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Moncure News

Mrs. Geo. I. King of Durham is visiting Mrs. C. T. Dezern.

Mr. Alfred Lambeth has entered a military school known as Collegiate Institute, Mt. Pleasant, N. C.

Miss Mary Bland, the efficient assistant cashier of Moncure Bank, spent last week-end with friends at Pittsboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Giede and Miss Anna Hershey, nieces of Capt. J. H. Wissler, Mr. J. C. Myers, a grand-nephew and Miss Davis, a nurse of Capt. Wissler and who were with him at his home here several months before his death and burial, left last Saturday morning for their home at Harrisburg, Pa. Mrs. G. W. Giede will maintain the cottage under the direction of Mrs. Daisy Moore.

We were sorry to learn of the death of Mrs. Ida Watson who passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. N. Crutchfield, September 23, at 4:30 p. m. Mrs. Watson was well and favorably known throughout this section. She leaves a husband to mourn her loss and the following daughters, Mrs. J. J. Hackney, Mrs. A. B. Womble, Mrs. L. N. Crutchfield of Moncure, Mrs. Arch Yarbrough of Wake Forest; Mrs. H. D. Gunter of Pittsboro and one son, Frank Watson. She will be buried at the Presbyterian cemetery this afternoon, Monday, at 3 o'clock.

Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Cathell and son, James, spent several days with relatives at Linwood this past week.

Mr. E. E. Walden, our popular and efficient funeral director of Moncure, reports that everything moved along nicely on their long trip to Cedar Springs, Va., to place the remains of Capt. J. H. Wissler to rest in that beautiful cemetery at Asbury Methodist church. This cemetery was distinctive in many respects. It is nestled away there in the mountains where Nature's Landscape Gardner appeared to spare no pains in making it beautiful. No graves were mounded but the ground was smooth and was heavily carpeted with a beautiful layer of well-kept grass. By means of special endowment Capt. Wissler has made full provision for these grounds to be a place of beauty forever. A massive stone with the inscription "Wissler" marks the resting place of him, his beloved wife, son and daughter.

The funeral procession left Moncure at 6 o'clock last Monday morning and reached Cedar Springs, Va., about 1 o'clock, where dinner was served at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Lantz and Mr. and Mrs. Keesling. The hospitality of these people was unbounded. About fifteen of the party spent the night and returned at leisure the next day.

Mrs. Mary Barringer spent last week-end with relatives at Sanford.

Rev. J. A. Dailey will preach at the Methodist church here next Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

The Epworth League met as usual last Sunday evening with the president, Miss Camelia Stedman in the chair. After a short song service by all, the minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary, Mr. Lewis Burns, then the meeting was turned over to the leader, Miss Catherine Thomas, who interestingly discussed the subject, "Working Together with God." After singing a song, the meeting closed with prayer by Mr. H. G. Self.

The members of the Epworth League gave a party in the Junior Hall last Friday evening, September 20th, in honor of the teachers of Moncure school, welcoming them to our town and to our league. Those in the receiving line were as follows: Miss Camelia Stedman, the president of the league, Miss Esther Martin, Miss Louise Petty, Miss Hortense Honeycutt, Miss Cecil Seawell, Miss Berta Holladay, Miss Ona Andrews, Miss Margaret Lann, Miss Catherine Thomas, Miss Lucy Boone, Mr. Edward Arent, Jr., and Mr. Lewis Burns, secretary of the league. A large crowd was present and enjoyable evening passed by, all participating in games and nice refreshments were served to all. We wish to thank the following committee, Misses Catherine Thomas, Mary Bland and Dorothy Lambeth for planning and making it possible for such a nice evening together.

While the Bank of Moncure regretted to lose Capt. Wissler as its president, the directors were fortunate in their choice of Mr. Cary E. Lasater as his successor. The Bank of Moncure adds materially to its resources by adding this careful financier to its list of officers.

We regret the continued illness of Mr. B. A. Cox on route 2, who has been a shut-in for sometime. Mr. Cox greatly appreciates visits from his neighbors and friends.

