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A RECORD OF WORK

Last Monday Marked the Fiftieth Anniversary of Wm. Entwistle's Coming to Rockingham. Not an 'Obituary' But a Rough Sketch of a Working Man in the Flesh.

Fifty years ago last Monday, Mr. William Entwistle came to Rockingham. The story of his life is almost like a romance—the story of a man who worked and saved, and who was AND IS always on his job. It is no obituary, for Mr. Entwistle is hale and hearty, and attends to his duties as President of the Entwistle cotton mill, and general superintendent of the two Pee Dee mills. But the Post-Dispatch feels minded to go into detail of this man's business life because of the incentive it might hold to others.

In 1869 Mr. Entwistle came from England (he was born at Accrington Lancashire), and after several months spent up North came to South Carolina to Graniteville; he went from there to Langley, about 4 miles distant, where he worked for two years.

The old Great Falls mill was burned during the war, but in 1869 Walter F. Leak reorganized the mill and started it in operation again in 1870, he being its first president. Shortly after starting, superintendent to be John Morgan found that he needed a really competent weaving overseer; so he went to Graniteville in search of one. The superintendent there informed him that there was a young Englishman over at Langley and that if he could get him he would be getting the right man. Mr. Morgan went to Langley, saw the young Englishman and made the deal. Mr. Entwistle accordingly came to Rockingham, reaching the town July 25th, 1871, and at once went to work as overseer of weaving. The president of the Great Falls mill then was Colonel John W. Leak. The young man remained in charge of the weaving, the mill at that time having 100 looms and 3,000 spindles.

In 1874 Mr. Robert L. Steele organized a cotton mill company, and active work was begun in 1874 on Pee Dee mill No. 1. It was opened for work in 1876 with 100 looms and 2,000 spindles—the same size of the Great Falls mill with exception of one-third less spindles. Mr. Entwistle became superintendent of this new mill in December 1878, started work from the first turn of the wheels and has remained ever since and from the small beginning this No. 1 mill has grown until today it has 850 looms and 19,000 spindles. He has literally nursed it from an infant to a lusty, full grown product. Mr. Robert L. Steele was its first president, he resigning in November 1882 and being succeeded by his brother, Colonel Walter L. Steele, who became president in November of that year. Colonel Steele died in October 1891, and was succeeded by W. C. (Doc) Leak, who in turn was succeeded as president about three years ago by George P. Entwistle, son of the subject of this sketch. In 1899 a new mill was started by the company, known as Pee Dee No. 2, and this mill started up on January 1st, 1900—a mighty eggsey date to remember. This No. 2 mill is about half a mile below the mill No. 1. And right now the No. 2 is enlarging to the extent of having an addition to the cloth room built, size 72x100, of two stories, and the entire village is being turned upside down with the work of installing a complete sewerage system for the homes.

In 1910 the Entwistle Manufacturing Company, was formed and a mill built south of the Seaboard Railway about two miles from Rockingham. The mill was opened for work in May, 1911, with Mr. Entwistle as president. It has 600 looms and 26,400 spindles. The mill takes its name from its first—and only, so far—president.

Mr. Entwistle has always been a diligent worker, a master of detail and a man who preserved with that bull-dog determination that is so characteristic of our English cousins. From a small beginning he has worked his way until he has amassed a comfortable share of this world's goods—and yet with it all he is just William Entwistle, a kindly "young" elderly man.

VACCINATION SCHEDULE

Free Vaccination Campaign For Richmond County Against Typhoid Fever. Schedule of Dates. No Charge Whatever.

About this time of the year typhoid fever begins to make itself noticeable. Here and there all over the county cases appear. The summer months, June, July and August, are the bad months for typhoid. September is little better. Flies furnish a mighty easy method of transmitting the disease from family to family.

The people of Richmond county are going to have an opportunity now of getting protection against typhoid. The Board of County Commissioners has made arrangements with the State Board of Health for free dispensaries to be conducted in convenient places throughout the county, the schedule of which is given below.

That typhoid fever can be prevented has been amply proved right here in North Carolina. In 1914 there were 839 deaths in the State from this cause. Last year there were only 323. Improved sanitation and vaccination are the reasons.

Typhoid fever is the most easily prevented of all the preventable diseases. Anti-typhoid vaccination gives protection for at least three years, and may be taken without in-

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MR. STOGNER REPLIES.

The Post-Dispatch last week published a statement that appeared in the Greensboro Daily News relative to the settlement of the Lashley-Stogner case.

Mr. W. M. Stogner has handed this paper a copy of a statement he has sent to the News in which he gives a different account of the settlement. The Post-Dispatch gladly publishes his statement on the front page of the paper. It is as follows:

"Rockingham, N. C.
 July 20th, 1921.

"In reply to an article appearing in the Greensboro Daily News dated the 20th day of July, 1921, in regard to the charge against W. L. Lashley, charging him with having committed a criminal assault upon Grace Stogner of Richmond county, I wish to state the following:

"That Grace Stogner had nothing whatever to do with the withdrawal.

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Cars Collide.

Shortly after dusk Wednesday evening, two Ford's collided at the northwest corner of the courthouse—the cars of "Coot" Stewart and Steele-Covington Co. The latter car had a right rear wheel broke off.

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EMPLOYEES SUE MILL

Weavers at Steele's Mills Quit Work When Required to Work 60 Hours Per Week. No Dispute Over Wages. Weave Room Running Full Time and Full Force Now.

