

LOCAL NEWS of interest to ALL OF OUR READERS.

At the recent meeting of the National Council of the Sons and Daughters of America, held at Atlantic City, J. C. Kesler of Salisbury, was elected vice-councilor.

Joseph L. Kirchner, superintendent of the Harris Granite Quarry at Granite Quarry, was right badly injured last week by the premature discharge of a blast.

The cornerstone laying of the new Central Methodist church, Spencer, now in course of erection took place Sunday afternoon with considerable ceremony.

Rev. W. B. Duttera, pastor of the First Congregational church, returned last Saturday from Anderson, S. C., where he had been to attend the Council of World Wide Congregationalism.

The citizens of Kannapolis are arranging to hold a community fair on October 6th. No doubt it will be a very representative affair and will be something to see.

The Jewish new year, 5678 began Sunday.

The many friends of Dr. W. McKenzie will be glad to learn that he has again opened his offices for the practice of medicine which are located over the Davis & Wiley bank.

Last week in reporting the accident of George W. Gardner of 216 Chestnut street we were unable to give his full name and address. Mr. Gardner was taken to the hospital where it was ascertained that his injuries

Dr. R. M. Eames, one of the city's oldest citizens well known by a majority of the people throughout Rowan county celebrated his 83th anniversary Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Kirk celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Saturday evening at the Congregational parish house. A very pleasant evening was spent by the many friends present.

The Coming Fair.

An article relative to Rowan's fair to be held in Salisbury, October 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27th, one full week appears on the front page of this paper. It is full of interesting and valuable information to all.

The officers are as follows: President—A. L. Smoot. First vice president—W. D. Graham.

Second vice president—J. D. Heilig.

Third vice president—C. A. Brown.

Treasurer—W. E. McWhirter.

Secretary—T. D. Brown.

The directors of the various departments are:

Field and Garden Crops—F. D. Patterson and J. W. Peeler.

Premiums offered by the N. C. Dept. Agriculture—S. S. Stabler.

Fruit and flowers—S. S. Stabler and J. V. Handford.

Horses—E. K. James and W. B. Meares.

Cattle—E. K. James and W. A. Ritchie.

Swine—W. A. Ritchie.

Sheep—W. A. Ritchie.

Poultry—J. F. Trazzere and Mrs. J. C. Deaton.

Household—Mrs. J. F. Trazzere, Mrs. M. E. Harper and Miss Lida M. Olive.

Girls Canning Club—Miss Lida M. Olive.

Manufactures and Home Industries—J. D. Heilig and J. P. Cathey.

General Display—A. H. Snider and J. R. C. Allen.

Ladies' Handiwork—Messdames L. E. Heilig, W. J. McDaniel and J. W. Peeler.

Fine Arts—Mrs. J. P. Moore.

Agricultural Implements and Machinery—J. K. Goodman and J. F. Ludwick.

Education—Prof. T. W. Andrews, Mrs. W. W. Teant, Misses Neva DeBerry and Virginia Jenkins.

Junior Exhibits—H. J. Knebel and Miss Sophie Klutz.

Buy a season ticket and be there every day. If you would have a real good fair for Rowan it must be patronized.

Woman in Asylum 27 Years Found By Son.

San Bernardino, Sept. 7.—For the first time since his birth, Thomas J. Willis, prominent Y. M. C. A. worker of San Jose, today beheld his mother. Twenty-seven years ago Willis, then a baby of two weeks, was taken from his mother's arms, as she had just lost her mind at the shock of her husband's death.

To Change Livery Stable to Damask Mill.

R. Lee Mahaley is arranging to change his livery stable on Church Street to a damask mill. He expects to install twenty four modern looms for the manufacture of damask as a starter with the intention of erecting a modern mill with many more machines later.



Mrs. Sarah Jones, aged 56, wife of Philip Dulin, died at her home in Spencer late last Wednesday afternoon from the effects of heart disease. The funeral was held from the residence Friday afternoon.

Mrs. King Inherited \$4,000,000.

