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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR.

TO FIGHT PINE BEETLE.

Meeting Has Been Called for Monroe December 11th to Begin Campaign.—Be on Hand.
Every man who owns any pine timber in Unico county should be in Monroe on Monday, Dec. 11, and learn how to destroy the beetle before they destroy all the timber, which they will do if they once get a start. Mr. R. V. Houston, who has already lost many acres of timber, has been in correspondence with Mr. J. L. Holmes, the State Forester, and the latter has appointed the above date, on which the United States government experts will be here. Mecklenburg and other surrounding counties have already been organized, and as the beetle has already appeared extensively in this county, the fight must be opened here. On another page of The Journal will be found an account of the Mecklenburg meeting, and a statement of the way the beetle is handled.

Thanksgiving Offerings.

If you have been on the streets of Monroe on any Thanksgiving day for the many years past, you have doubtless noticed a fine looking gray haired gentleman (we will not say an old gentleman because he goes to the picture show three times a week) going around taking up a collection. The gentleman in question was Mr. H. B. Adams, and he was receiving contributions for the Oxford Orphanage. It has been his custom for many years and he always receives a snug sum. He has many standing "subscribers" who pay in their dues regularly. It is a beautiful custom, a loving tribute of manhood to the needs of childhood, and Mr. Adams wouldn't enjoy his Thanksgiving dinner if he didn't do it. Mr. Adams is chairman of the orphanage committee of the Masons, Capt. S. H. Green and Mr. S. E. Burns being the other members. His collection, with the profits of the picture show amounted to \$140.40 and a barrel of flour.

The collection in the Central Methodist church amounted to \$30. This church gives \$200 yearly to the Conference orphanage at Winston.

As a thanksgiving offering the ladies of the Baptist congregation packed a box for the Thomasville Orphanage which was valued at \$50. The Thanksgiving collection was \$30, followed by \$20 on Sunday, the regular monthly contribution of the Sunday school.

The Presbyterian church sent \$20.25 to their orphanage at Barriun Springs.

The collection of the Episcopal church was \$10.75. This church also makes a monthly contribution to the orphanage.

Captured Another Still.

For a still hunt that brings results, Deputy Sheriff Jule Griffith is on the job. Last Saturday night he went up in New Salem township, found a still that had lately been in operation, and lay down by it most of the night waiting for the owner to come along and go to work. But the owner didn't come, and he went back next morning and broke it up. It was a seventy gallon kettle, and gave indications of having been used since the last rain. And the last run was made from cane instead of corn. The location was about the New Salem and Marshville line.

Call for Programs.

As noticed in the last issue of The Journal the public schools will observe the 22nd as North Carolina day. Every school in the county should have appropriate exercises on that day. Prof. Nisbet, the county superintendent, has plenty of the programs on hand and wants all the teachers to call at his office and get a supply.

His Wife Did.

She—Many men expect their wives to run their homes on practically nothing. They forget that no one can make bricks without straw.

He—My wife does—out of flour.—Boston Transcript.

A Merry Marriage in Buford.

There was one of the most beautiful weddings at the home of Mr. W. R. Pigg on November 29th that it has been my pleasure to attend in many a year. The contracting parties were Mr. Vernon Cox, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cox, and Miss Maggie Pigg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pigg. The beautiful home of Mr. Pigg was all aglow with young people long before the bridegroom arrived, and then there was a flutter among them in preparation of the eventful hour, six-thirty. They had called upon this scribe to officiate, and when the time came I took my stand facing a spacious room, over whose entrance was a fine arch of beautiful flowers and evergreens. On my right and left were crowded a score or more of friends and relatives to witness the ceremony. Then there appeared from the rooms the attendants: Mr. Walter Walters and Miss Eula Cox; Mr. Hosié Presler and Miss Connie Osborne; Mr. Rufus Cox and Miss Lula Pigg, followed by the groom with his bride upon his arm. I stepped forward and repeated the marriage ceremony in the most solemn tones that I command, and pronounced them husband and wife. Congratulations being then in order, many were the handshakes and hearty expressions.

Supper was quickly announced and I was requested to select a partner and lead the way to the dining room. I bestowed the honor upon Mr. Alex Osborne, grandfather of the bride, and lead the party in. And such a supper we beheld! A table loaded with more or more palatable viands is seldom seen, and I assure you that we did ample justice in appreciation of the skillful hands that had prepared it.

Mr. Cox is a worthy son of Buford and a good young farmer. Mrs. Cox is one of our prettiest and most charming young ladies and we extend to them the most sincere wishes for many happy years. J. C. L.

News Around Indian Trail.

(Correspondence.)

The school at this place opened the 13th under the efficient management of Mr. T. J. Higgins as principal. Miss Verda Snyder intermediate and music and Miss Mabel Robinson primary. There has been an enrollment of only 90 students, but it is thought a larger number will be enrolled this week.

