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#### OVER GASTON COUNTY.

DEAD AT EIGHTY.

Mrs. Mary Christenbury, of Mount Holly, Passes at Advanced Age Personal and Local Mention.

Correspondence of The Gazettes MOUNT HOLLY, July 25. Mrs. Mary Christenbury died at her home near Rozzelle's bridge last Eriday at the advanced age of eighty years, and was buried at Snow Hill. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. A. Bowles. The immediate cause of her death was injuries sustained from a fall some weeks ago from which she never recovered. Mrs. Christenbury was born, reared, married and raised a family in the home in which she died. She is survived by two sons, one in Statesville, the other in Mooresville, and four daugh ters, one at Asheville and the others at Mt. Holly and Mountain Island.

Rev. Mr. Cook, of Rutherfordton, occupied the pulpit at the Presbyterian church both morning and evening, preaching two interesting and helpful sermons. At the morning service, Samuel Lee, infant of Rev. and Mrs. S. L. Cathey, was christened

Communion services conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. J. Boger, were held at the Lutheran church Sunday morning. This service was largely attended.

A protracted meeting is in progress at Hickory Grove Baptist church near here.

Misses Sara and Christine Rutledge, Jean and Bain Henderson, and Fay Davenport are attending a house party at Mr. Mac Henderson's at River Bend .- Mrs. Dorton, of Charlotte, is the guest this week of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Jenkins .- Mr. Russell Dellinger. of Lincolnton, is spending a few days with Mr. Thompson.-Rev. Excell Rozzelle left Friday to assist Rev. Mr. Surratt, of Linwood, in a meeting. Before returning he will spend a few days with his friend, Mr. LeRoy Miller, at Linwood .-Mrs. Charles McLean, of Belmont, spent Saturday and Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Mattie Rankin. She was accompanied home by Miss Ida Rankin.-Rev. J. A. Bowles, Messrs. W. L. Tucker and R. F. Rankin will attend district conference at Dallas this week .- Misses Bess Grice, Mary and Eva Bowles are visiting friends at Moore's chapel.

#### Mount Holly Matters.

Correspondence of the Gazette.

HIGH SHOALS, July 25 .- Odell Beal, the sweet little baby of Mr. and Mrs. Lon Beal, of this place died last Wednesday at the home of its grandmother, Mrs. Jennie Beal, of Elm Grove. The little child had been sick for some time and was taken to Lincolnton by its fond parents, who hoped that the change would restore it to health. Odell was born September 28, 1909, and died July 20, 1910. He was nine months and 22 days old. The little body was taken and laid to rest in the Asbury cemetery, Rev. J. W. Strider conducted the funeral services. The sorrowing parents have the sympathy of the entire commun-

The Ladies Missionary Society of the Methodist church gave an ice cream supper Saturday night for the benefit of the society. There was a large crowd present and it was a success.

Miss Elva Hall, of Belmont, spent last week with us, visiting her school children and Mrs. J. M. Smyly .-Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McBrayer, of Shelby, formerly general manager of the store here, spent Saturday night with Mr. J. W. Daniels.-Miss Ruth Crosby is spending a few weeks visiting her sister, Mrs. B. A. Conell .-Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Fry and their little daughter, Ruth, of Maiden, have been spending a few days with their sons, Charles and Ed Fry .-Misses Ivah Abernethy and Irene Keever, spent last Saturday in Gastonia .- Mr. Paul Hoover is spending this week at home with his mother in Lincolnton.

The Iron Station Methodist Sunday school had their annual picnic here last Friday. We are always delighted to have picule crowds. If there is any Sunday school thinking of taking a picnic, I am sure you will find no better place than High runs regularly between here and Shoals. We have as cold and pure water as there is in the county, a Come to High Shoals when you take good place to fish for carp, suckers, your outing.

#### CHALLENGES MR. McNINCH.

Congressman E. Y. Webb Offers to Stump the District With Mr. S. S. McNinch, Republican Nominee of the District-The Letter.

