

CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Interesting Facts Relative to the White Graded School.

It may be of interest to the public generally to be acquainted with the following facts relative to the white graded school of the city:

During the present school year, including the months of September and October and November, 577 children have been enrolled, an increase of 33 over the total enrollment for the whole of last year. The white school population did not increase during the past year, but decreased slightly.

The average attendance this year for the three months past has been 463, or 80 per cent. of the total enrollment. This is a much better showing than last year for the same months and much better than the average attendance for that year, which was 348 out of an enrollment of 544, or 62 per cent. of the total enrollment.

This morning only three children were tardy, two of whom had a good excuse. The conduct of the children this year has materially improved over that of last year, as well as their progress in their studies. A visit to the school will convince any one that the children are happy, well-behaved, contented, and doing creditable work.

An earnest effort is made to interest the children in the school and in their work. Pictures, books, and flowers are to be seen everywhere about the building. The day is begun with singing, prayer, Bible stories, and Bible reading. Much attention is paid to the moral training and proper conduct of the children in and out of the school.

MR. C. E. CRAVEN PROMOTED.

Y. M. C. A. Meeting—Other Items From Spencer.

The Spencer school building is nearing completion and both Prof. Newsom and his scholars are looking forward to their advent in it with pleasure.

Mr. C. E. Craven, foreman of the lumber yard, at Spencer, has received promotion as tie and lumber inspector for the Southern Railway Company.

Mr. Bob Menius, of Spencer, was the recipient of a pouncing and surprise party on Tuesday night. He desires to express his thanks to all his friends and hopes soon to be about among them again.

Regular men's meeting at Spencer Y. M. C. A. on Sunday at 4 p. m. Mr. Chas. Stewart, of Salisbury, will address the meeting. All men invited.

Mr. Luther Darr has a fine class in vocal music which meets at the Spencer Baptist church on Friday night.

To Open a Hotel in South Carolina.

Mr. Scott Brown and family were here this morning on their way to Blacksburg, S. C., where Mr. Brown has accepted a position as manager of a hotel. He lived in Greensboro for several years and has many friends here who wish him success.

Mr. Brown is an experienced and capable hotelist, is popular with the traveling public, and will make a success in Blacksburg.—Greensboro Telegram.

Burt's Store Open.

The Burt store was opened this morning by Trustee Gregory and the stock is being sold at reduced prices. Miss Gretchen Cowan is cashier.

FOR RENT:—5 room cottage in Brooklyn. Apply to W. R. Woodson or C. A. Bostian.

FINE KRAUT—Seven barrels of fine home-made country kraut at D. M. Miller's store.

WOOD! WOOD!!—For sale, green or dry. Delivered in your back yard. Apply to Geo. Fink.

SIDEWALKS TO BE KEPT CLEAN.

Published by Request of Aldermen—Will Be Enforced.

The following ordinance in regard to keeping the sidewalks of the city clean is published by request of the board of aldermen:

Sec. 142. It shall be the duty of all occupants of improved property and owners of vacant property, in front of which the sidewalks have been paved, to keep such sidewalks clean, and to do such sweeping and scraping as may be necessary to remove snow, ice, clay, dirt and trash therefrom, and to render the same passable, comfortable and sightly, as far as such lot extends. If any rubbish, dirt, ashes or any other thing be placed or left without lawful authority, upon such foot-way, the occupant of such lot shall remove the same; if twelve hours elapse after notice by the chief of police, or by any officer or police, without such removal, the occupant shall be fined five dollars.

BOYS IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Jackson Sechler Joins Army—Mr. Rothrock Leaves Porto Rico.

Thos. Rothrock, a Rowan county boy, who has been connected with Company M, 11th Infantry at San Juan, Porto Rico, writes to have his address on the SUN's book changed to Washington City as he moves to that place.

Mr. Jim Sloan, who joined the army some time since, is now with an infantry regiment at Manila. After reaching that place he was sick with fever but is now well again.

