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WOMEN NOT TO SERVE ON JURY UNTIL AFTER JUNE 1

Names of Recently Enfranchised Voters to Be Placed in Box Then, Says Mr. M. C. Long.

MEANEST THIEF OF THEM ALL

No Union county woman will serve on a jury until after the first of June, said Mr. M. C. Long, clerk to the county board of commissioners...

The Women and St. Paul

I wonder what the women think of the apostle St. Paul since they have the vote? remarked Mr. Preston Blakeney the other day...

The Meanest Thief

The meanest thief is undoubtedly the man who entered the subscription of Miss Pearl Nance, daughter of Dr. G. B. Nance...

Mr. Ickman's New Venture

The Charlotte Observer, in speaking of Mr. Charles Ickman's entrance into the cotton market of this section...

Blames Merchants and Cotton Buyers

There is one Union county citizen who believes the cotton buyers and merchants of Monroe are responsible for his distress...

Congratulates Monroe Women

The women of Monroe are to be congratulated on their endeavor to provide entertainment for the young people during the holidays...

Letter From Mr. Riddle

Mr. T. L. Riddle, who is pleasantly remembered here, having been for two years secretary of the Chamber of Commerce...

Dr. J. M. Belk and Messrs. Grier Robinson and George McClellan

Dr. J. M. Belk and Messrs. Grier Robinson and George McClellan attended the annual meeting of the managers of the Belk stores in Charlotte Wednesday...

Psychological Advantage

"Don't you object to all this talk about the high cost of everything?" "Not at all," replied the profiteer.

SEND ME A HUSBAND, HOOVER, IS PLEA OF GERMAN WIDOW

Nice Young American Preferable to Hungry Applicant For Relief in American Agency.

A Hamburg, Germany, dispatch to the Philadelphia Public Ledger, says: "Please help me to obtain food or a suitable position, or better still, a nice kind young American husband."

The number of food packages distributed in Germany doubled during the past month. The agency now is sending out four to five thousand packages weekly by mail and through the bureaus in Hamburg, Berlin, Frankfurt, Dresden and Munich.

A number of American firms, with branches and agencies in Germany, have taken advantage of this organization to buy credits and have food delivered to employees here as Christmas presents.

With the Churches

Central Methodist Church

The watch night service at the Central Methodist church promises to be an occasion of unusual interest. Plans are being made by which the meeting will be in a real sense a congregational meeting.

Mrs. Pattie Stack is chairman of the committee on refreshment for the watch night meeting.

The Men's Bible class elected officers for the coming year as follows:

W. M. Gordon, president; J. W. Love, vice president; Zeb Faulkner, secretary-treasurer; W. B. Love, teacher; and Leo Griffin, assistant teacher.

This class is making large plans for the near future.

The members of the W. M. F. M. Club are urged to be present next Sunday morning at the Sunday school hour for the purpose of making plans for next year.

Our Christmas music was of high order.

Thanks are due to Mrs. Frank Laney and the choir. We are glad to welcome Mrs. Ray Funderburk as a regular member of the choir.

Rev. T. A. Sikes, one of the editors of the North Carolina Christian Advocate, preached at the evening service.

Prayer meeting is being increased in attendance and interest.

Presbyterian Church

A Watch Night service will be held in the Presbyterian church on Friday night. The service will begin at eleven o'clock and close at twelve.

St. Paul's Episcopal church.

Sanford L. Ratter, M. A. rector. Sunday, January 2nd.—Sunday school at ten o'clock. C. H. Hasty, superintendent.

Celebration of the Holy Communion, and sermon at eleven o'clock.

Men's Bible Class at three thirty. J. J. Parker, leader. Evening prayer and sermon at seven o'clock.

Wednesday night, Litany service and choir practice at seven thirty.

Changing Times.

"They say clothes make the man." "Not these days. They break him."

The man who declines to buy even a monkey-wrench today may want an automobile tomorrow.

Williams Effects Consolidation of Two Big Oil Companies in Texas

Two Monroe Men Are Doing Well in San Antonio; Nobody Is Headed For the Poor House, Nor Is the World Going Bankrupt, Says Observer

By OBSERVER. While walking down the street of an eastern North Carolina town some days ago I heard a man remark that every man had "his own way of going to the devil."

How much is due to disappointed expectations, how much to unnecessary despondency, and how much to real down-to-the-bone hard times?

