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OVER GASTON COUNTY.

DEATH OF J. F. WYATT.

Highly Esteemed Citizen of Cherryville Passed Away Monday—Personal and Social Items.

Correspondence of the Gazette.

Cherryville, July 20.—Mr. John Franklin Wyatt, who has been making his home with his brother, Mr. Ed Wyatt, in Cherryville, died Monday and was buried at Mt. Zion church yesterday, Rev. James Wilson conducting the burial services. Mr. Wyatt was reared in the vicinity of Gastonia, where he resided until a few months ago, when he came to our town. He was 30 years of age at the time of his death, was a Baptist by faith, and was loved and respected by all who knew him.

Mrs. Maggie Lytton, of Gastonia, is visiting in town.—Mr. Jacob McGinnis was in Morganton this week on business.—Mr. Andrew Mauney, of Kings Mountain, was in town yesterday on business.—Mr. Noah Heafner and Miss Lucy McGinnis visited friends in Malden Sunday.—Mr. Merton Beam left yesterday for Dallas, where he will work with The Dallas Advocate.—Mr. R. J. Dellinger, of High Shoals, was in the city Saturday.—Messrs. Sylvanus and Luther VanDyke, Wiley Snead and Floyd Waters left Monday for Blowing Rock and other points among the Blue Ridge mountains.—Mr. Herbert Beam was in Kings Mountain Sunday.—Mr. and Mrs. Noah Carpenter, of Crouse, visited friends in town Sunday.—Mrs. J. A. Rudisill is spending the week with friends at Hildebran.—Attorney S. B. Sparrow, of Dallas, was in town Monday.—Prof. J. W. Strassel left Friday for Indiana, where he will spend several days among friends.

BESSEMER ROUTE ONE, NEWS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

BESSEMER CITY, R. F. D. 1, July 20.—We think it true that "hot July brings cooling showers," as we have been having plenty of rain this month.—Farmers are very busy laying by their crops and threshing wheat. Wheat and oats are good and crops are looking fine.—There was an ice cream supper at Sunny-side last Saturday night, given by the debating society. A large crowd was present.—Miss Ethel Davidson, of Bethany, spent a few days last week with Misses Etta and Thala Farmer at Bessemer City.—Miss Mary Jane Mauney delighted the young people with an old-time singing last Sunday evening. All seemed to enjoy it very much.

Mr. Marcus Beam, of Bessemer City, was a business visitor to Cherryville last Monday.—Misses Etta and Thala Farmer visited in Shelby last week.—Miss Helen Pasour, of Bessemer City, spent last week visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Pasour, at Alexis.—We are glad to note that Miss Blanche Beam, who has been very sick with typhoid fever, has improved very much.—Mrs. M. E. Hager, of Bessemer City, route two, spent last Saturday at the home of her father, Mr. C. Stroup.—Misses Maud and Winnie Allran, of Cherryville, visited Miss Zona Stroup last Saturday and Sunday.—Mrs. Lee Hager has been sick for some time, but we are glad to say she is improving.—Miss Bryte Crawford, of Gastonia, is teaching school at Hickory Grove.

Miss M. F. Pasour was at Cherryville, shopping last Friday.—Mr. S. S. Black, of Cherryville, is very sick with fever.—The protracted meeting will begin at Hepsibah next Saturday night and will continue over the fifth Sunday.—Mr. Grat Mauney, of Bessemer City, spent last Sunday with his son, Mr. Claud Mauney, at Waco.—Misses Cleo and Helen Pasour were Cherryville shoppers last Monday.—The little infant of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvanus Haesten was buried at Concord last Friday.—Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mauney spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ford.—Communion services were held at Bethel last Sunday.—Mr. Marshall Beam, of Cherryville, has gone to McBee, S. C., on business.

MOUNTAIN ISLAND NEWS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

MOUNTAIN ISLAND, July 20.—Mr. Eben Davis has overhauled and repaired his grist mill and is again prepared to grind corn. Mr. A. L. D. Bumgardner is the miller.—Mr. Stanford has moved to Spencer

Mountain.—Mr. L. T. Rankin went to Dallas and Gastonia on business Saturday.—Mr. J. H. Roberts went to Charlotte Saturday on business.—Mr. J. C. Pettus, of Charlotte, was a visitor here Saturday.—Mr. C. E. Hutchinson returned Saturday from Charlotte, bringing some friends over in his automobile.—Mr. P. P. Bumgardner, of Mt. Holly, spent Saturday and Sunday here with relatives.—Miss Hettie Bumgardner is visiting friends at Indian Trail this week.