The Mooresville Enterprise says: "Jackson Sechler, of China Grove, left last Monday for the Philippine Islands, having enlisted in the United States Army. Mr. Sechler served with the First N. C. Regiment in Cuba, having been a private in Company L, of Concord. He will endeavor to be assigned to the 29th Regiment under his former Captain, Ed. Hill, of Concord."

New Mill in Rowan.

The Sprout, Waldron & Co., mill builders, of Muncy, Pa., are putting in one of their mills for Shuping Bros., of Rock. It is a three stand mill, and has all the latest up-to-date machinery for making good flour. It is rated as a 65-barrel mill. Messrs. Winegardner and Rauch, of the Pennsylvania company, and Mr. Keller, of the Wolf Mill Building Co., of Maryland, are doing the work.—Rock correspondent Concord Times.

Rowan's Copper.

Lee S. Overman, of Salisbury, says the copper mines near there are doing a great business. The new people in charge, who took the property and are paying the debts contracted by W. G. Newman, are making a good thing of it. Newman, who hastily left New York for the far West, is now said to be in Panama.—Raleigh correspondent Charlotte Observer.

Will Undergo Operation.

Mr. J. W. Furr, of Cannonville, spent Wednesday night in Salisbury with his wife, who is in the sanitarium at that place. Mrs. Furr will undergo a serious operation next Saturday for an ulcer and abscess of the stomach. We hope the operation will be successful.—Concord Standard.

FLOWERS:—100 2-year-old new rose plants just received at Mrs. Linton's. 25 cents each. Call for list.

LUMBER—Framing lumber, furnished promptly; lowest prices. T. C. or W. D. WATSON.

I can give desirable employment to a few young ladies in each county; cash salary; good penmen preferred. Address J. E. Smith, Monticello, Fla.

HINSON GETS 25 YEARS.

Found Guilty of Manslaughter in Second Degree.

Will Hinson, white, was found guilty of murder in the second degree at Albemarle court this morning and was sentenced to twenty-five years in the penitentiary. After this case was disposed of court adjourned.

The jury got the case last night and returned with the verdict this morning between 9 and 10 o'clock. Hinson was charged with killing D. F. Swearingen. He was represented by C. D. Bennett, Esq., while Solicitor Webb was assisted by Austin & Smith.

MISS MABEL HALL MARRIED.

Becomes the Bride of Mr. George Jennings of Greensboro.

Yesterday's Greensboro Telegram says:

"The home of Dr. Egbert Smith was the scene of a quiet wedding last evening immediately after prayer meeting, the happy couple being Mr. George Jennings and Miss Mabel Hall, both of this city.

"It was in no sense a runaway, as no objections were entertained on either side, the couple simply preferring the ceremony to be a quiet one. Only the immediate family of the groom, Mr. Wm. Weatherly, and Miss Mamie Yates, were present.

Mr. Jennings is a member of the firm of Bloxton & Jennings, furniture dealers, and is a young man of much promise. Miss Hall is a sister of Mrs. D. R. Harry, and though a resident of this city but a short while she has made many friends who wish her much happiness."

Miss Hall is a sister of Mrs. J. Sam McCubbins, of Salisbury. Last spring she finished her studies at the State Normal school and since has made her home in Greensboro.

Heptasophs Elect Officers.

Salisbury Conclave No. 436, Improved Order of Heptasophs, last night elected officers as follows:

Archon—Jno. P. Weber, re-elected.
Provost—D. W. Goodson, re-elected.
Prelate—J. F. Pace.
Financier—J. T. Rabe.
Treasurer—W. L. Klutz.
Secretary—J. A. Mahaley.
Inspector—J. A. Linn.
Warden—D. B. Simpson.
Sentinel—B. A. Couble.
Trustees—Dr. A. H. Dreher, Dr. J. S. Brown, T. M. McCulloh.

Mr. J. P. Nash Dead.

Mr. T. E. Nash and Mrs. C. O. Harris left this morning for Stanly county to attend the funeral of Mr. Nash's uncle, Mr. James P. Nash, who died yesterday. Mr. Nash was chairman of the Stanly county commissioners and was a prominent man of the county. He had represented Stanly in the Legislature for two terms.

