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OVER GASTON.

Lowell Locals.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

LOWELL, Jan. 14.—There have been very few changes in business circles. The merchants have finished taking stock.—Mr. Rone Hix has accepted a position with Mr. A. R. Leonhardt.—Mr. Henry Ursery has opened up a meat market in his store.—Mrs. G. A. Baker returned last week from a visit to relatives in Charlotte.—Mr. J. B. Lutz, of Catawba county, was in town on business Monday.—Miss Mary Reid was a Gastonia visitor Monday.—Mrs. Sadie Warren is recovering from an attack of pneumonia.—Mr. S. J. Hand was a Belmont visitor Tuesday.—Grady Hilton is ill with pneumonia.—Misses Mabel and Mamie Ford were Gastonia shoppers Tuesday.—Miss Virginia Robinson visited friends in Charlotte last week.—Mrs. T. P. Rankin and daughter, Roberta, visited Mrs. Lloyd McConnell at Derita this week.—Mr. S. M. Robinson made a business trip to Charlotte Tuesday.—Rev. R. A. Miller was a Gastonia visitor Tuesday.—Miss Alice Jenkins is sick this week.—Miss Annie Ford is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cox in Charlotte this week.—Mrs. Tom Ford left Wednesday to spend some time with relatives at Whitmore, S. C.—Mrs. M. J. Campbell, who has been ill for the past three months, is steadily improving.

MAYESWORTH MUSINGS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

MAYESWORTH, Jan. 13.—Miss Stones, of Dallas, visited the family of Mr. Z. G. Holdcraft last week.—Mr. L. A. Dodsworth and family, of Charlotte, were here last week.—Rev. J. Frank Harrelson was a McAdenville visitor Friday.—Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Skidmore spent Saturday in Charlotte.—Mr. Will Boyd spent Saturday night in Charlotte.—Mr. L. W. Jenkins and Mr. Albee, of McAdenville, were pleasant callers here Sunday.

Among some of our young men who spent Sunday afternoon in Gastonia were Messrs. C. C. Dawson, Bright Duncan and C. Welsh.—Mr. A. E. Moore and Attorney A. G. Mangum, of Gastonia, were in our little burg a while Monday. Mr. Moore has acquired a large interest in the mill here and was recently elected secretary and treasurer to succeed Mr. L. A. Dodsworth.—Miss Evelyn Boyd, who is attending school in Charlotte, spent Saturday and Sunday here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Boyd.—Mr. Geo. McGinnis, of Monroe, is visiting at the home of Mr. C. D. Skidmore.—Mr. L. L. Todd, of Gastonia, passed through Tuesday en route to Belmont.—Miss Lizzie Pressley is spending this week in the country.—Mr. J. C. Niell, of Gastonia, was in our town Wednesday.—Mr. L. B. Rogers was a Mount Holly visitor this week.—Mr. J. R. Gheen, who has been indisposed for several days, is able to be out again.—Mr. Ed Lewis, of Gastonia, is here this week helping to inventory the stock of the Mayes Manufacturing Co.

Dallas Dots.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

DALLAS, R. F. D. 1, Jan. 13.—Mrs. Laban Quinn, of Gastonia, spent Sunday night in this section with Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Clemmer.—Master Ray Ratchford is very sick with pneumonia.—Miss Julia McAllister, of Dallas, spent a part of this week on route one, the guest of Miss Florence Pasour.—Little Miss Carrie Dixon, after spending the holidays with her grandparents in this section, returned to her home in Gastonia to resume school duties.—Mr. Z. N. Ratchford, who has been in Ashland, Va., for the past three months returned to Gaston last week.—Miss Mabel Dixon is on the sick list.—Little Miss Nellie Clemmer and Masters Clold and Hasker, of Bessemer, visited their grandfather, Mr. W. D. Clemmer, last week.—Lee Pasour is suffering with a light attack of pneumonia.—Mrs. C. P. Ratchford has been right sick for the last few days.

McAdenville Matters.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

McADENVILLE, Jan. 13.—Mr. G. L. Wright left Monday for Raleigh to attend the annual meeting

THE LAYMEN.

Delegates from Every Section of State Begin Enthusiastic Convention in Greensboro.

Charlotte Observer.