A pretty but quiet marriage occurred at the home of Mr. J. P. Thompson Sunday afternoon the 26th day of November when his daughter, Miss Louise, was given in marriage to Mr. G. C. Moore of Wesley Chapel. Only a few friends and near relatives of the bride and groom being present. The ceremony was performed by Esq. W. D. Hawfield. Mrs. Moore is a bright and attractive young lady and has many friends. Mr. Moore is a prosperous farmer and a popular young man. Their many friends unite in wishing for them a long and happy life.

Mrs. J. E. Broom has been very sick, but is improving. Mrs. J. A. Boyd of Yorkville S. C., R. F. D. 8, is spending some time with her son Mr. J. P. Boyd.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Helms have moved to Charlotte. Miss Clarabelle Boyd returned home Wednesday afternoon after spending two weeks in Gastonia where she went to be at the bedside of her aunt Mrs. T. L. Collins, who died on the 12th.

Rev. Mr. Bogle preached his first sermon here the fourth Sunday evening. A goodly number were out to hear him. His sermon was greatly enjoyed by all. We are glad to welcome Mr. Bogle to his new circuit and hope that we shall have a prosperous year.

Mrs. J. M. Tomberlin has been on the sick list, but is better.

Rev. Braxton Craig is expecting his brother, Hon. Locke Craig of Asheville, to spend Saturday and Sunday with him in Monroe. Mr. Craig will be on his way home from attending the Supreme Court at Raleigh.

Watching Cotton Figures This Week.

New Orleans, Dec. 3.—Two things will be talked about in the cotton market this week, to the exclusion of everything else, except, possibly the spot situation. First will come the ginners' returns from the census bureau, to be issued Friday, and after that, the government's estimate of the crop, due a week from Monday.

The ginners' figures will simply lead up the government's estimate, which will be compiled by the department of Agriculture but they will be used as the basis of many crop estimates from private sources.

It is too early yet to say what the trade looks for from the ginners. Estimates of the figures range all the way from 12,500,000 bales up to 13,700,000.

With all the crop guessing that has been going on of late, the markets have not yet settled on what to expect from the government in the way of an estimate. Many people probably will go wrong in their expectations because they do not know that the government figures will be expressed in 500-pound bales and that they will not include linters. Expressing the figures in 500-pound bales will make the total look larger, so far as spinnable cotton is concerned, but the exclusion of linters will make the figures smaller than guesses on the commercial crop. The commercial crop includes linters, rapacks and the like and does not take into consideration the amount of cotton in this crop marketed prior to Sept. 1.

When traders are not figuring on the coming reports they will be inquiring into the spot demand which after the eleventh of the month will be the one big thing in sight to influence prices. However it will take extremely good developments in the spot department to pull the market away from the influence of government reports this week.

A Memorial Service.

On Sunday morning Dr. Weaver, pastor of Central church, held a brief service in memory of the members of his church, or of families of the church, who died during the pastoral year just closed. He stated that never before in one year of his various pastorates had he been called upon to bury so many people. Before beginning his usual morning service Dr. Weaver made the following remarks:

These are members of Central Methodist church, and members of families of the church, who died during the year 1911. This long list includes a little boy, a young girl, a young man, a bride, six mothers, three men in middle life and one full of years.

December 13—Davis Hudson, a beautiful rose bud transplanted in the garden of God.

January 8th—Mrs. C. A. Wolf, a mother in Israel, true and faithful.

January 9th—babe of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Yates, an Easter lily, sweet and beautiful forever.

January 10th—Mrs. Hopkins, a good wife and mother.

January 17—J. M. Porter died in Florida. His record is on high.

January 20—Mrs. R. N. Payne went home to heaven. Her memory is blessed.

January 20—Pearl Ayers, a beautiful white rose for the King's crown.

January 28—Mrs. Elizabeth Houston died in Florida, "an elect lady."

February 8—Heath Howie, a young man, loved and respected.

April 3—Wm. H. Krauss, a rich ripe golden sheaf gathered into the garner above.

June 7—A. C. Johnson, called in his mature manhood, trusting in his Saviour.

June 28—Mrs. Ida Curlee, a sufferer at rest.

September 30—Davis Armfield, cut down in his young manhood, but not afraid. He lived well and died bravely.

September 28—Mrs. R. D. Crow a bride of a few weeks, peacefully passed away.

September 30—Mrs. Martha Turner, a loved and loving mother, at rest.

Startling Termination of the McNamara Trial.

