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## LOCAL INTELLIGENCE

### Latest Happenings In and Around Monroe.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Helderman, a daughter.

Prof. Ray Funderburk was called to Raleigh yesterday to confer with the Department of Education.

Rev. J. W. Melton will preach at Midway next Sunday at three o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

Rev. R. M. Haigler will not fill his appointment at Macedonia church Saturday and Sunday on account of sickness.

There will be another meeting at the Chamber of Commerce rooms Tuesday night at 7:30 in the interest of a base ball association for Monroe.

Mr. E. Z. Sell, who has been with the Texas Oil Co. for a long time, has accepted a position with the Monroe Co-ca-Cola Company.

For several days past spot cotton has been steady at 40 to 42 cents. Buyers say the staple is still moving to Monroe at the rate of fifty bales a day.

Fire was discovered in the Bearskin mill early yesterday afternoon, but employees extinguished the flame before the firemen arrived on the scene.

Mr. Randolph Redfearn received a bad cut on the head yesterday when he was struck by a piece of timber at the lot on McCauley Heights, where he is having a new house erected. The injury did not prove serious.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Caldwell, who have been living at Kannapolis, have bought a tobacco farm in Moore county and have moved there. Mrs. Caldwell is a daughter of Mr. L. L. Fincher of Buford township.

The box supper announced to be held at the Parker school house last Tuesday night was postponed until next Tuesday night, February 3. The public is cordially invited. Proceeds go to school improvement fund.

The quarterly meeting of the Baptist Women's Missionary Society, scheduled to be held at Shiloh Baptist church on Wednesday, Feb. 14, has been postponed on account of influenza in Marshville and Wingate, where many of the members live.

Carl Fisher, ex-service man, may be able to go back to his parents in Ohio if he complies with the terms of Judge W. O. Leonard's decision in the Recorder's court today. He was sentenced to eighteen months on the road, but this verdict may be stricken out within ten days on the payment of costs and all expenses incidental to the case by the defendant. Nothing was said in the judgment about him remaining with his wife, whom he married while he was a soldier at Camp Greene.

Mrs. N. J. Lee, a former resident of Monroe, died Thursday afternoon at her home in Charlotte at the age of 62 years. She had been in declining health for a number of years. She is survived by five sons, Messrs. Andrew Lee of Monroe; Cad, Sam and Robert Lee of Charlotte; and Walker Lee of Atlanta. Funeral services were held this morning, and the body will be interred in the Rock Hill cemetery beside her husband. Mrs. Lee was a fine woman. While in Monroe she lived on West Crowell street. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Lee attended the funeral.

Major W. C. Heath received the following telegram today at noon from Mr. R. B. Redwine, Sr., who is at the bedside of his son, Robert Redwine, who attempted to commit suicide Tuesday night in Baltimore: "Robert apparently in good shape. Ten days danger, which indicates that he is holding his own." Major Heath has been in communication with hospital authorities since he learned of the tragedy. He learned yesterday over long distance telephone that young Redwine had regained consciousness.

Members of the defunct Mill Grove camp, pending the result of a similar case in the Missouri court, will hold in abeyance their application for an order from Union county superior court to restrain the Woodmen of the World council from increasing insurance premiums. Judge W. O. Leonard represents about seventy-five of the members of this camp, which was dissolved when it became known that an increase in rates had been made. Woodmen all over the country are aroused over the action of the council, and litigation has been started in nearly all of the courts in this country. The Mill Grove camp has sold its hall and furnishings.

Lester Horne, eighteen-year-old jitney driver, is being given a preliminary hearing in the Recorder's court this afternoon on the charge of having criminally assaulted a thirteen or fourteen-year-old girl of Benton Heights. The alleged assault occurred Wednesday afternoon. The girl, it is said, was approached by Horne as he was crossing the bridge over Bear Skin creek on her way home from up town, where she did some shopping for her mother. She tried to evade him, it is said, but the boy caught her by the shoulders. Her screams attracted the attention of a passer-by, who rescued her from the clutches of the boy.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Sunday, February 1. Septuagesima service of the Holy Communion, with sermon at 11 o'clock. Sunday school at 2:30; C. Herndon Hasty, superintendent. Men's Bible class at 3:30; J. J. Parker, leader. Evening prayer and sermon at 7 o'clock.