Moving.

Rev. Dr. F. J. Murdoch has moved into his new residence on Horah street.

Mr. C. A. Montgomery will soon move into his new home on South Main street. The sickness of his daughter has prevented Mr. Montgomery from moving before this time.

FOR RENT:—9-room house on Innis street, water and gas. Apply to W. C. Fraley.

Fine Select Oysters at R. W. Price's Meat Market.

LOST—A young setter dog; color between brown and yellow. Reward for return to Will Brown.

Lost Dog.

Lost or strayed a setter dog; color brown, size medium, name Brown. Liberal reward will be paid for return to J. W. Toney at Peterson & Rulfs', Salisbury, N. C.

NO FIRECRACKERS.

WATERWORKS WILL BE BOUGHT.

City Aldermen Have a Busy and Interesting Session.

The city aldermen met in regular session last night, the full board being present.

At the request of Hon. Jao. S. Henderson who appeared before the board the Salisbury Gas and Electric Light Company was allowed to pay the mortgage which the city now holds on the plant by the payment of principal and interest to July 25th, 1900, to be released from further obligation.

The question of opening South Lee street was reconsidered and left open.

The plumbers' license of \$25 was rescinded but the plumbers shall be elected by the aldermen and will be required to give a bond of \$200. Steps were taken to have a sewerage inspector for Salisbury.

A petition for an electric light at the corner of Long and Council street was laid over for action at another meeting.

A petition was read asking that the ordinance relative to fire crackers be maintained at Christmas; also a petition was read requesting that the ordinance be suspended. Alderman C. H. Swink moved that the latter be adopted, seconded by J. P. Weber. The question was discussed upon its merit. On motion the resolution was lost.

A new ordinance making it a misdemeanor for a bicycle or public cab to go on the street after dark without a light was placed on its first reading.

It was ordered that the Austin lot on Ellis street be purchased by the city for a street.

The salaries of the policemen were on motion raised from \$40 to \$50 per month until April 1st.

The question of selling the gravel pit owned by the city was presented. On motion the matter was referred to a committee to look into it, if desirable to sell and to report at the next meeting.

A letter was read from Walter H. Davis, of the waterworks company stating that he would foreclose the mortgages against the company; also a letter from the attorney, Edward Woodman, who requested to have a meeting with the aldermen and city attorney. On motion it was decided to arrange to meet him.

The ordinance relative to cleaning the sidewalks was discussed and agreed that it should be enforced.

Bills were audited and ordered paid.

THREE NEW TOWNS.

Will Try For Charters at the Next Legislature.

According to notices published in to-day's SUN three towns in Rowan will apply to the Legislature for charters.

They are Spencer, Southern City and Woodside. The first and last named wish to keep their present name. Southern City will ask to be incorporated either as Southern City or East Spencer.

At Spencer.

Mr. R. B. Mayo is filling the place of Mr. S. J. Poarch, night foreman of the round house at the Spencer shops, during the latter's illness.

Mrs. Lyons' two new houses at Spencer are nearing completion.

New ribbon at Reid's.

STRAYED—From my yard Sunday morning, a pair of very large dark-colored geese. Suitable reward will be paid by returning to P. W. BROWN.

J. H. J. Klutz, an artist of twenty years' experience, is now employed at the Excelsior Studio, between public square and post-office.

THE RE-ORGANIZATION BILL.

Mr. Klutz Heard in Congress—His Point Carried.

Washington, Dec. 6.—The House of Representatives to-day, at the end of a long sitting, passed the army re-organization bill by a vote of 166 to 133.

Quite a number of amendments were placed upon the bill before it was passed. The liveliest fight was made upon a substitute offered by Mr. Littlefield, of Maine, for the canteen section. The substitute absolutely prohibited the sale of intoxicants at military posts. Large delegations from the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, which is in session in this city, were in the galleries.