The trial of James B. and Jno. J. McNamara, at Los Angeles, Cal., which has for weeks been attracting the attention of America, was suddenly and unexpectedly terminated last Friday by the confession of John B. McNamara that he was guilty of the crime of blowing up the Los Angeles Times office in which 21 persons were killed, in October, 1910, the crime for which the brothers were being tried. John J. McNamara confessed that he had been guilty of causing the destruction of a large iron working establishment in the same city on last Christmas day, in which no lives were lost. It was understood that by their confession the men were to save their lives, and John B., who said he alone was guilty of the first crime, was to have a life sentence and John J. to have fourteen years. The first man made his confession in order to save his brother, as it seemed likely that both would be convicted. Those men were high officials in the Association of the Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, and their guilt has been a hard blow to organized labor. Detective Burns worked up the case, and since the sensational arrest of the men they have constantly declared their innocence and so stoutly that the organized labor of the country was led to believe that they were being persecuted and gave them both financial and moral backing. Samuel Gompers and John Mitchell, president and vice-president of the American Federation of Labor, were astounded and humiliated by their guilt. It is a great pity that scoundrels of the McNamara type can impose upon the right thinking men of the unions and so injure their just cause before the public. The Los Angeles Times had been an intemperate and bitter enemy of labor unions, but the crime against society in the destruction of their building cannot be countenanced by any one, and certainly it was not by Mitchell and Gompers, though they were imposed upon in being led to believe these men innocent.

Coats With Strings on Them.

Last night the city aldermen sat up late discussing the value of the police department. But remembering the troubles of the rious matters of business that are pressing upon them.

Among the business transacted was the purchase of two overcoats for the handsome backs of past, the city fathers put some strings on these coats. They ordained, and so had it stipulated in the bond that should any of the police department who are to use these coats die, resign, or otherwise depart from their beats, they must leave the coats in the custody of the city to be used by their successors, heirs, assigns and hereditaments. No more law suits for the city over second hand overcoats.

An order was given for 500 more feet of fire hose, and the chemical engine ordered sold.

A contract was let to an company to put an air lift in one of the deep wells instead of a pump.

Policeman Barrett was given charge of the street work and Doc Shepherd was put back on the night force.

Tax Collector Crowell reported that his collections for the past month were \$3,578.71.

Mr. J. C. M. Vann gave notice that he would offer his resignation as prosecuting attorney of the Recorder's court January 1st.

A Baseball Courtship.

"How'd you like to sign with me for life's game?" inquired "I'm agreeable," replied the girl. "Where's your diamond?"—Kansas City Journal.

Marriage license was secured here yesterday for quite a youthful couple of goose Creek—Mr. Moses Rountree, aged 74, and Miss Sarah Emeline Hedgepeth, aged 65 years.

Song, "Because I am in Love with You," by Mr. Henry Fairley at The Dixie tonight.

Wingate News.

(Correspondence of The Journal)

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. McWhorter and Miss Hattie McWhorter of Marshville spent Thanksgiving at Mr. Hugh McWhorter's.

Miss Annie Boggan returned last week from Stanly, where she had employment in the millinery department of the Stanly Mercantile Company.

Miss Pearle Hefner spent several days last week with friends at Polkton.

Conductor Benton Brown, who was caught between two ears at Blewett Falls and painfully bruised about two weeks ago, was able to leave the sanitarium at Charlotte, where he was carried for treatment, and come to his father's, Mr. Chas. E. Brown's, last Tuesday. He and his wife returned to their home at Hamlet Saturday.

Messrs. Roy Thomas and Will Cole of Kershaw, S. C., spent the fourth Sunday in November with Miss Sue May Parker.

Mr. K. P. Stewart of Pageland, S. C., spent Friday and Saturday with relatives here.

Mrs. J. W. Outen and son, Master Dan, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives in Monroe.

Miss Susie Winfield of Wadesboro spent several days last week with relatives here.

Mr. I. B. Mullis of Lumberton visited his mother, Mrs. Tiney Mullis, last week.

Mrs. E. B. Bivens of Monroe came down for the play Wednesday evening.

Messrs. Hugh McWhorter and Robert Gaddy are confined to their beds with pneumonia and rheumatism, and Mr. Charles E. Brown is in very feeble health, indignation being the trouble.

The play, "Kentucky Belle," which was given by students of the school Wednesday evening was a decided success. The amount realized was \$34, which is to go to the literary societies and the library.

Rev. H. G. Bryant conducted services here Thursday morning, preaching a most able sermon. A collection was taken for the orphanage, which amounted to \$13.41. The congregation was divided that day, the membership of the Rock Rest community holding services at that place, with Rev. Mr. Craig of Monroe preaching for them.

Rev. E. C. Snider held Thanksgiving services with two of his churches and reports that the contributions to the orphanage were unusually good. He also informs us that his churches have been very liberal this year.

Proceedings in Recorder's Court.