MR. B. N. WELCH HURT

Mr. B. N. Welch of Bear Creek township, who travels for a machinery company, had the misfortune to get seriously injured in an automobile collision near Wake Forest Monday. He was taken to a Raleigh hospital.

Appointed Advisor In Greek Government Plan



Harold B. Allen, a member of the National Education Association and formerly president of the New York State Association of Agricultural Teachers and Principals, recently sailed to take up his appointment as Near East Relief advisor in the Greek Government plan of agricultural development among refugees in Macedonia. Mr. Allen went to Russian Armenia in 1926 to direct the American agricultural work. He was later transferred to Greece to inaugurate extension work and "farm clinics" for Near East Relief orphans and Anatolian deportees placed by the Refugee Settlement Commission on Macedonian farms.

Modern Grocery Opens Saturday

The room formerly occupied by the Farrell Cafe has been remodeled on the interior for a modern grocery and Saturday it will open. The new grocery is a member of the Progressive Chain, backed by Howard and Bobbitt of Sanford. Mr. Cooper, manager of the chain, has directed the remodeling of the building, and will doubtless be a frequent visitor to this, as well as the other stores of the chain.

The store here is to be under the management of Mr. Loving, who is known to many Chatham people as salesman for the Lee Furniture Company of Sanford. He is a son of that staunch citizen of Cameron, Mr. J. R. Loving, and is a worthy young man.

About the best way to learn just what kind of store this is going to be is to come and see. Remember it opens Saturday, September 28.

Price of School Books

High school textbooks may be purchased by the children of the state at prices not to exceed 15 per cent above the wholesale prices under the new form of high school contract entered into between the State Board of Education and the publishers, which requires that the publisher stamp in each book both the wholesale and retail price, it was learned last week from a letter sent to county and city superintendents by State Superintendent of Public Instruction, A. T. Allen.

This information was sent to the local superintendents as a result of complaints coming to the state office that prices in excess of a 15 per cent commission were being charged by dealers for high school textbooks. With the price stamped in each book, the patrons and pupils will show the exact price fixed by the State Board of Education at which any book should be bought.

"In fixing the retail price under authority of the law," according to Superintendent Allen's letter, "the State Board of Education felt that it was a fair and reasonable price for both the dealer and the publisher, for the following reasons: (1) The market is compulsory as the 120,000 high school children must secure books; (2) there is a monopoly of trade as there is only one dealer in a community; (3) advertising is free as the schools inform the children where to obtain books; and (4) no capital is necessary as the publishers furnish books on 60 or 90 days' time and most of the trade is during the first week of school, enabling the merchant to pay his bills out of these proceeds.

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The Chatham County Fair is right upon us. Mr. Gilliland and others interested are anxious that every one who can make exhibits. In this connection, we are requested to state that all persons in the Pittsboro vicinity wishing to enter fancy or needle work in the Fair send the articles to the Exline Hotel to either Mrs. Lanus or Mrs. R. H. Hayes, both of whom are directors of that department. They wish to make that department the best it has ever been. The fair begins Tuesday, October 1.

Brickhaven News

BRICKHAVEN, Sept. 23.—Mr. Larry Marks, a student of the Chapel Hill high school, spent the week-end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Marks.

Rev. C. L. Dowell and Mrs. Dowell of Forestville spent several days here last week with their daughter, Mrs. O. C. Kennedy.

Mr. William Barnes of the Cherokee Brick Company spent the week-end with relatives of Wilson.

Miss Della Dowell is the guest here of her sister, Mrs. O. C. Kennedy.

Mr. Evans of Yass was a week-end guest of friends at the Boylan Ranch.

Mrs. J. A. Marks spent several days here last week with Mrs. J. W. Utley.

There will be all-day services at Buckhorn church next Sunday, September 29. The home church is hostess to the Sunday schools of the district, which includes Fuquay Springs, Olive Branch, Holly Branch, and Cokesbury. The program begins promptly at 11 o'clock. Every member of the local Sunday school is urged to be present so that we may keep our attendance banner won at a previous convention. The public is cordially invited.