Greensboro, Jan. 13.—The convention of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, in session in West Market Street Methodist church here, is one of the largest and most enthusiastic religious gatherings that ever assembled in the State. About 1,500 delegates have been enrolled from all sections of North Carolina, representing practically all the Protestant denominations. The attendance is so much greater than was expected that the women have been asked to vacate the gallery of the church auditorium. It was stated that this was the first time in the history of the Laymen's Movement that such a request had been necessary.

At tonight's session Dr. J. H. Apple of Frederick, Md., spoke on "The Laymen's New Horizon" and Rev. Dr. A. P. Parker, a returned missionary, delivered a stirring address on "The Progress of Christianity in China." Rev. A. S. Foyle of Alexandria, Va., made an address on "The Field is the World." At this afternoon's session Rev. W. L. Lingle of Atlanta spoke on "Prayer and Missions," and Dr. J. T. Renerson of Bristol, secretary of the Laymen's Movement in the Southern Baptist Convention, discussed "The Adequate Missionary Policy." Hon. W. B. Stubbs and Dr. J. O. Reavis of Nashville made addresses on "The Missionary Committee the Right Hand of the Laymen's Movement" and "Business System in Missionary Finance."

Rev. Dr. Neal L. Anderson of Winston-Salem announced that Mrs. C. C. McAllister of Asheboro would establish a fund for the support of a missionary in memory of her son, John Worth McAllister, who died a few months ago. The convention offered special prayers for the stricken families of Rev. Dr. Samuel M. Smith of Columbia and Rev. John Wakefield of Barium Springs.

of the Grand Lodge of the Masonic order. Mr. Wright went as a representative of the South Fork Lodge here.—Mrs. M. E. Cashion and daughter, Mrs. Mandie Rhyne, are spending some time in Danville, Va., as the guests of Mrs. Cashion's daughter, Mrs. B. N. Turner.—Mr. H. M. McAden and Dr. C. A. Bland, of Charlotte, were business visitors here Tuesday.—Mr. Fred F. Fletcher, of Charlotte, spent Wednesday here with friends.—Mr. James T. McAden is back at his home here after spending several days with relatives and friends in Charlotte.—Mrs. A. M. Dixon spent Tuesday afternoon here as the guest of her mother, Mrs. R. R. Ray.—Mr. S. B. Brymer was a Gastonia visitor Thursday.—Mr. W. B. Craig is rapidly recovering from a very severe attack of pneumonia.—Mr. I. W. Shields has been confined to his room for several days with grip.—Prof. J. L. Webb spent Wednesday with friends in Dallas.—Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Reid, of Forest City, attended the funeral here Sunday of the latter's father, Mr. R. A. Wilson.

The seven-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Tip Clark died here Sunday and was buried at Hickory Grove.—Mr. J. W. Bradshaw and family moved to Gastonia Wednesday.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the residence of Mr. J. M. Wilson, in Lowell, over the remains of his father, Mr. Robert A. Wilson, whose death occurred Saturday at a hospital in Gastonia. The services were conducted by Rev. R. A. Miller and Rev. R. S. Howie. The deceased was 60 years of age, having been born in Greenville county, South Carolina, on June 10th, 1849. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. James Steading, of Pelham, S. C., and six children, as follows: Mr. James M. Wilson, of Lowell; Mrs. J. B. Reid, and Mrs. R. A. Wilson, Jr., of McAdenville; Mrs. L. B. Reid, of Forest City, and Messrs. W. P. and S. E. Wilson, of Austin, Montana. Following the funeral services the remains were laid to rest in the Lowell cemetery.

—Mr. T. M. McEntyre was a business visitor to Gaffney Tuesday.

A GOOD YEAR.

Gastonia Banks Did Satisfactory Business During 1909—Stockholders and Directors Met Tuesday—No Changes in Officers.

Tuesday the Citizens National Bank and the First National Bank held their annual stockholders' and directors meetings, this being the day on which all the national banks hold their meetings.

The reports made by the officers of the Citizens National Bank to the stockholders of that institution showed it to be in most excellent shape, the past year having been the best in its history. In addition to paying the regular semi-annual dividend of three per cent, the net sum of \$10,000 was passed to the surplus fund and the undivided profits were considerably augmented. All of the old directors were elected and the directors in turn elected all of the old officers, as follows: President, R. P. Rankin; vice president, C. N. Evans; cashier, A. G. Myers; assistant cashier, W. H. Adams; directors—R. P. Rankin, C. N. Evans, A. G. Myers, J. M. Sloan and W. T. Love.