Mount Holly Matters.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

MOUNT HOLLY, July 21.—Miss Mary Lentz delightfully entertained a number of her little friends last Tuesday afternoon in honor of her thirteenth anniversary. Different games were enjoyed very much by the children. The guests were invited into the dining room, which was charmingly decorated, and here delicious refreshments were served. The hostess was the recipient of many pretty presents. Those present were: Sara Rankin, Kathleen Lineberger, Pauline Lentz, Hazel Garner, Edith Holland, Gertrude Belk, Vera and Louise Torrence; Ralph Holland, Horace Nims, Jo Bowles, Grier Rhyne, Jennings, William, Charles and Henry Boger.

Last Friday night Misses Stella and Mary Dellinger, of Lincolnton, guests of Mrs. Thompson, were greatly surprised by a large number of young people from town. The gay couples gathered in the large orchard and dined away with lots of the fruit.—Miss Mary Shipp, from Gulfport, Miss., will come Saturday to spend the summer with her sister, Mrs. S. M. McCoy.—Mr. Lee Grice has returned from a visit of several days to relatives across the river.—Miss Elizabeth Nims, of Fort Mills, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Spratt.—Miss Cora Joy left this week to spend her vacation with her mother at Lenoir.—Mrs. Murphy, of Hickory, has returned home after spending several days with her sister, Mrs. I. B. Covington.—Miss Essie Rankin left Friday for Charlotte to spend a few days with Miss Mary Shelton.

IRON STATION NEWS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

IRON STATION, July 20.—Mrs. O. P. Rudisill is spending some time with her mother near Dallas, who is right sick.—Mr. Clint Moore, of Stanley, is spending several days with his sister, Mrs. Eva Goode.—Misses Cora and Vera Stancer, Minnie and Bessie Friday spent from Saturday till Monday with Misses Friday's Parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. P. Friday.—Miss Susie Hallman is visiting her sister, Mrs. Ed Carpenter near Lincolnton.

The Iron Station Sunday school will go to High Shoals Friday on their annual picnic outing.—Mrs. Miles Jenkins and children spent several days with relatives at Stanley last week.—Our people are preparing for a big time here the 29th when the farmers institute and annual picnic takes place.—Mr. Bill Armstrong was in Lincolnton yesterday on business.—Messrs. Puette Munday and Robert Goode attended the convention in Charlotte last week.—Misses Mattie Camp, of Lincolnton, and Heloise Rudisill, of route one, are spending some time with Miss Alpha Goode.

There will be communion services at the Lutheran church here next Saturday evening. Rev. R. H. Cline of Monroe will conduct the services. Miss Sullye Brown began a summer school near Stanley last Monday. She taught the school there last winter.—Mr. Henry Dellinger, of Abbeville, S. C., is visiting here.—Misses Hattie Armstrong and Ada Goodson spent several days in Johnson City, Tenn., last week.—Mrs. E. I. Rhyne is not well at this writing.

Wesleyan Camp-Meeting.

The annual camp-meeting of the North Carolina Conference of the Wesleyan church will be held this year on August 3d to 14th at the camp ground on East Franklin avenue. Rev. A. B. Crumpler, of Clinton, N. C., will be the leading preacher. The first service will be held at 8 o'clock on Wednesday evening, August 3d. A committee consisting of Rev. H. W. Hawkins, Rev. J. A. Clement and Mr. P. E. Wooten has the arrangements for the meeting in charge.

LATCH STRING OUTSIDE.

Cherryville Will Throw Her Doors Wide Open Saturday, August 6th—Everybody Invited to Be There and Have a Good Time—Congressman Webb to Speak—A Varied Assortment of Amusements—Reduced Rates on Railroads.

Saturday, August 6th, will be a gala day at Cherryville. In talking to The Gazette man Wednesday regarding the approaching old soldiers reunion and picnic a prominent Cherryville man stated that they were expecting ten thousand people to be on hand. Low rates will prevail on the railroad from nearby towns and thousands are expected to make the trip by private conveyance from all sections of Gaston and from parts of Lincoln, Cleveland and Mecklenburg Counties.

