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LOCAL ITEMS OF INTEREST

Chair manufactory located.
Public installation of Pythian Officers Monday night.

Wilkes farmers' institutes: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday.

A freight off the track near Tobaccoville Wednesday night delayed the shoo-fly and mail till 10 o'clock that night.

School will open at Mountain View in Mulberry township September 2d. A Sunday school organized there has enrolled 117 pupils.

Mr. M. S. Shell, of Elk township boarded the train here Tuesday afternoon for Canada where he expects to remain for two or three years and then return to Wilkes to live permanently. He intended taking up more land in Canada and had already done so.

A runaway horse yesterday of Forrester & Phillips, left standing for a moment in Wilkesboro near the livery stable of Mr. J. R. Henderson, driven by Mr. J. P. Setzer, made a record from there to the graded school building against which the frightened animal demolished the buggy.

Sixty-eight dollars and nine cents was the net receipts to the Goldsboro Home for orphans from the concert here Wednesday night. The concert was enjoyed by a filled house and the program was delightful. One boy in the class named Willie Stout, hails from the nearby mountain county of Avery.

Farmers and women's Institute next Monday, 28th, at Beaver Creek, which the farmers in the western part of the county call the "garden spot of Wilkes." Fried chicken is on the program and this being the first time an institute has been proposed in that end of the county it will doubtless make a record.

Messrs. Howard Haywood and Mr. William P. Little, arrived Tuesday from Raleigh to accompany with the former's sister, Mrs. C. W. Mason, the remains of Colonel C. W. Mason to Raleigh for burial. The Masonic fraternity, local lodge, accompanied in a body also the remains to the depot. A shower of rain came up just as the procession was arriving at the station at 4 o'clock.

Rev. R. M. Williams, of Greensboro, arrived Tuesday and spent a few days with Rev. C. W. Robinson at his home on the Brushy Mountains this week. Mr. Williams held a revival meeting at the Presbyterian church North Wilkesboro last year and has friends here who were delighted to see him. Returning to Greensboro yesterday Mr. Williams had while in North Wilkesboro raised four or five hundred dollars in addition to more than fifty thousand recently solicited for constructing new buildings at Barium Springs, the orphanage of the Presbyterians of this State, to which task the Synod appointed Mr. Williams to solicit \$57,000, now nearing accomplishment.

Courts of the Locality.

A white woman and children and a negro woman and a mulatto belle were up before Mayor Barkley Wednesday morning and required to pay the cost in their cases. One of the darkeys was paid out by Mr. P. P. Blair for whom her husband was working and the others had enough to prevent themselves stepping over the county sill. It was another general hot-weather meeting, of loafing devilment. The parties hailed from what is called Monkey Bottom row.

Before United States Commissioner Dula in Wilkesboro Coy. Cardwell, of Pears Knob, illicit distilling, came clear, discharged, yesterday. Rufus Southers, of Jennings, on a capias, gave bond for a later court.

As to Editor R. Don Laws.

Charity and Children.
We are pained to hear that Editor R. Don Laws of the Yellow Jacket has suffered a stroke of paralysis.

Point of View of One Who Left Alleghany and Ashe.

A. L. Fletcher of Lexington in Southern Good Roads.

The saddest thing that I encountered in all that long journey through the mountains was an empty house. A decade ago it sheltered as happy a family of boys and girls as any house in the land. The head of the house was progressive. He had ideas beyond his time and community. He stood for improved methods in farming and, above all, for good roads. In 1898, I think it was, he and a few other far-sighted men started a movement for a bond issue, in Grayson county, Va., for road building. I remember that our debating society took the matter up as a boy I debated the bond issue question. Our best debaters were picked and sent out to meet rival teams in other school houses in our township to debate the question and one of this man's sons was our best speaker. The fight was a hard one but the bond issue failed to carry and Grayson dropped back into the rut and has been there all these years. This man, not discouraged, kept up the fight for several years, but he gave in at last. His boys, growing to young manhood, were dissatisfied with their surroundings and he finally decided to leave. Today this fine citizen lives in another state, amid a more progressive people and is one of the leaders in the county in which he lives. His boys have grown to manhood and are following in the footsteps of their father, living lives of usefulness and service. The value of this family alone to Grayson county cannot be measured in dollars and cents and Grayson lost them because she refused to provide that without which there is no lasting progress—good roads.

And that home, which had been one of the best in all the land, was nothing more than a memory in the community and the old house was rotting down. I walked around it and through it and out in the decaying, unkempt orchard, thinking of these things, and I don't believe I ever spent a more miserable half hour. It was tragedy—that's all.