## MR. REDWINE REGAINED CONSCIOUSNESS YESTERDAY

He Has Fighting Chance For Life, It Is Believed, Though Condition Is Serious.

Mr. Robert B. Redwine, Jr., who attempted suicide in a Baltimore hotel Tuesday night by taking bichloride of mercury tablets, has regained consciousness; and, it is believed, he now has at least a fighting chance for life. His condition, however, is acute.

News of the tragedy was conveyed in the following Baltimore dispatch to the Raleigh News & Observer: After writing a lengthy letter to a friend in which he declared a girl had brought about his downfall, Robert B. Redwine, Jr., 20 years old, of Monroe, swallowed six bichloride of mercury tablets in his room at the hotel Joyce early today. He was taken to University hospital, where physicians say his condition is critical.

Redwine would give no information about himself or the motive for his act either to the physicians or police. The only explanation was found in the letter which apparently had been written after he took the poison. It was directed to Major W. C. Heath, at Monroe. After declaring that the Major had always been a good friend to his men and all who knew him, Redwine expressed sorrow at the thought of the grief and pain he would bring to his parents by ending his life, but declared that there was nothing else for him to do.

"She has ruined me," he said then. "I tried to get away, but I couldn't. I can't stand it any longer." Redwine then asks Major Heath to notify a girl in Clarkburg, W. Va., whom he was to have married in a few months, of his death, and also to notify his parents. When Redwine was found he was in great pain and was sent at once to the hospital. It is feared there that the poison has obtained a firm grip on his system.

Nothing has so stirred the people of Monroe in years as this unfortunate occurrence. Friends of the young man, who are numbered by the hundreds, deplore the tragedy, and expressions of regret are heard on all sides. Robert Redwine is a manly, active young man, and no one supposed for a moment that he had cause to be despondent. His father, Mr. R. B. Redwine, Sr., is at his bedside in the Baltimore hospital.

MRS. M. D. MYERS DIED THIS AFTERNOON AT ONE-THIRTY

Had Been in Failing Health For Some Time—Was 79 Years of Age—Funeral Will Be Conducted Tomorrow at One-Thirty.

Mrs. Elizabeth Myers died this afternoon at one-thirty at her home on Hayne street. Her death was not unexpected as she had been in failing health for some time, and since the death of her daughter, Mrs. J. C. Smith, had gradually grown weaker. She was 79 years of age.

She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. King Timmons and was born in 1841 near Pageland, S. C. She continued to reside in South Carolina until several years after her marriage to Mr. M. D. Myers, when they moved to Monroe. Mrs. Myers died in 1908. Mrs. Myers is survived by two children, Mrs. Lydia Myers and Mr. Brooks Myers.

Mrs. Myers was a life long member of the Baptist church, attending services regularly as long as her health would permit. She was a woman of splendid strength of character and singular purity of mind, and held the respect and love of a great number of friends.

Rev. John A. Wray will conduct the funeral services from the home tomorrow afternoon at 1:30, and the body will be interred in the cemetery here.

## UNION COUNTY ASKED TO ADOPT ARMENIAN ORPHANS

Mrs. Laney Heads Campaign to Secure Food and Succor for Thirty-Three Homeless Children.

In response to the appeal for food and clothing and a chance to live, the people of Union county have been asked to adopt 33 homeless Armenian orphans who are today facing death in a land where hopeless natives know nothing but sorrow. Beginning Sunday, February 1, a campaign of relief will be waged in the county under the direction of Mrs. J. F. Laney as chairman of the drive. The campaign will run three weeks.

It is not a war fund that the people of this county are being asked to raise. It is only an act for humanity's sake. Nearly 300,000 naked and starving boys and girls are weeping and willing for a chance to live. They are homeless and parentless. They are suffering because their parents were murdered and their comforts of home destroyed—yes, all because the Armenians would not discard their Christian faith for that of the cruel and barbarous Turks.

A college student who had been working on his uncle's farm during the summer returned to his studies. "Where's Henry this morning?" asked Bill, the hired man. "Gone back to school," said Henry's uncle.

"Didn't he go to school when he was a boy?" inquired Bill with astonishment.

