

MASONIC PICNIC HELD THURSDAY

Marks 101st Anniversary Of Organized Masonry In Rutherford County.

The annual Masonic picnic was held at Hazelhurst Farm, near Ferry last Thursday. A large crowd was present, but not up to the expectation, or equal to the attendance of last year. The day's features were able addresses by Grand Master Leon Cash, of Winston-Salem and Dr. W. C. Wicker, Educational Field Secretary, of Elon, N. C.

Music was furnished for the occasion by the Cliffside Band. Refreshments were served throughout the day by a committee of the Cliffside Lodge. Dinner was served picnic-style in the grove at noon.

It was decided by the committee in charge that the Oxford Orphanage Singing Class would be secured for the picnic next year.

This picnic and outing was in commemoration of the founding of Masonry in Rutherford county. This was the 101st anniversary of organized Masonry in Rutherford.

In 1790 Friendship Lodge No. 17 was formed in Rutherford county, but did not get a charter until later. In 1822 the Masons petitioned for this charter, but the petition, for some reason was held up until 1824. About August for that year it was issued to John McEntire, of Rutherford, W. I. Gilbert, of Gilbertown, and Ex-Governor David L. Swain. The career of the Western Star Lodge, of Rutherford, begun in 1867 as it is now.

The annual picnic and outing was established last year in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the founding of Masonry in this county and met with such success that it was decided to make it an annual affair.

It is too far in advance to plan for certain, but it is tentatively considered holding the 1926 annual picnic at the fair grounds, at which time it is also planned to have the Oxford Orphanage Singing Class for a feature of the occasion. This central location and the presence of the children from the orphanage, should draw a large crowd.

HENRIETTA NEWS

Henrietta, Aug. 11.—We are having some dry hot weather here at the present time.

Rev. W. M. Reid visited the sick folk of our town Monday afternoon.

Those on the sick list are Miss Ollie Frasher, Mr. Lonas Henderson, Mr. Gordon Leverette, Mrs. Lee Norman, Mr. Ras Kuykendall and the small child of Mr. P. Smith. We hope they will all soon be well.

Mrs. G. W. Maxey and son, Stacy and daughters Misses Eliza and Willie, spent the week-end in Greenville, Tenn., visiting relatives.

Miss Dorothy Steadman, of Melvin Hill, is with her grandmother, Mrs. Loretta Kimbrell this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Causby, of Cramerton, spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lowery and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Brisco Putman spent Sunday with relatives in Spindale.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Jolley, of Raleigh, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Putman last week.

DEATH OF LITTLE CHILD

The death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Wilkerson, of Henrietta, and took the little adopted daughter, Reba Revis Wilkerson. She was sick a little more than one week. She was only eight months and five days of age. The funeral was conducted by Messrs Brindle and Cole and interment was in the Holly Springs cemetery Saturday at 3:30 p. m.

MAKING IT COMFORTABLE FOR PICTURE SHOW FANS

Mr. W. L. Horn, manager of The Movie, Forest City's picture show theatre, has just installed an Arctic Nu-Air cooling system, which is being greatly enjoyed by patrons on the hot evenings. It is said that the new cooling system is "as refreshing as a sea breeze."

Mr. Horn has some splendid pictures advertised for The Movies. Read the program each week and keep posted on what he has to offer.

AUGUST TERM OF COURT POSTPONED

Special Term Requested In Oc- tober—Presbyterian Sunday School Picnic.

Rutherfordton, August 12.—On account of the condition of the room in which court was to have been held it has been decided by the members of the bar that without some improvement in the way of ventilation and light it will be impossible to use this building for the August term, therefore it has been decided to call off the August term and ask for a special term in October. The regular fall term of Criminal Court convenes November 2nd.

The Presbyterian Sunday school will have a picnic Thursday, August 20th, leaving Rutherfordton at 2 o'clock p. m., for Mr. Gordon Reid's, near Thermal City, have supper at 5:30 and return in the early evening. The party will have access to a bathing place which is shallow and considered safe for the young folk. All who wish may take advantage of this, under the supervision of some one who will be appointed to look after them, but every one will be expected to observe the hours and obey the rules. Get your basket ready filled to the brim for every one will be hungry. Notify some member of the committee if you wish to attend and have no way to go, cars will be provided. All who have cars and room for an extra passenger also notify one of the committee, Messrs. F. E. Patton, J. B. Miller; Mesdames Eva Flack Hampton and Annie E. Logan.

Mr. W. W. Wilson, of Asheville, made a business trip to Rutherfordton last week. Mr. Wilson is a former resident of Rutherfordton who has traveled extensively but says that for good climate and many other advantages North Carolina beats the world.