A case of considerable local interest was tried before Squire Mullis in the courthouse Saturday afternoon, six weavers of Steele's Mills suing the mill for their back-pay which the mill had held back when they quit work, until they should have vacated the mill houses.

From what the POST-DISPATCH can gather, the mill several weeks ago put the weave room on a 60-hour per week basis until some certain orders could be filled. The employees made no objection to working 60 hours (of course the pay was on the basis of 60 hours work,) but when the specified time was up they asked to be put back on 55-hour basis.

Due to the conditions, the spinning and card rooms for a while were obliged to work but 50 hours inasmuch as the weave room at 55 hours could not handle the work. And so rather than keep these two rooms at 50 hours, the mill decided to put the smaller weave room at 60 and the other two rooms at 55; the majority of the weavers didn't like this new arrangement and so on Wednesday of last week they presented a petition to the management asking that the room be put back to 55 hours. Mr. Porter replied that he would give an answer in a day or so. Next day all but seven of the

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Magistrate's Court.

Tom Spivey was given a hearing before Squire Mullis Monday charged with reckless driving. He and Tebe Henry, driving W. A. Green's car, collided at the Presbyterian church corner. The magistrate dismissed the action, holding that the collision was an accident and neither driver was to blame.

Homer Brown was fined \$5.00 and costs for speeding on the 18th. Lester Morse was fined \$5 and costs for operating a car for hire without a license.

Two Foot Change.

Work that was begun on a new filling station by Mr. Robert L. Steele, next to the Ford garage, some two weeks ago, was resumed Tuesday. Some doubt about the exact lines of the lot existed; it was cleared by moving the outer wall in two feet, making the width now 30 feet front by 65 deep.

E. B. Terry's sale is by far the biggest and best in this section of the country.

MANY CASES TRIED IN COURT

Criminal Term of Superior Court in Session, Judge Finley Presiding. Grand Jury to Serve for Six Months. Many Cases Tried. White Man Given 6 Months on Roads for Driving Car While Drunk. Barksdale (Extract Case) Found Guilty--Six Months.

Superior Court for the trial of criminal cases convened Monday morning at 10 o'clock at Rockingham, with Judge Thomas B. Finley presiding. Solicitor W. E. Brock was promptly at his post of duty, and with his well-known ability ready to prosecute in behalf of the State.

The Clerk reported that of the 36 men summoned to appear for jury duty, the following were not found in the county: J. W. Williams, Jr., D. E. Maske, W. P. Cole and B. R. Harris. The young son of Deputy Reynolds picked the name-slips from the hat, for selecting the Grand Jury of 18 men, and Mr. W. E. Harrison, Rockingham merchant and prince of good men, was chosen as foreman of that body. J. E. Manor was made officer to the Grand Jury.

The following were drawn as the Grand Jury, with W. E. Harrison as foreman. This Grand Jury will serve for six months—until January term. They are:

John L. Everett	D. W. Graham
G. W. Coggin	J. R. Garrett
W. E. Harrison	W. J. Goodwin
J. H. Covington, Jr.	H. J. Covington
W. P. Johnson	E. M. LeGrand
A. F. Blalock	J. U. Thrower
S. D. Tanner	Walter Robinson
Joe C. Covington	C. G. Crepps
Walter Lamplsey	I. E. Efrid

The Judge's charge was listened to attentively by the crowded courtroom. Judge Finley is an able jurist, of dignity and fairness, and is unquestionably evenly balanced. It is refreshing to have such an officer preside. Attorneys and litigants are well assured of just treatment at his hands, consonant with fairness to the State.

It is remarkable that business is transacted so well in such a building. The acoustic properties are poor, and rendered still worse by the noise of street traffic from without. The County Commissioners have selected a new site, and have twice sold the bonds for erecting a new courthouse, but each time the purchasers found some flaw and refused to take the bonds. And now the Board is making a new effort to sell the \$200,000 bond issue, bids to be opened on Aug. 31st. It is hoped this third attempt will be successful, and active work begun on the new

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PELLAGRA SCARE

Federal Government Sending Out Alarming Reports of Pellagra Epidemic Over South. Greatly Exaggerated. A Dozen Cases in Richmond County.

The Public Health Service Department of the Government sent out a report Monday to the effect that pellagra is increasing with alarming speed over the South, due to the low price of cotton and the resultant fact that tenants and others are forced to live on the cheapest diet such as salt pork, corn meal and molasses. These foods are valuable when balanced by other foods, but eaten by themselves they lack certain elements that are absolutely essential to the maintenance of health. And these other foods are simply beyond the purchase of the tenants and others.

Undoubtedly there is much truth in the report, but that it is terribly exaggerated goes without question. Any one reading the glaring reports would think that our Southern people were starving and dying by the thousands from pellagra. This is not true.

Inquiry by the POST-DISPATCH among Rockingham physicians shows that the colored doctor has six pellagra patients, and among the white doctors one has three, one has just one, three have none, and one has two. There is one white patient at the County Home.

Odd Fellows Class.

The Singing Class of the Odd Fellows Orphanage will be at Pee Dee academy Monday night, Aug. 1st; at Roberdel No. 1 Aug. 2nd; and at the high school at Ellerbe Wednesday night, Aug. 3rd. The Class is especially strong this season, and it is hoped full houses will greet them.

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