The farmer then gave a detailed account of the student's progress—beginning with grade school and ending with the university.

Bill stood open-mouthed. "Gawd!" he exclaimed. "What reader's he in?"

## MANY MARSHVILLE PEOPLE ARE ILL WITH INFLUENZA

The Dreaded Disease Again Appears, Though in Mild Form—Even Expert Housewives Couldn't Qualify.

Marshville, Jan. 28.—The flu has decimated upon the city in full force. At the present rate of progress Marshville will be through with the epidemic in a few weeks, as every one will likely have it by the end of the week and can then begin to get better, and in another week or two will probably have forgotten all about it. It seems to be in very mild form, Mr. Gus Smith having about the worst case. Mr. J. T. Garland and his entire family and his sister, Miss Helen Garland, are all confined to their beds with something like flu. A number of school children have developed it in the last day or so. It has not been announced yet whether the school will be suspended or not. Among the latest cases reported besides the ones mentioned are Mrs. Braswell, two children of Mr. John Hallman, Mr. E. C. Griffin and one child and Tom Bailey. Mrs. B. A. Hallman has a case of old-fashioned gripe.

Mr. James P. Marsh returned from Raleigh Monday night after spending several days with his sister, Mrs. J. C. Little.

Mr. C. L. Bowman will be associated this year with the Marsh-Bowman Co. here. Mr. Bowman was formerly with the Heath-Morrow Co.

Mr. Kemp Armfield, traveling salesman from Norfolk, is visiting his parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. Armfield.

Announcement has been received here of the marriage of Dr. M. Guy Edwards of Asheboro and Miss Grace Parlin of Wilkesboro. Dr. Edwards is a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Edwards of Marshville township. He is a veterinarian receiving his education in Kansas City, and has been very successful in his practice.

Miss Mary McBride has returned from Concord where she has been in the employ of Edrd Bros. as saleslady and is with her mother, Mrs. W. G. McBride.

Miss Edna Burns will shortly go to Charlotte to resume stenographic work for Little-Long Company.

Mrs. W. G. Hearon entertained the Book Club Wednesday afternoon at the regular meeting. Since the guests present were all housekeepers their knowledge of the art of cooking was tested by a display of ten little boxes containing cooking ingredients in use every day. With it being allowed to touch, taste or smell, then the guests were asked to name them correctly. It seems even the most expert cooks present checked up exceedingly short. After this the guests were invited into a darkened room and asked to identify by touch alone ten articles. A kid glove which had been soaked in ice water and stuffed, very nearly caused hysterics among the guests until the light was reached. Mrs. M. P. Blair won the prize a pair of knitting needles. A salad course was served.

## PARKER BOOM FOR GOVERNOR GROWING RAPIDLY

His Friends Are Very Active Over the State, and His Chances of Copping the Nomination Look Good.

The "Jaw" Parker boom for Governor on the Republican ticket is growing, and reports from over the state indicate a decided trend of republican sentiment towards the Monroe man. Only the other day a writer in the Greensboro News, after making mention of the opening of Republican campaign headquarters in Greensboro, had this to say of Union county's promising young lawyer:

"But this story had to do principally with Republican affairs, and in this connection it is interesting to observe that friends of J. J. Parker, of Monroe, are becoming very active in behalf of the latter as a probable candidate for the governorship. For example, one of the letters being sent broadcast over the state contains this statement as to Mr. Parker:

"We were boys together at the university and I feel that I know him as well as I have ever known any other man and there is no doubt in my mind that he is the logical man for the Republican party to nominate at this time for governor. As a business man and lawyer he commands the confidence of all who know him." Other highly complimentary references to Mr. Parker follow. "I am writing you as one of the leaders of the party in the state," continues the letter, "to ask that you take up this matter with your committee, and if you think well to do so, have them endorse Mr. Parker in your county convention and take such other action as will mean his nomination when the convention meets March 3."

To Federal Income Tax Payers. Individual income tax forms have been received.

I will be at my office in civil service room at postoffice building in Monroe to assist any individual taxpayer to make his return on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays between the hours of 9 a. m. and 4 p. m.

Will be in Marshville on Mondays, and Waxhaw on Tuesdays, to assist taxpayers with their returns.

