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OVER GASTON COUNTY.

RURAL CARRIERS MEET.

Semi-Annual Meeting of Gaston County Rural Letter Carriers' Association Held Yesterday at Stanley—Proposition to Hold Grand Rally and Picnic on Labor Day Considered.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

STANLEY, May 30.—The Rural Letter Carriers' semi-annual meeting was held here today, being called to order at 1 o'clock p. m. by the president, Mr. T. C. Smith. Mr. A. B. Kiser, the regular secretary, being absent, Mr. J. D. Derr, of Dallas, acted as secretary of the meeting. Business was taken up in the following order:

Considerable discussion was indulged in with regard to paying the expenses of delegates to the national convention. The bone of contention was the matter of whether this county was in favor of the present system or the old system in effect up to the past year. The present system is for the national association to pay the railroad fare of the delegates. The old system required each State association to pay the railroad fare. It was unanimously agreed to instruct delegates to work for a change to the old system.

Postmaster John Shelton, of Stanley, was elected an honorary member of the association. The next question taken up was that of holding a grand rally and picnic on the first Monday in September, which is Labor Day and a holiday for the carriers, the object being to get the co-operation of the farmers and rural patrons, together with any other citizens who might wish to take part. It is the intention of the association to make an effort to secure some of the best speakers in the State for this occasion. The place for holding this picnic is as yet undecided, and each carrier in the county was appointed as a member of a committee to investigate and see what the sentiment of the people is in different parts of the county in favor of the proposition. The carriers are to report at an adjourned meeting to be held in Dallas at 8 p. m. on the 16th of July, at which time the place will be decided on.

Delegates were elected to the State convention which meets in Raleigh on July 3rd and 4th as follows: Mr. J. D. Derr as delegate and Mr. T. C. Smith as alternate. The meeting then adjourned and all went home apparently glad that they had been present. Among the most pleasant features of the day was the sumptuous dinner which all the carriers in attendance enjoyed at the home of Mr. James Rankin.

McAdenville Matters.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

McADENVILLE, May 30.—Mrs. J. E. Lineberger left Tuesday for Richmond, Va., where she will be joined by her husband. Mr. and Mrs. Lineberger will make Richmond their home in the future.—Mrs. David McGhee attended the Davenport College commencement and was accompanied home by her daughter, Miss Meta, who has been a student there this session.—Mr. R. H. Smith, of Spartanburg, S. C., spent some time here last week on business.—Messrs. I. F. Mabry and G. L. Wright attended court last week in Dallas.—Rev. E. S. Ivey, of Salisbury, spent some time here last week visiting friends.—Mrs. R. R. Ray visited her daughters, Mrs. L. N. Glenn and Mrs. A. M. Dixon, in Gastonia last week.—Mrs. Alma Ezell, of Charlotte, spent Wednesday in McAdenville.—Rev. W. L. C. Killian, of Gastonia, was a business visitor here last week.—Mr. A. K. Loftin, of Lincolnton, spent some time here last week visiting friends.—Mrs. W. B. Craig, of Belmont, spent some time here last week with relatives.—Dr. Frank Anders, of Gastonia, is with the Taylor Drug Co. here for a few days.—Rev. and Mrs. G. P. Abernethy, of Maiden, are spending the week here with relatives.

The two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barnhill died here Thursday morning at 5 o'clock and was buried Friday at Hickory Grove cemetery.

Mrs. J. A. Walker, of Salisbury, visited her father here last week. Mr. W. H. Braswell.—Mrs. M. B.

Albea is very sick at her home in Albany town.—Messrs. A. C. Kelly and J. B. Reid were Charlotte visitors Friday.—Miss Helen Julian returned Friday to her home at Thomasville after being the guest for several days of Misses Katherine and Mamie Ray.—Mr. A. P. Earnley, who is doing some work in Charlotte, spent Sunday here with his family.—Mr. H. M. McAden, of Charlotte, was a McAdenville visitor Friday.—Mr. W. M. L. Harvey, of Winston-Salem, spent a few hours here last week on business.—Mrs. T. A. Stewart, of Mayesworth, spent Friday here with friends.—Mrs. H. D. Roberts is visiting friends at Gastonia this week.—Miss Lottie Albea is visiting in Charlotte this week.—Prof. J. L. Webb and Rev. G. P. Abernethy attended the Baptist union meeting at Dallas Saturday.—Dr. G. W. Taylor is visiting homefolks at Wilkesboro this week. Dr. Taylor also has a very sick brother at his home there.—Carl Reid was a Gastonia visitor Saturday.—Mrs. L. N. Glenn, Mrs. J. Q. Holland, Mrs. Ralph Falls and Mrs. S. N. Boyce, of Gastonia, were the guests Tuesday of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Ray.—Mr. J. T. McAden and Mr. Ralph Ray were Charlotte visitors Friday.