When the vote was taken the prohibitory amendment was carried by an overwhelming majority, 137 to 51. Mr. Bartholt attempted to secure a reconsideration of the vote in the House, but the pending parliamentary status shut him out.

The sections designed to re-tire General Shafter as a major general and General Fitzhugh Lee and General James E. Wilson as brigadiers general, was stricken out. Among the amendments adopted were those providing for 50 volunteer surgeons and 150 assistant surgeons for service in the Philippines; for 30 dental surgeons and for a veterinary corps with actual rank. The officers of pay corps were increased eleven and of the signal corps 23.

Mr. Littlefield, of Maine, offered the following substitute for the canteen provision of the bill.

"The sale or dealing in beer, wine, or intoxicating liquors by any person in any post, exchange or canteen or army transport, or upon any premises used for military purposes by the United States is hereby prohibited. The Secretary of War is hereby directed to carry the provisions of this section into full force and effect."

The amendment was adopted, 159 to 51. Many members of the Women's Christian Temperance Union were in the gallery and loudly applauded the result.

Mr. Klutz, of North Carolina, moved to strike out the section for the retirement of General Shafter as a major general. He was opposed, he said, to the promotion and retirement of officers. The promotion prevailed, 131 to 100.

Meetings.

The meeting at the Presbyterian church at Spencer is being well attended and considerable interest is shown.

This morning's Charlotte Observer says: "Rev. H. L. Atkins preached an earnest sermon at Calvary Methodist church last night on the power of influence and character-building and character-guarding. The meetings there are growing in interest."

Daughters of Liberty

The Daughters of Liberty will meet to-night to nominate officers. A new member is also to be initiated—the smallest member of the order.

B. U. W.

All members of the Bankers' Union of the World are requested to meet at Young's drug store at 7 o'clock to-night.

LADIES' BAZAAR—Has just received a new line of ladies' misses' and children's jackets, also infants long cloaks; beautiful line of dress skirts. Ask to see the hold fast skirt supporter.

MRS. LINIE FINK.

The newest things in silks at Reid's.

Notice. Is hereby given, that all parties indebted to me, that has been standing over 30 days, must come and settle by December 20th, as I want to use the money in enlarging my storehouse. Don't fail to give this matter your attention.

Respectfully yours,
GEO. W. WRIGHT.
Dec. 4th, 1900.

PORTUGAL AND HOLLAND.

Diplomatic Relations Ruptured and War Likely to Follow.

[SPECIAL TO DAILY SUN.]

Madrid, Dec. 7.—So strained are the relations between Portugal and Holland that it is believed that war will inevitably follow. Diplomatic relations of the two kingdoms are severed. The dutch minister at Lisbon has been recalled and the Portuguese minister at The Hague has been ordered home.

Mobilization of the armies and navies of the two countries followed the rupture of the diplomatic relations.

Lisbon, Dec. 7.—In consequence of the action of the Portuguese government in withdrawing the executive exequatur from Herr Potts, Dutch consul at Lorenzo Marquez, on the ground that he used his Dutch office to assist the Boers and exposed Portugal in the dispute with Great Britain, Dr. Van-Weeke, the Dutch minister at Portugal and Count Deselir, Portuguese minister at the The Hague, have been withdrawn from the respective Capitals.

Van-Weede has already left here.

WOODSON-BERNHARDT WEDDING.

Announcement of Another December Church Wedding.

Announcement is made of the marriage of Mr. Walter H. Woodson and Miss Pauline Bernhardt which will be solemnized in St. Luke's Episcopal church at 8 o'clock Thursday evening, December 20th.

Mr. Woodson is a well-known young attorney of the city. He secures for a bride one of Salisbury's most charming young society ladies.

The couple are popular among a large circle of friends.

Personal.

Mrs. Clarence Sawyer, who has been visiting in the city, returned to Asheville this morning.

Mrs. G. M. Lyerly and daughter, Miss Mollie Lyerly, went to Hickory this morning to spend a week.

Mrs. Woodson, of Asheville, spent last night at her brother's, Capt. W. J. Woodrum's, and left this morning for Danville.