The New York Globe of the 13th says that Mrs. Maude A. King, inherited about \$4,000,000 under the will of her husband, James C. King, who was indicated when what is said to be an original testament was produced from a safe in the deposit vault by Carl L. Schurz, the attorney who drew up the will.

Officers for the County S. S. Association.

As previously noted the Rowan County Sunday School Convention was held in the Presbyterian church at Cleveland last Wednesday and Thursday. The program as published in the Watchman was carried out in full and a very beneficial and pleasant two-days was spent there.

It was decided to hold the next convention, the fiftieth anniversary of the organization, at St. Paul's church, when extra efforts will be made to eclipse all former conventions.

The officers elected for the ensuing year are as follows: President, Rev. J. A. Koons.

V. President, E. H. Miller. Secretary, E. H. Bean.

Assistant Sec., George C. Fisher. Treasurer, W. L. Klutz.

Even the Exemption Board Reveals Wonders.

Two cases that came before the Rowan exemption board are causing some talk, not in reference to the members of the exemption board, but concerning doctors employed to examine the men drafted. One was a case of a man from Faith, whom it is reported, had been in care of one of the doctors for several years, being treated for rheumatism and other ailments, but was pronounced absolutely sound and was refused exemption.

Of course the answer to this peculiar occurrence is easy. The doctors had cured their patients.

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's.

The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless Child Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well-known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System.

MAN FOUND GUILTY OF KILLING ABEL.

Henry Lewis Sentenced to Death, Harry Esserminger Acquitted.

The first week of Rowan Superior Court came to a close Saturday, the criminal docket having been cleared, and the second week, which is devoted to civil cases, is now in session with Judge E. B. Cline of Hickory, presiding.

Last Thursday afternoon, after the jury heard the evidence and arguments, which was all circumstantial, against Baxter Cain, the one-legged night watchman at the car barns, charged with the murder of Abel Harris, who was acting as sub watchman on the night of August 24th, they retired and brought in their verdict at 10 o'clock Friday morning, pronouncing Baxter Cain guilty of murder in the first degree.

Cain was then taken back to jail to await the sentence of Judge Cline which was not made public until Saturday when he was again brought into court to hear it. Before passing the sentence Judge Cline stated that "the State had wound about the prisoner a chain of circumstantial evidence that was almost unanswerable and that it left no room to connect any other person with the crime. The torn one dollar bill paid by the prisoner to Mr. Denny at the hotel the next morning and of a like bill having been taken in by a car conductor and deposited in the safe was in his opinion the strongest link in the unbroken chain of evidence. This coupled with the fact that the \$27.20 in small change was found in the prisoner's barn and this money together with the amount paid for the leg being identically the amount shown to have been deposited in the robbed safe on the night of the murder, made a chain of evidence conclusive to him."

After this Judge Cline ordered the Sheriff to take the condemned man to Raleigh where he is to be confined until Friday, November 9th, when he is to be put to death by electrocution. Cain paid little attention to the judge's remarks and had nothing to say. He was remanded to jail until the sheriff could take him to Raleigh.

Henry Lewis, who killed Harry Esserminger in East Spencer in February and who was tried early last week and submitted to murder in the second degree, was sentenced Friday afternoon to three years and six months on the county chain gang.

Lula Allison of Statesville, who stabbed Anne McCullough, also of Statesville, was tried for murder in the second degree, but was acquitted. These are Negroes and the murder took place in a dance hall on East Fisher Street, May 30th.

Lula Allison claimed that she acted in self-defense. That the McCullough woman had shoved her about several times, made offensive remarks and finally attacked her with a long hat pin. The jury believed her story and brought in a verdict of not guilty.

W. H. Welsh and Baxton Sheets assault, fined \$30 each and each to pay half of the costs.

Will Bends, a young white man, charged with transporting liquor into the Statesville jail, was found guilty. Fined \$100 and cost.

John Perkins, colored, being charged with breaking in and entering the Grimes mill, stealing flour and receiving flour knowing it to have been stolen. He was found guilty on the last charge and sentenced to five months on the roads.

