

PROPOSED NEW RAILROAD.

Survey on Road from Salisbury to Monroe via Concord and Mt. Pleasant to be started in a few days. Salisbury Post.

The announcement of the completion of the Salisbury Railroad Company which is to build a railroad from Salisbury to Monroe by way of Faith and Mt. Pleasant, has been the subject of much comment. It was generally known that some plans were on foot toward the building of such a road, but few people knew that the plans had been matured to such a point.

It is stated positively that the road will be built and a glance at the personnel of the board of directors will show that the leaders of the enterprise are not dreamers, but practical men who do things. Mr. C. M. Miller has been engaged as engineer for the company, and he will begin the survey within the next few days when the details of the route will be announced. As soon as the survey is made work will be commenced at once and the road will be pushed to completion.

It is planned by the company to build the road from Salisbury to Monroe, connecting with the Seaboard at that point, and then afterwards to extend the line further east so as to connect with the Coast Line, and north to Winston-Salem to connect with the Norfolk and Western, at a later date. Any one who is at all acquainted with the situation knows the immense possibilities for development in the section through which the new road is to be built. In the first place, the line will extend into the very heart of the large granite belt and tap an unlimited and almost inexhaustible supply of the finest granite in the world. Hundreds of cars of this granite are now being shipped to all parts of the world in spite of the very unsatisfactory and limited railroad facilities and with the increased use of granite for road building as well as architectural purposes this industry alone would supply the road with an abundance of business.

The road will also make accessible a large supply of timber of the very best quality, to say nothing of the agricultural possibilities of the section traversed, which have been undeveloped for lack of proper transportation facilities. Towns will spring up along Pleasant, which has been lying dormant for years for lack of railroad facilities, will become a large city by the new line as if by magic. Mt. Pleasant and the undeveloped resources cause of the many advantages which in the midst of which it is situated.

Sample-Farrow.

The following invitations have been issued:

Mrs. S. H. Farrow invites you to be present at the marriage of her daughter Johnie

to Mr. William Franklin Sample on the evening of Wednesday, the twenty-first of December at half after seven o'clock 263 North Union Street Concord, North Carolina.

No cards have been issued in the city.

Old Barber Shop Goes Back to 10 Cents for Shaving.

As will be seen by advertisement in our Penny Column, the Climax Barber shop, which a few weeks ago along with the other barber shops of the city raised the price of shaves to 15 cents, announces that from this date the price will again be 10 cents. The St. Cloud and the Star still charge the increased price. The new barber shop operated by parties from Charlotte started up last Monday, charging only 10 cents, and it developed an interesting situation at once.

Letters to Santa Claus.

On Friday The Tribune will begin the publication of letters from the children to Santa Claus, and these will also be published in The Times. We want the little boys and girls to write to the good old man and tell him exactly what they want. Make your letters brief and to the point, for we will have many of them to print. Write your name in plain letters, so that Santa Claus will make no mistake.

TO ADVERTISERS.

To insure change of advertisement, the copy must be in by 10 a. m. each day. Our rates are based on weekly changes. Additional changes will be charged for extra.

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KNOCKOUT BLOW TO MILEAGE REQUIREMENT.

Supreme Court Says Railroads are Guilty of Breach of Faith in Asking Exchange for Tickets.

Raleigh Special Charlotte Observer. The North Carolina Supreme Court in Harvey vs. Railroad, from Wilson county, practically deals a "knock-out" blow to the railroad mileage book regulations requiring holders to procure mileage tickets in exchange before boarding a train in its ruling just made. Harvey is a traveling man and attempted at Wilson three or four times to procure a ticket in exchange for mileage, being stood aside each time by the agent in order that he might wait on cash purchasers of tickets. Finally the train came without Harvey having gotten his ticket. He boarded the train with mileage which the conductor refused to accept, putting him off at the first station. He recovered \$2,500 damages.

