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WADESBORO CELEBRATES.

GALA WEEK A BIG SUCCESS.

A Great Crowd of Happy People View Santa Claus Coming to Town—Many Beautiful School and Business Floats—The Prize Winners, &c.

Tuesday morning dawned cold and cloudy and for awhile it was feared that rain or snow would interfere with the festivities arranged for Gala Week in Wadesboro. The people were a little slow coming to town, but as the indications for rain diminished the crowd gradually increased until by 12 o'clock the town was full of as orderly and well dressed throngs of people as was ever seen in the state. Everybody was out for a royal good time and on occasion the fun was fast and furious, but not the slightest real disorder prevailed at any point. "Santa Claus," preceded by Mayor J. A. Little and the Marshalls for the occasion on horseback, and riding in a gaily decorated float, advertising the Gray Grocery Co., made his appearance on the Morven road shortly after 12 o'clock. The old fellow, as he made his way into town was surrounded by a swarm of small boys and girls who scrambled frantically after the confections and fruits he from time to time threw into their midst.

THE PARADE.

Immediately in the rear of the float bearing Santa Claus (Mr. M. H. McLean) marched the veterans, grizzled and gray, and then followed the floats representing the schools of the county in the following order:

Erosophian Society, representing Pee Dee Institute.

Primary class of Pee Dee Institute in charge of Miss Lilly Reese Doyle, teacher of the class.

Little's School, Gullledge township.

Gum Springs High School, Lilesville township.

High Hill Academy, Wadesboro township.

Poplar Hill School, Ansonville township.

Paris Academy, Morven township, in five floats.

Peru School, Morven township.

Then came the business floats in the following order:

The Wadesboro Dry Goods Co. This float was canopy shaped in construction and was decorated in pure white. Beautiful young ladies, carrying banners with the names of the eight townships of the county painted on them, rode in the float and from time to time acclaimed the inducements offered prospective purchasers by the firm they represented.

Hargrave & Leak Manufacturing Co. four floats. On float No. 1 Mr. Wm. Sachs was designing a skirt at one table, while a cutter was cutting out a pattern at another table. On float No. 2 two young ladies were sitting at machines, while the machinist of the company was standing near, to repair any breaks that might occur. On float No. 3 a garment was being inspected by one young lady, while another was grading it up. On float No. 4 the office force was sitting at one table while the packers were at work at a second table. On each float was a model on which a skirt made in the National colors had been tastefully draped. Banners with the names of the States traveled by the company painted on them appeared on the floats. The States are: North and South Carolina, Texas, Alabama, Florida, Tennessee, Georgia, Mississippi, Louisiana, Maryland, Arkansas, Virginia, West Virginia, Indian Territory and Oklahoma.

Messenger & Intelligencer. Decorated carriage in which rode "Becky Ann Jones" and "Jeems" taking notes for a write-up of the occasion for next week's M. & I.

The Busy Corner. A large float, bearing the legend "The Leastest Good for the Mostest Money" at its mast.

P. T. Rhynes market. Arthur Murray driving an ox to an old time sulky.

The Ansonian. This float contained a small job printing press and the Ansonian's mechanical force.

Woodmen of the World. Float bearing a section of a tree on which stood a goat. Several Woodmen dressed in the garb of their order rode in the float.

A. B. Caudle's Furniture Store. This float was richly decorated with rugs and druggets and contained a piano and organ.

Richardson & Martin. This float was drawn by four large oxen, and bore the inscription: "We go slow and sure in our prescription department." During a part of the parade the oxen were ridden by Messrs. Wm. Gullledge, J. P. Ratliff and Jas. Gullledge, of Gullledge township.

H. H. Cox's Furniture Store. Float handsomely decorated with druggets and rugs.

International Harvester Co. of America. On this float, which attracted a great deal of attention, a 4-horse gasoline engine was driving the following machinery: A pump, a wood saw, a grind stone, a feed cutter and an electric motor.

Planters Hardware Co. A Majestic range, a washing machine, a churn and other articles of hardware were displayed on this float. A fire was burning in the range and from time to time delicious hot biscuits were thrown into the crowds which lined the streets.