The baseball game played here last Saturday between the first and second teams, the score being 3 to 4 in favor of first team, was very interesting and was witnessed by a very large crowd.—Mr. Charlie Smith, of Gastonia, spent Sunday here with his brother, Mr. Mack Smith.—Misses Vernie Funderburk, Estella Shields and Ella Roberts, of Lowell, spent Saturday and Sunday here with relatives.—Mr. W. W. Hope, of Athens, Ga., spent Sunday here with his family.—Mr. W. P. Cavin returned Saturday from Chauncy, Ga., where he spent several days with friends.

Stanley Happenings.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

STANLEY, May 30.—Mrs. E. L. Pegram, of Jackson Springs, is visiting her many friends and relatives at and near Stanley. The high esteem in which Mrs. Pegram is held was evidenced by the many glad hand-shakes and words of welcome she received. This was the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pegram, they having gone to Jackson Springs just before Christmas. Mr. Pegram is interested in extensive farm and lumber operations there.

Mrs. B. F. Carpenter is visiting Mr. Robert Carpenter in Shelby.—The congregation of Christ's Lutheran church is taking steps toward building a home for the pastor.

The mill here has closed down indefinitely. The operatives are getting work wherever they can. It is right amusing to see the boys "grab a hoe" and "go to the cotton," and it is interesting to see how quick they can adapt themselves to necessary circumstances.

Miss Kate Lewis, of Dallas, is visiting Miss Katie Carpenter.

Poultry yards—yes they are here—six of them, just getting into business. Some order the little chicks one-day old, some incubate them by the old hen method, one has an incubator. They do say "he chicks." 'Tis real interesting to hear the discussions of the desirable qualities of the various breeds.

Folitics? Who are the Republicans going to put up? Will they be good men?

Cherryville Chat.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

CHERRYVILLE, May 28.—Dr. Will Petree, of Lincolnton, was in town yesterday on business.—Mr. P. S. McGinnis, of Kings Mountain, is in town today.—The Cherryville Hardware Company is having a glass front put in its building. This adds much to the appearance of the structure.—A goodly number of the Baptists of this place are attending a singing convention at Ross' Grove church, near Shelby today.—Miss Ellen Houser went to Shelby today, where she will spend a few days among friends.—Miss Pearl Jones, of High Shoals, is here on a visit to homefolks.—The Cherryville Methodists were well represented at the quarterly conference held at Beulah church, of Waco, today.—Miss Annie Lee Craft returned home yesterday from Newton, where she has been visiting friends.—Quite a good

crowd of Cherryvilleites were at Long Shoals picnicking and fishing Monday.—Mrs. Callie Beam and Miss Lucy McGinnis are spending the week with friends at Maiden.—Miss Ophelia Wilson returned home from Statesville this week.

CONCERT TO-MORROW NIGHT.

Attractive Program Arranged for Concert at Auditorium of Central School Wednesday Night.

Tomorrow night, beginning promptly at nine o'clock, a concert will be given in the auditorium of the Central school building by local talent. The young people who are to take part have been rehearsing diligently for the past two weeks or more, and there is every indication that those who attend will have a most enjoyable evening's entertainment. The curtain will rise at nine o'clock, so that the performance will not interfere with the various prayer meetings held on Wednesday night.

For all of the musical numbers Mrs. Fred D. Barkley has kindly consented to act as piano accompanist. The following is the program: Overture, by Gastonia Orchestra. Vocal Solo, by Mrs. H. B. Moore. Violin Solo, by Miss Lillian Atkins.

Male Quartette, by Messrs. Iler, Wetzell, Hampton and Frazier.

Piano Solo, by Mrs. Fred D. Barkley.

"Jinricksha Chorus," from "Fantana," soloist, Mrs. B. M. Graves.