The Gazette is indebted to Mr. J. F. Weathers of the Cherryville Retail Merchants Association, under the auspices of which organization the event is to be held, for a special invitation to be present on that day. He adds that time and money will not be spared to make this one of the biggest days that Cherryville has ever had and they expect to see that every one has a good time.

Already the county and territory in adjacent counties is being posted with large hand bills setting forth the attractions which will be provided. This circular sets forth that there will be an old soldiers reunion with free dinner, a balloon ascension, an address by Congressman Webb, a baseball game, music by a brass band, etc.

Among other things there will be a number of contests including the following:

Fat man's race, winner to get a box of Havana Ribbon 5 cent cigars, given by the Cherryville Drug Co.

Bicycle race, winner to get a \$3 razor, given by the Cherryville Hardware Company.

Climbing greasy pole, winner to get a \$3 hat, given by the Kendrick Mercantile Company.

Barrel race, winner to get a pair of shoes, given by J. H. Rudisill Co.

Wheelbarrow race, winner to get a bunch of bananas, given by Houser & Wyatt.

Largest wagon load of people brought to town, winner to get 25 yards best white lawn, own make, by Gaston Manufacturing Company.

Cherryville's hospitality is proverbial and all the people need is an invitation and an opportunity to go. Unless the weather should be unfavorable it is more than likely that the people of that good town will have all the folks they can well take care of for a day.

MR. SIDNEY BROWN DEAD.

Former Resident of This Section Passed Away in Oklahoma on July 12.

Kings Mountain Herald, 21st. Mrs. B. B. Jones of this city has just received a letter from her nephew conveying the sad news that her last surviving brother, Mr. Sidney Brown, who lived in Oklahoma, is no more, having passed away on Tuesday, July 12.

Mr. Brown was a native of this section for many years living in Gastonia. About two years ago he went to Alabama in search of health, and later took up his abode in the new State of Oklahoma.

He is survived by his second wife, and a son, now living in Montana.

As yet, Mrs. Jones has received no word as to what place in Oklahoma he lived, direct cause of his death, burial, or any particulars—only that he is dead.

Hanna's Grove Secured.

The committee having in charge the arrangements for the big picnic to be given in Gastonia on the first Monday in September by the Rural Letter Carriers and Farmers' Union request us to state that they have secured the Hanna grove near Oakwood cemetery for the occasion and have also secured a twelve-acre lot adjoining the grove for hitching purposes. In addition to this there will be an inclosure large enough to furnish room for a hundred or more teams for the benefit of those whose teams will not stand hitched in the open. These arrangements should furnish ample accommodations for all, no matter how large the crowd, and no one should stay away for fear there will not be ample and suitable hitching room.

TO DISCUSS DRAINAGE.

Owners of Property Situated on Crowders Creek Will Meet at Pleasant Ridge Saturday, July 30th, to Consider Matter of Dredging This Stream from Baker's Mill to Riddle's Mill.

Recently The Gazette has made mention of the fact that there has for some time been a growing sentiment among the farmers owning and cultivating farms along Crowders Creek favoring the dredging of this stream and the drainage of hundreds of acres of valuable lands which are now useless. The discussion of this important matter has been going on quietly for some time with the result that a majority of the landowners on Crowders Creek have come to a realization of the fact that their lands can be reclaimed and again made fertile by the dredging of the creek bed and the consequent drainage of the bottom lands.

As a result of this discussion and some investigating by interested parties, a meeting will be held Saturday, July 30th, at 1 o'clock p. m. at Pleasant Ridge for the purpose of going further into detail, exchanging ideas and probably organizing to do something definite. The proposition to be discussed relates to the dredging of Crowders Creek between Baker's Mill and Riddle's Mill, there being a dam at each of these places. Between these two points there are hundreds of acres of land which, in the past few years have become valueless so far as productiveness is concerned. The bed of the creek has filled up and the water has overflowed over a large expanse of territory. Concerted action on the part of those who are directly interested can be made to result in a saving of thousands of dollars worth of property and in the increase of the production of cotton, corn, wheat and farm products of other kinds in this immediate territory.

It is hoped that every farmer living on Crowders Creek between Baker's and Riddle's mills will be present at the Pleasant Ridge meeting. This matter is of such importance that any farmer can afford to lay aside his work for half a day and attend.