Now the Supreme Court, Associate Justice Hoke writing the opinion, approves the judgment holding that Harvey had the right, under the circumstances to ride on the mileage. Chief Justice Walter Clark, in an opinion concurring with Justices Hoke and Manning in the controlling opinion of the court, holds further that the requirement that a holder of a mileage book shall obtain a ticket in exchange is a breach of faith on the part of the railroads at whose instance the special session of the General Assembly of 1908 was held to raise the passenger rate to 2 1/2 cents upon the proposition of the railroad companies that they would issue mileage books at 2 cents, meaning, Chief Justice Clark declares, the mileage to which the public had always been accustomed, whereby the mileage had been pulled on the train by the conductor. The Chief Justice also holds that the requirement to get a ticket for mileage is unreasonable and void and becoming heretofore unknown in this State and still unknown except in this State and a few adjacent States where the principal North Carolina roads extend.

\$350,000 Cotton Mill for Lexington.

Lexington Dispatch. At a meeting of the Lexington Board of Trade held last night it was announced that the much talked of new cotton mill is a certainty. Local capitalists were asked to subscribe \$100,000 and the entire amount is in sight. The other capital is being put up by Mr. O. A. Robbins, of Charlotte, who subscribes \$50,000 and Fall River, Mass., mill men who put up \$200,000. The mill will be one of the largest in this part of the country and will be a valuable addition to the industrial life.

In securing this great mill Lexington has gone up against the fiercest competition and the thanks of the community are due the loyal Board of Trade, which has brought it to pass. Details as to location of the mill, when work will begin on it, etc., have not yet been announced.

House Began Its Session Before The Chaplain Arrived.

For the first time in a long while the House Tuesday began business without asking divine guidance. The heavy snow storm that has swathed the capital in white so crippled the street car systems that Chaplain Couden did not reach the Capitol before noon, as is his custom. Speaker Cannon at the stroke of 12 brought his gavel down sharply. He looked around in perplexity. "The chaplain not having arrived," he announced finally, "the clerk will proceed with the reading of the journal." The clerk proceeded, but his droning soon was interrupted by the appearance of Dr. Couden, who delivered the prayer.

Public School Notes.

Another teacher has been added to the school at Kannapolis on account of the large attendance of the first grade, there being 90 enrolled, and a number of others will be in next week. The patrons of the school at St. John will have a meeting this afternoon for the purpose of devising methods for the improvement of the school facilities at this school. A special school tax for this district will also be discussed. This matter has been considered by the patrons of the school at St. John for sometime but as yet no definite action has been taken.

Thompson Orphanage Left Large Sum.

Charlotte Observer. The friends here of the Thompson Orphanage—and they are many—are rejoicing over the very handsome bequest of Mr. J. C. Stedman, who recently died in Fayetteville and left in his will \$5,000 for the local institution. Mr. Stedman left an estate of about \$20,000, of which one-half was bequeathed to the fatherless ones.

The Ladies' Bible Class of St. James' Lutheran Sunday School, will entertain tonight complimentary to the ladies of the church.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Some of the People Here and Elsewhere Who Come and Go.

Mrs. L. A. Brown is spending the day in Charlotte.

Miss Shirley Montgomery will return from Goldsboro tonight.

Mr. S. J. Durham, of Bessemer City, is a visitor in the city today.

Mr. W. C. Stone, of Durham, spent last night in the city.

Mrs. D. W. Tucker is seriously ill at her home on South Spring street.

Miss Elma Suther is confined to her home today on account of illness.

Mr. L. W. Brander has returned from a business trip to New York.

Mr. A. N. Stronach, of Raleigh, was a business visitor in the city yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Frank Brown has returned from Spencer, where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Sam Harris.

Misses Lucy, Addie and Eugenia Lore attended the Torrence-Levi wedding in Charlotte last night.

Miss Hazel Elliott, who has been visiting Miss Grace Brown, returned this morning to her home in Hickory.

Miss Grace Brown left this morning for Salisbury, where she will visit Miss Rosalie Bernhardt.

Miss Pattie Wallace, of Eastfield, and Miss King, of Statesville, are the guests of Mrs. W. T. Wall.

Mrs. W. J. Weddington returned this morning to High Point, after visiting relatives in the city for several days.