That was not the only empty house. I noted them all along the road. Between Roaring Gap and Sparta, in Alleghany county, I am sure there are, at the very lowest calculation, 20 vacant houses along the roadsides. Ten years ago every one of these houses, the most of them humble, to be sure, but homes for all that, were occupied. Between Sparta and Jefferson one sees a great many empty houses and between Sparta and Grant, Virginia, there are probably 50 or more. These are to be seen right along the "big road" and no attempt is made to estimate the number of vacant houses that dot the coves and valleys of those good counties.

Ashe county, instead of gaining in population in the last decade, lost 507. Alleghany lost 14. Grayson county shows a gain but all of the gain is in three or four small towns which have grown up with the coming of railroads and were not in existence when the census of 1900 was taken. Every county township shows a decrease in population.

Bad roads alone are responsible. I met a boyhood friend and schoolmate, a physician, who, like me, was making a visit to home folks. He said that he came back home to practice after he finished college and put in four years at the hardest work of his life, driving through mud over stony roads, up well-nigh impassable grades, killing his horse and many times endangering his life. He woke to the fact that he was killing himself and doing his wife and babies an injustice by remaining there and he moved to a county of macadam roads. He is doing well, living and working in comfort. He went on to name a dozen other bright young men who had left the mountains because of bad roads, physicians, lawyers, farmers, dentists, preachers, teachers and business men. Every one of them is making good.

The people of the mountains do not

A Great Table Luxury.

A colony of bees belonging to 93 stands owned by Dr. W. A. Taylor here in North Wilkesboro produced 150 pounds of sourwood when gathered Wednesday. Inquiry was made of men in the county who have an unusual number of stands. Mr. S. D. Poplin, of Bonda, has a large apiary having purchased a lot of them from Mr. L. M. Lyon of that part of the county. Messrs. Abe Jones of Oakwoods and Reavis of Brushy Mountain have unusual numbers of colonies. Honey is said to be plentiful this year. In the Southern Field, a publication of Washington City by the Southern Railway Company, is given the following:

Mr. N. D. E. Buck, near Johnson City, Tenn., declares: "There is more clear profit in bees than in any other stock I have on my farm, according to the amount invested and the cost of caring for them. My bees can gather their own food for nine months of the year. I don't give my entire attention to the bees, but I am sure anyone could make a neat fortune by caring for them properly."

Mr. Buck finds a market for his honey right at home, where he averages 20 cents a pound for the honey and from 25 to 30 cents a pound for the wax.

Roaring River.

Correspondence of the Hustler.
The school committee here met Monday and elected Mr. Claude Faw, of Millers Creek, principal and decided to start the school the 11th day of August.

Two good rains visited this section Saturday and Sunday evenings.

Our farmers are about done working their corn and are putting in good time sowing peas since the rain. Mr. Claude Boverder, of North Wilkesboro, was here Tuesday with his machine and carried Mr. F. L. Parks over his mail route in view of selling him a machine. Rev. A. T. Pardue went to Elkin Monday on business. Revs. N. G. Jarvis and A. T. Pardue are attending the Bible reading at Lewis church this week. Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Harris, of Siloam, arrived here Tuesday and went out on Route one to spend a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Harris. Mr. J. L. Mathis went to Winston-Salem Saturday to visit relatives returning home Tuesday evening. Mr. U. B. Stamey came in from Ronda Saturday where he had been spending a few days visiting relatives and friends. Mr. F. L. Parks went to Wilkesboro Saturday and spent until Monday with his brother, Mr. J. F. Parks. Mr. Lyndolph Parks, of Wilkesboro, spent Sunday here with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Parks visited Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin Sunday. Mrs. A. D. Cooper and sister, Miss Stella Foote, of Statesville, arrived here Monday and will spend a few days visiting relatives and friends. Mrs. U. A. Miller, of North Wilkesboro, was here Monday on business. Mr. Claude Faw, of Millers Creek, was here Monday on business.

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fret and chafe under the weary road imposed by bad roads as do the people of the lowlands, and this very fact discourages the friends of the good roads cause. They accept their lot with a sort of fatalism and trudge through the mud stoically, resignedly. Occasionally a high-spirited, impatient youngster, who has been away to college and got a taste of the benefits that come from good roads, or who has caught a vision of something better, breaks away, as this young physician did, from the ways of his fathers and pleads for better things, but the great majority of the young of these mountain countries are following in the ways their fathers trod, bearing the same galling load that they bore and it has never even occurred to them that such a thing as a "365-day road" is possible.

Thirty-five convicts perished in flames from the destruction Tuesday of a building of the Mississippi State penitentiary at Jackson.

Handling the Berries.

