

OLD TIME FOURTH 'O JULY

DESCRIPTION OF ONE HELD IN UNION IN 1844.

Rare Old Manuscript Discovered in Clerk's Office Which Tells of a Big Celebration at Wilson's Old Store Many Years Ago.

In the clerk's office Mr. R. W. Lemmond has discovered a rare old bit of yellow foolscap paper which gives an account of a Fourth of July celebration at Wilson's Old Store, in this county before the days of Monroe. The paper bears no date and its writer is unknown. It is signed only "An Invited Guest," and is written in the careful handwriting of that day. Squire Simpson has located the date of the celebration as in 1844 or '45. The manuscript is as follows:

Fourth of July celebration at Mrs. Wilson's, Waxhaw, Union county.

"Being invited to attend the celebration and to be in time, I left home on Thursday and reached Mrs. Wilson's about three o'clock p. m., when I found neighbors coming from different directions, one with a pig, one with a lamb, others with good fresh

beef and some with bread and other provisions, throwing together for the festival. This continued during the evening and about night, when the meats amounted to a thousand pounds or more and many loaves of bread. (But being a dry country no fish.)

"I soon learned it was to be a barbecue dinner—made up by mutual contributions among the neighbors—and to be free without money and without price. I saw several contributors done each one his part, and all moved together in the utmost harmony. At night 4 or 5 white men assisted by 7 or 8 black men commenced the cooking by parboiling the meats, to better prepare it for the barbecue roast. I again viewed the process of cooking next morning and discovered that it promised to be superior to any I had of a barbecue. This was carried on near a spring—close by the shade of oak forest.

"At nine o'clock a. m., the citizens from the surrounding country began to come in, some in carriages, some on horses and some on foot, graced by the company of married and sin-

gle beauties. By 11 o'clock I suppose the number of ladies were more than two hundred, and between three and four hundred men.

"Preparation had been made with suitable stands for the readers, orators and seats for the ladies in Mrs. Wilson's yard, beneath the shade of an aged oak, whose extensive boughs and well filled foliage, assisted by a near neighbor (a tall locust) afforded shady shelter to nearly all the company. Music from the Union band, and notice from Capt. Walkup, marshal of the day, invited the ladies to take their seats beneath the venerable oak, and all the men to form a procession—march a short distance and counter march to the stand—when the ceremonies for the day were commenced by an appropriate prayer from the Rev. Mr. Mellon, followed by the reading of the Mecklenburg Declaration and the declaration of the 4th of July, by James Massey, Esq., in a very clear and distinct manner.

"Next was the orator of the day, Samuel Walkup, Esq., and he delivered an oration in his composition beautiful, chaste, and elegant, and in style of language happily expressed. His touches upon the patriots and illustrious men of the revolution were impressive, and with much ability portraying the moral beauty of the deliberations of the 56 apostles of liberty, who signed the declaration of independence. Not less happy was his eulogy on General Jackson, near whose birthplace all were assembled. The orator pleasantly intermingled at suitable periods, sweet touches and remarks to the ladies, to tell them how much their presence was adding to the enjoyments of the celebration. It occupied nearly an hour in the delivery; during all the time the quiet attention of the auditory were received.

"I have not witnessed a 4th of July oration that gave more unanimous satisfaction. I hope one or more of the committee of arrangement will wait upon Mr. Walkup and request a copy for pamphlet publication for the reading of the boys and girls of Union county.

"The good old North State was then called for, when the young men assisted by a number of the ladies, entertained the company. This was a sweet change. The aged men lent their ears in delight. The young men wished they could catch the melody as it dropped upon their nerves from the lovely voices of the girls.

"The company were now requested by the marshal to form a procession with the ladies in front, and march to the tables, where all soon arrived and found all things ready, meats of sweet savour and bread in bakers best oven. The long tables were nearly filled by the females, the married men attended to their wives, and the single men waited on the single ladies.

All united in praising the barbecue—and how good the bread—all fed and yet many baskets left. No alcohol, no wine, no whiskey, or brandy. The company returned to the stand when the reading of the regular toast commenced. When from delicate health and the fatigues of the day I found it pleasant to leave. I have not had an opportunity of getting a copy of the toast. I have attended many celebrations, in towns, villages and country for the last thirty years and I have seen none more pleasant and suitable to the occasion than the present. It may be said that all things were done decently and in order. Much praise is justly due Capt. Walkup, as marshal of the day for the orderly manner in which he conducted all matter and things.

