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THE last days of June will be the best sales days if big bargains count for anything, and the kind we have never fail to bring out large enthusiastic crowds of bargain buyers, so for to-day, tomorrow and Monday we've prepared the biggest bargain of the season. Read on.

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TEACHERS' WEEK AT DALLAS.

An Inviting Feast Prepared—Everybody Invited.

To the Editor of the Gazette:
The Teachers' Institute, which will be held at Dallas July 7th to 12th, promises much of interest to teachers and all who are interested in education in any way.

Partial announcements have already been sent out and everybody who received one is especially invited to attend. The Superintendent has spared no pains to make it an interesting occasion and has met with splendid success. The program for the day exercises has already been published; the evenings will be occupied as follows:

Monday night a lawn party on the grounds of Gaston College given by the Dallas Social Club. Every teacher at the Institute is especially invited to be present and partake of the hospitality of this live and charming circle.

Tuesday evening Dr. C. H. Mebane, ex-State Superintendent of Public Instruction, will speak on education. Gaston is especially fortunate in securing his service.

Wednesday Dr. H. L. Smith, President of Davidson College, will lecture on X-rays (illustrating with a machine).

Thursday Dr. Collier Cobb, Professor of Geology at the State University, will give an illustrated description of the Yellowstone Park. The pictures of the geysers and waterfalls are very realistic.

Friday evening we will have either a ringing address by Professor Carlyle, of Wake Forest, or a rich and racy lecture by Professor Alex Graham, of Charlotte Graded Schools.

Arrangements have been made whereby teachers and others can get rates of one dollar per day at the hotel and boarding houses. Many have already signified their intention of coming and the success of the meeting is assured.

Let everybody interested in education in the county be present at some time or other during the week.

Every teacher is urged to come Monday and stay all week. The night exercises will be more interesting, perhaps, than the day.

Owing to the Institute, the examination of teachers for certificates will be held July 14, 15, and 16 instead of 10, 11, and 12. All applicants on those days will be examined free of charge by the Superintendent.

Agricultural Topics.

To the Editor of the Gazette:

There are thousands of farmers all over the country who, if asked why they are living in the country, will say they don't know enough to do anything else. In my opinion, the farmer, to enjoy his work must be as well educated as any other class of people. He should be familiar with scientific works, familiar with animals and insects, the growth of plants, the formation of soils, etc. The agriculturist can be the most independent man on earth if he choose. True he must rise at 3:30 a. m., work till 7:50 p. m.—work continuously for a while in the spring, scarcely taking time to eat his meals, but after two or three months the harvest of his work is done and he can "take it easy" during the remainder of the season.

Note what the post office is doing to-day for the agriculturist. Rural Free Delivery now serves a population of 4,000,000. By June 30th will be serving 5,000,000. Within four years it will embrace a million square miles of territory and serve over 25,000,000 people. What does this mean? On an average there are 125 families on an R. F. D. Route. Under the old regime they traveled from 2 to 7 miles, going to the post office. If the cost in time and wear and tear of teams be reckoned at 10c. per day for each family, that makes an aggregate of \$12.50 per day per route. The government can deliver the mail at the doors for \$2. The R. F. D. carriers are going to do this service for the farmers at a net cost to the Government of less than \$14,000,000. Great is progress!

R. D. MARTIN.

Dr. Charles C. Weaver, president of Rutherford College, was married to Miss Florence Stacy at the bride's father's, Rev. L. E. Stacy in Morven, Anson county on last Wednesday.

MR. W. C. DOWD FOR CONGRESS.

To the Editor of the Gazette:

I congratulate the people of Gaston County that they have adopted the primary system for nominating candidates for office. This indicates the triumph of real democracy and the complete control of party affairs by the people.

In order that Democrats may make a wise use of the power that is given to them it is necessary that they be correctly and fully informed as to the character and fitness of the men who are to be voted for in the coming primary. It is especially important that the people carefully consider the claims of men who aspire to represent the Democracy of the district in the Congress of the United States.