"I Want to Go Back to London," from "Bizzy Izzy," by Mr. Sam Shuford and Chorus.

"Hold Your Horses, Mister," from "A Yankee Circus on Mars," by Miss Marie Hardin and Chorus.

"Life is a See-Saw," from "A Knight for a Day," by Mrs. Grier Love and Mr. M. R. Iler.

"My Sonny Boy," by Chauncey Olecott, sung by Mrs. Grier Love and Chorus.

"Daisies Won't Tell," by Miss Alice Bostwick Boyden and quartette.

"We Are A Gallant Regiment," from "Sergeant Kitty," by Miss Mary Gordon Fry and Chorus.

"A Kiss for Every Day in the Week," from "The Runaways," by Mr. Charlie Gray and Misses Nancy Watson, Lucy Boyce, Ruth Boyce, Louie Fry, Lois Torrence and Essie Lindsay.

Comical Quartette, ? ? ?.

Fan Drill.

The choruses are made up of the following young ladies and gentlemen: Misses Ruth and Lucy Boyce, Nancy and Lillian Watson, Hazeline and Susie Love, Mary Gordon Fry, Janie Morris, Margaret Morris, Lillian Stovall, Jennie Stedman Culp, Loie Long, Mrs. Grier Love, Nellie Rose Sloan, Louie Fry, Lowry Shuford, Willie Bell Early, Marie Hardin, Wilma Long, Lavinia Hunter, Pauline Paysoux, Blossom Paysoux, Nell McAllister, Essie Lindsay, Lois Torrence, Myrtle Gray, Alice Boyden, and Messrs. Fred Wetzell, W. R. Iler, Sam Shuford, Charlie Gray, Luther Hampton, Lawrence Jones, Grover Page, Charlie Costner, G. L. Frazier and Tolle Little. Mrs. Fred D. Barkley, accompanist.

The price of admission to the entertainment will be 25 cents, and the proceeds of the evening will go to aid in paying off an out-standing indebtedness on the rectory of St. Mark's Episcopal church.

Notices of New Ads.

Morris Brothers—Say that their big bankrupt sale has aroused more interest than Halley's comet.

J. M. Belk Co.—Have a lot of new wash dress goods and suits priced very low.

Brawley Clothing Co.—Offers its entire stock of new and up-to-date clothing at actual cost.

Going to the Northwest.

Mr. William M. Froneberger and daughter, Miss Wanda, of Bessemer City, are here spending a few days with relatives and friends. They expect to leave Thursday for Everitt, Wash., where they will spend some time with Mr. Froneberger's daughter, Mrs. R. H. Carroll. They are going on a prospecting tour and it is probable that they may decide to remain permanently in the northwest.

Senator Ben R. Tillman, of South Carolina, is in an Atlanta hospital, suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism.

A crowd of Cherryvilleites were at Long Shoals picnicking and fishing Monday.—Mrs. Callie Beam and Miss Lucy McGinnis are spending the week with friends at Maiden.—Miss Ophelia Wilson returned home from Statesville this week.

MOORE-CAPPS.

Miss Mattie Moore and Mr. Bismark Capps Were Married at Staunton, Va., in February—Event a Great Surprise to Bride's Many Friends.

A romantic marriage in which a prominent young Gastonia society lady and a young Salisbury lawyer were the principals came to light Saturday morning when members of the family of Miss Mattie Moore received a letter from her, dated Richmond, Va., informing them that she was married to Mr. Bismark Capps, of Salisbury, on February 18th. The ceremony was performed at Staunton, Va., where Miss Moore was visiting, by Rev. William M. Scott, D. D., the only witness present being Mr. William McChesney, grand master of the Masonic Lodge in Virginia. The news came as a distinct surprise to the young lady's family and her legion of friends here and elsewhere. It is understood that the young lady's mother, Mrs. Mattie J. Moore, objected to her marriage, hence the secrecy maintained by the bride for more than three months.

Miss Moore left Gastonia Wednesday presumably to visit friends at a distance. She was joined by her husband, probably at Salisbury and they went to Richmond and other points to spend their honeymoon, after which they will make their home in Salisbury.