The year just passed has also been a most satisfactory one with the First National Bank and the stockholders expressed themselves as being greatly pleased with its condition. The meeting of the stockholders of this institution, as well as the meeting of the board of directors which followed, was taken up largely with routine matters. The old board of directors was re-elected as follows: L. L. Jenkins, J. L. Robinson, A. A. McLean, G. A. Gray, R. R. Ray, H. M. McAden, T. L. Craig, A. E. Moore, J. O. White and J. K. Dixon. The directors re-elected the old officers as follows: L. L. Jenkins, president; J. Lee Robinson, vice president; S. N. Boyce, cashier; M. T. Wilson, assistant cashier; J. K. Dixon, Jr., teller. The out-of-town stockholders present were Rev. R. A. Miller, of Lowell; R. R. Ray, of McAdenville; H. M. McAden, and Dr. C. A. Bland, of Charlotte, and C. R. Pasour, of Dallas.

LUCIA LOCALS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

LUCIA, Jan. 12.—Mr. William Lockman, of Lowesville, has purchased the Mr. Nal Beatty property at Lucia. He has gone in the merchandise business with Mr. A. U. Stroup and will make this his future home. His many friends welcome him in our community.

Miss Stroup, of Alexis, is visiting her brother, Mr. A. U. Stroup.—Miss Robena McIntosh visited Miss Fannie Carpenter Saturday and Sunday.—Miss Mabel McIntosh, of Charlotte, is spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. McIntosh.—Miss Lula Belle Black and Miss Iver McIntosh returned to Davenport College last week to resume their studies.—Mr. and Mrs. Mac M. Grice have been visiting relatives at Belmont and Mount Holly.—Miss Bessie Morris, teacher of the Mountain Island school, visited at the home of Mr. S. H. Black Friday and Saturday.—Mr. Conrad Black and family, of Triangle visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Black, during the holidays.—Miss Effie Hoover, of Dallas, visited here last week.—Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Black spent the beginning of last week at the home of Mr. Walter Cavin, at Mount Holly.—Messrs Earl and Jimmie Connell spent the holidays with their grandmother in Charlotte.—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barefoot will make their home for the present at Open View farm in River Bend.—The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. William Allen, who died on the 4th, was laid to rest in the Snow Hill church cemetery. Their many friends sympathize with them in their great sorrow.

Jack Edwards not Dead.

Lincoln County Times, 11th. The report some how got circulated last week that Jack Edwards was dead, but such is not the case. He is confined to his room with rheumatism and seems to have lost a good deal of strength he had before the attack.

Three persons were burned to death in a fire which destroyed several of the smaller buildings on the Jamestown Exposition grounds at Norfolk, Va., Wednesday.

FOUND DEAD.

Body of Victor E. Reinhardt, of Lincoln, Found in Philadelphia—Death Due to Acute Kidney Trouble—Nephew of Mrs. John O. Rankin, of Gastonia.

Yesterday morning's Charlotte Observer carried the following tragic story under a Philadelphia date line of the 12th:

In a lodging house at No. 44 North Eleventh street, where he had rented a room last night, the dead body of Victor E. Reinhardt was found at noon by the proprietor, Thomas Murphy. The body lay across the bed fully clothed and the arms and legs were drawn up as though in defense and the facial features were rigid in lines of intense fear. At first it was thought that the man died either from poison or foul play. The police deny this, after an investigation, and the physicians of Hahnemann hospital, where the body was taken immediately after discovery, say that death was caused by uraemia.

Reinhardt was about 21 years old and the son of R. S. Reinhardt, a wealthy cotton mill owner in Lincoln, N. C. He left home for a pleasure trip about a week ago. Murphy says Reinhardt came to his lodging house about 8 o'clock Tuesday night, rented a room for which he paid in advance and was not seen again until the door was broken in at noon today, when the proprietor became suspicious that something was wrong. A condition contributing toward the poison theory was the fact that the entire body had turned blue. The hospital physicians say that this was due to the nature of the disease from which he suffered.

A wallet found in a pocket contained only 6 cents. Papers completed the identification, and in the evening a friend in this city carried out instructions from the parents to have an undertaker take charge of the body which had been at the morgue. Despite the absolute denial of any suspicious circumstances connected with the death, the detectives and coroner's office are investigating all the circumstances.

