

CELLARS ARE CAVING IN AND WELLS OVERFLOWING

The Rains Seem to Have Practically Deluged Our Little Neighbor to the East of Monroe.

AN ANCIENT RIVAL IS HUMBLING

Wingate, Feb. 14.—The Wingate high school humbled Marshville, their ancient and formidable rival, in a basketball game there Friday afternoon.

Captain Perry, Wingate's lanky forward, was easily the star of the game, leading with 15 points more than all his opponents combined. He caged five out of seven attempts at fouls. Hargett held Marshville's star forward, Hallman, scoreless, Hallman getting two foul shots. Parker, playing with a broken finger, followed with the other seven points. His two long shots from the corners were features of the game. Tarleton and Beach played consistent ball. Blois and Gray for Marshville deserve special mention. The game was fast, but fouls were frequent. Wingate has lost only one game this season.

On account of the rain, the Thursday night meetings of the Philanthropic and Gladstone societies of the Wingate school were not held.

Messrs. Jesse and Clarence Rathiff, of the high school, spent the weekend in Wadesboro.

During the wet weather everybody's well was filled almost to the top and two or three cellars caved in.

Miss Lester Humphrey, of Fayetteville, is visiting Misses Kate and Corean Humphrey this week.

The Margaret Griffin Woman's Missionary Society will meet Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Britt Outen.

Miss Mary Gaddy spent the weekend in Cheraw, S. C., visiting relatives.

The little son of Rev. and Mrs. Zeb Candler has been sick for the past week.

Can anyone please tell us what has become of old man High Cost of Living. He hasn't been seen around Wingate for about two or three months. The Wingate merchants are selling goods so cheap that he left and left in a hurry. Dry goods and groceries are anywhere from 10 to 50% off in Wingate and still coming down. They will soon be on a par with cotton.

The Jennie Tucker circle of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Baptist church will meet Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. M. D. Newsome. All members are requested to be present.

Mr. Oscar Matheson of Charlotte visited his mother, Mr. S. A. Matheson last week.

Mr. Vann Griffin of Erwin, Tenn., spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Griffin.

The Girls' Auxiliary of the Baptist church delightfully entertained the Young Women's auxiliary Saturday evening from seven o'clock to nine, in the Gladstone-McNeill hall. The hall was beautifully decorated with ferns and flowers. As the members entered the door a name of an animal was pinned on their backs, and each one was to try to keep anyone else from seeing the name on their back and see as many as they could. After this contest, refreshments were served and then a nut and flower contest was given. The prize was awarded to Miss Glennie Morgan. After the prize had been awarded, games were played and nuts and candies were served.

Rev. J. W. Rowell preached an interesting sermon Sunday night at the Baptist church. His theme was "The Power of Association." This service was attended by a large crowd.

Enthusiasm to a salesman is like gasoline to an automobile.

MR. MULLIS DENIES HAVING "LAID DOWN ON THE JOB"

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out I did not have the 27.00 worth name or ten o'clock even 17.00. I had worked all day. My alarm clock remained set for six o'clock in the morning throughout the fall and winter months, and I was always in the office by seven o'clock, and very much of the time, while I had charge of the road work, I covered an average mileage of around fifty miles per day.

The charge of laxity and leakage is positively ridiculous to me as all bills were carefully checked and the work and materials inspected by some representative of the commission before the bills were paid.

Up to this time I have ignored newspaper criticism and would ignore it this time were it not for the fact that I have been accused of "lying down on the job." There are many people in Union county who are familiar with my past history as well as my present situation. It is rather singular that if I possessed that trait of shirking duties and work, as accused by Mr. Heath, that I should be able to hold the positions I have held and to be able to hold the one I now have.

Praises Old Board.

It has not been the purpose of this article to antagonize anyone and my only desire is to appear before the people of Union county as I am and not as some would have the people believe. If Mr. Heath has built the type and mileage of roads which he says he has and at the figures named, he will go down in history as "some road builder."

I wish to take this opportunity to say that in all my experience with road commissions in various counties in almost every section of North Carolina, I have never worked with a commission that tried harder to do their duty than did Messrs. Henderson, Niven and Smith.

In Memory of Mrs. R. F. Humber.

After many months of struggle against disease, on February 8th, God in His all wise providence removed to her heavenly home Mrs. R. F. Humber. She was a faithful member of the church, a loyal member of the Missionary society, a consecrated Christian, a devoted mother, and a true loving friend and neighbor. Although physically unable to attend religious services for some time, she was always deeply interested in every phase of her church work.

It was an great pleasure to her friends and loved ones to be with her during her sickness, because of the bright smile and loving words with which she greeted them. While she is deeply missed, we must not grieve, knowing her sufferings are over and she is at rest where there is neither pain nor sorrow.

Therefore, we the members of the Missionary society of the Meadow Branch Baptist church, offer the following resolutions:

First, That in memory of her pure life and Christ-like spirit, we shall endeavor to follow her example, and thereby be strengthened in our Christian work.