Messrs. A. F. Goodman, Q. E. Smith, J. B. Alexander, Lewis Hartsell and E. F. White heard Sousa in Charlotte yesterday.

Miss Margaret Ellis, who has been visiting Miss Jenn Coltrane, will return tonight to her home in Hopkinton, Ky.

Mr. George R. Royall, of Goldsboro, president of the Concord Furniture Co., is a business visitor to the city today.

Mr. Arthur Norman, who has a position with the American Machine Co., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Norman.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Cannon returned this morning from Philadelphia.

Mrs. J. S. Lafferty and Miss Gertrude Lafferty are spending the day in Charlotte.

A Diseaseless World.

At a lecture the other evening in Columbia University, New York City, a man in the audience asked Dr. Simon Flexner, director of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research if there would ever come a time when the world would be completely free of disease.

The distinguished bacteriologist under whose supervision was discovered the serum which has robbed spinal meningitis, once the deadly foe of childhood, of its terrors, replied: "Yes, but you and I will never see it, however, much may be accomplished in our time toward that end."

Some of the state papers have put Moore and Chatham counties down as having gone backward in population since the census of 1900. This is an error. The decrease was caused by a loss of territory in the formation of Lee county. The combined population of Moore and Chatham in 1900 was 47,534; and the combined population of Moore, Chatham and Lee in 1910—the latter county being composed of territory entirely belonging to the two former in 1900—is 51,021, or an increase of 3,487.—Greensboro News.

General George D. Johnstone, aged 78, one of the last surviving generals of the war between the States, died at his home in Tuscaloosa, Ala., Wednesday. He was born in Hillsboro, and went to Alabama with his parents in 1834. At the outbreak of the war he served as a lieutenant and rose rapidly to a brigadier general, serving in many battles, being wounded several times.

For Sale—A nice new cottage on Buffalo street, opposite No. 2 graded school, at a bargain. J. K. Patterson & Co.

BUYS GRAMME OF RADIUM.

Price \$75,000—Rate of \$34,000,000 Per Pound is Paid.

The English Radium Institute has concluded the purchase of a gramme of radium from the mines of the Austrian Ministry of Public Works.

The price paid is \$75,000. The money has been provided by Sir Ernest Cassell, who thus places an unusually large quantity of the metal at the disposal of the English institute for medical purposes.

Half the amount is to be delivered in January and the remainder, which is being accumulated, in three months' time.

A gramme is 1-450th of a pound avoirdupois.

At the price paid by Sir Ernest Cassell the value of radium is now about \$34,000,000 a pound.

At the rate of production spoken of it would take 225 years to make a pound of radium.

Most Interesting Talk from Chinese Missionary.

All who last evening heard Dr. H. M. Woods, of the North China Mission, at the First Presbyterian church were delighted with his vivid portrayal of the work in that section of the great Chinese Empire. Most vividly did he paint the great opportunity before the Christian church to mould opinion in China where the lethargy of ages is being shaken off and the people are awakening to the advantages of Western civilization and seeking through missionaries education. The great work Dr. Woods was enabled to do during the famine of a few years ago was modestly referred to and the depth of spirituality of recent revival among the Christian churches was impressively set forth. A cordial invitation is given to all to hear this gifted speaker tonight at 7 p. m.

Boy Kills Father.

News has just reached Wilmington of a cold-blooded murder at Verona, near that city, of Thomas Hardison, negro, by his 15-year-old son. The boy was caught the night after the patricide and is in jail at Jacksonville. The boy is said to have become enraged at his father for ordering him to remove his Sunday clothes before going to the woods with him to gather holly; that the boy returned to the house and in a few minutes overtook his father and emptied the contents of a shotgun in his breast, inflicting a wound that caused the father to die almost instantly. The boy then fled to the woods and hid, but was soon caught by a posse.

Mr. Schaub to Talk to the Boys on Corn Culture.

Mr. I. O. Schaub, of the department of agriculture, Washington, has been invited to deliver an address to the boys of Cabarrus county on the subject of "Raising Corn." Mr. Schaub has written that he will accept the invitation but on account of other engagements he is unable to tell exactly what date he will be present. The prizes in the boys' corn contest of this county will be awarded on the day he speaks here. Full details will be published later.