The question of Prohibition which is one of the most agitated before the public today is, like all questions of import, in the hands of the individual, so to speak. Individuals make communities, communities make nations and no community is bigger or stronger than the ideals of its individual members. Yet the debate over prohibition has become so bitter that numbers of people are now drinking to excess merely to vent their views or to display their independence. Nothing could be more foolish. A recent editorial in one of our national weeklies strikes at the heart of the situation thus: "Prohibition will be enforced, repealed or forgotten sometime, but during the interval lives must be lived and careers made or broken. The best chance of happiness and of usefulness lies in temperance and sobriety. Practice sobriety and advocate temperance and most of the evils we now find so irritating will vanish. After all we have the final responsibility for our own lives and nothing that the government, or any other agency, does or fails to do, is in the long run so important as what we do ourselves."

Sobriety and temperance, like charity, should begin at home!

Richmond county has made one of the best records, if not the best record, in the state in typhoid fever prevention this year, with not a single case reported up to September 1 for the first eight months of 1929, it was announced in Raleigh Wednesday by the State Board of Health.

Dr. A. B. McCreary, county health officer in Richmond, attributes the absence of typhoid to a number of things, all of which should be interesting to people in all sections of North Carolina, according to the State Board of Health. The more outstanding things to which he attributes the absence of typhoid for the past eight months are:

Method Listed

1. Education of the public to the danger of typhoid, the value of better hygienic conditions and the value of vaccination.
2. Co-operation of the medical profession.
3. Improved sanitary conditions. Grade A milk, inspected foods, better sewage disposal.
4. Co-operation of the public.
5. Inoculation with typhoid vaccine.

Much Publicity

In order to bring about the concerted action represented in the foregoing statement a county-wide publicity campaign was inaugurated during the month of June this year. Advertisements were carried in all the Richmond county newspapers. Motion picture houses were induced to display slides referring to the work against typhoid. The ministers in the churches contributed a great deal by bringing the facts of the work to the attention of their various congregations in the county. Circular letters were freely used. Citizens in every section of the county, well known and having influence, were urged to interest their families and their neighbors, resulting in the spread of much information as to how to prevent typhoid, in addition to a successful vaccination of several hundred citizens of the county.

The health officer in his report of the efforts made very correctly concludes that "education is by far the most effective weapon. If the public is brought to realize the value of preventive methods, all the other factors will be added."

Jim—My father is richer than your father. He's got three houses and yours has none.

Tim—Yes, but my father holds the mortgages on your father's houses.—The Pathfinder.

Another good place for a no-tipping sign is on a canoe.

Gulf News

Mrs. C. R. Freeman, who was carried to Scott's Hospital, Sanford, September 12, for treatment, is able to be home and at work again.

School opened here September 12 with Misses Esther Steele and Lena Palmer of Sanford as teachers.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Beal of Norfolk, Va., visited Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hill for several days last week.

Mr. W. A. Beal, who was confined to his bed a few days last week with influenza, has recovered and returned to his work at Yadkinville Monday.

Mr. D. E. Overby, superintendent Carolina Fire-Proofing Co., and family, are visiting relatives at Kingsport, Tenn.

The Carolina Fire-Proofing Company expects to start work full time in another week. Only a few men have been employed for the last two months. Several thousand dollars worth of machinery has been installed during that time.

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Bear Creek News

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Rives and son, of Washington, D. C., were visiting Mr. Rives' mother, Mrs. Jessie P. Rives, just south of town last week. Also Mrs. D. F. Perrel and son, Elvid, of Washington, D. C., visited Mrs. J. J. Cheek.

Mrs. C. R. Elkins and daughter, Wava, and a Miss Stewart, of Siler City, were visitors at I. P. Coggins last week.

Mrs. T. C. Vestal underwent another operation at St. Leo's Hospital, Greensboro, last week, and seems to be slowly improving.

J. T. Coggins, after spending some months in Asheville, has returned to his home.

W. B. Emerson is building a store house on his lots, near the Bear Creek Service Station. He will rent the house to W. A. ("Bill") Phillips, of Rt. 1, who is going to put in a general store. Stop, look and listen and watch Bear Creek grow.