As has been previously pointed out by The Gazette the dredging of this stream and the drainage of the contiguous lands will not only result in a great property saving to the landowners but it will result in improved health conditions that would, in themselves, be ample justification for all the trouble and expense necessary to bring about the improved condition of things. There would be much less malaria, fewer mosquitoes. For health considerations alone this project is worth all it will cost to carry it out.

Returns After 43 Years.

A pleasant visitor to The Gazette office yesterday was Mr. Lorenzo Beam, of Comanche, Texas, who left Gaston county 43 years ago to begin life in the Lone Star State and is now back on his first visit within that time to his many relatives in this county. Mr. Beam has four brothers living in the county, Messrs. H. S., G. F., M. L. and P. S. Beam, and four sisters, Mrs. George Sellers, Mrs. Andrew Sellers, Mrs. Sarah Stroup and Miss Maggie Beam. Mr. Beam's wife, who was Miss Emma Mauney, a daughter of John Mauney, has been dead about five years. Mr. Beam has eleven living children residing in five States, Texas, Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and California. Mr. Beam seems to be enjoying very much his visit to the scenes of his boyhood and young manhood, although he states that very few of the landmarks of the sixties are now recognizable to him.

Musical Concert.

On Monday night, August 1st, a concert will be given in the auditorium of Main Street Methodist church by Prof. Carl Fallberg and wife, Mme. Sjoestedt-Fallberg, of Stockholm, Sweden, for the benefit of the Epworth League. Prof. Fallberg is a composer and concert pianist of national reputation, while Mme. Fallberg is a noted soprano. An evening of genuine enjoyment is promised to all lovers of music.

—Messrs. F. O. Davis and G. W. Dettler, of Dallas, were Gastonia visitors Wednesday.

SANITARY FOUNTAINS.

Supt. Wray of the City Schools Advocates Installation of Sanitary Drinking Fountains for Use of Pupils—Cost Would be Small and the Resultant Benefit Great—Leading Schools of the Country Are Using Them.

Superintendent Joe S. Wray of the Gastonia public schools is desirous of having installed in the city schools, and especially in the Central school where several hundred pupils are housed during eight or nine months of the year, sanitary drinking fountains. He has recently taken the trouble to investigate the various makes of fountains on the market, their advantages, cost, etc. He informs The Gazette that the Central School can be thoroughly equipped throughout with the best sanitary drinking fountains on the market for the small sum of \$80. He hopes to enlist the aid of the Gastonia Woman's Betterment Association in this matter and, if possible, he desires to arrange to have these fountains installed before the opening of the fall term of the schools.

Supt. Wray also hopes that some way may be found by which at least one of these sanitary fountains can be installed this fall at each of the several mill schools of the town. Ten or fifteen dollars is all that will be required to equip one of these schools and the outlay is trifling when compared to the great benefit that will result in the prevention of disease.

Within recent years the city schools of all the larger cities in the country have installed sanitary drinking fountains and it has come to be considered in the light of a necessity and not a luxury. In North Carolina the city schools of Charlotte and Greensboro have them in use as have also probably others; also the State Normal College at Greensboro. Only this summer the Winthrop Normal College at Rock Hill, S. C., the South Carolina State Normal College for Women, has installed them for the use of its several hundred students.

From a standpoint of economy in health and life there is no doubt that the small outlay of money required for similarly equipping the Gastonia schools would prove a wise and paying investment.

EDUCATIONAL CAMPAIGN.

Dates for Educational Rallies to be Held at Lutheran Churches in Gaston and Adjoining Counties.

The Lutherans in the Piedmont section of the State are making a vigorous educational campaign among their people for Christian education and Home Missions. The program contemplates reaching every congregation in the conference and the gathering of Home Mission offerings in each congregation. The following are the appointments for Gaston county and adjacent territory:

Gastonia, July 26, 8 p. m., Mr. C. K. Rhodes and Rev. P. D. Risinger. Lutheran Chapel, July 27, 10:30 a. m., Pres. R. L. Fritz.

Bessemer City, July 27, 8 p. m., Mr. C. K. Rhodes and Rev. P. D. Risinger.

Holy Communion, July 26, 8 p. m., Pres. R. L. Fritz and Rev. W. J. Boger.

Philadelphia, July 26, 10:30 a. m., Mr. J. J. George and Rev. M. L. Pence.

Hardin, July 26, 8 p. m., Mr. J. J. George and Rev. M. L. Pence.

