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OVER GASTON COUNTY.

ARLINGTON NEWS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
ARLINGTON MILL, Feb. 16.—The biggest snow this winter fell last Friday, February 11th. The north hillsides are white yet; reminds us that winter weather will continue a while yet.
The old winter complaint is common among us. Among the sick are Mr. E. W. Hicks' family, cold and grip; Mr. M. G. Camp's family, grip and other sickness; Mr. S. L. Wentz' and Mr. William Eason's children, grip, and many others.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Odus Sumlin, February 13, 1910, a daughter.
We noticed some parties making a survey out this way last Monday, said to be a survey of the Gastonia streetcar line. We will be glad to see this connected and in operation and believe it will receive a large and continuous patronage of all West Gastonians, it being two and a half miles from this point. Many would go regularly who do not care to walk that distance to the many big sales, etc., that are frequently advertised through the county's greatest medium for advertising and for current news, The Gazette.

Lowell Locals.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
LOWELL, Feb. 17.—Wednesday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at the residence of Rev. R. A. Miller, Mr. James A. Leeper, of Belmont, and Miss Mamie Ford were united in marriage, Rev. R. A. Miller officiating.
Thursday evening at 7 o'clock at the residence of Mr. Frank Dilling Mr. George P. Featherston and Miss Minnie Lee Dilling were married by Rev. R. A. Miller.
Mr. Garnet Cox was a Gastonia visitor Tuesday.—Miss Frank Leonhardt is visiting friends in Charlotte this week.—Rev. G. A. Sparrow, of Union, was the guest of Rev. R. A. Miller Monday night.—Mr. Joe Mitchem was a Dallas visitor Wednesday.—Mr. James Featherston, of Gastonia, was here on business Thursday.—Mr. George Cox went to Charlotte Wednesday.—Master Walter Smith, of Charlotte, is visiting friends here this week.

New Hope News Notes.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
NEW HOPE, Feb. 17.—A very simple but pretty home marriage ceremony was performed Tuesday at 2 o'clock by Rev. J. B. Cochran, of Concord. The bride was Mrs. Mary Hoffman, of Union, the groom Mr. R. Bruce Dameron, a prominent salesman for the W. T. Ford store. They have the good wishes of their many friends on the consummation of their marriage vows.
Three children of Mr. and Mrs. Chalmers Elmore have been critically ill with pneumonia.—Miss May Harrison was a Gastonia shopper Tuesday.—Mrs. P. L. Horsley visited her daughter, Mrs. Lee Lewis, Wednesday.—Miss Mary Craig is right sick.—Mr. Ernest Jackson and sister, Miss Vernie, visited their sister, Mrs. W. A. Robinson, of Hickory Grove Saturday night.
Owing to the inclemency of the weather Sunday, only a few were out to hear Rev. A. S. Anderson of Gastonia.—Messrs. A. L. Guy, W. A. Jackson and Coleman Womble were business visitors in Charlotte Thursday.—Miss Ethel Stowe has been sick, but is much better.—Rev. G. A. Sparrow will preach here Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.—Mrs. Charles Elmore has been indisposed for several days.—Rev. J. B. Cochran, of Concord, visited Mr. W. T. Ford Tuesday.—Mrs. Will Harrison is spending the week with her parents (Mr. and Mrs. Charles Elmore.—Miss Alda Ragan, of Gastonia, is spending the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Ragan.

INTERESTING MEETING.

Citizens of Clover Enter With Enthusiasm Upon the Organization of a Building and Loan Association.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
CLOVER, S. C., Feb. 17.—A meeting of those interested in the Building and Loan Association met in the office of the Clover Manufacturing company Tuesday night for the purpose of having the workings of these associations explained to them by

Mr. E. G. McLurd, of Gastonia, who told of the workings of these institutions, together with the benefits to be derived therefrom as individuals and as a town. The intelligent manner in which Mr. McLurd discussed his subject showed him to be a very capable Building and Loan man and one capable of giving advice.