The most complete and convenient equipment that has ever been established in this section for saving fruit is that of the Neuera Canning factory in the east end of North Wilkesboro. Mr. H. G. Sanderfur is manager and Mr. J. J. Jack is superintendent. They can almost exclusively at night and have advanced the price of berries in this section from \$1.10 to 1.50 per bushel. The berries begin coming in from the county about 7 o'clock and the canning is prolonged often till 3 o'clock in the night. Meal hours for the few persons required have to be arranged to suit the amount of berries coming in and Superintendent Jack eats his meals at one time and another. They will not can berries unless picked the same day and farmers send their wagons to town after dark, starting them often after sundown. The crop is not so large this year as it has been known before. The Neuera factory expects to get car loads of peaches when the berry season ends, now within a few days, from Mount Airy and they do not allow them to stand longer than possible and hurriedly get them into cans. The remarkable part about this process is the convenience of the factory, the striking features are the cleanliness and labor-saving process. It is a lesson to our people in the respect to labor saving. The solder is not used but by machinery the heads of the galvanized cans are crimped by a machine and then heated in steam vats. An apple butter mill is a curiosity and a cider mill run by steam. Orders have been received for several car loads more of the berry goods than the factory will be able to supply this season. The gallon cans make a beautiful product and the galvanized cans are used as a precaution against ptomaine poison resulting from the acid used perhaps and the formation of a tin oxide.

Fourth Distillery in Southeastern Wilkes.

Returning to North Wilkesboro yesterday evening from Yadkin county revenue officers Geo. O. Munday, P. E. Dancy and Marshal Chas. Holland had destroyed two more blockade distilleries in the Hunting Creek section and continued the trip into Yadkin before returning. This was the second in that part of the county this week, a raid having been made in Lovelace, adjoining, Monday as printed in Tuesday's Hustler. The copper was moved some time before the officers arrived at the first still, and two gun shots being fired it is thought parties notified others, so that when the next distillery not far away was seized that copper was gone there being plenty of time after the firing to hide the still. Mr. Dancy is an officer under the new administration and it seems that they are having a "house-cleaning" of the source of whiskey that has been sold around North Wilkesboro no doubt for months.

Social.

Reported for the Hustler.
Tuesday evening Miss Elizabeth Landon informally entertained a number of young folks at her lovely home on 9th street. The halls and parlors were thrown together and dancing was the amusement of the evening. Between dances the guests strolled through the beautiful grounds enjoying the coolness and beauty of the night. Mr. J. R. Willits, of Philadelphia, Pa., was the only out of town guest present. Late in the evening delicious refreshments were served.

Cards as follows have been received by friends here:

Mrs. Rebecca Couch announces the marriage of her daughter to

Mr. Cleave Lonsford Tuesday, the twenty-second of July nineteen hundred and thirteen Jennings, North Carolina.

Miss Lura Finley was hostess Saturday evening at a Rook party. Miss Ellen Finley and Mr. Will Rogers were the most successful players, winning the prize, a beautiful box of candy. After the games cake and cream was served.

The Deaths of Four Persons.

Mr. G. Washington Adams.

Mr. G. W. Adams died about 1:30 Tuesday afternoon at his home at Fairplains three miles north of North Wilkesboro, following a serious illness of two weeks duration. It will be remembered that last week it was reported that Mr. Adams was mentally deranged in mind but death having come so soon showed that he was more terribly ill physically than was thought perhaps. Mr. Adams had lived practically his entire life of 53 years in the neighborhood where his life ended. For part of his life he lived a few miles only farther north of Fairplains. One winter he lived at North Wilkesboro a short time after the railroad was completed here from Winston, 1892-93. He had been a member of the Masonic Liberty Grove Lodge of this place 30 years. His wife and 6 children are living. Three sons are Messrs. Wesley W. and Joe Adams who live at Fairplains and Mr. M. F. Adams of South Carolina, and three daughters, Mrs. J. F. Adams, Mrs. D. E. Key and Miss Charitie Adams. The funeral was conducted yesterday with Masonic rites directed also by Rev. M. McNeil and was attended by a large number.

Mrs. B. E. Harris.

Mrs. B. E. Harris, wife of W. L. Harris, died at their home near Lovelace postoffice on July the 19th. She was 64 years old and has been a member of the Baptist church for 50 years. The funeral service was conducted by L. P. Gwaltney at Mount Pisgah church on July the 21st at 3 o'clock where the body was laid to rest in the presence of a host of friends and relatives. She leaves behind a husband and five children to mourn their loss: three sons and two daughters, Messrs. W. E. Harris and L. G. Harris of Wilkesboro, and L. A. Harris, of Trap Hill, Mrs. G. B. Kempf and Mrs. N. W. Coleman of Jennings. Mrs. Harris' life was that of a good woman.

Miss Emma Quarterman of Glade Valley.

"It is with sorrow that we announce the death of Miss Emma Quarterman," says this week's Alleghany Star.