"In addition to the emotion inspired by the celebration at every return of our national birthday was now superadded that we were now in Waxhaw famous in names of patriots during the war of our independence, and as the birth place of one among the most illustrious names of heroes and lovers of freedom in the present age. Indeed, the philosophy idea, that freedom is the nursing mother of generosity, that it is in his shall alone nature may be enjoyed in the beauty and plenitude of her glory—was truly verified today.

"One word to the ladies present—more gracious beauty I have never seen anywhere among an equal number—nature has taken care to give them lovely and personal attraction. I wish the married happiness; and the single married to the boys of their hearts.—An Invited Guest."

This celebration was held at Wilson's Old Store the 4th of July 1844 or '45.

THE LOCAL MARKETS.

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Best long staple	13.25
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PRODUCE.	
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MR. REDWINE FINDS SOME INTERESTING OLD PAPERS.

The Doctor's Card of 1846—Letter From the Late President Grover Cleveland—Has Constitution of Klu-Klux-Klan.

While exploring through his desk, in which an accumulation of old papers had been reposing for a number of years, Mr. R. B. Redwine came across a card that his father, the late Dr. T. W. Redwine, had distributed announcing that he had located for the practice of medicine in this county. It reads:

"Dr. T. W. Redwine,
"Having located himself permanently at Samuel Hute's, Union County, would respectfully tender his professional services to the citizens of the neighborhood and the surrounding country. Cases committed to his care will receive prompt and faithful attention. His charges will be moderate, to suit the times.
"Sept. 17th, 1846."

Mr. Redwine also found a letter that he had received from the late President Grover Cleveland, of which he is very proud. It follows:

"July 4, 1902.
"R. B. Redwine, Esq.
"My Dear Sir:

"I was very much pleased to read your letter of June 30th; and I wish to congratulate you upon the appreciation which your neighbors, professing the Democratic faith, have shown of your steadfast adherence to the time-honored principles of the party. The evidence you submit of esteem for those who for a time lost their bearings, seem to reinstate their belief in the saving reclaiming power of Democracy.

"Yours very cordially,
"GROVER CLEVELAND."
"Buzzards Bay, Mass."

This letter is in Mr. Cleveland's own handwriting and for that reason possesses unusual value.

Mr. Redwine is also one of the few who possess a copy of the constitution of the Klu-Klux-Klan. He found it a number of years ago among the papers of the late Alex. McIlwaine, of whose estate he was executor. He stored the paper away somewhere, but has not yet been able to find it.

Comments Start Made by Mr. Griffith We wish to commend the action of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen in employing Mr. Paul Griffith street overseer and general supervisor of street cleaning. Mr. Griffith has already made a fine start and we are sure that his work will prove of great benefit to the town. Mr. Griffith is a young man who will enter heartily into the work which he has undertaken and is capable of giving us a splendid service in cleaning up the town and keeping it clean.

MRS. J. F. LANEY,
President of Woman's Club.

A Volunteer's Lament.
Correspondence of The Journal.

Way down in sunny Panama,
Just near the Culebra slide,
With thirty thousand soldiers
And one railroad there to ride.

One soldier says it's lonesome,
While others think it's bad,
So I only wish I'd bought out
With the money that I've had.

My reasons for being here
I hardly do not know,
But I rather think it was
My girl, or a pretty movie show.

I have only been here
Just a year ago in May,
So I guess it's only
Two more yet to stay.

My girl has been married,
Since I have been alone,
And says she is living
Quiet in a peaceful home.

Now I am only thinking
Over letters that she used to write
And can plainly understand
Why the dates were never Sunday night.

Of course we all have stories
Which we once can relate,
But this is from one
With two long years to wait.
—Robert P. Yarbrough, Culebra, Canal Zone, Panama, U. S. Army.

Mother and the Truth.
Mother taught me in my youth,
That when I came to be a man
To always tell the plain truth.
For nothing else would stand.

Mother whipped me when a lad,
'Twas but a mother's strife,
She didn't whip because she was mad,
She was trying to regulate my life.

Mother thought so much of her boy,
She couldn't let him be spoiled,
'Twould be the height of her joy,
To raise a character never soiled.

But mother's gone and I'm in the world,
I often think of what she said,
Her efforts would some day be unfurled,
I think of it more since mother is dead.

Oh, if I could live this life again!
I would not grieve my mother,
I would shield her from all pain
As I would no other.

