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Mr. H. T. Harris Dead.
Kings Mountain Herald, 12th.

After an illness of about six weeks with Bright's disease Mr. H. T. Harris died at his home early Friday morning. Mr. Harris was 62 years of age and was one of the town's most honored citizens and his death will be mourned by numbers. He was twice married. His last wife who survives him, was before her marriage, Miss Emma Richardson, sister of Mr. C. W. Richardson. The deceased is also survived by the following children of his first wife: T. B. Harris, of Lincolnton; R. F. Harris, of Adonia; Mr. Claude Harris and Mrs. W. Hinkle McGinnis. The funeral services were conducted Saturday morning by Rev. C. K. Bell and the remains were buried in the city cemetery.

There were 40 infants in the New York City Morgue Tuesday, the greatest since the Slocumb disaster, as the result of the heat. All the hospitals were crowded with prostrations. There were also five adult deaths. Ten thousand people slept on Coney Island's sand at night.

THE SOUTH NOT THE WEST.

Editor Grist Tells the New Englanders That They Are Looking in the Wrong Direction for Their Greatest Opposition.

Yorkville Enquirer, 6th.

There is a noticeable feeling of apprehension throughout the northeast, especially up in New England, that the manufacturing and commercial supremacy so long enjoyed by that section is seriously threatened, and that the danger is from the west. There is no question of the fact that New England has been having velvet times in manufacturing lines for several generations, and there is no question of the fact either, that the west is a great and growing country; but while we have tremendous respect for the business perspicacity of the New Englanders, we are inclined to think that they are a little in the dark just now as to the quarter from which they are most threatened. The great south has begun to feel herself again and it will not be a great while until she begins to make herself felt of others. This is the coming part of the country; and if our friends of New England ever lose their industrial supremacy, we are inclined to believe that it is the south which will next loom up in the lead.

Will Give Yorkville Best in His Shop

Yorkville Enquirer, 6th.

Manager Babington of the Piedmont Telephone Company, says he is going to give Yorkville one of the most complete and thoroughly up to date telephone exchanges to be found in this country. The work of improvement in telephones is constant, and the Piedmont Telephone Company has been getting lots of experience as it has been going along. Yorkville is to have absolutely the best there is, not only in the matter of central office equipment; but in the matter of posts, cables, etc. "Some of you people," Mr. Babington remarked, "are kind enough to say that the telephone system is good enough as it is; but if I do not show you an improvement of something like 50 or 100 per cent, I will acknowledge that I do not know as much about the home business as I think I do."

—We understand that Claremont College, Hickory, is preparing for a large opening this fall. Extensive improvements are being made. The school has disposed of all the old furniture and placed new furniture in every room. A new heating system is also being installed. The faculty has been increased and every preparation for efficient work is being made. The school opens September 7th.

The Gazette for first-class printing.

A WEEK OF PICNICS.

Gastonia Folks Enjoy a Round of Pleasure—Three Sunday School Picnics, One Farmers Union Day Picnic, One Soldiers' Reunion and Three Days at River Bend.

If there is of going to Gastonia folk take stock in it is picnics; witness the scores of holiday occasions of this character which have been held in the county this summer. There are yet numbers of others to be held.

Tuesday there were two, Wednesday two and yesterday three. Today and to-morrow the River Bend rally continues in progress and there are probably others for to-morrow of which the reporter has failed to hear.

The feature of the annual picnic of Mountain Local No. 89 of the Farmers Union, held Tuesday at Mountain school house, four miles south of town, consisted of addresses to the farmers on topics of great interest to them. President H. Q. Alexander of the State Farmers Union and Mr. J. Zeb Green, one of the association's organizers, were the speakers. Dr. Alexander is a Mecklenburg man, a physician and a practical and successful farmer. Mr. Green is editor of Our Homes at Marsville, Union county, and is also a practical farmer. Both made strong pleas for a united effort on the part of the farmers for an improvement of soil conditions and in methods of marketing farm products. Incidentally they urged every farmer to become a member of the union. Both speeches were listened to throughout, with a real interest by a large portion of the crowd, notwithstanding the fact that the day was one of the warmest of the summer.

Music was furnished by the Farmer's Union Band and a bountiful repast was spread under the shade of the trees. While not as large as some other picnic crowds of the summer season, there were several hundred people present and everybody seemed to have a good time.

On the same day, Tuesday, the Sunday school of the First Presbyterian church went to High Shoals where the day was spent in riotous enjoyment by old and young. There were about 150 in the crowd which occupied three special cars on the northbound passenger train Tuesday morning. Dr. C. E. Adams, the efficient superintendent, accompanied the party as did also a number of the teachers and officers and parents of scholars. No accident occurred to mar the pleasure of the day. There is perhaps no prettier place for a picnic in the county than at High Shoals where boating and fishing are added to the ordinary opportunities for fun afforded by the average picnic ground. For this reason it is the mecca of many outing parties every summer.