A wagon, 10 by 26 feet, belonging to Huntley & Martin, liverymen, broke down just before the procession moved with 240 persons, nearly all them pupils of the Wadesboro public school, on it.

Messrs. Lennon Liles, of Ansonville and W. V. Timmons, of McFarlan, also had large wagons which were in a part of the parade, and which competed for the sewing machine offered by the Planters Hardware Co. to the person who hauled the greatest number of people on one wagon. Mr. Liles' wagon was 12 by 34 feet, while that of Mr. Timmons was 8 by 25.

The parade was the greatest success in every particular and was viewed with unbounded admiration by the dense throngs that crowded the streets along the line of march.

THE PRIZE WINNERS.

The judges, Rev. J. Luther Martin and Messrs. J. T. Caple and W. D. Teal, awarded the prizes as follows:

1. Most artistic float and team by any merchant—U. S. flag; given to Wadesboro Dry Goods Co.

2. Float best representing any business enterprise—Award of enterprise 1st, to Planters Hardware Co.; 2d, to Hargrave & Leak Mfg. Co.

3. Prettiest school float—20 volumes to Erosophian Society of the Pee Dee Institute. 2d, to Little School, Miss Lizzie Nelms, teacher.

4. School having greatest number in parade—10 volumes to Gum Spring school, Misses Inez Caudle and Lilly Wall, teachers.

5. Most ingenious costume by school—10 volumes to Primary Department Pee Institute, Miss Lilly Reese Doyle, teacher.

6. Most amusing costume—1 volume to Geo. Covington.

7. Best clowns in parade—S. S. Hutchinson and J. P. Allen, 1-volume to each.

8. Prettiest banner by school—5 volumes to Paris school, Miss Nannie Gatewood, teacher.

9. Oddest banner by school—U. S. flag, to Little School.

10. School singing best in parade—U. S. flag to girls of Pee Dee Institute.

11. Most graceful rider in parade—Scarf pin, given by R. L. Bowman to Mayor J. A. Little.

12. Most amusing vehicle—Scarf pin to Arthur Murray, with P. T. Rhynes' team.

13. Best decorated horse—Pair link cuff-buttons, to Zach Treadaway, riding Mr. Geo. P. Horton's horse.

14. Smallest mule in parade—Prize of \$1, to Mr. Joel Newton for mule 6 years old and weighing 370 pounds.

15. Largest yoke of steers—U. S. flag, to Richardson & Martin.

16. Best decorated carriage—U. S. flag, to Messenger & Intelligencer.

17. Person hauling greatest number of persons in parade on one wagon—\$45 Standard sewing machine, given by Planters Hardware Co., to Gum Springs School.

In regard to the offer of a sewing machine by the Planters Hardware Co. for the greatest number of persons hauled on one wagon, the judges decided that neither of the large wagons built for the occasion was entitled to the prize, inasmuch as they did not follow the parade, which was one of the requirements of the offer.

The remainder of Tuesday after the parade ended was spent by the people in having a general good time. As stated above the best of order prevailed there being only three arrests, all for simple drunks, during the day.

THE RACES WEDNESDAY.

Mr. C. W. Porter won the wheelbarrow race yesterday between the old soldiers.

The foot races were won by Messrs. G. P. Horton and C. W. Porter.

The winners of these races each received a nice hat given by Mr. W. Henry Liles.

THE TOURNAMENT.

The tournament was run yesterday afternoon in front of Mr. T. B. Wyatt's residence. The participants, the time made and number of rings second by each are given below:

W. H. Huntley, 6 11-12 seconds; 6 rings.

J. L. Sims, 10 seconds; 6 rings.

S. S. Lockhart, 7 1-3 seconds; 6 rings.

Flake Martin, 7 seconds; 9 rings.

Frank Flake, 8 seconds; 10 rings.