Charlotte Observer, Sunday. Congressman E. Y. Webb, of Shelby, yesterday mailed to Mr. S. S. McNinch of this city, Republican nominee for Congress in this, the ninth district of which Mr. Webb is the present Democratic Representative and the nominee of the party for re-election, a letter challenging him to a joint debate throughout the district. Mr. Webb also suggested a number of places where speaking might be held in the several counties that constitute the district and offering to accept any suggestions that Mr. McNinch might make. Mr. Webb's letter is as follows:

Shelby, N. C., July 23, 1910. S. S. McNinch, Esq.,

Charlotte, N. C. Dear Mr. McNinch:

As you and I are the nominees of the Republican and Democratic parties respectively for Congress in this district, and as it has been the custim heretofore for such candidates to have public joint discussions in order to let the people see their candidates and learn how they stand on public questions, I therefore invite you to join me in a canvass of the district. I suggest that we speak at the following places, to wit:

Spruce Pine and Bakersville, in Mitchell county; Micaville, Burnsville and Cane River, in Yancey county; Mars Hill, Marshal, Hot Springs and Spring Creek, in Madison county; Bridgewater, Morganton and Connelly Springs, in Burke; Hickory, Newton and Maiden, in Catawba; Lowesville, Iron Station, Lincolnton, and Reepsville, in Lincoln county; Casar, Shelby, Boiling Springs and Kings Mountain, in Cleveland county; Gastonia, Dallas, Bessemer City, Cherryville and Stanley, in Gaston county; Paw Creek, Huntersville, Matthews, Pineville and Charlotte, in Mecklenburg, and at any other places that you may suggest.

If you agree to a joint canvass, please name the time and place when the Democratic congressional chairman of this district may meet your chairman and make a definite schedule.

With kind wishes, I am Yours very truly, etc., E. Y. WEBB.

Of course it is not yet known whether Mr. McNinch will accept this challenge or not. Mr. Mc-Ninch's predecessor for congressional honors, Mr. John A. Smith, of Bessemer City, accepted the tender two years ago, the various encounters in the several counties being ludicrous to a marked degree in the estimation of those who heard the speeches. Mr. McNinch does not pose as a public speaker or debater but yet has been attending several county conventions and making addresses. Neither did Mr. John A. Smith claim to be an orator.

It is hardly regarded as probable that Mr. McNinch will accept this challenge but if he does the various contemplated encounters will provide much interesting reading matter this fall.

Picnic at Belmont Thursday...

Belmont Camp, Woodmen of the World, will hold their annual picnic at Belmont Thursday, July 28th. They extend a cordial invitation to every one to be with them on that day. An interesting program has been arranged and every one is assured a good time. There will be speeches during the day by Congressman E. Y. Webb and other prominent men. Music will be furnished by the well-known Steele Creek Band. Every one is requested to bring dinner and join in a good old sociable spread feast.

-Mr. Will Hunter returned yesterday from a pleasant visit to Jackson Springs.

-Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Long returned this morning from a pleasant trip to Baltimore and other Northern cities.

etc., a number if boats to take boat rides in, also a gasoline boat that Long Shoals and a good ball ground,

#### MR. FRED CRAIG DEAD.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Dorle Craig Succumbs After a Long Illness-Buried Yesterday Afternoon in Oakwood Cemetery - Miss Pattie Kell Dies and Body is Taken to Sharon, S. C., for Burial.

Following a long and painful illness of nearly a year from tuberculosis, which slowly but steadily sapped his vital forces and against which medical skill and loving ministrations were powerless, Mr. Fred Craig gave up the battle yesterday morning at 5:30 o'clock, death coming at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Dorie Craig, No. 313 Willow street. All that tender and loving parents and brothers and sisters could do to lighten his burdens and restore him to health was done but without result, except to prolong his life for a time. He suffered much during his long illness but suffered without complaining. Several months ago he made a profession of faith and when death came he met it bravely and unafraid. Though not a member of the church, he signified more than once to Rev. R. C. Anderson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, that he had surrendered himself to the will of the Master and was prepared to go whenever the call came.

Deceased was in his twenty-fourth year, having been born September 15, 1886. He is survived by his parents, three brothers, William Ralph, John Henry and Robert Clyde and two sisters, Cora Lee and Ethel Bright.