After Mr. McLurd's address Mr. Calhoun, of Spartanburg, made an address, giving his experience as a building and loan bookkeeper and telling of the good results obtained through these associations in Spartanburg and other towns where he had lived. The addresses were so thoroughly satisfactory that the meeting was called to order and a commission appointed consisting of Messrs. M. L. Smith, W. I. Brison and J. A. Page, to secure a charter. Another meeting of subscribers will be held next Tuesday night for organization.

Mrs. Jane Peay, of Chester, is visiting her parents, Capt. and Mrs. W. I. Brison.—Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Press; left yesterday with their little daughter, Elsie, for Baltimore, to consult a specialist as to her condition.—Mrs. Price Rankin and Mrs. Lean Adams of Gastonia, are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Clinton, this week.—Mr. W. P. Smith made a business trip to Columbia this week.

ASSAULTS YOUNG GIRL.

J. P. Spake, of Crouse, Assaults Miss Lillie Aderholdt, Who Lives Near Crouse.

Cherryville Eagle, 16th.
On last Saturday J. P. Spake, of Crouse was carried to Lincolnton and tried before M. C. Padgett on the charge of having assaulted Miss Lillie Aderholdt, a fifteen-year-old girl. The girl is a daughter of Mr. Sylvanus Aderholdt, of Crouse, and is a highly esteemed citizen of that place. Mr. Spake is about sixty years of age and has many acquaintances in and around Cherryville who will be grieved to hear of this occurrence. He denies the charge but the girl firmly declares that the charge is correct. Her clothing was badly torn and her body was bruised to the extent that a physician was called to attend her.

A quilting was announced to be held at Mr. Spake's and the mother and daughter were invited to be present. The daughter has a little dog which is a great rat killer. This dog followed Mrs. Aderholdt and daughter to the home of Mr. Spake. While the quilting was in progress Mr. Spake suggested to Miss Lillie that they take the dog to the barn and catch rats. This is the place she firmly declares he assaulted her.
He was bound over to court in a \$1,000 bond. Failing to give the bond he was committed to jail. To say the least, it is a sad affair.

Mr. L. M. West Dead.

At his home on Church street yesterday afternoon at 6 o'clock Mr. L. M. West died after an illness of two weeks from pneumonia. The funeral is being held this afternoon, 3 o'clock, at the home, conducted by Rev. J. J. Beach, pastor of East Baptist church. Interment will follow in Shiloh cemetery. Mr. West was an employe of the Avon Mill and had resided here for a number of years. He is survived by a widow and seven children. Mr. William West, a brother, arrived in Gastonia last night to attend the funeral. The bereaved family has the sympathy of many friends in their bereavement.

To Open Store in Spartanburg.

Mr. T. T. Lucas, who was formerly in business here, is soon to open up a store in Spartanburg, S. C., Wednesday's Charlotte Observer says: "Mr. T. T. Lucas has organized a company to engage in the mercantile business in Spartanburg, S. C., and they already have a buyer in the markets of the North selecting a line of goods. Mr. Lucas is a graduate of Wofford College which is situated in Spartanburg and during such a connection he gained a competent insight into business conditions there. Mr. Lucas is an experienced merchant, having been in business for a number of years in Anderson, S. C."

Luck Hammond, a young white man wanted at Winston-Salem on a charge of highway robbery, was arrested in Bluefield, W. Va., a few days ago.

MR. J. B. F. RIDDLE DEAD.

One of Gaston's Landmarks Passes Away at Home in Union Neighborhood at Advanced Age.—Funeral and Burial at Union Church This Morning—Was Last of His Immediate Family—Served in Confederate Army.

In the death at his home in the Union neighborhood Wednesday night at 11 o'clock of Mr. J. B. F. Riddle Gaston county lost one of its oldest and most highly esteemed citizens. His passing was not a matter of surprise to his family or his friends as he had been quite feeble of late. For the past two years he had been growing feebler rapidly and, though able until the past two or three weeks to get out and around he was growing gradually weaker all the time. About two weeks before his death he was in Gastonia and his friends who saw him then realized that the end was not very far in the future. This fact, however, did not lessen the grief that is felt by his large family connection and his wide circle of friends in Gaston and York counties.