"Miss Quarterman was a teacher in the Primary Department of Glade Valley High School. We understand that she was taken ill with typhoid fever immediately after the close of her school and died before she reached home. Miss Quarterman was a graduate of Chicago University and was one of the best teachers we ever had in this section of the State."

Mrs. M. C. Wingler.

Near Whittington postoffice on Reddies River yesterday evening Mrs. M. C. Wingler died. Mrs. Wingler was a young woman 22 years of age and had been married only 15 months. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Huffman. A little infant child also died whose birth occurred a brief time only from its mother's death.

Taken from Ni-County Papers.

Nelson Curley, age about 70, of Sugar loaf township, Alexander county, died suddenly it is thought on a wayside where he was found last Sunday.

The Elkin correspondent of the Leader says: "Early last Sunday morning Miss Myrtle Hickerson, who lives alone, was taken very sick and unable to speak. She managed to crawl to the front door which was closed only by a screen door and beckoned to some passers-by on their way to church and secured some help. Her people were at once notified and she was made as comfortable as possible and a physician called. At this writing she is better."

Miss Nannie Williams, who remained last spring at the State Normal & Industrial of Greensboro for the summer term also, returned last night to Dr. F. H. and sister's, Mrs. Gilreath, on D street.

Personals.

Mrs. J. L. Garwood and little daughter, of Raleigh, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Carrigan in Wilkesboro.

Mr. J. L. Carlton returned Tuesday afternoon to Winston after spending two or three days with his family which will be at Goshen for two weeks longer.

Mr. B. H. Colvard returned from Laurelsprings Tuesday to which place he accompanied Mrs. Colvard to visit for several days.

Mr. J. F. Kerner, of Kernersville, was here between trains Wednesday. Mr. L. L. Mason, of New York City, was registered at the Blue Mont Wednesday.

Misses Louise, Annie, and Palmer Horton, are visiting their uncle in Boone, Mr. J. C. Horton.

Mrs. C. P. Burchette and children recently returned from a visit from Iredell county.

Inspector T. H. Hines, of cross ties for the Southern, arrived and began Wednesday taking up ties this week from the yards here.

Mrs. Nelia Nechodoma and children, Porto Rico, were at the Central Wednesday en route to Watauga.

Mr. Robert T. Pardue, of Chase City, Va., came up Wednesday from Roaring River to which place he came by automobile to join his wife there.

Mrs. J. W. Usher, of Charlotte is visiting her daughter, Mrs. H. W. Horton.

Mr. M. A. Briggs, of Elkin and a former North Wilkesborian by the way, was here between trains Wednesday on business.

Manager Jos. F. King and Miss Lillian Edgerton, with the Goldsboro Orphans, a class of 14 of the Odd Fellows Home there, arrived at noon Wednesday for the concert that night.

Following were registered at the Central Wednesday: J. Frank Hutchison, Cincinnati; J. L. Spencer and C. R. Dunaway, Trenton, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Barber, of Wilkesboro, have as their guests Misses Blanche and Rhea Lyde, of Decatur, Alabama. After visiting Mr. and Mrs. Barber the Misses Lydes will spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Finley before returning to their home.

Misses Attie and Anna Meade Wright, of Greensboro, will arrive today to be guests of Miss Nell Hart. Mr. John A. Ward, of Lynchburg, Va., will also arrive this week-end at Mr. E. L. Hart's.

Misses Mabel and Frances Hendren, of Wilkesboro, are spending some time at their grandfather's, Mr. Wm. Campbell, in Alexander county.

Mrs. R. M. Brame and children returned yesterday from a visit of ten days at Winston Salem.

A Mrs. Smith, of Tennessee, was expected at the station Wednesday, who had stopped at Harrisburg, N. C., since Sunday, going to Beaver Creek township.

Miss Myrtle Jenkins, of Winston-Salem, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. C. Grayson.

Mr. James Coon, of Washington, D. C., who had been visiting Mrs. Corrie on the Mountain, left yesterday returning.

Secretary M. L. Townsend, of the United Fruit Growers, left for Atlanta yesterday to aid in establishing a store there for shipping fruit to.

Miss Minnie Hunt went to East Bend yesterday to visit for ten days.

Miss Mae Hamilton, of Beaver Creek Ashe County, visited her aunt, Mrs. T. S. Miller this week.

Mrs. Leslie Abbot was registered at the Blue Mont yesterday.

Miss Ella Mae Miller, who has been attending the summer school at the State Normal, came home to-day.

Miss Lillie Miller returned to-day from a visit to her sister, Mrs. C. H. Pugh, at Stanley.

Mrs. Carrie Anderson and children who had been spending several days with relatives near Dimmette returned to Sparta last Friday.

Mr. E. H. Petree, a live representative Winston Journal, was here between trains yesterday on business.