The news of young Reinhardt's death called forth many expressions of sorrow in Gastonia yesterday morning. The family has many friends here whose sympathy goes out to them in their great sorrow. The unfortunate young man was a nephew of Mrs. John O. Rankin who will go to Lincoln to attend the funeral. Mr. W. A. Fair and Mr. Rudisill, of Lincoln, went to Philadelphia and will return with the body this afternoon.

Kincaid-Spencer.

The following is from The Lenoir Topic of the 12th: Today at noon at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Spencer, one mile east of Lenoir, Mr. Theo. P. Kincaid and Miss Mary Spence were united in marriage, the ceremony being performed by Dr. C. C. Weaver, president of Davenport College. The wedding was a quiet home affair and only a few relatives and friends were present. The bride and groom left on the afternoon train today for a few days visit to Gastonia, Charlotte and other points in the State. Many friends will join in sincere congratulations and good wishes.

Annual Meeting.

Wednesday the stockholders of the Trenton Cotton Mills held their annual meeting in the company's office and transacted routine business. The office of secretary and treasurer was changed to that of president and treasurer, the secretaryship being made a separate office. Following is the list of officers elected at the directors' meeting: President and treasurer, J. K. Dixon, Sr.; vice president, L. L. Jenkins; secretary, E. N. Peggam; directors—F. Torrence, L. L. Jenkins, H. F. Forbes, E. N. Lineberger, J. K. Dixon. Mr. A. M. Dixon was re-elected superintendent. Reports from the officers showed the condition of the mill to be good. During 1909 two new twistors and one ball warper have been added.

—Attorney George W. Wilson went to Gaffney on professional business Tuesday.

COUNCIL MEETS.

City Fathers Hold Regular Session and Transact Small Amount of Business.

The regular monthly meeting of the city council for January was held Tuesday night at the city hall, no business of especial importance being transacted.

Permission was granted the Southern Railway to lay a side track across York street provided the laying of said track does not interfere with or in any way damage the street.

The following resolution was adopted: The mayor and board of aldermen express their appreciation of the efficient services of the appraisers appointed in the condemnation cases and disclaim any intention to reflect upon their motives or intelligence as appraisers in any of the orders or resolutions set forth in the minutes of the board. The treasurer is ordered to pay them the ordinary fees allowed by the statute for appraisers of \$3 per day.

Supt. H. Rutter, of the water and light department, was authorized to publish in the local papers, a notice to the property owners on Franklin avenue between Broad and Chester streets to make all their water and sewerage connections before the grading and macadamizing of this street is completed for the new electric railway.

Bills amounting to \$1,461.54 were referred to the finance committee for payment. A few other matters of minor importance were disposed of.

BACK AT WORK.

Westminster School Resumes After Holidays With Old Boys Back and a Few New Ones.

Correspondence of The Gazette. RUTHERFORDTON, Jan. 13.—Our holidays are over and most of the old boys are back to resume their studies. All report that they had a fine time Christmas, some in hunting and others in various kinds of sport. They have all buckled down to study once more and have started on the home stretch toward June. All of the teachers are back and report a splendid time during the holidays. Six new students have registered since the first.

The erection of a new dormitory and a president's house will begin early in the spring. The dormitory is to stand to the left of Rutherford Hall and the president's house will stand opposite.

The boys are hard at work on the new ball ground leveling it down. They are counting on getting out a good team this season. A meeting of the ball players was held last week and Mr. J. B. Sibe, Jr., was chosen captain.

Mr. Robert Moore and Mr. Quinn Huffstler are confined to their rooms with grip.

Attention Veterans.

The following veterans who have applied for Crosses of Honor will be emfwpy shrdlu shrdlu please be present to receive them Wednesday, January 19th, at 10.30 a. m. at the Lee-Jackson exercises, viz: W. D. Delinger, J. M. McGinnis, John Lindsay, John A. Payne, J. P. Wallace, M. L. Furr, M. J. Mauney, W. A. Falls, J. A. Neil, E. M. Anders, T. N. Alexander, B. E. Benfield, M. L. Beam, Samuel Cauley, E. M. Ford, E. B. Garrison, R. B. Harvey, N. Hullender, Philip Hevener, John Lowe, L. K. Leonhardt, David Morrison, Moses Stroup, I. N. Price, D. A. Parker, Ambrose Rhyne, Henry Elmore, W. M. Robinson, J. B. Carson, David Jenkins, James L. Johnson, L. D. Lindsay, W. L. Lambert, John Lowe, A. M. Pasour, J. C. Stowe, J. R. Underwood.