A large concourse of relatives and friends was present this morning at 11 o'clock at Union Presbyterian church to attend his funeral and pay a last tribute of love and respect to his memory. Rev. G. A. Sparrow, pastor of the church, conducted the services after which the body was laid to rest in the Union cemetery where it lies among those of family and friends who preceded him to the great beyond. Mr. Riddle had been a member of this church for a large part of his long life and for the past many years had faithfully and acceptably filled the place of elder in this congregation.

Joseph Benjamin Franklin Riddle was born just across the line in the Bethel section of York county February 20, 1829, and hence would have been 81 years old had he lived till the coming Sunday. He was a son of John Riddle, a substantial and well-to-do farmer of York county. Up until thirty years ago he lived at the old place in Bethel, moving thence to this county and locating near the old Stowe mill on Crowders Creek. Here he had lived continuously since, his daughter Miss Lula Riddle, living with him. He married Miss Araminta Martin, of this county. She died in 1887. To them were born nine children, of whom four survive. These are Mr. J. W. Riddle, Mr. W. B. Riddle, Mrs. G. R. Patrick and Miss Lula Riddle. The five dead were J. H., Mac, Robert, Craig and Clarissa. He had two brothers. One of them, Marcus, died during the late war and the other, George, was killed in a gin many years ago. He was the last surviving member of his immediate family.

Mr. Riddle served the Southern cause valiantly during three years of the Civil war, being a member of Company H, Twenty-Third North Carolina Regiment.

No man in his community, or in the two counties with which he was identified as for that matter, was held in higher esteem than Joe Riddle. He was a man of the highest type of character—kind and charitable toward all, conscientious in the discharge of every duty of life and loyal in every relation. During the last few years of his life he lived much in the shadows, having been bowed under a heavy weight of grief because of the death of two of his sons. He was a man of the character that makes for the best in any and every community and at whose passing there is much cause for sorrow on the part of relatives and friends and citizens generally.

Notices of New Ads.

Frost Torrence & Co.—Fresh garden seed.

Robinson Shoe Co.—Party Slippers.

Swan-Slater Co.—Spring shipment of Stetson hats just received.

Padgett & Loughridge—New meat market in Beal bridge.

First National Bank—Modern banking.

Rankin Furniture Co.—Big special fifteen day rug and druggery sale.

T. E. Robinson—Mortgage sale of land.

Abernethy-Shields Drug Co.—It's wrong to let the children cough.

Mrs. E. L. Williamson, who has been the guest for several weeks of her brother, Rev. R. C. Anderson, left this morning for her home in Martinsville, Va.

NEXT STATE CONVENTION.

State Chairman Eller Has Completed Revised Plan of Democratic Organization—Meeting in March.

Charlotte Chronicle.
Winston-Salem, Feb. 16.—State Chairman A. H. Eller today gave the printers the manuscript of the revised plan of the Democratic organization in this State, the same being the report of the committee which met in Raleigh last week, it being composed of Chairman Eller and Hons. T. J. Jarvis, J. S. Henderson, W. T. Crawford, E. L. Travis and J. A. Bell. Copies will be forwarded to the members of the State executive central and advisory committees when printed and these will meet early in March to fix the date and place for holding the next Democratic State convention.

DISMISSES NEGRO JURORS.

Oklahoma Official "Does not Propose to Insult White Men by Making Letter Serve With Negroes."

Muskogee, Okla., Feb. 15.—Because four of its members were negroes a jury was dismissed by Judge John H. Pitchford in the district court at Wagoner yesterday.

In excusing the colored men from duty Judge Pitchford said the laws of Oklahoma provided that negroes should ride separately in trains and street cars, attend separate schools and eat at separate tables, and he did not propose to insult white men by making the latter serve on a jury with negroes.

Afro-Americans form one-half of the population of Wagoner county. Heretofore men of their race have sat on juries with white men without question.

"Vote for Women" Cry in Atlanta.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 15.—"Votes for women" was the caption of circulars distributed in wholesale quantities among the voters at the bond election being held today to decide whether Atlanta shall issue \$3,000,000 in bonds for civic improvement. The members of the Woman's Civic League have been actively engaged for several months, supporting the project and, killing two birds with one stone, have distributed a large amount of printed matter setting forth their views on why "Women should be given the right of equal suffrage."

The Habit of Success.

Master Printer.