Truth crushed to rise no more
Will some day, to our surprise,
When we meet on the other shore,
Stand up and look us in the eyes.
—Ellis Goodwin.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head
Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE is better than ordinary Quinine and does not cause nervousness or ringing in head. Remember the full name and look for the signature of E. W. GROVE, D. C.

The Death of Mr. Gerald Harris.

Mr. L. L. Harris got back yesterday from Will's Point, Texas, where he had been called by the death of his brother, Mr. Gerald Harris, who lost his life in an automobile accident July 4.

The Will's Point Chronicle of July 17, said:
The Chronicle last week made brief mention of the accident in which Gerald Harris lost his life, full information not having been received here at the time the paper went to press. It is not yet known exactly how the accident occurred, but the car in which Mr. Harris and family were returning from a Fourth of July picnic turned completely over once and half way over again. The accident occurred about 5 o'clock in the afternoon and Mr. Harris died at 10.20 o'clock that night.

Mrs. Harris sustained serious injury, both bones on her right arm and a little finger on her left hand being broken, besides being considerably bruised about the body. One side of Mr. Harris' head was crushed in by the windshield of the car and while he was given the best of medical attention his injury was such that he could not recover.

The remains were brought to Will's Point for interment, which took place at White Rose cemetery Friday morning at 10 o'clock under the auspices of the Masonic lodge, of which the deceased was an honored member. The religious service was conducted at the grave by Rev. F. E. Luker, pastor of the Will's Point Methodist church and a large concourse of sorrowing friends and relatives assembled at the grave to pay a last sad tribute of love and respect to this good citizen.

Gerald Harris was born in Chesterfield county, South Carolina, March 21, 1873. After completing a business education in a business college at Nashville, Tenn., he came to Texas as a young man, locating in Will's Point, May 31, 1905. For a number of years he was employed as a drugist with the Bruce & Human Drug Co. in Will's Point and was married to Miss Carrie Burnett in this city. To this union five children were born, four of whom survive. Soon after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Harris moved to McCauley, where Mr. Harris has since been engaged in the drug business and winning the good will and esteem of his neighbors in his western home as he had during his residence of several years in Will's Point. He was a high-toned Christian gentleman, a devoted husband and father and a loyal citizen. A friend to everyone, his friends were numbered only by the extent of his acquaintance. Indeed a good man has gone from us, and everyone feels a personal loss in his departure and sincere sympathy for the bereaved family.

Woodward-Woodell.
Mr. Kirby Woodward and Miss Leilia Woodell were married yesterday afternoon at the home of the bride's mother in West Monroe, Esq. M. L. Flow officiating. Mr. Woodward is a son of Mr. Luther Woodward, and is a young man who is highly esteemed by both friends and neighbors. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Maggie Woodell, and is an attractive and worthy young lady.

The Fall of the Bridges.
Charlotte Observer.
The destruction of crops by the storm will undoubtedly prove a serious item to the people of a large section of western and piedmont North Carolina, but the money loss entailed on counties and corporations by the washing away of bridges will constitute a more serious matter. The falling of the railroad bridges over the Catawba is but an incident. There is to be considered in connection with this the sweeping away of many bridges over the highways in all the counties west of the Catawba to the Tennessee line, these counties embracing more than a fourth of the State's territory. A tremendous drain has been imposed upon the treasuries of the various counties and for a time there must be endured the disadvantage of the practical wreckage of the good roads system in this section of the State, not alone by reason of the destruction of bridges, but in the washing away of road bed, sliding of embankments and of "blow-outs" at culverts. It will be many days before the section of North Carolina that felt the sweep of the tropical visitor will have been able to put itself in order again.

Good Piece of Road Work.
Correspondence of The Journal.
Some members of the Methodist and Baptist congregations at Hebron and Corinth wanted to do something practical the other day and they decided to have a better road leading to their churches, beginning at H. H. Collins' and leading out to the Doster road. This section is about a mile and a quarter long and was in a very bad condition. The boys fell to work on her Tuesday with plows, axes, shovels and ditch cleaners and a heavy road scrape and drag. By Wednesday at twelve o'clock it was graded from end to end so that any vehicle or automobile can travel it. The parties who were on this job were H. H. Collins, Hanan Dees, Tom Richardson, J. O. Moore, L. M. Gordon, Welton Keziah and Jim Bigham, also Donald Leviston and Henry Presson, colored. It was a fine piece of work and nobody hurt.—Community Well Wisher.

As a matter of fact there's very little common sense in the world—most of it is uncommon.

Special Notices.

Employment Service: write Southern Bureau, Box 226, Greensboro, N. C.

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