Antioch, July 27, 10:30 a. m., Mr. J. J. George and Rev. M. L. Pence. Christ's Church, July 25, 3:30 p. m., Rev. R. H. Cline and Rev. John Hall.

St. Luke's, July 26, 10:30 a. m., Rev. R. H. Cline and Rev. John Hall.

Bethel, July 26, 3:30 p. m., Rev. R. H. Cline and Rev. John Hall.

St. John's, July 26, 8 p. m., Mr. A. C. Lineberger and Rev. R. A. Yoder, D. D.

St. Matthew's, July 27, 8 p. m., Pres. R. L. Fritz and Rev. W. J. Boger.

St. Luke's, July 28, 10:30 a. m., Rev. W. J. Boger.

Weather Forecast: Partly cloudy with local showers in east portion Friday and probably Saturday; light variable winds.

DEATH OF MRS. COUNTS.

Passed Away Wednesday Morning After Week's Illness—Funeral and Burial at Cherryville.

Mr. H. W. Counts and children have the sympathy of their many friends in the bereavement which came to them in the death of their wife and mother, Mrs. Ada Counts, which occurred at 1:30 o'clock Wednesday morning at their home near the Lory Mill. Mrs. Counts was ill only one week, the cause of her death being uraemic poisoning. Mr. and Mrs. Counts formerly lived at Bessemer City, but moved here from Charlotte a year ago, and Mr. Counts has been in the mercantile business at the Lory Mill.

Mrs. Counts was, before her marriage to Mr. Counts, Miss Ada George, a daughter of Mr. N. B. George, of Bessemer City, who was here to attend the funeral and burial. Beside her husband and father the deceased lady is survived by two children, Norma and Carl, seven and five years of age, three brothers, Messrs. A. B., H. D. and J. J. George, of Bessemer City, and two sisters, Mrs. T. E. Summer, of Cherryville, and Mrs. John Coley, of Newton.

The body was taken through the country to Cherryville Wednesday, where the funeral services were conducted at 3 p. m. by Rev. John Hall, pastor of the Gastonia Lutheran church, of which the deceased was a faithful and consistent member, after which the interment took place at the Lutheran cemetery.

Mrs. Counts was 30 years of age, having been born at Lexington, S. C., March 9, 1880. She was confirmed as a member of the Lutheran church on April 3rd, 1896.

Union Service.

On Sunday night, July 31, the regular quarterly union service of the Presbyterian, Associate Reformed Presbyterian and Methodist churches will be held at Main Street Methodist church. The sermon will be preached by Rev. R. C. Anderson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church.

District Conference.

The district conference of the Shelby district, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will be held this year at Dallas, beginning Thursday, July 28th, and holding through the following Sunday. Presiding Elder J. R. Scroggs, of Shelby, will preside. The delegates from Main Street, Gastonia, are Messrs. B. T. Morris, W. H. Jenkins, W. N. Davis and J. K. Dixon.

Killed by Train.

Jeff George, a white boy about 17 years of age and a son of Mr. W. M. George, formerly of Gastonia but now living in Belmont, was instantly killed by train No. 38 Monday night near Lexington, while beating his way from Salisbury to Lexington or some other point. He was accompanied by Jess Steele, of Gastonia, who saw him fall from the rods, where they were both riding, and who notified the train dispatcher at Greensboro of the fact. George's body was found a few miles this side of Lexington horribly mangled. His remains were brought to Belmont on No. 11 Wednesday, where the burial took place.

John A. Gross, one of the oldest employes in point of length of service in the Washington office of the Associated Press, died in Washington Tuesday as the result of a stroke of apoplexy.

Clark to Succeed Godwin.

Oscar L. Clark, of Bladen county, was nominated for Congress by the sixth district Democratic congressional convention at Wrightsville yesterday to succeed Congressman Godwin. The nomination was made at 1:20 a. m. on the 44th ballot, the vote standing as follows: Clark 169, McClammy 42, Cook 40. The convention was stormy throughout.

CARD OF THANKS.

We take this method of expressing our deepest and most sincere thanks to all our friends and neighbors who were so kind and helpful to us during the brief illness and at the death of our beloved wife and mother. The heavy burden of our sorrow is lightened by the memory of these evidences of friendly sympathy, for which we are truly grateful.

H. W. COUNTS AND CHILDREN.