Success is a habit. It is not so easy to acquire as some habits, but when you once get it, it will stay with you.

Every man, and particularly the young man, should get the success habit. The right way to acquire it is to cling steadfastly to every purpose formulated and every task attempted until you are successful. Do this in little things as well as in big.

If you make up your mind to catch the 8:45 train, catch it. If you determine to learn a poem by heart, learn it. If you lay your plans to get a certain position, get it. If you say you will complete a certain job before you go home at night, complete it.

In this way you will get the habit of succeeding in all things which you undertake, and when the big thing comes along you will not only tackle it with determination and enthusiasm, but you will know before you begin that you are going to accomplish it.

On the other hand, if you form the habit of failure, you will fail in everything you undertake.

If you let the train go and take a later one, if you are tired of chasing after the position you want, and let somebody else get it, or if you say that tomorrow will do just as well, and fail to finish the task which you set for yourself, you will get the failure habit.

Health Officer B. W. Craig says that a large number of people in Gastonia are violating the city ordinance with regard to keeping hogs. The law provides that every owner of a hog within the city limits must provide a space forty feet square for each hog and confine it in a pen the floor of which must be at least eighteen inches above the ground. The penalty provided for infraction of this law is a fine of \$50. Mr. Craig serves notice in this issue on hog-owners that they must comply with the law.

TERSE TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

Breezy Briefs Bunched for Busy Readers—A Concise Chronicle of North State News and Miscellaneous Matters.

The annual report of the Soldiers Home at Raleigh shows 32 deaths last year. There were 51 admissions and the present enrolment is 161.

Pellagra claimed a victim at Charlotte Wednesday in the person of Mrs. Lizzie Dean. She had been suffering from this disease for four years.

Miss Agnes Elkins, niece of U. S. Senator Stephen B. Elkins, of West Virginia, shot herself in a room at a hotel in Kansas City Wednesday. Physicians believe she has a chance for life. A note found on the table reads: "I am tired of life and have no home or friends."

At Hill's ferry, near Palmyra on the Roanoke river, Sunday Octavius Hyman, a young white man, and Richard Whedbee, a negro, were drowned by the sinking of a flat boat on which they were taking a drove of horses across. The horses and two or three other persons on the boat escaped. It is stated that the two men were drinking.

The Finwin Cotton Mill Company will be the first cotton mill to be operated in Wilkes county when it is completed this summer. Mr. T. B. Finley tells the Charlotte News that the stock has been subscribed and the work will begin in a short time to build a 3,000 spindle mill at a cost of \$70,000 with a view to an increase to \$150,000 in two years.

There are three women and two men who have all passed the century mark in the home of the Daughters of Jacob, an East side institution for the aged in New York city. Mrs. Esther Davis, the oldest inmate, is 116 years old. The others are: Mendel Diamond, 108; J. Krivlin, 103; Mrs. Bessie Kalmason, 102 and Mrs. Rachel Marcus, 101.

A dispatch from New Orleans Wednesday says: Official notice of the death this morning of Gen. Paul A. Futz, at St. Louis, Mo., is given in a special order issued this afternoon from the headquarters of the United Confederate veterans. Gen. Futz for several years commanded the northwest division of the U. C. V. He served in the Confederate army with the Ninth Missouri Infantry.

According to an Associated Press dispatch from New York under date of the 15th the much-talked-of billion-dollar telegraph trust will disappear. The Mackay companies, says the dispatch, will sell their holdings in the American Telephone & Telegraph Company, which controls the Western Union. If this plan is carried out the Postal Telegraph & Cable Company will become a keener competitor than ever of the Western Union.

Raleighites didn't get to see "The Girl From Rector's" which was billed to be presented at the Academy of Music there Wednesday night. Mayor Wynne, after having notified the manager and the company that they would not be allowed to give the performance, had fifty policemen at the opera house and the show wasn't pulled off. Charlotte gave it a full house, composed, however, mostly of men, there being only about 25 women present.

Clerk of the Superior Court W. H. Humphrey of Robeson county is alleged to be short in his accounts nearly \$13,000 according to the report of the finance committee which has just completed an investigation of the accounts and records of his office. It is alleged that he invested funds entrusted to him and appropriated to himself the interest. Mr. Humphrey claims that the report does him a great injustice and that he will be able to clear himself from the charge of shortage.