E. B. Straughan, of Burlington, was a visitor at the home of his father, F. C. Straughan, during the week-end.

The Baraca-Philathea Class of Meroney M. E. Church will hold a birthday party at the home of A. F. Willett on next Saturday night, September 28. The public is most cordially invited to attend. Each person is expected to pay one cent for every year old they are. There will be cake, pie and cream for sale. The proceeds will go to eliminating the indebtedness on the Sunday schools recently built at this church.

Rev. L. M. Chaffin will preach at Meroney Church next Sunday, September 29th.

Mrs. J. H. Watkins has been very ill, but is somewhat improved at this writing.

W. H. Murray accompanied by Deputy Lambert, of Moore County, captured a 60-gallon copper still just over the Chatham line in Moore county.

Betty Spivey Slain with an Axe in Lee County

The mutilated body of Betty Spivey, 20-year-old daughter of S. A. Spivey of the Tramway section of Lee county, was found early Sunday morning near her home, seven miles west of Sanford. Two men, James Spivey, a cousin of the dead girl, and William Morgan, have been arrested and are being held.

The coroner's jury empaneled to investigate the case recommended that James Spivey be held without bail for the murder of his cousin.

Evidence before the jury was to the effect that Spivey went to the home of his cousin late Saturday night and repeated a request that she marry him. Sisters of the dead woman told the coroner that Bettie showed him a pair of hose which she told him, had been given to her by another admirer. She refused to listen to his plea to become his wife. A few minutes later the two left the house together. That is the last time members of the family saw the girl alive.

Fifteen minutes later Spivey rushed back into the house and told the girl's father and sisters that two men had attacked them and had killed her. Rushing out into the yard they found her lifeless form lying near the cow lot, her head battered and life extinct. An examination of the woman's body by physicians showed conclusively, they say, that she had been criminally assaulted immediately after the fatal blows were dealt.

Spivey, it is said, declared the woman was attacked and killed by some unknown person who assaulted them in the dark. Relatives of the dead woman told the coroner here this afternoon that Spivey had frequently urged her to marry him, but she had persistently refused to do so.

Spivey is 30 years old. About eight years ago he is said to have been arrested on suspicion of having beaten Mrs. Laura Waddell, widow, to death with an axe. There were no eye-witnesses and he was later released.

Saturday night's tragedy occurred within half a mile of the filling station on the Sanford-Carriage highway where, a few weeks ago, Gaither Edwards, owner and operator of the station, shot and killed Levi and Owen Birdsong, Kentucky bandits, and was himself fatally wounded.

Edna Tells Polly About Class's Work

Pittsboro, N. C. September 24, 1929.

Dear Polly:

Knowing that you have taken this Teacher Training Course and are familiar with its work, I thought maybe you would like to hear about our plans for the county fair. We have eleven girls and are divided into groups. Each group is expected to contribute something to the county fair. The girls that I'm working with are making a seasonal calendar with pictures to represent each season of the year. We cut these pictures from the backs of our Literary Digest Magazines, and have mounted them on attractively colored cardboard. On the opposite side of the pictures we have short poems that tell something of that particular season.

We have the loveliest picture of a summer scene! It is An Old Fashioned Bouquet of Summer Flowers. They are in a stone jar and look so natural that you can almost smell them. One group is dressing dolls in foreign costumes, while others are making "cut out" pictures from bright colored paper.

And would you believe that the department really has a filing cabinet? This makes it much easier for us to keep our own material and find that which is already here. We have started individual files for each student. I hope you will go in to see our exhibits at the fair. We will try to write and tell you some of our plans each week.

Sincerely,
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RICHMOND COUNTY PRAISED BY STATE

No Case of Typhoid Fever Reported in County Up to First of September

Mill Men Guests of Governor Gardner

Governor Gardner had as his guests for breakfast and a conference on the North Carolina labor situation last Saturday three of the biggest mill men in the State—Stewart W. Cramer, Arthur M. Dixon and Joseph H. Separk. Raleigh newspaper men were unable to find out what the group discussed, but an interview given out in Charlotte by Mr. Cramer Monday threw some light on the matter. The question considered, according to Mr. Cramer, was the advisability of calling a special session of the legislature to enact laws for controlling conditions that have arisen around Gastonia lately. The special session is not apt to be called, said Mr. Cramer. Martial law was also discussed—and vetoed.