MRS. H. M. EDDLEMAN, Custodian.

Building Permits in 1909.

During the year ending December 31, 1909, building permits were issued in Gastonia in a total sum of \$202,750.00. This was the first year in the town's history that an accurate record of building permits has been kept but it is probably the best year in Gastonia's history in this line. The coming year will no doubt show even a better record.

—Mr. J. M. Hampton made a business trip to Gaffney, S. C., Wednesday.

Personals and Locals.

—Prof. F. P. Hall, of Belmont, was among yesterday's business visitors in Gastonia.

—Mr. W. T. Rankin and Mr. R. B. Babington are attending the laymen's meeting at Greensboro.

—Mr. J. R. Price, a prominent attorney, of Albemarle, was a business visitor in Gastonia Wednesday.

—Hon. O. F. Mason, of Dallas, was in Gastonia on business Wednesday.

—Prof. J. L. Webb, of McAdenville, was a business visitor in Gastonia Wednesday.

—The front of the Citizens National Bank building is receiving a new coat of paint.

—Mrs. J. M. Hampton is suffering from grip at her home on Long avenue.

—Mr. G. M. Rhyne, of route three, killed a hog Monday which was only nine months old but weighed 350 pounds net.

—Miss Emma Henderson, of Mt. Hooly, is spending some time with her niece, Mrs. I. F. Lineberger.—Lincoln County News, 11th.

A minstrel play is being gotten up to be presented on February 22nd. The boys expect to make it a success.

—The many friends of Mrs. E. C. Wilson will be glad to learn that she has recovered from quite a severe attack of grip, and is now able to be out again.

—Mrs. S. H. Myers, who has been visiting her son, Mr. A. G. Myers, and her daughter, Mrs. M. F. Kirby, Jr., returned yesterday to her home in Charlotte.

—Mr. T. N. Harmon, of Los Angeles, Cal., who has been spending several weeks with relatives at Kings Mountain, is spending the day with friends in Gastonia.

—Dr. W. H. Hoffman left yesterday for Bradenton, Fla., where he will spend several weeks. He was accompanied as far as Atlanta by his daughter, Miss Susie Hoffman.

—Mr. O. L. Hoffman, of Yorkville, route one, passed through Gastonia Wednesday en route to Charlotte, where he will make his home in the future.

—Miss Ida McAllister, of Dallas, was a pleasant visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. McAllister last Saturday and Sunday.—Lincoln County News, 11th.

—Rev. Brady L. Stroup, pastor of the Lutheran church at Newton, spent Tuesday night and Wednesday here on business. While here he paid a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cephas Stroup, on route two.

—At the opera house Wednesday night a good audience was present and enjoyed the fourth attraction in the lyceum course, which was "The Honolulu Students," an aggregation of Hawaiian musicians.

Judge John Calvin Reich, a noted lawyer, author and scholar, of Atlanta, died Wednesday at Montgomery, Ala., aged 73. He was a Confederate veteran and was an active leader in Ku Klux circles during the reconstruction period.

—Mrs. Alice Harbin left this morning for Lincoln to attend the funeral of her cousin, Mr. Reinhardt, an account of whose death in Philadelphia is given on another page.

—Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Kincaid are expected to arrive in Gastonia today to be the guests for a short time of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hahn. They are en route home to Lenoir from their bridal trip. They expect to leave for Lenoir tomorrow.

—Tuesday's Cleveland Star says that Mr. W. P. Eddleman, formerly Gaston's superintendent of roads, has begun the work of constructing the macadam road system for No. six township in that county. The amount to be expended is \$100,000.

—The Gazette hears, on good authority, that Mr. J. Madison Kendrick will be a candidate for sheriff at the next Democratic primary. Mr. Kendrick is at present a deputy sheriff, having had considerable experience in this line. He is a vigilant officer and an all-round hustler. If nominated and elected he would make the county a good officer. His numerous friends, at whose solicitation it is understood he has decided to make the race, will lend him generous and loyal support.