Second, That we extend to the family our deepest sympathy in their bereavement.

Third, That this expression of appreciation be recorded in the minutes of our society, and a copy be sent to her family and to the county papers.—Mrs. W. B. Williams, Mrs. R. C. Bivens, and Mrs. C. M. Beach, committee.

Talk is cheap at a safe distance.

When two bragzarts engage in a wordy war each one furnishes his own applause.

The man who does things never has to sprint to keep up with his fellows.

Plant Your Seed IRISH POTATOES EARLY

They will make more. We have genuine Maine Grown Irish Cobblers and Red Bliss. Get your ground ready for Cabbage Plants, we will have plenty of them next week. Also Onion Sets and Seed of all kinds.

T. P. REDWINE.

The Union County Warehouse Company

Opened its doors for business several months ago without any flourish of trumpets and today there are stored several thousand bales of the fleecy staple within its walls against which are issued the best receipts in the South, if not in the whole world. These receipts carry all necessary information about the cotton, including numbers, names, grades, weights, condition, etc., and the holder gets a good title to the cotton which may be had any time on demand. By Statute law everything in these receipts is guaranteed by the State of North Carolina, and there is no better collateral in the world on which to borrow money.

A WORD TO THE UNWISE

One more big crop of cotton in 1921 and you and the whole south will be bankrupt. How do you expect to pay debts raising cotton when it costs twice what you get out of it?

If you have any cotton why not hold that cotton in the warehouse and plant little or none at all, using the receipt to supply your current necessities?

If you have any money or can get any on a warehouse receipt or otherwise, why not buy your cotton crop for 1921 on the market and plant not a seed? Cut out that fertilizer bill this year and save all the other expenses and labor necessary to produce and market cotton. This advice is being followed by those who are able and have sense enough all over the South. If enough people join in this practical step, the result of this new demand and acreage reduction will wake up the world and the South will become prosperous again as speedily as it went broke on the last crop. Then think of how much additional feedstuff you can raise and what a chance it gives to improve the farm!

SLAVERY AND BANKRUPTCY.

The estimate now is that we will carry into the next crop 9 or 10 million bales while the average in the past has been one million two hundred thousand bales surplus.

Another crop like 1920 in 1921 and there will be no debt paying power. We have got to change our methods as a matter of necessity and now is the time to get about it. The warehouse and acreage reduction will solve the difficulty.

WAREHOUSE FACILITIES

Union county has needed a warehouse many years and now she has one with ample capacity and strictly up-to-date. The public is invited to inspect it and patronize it. It is an eye opener and a boon to this section of the country.

THE UNION COUNTY WAREHOUSE COMPANY

W. S. Blakeney, President. P. P. W. Plyler, Sec. & Treas.

BENTON HEIGHTS PLANS TO OUTSTRIP MARSHVILLE

To Make It Second Largest Incorporated Town in County, Will Issue Bonds for Improvements.

A meeting of the citizens of the town of Benton Heights was held on last Friday night at the Benton Heights school building to devise ways and means of installing a water system for the town. The idea of putting in a water system has originated out of the proposal of the City of Monroe offering their aid in fighting fires in Benton Heights. The first question to be settled was the water supply. It was first suggested to build cisterns to supply water, then it was that the idea of putting in a water works system sprang up. On searching the tax books for the past year it was learned that nearly a quarter of a million of dollars of property was listed in Benton Heights. It is the intention of the town to vote bonds to raise sufficient money for this purpose. Benton Heights has already installed a lighting system of her own, as many people already know, and the money for the lights was largely raised by private subscription by the property owners. Each man who owned a house in Benton Heights was to pay thirty dollars for each house he owned for the purpose of lighting the streets and running the lines for the houses. Then each man was to wire his own house at his own expense and nearly every man has paid this thirty dollars. A good many houses are lighted now and others are going to wire as soon as possible.

Plans are being made to have not less than five teachers in the Benton Heights school next year. There are nearly two hundred pupils enrolled in the school now.

With electric lights, city water and a good school, and then the national highway running through the town Benton Heights bids fair to become one of the best residential sections in and around Monroe. There are a good many fine building lots in Benton Heights which can be bought at a fair price. Some lots that sold from fifty to a hundred dollars four years ago will now easily bring from three hundred to five hundred dollars. Several good residences will be built within the next twelve months and it is possible that in a few years Benton Heights will be the second largest incorporated town in the county.

"Co-operative marketing," sounds a lot better than "economic slavery," doesn't it?

Plant a permanent pasture but don't expect it to grow on worn-out, sour, worthless land. See your county farm agent.

"Get a good brood sow—take care of her"—this is the way to use acres where cotton and tobacco are cut out.

Every day brings forth new problems for us to face, but night usually comes before we can get around to it.

France has invented a new gun capable of shooting two hundred miles, and not a thing to shoot at. What luck!

No, this country is not short on money. The only shortage that exists is in the ability of certain people to get hold of it.

Some folks never borrow trouble—they jus' borrow \$2 an' forget it.—Kin Hubbard.

