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## OVER GASTON COUNTY.

### DINNER TO CONVICTS.

Good Women of Concord and Smyrna Neighborhood Spread Tempting Repast for the Unfortunates—Grading Work Progresses Rapidly.

Correspondence of The Gazette. BESSEMER CITY, R. F. D. 1, July 1.—The ladies of the Concord and Smyrna neighborhood, on Bessemer City route one, gave the prisoners at Camp No. 2 a sumptuous dinner on Saturday, June 25th, and also provided plenty for the guards and for Supt. R. A. McArver and his wife. The dinner was given at this time instead of on July 4th, as usual, as several of the prisoners will be off before that time.

Mrs. W. T. Watts deserves praise for getting the dinner up.

Mr. McArver is getting along nicely with the grading work, having finished over a mile of it. He is expecting Capt. Todd soon with a force to take up the grading work and then Mr. McArver will begin laying rock. Mr. McArver is a splendid man and has made a fine impression on the neighborhood where his camp is located.

Mr. Sam B. Hovis, who has been in Virginia for some time, is at home now.

### BIG PICNIC SATURDAY, 9TH.

Mountain Island the Place—Addresses by Congressman Webb and Mr. Mason—Baseball and Other Forms of Amusement.

Correspondence of The Gazette. MTN. ISLAND, July 2.—The Mountain Island, Nims and Woodlawn Mills are planning for a big picnic to be held at Mountain Island Saturday, July 9th. Everybody is cordially invited to attend and those who can are requested to bring baskets full of good things to eat. There will be addresses by Congressman E. Y. Webb and Mr. O. F. Mason.

In the forenoon there will be a baseball game between Mountain Island and Hoskins and in the afternoon one between Mountain Island and Huntersville. There will also be other forms of amusement, something to interest everybody. Music will be furnished by the Mt. Holly Band.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. VanPelt, of McAdenville, are visiting relatives here and also at the home of his father, Mr. James VanPelt, at River Bend.—Mrs. J. M. McKelvey is visiting her father, Mr. E. Hope, in River Bend this week.—Mrs. D. F. Ware, of Yorkville, S. C., is visiting her father, Mr. A. L. D. Bumgardner.

The son of Mr. Wales Sanders died Friday and was buried today.

### MOUNT HOLLY MATTERS.

Mrs. Sadie E. Helms Passed Away Saturday—Funeral Sunday Afternoon—Personal and Social News.

Correspondence of The Gazette. MT. HOLLY, July 4.—Dr. L. L. Nash came in Saturday to assist in the protracted meeting at the Methodist church this week, and preached a very able sermon Sunday. Much interest is being manifested in the meeting.

Miss Mildred Babington returned home last week after a visit to friends in Cherryville.—Misses Beas Grice, Mary and Eva Bowles spent a day in Charlotte shopping last week.—Mount Holly was defeated in the game of baseball with McAdenville at McAdenville last Saturday afternoon. The score was 11 to 2.

Sadie Elizabeth Helms, was born January 11, 1882, and died July 2, 1910, at the age of twenty-eight years, five months and 21 days. She was the daughter of Julius and Delitha Moss, of Catawba county. The father is dead and the mother still survives together with two sisters and four brothers. She was married to James Luther Helms September 8, 1901. She was the mother of five children, one dead, and one a two-weeks-old infant. She was a member of the Baptist church. The funeral was conducted from the family residence by Rev. J. A. Bowles and the burial took place at Flat Rock Sunday afternoon. She had been sick only a few days. The pall-bearers were: J. W. Skidmore, J. L. Perkins, J. M. Skidmore, R. C.

Hoffman, W. L. Tucker and J. H. Honeycutt.

### Lowell Locals.

Correspondence of The Gazette. LOWELL, July 4.—Miss Maggie Baker, who has been teaching and doing mission work in Anasco, Porto Rico, for nearly two years returned home Saturday.—Mr. P. P. Murphy left Friday to spend a week or more with relatives and friends in Wilmington.—Miss Moena Hand returned from Salisbury Thursday, accompanied by her cousin, Miss Lois Campbell.—Mr. Drayton Baker, who has been working in Ashe county, came home last Tuesday.—Misses Irma Reid and Annie Miller are spending a few days in Charlotte with Mrs. J. K. Hand.—Miss Mabel Leonhardt and her guest, Miss Beulah Rhyne, visited Mrs. D. P. Stowe in Belmont last Thursday.—Messrs. S. M. Robinson, John C. Rankin and Colt Robinson were business visitors to Concord Saturday.—Mr. Arthur Ford, who has been in Denver, Col., returned home Saturday.—Miss Etta Baker is visiting friends and relatives in Concord and Salisbury.