An Optimistic Texan

I was riding on a train in Texas last week and asked a farmer if they were holding cotton out there. "By golly, we have too," he said, "nobody will buy it."

E. C. Williams Prospering

At Houston, which is the finest American town I ever saw, Dr. Lee Williams, a Monroe boy, has fine dental offices and is doing a practice among the largest in the city.

Disregarding Mr. Heath's Advice

As everybody exercised his imagination and enthusiasm in helping out the boom while it was in swing, so now every-creature seems to be calling out all his resources of pessimism to increase the general store of despondency and discouragement.

BEEMER HARRELL TO CHESTER

Marshallville, Dec. 30.—Mrs. Irene Marsh is spending sometimes in Raleigh with her daughter, Mrs. J. C. Little.

Miss Annie Ashcraft and daughter, Miss Annie Mae, of Monroe were the guests Tuesday of Mrs. B. C. Parker.

Miss Willie Blakeney who is in training at the Presbyterian hospital, Charlotte, came down Monday for a few days here with her sisters, Mrs. B. C. Parker and Misses Maggie and Martha Blakeney.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Ashcraft entertained at six o'clock dinner on Tuesday evening.

The invited guests were Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Ashcraft of Monroe, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Gaitland, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Covington, and Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Harrell.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Kirkikas of Charlotte were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Thomas this week.

Mrs. Kirkikas was Miss Christine Bailey and formerly lived here. Mr. Kirkikas is a Greek.

Misses Anna and Mary Blair of Monroe were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. M. P. Blair on Christmas.

Mrs. Ethel Garrison and son Oliver of Unionville are the guests this week of Mrs. James P. Marsh.

Mr. Hurley Griffin has been quite sick this week with what is thought to be influenza.

Several Marshallville citizens have had attacks of hiccoughs lately which lasted several days and became really alarming. We noticed in Tuesday's Journal that New Yorkers were having the same trouble and noticed that the attacks followed colds.

Mr. W. O. Harrell was the latest victim here, and had the misfortune of hiccoughing straight on through Christmas. Mr. Harrell was just recovering from a severe cold, so doubtless he had the Paris-New York disease. He has entirely recovered now.

UNION COUNTY GIBL IS MARRIED AT ROCKY MOUNT

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The bride's maid was Miss Iva Belk of Weddington, sister of the bride. She wore a charming frock of golden satin draped in tulle and carried sweet peas. Then entered the little flower girls, little Misses Lucile Edol and Elsie Hightower scattering sweet peas and lilies of the valley.

The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Wiggs, of Johnston county and is a splendid young business man of Kenly. Immediately after the ceremony the couple motored to Wilson and after spending a few days there, they will return to Kenly to be at home to their many friends.

Death of Mrs. Presson

In the death of Mrs. M. C. Presson, which occurred Wednesday at her home in Buford township, this section lost a good woman, and her neighbors are bereft of a kind, helpful friend. Pneumonia was the cause of her death, she having contracted the dreaded malady about five days ago.

Funeral services were held Thursday morning at the Beulah Presbyterian church, Rev. E. C. Snyder officiating.

The deceased was a daughter of the late Mr. Copeland Helms and was born in Goose Creek township November 25, 1842, and was therefore a little over seventy-eight years old. She married Mr. Presson in 1865. He died eighteen years ago.

Surviving Mrs. Presson are six sons and two daughters. The sons are Messrs. R. F. Presson, of Barnesville, S. C.; T. S. Presson and J. B. Presson of Buford township; H. M. Presson of Monroe; Z. B. Presson and N. C. Presson of Buford township. The daughters are Mrs. M. C. Courtney, of Florence, S. C., and Mrs. John Starnes of Fort Mill, S. C. Mr. J. H. Presson, of Goose Creek township, is her stepson.

Marriage of Mr. Averette and Miss Helms

Miss Minnie Lee Helms and Mr. Alvin Averette were married at five o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Helms, on North Hayne street.

The wedding was a very quiet affair, only a few of the relatives and special friends of the contracting party being present.

The marriage service was performed by Rev. John A. Wray, pastor of the First Baptist church.

The house was tastefully and beautifully decorated for the occasion. The vows were taken before an improvised altar in the music room.

Miss Edna Traywick, an accomplished musician, of Charlotte, and a cousin of the bride, presided at the piano. She played Lohengrin's wedding march and during the ceremony played "To a Wild Rose."

Mendelssohn's wedding march was used as a recessional.