Miss Moore is a daughter of the late Capt. J. D. and Mrs. Mattie J. Moore and is a young lady of culture and refinement. Last year, in company with a party of her school companions and friends, she made a tour abroad, visiting many European countries. She is popular in local social circles and has a host of friends who will regret to lose her from Gastonia society.

Since her marriage in February Miss Moore, or Mrs. Capps, has been here and, though the fact of her engagement to Mr. Capps was known, it was not dreamed that the marriage ceremony had already actually taken place.

Gave Officer the Dodge.

John Blackwood, the young man suspected of having made an attempt to assault Miss Carrie Bell on her father's farm near Bessemer City last Thursday afternoon and who was hunted by a posse Thursday afternoon and night, was arrested at Waco, about twelve miles from Bessemer City Friday afternoon by Policeman John Hoard. The latter phoned to Bessemer City and an officer started at once for Waco to bring the young man back before he arrived Blackwood had escaped from his captor. From the best information obtainable it seems that Hoard took Blackwood to his house to keep him till the Bessemer officer arrived. Leaving his prisoner on the porch Hoard stepped into the hall to get his coat and when he returned a moment later his prize was hotfooting it down the road. It is understood, also, that Blackwood acknowledged to Hoard that he was the man wanted. So far young Blackwood has succeeded in evading his pursuers, though it is believed that he is still some where in that section of the county and that his arrest is just a matter of time.

Sunday School Rally Day at Loray Baptist Church.

(Omitted from Friday's Gazette.) On the 22nd inst. we had a rally day in our Sunday school. Each class gave as much as they felt able to do except those who forgot the special offering that was to be made on this day.

Class No. 1.—G. W. Nance, teacher, contribution, \$3.00.

Class No. 2.—C. L. Chandler, teacher, contribution, \$1.72.

Class No. 3.—W. V. West, teacher, contribution, \$1.54.

Class No. 4.—Miss Arrie Bowen, teacher, contribution, .45.

Class No. 5.—L. J. Waldrop (Phliathes) teacher, contribution, \$3.96.

Class No. 6.—W. E. Hull, teacher, contribution, \$3.25.

Class No. 7.—Miss Essie Gayles, teacher, contribution, .41.

Class No. 8.—W. H. Nolen, (Baraca) teacher, contribution, \$6.00.

Class No. 9.—Miss Beattie Gaines, teacher, contribution, .35.

Class No. 10.—J. E. Campbell, teacher, contribution, .50.

R. G. SHORT, Supt.

A PITIABLE CASE.

Young Woman Goes Insane on Subject of Religion as Result of Listening to Unknown Tongue Preachers—Only One of a Number of Lives Blighted by These Religious Montebanks and Fakirs—Committed to Jail and Will be Sent to Asylum.

Barefooted, her black hair streaming loosely down her back, Hulda Burgess, an attractive looking girl of perhaps eighteen years, sat in a surrey in front of the city hall yesterday afternoon and gave utterance to the wildest ravings of a maniac. She had been brought from her home at the Loray Mill and was taken, as quickly as Magistrate W. Meek Adams could write a commitment, to the county jail, where she is incarcerated pending application for her entrance into the State Insane Asylum at Morganton. She wore a plain white dress and when not talking loudly and wildly was engaged in munching on a lunch of bananas, cakes, etc., which had been provided for her.

This is another case traceable directly to the influence of the "unknown tongue" tribe which continues its operations in this immediate section unmolested. It is hence all the more a case for supreme pity as her present plight might have been prevented had this aggregation of fakirs been sent away from Gastonia some time ago. This is only one of quite a number of cases which have come to light in Gastonia within the past year in which lives have been blighted in one way or another by the baneful influence of these near-religious montebanks.

The girl who was taken to Dallas jail yesterday afternoon is the one who, on the night of May 18th, as chronicled in The Gazette of May 20th, gathered a large number of people at her home on the supposition that she was to be married that night to a certain young man in the community. He failed to show up and on investigation it was found that he knew nothing whatever of the matter and her only explanation was contained in the declaration that "the Lord told me we were to be married tonight." It was found then that she was laboring under a mental cloud and since that time she has grown steadily worse until it was found necessary to place her in confinement. It is asserted positively by those in a position to know that she was an attendant at the services of the "unknown tongue" people and her insanity is directly traceable to the influences exerted upon her by these people.

At present the "unknown tongue" people are holding services in the neighborhood of the Clara and Dunn Mills.