Misses Essie Lindsay and Mary Knight, of Gastonia, spent the week-end with Mrs. Annie Titman.—Mrs. D. P. Stowe, of Belmont, visited relatives here Saturday.—Mr. Vance Fite, of Charlotte, was the guest of Mr. B. F. Leonhardt Sunday.

### High Shoals News.

Correspondence of The Gazette. HIGH SHOALS, July 4.—The mill here has closed today for the holiday and to give the people a day for an outing. We are all having a good time visiting, boat-riding, playing ball, etc. Mr. James Haynes, who has been sick for some time, we are glad to state is able to be out on the streets again.—Mr. B. A. Correll is all smiles today—it's a boy.—Mrs. Cronister, who has been very low, is convalescing.—Mr. Dan Hoover, of Concord, was in town several days last week on business.—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Daniels and little son, Webb, have gone to their old home at Forest City to take in the celebration today.—Misses Lettie Loftin and Marguerite Smyly, Messrs. Paul Hoover, Laddie Hemphill and James Clark are Charlotte visitors today.—Several of our young people took in the barbecue at Cherryville last Saturday and report a nice time.

### STANLEY PICNIC.

Annual Picnic and Reunion at Stanley Friday a Big Success—Speeches by Judge Graham and Hon. C. R. Hoey.

The annual picnic and old soldiers reunion at Stanley last Friday was as usual a most successful and enjoyable occasion. Although the crowd was not so large as on some former occasions there were several thousand people on hand to partake in the pleasures of the day and the arrangements for the comfort and pleasure of those who attended were complete in every detail.

Excellent speeches were made by Judge Graham, of Oxford, and Hon. C. R. Hoey, of Shelby, after which dinner was served to the veterans in the grove near Mr. C. F. Smith's residence. Music for the occasion was furnished by the Clara Concert Band, of Gastonia. In the afternoon an interesting game of baseball between Stanley and Lincolnton teams resulted in a victory for Lincolnton by a score of 9 to 8. At night a most enjoyable dance was given in the auditorium, a large number of young people being present from all parts of the country and from other places.

### Meeting Postponed.

Mayor T. L. Craig received this morning a telegram from Mr. G. L. McKay, of the Isothermal Tractor Company, stating that he is sick and hence unable to be here for the meeting which was to have been held in the city hall tonight, at which Mr. McKay was to have talked with the citizens of the town regarding his company's plans, etc. He also received a telegram from Dr. E. B. Harris stating that Mr. McKay has fever and might be able to leave the house in a week. The Gazette is requested to state that the proposed meeting is postponed indefinitely.

## COUNTY CONVENTION MEETS.

Gaston Democrats Canvass Vote of Recent Primary—County Vote Divided Equally Between Allen and Manning—Lee Gets 15.5 Out of 17 Votes for Corporation Commissioner—Brown Gets Full Vote—Webb Unanimously Endorsed—Mr. T. L. Craig Chosen County Chairman—A Harmonious Gathering.

The Gaston County Democratic Convention was held in the court house at Dallas at 1:30 p. m. Saturday, July 2nd, 1910. The house was called to order by Chairman C. B. Armstrong of the county executive committee, who called on Mr. O. F. Mason to preside as temporary chairman. In the absence of any representatives of the county Democratic press, Mr. S. S. Shuford was chosen secretary of the convention, and Mr. A. L. Bulwinkle assistant secretary. On motion Mr. Mason was made permanent chairman of the convention.

Mr. Mason presided most gracefully and ejected into the convention a spirit of optimism which predicts an overwhelming Democratic victory for Gaston county this fall.

The first item of business taken up was the canvassing of the vote of the several precincts of the county in the recent primary for sheriff, one member of the lower house of the General Assembly and solicitor. Following is the total vote as cast for the candidates for these three offices:

Sheriff: J. D. B. McLean 1549, Shuford 1486, majority for McLean 63.

Legislature: N. B. Kendrick 1,443, Mauney 1197, majority for Kendrick 246.

Solicitor: George W. Wilson 1,715, A. G. Mangum 804, C. C. Childs, 114.

Following the canvass of the county vote as given above, the convention passed to the election of delegates to represent Gaston at the State convention which meets in Charlotte July 14th. For this purpose the chair appointed the following committee to name suitable delegates to represent us at this convention: A. E. Moore, A. L. Bulwinkle, R. R. Ray. Gaston has seventeen votes in the State convention and the following delegates were recommended by the committee and elected by the convention to cast the county's vote:

Gastonia No. 1—W. T. Rankin, C. B. Armstrong, A. E. Moore, T. L. Craig, S. N. Boyce, J. F. Johnson, T. M. Faysoux, A. C. Jones, P. W. Garland, G. W. Wilson, A. G. Mangum, T. M. McIntire, J. O. White, Robert Warren, R. L. Fite.