Wednesday was the summer's big day at Union, Presbyterian church, six and a half miles south of town. Here the members of this congregation and Sunday school and practically the entire community are wont to foregather ever vacation time, usually in August, and have a day of unalloyed pleasure. This year's crowd was hardly as large as last year's but in capacity for enjoyment, in good fellowship and sociability it was equal to any crowd. The folks began to arrive early and remained late, so loath were they to see the day's end.

Union is an ideal spot for occasions of this kind. Surrounding the beautiful church—one of the handsomest, best arranged and most comfortable country churches in the State, we wager—are large and well-shaded grounds affording comfortable space for several thousand people.

At 11 o'clock a brief religious service was conducted in the main auditorium of the church by the pastor, Rev. G. A. Sparrow. It consisted of singing, prayer, the reading of a lesson from the Scriptures and a short but interesting and instructive address by the pastor.

Under the friendly oaks a sumptuous dinner was spread on long improvised tables. This over, the afternoon was spent in conversation under the shade by the older folks and in various kinds of amusement by the younger ones.

The ladies society of the church furnished ice cream, lemonade and other delicacies from an attractive booth, the proceeds going to a fund they are raising with which to furnish the ladies parlor. They realized a neat sum for this purpose.

Wednesday the Lutheran Sunday schools of the county held their annual picnic and rally at Chapel Lutheran church, two and a half miles east of town. Seven schools were represented and the attendance was about 1500. In addition to the picnic dinner which was spread under

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FOR VISITING LADIES.

Misses Nolen Entertain in Honor of Their Guests Tuesday Evening With a Delightful Event.

A pleasant social event in Gastonia this week was a reception given Tuesday evening from 9 to 12 o'clock at their home on Main avenue by the Misses Nolen, complimentary to their guests, Miss Maude Lentz, of Mount Holly; Miss Minnie Ransom, of Huntersville, and Misses Rose and Rene Wessinger, of Gaffney, S. C.

At the front door the guests were greeted by Miss Myrtle Nolen and Miss Jane Morris. They were shown by Miss Della Nolen into the sitting room where they met the guests of honor and a number of visiting guests as follows: Misses Lentz, Ransom, Wessinger, Lula Williams, Messrs. Dick Williams, A. A. Armstrong, Floyd Spake, Dr. Hall Hand, of Pineville, and Dr. W. W. Craven, of Huntersville.

The guests were then shown into the music room by Miss Pearl Galant. Here Miss Carrie Morris and Miss Mattie Love Harris delighted them with a number of excellently rendered musical renditions.

In the rear hall Miss Myra Herman and Miss Lula Davis served ice water while in the dining room, to which the guests were shown by Miss Zoe Latham, cream and cake was served by Mrs. J. L. Beal, Mrs. J. H. Williams, Miss Clara Armstrong and Miss Violet Rankin. Miss Salena Latham and Miss Lowry Shuford served punch on the front porch.

Trail was played, furnishing no small portion of the evening's pleasure. The occasion was a most delightful one, thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

For Mr. Smyre.

Messrs. A. M. and K. Dixon gave a delightful stag dinner Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Dixon on York street complimentary to Mr. Fred L. Smyre who, on the eighteenth, will become a benedict. Their guests were Mr. Smyre, Dr. P. R. Falls, Mr. J. Lee Robinson, Mr. Sam S. Shuford, Mr. Lamar C. Pogram, Mr. Ed Pogram, Mr. Jack Burnett and Mr. Chas. H. Cavis.

Gastonia's First Pellagra Case.

The first case of pellagra, the newly discovered disease, which has come to the notice of the physicians in Gaston county, was discovered at Mountain Island this week by Dr. A. Stovall and H. M. Eddieleman. The victim is Mrs. Thomas Roberts, a daughter of Mr. J. L. Grice, who lives at the Modena Mill here. These physicians were called in Tuesday and diagnosed the case as pellagra. The patient, it is understood, has a severe attack of the disease. She is about thirty years of age.

Remains on Board.

The fact was chronicled in Tuesday's Gazette that Mr. John C. Puett, member of the board of county commissioners from Dallas township, had tendered his resignation. It was further stated that a petition signed by a very large number of Gastonians asked Mr. Puett to reconsider and remain on the board. It gives The Gazette pleasure to state that Mr. Puett has consented to continue as a member of the board and has withdrawn his resignation. A business man of ability, a patriotic citizen and withal a genial gentleman, Mr. Puett's services on the board have been valuable and it is fortunate indeed for the county that he is to continue on the board.

Rev. S. S. Oliver Arrives.