A story from Thomasville in yesterday's Charlotte Observer says that the dead body of a newly born infant was found Wednesday morning between the rails of the railroad track near Holtsburg. A coroner's inquest was held and a verdict rendered to the effect that the infant came to its death at the hands of unknown parties and that it was evidently thrown from an early north-bound train that morning. Every effort will be made to locate the guilty party, though so far as known there is no clue to the infant's slayer.

Personals and Locals.

—Mr. Craton Sevier is spending a few days in Gastonia.

—Mr. Stanley Davis, of Charlotte, was a business visitor in Gastonia yesterday.

—Capt. F. Dilling, of Kings Mountain, was a business visitor in Gastonia yesterday.

—Mr. Less McGinnis, of Kings Mountain, was in Gastonia yesterday.

—Esquire I. F. Mabry, of McAdenville, was a business visitor in Gastonia yesterday.

—Mr. T. M. Dilling, of route two, Clover, was a business visitor in Gastonia Wednesday.

—Mr. James Walters has returned from New Orleans where he attended the Mardi Gras.

—Mr. Clyde Armstrong is back from New Orleans where he attended the Mardi Gras.

—Mrs. Ellen McLaughen was in Gastonia yesterday en route from Yorkville to Charlotte on a visit to relatives.

—Mr. T. B. Brown, manager of the J. M. Belk Co. stores, is spending a few days in Greensboro on business.

—The Lowell Orchestra, of which Mr. James M. Wilson is director, has been engaged to furnish music for the Commercial Club's annual reception next Tuesday night.

—Attorney John G. Carpenter, of Dallas, candidate for the State Senate from Gaston, was circulating among friends in Gastonia Wednesday.

—Miss Florence Pasour, The Gazette's clever correspondent on Dallas, route one, has been seriously ill from pneumonia for the past three or four weeks but is rapidly recovering from the attack, we are glad to note.

—Mr. H. W. Counts has opened a store in the new Bradley building at the Loray. He will handle shoes, gent's furnishings and kindred lines.

—Mr. William F. Jones, aged about 60, died Saturday at the Loray Mill and was buried Sunday in the Loray cemetery. He had only been living there about four weeks, having moved here with the family of his son, with whom he lived.

—Mr. R. L. Swan came in from Columbia, S. C., Wednesday night and spent yesterday in Gastonia. He left last night for the Northern markets where he will spend some days purchasing new spring and summer goods for his Columbia store and for the Swan-Slater Co. store here.

—The following item from Tuesday's Monroe Journal will be of interest to Dr. Chreitberg's many Gastonia friends: "Dr. H. F. Chreitberg, who has a number of valuable inventions completed or in process of completion, has just added a new one. It is a device for tying mail or other packages and will no doubt prove a most useful thing."

—Mr. J. Oscar Abernethy returned last night to Norfolk, Va., after a ten-days visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Abernethy, here and to relatives and friends at Charlotte and Mount Holly. "Os" holds a responsible position on the reportorial staff of the Norfolk Landmark and is making good in the journalistic field on which fact there are many congratulations (but no surprise) from a large circle of friends.

—The committee of ladies having in charge the decorating of the rooms of the Commercial Club for that organization's fourth annual reception next Tuesday night, Feb. 22nd, are busily engaged in making preparations therefor and the promise is that the decorations will be fully up to the standard of past years and will likely be more elaborate. Those desiring tickets for the reception can obtain them by seeing Mr. J. K. Dixon, secretary and treasurer of the club.

—Says Wednesday's Charlotte News: "Mr. J. C. Linder and family left last night for McComb City, Miss., where they will reside in the future. Mr. Linder has been connected with the Charlotte Cotton Mill (Oates Mill) for 15 years, in the capacity of overseer of carding and spinning. He goes to the Delta Mills, at McCombs City, to join Mr. Lester Oates, formerly superintendent of the Charlotte Mills, who has recently gone to the Delta Mills. Mr. Linder is an A No. 1 mill man. He will be valuable to any mill in any capacity."