Gastonia No. 2—W. T. Love, John C. Rankin, L. F. Groves, A. C. Stroup.

Robinson's—John Robinson. Glenn's—Boyce Ferguson, How-South Point—Jno. L. Ragan. Union—R. A. Ratchford.

Lowell—S. M. Robinson, Parks Hand, C. D. Welch.

McAdenville—R. R. Ray, M. A. Harwell, J. T. McAden, G. L. Webb.

Belmont—John F. Leeper, G. M. Gullick.

Mt. Holly—R. K. Davenport.

Mtn. Island—Mac Henderson.

Stanley—James M. Archer, O. B. Carpenter.

Dallas—O. F. Mason, E. L. Wilson, P. A. Summey, T. E. Shuford, R. S. Lewis.

Cherryville—T. B. Leonhardt, S. S. Mauney, N. B. Kendrick.

Carpenters—Henry Kiser. Kisers—H. S. Sellers.

Bessemer City—John M. McDowell, S. J. Durham.

Dillings—Capt. F. Dilling, O. G. Falls.

Bakers—J. R. Carson. (See appendix Z.)

The above named delegates were instructed to cast Gaston's vote for Walter Clark for Chief Justice, Walker for Associate Justice and to divide the county's vote equally between Allen and Manning for the Associate Justiceship. Gaston has 17 votes in the State convention, allowing Allen 8.5 and Manning 8.5.

Mr. A. E. Moore very forcefully and impressively nominated W. T. Lee, of Waynesville, for corporation commissioner. Mr. Calvin Davenport named A. W. Graham and Mr. W. H. Lewis named J. H. Pearson for the same position.

After balloting on the three, the vote stood as follows: Lee 15.5,

Graham 1.5 and Pearson 0. The delegation was instructed to cast the county's full vote for H. C. Brown for corporation commissioner.

By a unanimous vote the convention instructed the delegation to the congressional convention to cast Gaston's vote solidly for E. Y. Webb, our present congressman.

It was moved and carried that the chairman of each precinct committee name delegates to the congressional convention at Shelby on July 13th. The following delegates were chosen:

Gastonia No. 1—T. L. Craig, A. C. Jones, P. W. Garland, H. G. Winget, J. K. Dixon, J. K. Dixon, Jr., R. B. Babington, J. L. Beal, C. B. Armstrong, Charles Grigg, J. O. White, J. F. Johnson, W. L. Balthis, W. E. Hull, S. S. Shuford, R. C. Warren, J. H. Kennedy, J. B. Long, W. A. Gardner, H. E. Conrad, Jno. R. Howe, Jno. R. Pearson, A. B. McAllister.

Gastonia No. 2—R. M. Johnston, L. F. Groves, C. M. Dunn, J. T. Cox, E. J. B. Moore, George Smith, A. C. Stroup, E. N. Pegram, J. W. Atkins. Glenn's—Boyce Ferguson, Howard Falls.

South Point—Will A. Jackson, John L. Ragan.

Union—Thomas Sparrow, J. R. Henderson, W. T. Ford.

Lowell—L. E. Rankin, John W. Groves, B. F. Leonhardt, Cicero Harris.

McAdenville—Julius Kimbro, I. F. Mabry, Ben R. Harper, R. R. Ray, Geo. Hope, G. L. Wright.

Belmont—W. A. Leeper, Sr., J. A. Leeper, J. Q. Hall, A. J. Goforth, E. D. Maynard.

Mount Holly—J. W. Holland, P. E. Lentz, J. M. Springs, I. B. Covington, W. L. Noles.

Mtn. Island—A. M. Henderson, C. L. King.

Lucia—J. M. McIntosh, Thomas Connell.

Stanley—Jas. M. Reinhardt, Jno. E. Cloninger, Alonzo Turbyfill, O. B. Carpenter, C. F. Smith, D. Frank Hovis.

Dallas—D. G. Gibson, W. D. Beam, E. L. Wilson, F. H. Robinson.

Cherryville—T. B. Leonhardt, J. H. Rudisill, J. C. Ballard, D. A. Rudisill, J. S. P. Carpenter, W. L. Aderholdt, N. B. Kendrick, C. A. Witherpoon, S. S. Mauney, C. C. Sipe, W. J. Allran, Julius Hovis, B. H. Roberts.

Carpenters—T. M. Hovis, H. S. Sellers.