Attorney C. B. McBrayer, of Shelby, was in Rutherfordton on legal business Friday.

Frank L. Hicks, of Fort Worth, Texas, arrived in Rutherfordton for his annual visit to friends and relatives.

Rev. R. H. Herring, of Sanford, preached at the First Baptist church Sunday to a large congregation.

Mrs. Minnie Blanton, treasurer of Rutherford county, accompanied by her children, Miss Evelyn Blanton, Masters Rudolph and John and her niece, Miss Sarah King, are spending a week in the mountains. They are visiting Mrs. C. E. Lowe, at Breward.

TO PAVE EAST MAIN ST.

The paving ordinance passed Aug. 10, by the Board of Commissioners, in which it is ordered that Main street be paved on each side from King street to Carolina Avenue, will mean much to the long suffering residents of that section. Work on the paving has already started and will be rushed to completion.

Failing to get the work of the Highway Commission in making the new paved road in time to serve this winter, the order of the board became imperative in order to make this street passable during the winter season, as the driveways on each side will serve until the paving of the road by the State Highway Commission.

LADIES, ATTENTION

As it is nearing the time for the schools to open, the ladies are asked to collect all clothes, shoes and any other garments they will not need and send to Prof. Eaks' office at the school building, so they will be ready for the children who will need clothes to start in school on Aug. 31st. We would like to get these things ready for there will be children who are not prepared to go to school the first week and we want to get them started at the beginning of school so they can all be classified at the very beginning. Let each housekeeper get busy and get together these garments at once, as they will be greatly needed and take or send them to Prof. Eaks' office at the graded school building.

It pays to buy the best. Get your lime and cement at Flack Hardware Co., Forest City. 43-4t

BETTER BUICKS ARE FAVORITES

Records Broken When the New Models Are Offered the Public.

By E. T. STRONG

(General Sales Manager, Buick Motor Company.)

All previous "automobile show" attendance records were broken during the initial nation-wide showing of the "Better Buicks," which were first displayed Saturday, Aug. 1. During the opening days 1,018,322 persons entered Buick salesrooms throughout the country to view the new line of Master and Standard Sixes.

These figures are accurate tabulations made by checkers placed at the doors of the more than 4,000 Buick dealers in the United States and transmitted by telegraph to the Buick factory at Flint, Mich.

The introductory event may well be classed as an automobile show, differing from regular shows in that it comprised one make of car exhibited in all cities instead of all makes of cars being exhibited in one city. In any event the total attendance far exceeded that of any individual motor car show during a like period of time.

Comments received from dealers have been most gratifying to factory officials. These telegraphic messages have been highly laudatory in reporting the reception tendered the latest Buick by more than a million persons representing every section of the Nation. These complimentary statements were, in most instances, backed by orders for more cars and requests for hurried shipments.

It has been impossible at this date to check the number of orders received, but every indication points to a record number, even exceeding those which followed other Buick announcements in recent years.

The huge crowds that have been swarming Buick salesrooms clearly indicates the strong hold automobiles have on the public fancy. It is extremely doubtful if one product of any other industry could cause this number of persons to leave their homes voluntarily in mid-summer and visit packed show rooms.

Naturally, it is gratifying to Buick officials that such extreme interest is evidenced in their merchandise. However, it is but natural that the public should be deeply intrigued by the automobile which for years has been the leader in the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce and has repeatedly held first place in the annual National automobile shows.

But disregarding the viewpoint of Buick officials, this mammoth response to the exhibition of one line of cars augurs exceedingly well for the entire automobile industry during the remainder of this year and in 1926. People do not attend exhibitions of automobiles unless interested in motor cars, and every person evincing such interest is a possible prospect for a new automobile.

If you have not seen the new Buick call at the Forest City Motor Co., and let them show you and demonstrate this wonderful car.

LOCATES IN AVONDALE

Dr. Perry H. Wiseman, who has been practicing his profession at his mother's home in Henrietta, has opened offices in Avondale, where he will meet with wonderful success, according to the predictions of his many friends.

Dr. Wiseman is a county boy and a young physician of more than ordinary merit. His father was also a successful practitioner and greatly beloved in all sections of the county.

Messrs. T. G. Stone and Harry Cannitz and Dr. "Bob" Reinhardt had a big day fishing at Bridgewater last Thursday. Mr. Stone caught one fine bass weighing five pounds, while altogether the party caught over ten pounds of fine fish. As usual with fishermen, they let several of the largest ones get away, but were very well satisfied with the day's sport.

BURGLARS RAID TWO STORES AT HARRIS STATION

Harris Supply Co. and Jolly Store Entered Monday Morn- ing—Burglars Escape With Money.