W. V. Timmons, 9 1-2 seconds; 11 rings.

Mr. Timmons was declared the winner of the tournament, but he surrendered the privilege of crowning the queen of love and beauty to Mr. B. B. Mills, at the ball, last night, which was attended by some 15 couples. Mr. Mills crowned Miss Lora Little.

NO RACES TO-DAY.

On account of the inclemency of the weather, the races advertised to take place to-day, have been declared off.

The Old Soldiers.

The encampment of old soldiers in Leak's Avenue has been a success in every particular, except the bad weather. Quite a number of old soldiers have been in camp and Mr. E. H. Ingram, of upper Richmond, has made things lively with his band.

The oyster bake and "possum" dinner given to the Daughters of the Confederacy and other ladies yesterday was largely attended and was greatly enjoyed by all.

The ministers, editors, and teachers of the town were invited to eat oysters with the old soldiers this morning at 11 o'clock.

Postmaster at Lilesville Breaks His Arm in Two Places.

Last Thursday Mr. P. A. Liles, postmaster at Lilesville, had an accident that came near costing him his life. He was looking after the machinery at the gin of the Lilesville Gin Co., when in some way his clothing was caught by a set screw on a shaft. He was thrown to the floor by the machinery with great force and his left arm broken in two places. It was also feared at first that he had suffered severe internal injuries, but the last news from him is that he is getting along very well.

Anson Pensioners Receive Their Warrants.

Clerk of Court Robinson has received the checks for the Anson county pensioners. There are 157 persons in the county on the pension roll, divided into classes, as follows: Two first class, who receive \$60 each; five in second class at \$45 each; eight in third class at \$35 each; 85 in fourth class at \$18 each; widows, 57, at \$18 each.

Mr. Robinson will be very glad to deliver the checks to the persons to whom they belong at once.

Fluids the body with warm glowing vitality, makes the nerves strong, quickens circulation, restores natural vigor, makes you feel like one born again. Holister's Beech Mountain Tea, 35 cents. Pars in Drug Co.

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The relief of Coughs and Colds, through laxative influence, originated with Bee's Laxative Cough Syrup, containing Honey and Tar, a cough syrup containing no opiates or poisons, which is extensively used. Secure a bottle at once, obtain a guarantee. Guaranteed to give satisfaction or money refunded. Sold at all drug stores. Sold at Richardson & Martin's Drug Store.

J. R. RICHARDSON DEAD.

He Passed Away Sunday Night at His Home at Ansonville.

Mr. John R. Richardson died about 9 o'clock Sunday night at his home in Ansonville, aged about 62 years, of Bright's disease. Mr. Richardson's health had been failing some time and last Thursday he took his bed, from which time he gradually grew worse until the end.

John Ranfall Richardson was a native of Ansonville township, this county. In 1861, when a mere boy, he volunteered for the wars between the States in Anson Ellis Riflemen, Dr. Harlee's company. Mr. Richardson was a model soldier. It is said of him that he never missed a roll call or shirked a duty. So well was he thought of as a soldier by his comrades in arms that the bronze figure of a Confederate private which surmounts the Confederate monument, here was made after his likeness. He was modest, courageous and the soul of honor. He would not be guilty of a mean thing himself nor would he tolerate it in any one else. On the 3rd day of July, 1863, while lying down he was struck in the shoulder by a spent minnie ball. The ball ranged down his back, lodging just underneath the skin near the spinal column. Mr. Richardson would never allow the ball cut out, but after his death the ball was removed by Dr. J. M. Dunlap, at the special request of Mr. Amos Richardson, of Mississippi, the only brother of the deceased.

After the war Mr. Richardson settled at Ansonville, where he merchandised until a few years ago, when he retired from active business. The interment was in the cemetery at Ansonville Tuesday morning, Rev. M. T. Steele conducting the exercises.

Directors Elected for Bank of Lilesville. Reported for The M. & I.

In pursuance of a called meeting of the stockholders of The Bank of Lilesville, held Dec. 18, 1906, Mr. R. J. Bauson was made chairman and E. P. Liles secretary.