Bessemer City—S. J. Durham, E. L. Froneberger, R. D. Ormand, G. A. Gold, H. N. Garrison, Augustus Metcalf, J. H. McDowell.

Dillings—O. G. Falls, J. M. Helton.

Bakers—S. E. Foy.

Delegates were instructed to cast solidly for E. Y. Webb.

The following committee was appointed to name delegates to the judicial convention to be held in Gastonia July 7th: Jno. F. Leeper, A. E. Moore, T. M. Faysoux, W. T. Rankin, F. O. Davis, R. M. Johnston. The committee named the following delegates whose nomination was confirmed by the convention:

Delegates: Thomas Lee Craig, Craig, S. N. Boyce, B. T. Morris, S. A. Robinson, E. J. Rankin, A. M. Dixon, W. T. Rankin, W. T. Love, R. M. Johnston, J. H. Separk, S. M. Robinson, J. W. Groves, Minor J. Ray, P. P. Hall, James M. Sloan, W. C. Wilson, I. B. Covington, Oscar B. Carpenter, Henry Kiser, J. T. Oates, H. N. Garrison, R. H. McGinnis, O. F. Mason, E. L. Wilson, R. S. Lewis, D. P. McLurd, J. H. Trott, L. H. J. Houser, Jim Reinhardt, R. M. Reid, A. Q. Kale, F. Dilling, Frost Torrence, F. O. Davis, A. E. Moore, A. R. Anders, T. M. Faysoux, L. F. Groves, C. M. Dunn, R. R. Ray, J. F. Leeper, G. M. Gullick, W. H. Lewis, A. L. Bulwinkle, R. K. Davenport, C. B. Armstrong, T. B. Leonhardt, W. L. Balthis, S. J. Durham, A. P. H. Rhyne.

Alternates: R. B. Babington, P. Woods Garland, J. M. Shuford, W. B. Morris, H. G. Winget, J. F. McArver, W. N. Davis, A. G. Myers, John C. Rankin, C. L. Grigg, P. W. Hand, D. W. Mitchem, George M. Webb, Brown Lee Hall, John Tucker, W. T. Ford, Burt Rhyne, C. F. Smith, W. D. Carpenter, H. C. Froneberger, I. A. White, C. E. Neisler, J. W. M. Summey, R. J. Dellinger, G. R. Rhyne, D. R. Mauney, D. P. Dellinger, David Rudhill, A. M. Henderson, E. G. McLurd, J. M. McIntosh, A. J. Smith, J. R. Carson, J. G. Carpenter, H. L. Moore, W. Y. Warren, D. M. Jones, J. Flem John-

## MR. S. S. PITTMAN DEAD.

Passed Away at City Hospital Yesterday Morning—Body Taken to Dunn for Burial.

Mr. Sidney S. Pittman, who came to Gastonia several months ago from High Point, died at 3 o'clock yesterday morning at the City Hospital following an illness of four or five weeks. Death was due to bronchial asthma. Mr. Pittman had been confined to his bed just three weeks to a day and had been in the hospital just a week. He had not been very strong since last February when he suffered a severe attack of grip.

Accompanied by his widow and father-in-law, Mr. T. A. Myers, the body was taken on No. 42 yesterday to Dunn, his former home, where the funeral and interment took place today. Deceased was 38 years of age. He is survived by two brothers and his mother, Mrs. Stephen Pittman who is 86 years old, all living at Dunn.

Mr. Pittman was a photographer by trade and followed that business until his recent illness. Though a resident of Gastonia for only a short time, he made many friends here to whom his death is a source of sorrow. The sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved widow and other relatives in their great sorrow.

### Excursion to Richmond.

Elsewhere in The Gazette of today the Southern Railway announces that it will operate its annual excursion from Charlotte to Richmond on Tuesday, July 19th. The train will leave Charlotte at 8 p. m. on that day. The round-trip fare from Charlotte is \$4.50. The excursionists will have one night and two days in the Virginia capital.

W. C. Galloway, Jr., a well known young man of Wilmington was arrested Saturday on a charge of forgery. It is alleged that he forged the signature of his father-in-law, D. N. Chadwick, to a check for \$175.

son, D. B. Grier, A. H. Huss, I. F. Mabry, W. A. Leeper, Sr., G. A. Howell, S. J. Gaston, J. L. Ragan, P. E. Lentz, R. J. Dellinger, John Ballard, H. S. Sellers, C. W. Fuller.