Two white men entered the Harris Supply Co. store and postoffice and the Jolly Store at Harris at an early hour Monday morning, making their escape after getting about \$75 in postoffice funds and \$250 in cash from the Harris Co. They were driven from the Jolly store only after having torn the knob off the safe and poured nitro-glycerine preparatory to blowing up the safe. Prompt work by several men saved a heavy loss.

Several different ones noticed two suspicious characters around the depot Friday night. Hearing a noise at about 1 o'clock Monday morning, Mrs. A. J. Bryant notified Mr. B. H. Wilkins. He hastily secured a gun and calling upon Mr. Bryant and Mr. J. S. Harris, the three men, heavily armed, hastened to the store. They found one man acting as lookout at the Jolly store and upon their arrival another man came from the inside. The two men fired upon the posse and made their escape, after several shots had been fired on both sides.

Investigation revealed that the Harris Supply Co. store and postoffice had been raided, the burglars then entering the Jolly Store, where they were preparing to blow the safe when surprised and driven off by the posse of indignant citizens.

Sheriff Harbin was called and arrived upon the scene early after daybreak Monday morning. Deputy Sheriff Carter Roberts, of Asheville, who had been called, arrived with his bloodhound at the same time.

The dog followed the trail to a point near the C. C. & O. trestle, where it is supposed the burglars caught a passing freight train going north. Two suspicious characters were seen in the Bostic yards Monday morning, but escaped and are supposed to have been the ones who had committed the burglary at Harris.

ALEXANDER NEWS

The revival meeting will begin at the Methodist church next Sunday night, August 16th. Rev. J. O. Ervin, of Rutherfordton, will assist the pastor, Rev. O. L. Simpson. We are hoping that much good may be accomplished.

We are sorry to know that Mr. Felix James is suffering very badly during these hot days.

The following young people of our village entered school this week at Boiling Springs: Messrs. Roland Hamrick, Francis Lancaster, Melvin Summey, Coburn Vess and Miss Annie Lancaster.

We are glad to see them preparing themselves for the duties of life. We wish them a great success.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. James of Spindale and Mr. Joe Allen and family, of Forest City, spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. Felix James.

Mrs. Eva Hamrick and two daughters, Misses Alda and Mary son Frank, of Cliffside, are visiting friends and relatives in our village this week.

Mr. Hicks Morris, of Chimney Rock, spent last week-end here at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne spent last Sunday in Henrietta visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Bates and family spent last Sunday at the home of Mr. John Foster near Dyartsville.

OPENING BRANCH STORE AT SPARTANBURG, S. C.

The Cabaniss-Gardner Co., of Charlotte, are today opening a handsome branch store in the Montgomery building at Spartanburg.

They handle the very best in smart dresses, wraps and hats for discriminating women. Rutherford county ladies will be interested in their opening announcement in this week's Courier.

FARMERS ON TOUR THURSDAY, AUG. 20

County Farmers and Farm Women to Visit Biltmore Dairy and State Test Farm.

Announcement comes to this office that the county agent is planning to take a group of farmers and farm women to the Mountain Test Farm, at Swannanoa Thursday, August 20. The annual picnic will be held there and the group will have the privilege of hearing talks from some of the state's ablest agricultural speakers. Among them will be Commissioner of Agriculture, Wm. A. Graham and Miss Jane McKinnon. Arrangements will be made to take the crowd through the Vanderbilt estate and Biltmore Dairy.

The trip will be made in cars, leaving the court house in Rutherfordton at 7 a. m. The route will be by Marion and Old Fort and return by Biltmore and Hendersonville. It is expected to make the round in a day, as that will give ample time for the stops on program.

All desiring to make the trip should get in touch with County Agent F. E. Patton or Home Agent Miss Gladys Perry, of Rutherfordton and let them know if you contemplate taking a group, if there will be room in your car for others, or if you desire a way to go.

MOVIE PROGRAM

August 13th to August 19th

Thursday, Aug. 13th—"Courage," "Just Luck," comedy, also Ham in "A Villain Factory."

Friday, 14th—Riding Pretty and a two-reel comedy, also a chapter of Idaho.

Saturday, 15th—The Supreme of Pictures, "The Ten Commandments," and a comedy.

Monday, 17th—Jackie Coogan in "Daddy." Jackie is a genius as a juvenile star and furnishes amusement for both old and young.

Tuesday, 18th—Tom Mix in Cyclone Rider and a two-reel comedy.

Wednesday, 19th—Pampered Youth and an International News.

NEWS NOTES

The Junior Order lodge will meet hereafter weekly on Thursday nights.

Mr. J. J. Heyder and family, of Lanette, Ala., and Mr. P. D. Wiseman and family of Kannapolis, were recent guests of Mr. J. S. Bridges.

