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Opening of the Season 1920

We received Monday night, Aug. 30th, our first shipment of fresh stock from the Western markets. We will have plenty of matched teams of fine

Mares & Horses

Also some extra good—

Mules

In fact any thing you want in the livestock line.

Buggies Any Style

Our line of Buggies and Wagons consists of all styles and grades manufactured. We have a large stock on hand and must reduce. This means that we are going to offer some wonderful bargains in the next few weeks.

SELL OR EXCHANGE

Don't forget that we will swap buggies, wagons and harness for fat mules or horses.

Fowler & Lee

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE

Latest Happenings In and Around Monroe.

Today is the thirty-fourth anniversary of the Charleston earthquake.

There will be a meeting of the U. D. C. Thursday afternoon at four o'clock at Mrs. F. G. Henderson's.

There will be a called meeting of the members of Mill Creek Baptist church Saturday at 2 o'clock for the purpose of electing a pastor.

A protracted meeting will begin at Bethlehem Presbyterian church on Wednesday night, Sept. 1. Services at night only until Sunday.

Roughedge council, Junior order, meets next Saturday night. Refreshments will be served, and all members are urged to be present.

According to the Charlotte Observer, the first bale of new cotton was received at Myrtle, in Anson county, Thursday. It came from the farm of T. B. Adams, of Anson county, and was bought by Harbison brothers at twenty cents a pound.

There will be a reunion of the family of Mr. J. P. Broom at the home of his son-in-law, Mr. R. E. Helms, at Carmel on Sept. 7. The family and friends generally are invited to be present and bring baskets for the picnic.

Mr. William O. Helms, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Helms, and Miss Alma Cornelia Price of this township were married Saturday evening at the home of the groom's parents by Rev. J. R. Warren. These are popular young people.

A committee of colored citizens, composed of Rev. P. L. Alexander, J. W. Perry, and Rev. R. Allen, request every member of their race in the county to meet at the court house Friday, Sept. 19, for the purpose of planning for a colored county fair.

Mr. W. J. Trull has on exhibition at the English Drug Co. a sweet potato which is said to be the largest ever grown in this county. It is ten and one-half inches in length, twelve inches in circumference and weighs three pounds. It is of the Nancy Hall variety and was raised by Mr. Trull.

The cotton market continues to decline. The price broke 200 points yesterday, and 150 today. The Texas crop is selling for 28 and 29 cents, but it is understood that local buyers were offering 30 cents this morning. A movement is on foot by Wall Street speculators to force the price down to 15 cents, according to the Charlotte Observer.

Rob Sullivan, a highly esteemed colored man of Monroe, died Sunday night from blood poisoning, caused by stepping on a rusty nail about ten days ago. Funeral services were held this afternoon. Rob was one

of the leaders of his race, taking a great interest in schools, churches, and in movements designed for the advancement of colored people.

While chopping wood at his home in west Monroe township, Mr. William Elwood was attacked with pains last Thursday from the effects of which he died before he could reach the house. He was about 65 years old, and is survived by his wife, three sons, Messrs. William R. Thomas, and Roy Elwood, and four daughters. Deceased was a member of the Methodist church, and was a man of fine character.

The republicans have inaugurated a new method of campaigning this year, Senator Harding, the nominee for president, instead of touring the country, meeting the voters face to face like Gov. Cox is doing, is confining himself to a "front porch" campaign, sending out photographic records of his speeches to the cities and hamlets of the country. Mr. Gilmer Jones of the Monroe Hardware Co., an ardent Harding man, has received one of these records, and is playing it for the benefit of those whom he calls the "faithful few."

The truth of the old saying, "murder will out," was strengthened here Saturday by the arrest of Charles Harris, colored, charged with the killing of a woman at Augusta, Ga., in 1914. Harris, who had been living here since the commission of the crime, admitted having killed the woman after his arrest. A negro, who had known Harris in Augusta, informed the officers of his record, and his arrest followed. Since coming to Monroe, Harris has been a good worker, and except for occasional indulgence in "terap eximes," was considered a good citizen by both whites and the members of his race.

Mr. J. J. Parker received a telegram Sunday announcing the death of Mr. E. Carl Duncan, Republican, a former Seaboard railroad receiver, and one of the leading business men of the State, which occurred that morning at his old home at Beaufort. He was nearly fifty-nine years of age. Mr. Duncan served his party as national committeeman, and was internal revenue collector under the McKinley administration. Ayecock considered him one of his best friends, and he was also close to Senator Simmons. Mr. Duncan was considered one of the most popular men in Raleigh, where he lived most of the time.

Card of Thanks.
I wish to thank the many friends for the kindness and sympathy shown during the sickness and death of my husband, Conley C. Braswell.—Mrs. Conley C. Braswell.

I never believe any good thing belongs to me, unless I pass it on.—Alice Hegan Rice.

NEWS & INTERVIEWS

Interesting Sidelights on Monroe and Union County Life.