In the case of John W. Kerr, admitted guilty in the county court of having liquor in his possession for the purpose of sale was given a prison sentence of ninety days, not to be enforced however, within six years unless the defendant violated the prohibition laws during that time.

GRAND JURY RENDERS REPORT.

Every Thing O. K., Otherwise the Usual Preliminary Report.

The grand jury for the September term of Rowan Superior Court has completed its work and rendered the following report:

To His Honor E. B. Cline, Judge presiding:

We your grand jurors for September term Superior court beg leave to report that we acted on all bills presented and found a true bill for each indictment.

We visited the jail in a body and found it in a very satisfactory condition and no prisoner offering complaint.

The clerk, register of deeds, treasurer's and auditor's offices were visited and each was found to be kept in the usual neat and attractive way, and so far as we were able to judge, all accounts were properly kept and accounted for.

We also visited the community building and found all offices and public rooms neat and attractive.

We visited by committee, the convict road camp on the China Grove public road, near China Grove, and there found 19 prisoners, being 5 white and 15 colored, all being properly housed and well cared for. There were also 20 mules in said camp, all being well cared for.

We visited by committee the county home and workhouse, which had the careful attention of the said committee and found them to be neat and sanitary. We found 15 inmates at the county home, there being six white males and four white females, four colored males and one colored female.

We found five prisoners at the county work-house, and all being females. We also made a careful inspection of the farm and found the following crops, viz: twelve acres being in corn, three acres in cotton, nine acres in peas, three acres being in beans, four acres in sweet potatoes, and two acres in Irish potatoes, and all crops in a fine and excellent condition.

We would recommend that several trees at the county home be topped, those that have long or inferior limbs.

We would recommend also that a small place at the county work house be built of brick in the basement of said building for the protection of keeping potatoes and other perishable food during the winter months.

Most respectfully, Z. A. Klutz, foreman.

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County Association P. O. S. of A. to Meet at Rockwell.

The program of the County Association Patriotic Order Sons of America, to meet with Washington Camp, No. 12, at Rockwell, N. C., Thursday, September 20th, 1917, at 8 o'clock P. M., is as follows: Devotional exercises.

Address of welcome by G. H. Peeler.

Response by T. DeWitt Patterson.

Reading of Minutes previous Meeting.

Report of Credentials Committee.

Topic: Shall the county association rotate from camp to camp in holding their quarterly meeting, or shall the larger camps help entertain the smaller camps? by J. G. Kesler and J. L. H. Fisher.

What are the objects of Our County Association? by W. A. Daniel and others.

Good of the Order. Closing.

Refreshments. R. M. HOLT, Pres. G. O. KLUTZ, Sec.

To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE. It stops the Cough and Hiccups and works off the Cold. Druggists get and money if it fails to cure. W. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 20c.

Wanted to Go Back to Prison.

Some 15 years ago Ike Cruse, colored, of No. 7 township, killed his wife, and was sent to the penitentiary for 35 years. He had served 15 years of the term this year when Gov. Bickett gave him a pardon and he returned to Concord to live, a few months ago. He liked it so well in the State prison that a few weeks ago he got up funds to try to get back to Raleigh. He got as far as Salisbury, where he was advised that he could not get in again, so he came back. He is an old negro and doesn't like freedom after spending so long in confinement. —Kannapolis Star.

37 Young Men Leave for Training Camp.

The second lot of young men drafted for the new army left Salisbury this morning for training at Camp Jackson, near Columbia, S. C. They had been called by the Rowan Exemption Board to appear for roll call at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon and to be ready to leave at 9 o'clock this morning. They were on hand at the federal building this morning and most of them seemed to be in good humor. Bandford's band was present to amuse the occasion with some excellent music, the roll was called again, and they formed a line and marched in a body to the train. No doubt we will see some of them whom we will see with a good many of the boys who were once in the State prison. At least all of Rowan and the State are wishing them health, great success and a safe passage to home and loved ones.

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