Mr. C. B. Armstrong, who has served the county of Gaston faithfully and diligently for several years as chairman of the Democratic executive committee, having resigned, Mr. T. L. Craig's name was presented as his successor. His nomination having been greeted with such hearty applause, everyone predicts for Gaston Democracy a howling victory in the fall election this year. Mr. Craig was unanimously elected. In accepting the nomination Mr. Craig, in a few well chosen words, expressed his gratitude for the honor bestowed and assured the convention that he would not "sleep on the job."

### LETTER FROM MR. MAUNEY.

The following letter was received by Chairman Armstrong from Mr. S. S. Mauney, of Cherryville, the defeated candidate for the Legislature. It was addressed to the county chairman and the delegates to the county convention and breathed a spirit of loyalty to the party and its principles characteristic of a staunch Democrat.

The letter follows:

"Gentlemen:—  
"As I am detained by business from being present with you today I take this way of expressing my sincere thanks to all for the courtesy shown me during my recent canvass for the nomination to the Legislature.

"While luck was against me in securing the nomination I feel highly complimented in the liberal vote which my friends gave me.

"After considering the fact that my announcement was not made until late and not being personally acquainted with a great many people of the county, I feel like the vote I received and the friends I have made is enough to make me feel good if I did fall short of the nomination. Thanking the good people of Gaston County for their liberal support and kindness shown me while in the campaign, I remain,  
"Yours very respectfully,  
"S. S. MAUNEY."

## JUSTICE FULLER DEAD.

Chief Justice of United States Supreme Court Expires Suddenly at His Summer Home in Maine, at Advanced Age—His Career a Remarkable One.

Bar Harbor, Me., July 4.—Chief Justice Melville W. Fuller, of the United States Supreme Court, died of heart failure at his summer home in Sorrento at 6 o'clock this morning. The death of the chief justice was entirely unexpected, as he had been in apparently good health lately, and there had been no premonitory symptoms of any kind of trouble. Yesterday he attended church as usual, and when he retired last night he was to all appearances in his customary health.

Death came about 6 o'clock this morning. His daughter, Mrs. Nathaniel Francis, and the Rev. James F. Freeman, who was a guest of Justice Fuller at his Sorrento cottage, "Main Stay," were with the jurist when he died.

The funeral services will be held at Sorrento and the interment will be at Chicago. The date for the funeral has not yet been fixed.

Chief Justice Fuller was in his seventy-sixth year.

### CHIEF JUSTICE 20 YEARS.

Washington, July 4.—To Chief Justice Fuller fell the honor of third rank for length of service as presiding justice in the highest tribunal of the American government. For twenty-two years he was chief justice of the Supreme Court of the United States but Chief Justice Marshall presided over the court for thirty-four years and Chief Justice Taney for twenty-eight years.

Before Grover Cleveland sent Mr. Fuller's name to the Senate on April 30, 1884, for confirmation as chief justice, he was practically unknown except to members of the legal profession. In Maine, where he was born on February 11, 1833, he had been known as a well behaved, rather scholarly lad. He had gone to Bowdoin College and while there won most of the prizes for elocution. He had gone to Harvard law school for one year.

Finally he blossomed forth as a full fledged lawyer and politician of a high-minded sort in his native city of Augusta. He became an associate editor on a Democratic paper called The Age, and about the same time was elected president of the city council and then city solicitor. Soon thereafter he left Maine for the opportunities in Chicago.

From 1856 to 1888 he lived in Chicago, but attracted little attention outside his immediate circle of friends and as this at the bar until he undertook the defense of Bishop Cheney, on a charge of heresy. His knowledge of ecclesiastical history and procedure astonished those who conducted the case and his argument of the cause of the bishop before the Supreme Court of Illinois is referred to still as a forensic effort seldom if ever surpassed in that court.

He was a delegate to the national conventions of the Democratic party in 1884, 1872, 1876 and 1880.

The Maine boy who had "gone west" accomplished much notwithstanding his quiet life. He had laid the foundations for a deep understanding of the commercial laws of the country and along this line he had performed services for his clients which were estimated to have netted him an annual income of \$30,000. These accomplishments led the Republican Senators from Illinois to urge upon the Democratic President the appointment of Mr. Fuller as the successor of Chief Justice Waite.

The nomination of Mr. Fuller, then 55 years of age, was followed by a memorable contest in the Senate.

The judiciary committee, with its Republican majority, to which the nomination was sent April 30, held up the appointment until July 20. Then the committee reported to the Senate "without recommendation." For three hours that body debated in executive session whether to confirm or reject the nomination. The attack on Mr. Fuller was led by Senators Edmonds, Evarts and Stuart. Senator Cullom and Farwell defended him. The reports that he had been a "copper head" during the civil war and that he did not possess the requisite ability as a

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