Rev. S. S. Oliver arrived at Kings Mountain yesterday from Pittsboro to assume the pastorate of the Kings Mountain group of churches composed of the congregations at Kings Mountain, Long Creek and Bessemer City, a call to which he recently accepted. He will enter immediately upon his duties but will not be formally installed as pastor until immediately after the fall session of Kings Mountain Presbytery which convenes at Union Presbyterian church, this county, the last week in September. Mr. Oliver comes to his new work from the Fayetteville Presbytery, where he has labored successfully. For the past six months Rev. J. J. Kennedy has served these congregations faithfully and acceptably as supply pastor and was largely instrumental in securing Mr. Oliver for them. He held his last services for them last Sunday.

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Salisbury Post.

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Personals and Locals.

—Mr. J. W. Fletcher of Chester, S. C., was in Gastonia last Tuesday.

—Mr. Albrecht Costner, of Worth, was a Gastonia visitor Wednesday.

—Mr. J. Flay Bess made a business trip to Cherryville Wednesday.

—Misses Itara and Mary Wilson left Wednesday for Chester, S. C., on a visit to friends.

—Mr. Harry Neill, of Clover, S. C., was a Gastonia visitor Wednesday.

—Mr. T. C. Wilson, of Bessemer City was a business visitor to Gastonia last Tuesday.

—Mr. A. A. Armstrong, of Belmont, was a Gastonia visitor last Tuesday evening.

—Messrs. J. P. Chandler and R. C. Kennedy, of Bessemer City, were in Gastonia on business Wednesday.

—A section of the Union macadam road south of town has recently received a fresh layer of gravel dust that helps it considerably.

—Miss Kate Cody, of Yorkville, S. C., passed through Gastonia Wednesday en route to Banner Elk on a visit to friends.

—Capt. H. S. Ross, of the Carolina and Northwestern Railway Company, was a Gastonia visitor Wednesday.

—Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Williams, of Clover, passed through Gastonia Wednesday en route home from a visit to Baltimore, Md.

—Mr. J. H. Bost left yesterday for Charlotte, having made a final disposition of the stock and fixtures of the Fair Store.

—Mrs. R. C. Warren and children returned yesterday from Shelby, where they have been on a visit to relatives.

—Misses Carrie and Janie Morris left yesterday for Montezuma where they will be the guests for a week or ten days of Miss Ivah Bagley.

—Mr. Augustus Fronberger, of Cherokee Falls, S. C., returned home Wednesday after visiting his brother, Mr. R. A. Fronberger.

—Rev. and Mrs. Brady L. Stroup, of Newton, have been the guests for some days of Rev. Mr. Stroup's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cephas Stroup, on route two, having come down to attend a family reunion which was held at their home yesterday.

—Two wagons reached Gastonia yesterday morning bearing an aggregate of 280 split cotton baskets. One contained 150 and the other 130. They were priced at 65 and 75 cents, there being two sizes.

—The premium list of the forty-ninth annual North Carolina State Fair, which is to be held in Raleigh the week of October 18th, has been received at this office. Those who intend to make exhibits should begin now to work for the splendid premiums offered.

—A little child of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Pressly died Tuesday evening at their home at the Lory Mill, aged about 15 months. The funeral services were conducted at the home Wednesday morning by Rev. A. S. Anderson, pastor of the Lory Presbyterian church and interment was made at Shiloh cemetery.

—Prof. Jonas M. Costner, of the State school for the Blind at Raleigh, arrived Wednesday to visit his brother, Mr. F. A. Costner. Another brother, Engineer Jacob M. Costner, of the Southern Railway, is expected here Monday also. Mr. Costner runs No. 38 from Atlanta to Greenville, S. C., and pulls No. 43 from Greenville to Atlanta.

—At least two additional sites for the new county buildings have been tendered to the board of county commissioners since the election, these being outside of the number on which options are held. Mr. L. L. Jenkins and Mr. S. F. Stewart, it is understood, have each offered their residence property on South Marietta street. The prices are not given for publication.

—Persons wishing to go on the B-B excursion from Charlotte to Johnson City, Tenn., over the C. C. & O. next Thursday, the 19th, should see Mr. Chas. H. Cavis at Torrence's drug store who has tickets on sale and can furnish any information desired regarding the trip. Fifteen or more Gastonians have already prepared to go and it is probable that forty or fifty Gastonians will take advantage of this opportunity to take a trip over the new road and see the magnificent scenery. Tickets bought from Mr. Cavis up to and including Saturday night of this week can be had for \$3 for the round trip, this including reserved seat. Next week the tickets will cost \$3.50. This is not a "baseball" excursion as one might be lead to believe by a casual glance at the flyers headed "B-B Excursion." It is run and operated by the Brevard and Belmont Methodist churches of Charlotte in conjunction. Gastonia's contingent will leave here on No. 44 at 5:23 Thursday morning and will probably get back home on No. 35 Friday night.

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