Special Notices

One cent a word each insertion.

A BIG SAVING—15 lbs. Rice, \$1.00; 8 lbs. best Corn, \$1.00; "Corn Bread Tobacco" half price, 10 cts. twist.—Smith-Lee Co.

NOTICE—Owing to a serious break in the oil market, we are forced to withdraw our exchange of 1500 pounds meal for a ton of seed. We are now giving 1400 pounds, and paying the highest cash price for

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FOR AUTO TRANSFER call Helms & Fulenwider at Nance Battery & Service Station. Meet all trains, day and night. Will carry you anywhere between here and Sampson county. Careful drivers. Day telephone, 489; night, call 26-R and 364-R.

STRAYED OR STOLEN—Two milk cows (one Jersey and one Spotted) both with horns, and one Jersey heifer, from my barn north of Monroe. Notify A. E. Denton or I. F. Pyle.

FOR SALE—Three fresh milk cows.—J. C. McIntyre, Wingate, N. C.

LOST—C. O. D. package from Baltimore. Leave at postoffice.—D. A. Williams.

Painting — Painting — Our Paint Shop offers you a saving. Now is the time to have your car repainted and put in readiness for spring and summer use. We guarantee our work. —Secrest Motor Co.

Automobile Tops — Let us put a new top on your old car and repair the upholstery. Prompt service and reasonable prices. —Secrest Motor Co.

FOR SALE—One pair of computing scales in A1 condition. Bargain to quick buyer.—McCollum Bros.

350 CABBAGE PLANTS, delivered by parcel post, fresh from the patch, for \$1.00.—Oakdale Farm, Marshville, N. C.

LOST—32x4 Firestone tire and rim between Wadesboro and Monroe February 9th. Finder please communicate with Standard Oil Company, Charlotte, N. C.

Cut Flowers

Floral designs, wedding bouquets, and flowers of all kinds. Prices reasonable. We make shipments to Waxhaw, Marshville, Wingate and other nearby towns. CODE MORGAN At Union Drug Co. Phone 221.

Children are seen and not heard—in the movies. Most pleasures are in contrast—rest and work for instance.

Shoes - Shoes - Shoes

Yes, We are Selling Shoes on Today's Market Not What They Cost.

\$9.00 Ladies' Vici Rubber Heel Shoes for	\$5.00
\$7.50 Ladies Shoes for	\$3.98
\$5.00 Ladies' Shoes for	\$2.98
Men's \$9.00 Tan English Last Shoes for	\$4.98
Men's \$12.50 Munson Last Shoes for	\$7.50
Men's \$11.00 Vici Rubber Heel Shoes, Craddock Terry make for	\$7.50
Young Men's \$7.50 Shoes for	\$4.98

Men's Work Shoes for Less.

Endicott and Star Brand Heavy Work Shoes \$4.50

Big Stock Children's Shoes and the Price is Less.

\$2.00 Shoes	\$1.48
\$3.00 Shoes	\$1.98

A Lot of Shoes, one and two pair of a kind, at Give Away Prices.

One Case Men's Gray Hose 10c or 3 pair for 25c

MEN'S DRESS SHIRTS AT OLD PRICES

Young Men's \$2.00 Dress Shirts	\$1.25
\$3.00 Shirts	\$1.50
\$5.00 Shirts	\$3.48

MEN'S HOSE

Good 25 cents Black Hose	15c or 2 pair for 25c
One case 48c Black Top White Foot Hose	25c pair
All Men's 75c Hose	48c pair

All Men's Collars (except soft collars)	20c each
Men's 75c Suspenders	48c
One lot 50c Belts	38c

MEN'S NECKTIES FOR LESS

All 50c Ties	25c
All \$1.00 Ties	75c
All \$1.50 Ties	98c
All \$2.00 Ties	\$1.48

MEN'S WORK OR EVERDAY PANTS at 5 cents Cotton Price.

\$2.25 Pants at	98c
\$5.00 Pants at	\$3.98
Boys' \$2.98 Pants, Good Heavy Wool, at	\$1.98

Men's All Wool \$35.00 Suits at \$15.00

Men's Hats	98c
Men's \$2.00 Sweaters	98c
Lot of Blue Work Shirts	48c

Pee-Dee Plaids	10c yard
Good Apron Gingham, full bolts	10c yard
Dress Gingham, was 35c yard, all you want,	10c yard
36-inch Wide Good Percale	15c yard
Hickory Shirting	15c yard

ACA, Best Ticking Made 24c yard

AAA Sheeting This Week (limit 10 yards to each customer) 10c yard

Crochet Thread, all this week	5c spool
RMC Thread, all cotton	10c spool
Needles, all you want	5c paper

We will sell you 50c Pro-Phy-Lactic Tooth Brushes this week at 34c

BIG SHIPMENT VOILS JUST COME IN \$1.00 Voils 50c yard

Don't Buy a Thing Until You See Us. We are Here for Business and Will Make the Price Right.

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