It was ordered that an election be held for directors. This resulted in the election of the following board: E. P. Liles, H. J. Wall, J. F. Alexander, J. W. Boggan, A. P. Liles, T. C. Cox, J. L. Wyatt, J. A. Lindsey, J. E. Kerr.

A committee on by-laws, consisting of E. J. Cox, H. J. Wall and J. L. Wyatt, was also appointed.

Immediately after the adjournment of the stockholders' meeting, a meeting of the directors was held. After appointing a building committee, the meeting adjourned to meet Friday, 21st inst.

Marriage Licenses Issued.

Register of Deeds C. W. Thomas has issued marriage license to the following couples this week:

Mr. Oscar Helms and Miss Fannie Griffin. Mr. Helms is a son of Mr. Hamp Helms, of Lanesboro township, and Miss Griffin is a daughter of Mr. Will Griffin of the same township.

Mr. John Gaddy, son of Mr. J. Frank Gaddy, of Burnsville township, and Miss Janie Cagle, of Ansonville township.

Mr. S. R. Williams, of Morven township and Miss Annie Short, of Gullledge township.

Flodora Cotton Brings Big Price.

The highest price paid for cotton in this county, and probably in the State, since the staple went to 17 cents several years ago, was paid at Lilesville last Saturday by Mr. E. P. Liles. On that day Mr. John D. McGregor, of Lilesville township, sold eight bales of Flodora long staple cotton to Mr. Liles for 16 5-8 cents a pound, which is six and a half cents more than ordinary cotton was selling for on the same day. The eight bales came to \$624.44.

"Pineals" (non-alcoholic) made from resin from our Pine Forests, used for hundreds of years for Bladder and Kidney diseases. Guaranteed to give satisfaction or money refunded. Get our guarantee coupon from Richardson & Martin, Druggists.

PUBLICATION DAY CHANGED.

Beginning with the next issue the publication day of the MESSENGER & INTELLIGENCER, for the present, at least, will be changed to Friday. The free rural delivery routes will carry the paper to all of its readers in the county by Saturday, and it is believed the change will suit a large majority of our subscribers. If the reverse proves to be the case the publication day will be changed back to Thursday.

The next issue of the paper will be sent out Friday, December 28th.

At Home From School for the Holidays.

The following Wadesboro and Anson young ladies and gentlemen have either returned home from school for the holidays, or will do so between this time and Christmas:

Misses Charlie Bell Craig, Bessie Dockery, Virginia Stanback, Janie McAllister, Kate McAllister, Estelle Moore, from the Presbyterian College.

Miss Cassie Griggs, from Littleton Female College.

Misses Elinor Murr, Mary Ratliff, Dale Ratliff, from the State Normal.

L. L. McLendon, William Rose, Ashe Lockhart, Lennox McLendon, from the A. & M.

E. F. Sullivan, Joe Harris, from Wake Forest.

Miss Blanche Smith, J. A. Livingstone, W. B. Kiker, P. J. Kiker, from Trinity.

R. T. Allen, N. P. Liles, Jr., R. B. Boylin, Wortham Wyatt, F. L. Dunlap, R. B. Hardison, R. P. Burns, from the University.

Watt Huntley from Jonesboro.

F. G. Fetzer, W. C. McLaughlin, from Davidson.

Rob Little, Jas. Leak and Wm. Moss, from Warrenton High School.

Wm. Hardison, T. J. Covington and Fred Dunlap, from Horner's.

Benjamin Ingram, from Bingham's.

Bennett Leak from the University of the South at Sewanee, Tenn.

George Craig from Wofford.

Fire Works Tonight.

This afternoon at 5 o'clock a number of balloons will be sent up from Carr's mount, after which there will be a grand display of fire works from the same place. The M. & I. is assured that the fire works will surpass anything before attempted here.

E. F. M. Hightower has charge of this feature of the week's entertainment.

Don't Send Away From Home for Your Christmas Goods.

Wadesboro merchants are well prepared to supply the wants of the Anson county public in Christmas goods. They carry large lines of all sorts of things usually in demand at this season and they sell at prices that cannot be matched elsewhere.