Is it right for preachers to get expressions from members of the congregation concerning their religious state? This has been a mooted question in this section for years, one which is revived every time a "big meeting" is held. So far as the writer has been able to ascertain, most church members oppose the practice, but nearly all of the preachers persist in it. In recent months church publications have been condemning the preachers for it, and one weekly, the "Free Methodist," in discussing what it terms "Trapping the Congregation," illustrates its contention with this anecdote:

"We read of an incident where a preacher made an unfair bet upon his audience and got the worst of it. One member of his congregation was very drunk and had his head leaning on the back of the pew in front of him, half asleep. The evangelist asked all who wanted to go to heaven to stand up. All responded except the intoxicated man. Then the preacher requested those who wanted to go to hell to stand. The commotion caused by the others in sitting down half aroused the drunken sleeper, and he heard enough of the preacher's question to sense the fact that some were invited to stand. He staggered to his feet and, looking around, remarked: 'Parson, I don't know just what question we're voting on, but it seems to me you and I are in a hopeless minority.' The effect on the congregation can be better imagined than described."

Sugar Decline Caught Merchants.

The sensational decline in sugar of six cents a pound caught hundreds of merchants in this section with large contracts on hand, but the Monroe wholesalers were among the few who escaped large losses. One South Carolina firm, not many miles from Monroe, is said to have lost seventy-five thousand dollars; while an Albemarle wholesaler is reported as having sustained a loss amounting to thousands. A traveling man stated at the Joffre hotel one day last week that a wholesale house in his town would lose twenty thousand dollars; and in the papers large losses are reported all the way from Danville, Va., to the South Carolina line. "There is plenty of sugar now," remarked a local wholesaler in discussing the decline. This merchant thinks the public does the wholesalers an injustice in blaming them for high price sugar. "It's the speculators and redners," he said. "The whole-

sale houses merely supplied the demands of their patrons at a small profit," he concluded.

Stewart Believes Cox Will Win.

Cox has Harding on the run, according to Mr. Jas. A. Stewart, president of the Monroe Hardware Company, and one of the best posted men in Monroe. "Cox's sensational disclosure of plans of the Republicans to raise an enormous 'boodle' fund," says Mr. Stewart, "is attracting thousands of Republicans and independents to his support, and it begins to look like we are going to carry some of the New England states, especially Connecticut. The Republicans carried this state four years ago by only a few thousand votes, and with a fighting candidate like Cox, and with Homer Cummings as the Democratic candidate for senator, I believe our chances in Connecticut are very bright." Mr. Stewart believes Governor Cox has the evidence to prove his "boodle" fund charges, and he is strengthened in this view by the failure of the New York Sun, a strong Republican organ, to come to the defense of Chairman Hayes and Treasurer Upham, the pair charged with the duty of rounding up ten dollars for Harding's campaign.

The Democratic nominee's clean-cut advocacy of the League of Nations is also winning him the support of some leading Republicans, and thousands of independents. Irvin Fisher, a Yale instructor, and an independent, has announced that he will support Cox on account of his stand for the League, along with Dr. Charles W. Elliott, a Republican, former president of Harvard university, and many others of the leading educators of the Republican party in this country.

The Booster's Creed.

Here's a bit of boost stuff that Mr. G. B. Caldwell thinks every citizen of Monroe ought to learn by heart:

Boost your city, boost your friend; Boost the church that you attend. Boost the street on which you're dwelling. Boost the goods that you are selling. Boost the people 'round about you. They can get along without you. But success will quicker find them If they know that you're behind them. Boost for every forward movement; Boost for every new improvement. Boost the man for whom you labor; Boost the stranger and the neighbor. Cease to be a chronic knocker; Cease to be a progress-blocker. If you'd make your city better, Boost it to the final letter.

SEE THAT YOU HAVE your list marked right before you bring same to us to have filled. Do not ask us to charge School Books.—The W. J. Rudge Company.

To the People of Union County.

I will speak in the Court House at Monroe on Saturday, September 4th, at 11 o'clock in the morning.

In this speech I will lay down the grounds upon which I ask the people of my native county to support me for the Governorship.

Among other things I will discuss the all-important question of taxation.

I cordially invite my friends from all over the county, irrespective of political affiliation, to come and hear me speak.

Nothing will be said to hurt the feelings of the most ardent Democrat

I intend to discuss the important question affecting the State without political prejudice or rancor.

The Ladies are especially invited.

Respectfully,

J. J. PARKER.

IN NEW QUARTERS

We have moved our place of business to the Neal Griffin old stand, just below the Joffre Hotel. This is our invitation to make our place headquarters when in Monroe.



Fresh Stock

We have just received our first shipment of stock from the West and have a good line of mares, horses and mules.

Buggies & Harness

We are now carrying a first class stock of buggies and harness. If you are in the market it will pay you to see us.

L.S. Fowler & Co

Neal Griffin Old Stand