out right and they didn't get to go. Hope they will have better luck next time.

Quite a crowd from this place took advantage of the excursion from Norwood to Wilmington. YOUNGSTER.

## Rowan Man in Good Luck.

Hoke L. Propst and wife, of Merkel, Tex., came in yesterday on a visit to relatives in Cabarrus and Rowan counties. Mr. Propst is a nephew of Capt. William Propst, where he and his wife are at present. Mr. Propst was a son of the late Eli Propst, of Rowan county and left here 18 years ago for Texas. He married a Texas lady and commenced buying land and raising cotton. He now owns 640 acres of the best land in his part of Texas, which averages three-fourths of a bale to the acre and is worth \$35 an acre. Mr. and Mrs. Propst expect to return to Texas the latter part of next week.—Concord Times.

## Is Indiana Going Dem?

So far as we can determine are not smiling at all over the prospect. The effort is too several special elections of members of the legislature on Thursday. Five republicans in the northern part of the state, which gave a majority of 2,500, were by nearly 200. The counties in the southern part of the state which went by 1,725 on Thursday gave a democratic majority of 1,000. One county where the democrats had a majority of 4,740, and where they have a majority of 3,000, they carried last week by 272. Muncie, a republican stronghold, was carried by the democrats by 2,200. In four counties making one senatorial district the republicans generally have a majority in each county and an aggregate majority of 2,500. On Thursday they had 50.

Such changes as this will turn Roosevelt's majority of 94,000 into a Bryan majority of 40,000. Is any republican still suffering from overconfidence?—Philadelphia Record.



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