The Chief Justice gave a solar plexus blow to the mileage book nuisance in a concurring opinion filed yesterday. The railroads of North Carolina ought to stop this new fangled absurd regulation and return to the old plan pursued by nearly all the first-class railroads in the country. If they will not do so of their own accord, the Legislature should compel them to go back to the old rule.—News and Observer.

The Barbers' Union met the other day and unanimously passed a resolution that it was the worst kind of luck to give a razor as a present at Christmas or any other time, especially one of these safety instruments. Who ever saw a barber that did not have good sense? Some men, if given a razor as a present, are foolish enough to use it and thus cheat the barber out of his shaves.—Greensboro Record.

Gov.-elect, Simeon E. Baldwin, of Connecticut, has returned two letters from Colonel Roosevelt and will not attend a banquet where Roosevelt is until he receives a public apology from the Colonel.

STATE NEWS.

The Asheville Gazette-News tells of a Buncombe county man who emigrated to the West and prospered for a while, but is now extremely anxious to return to North Carolina.

Dr. W. C. Christmas, state veterinarian, who was called to Statesville to investigate the deaths among horses and cattle in that section supposed to be due to a dangerous contagious disease, made investigations in a number of cases and gave it as his opinion that the disease is not epidemic and there is no cause for alarm.

Sloan Bryan, an employee of the Southern Railway Company, at Spencer, was severely injured at the shops in Spencer Tuesday by being burned with molten brass. While working with a pot of the liquid metal a helper threw a wet bar of iron into the pot which caused an explosion. Particles of the molten metal flew in all directions, portions of it striking in the neck and face of Bryan which was badly hurt in one eye. E. E. Goldman, an electrician, who was passing by, was also slightly burned.

Rowan Officers Installed.

The newly elected officers for Rowan were sworn in at noon Monday. They are: Clerk of superior court, J. Frank McCubbins; register of deeds, E. H. Miller; sheriff, J. H. McKenzie; judge of county court, B. B. Miller; county solicitor, Kerr Graige; coroner, Dr. R. W. West; surveyor, C. M. Miller; treasurer, J. R. Nicholas; county commissioners, P. B. Beard, P. A. Hartman, W. P. Barber, Fred McCanness, Arthur L. Deal; Salisbury township tax collector, A. M. Rice. The commissioners met in regular monthly session immediately and elected Mr. P. B. Beard chairman, and Hon. Theo. F. Klutz county attorney, and Messrs. J. T. Robinson and J. A. Poole bridge inspectors. Use , , afternoonyt OIN

WORTHY ACTIONS.

Every man feels instinctively that all the beautiful sentiments in the world weigh less than a single worthy action.—Lowell.

TOMORROW'S BURDEN.

It has been well said that no man ever sank under the burden of the day. It is when tomorrow's burden is added to the burden of today that the weight is more than a man can bear. Never load yourself so, my friends. If you find yourself so loaded, at least remember this—it is your own doing, not God's. He begs you to leave the future to him and to mind the present.—George Macdonald.

North Carolina Day.

North Carolina Day is to be observed in the public schools throughout the state on December 23rd. It has come to be an annual affair of the schools and is really an interesting exercise.

The programs have been received by the school officials in this city and will be distributed at once in order that the children who are to recite, sing, etc., may learn their parts. The subject matter is as usual very interesting. It is as follows:

- "The Old North State—A Toast," by Mrs. Lenora M. Martin.
- "Theophilus Hunter Hill—A Biographical Sketch."
- "Song of the Butterfly," by Theophilus H. Hill.
- "John Henry Boner—A Biographical Sketch."
- "Ho! For Carolina," William B. Harrell.
- "Our Youngest Poet, John Charles McNeill—A Biographical Sketch."
- "Holding Off the Calf," John Charles McNeill.
- "America," by Samuel F. Smith.
- "Carolina."
- "The Old North State," by William Gaston.

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