Do your trading at home and thereby increase the circulation medium, to the benefit of yourself as well as of the entire community.

Southbound Not Sold Out.

Lexington Dispatch, 17th.

Lexington people have been interested in the rumors current for the last few days, to the effect that the Southbound Railroad had sold out. Capt. O. H. P. Cornell, of Winston-Salem, chief engineer for the Southbound, was here Saturday, and when questioned about these rumors, stated that the same were without foundation. Capt. Cornell said that the new road would certainly be built. It is understood that a contract will be let at an early date, as soon as the officials can see an end of the condemnation suits pending in Davidson and other counties. The proposed road from Winston via High Point to Wadesboro, it is stated, will in no wise affect the Southbound, which is the more direct and shorter route from the coal fields to the Atlantic seaboard.

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DESTRUCTIVE FIRE IN COUNTY

Two Huts Burned to Death and a Lot of Other Property Destroyed.

About 10 o'clock last Friday night a large and small barn and their contents, on Mr. W. L. Winfree's place, three miles northeast of town, were destroyed by fire. Two fine mules were burned to death and a third one was badly injured. Two cows were also very badly burned. Two fine mules and a large lot of rough feed and farming utensils comprised the other property that was destroyed. The loss is from \$800 to \$1,000; no insurance.

The origin of the fire, which caught in the fodder loft of the large barn, is unknown.

Kendall-Martin.

Correspondence of The M. & I.

At the home of the bride's brother, Mr. V. H. Kendall, Cheraw, S. C., Miss Zoe Kendall and Mr. Guilford Martin were quietly married Wednesday, Dec. 12, at 4 o'clock p. m. The parlors and reception hall were tastefully decorated with Southern smilax, palms, ferns and other potted plants.

The officiating minister was Dr. L. S. Shook, pastor of the First Baptist church, and Miss Eva Brantly presided at the piano, rendering Mendelssohn's Wedding March, and during the ceremony the "Flower Song." The bride and groom entered together, preceded by the damed-of-honor, Mrs. J. C. Kendall, of Wilmington, N. C. The bride was attired in a going-away gown of gray broadcloth with hat to match, and carried white carnations; the damed-of-honor wore blue silk.

Mrs. Martin is the attractive daughter of Mr. J. A. Kendall, of Ansonville township. Mr. Martin is the son of Uncle Jimmie Martin and brother of Sheriff S. P. Martin. The ceremony was witnessed by a very few, as the marriage came as a surprise to their many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin left on the five o'clock train for Charleston, Savannah, and points of interest through Florida, and will be at home to their friends, after Dec. 25th, in Wadesboro.

The out-of-town guests were Messrs. Guy Martin, Jas. A. Lockheart and Henry Boggan, of Wadesboro, N. C., and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Kendall, of Wilmington, S. C.

Gum Spring News.

Rev. A. B. Caudle has accepted a call to the pastorate of Gum Spring church, and will preach on the first Sunday in each month.

The Messrs. Washfield are turning out quite a lot of lumber at the plant of the Anson Lumber Co. Messrs. Caudle, Helms and McCollum have been hauling lumber for this same company. We are glad to have these gentlemen with us.

The work at the ballast pit is moving along steadily. An up-to-date pump engine has been installed and several carloads of washed ballast have been sent out already.

The debating society has been re-organized and meets every Saturday night at 7.30.

Miss Lilly Wall has taken charge of the primary department of the school at this place, Miss Inez Caudle having given her entire time to the higher branches.

Mr. J. R. Atkinson has moved to Columbia, S. C., where he will work with a large furniture company.

Mr. Atlas Turner has moved to the house formerly occupied by Mr. Atkinson.

Am't it the Truth?

Chicago News.

Him—With one exception a woman never seems entirely satisfied with her husband after the honeymoon.

Her—And the exception.

Him—It occurs when he gets his salary raised.

Your money refunded if after using three-fourths of a box of Man-Zan, you are dissatisfied. Return the balance of the tube to your druggist and your money will be cheerfully returned. Take advantage of this offer. Sold at Richardson & Martin's Drug Store.