CHAMP CLARK'S CHALLENGE.

(Editorial in The New York World of May 23, 1910.)

It is a fair challenge that Champ Clark, the Democratic leader of the House, flings at Mr. Taft. The President has admitted in his speeches that the tariff on woolen goods should be reduced. Very well, says the leader of the minority; send a special message to Congress demanding a reduction in the woolen schedule, and if Chairman Payne will report the bill the Democrats will offer no amendments.

That is a fair proposition. It disposes of the plea that the excesses of the Payne-Aldrich bill cannot be corrected without opening up the whole question of tariff revision again. The woolen schedule which Mr. Taft himself refuses to defend can be revised downward without touching another rate in the Tariff act.

If Mr. Taft is wise he will accept Mr. Clark's challenge and help give the American people cheaper clothing at once.

Page M. Baker, for 21 years publisher of The New Orleans Times-Democrat, died at his home in New Orleans Saturday, aged 70 years. He served in the Confederate army.

To Play Forest City.

Gastonia will play the Forest City team at Loray Park Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week, the games to be called at 4 o'clock. The Forest City team is said to be a strong one and the lovers of diamond sport have the promise of seeing three good games.

SOCIAL AFFAIRS.

HENSON-LENTZ.

Miss Maude Lentz and Prof. J. B. Henson to be Married June 15th. Invitations reading as follows have been issued:

Mrs. Minnie M. Lentz requests the honour of your presence at the marriage of her daughter Maude

to Mr. Joseph Bascom Henson on Wednesday evening, June the fifteenth, one thousand nine hundred and ten, at half after eight o'clock, Lutheran Church, Mount Holly, North Carolina.

The Dainty Tea Club, composed of five little girls, viz: Burney Boyce, Mary LaFar, Ethelda Armstrong, Christine Sloan and Sadie Thomson, had a picnic at Long Creek Monday, May 23rd. They went in automobiles, accompanied by their larger sisters. This club of little folks meets every two weeks and has a literary as well as a social feature. At each meeting they have recitations, music, readings, etc. These meetings are held at the homes of the members where refreshments are served and games are played.

One of the most enjoyable social events of the past week was the reception given by Mrs. Robert Julian Sifford last Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. C. Latham on South Marietta street. The guests were greeted at the door by Mrs. J. K. Dixon and the cards received by little Miss Myrtle Warren. The guests were then shown into the reception room by Mrs. W. J. Clifford and were presented to the receiving line, which consisted of Mrs. Sifford, Mrs. J. C. Latham, Mrs. Elizabeth Caldwell Wilson, Mrs. L. L. Hardin and Mrs. D. E. McConnell. The guests were then ushered into the dining room by Miss Zoe Latham, where delicious refreshments were served by the following ladies: Mrs. Robert C. Warren, Mrs. W. F. Michael, Mrs. J. Y. Miller, Miss Ella Rankin and Miss Ida Pursley. From the dining room the guests were conducted to the punch room by Mrs. B. T. Morris. Here Mrs. J. W. Moore, of Spencer Mountain, and Misses Salenah Latham and Mamie Cabiness served delicious punch. The rooms were most tastefully and beautifully decorated for the occasion with roses and sweet peas. During the afternoon Miss Lillian Atkins rendered several violin and piano selections and Miss Evelyn Pyle, of Charlotte, who is the guest of Miss Willie Jenkins, gave several delightful recitations.

Sermon on Sabbath Observance.

"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work: but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it." (Exodus 20.) Taking the above, the fourth commandment, as his text Rev. R. C. Anderson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, preached a vigorous sermon on "Sabbath Observance" to a large congregation Sunday morning. He denounced Sabbath-breaking as one of the most far-reaching sins of the present age. Among the things which are responsible for this great and growing evil the speaker dwelt especially on the Sunday newspaper, which he declared to be productive of great evil. The Gazette will present the full text of Mr. Anderson's sermon in an early issue.

Officers Elected.

At the regular meeting of Gastonia Lodge No. 188, I. O. O. F., last Thursday night, the following officers were elected for the term beginning July 1st: Marshall Dilling, N. G., B. H. Craig, V. G., E. D. Atkins, recording secretary, J. E. McAllister, financial secretary, C. M. Nolen, treasurer.