R. B. Rutledge spent last night in the city and went to Winston this morning. Bert is now with the United States Geological Survey Corps.

Third Anniversary.

The Spencer Baptist church will observe their third anniversary next Sunday, December 9th. Dr. J. N. Stallings, the promoter and first pastor of the church, has been invited to preach the anniversary sermon at 11 a. m. and has consented to do so. All the preachers and deacons who took part in the organization are expected to be present.

Mr. Hatley Gets \$400.

Maupin Brothers, special agents for the Travelers Insurance Company, this morning paid to Mr. R. C. Hatley \$400 for the loss of a foot at Spencer recently.

Mr. Hatley was in the sanatorium until a few days ago.

Don't You Know

Christmas is coming, you have to wait a little while yet, but watch Buerbaum's store. It will be a revelation this year. In the meantime he wishes to call your attention to Waterman's Ideal Fountain Pens, from \$2.50 to \$15.00. Other grades cheaper.

His stock of paper back and bound novels is complete. Large line of well bound popular books at 25 cents each.

Whisk Brooms from 20 cents to \$1.50 each.

There are a few very nice pieces of the Salisbury Souvenir China left, the pictures on the China are the Court House, the Presbyterian Church and the Federal Monument. The sooner you come the better the selection.

BIG INCREASE IN NAVY.

Bids Opened for Building of Battle Ships and Cruisers.

[SPECIAL TO DAILY SUN.]

Washington, Dec. 7.—Bids were opened at the office of the secretary of the navy at noon today for the construction of eleven armor plated first-class battle ships and six cruisers, representing a cost to the government of about thirty-five millions. These ships will amount to more in tonnage than the entire navy of the United States ten years ago and the number of vessels concerned than the number of battle ships and armored cruisers now in the American service.

All the big ship building firms competed and representatives of these concerns attended the opening. Prominent naval officers were present also. Bids are not tabulated yet and the amount is not yet made public.

Dead Stranger Identified.

[SPECIAL TO DAILY SUN.]

Easton, Pa., Dec. 7.—The stranger found dead in the park at Southampton, England, on Sept. 29 was Carl F. Weller, a former resident of Easton. He left here three years ago to secure a large estate in Wurtemberg and left there last August. He had several thousand dollars in his possession.

A Rough Voyage.

[SPECIAL TO DAILY SUN.]

New York, Dec. 7.—The big North German Lloyd steamer, Kaiser Frederick Der Gross, arrived this morning after the worst voyage the captain ever experienced. Over seventeen hundred steerage passengers were scared by a violent hurricane. Three children died during the voyage.

Labor Federation in Session.

[SPECIAL TO DAILY SUN.]

Louisville, Dec. 7.—President Gampers called the American Federation of labor to order at 10 o'clock yesterday morning. Two hundred delegates are present.

The most important matter to be brought before the notice of the council is the complaint of the mining engineers, firemen and machinists who want to cut loose from the general organization of the United Mine Workers, and get separate charters.

Big Coal Deal.

[SPECIAL TO DAILY SUN.]

Wheeling, Dec. 7.—Over \$150,000 were paid out this week by the Wheeling National Bank to farmers at Glenn's Run, this county, for their coal properties bought by a Pittsburg Syndicate. Over five thousand acres were taken.

The Hand of Fellowship.

[SPECIAL TO DAILY SUN.]

Durban, Dec. 6.—Lord Roberts started yesterday for Cape Town on the Canada. He was given an enthusiastic send-off. In a speech he exhorted his hearers to hold out the hand of fellowship to those who have been their enemies.

Extra fine Pork and Wiener sausage at R. W. Price's meat market.

UP-TO-DATE GROCER.

For first-class Groceries send your orders to McCulloh's.

He has a well assorted line of the choicest of Fruits, Nuts, Raisins, Cranberries, Cakes, Crackers, and the very best California Canned Goods on the market.

Prices reasonable. All orders carefully and promptly filled.

Leave your orders for Turkey, Celery, Cranberries and Oysters for Thanksgiving.

'Phone 97.