The Federal Government requires a single man to make this return if his income is over \$1000.00 per year. Also requires a married man to make the return if his income is over \$2,000 per year, even though his exemptions are greater than his income, he is required to make the return.

The taxpayers have until March 15 to get the returns in.—Geo. D. Martin, Deputy Collector.

## NATIVE OF UNION COUNTY NOW HEAD OF THE TREASURY

David Franklin Houston is Transferred From Agriculture Post in the Cabinet.

A Union county man, David Franklin Houston, who was born in the old Gloucester hotel, is now at the head of the largest financial concern in the world—the United States Treasury department, his nomination to that important post having already been confirmed by the Senate. He succeeded as secretary of agriculture by Edward T. Meredith, a newspaper editor.

David Lawrence, writing of Mr. Houston's elevation in the Greensboro News, says:

"Mr. Houston, while exceedingly capable and spoken of by Mr. Wilson as the best equipped man in the cabinet to become president of the United States, has not been particularly impressive with the farmers. He has had none of the personal contact or magnetism of "tama" Jim Wilson, secretary of agriculture for nearly fourteen years under Republican administrations. And far from being fond of the agriculture post, Mr. Houston has really had a hankering after matters financial. Indeed, he is a versatile person, a sort of general utility man. When Mr. Bryan resigned, the President considered appointing him secretary of state. He has also had him under consideration for secretary of the interior in the event that Mr. Lane was elected for some other position in the cabinet.

"But Secretary Houston isn't a vote-getter. His abilities are of much more use to the administration in the treasury than the agricultural department for he has stood even on economics and can see an even keel. It will be remembered that the tariff policy of the present administration—at least that part of it which was criticized as a reversal of Democratic doctrine because the principle of protection for dyestuffs and other infant industries was admitted, came from the pen of Secretary Houston. He stood like a rock in the cabinet, immovable against the pacific views of William Jennings Bryan in the Lusitania controversy and has always been considered by newspaper correspondents hereabouts as one of the "men of action" in the cabinet."

## UNION COUNTY'S COTTON BROUGHT ABOUT \$7,000,000

The Year 1919 Was Especially Favorable For Us in Many Ways—Bank Resources Over \$4,000,000.

By G. L. NISBET Secretary Chamber of Commerce

Union county business men both in the towns and one the farms have started out this year with the determination to make nineteen hundred and twenty a better year for business than 1919 was. A brief summary of the success of last year will serve to show that they have a big contract ahead to make good on this determination.

The government gunners report shows that up to January 1 there were ginned of the 1919 cotton crop in this county 28,825 bales of cotton, putting Union county in fifth place in the State in cotton production. Anson county is less than a thousand bales ahead of Union and local cotton men believe that there is enough cotton in this county not ginned to put Union in fourth place by the time for the next report. This cotton brought the farmers of the county in round figures \$7,000,000, about a million and three quarters in excess of the 1918 crop. The corn crop fell short of the previous year on account of adverse weather conditions, but the value of the corn and forage crops was as great because of increased prices.

During the year there were imported into the county about fifty head of registered cattle, bringing the total up to more than a hundred. There are at present fifty odd breeders of pure bred cattle in the county. Five years ago there were not more than half a dozen. Fifteen flock of sheep were started during the past year. County Agent Broom has in hand orders for \$1500 worth of Lespedeza seed, and farmers are buying fencing and preparing to increase the pasturage. This means additional pure bred cattle and also improved soil conditions.

Dates have already been arranged for organizing two pure-bred cattle associations in the county, a Guernsey association being planned for the eastern part of the county and a Jersey association for the western part.

There were bought by farmers in this county during the past year sixty-five or seventy tractors, which are being used to meet the labor shortage. These tractors have enabled the farmers also to take contracts for scraping and building roads in their neighborhoods and have been of great value in this respect. Other improved farm machinery has been liberally bought also.

The county last spring adopted a new road law authorizing the issue of half a million dollars in bonds for roads and bridges in the county, and this was done without any contest being made on it. A good part of these bonds have been issued and contracts let for many miles of improved roadways. Three years ago the farmer with an automobile was the exception; now the fellow without one is the exception, and almost every farm house with a bunch of outbuildings around it has a garage among them.