After their wedding Mr. and Mrs. Averette left for a trip to Florida.

The bride is a young lady of attractive person, fine character and a disposition which makes and keeps friends.

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INMATES OF COUNTY HOME AID STARVING EUROPEANS

Mrs. Mary Johnson and "Aunt Margaret" Broom Contributed Twenty-Five Cents Each.

BUSINESS MEN'S CLASS GIVE \$120

Mrs. Mary Johnson and "Aunt Margaret" Broom, two inmates of the county home, have contributed twenty-five cents each for the relief of the starving people of the near east. Reports Mrs. J. Frank Laney, chairman of the relief committee in this county. Mrs. Rosser Wolfe, wife of the keeper, had been reading to the inmates of the home about the awful suffering of the Christian people in far-away Europe, and the sympathies of Mrs. Johnson and "Aunt Margaret" were so aroused that they, out of their pittance, contributed towards relieving their distress.

Other contributions received by Mrs. Laney are: Business men's class of the Central Methodist church, Mr. W. Z. Faulkner, treasurer, \$120; Woman's Missionary Society, Marvin church, Oscola, S. C., by Mrs. Stitt Howey, \$66.45; Mrs. Atha Stevens' Sunday school class, \$5; and Master Harry Lee, \$1.

In speaking of the relief movement, Mrs. Laney says:

"People in general seem to have the near-east relief and the European relief considerably mixed up. They seem to think the work that is being done by the Literary Digest and Mr. Hoover is the same as the near-east relief. That is quite a mistake. Near east relief is not connected with any other organization whatsoever, and is separate and distinct in every way from any other organization asking for funds."

President Wilson says none of the great allies of the war have suffered more severely in proportion to their number than the Armenians and other people of the near east. Recent on-slaughts against Armenia by the Turkish nationalists, the Kurds and the bolsheviks have placed a million persons in imminent danger of starvation unless aid is offered them. He urges the American people to contribute generously "out of their abundance."

"The hundred and ten thousand orphans who are now being cared for by near east relief aid wholly dependent upon it for all the necessities of life, will furnish the future leadership of the near east. We dare not let them perish now."

"What will the churches do to alleviate the above mentioned conditions? Sixty dollars will feed one of these children for one year. Will you not personally see to it that your church feed at least one child?"

The News of Unionville.

Unionville, Dec. 29.—Mr. Herman Williams and sister, Miss Mary Williams recently visited friends here. Miss Clara Huggins is spending the holidays with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Huggins near Marshallville.

Mr. Bruce Boger of Rockwell is spending a few days here with relatives and friends.

Miss Verla Hatcher has returned home after spending a few days with Charlotte Faulkner of Monroe.

Rev. Pearman will preach here at the Presbyterian church Sunday at eleven o'clock and at six thirty in the evening.

There will also be preaching at the Methodist church at three thirty by Rev. T. J. Huggins. Everybody is invited to come and bring someone with you.

Miss Clara Purser who has been teaching at Mount Holly, and Miss Raynelle Purser who has been attending school at the State Normal are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Purser.

Misses Eda Whitley, Bonnie Hailer, and Ethel Helms who have been in school at Queen's College are spending the holidays with home-folks.

Mr. Roy Purser is expecting to leave for Charlotte Monday where he will enter Kings Business College.

Miss Olivi Presson spent last week with her uncle, Mr. Walter Love of Monroe.

Miss Alice Brooks spent last Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Faye Mullis down near Watson.

Journal readers will doubtless be interested in the following concerning "Scaperoon" from the Waxhaw Enterprise: "One of the most entertaining visitors that the Enterprise has had in some time was here last Thursday in the person of Mr. W. B. Keziah, who some years ago worked in the printing plant of the Enterprise. Reference to the facts of Mr. Keziah's career is found in every newspaper to anyone who has to battle with unusual circumstances. At the age of seven he lost his voice of hearing permanently. He had not the funds to obtain more than a 'smattering' of common school education. Today, while still a young man, he is editor and sole owner of the Whiteville News-Reporter, one of the most up-to-date county newspapers of eastern North Carolina. Mr. Keziah says that nearly everyone in his town has learned to talk on their hands to him. While this young editor modestly asserts that he learned this only in order to be able to "cuss him quick" for things which he writes, we state without reservation that no one living near him who wishes to come into easy communication with a brilliant and resourceful intellect, would fail for long to master the sign manual."