(Nov. 28 to Dec. 5.)

Twenty-five dollar cash bond forfeited by Ed Walker, convicted of carrying concealed weapons, collected.

M. P. Spears, trespass; costs.

Annie Spencer, colored, keeping whiskey for sale; no pros; evidence not sufficient to convict.

Arthur Dees and Marsh Vandenberg, malicious injury to personal property; costs.

Lizzie Wiggins, colored, violation ordinance 76; prayer for judgment continued for 30 days.

Commodore Funderburk, colored, fast driving, not guilty; violation ordinance 76, costs.

Rich Cuthbertson, colored, violation ordinance 76; costs.

Tom Sikes, Bozy Stockton, Baxter Stitt, all colored, gambling; Baxter Stitt, not guilty; Tom Sikes and Bozy Stockton, 24 days on roads.

Wineie Simmons, keeping whiskey for sale; not guilty.

Jas. Funderburk, colored, false pretense; bound over to superior court.

Some Old People.

Squire A. W. McManus of Creek township, tells The Journal that there are in his neighborhood some old people who have reached a remarkable age. They all reside within a radius of four miles. Uncle Jimmie Clontz, who died last month, was 81; Mr. C. W. Clontz, who is very ill, is 94; Mr. A. J. Pigg is 85; Mr. R. H. McManus is 85; Mrs. W. B. Small is 87, and Mr. Eli H. Hanson is 88.

Death of Mrs. Fowler.

On November 29, 1911, at 8:25 a. m., the gentle spirit of Mrs. Floda Ann Fowler, wife of Mr. Braxton Fowler, passed away. She had been sick for some weeks with typhoid fever. Some months ago she had measles, the effects of which she had not entirely recovered when taken with fever. She was a sweet spirited christian woman and none will forget how easily it was for her to smile even to her last moment. She was a joy to the whole circle of her friends but to those of her household she was a peculiar treasure. As none can know the real worth of a good wife save her husband, so none other can understand or know the real loss and the genuineness of the sorrow in giving her up. Mrs. Fowler is survived by her husband and two little children—Adeline, three years old, and Robert, fifteen months—and the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. John Biggers of Charlotte, Clyde Biggers of Monroe, Mrs. Cliff Fowler of Monroe, Mrs. Clint Davis of the Siler community, Mrs. J. F. Craig of Mint Hill, Mrs. Wm. Harkey of Weddington, and Mrs. Smith of Harrisburg.

R. J. Mellwain.

Today is a sad one, the saddest of any Thanksgiving I ever witnessed. There seemed to be a prevailing sadness in the whole community for on this day we buried one of the best women that ever lived in this section. On yesterday Mrs. Braxton Fowler breathed her last. She before her marriage was Miss Floda Biggers, the youngest daughter of the late Anzi Biggers. She was born March 15, 1885, married to Mr. Braxton Fowler December 4, 1907, and died November 29th, 1911. She bore her affliction patiently, without a murmur, and seemed to be happy in her affliction. She was a consistent member of Siler Presbyterian church and her body was laid to rest in the Siler cemetery, beside that of her brother and parents. Funeral services were held at the church by her pastor, Rev. R. J. Mellwain.

I knew her personally from her infancy. She was a good girl and a good woman. The community is saddened, for all who knew her were her friends. It is well with her soul. She has just crossed a little ahead of the rest of us. God comfort the sorrowing ones and bless her two little children. May we emulate her virtues and strive to meet her in heaven. J. N. Price.

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News from Stallingsville.

(Correspondence.)

Mr. Claude Deal of Weddington was here Friday on business.

Mater Bomar Stallings, who has been quite ill for the last ten days, is rapidly improving.

Mr. Basil McManus of Monroe spent Thanksgiving at the home of Mr. E. T. Lewis.

Miss Onie Noles and Mr. E. J. Sutton of Charlotte spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Noles.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hall of Pineville are visiting their daughter, Mrs. P. D. Dry.

Mr. S. V. McManus of Monroe spent Thanksgiving with Mr. Henry Melrod.

We are glad to note that Mr. E. J. Heath of Matthews who has been to a large hospital taking medical treatment, has so much improved that he is expected to come home in ten days.

Mr. E. T. Lewis has finished ginning and will put his traction outfit to sawing lumber with which he expects to build a residence on the land he lately purchased from Mr. J. H. Harkey.

The Methodist Protestant church has purchased a two acre lot at this place on which to build a church and parsonage in the near future.

Little Miss Pattie Smith entertained quite a number of her little friends last Thursday from two till five in the afternoon. Those present were Misses Sara and May Harkey, Evelyn, Myrtle Stallings, Ruth Noles, Bell Stallings, Carrie G. Noles, Maey and M. S. Paxton. The hour of departure came and soon for this merry little