Perhaps, though, the most reliable index to the prosperity and increased wealth of the county is found in the remarkable increase in bank deposits and resources of the seven banks in

## THREE MURDER DEFENDANTS SUBMIT TO MANSLAUGHTER

Mr. Wier Was Given One Year; Marshall One Year, and Williams Four Years—All Hired Out.

A precedent in Union county court circles was set this week when three murder cases were disposed of in Superior court without trial by jury. The defendants, W. A. Weir of Waxhaw; Ralph Williams, colored, of Marshville township; and Joe Marshall, colored, of Goose Creek township; all submitted to manslaughter.

Mr. Weir was sentenced to jail for one year, but the county commissioners were given authority to hire him out to someone for the length of his sentence. He was also ordered to pay the widow of Martin Crawford, colored, the man whom he killed, \$1750 and all of the court costs. Ralph Williams, who killed a small boy by breaking his neck with a blow from a shot gun, was given four years in the penitentiary, but he was later hired out to Deputy Sheriff Clifford Fowler to perform the duties of janitor for the court house and jail for the duration of his sentence.

Joe Marshall, old-time slave dakey, received a sentence of one year in jail, and was ordered to pay the widow of John Gaddy, whom he shot, \$1200. The county commissioners can hire him out.

## CAPT. HARGIS HEADS OIL CO.

Former Monroe Man Believes There Is Oil in North Carolina.

Capt. H. W. Hargis, well-known Seaboard conductor, who made his home in Monroe for a number of years, is president of the North State Oil, Gas and Mineral Company, an organization formed to make a geological survey of certain parts of North Carolina in the hope of discovering oil. Home offices of the company are in Charlotte. In speaking of the venture, Capt. Hargis says:

"Dating ten years ago I was in Oklahoma when oil was found. Having relatives there who made fortunes in oil, I naturally became interested, and have made periodical visits there ever since. Something more than a year ago I covered a certain part of the State that showed indications of oil accumulation. To better strengthen such evidence, I spent the month of June in the oil fields in Oklahoma. Making trips over the fields, noting carefully the strata, and general formation where oil is found, and saw the geologists making oil surveys. On my return I covered the territory I had previously been over in this State, and was satisfied that my find pointed strong to great possibilities.

Therefore, the idea originated with me to organize a company on such a plan that if our efforts were not successful, the loss to each stockholder would practically be insignificant, and if this enterprise develops into what we hope for, it will be the greatest boom we ever knew. The services of Dr. Frederick G. Clapp have been secured. He is said to be one of the best geologists in the United States. His fee is one hundred per day and his expenses. It will not be necessary to use him more than thirty days to complete the survey. When survey is completed we will not have spent more than one-fourth of our capital stock, it may be less."

## Presbyterian Church.

A cordial invitation is given to attend the services at this church.

"Ye that stand in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God. Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good: Sing praises unto His name.

11 a. m., Worship, and address by Rev. O. S. Buschgen. 3:30 p. m., Sunday school. 4:30 p. m., Evening service.

The above services will be under the control of Dr. Buschgen, in the interest of schools and colleges within our Synod, and will be of great interest. If we can attend we will, if we are interested. If we are not interested, the reason for attending is greater. Come!—Reporter.

the county. The comparative statement here presented will give a fairly accurate idea of the increase of wealth in the county during the year. It must be remembered, however, that the increase in money held in the pockets of its owners is as great as that of the bank depositors. While most of Union county's farmers deposit in banks a large number do not.

Taking the statement prepared by the banks under date of December 31, 1918, we find that the resources of the seven banks totaled \$2,704,665.25, while the money on deposit amounted to \$1,948,357.01. The statements of December 31, 1919, show resources of \$4,542,339.23, and deposits of \$3,658,053.52, an increase of approximately two million dollars. In addition to this there is more cotton in the county to be marketed than there was a year ago, and it is a safe prediction that it will bring a higher price.

As an evidence that this larger wealth is bringing also a larger vision of responsibility, the county has eighty-five special tax school districts with elections scheduled in several of the remaining fifteen districts. There are several handsome country church buildings in course of erection in the county. The crowning evidence is the whole time health officer and nurse service recently adopted by the county, and the clinic to be held next month at which the school children of the county will have needed surgical work done on tonsils, adenoids, etc.