The funeral was held from the late home, No. 313 Willow street, yesterday afternoon at 6 o'clock, conducted by Rev. R. C. Anderson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, assisted by Rev. W. H. Reddish. Interment was in Oakwood

The bereaved parents, brothers and sisters have the sympathy of many friends in their hour of bereavement.

MISS PATTIE KELL. At the home of her father, Mr. J.

D. Kell, on Gaston Terrace, Miss Pattie Kell died about 6 o'clock yesterday morning after an illness of three months or more. Deceased was about thirty years of age 'and had lived in Gastonia for the past four or five years, having moved here from York county, South Carolina, with ther father's family.

Funeral services were held at the late home last night at 8 o'clock, the services being conducted by Rev. W. H. Reddish, assisted by Rev. R. C. Anderson, and the body was skipped on No. 39 this morning to Sharon, S. C., for interment. Miss Kell was a loyal and consistent member of the Baptist church.

Surviving the deceased are her father, two sisters, Mrs. Minnie B. Gaze and Miss Eunice Kell, and four brothers, viz: Mr. Frank Kell, of Spartanburg, S. C.; Mr. Thomas Kell, of Columbia, S. C.; and Messrs. James and Dick Kell, of

The sympathy of the entire community goes out to the sorrowing father, brothers and sisters in their bereavement.

#### A Musical Treat Monday Night.

Gastonians will have an opportunity next Monday night to hear two well-known musicians, Prof. Carl Fallberg and wife, Mme. Gunhild-Sjoestedt-Fallberg, in the auditorium of Main Street Methodist church. The concert will be free and the public is cordially invited to be present. Prof. and Mrs. Fallberg are natives of Sweden. The former is director of music at Centenary College and Conservatory, Cleveland, Tenn., and his wife is teacher of voice in the same institution. Prof. Robert L. Durham, formerly of Gastonia but now a member of the faculty of Centenary College, will accompany Prof. and Mrs. Fallberg. Prof. Fallberg is a composer and concert planist of national reputation while his wife is a noted

Former Mayor A. H. Bouseman, of Ridgeway, Va., was assassinated Sunday night while lying in a hammock in his yard. Some unknown party threw a dynamite bomb which exploded near him, horribly mangling his body. Mystery surrounds the affair and so far no person has been arrested for the crime.

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#### SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Gaston County Presbyterian Sunday School Convention to be Held in Gastonia Thursday and Friday of This Week.

The following is the program of the annual Gaston County Presbyterian Sunday School Convention. which will be held in the First Presbyterian church in this city Thursday and Friday, July 28th and

THURSDAY.

10:00 a. m., July 28th, 1910. Convention called to order by J. T. R. Dameron, Chairman,

Roll Call of Churches for Dele-

Election of officers .. Address of welcome by Dr. C. E.

Response by Rev. S. S. Oliver. 11:00 a. m. Sermon-The Parent and Sunday School-Rev. R. S. Bur-

2:30 p. m., Song Service. 2:45 p. m., Appointment of Com-

2:50 p. m., The preparation and Teaching of the Sabbath School Lesson, by Rev. R. C. Anderson.

Discussion.

3:20 p. m., Hymn and Prayer. 3:35 p. .m. Boys Work in Sunday School, Teacher A. C. Jones.

Discussion.

4:05 p. m., Question Box or Round Table Talk-Teacher Rev. G. A. Sparrow Recess.

8:00 p. m., Sunday School Work Abroad-Rev. W. R. Minter. FRIDAY.

9:30 a. m., Devotional Exercises -Rev. R. A. Miller.

9:45 a. m., Men's Bible Class Work-Teacher, W. T. Rankin, (in church).

Discussion.

Best Methods of Primary Work-Miss Clara Patrick (in S. S. room). Discussion.

10:45 a, m., Song Service. Scripture Quotations.

11:00 a. m., Teachers Meetings. General Discussion.

11:30 a. m., The Supply and Training of Teachers-Teacher, R. B. Riddle.

Discussion.

Recess. 2:00 p. m., Song Service. 2:15 p. m., Report of Committee

on Sabbath School Reports. General Discussion.

2:45 p. m., Report of Treasurer and Committees. 3:00 p. m., General and Unfinish-

ed Business. 3:30 p. m., Election of Officers.

3:45 p. m., Farewell Service.