The situation around Gastonia has been more favorable during the past week or so, and mill men believe that the period of violence is over. Strike leaders have announced that the colony maintained on the edge of Gastonia for strikers is to be disbanded and the relief funds that have been coming in will be discontinued.

The special term of Mecklenburg court for trial of the thirteen men and three women indicted for the murder of Police Chief Aderholt will convene next Monday, September 30. Unless there develops something in connection with that trial to stir up trouble again it is believed that Gaston county will soon hit its regular stride of peaceful operation of its hundred cotton mills. The first trial of the sixteen strikers came to an abrupt end when one of the jurors became insane. Judge M. V. Barnhill will again preside at the special term next week.

Florence Trumbull and John Coolidge Married

Miss Florence Trumbull, daughter of governor of Connecticut, became the bride Monday of John Coolidge, son of the former president of the United States. The ceremony was performed in the little Congregational church at Plainville, Conn., the family ministers of both families participating. Only a very few intimate friends were admitted to the church, but thousands crowded the streets and driveways to catch a glimpse of the couple.

John and Florence will set up housekeeping in an apartment house and they declare that they will live on John's salary as a railroad clerk.

Our tariff wall too is causing quite a bit of wailing in certain quarters.

REVIVAL SERVICES AT LOCAL CHURCH

Rev. McK. R. Long to Conduct Revival Services at Presbyterian Church Beginning October 27

Rev. McKendren R. Long, evangelist and Bible teacher, of Statesville, is to assist the pastor of the Pittsboro Presbyterian church in a meeting to begin the fourth Sunday in October. Mr. Long, who was an artist, became convinced of his call to preach the Gospel and has met with distinguished success.

He is just closing a great meeting at Winston-Salem. He is a son of the late Judge B. F. Long of Statesville.

All of the Pittsboro pastors and people are cordially invited to cooperate in making a great spiritual success of the meeting.

JONAS BARCLAY, Pastor.

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JURY LIST

For Term of Court Beginning Monday, October 21

The following names of jurymen for the term of court to begin October 21, for the trial of criminal cases, have been drawn:

D. T. Brooks, S. T. Moody, A. R. Dowdy, Ernest Boone, D. H. Ellis, W. Ivey Budd, D. J. Williams, Vannie Bland, T. E. Gilliland, J. Brooks Snipes, John B. Jones, James Hilliard, M. T. Yates, W. O. Brown, J. T. Harris, Hampton Knight, Lee Copeland, D. S. Hatley, E. M. Phillips, John T. Brady, R. H. Thomas, S. C. Cook, Lonnie Thomas, L. B. Hester, J. T. Mann, T. F. Overman, W. B. Riddle, George Smith, Chas. H. Lutterloh, A. F. Andrews, Claude R. Thompson, J. M. Ray, Carl H. Stroud, T. A. Ausley, O. H. Welch, R. H. Bobbitt, Jim Teague, John B. Mills, J. S. Welch, John Bell, Sr., John Lawrence and Archie Dorsett.

Fire-Proofing Co. Is to Begin Work

It is gratifying to note that the Carolina Fire-Proofing Company is to begin operations again at its Gulf plant. Some months ago the Record reported the plight of the company, how it changed from the use of the clay for which the machinery was fitted to the use of the deeper shale, which is abundant, and that the original machinery was unfitted for the more abundant material. It seemed then that the company might have difficulty in financing the change of machinery. But it seems to have been done, and with the reopening of the plant it is to be hoped that the company with its large investment will enter upon a profitable career.

Mr. J. D. Eubanks, after an absence of 27 years, came in from Los Angeles last week and has been visiting his brother, Clyde, at Chapel Hill, his sisters, Mrs. Clem Gattis and Mrs. W. F. Norwood of Baldwin Township, and brother, W. M. Eubanks, of Pittsboro. The visitor has traveled widely since leaving the old home county, but seems still to be unmarried.