## LATEST HAPPENINGS

News Events of the Day in the State and Nation.

With electric wires down and every telephone line out of commission, Anderson, S. C., was for three days completely isolated. It was also without local newspapers, trolley service and motor power for driving practically every industry, enforced by the heaviest formation of ice in the history of that section.

Riley E. Herrington of Macon, Ga., is in jail charged with the killing of his wife and Charles Howze, whom he found at his home. Four shots entered the body of Mrs. Herrington, who, it is said, was married at the age of thirteen.

The Wyoming legislature in extra session has ratified the woman's suffrage amendment. The house of representatives of the Virginia assembly has voted to submit the amendment to a referendum. In case the senate approves the action the people of Virginia will have an opportunity to vote on the question. The North Carolina Equal Suffrage League is in session at the O. Henry hotel in Greensboro with 300 delegates.

The trustees of the University of North Carolina voted Tuesday afternoon to increase the pay of full professors \$350 per year and assistant professors \$250 per year, and instructors 10 per cent. A chair of sociology for instruction in public welfare work was established.

The disabled U. S. transport Powhatan reached the Halifax port Tuesday morning ending a ten-day battle with incessant storms under extreme conditions of hardship.

Under the revaluation act, two hundred thousand acres of land in North Carolina enough to form two large counties have been placed on tax books that were never there before and have been taxed. The State will get the taxes on this land which is valued at a fair market price.

Peter B. Stefans, a Brooklyn, N. Y. bootblack, makes two hundred and twenty-five dollars a week shining shoes, according to his wife, Mrs. Stefans, who entered suit for a separation on the grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment. She was granted fifty dollars a week alimony.

Internal revenue collector of Chicago states that former saloon-keepers and bar-tenders of Chicago are departing for Cuba at the rate of three hundred a day.

Six people were burned to death Sunday when flames destroyed the home of T. H. Dugger near Lawrenceville, Va. Bones of Tom Daniel, his wife and four children were found Monday and buried together. Only the aged grandmother and one thirteen-year-old girl escaped. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

The Lumberton graded schools have been closed on account of the appearance of two cases of spinal meningitis among pupils of the second grade.

Gatewood Small, who lives near Lumberton, spent several months in the army and returned home to be shot by his brother. The shooting was accidental and did not prove serious. The gun was accidentally fired while the Small brothers were bird hunting and the load struck Mr. Small in the legs, more than thirty shots taking effect.

Jeff Davis, acknowledged "king of hoboes" Wednesday lent his services to the New York City Health Commissioner in an effort to help stamp out the epidemic of influenza. Accompanied by a health department inspector, he made a tour of the cheap lodging houses along the lower East Side and the Bowery and admonished the guests to obey the anti-spitting ordinances and other precautions set up by the health department as a preventative of the disease. "Use lots of soap and water and you won't get the flu," the assembled lodgers were told by the "king."

The bill prohibiting smoking in public eating places in South Carolina, which passed the Senate last week, was killed in the House Wednesday without a single voice raised in defense of the measure.

Dr. G. W. Locklear, Indian, of Pembroke, Robeson county, must leave the State in order to live with the white woman whom he married in Atlanta. His wife is the daughter of a prominent Atlanta lawyer who attended the trial in Lumberton and plead in Locklear's behalf. The laws of North Carolina do not permit the intermarriage of races.

The Illinois Women's Fair Price Commission, which distributed twenty-five thousand blank complaint cards, received only ten replies from women who believed they were victims of profiteers. Twenty cards bearing vague information and charges were returned to the United States District Attorney's office. One card carried a long complaint about the price of humming birds and another protested against the profiteering in skunks.

Investigation by the United States Department of Justice has disclosed that thousands of tons of potatoes are held at Yakima, Wash., and at points near Seattle by growers who are waiting for higher prices.

## Notice to Teachers.

If there is any teacher who as yet has not received a copy of the program for Memorial Day exercises to be held in the schools in Union county February 6, a copy may be secured at the Office of the County Superintendent. Come or drop a card to the Superintendent and a copy will be sent at once. RAY FUNDERBURK.