Geo. Barber, Jr., of Bailey Military school, is spending his vacation with Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Barber. Grammar school opens Aug. 31. High school two weeks later. Extended announcement next week.

Miss Estelle Darden, teacher in the Forest City schools last session, was married to a Mr. Bell at her home in Sparta, Ga., Tuesday.

Several interesting articles were crowded out this week. Watch for them in next issue.

CYCLONE AUCTION CO. HAS SPLENDID SALE

The "Boss" Moore sale, held near Caroleen, last Saturday, was a success in every particular—good prices, large crowd and satisfied purchasers. The Cyclone Co., has advertised a big sale for Saturday, Aug. 15. See page ad in this paper.

The J. A. Wilkie property, near the schoolhouse on Caroleen road and the magnificent Hazelhurst Farm will be sold soon by this hustling company. Always watch The Courier for important announcements by the Cyclone Co.

CARD OF THANKS

We sincerely thank the Kiwanis Club for their interest and generous donation given for the Baby Clinic.

THE CHILD STUDY CLUB

ATTENTION BUILDERS—We have a full line of Lime and Cement and are ready to fill your orders for that Summer building program you have mapped out. Don't build until you have consulted us about your Lime and Cement. Flack Hardware Co., Forest City. 43-4t

POPULAR COUPLE TO BE MARRIED IN SEPTEMBER

Engagement Of Miss Bertha McRorie and Mr. John W. Dalton Announced.

Rutherfordton, Aug. 10.—Miss Effie Dalton was the hostess at an attractive porch party Saturday morning at which the engagement and approaching marriage of Miss Bertha McRorie, of this city, and Mr. John W. Dalton, of Forest City, was announced.

The porch was beautifully arranged with baskets of yellow garden flowers and potted plants. A color scheme of yellow and white was carried out in every detail. Two unique contests were enjoyed, in which Mrs. G. B. Yelton, the lucky winner of the first, was presented a dainty cut glass bud vase and Miss Sara Cowan, winner of the second, was presented a box of Madeira handkerchiefs.

The hostess, assisted by Miss Sara Cowan, served delicious refreshments consisting of an ice course in the form of small flower pots, placed on lace centerpieces, with heart shaped sandwiches. On each plate was placed a tiny yellow basket containing mints, among which was tucked a dainty little hand-painted card on which was written: "B. O. M. to J. W. D., Sept., 1925." After the bride-elect had received the congratulations of her friends, the hostess then presented her with a gift package, which, upon opening was found to contain a miniature rolling pin, with a bride's booklet attached, entitled, "How to Manage a Husband." The guests then wrote their best advice as to how this should be done. The reading of the completed booklet created a great deal of merriment.

Those who enjoyed Miss Dalton's hospitality were Misses Bertha McRorie, Fannie Dickerson, Eva Logan, Martha McClain, Julia Justice, Sara Cowan, Mildred Taylor, Lois Justice, Theresa Taylor, Gladys Lewis, Florence Edwards and Mesdames G. B. Yelton, D. C. Keller, James Oates, of Columbia, S. C.

The bride-elect is the eldest daughter of Attorney and Mrs. W. C. McRorie, her father being one of the county's most prominent lawyers and politicians. She received her education at the North Carolina College for Women, having graduate with the class of '24. She was a successful teacher in the Henrietta schools the past year.

Miss McRorie's sweet personality and unusual intelligence has won her many friends throughout the state, as well as made her one of Rutherfordton's most popular young ladies in church and social circles. During next month she will receive much social attention.

Mr. Dalton was educated at the University of North Carolina. He is a young man of sterling character and splendid business ability. He is a rising young merchant, being the manager of the Dalton Brothers Store, one of Forest City's leading department stores.

The wedding which will take place in the First Methodist church, in September, will be one of impressive simplicity.

M. E. CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rev. Clifton Ervin, of Rutherfordton, will preach in the Forest City Methodist church next Sunday morning. Mr. Ervin is a recent graduate of Trinity College (Duke University), a young man of fine attainments, and for the past year was assistant pastor of West Market Street Methodist church, Greensboro. The Methodist congregation here is fortunate in having Mr. Ervin to preach for them in the absence of the pastor who is engaged in a protracted meeting at Pleasant Grove. We bespeak for Mr. Ervin a large attendance.

The meeting at Pleasant Grove Methodist church this week is being attended by large congregations. The interest is good and increasing at every service. The pastor, Dr. W. R. Ware, is doing the preaching. Rev. J. O. Ervin, of Rutherfordton, is conducting the singing and doing it well. Mr. Ervin will probably do some of the preaching later in the meeting. Two services are held daily, 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. The meeting will continue through next Sunday.