I beg to present a few facts in behalf of Mr. W. C. Dowd, whom the people of Mecklenburg will offer as a candidate for Congress

to earn bread in the sweat of his face. He was raised on a farm. He has ploughed, chopped cotton, wielded the scythe and the axe, and many times made merry music with the hammer and the anvil. He borrowed money to gain a college education, and after paying the debt, helped others to an education. He started in the newspaper business without capital, and by hard work and steadfast advocacy of Democratic principles has built up one of the best papers in the state, a paper that always sounds loud and clear for true Democracy.

In 1895 he was elected to the Senate from Mecklenburg County. He was one of the six Democrats who sat in the Senate and wrestled with the opposition in that troublous period. He showed himself to be a fine speaker and debater and won a wide reputation, receiving many



W. C. DOWD.

in this district.

Mr. Dowd is not the champion of any clique or political ring. He is neither a demagogue nor a tool of corporations. He is a plain man of the people, believing in the old Democratic ideas of the equality of all men before the law, and special privileges and favors to none. Here he has the support of all classes who wish to see our government restored to Jeffersonian simplicity, and the farmer and the laboring man placed on an equality with other classes in the benefits of legislation.

While Mr. Dowd has no prejudices against capitalists, he has every reason for feeling a deep sympathy for all men who earn their daily bread with their daily toil. He knows what it is

complimentary notices from the press. His natural good sense, solid character, and unpretentious demeanor won for him a host of friends. He is true to his principles of Democracy and true to his friends, and always true to the sturdy yeomanry who so largely make up the Democracy of the old North State.

Mr. Dowd is just thirty-seven years old, in the strong prime of young manhood. He has a big head and heart and broad shoulders. He has the character, the ability, and the legislative and industrial experience that eminently qualify him to represent the people of this district in the next Congress. Vote for him and you will do both him and yourself credit.

MECKLENBURG FARMER.

FROM MR. W. O. HARRISON.
He Mentions Some Things He Will Favor If Elected to the House.

To the Editor of the Gazette:

Being the only announced candidate for the House of Representatives, I feel it my duty to say, in answer to friend "Voter," that should I be the fortunate candidate, I will favor,

1. A reduction of the homestead by authorizing an election for voters to express their wishes on the subject.

2. A restoration of the whipping post as a protection against unworthy refugees from our sister state.

3. A more effective public school system.

4. Some amendment to present system of working public roads. They should be worked wholly by taxation or otherwise.

In short I would consult my constituency and find what a majority wanted before action. I will favor other acts of importance to our people, which I cannot enumerate here. If my answers are satisfactory to "Voter," hope he will say so in THE GAZETTE or write me.

I hope all the voters will turn out at the primaries and select the candidates they wish to vote for at the November election. But above all things, let us have peace.

Respectfully submitted
W. O. HARRISON,
Cherryville, N. C., June 19.

The board of trustees of the University of Arkansas have elected Harrison Randolph of Virginia, president of that institution.

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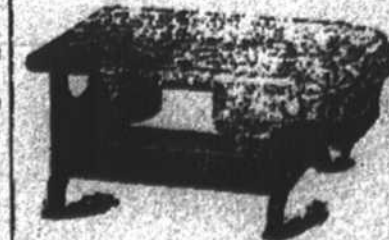


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A Perplexing Problem.

Wilmington Messenger.

The University of Chicago is going to have a man's college, a woman's college, and a co-educational college. A man or woman entering the University may choose to be segregated with his or her sex or co-educated with the students of the other sex. What we would like to know is this: Suppose all of the students of one sex, say the ladies, should choose to segregate and all, or even a part, of the male students should declare in favor of co-education; what then will President Harper do about it?

Didn't do Her Any Good.

New York World.

An old lady who sat beside Senator Depew in an F street car asked him how to get to the White House. The Senator told her. She leaned far over and said:

"I beg your pardon, but will you kindly speak a little louder. I am very deaf."

The Senator spoke louder. Then the old lady began to tell him how much an affliction her deafness was.

"Have you ever tried electricity?" the Senator asked.
"Well," she said, "I was struck by lightning last summer but it didn't do me any good."