#### THE JUDGES.

The List as Confirmed by the Democratic State Convention.

High Point Enterprise.

The State convention by a unanimous vote confirmed the nomination of judges made in the various judicial districts, and in advance ratified the nomination to be made in the thirteenth district in August. In that district there was a deadlock between Messrs. E. B. Cline, of Catawba, Edmond Jones, of Caldwell, and T. B. Finley, of Wilkes, and the convention adjourned until in August. The nominees in the other districts to elect this year are:

Second district-R. B. Peebles, of Northampton.

Third district-H. W. Whedbee, of Pitt. Fourth district - Charles M.

Cooke, of Franklin. Sixth district-Frank A. Daniels, of Wayne.

Eighth district-W. J. Adams, of Moore. Tenth district - Benjamin F. Long, of Iredell,

Eleventh district-H. P. Lane, of Rockingham. Thirteenth district - Convention

nominee in August ratified. Fourteenth district-M. H. Justice, of Rutherford. Fifteenth district-Joseph H. Ad-

ams, of Buncombe. Sixteenth district - Garland S. Ferguson, of Haywood. In the districts not mentioned

there are no elections this year. -Miss Ella Armstrong, of Belmont, returned home yesterday after spending a week very pleasantly in Gastonia as a guest at the home

West Main avenue,

#### CAPT. J. M. ODELL DEAD.

Aged and Honored Citizen of Concord Passes in His Eightieth Year -Was Prominent in Cotton Manufacturing Business for Forty Years-Father of Mrs. S. J. Durham, of Bessemer City.

Capt. J. M. Odell, father of Mrs. S. J. Durham, of Bessemer City, and one of Concord's most prominent citizens, died at his home there last Thursday night in his eightieth year. Last October he suffered a stroke of paralysis but recovered sufficiently to get about. About three weeks ago, while visiting his daughter, Mrs. S. J. Durham, at Bessemer City, he suffered a second stroke which resulted fatally. The funeral was held from the Forest Hill Methodist church Saturday and out of respect to his memory all the business houses of the town were closed during the funeral.

Capt. Odell was born near Asheboro. Randolph county., January 20, 1831, being a son of James and Anna Odell. He was raised on the farm where he remained until he was 21 years old. When the war came he, with his brother Laban, organized a company known as the Randolph Hornets of which he was captain and his brother first lieutenant. This was officially Company M of the Twelfth Regiment of North Carolina Volunteers, Col. J. Johnson Pettigrew being the colonel.

After the war Capt. Odell entered immediately into the manufacturing business in which he was engaged for more than forty years, up to the time of his death. He organized and operated a number of large cotton factories at Concord, Durham and elsewhere, his Concord mills at one time being among the largest in the South. He was one of the principal stockholders and directors for a number of years in the old Southern Cotton Mills at Bessemer City, this county, of which his son-in-law, Mr. S. J. Durham, was for several years secretary and treasurer.

In concluding a sketch of Capt. Odell's life The Concord Times of yesterday says of him:

"Capt. Odell's life was one of remarkable success. He was always a model of morality and integrity and was one of the finest types of Southern Christian gentleman, having for many years been an officer in the Methodist church. Though strict in all business transactions he was always very liberal and his deeds of kindness and charity have been many and large.

"As an organizer and manager of employees Capt. Odell had scarcely a superior. He was gentle, kind, urbane, yet firm in his discipline. No strikes, no friction, nothing ever occurred to mar the peaceful and pleasant relations existing between him and his employees.

"When Capt. Odell fell upon sleep, there passed one of the State's foremost citizens, a captain of industry ranking among the leading business men of this section of the nation. Concord recognizes in him the founder of its present industrial progress. The death of few men could be a greater loss to the State and the sense of bereavement will be in the hearts of a multitude of men."

#### Given Month's Vacation.

The congregation of the First Baptist church has granted a month's vacation to their pastor, Rev. W. H. Reddish and he and Mrs. Reddish will leave next week for Morganton and other points in the mountains where they will spend the month of August. During Mr. Reddish's absence the regular Sunday morning and evening services at this church will be dispensed with.

Mr. Columbus Shepherd, of Washington City, who was set upon and robbed by two negroes while walking through a piece of woods near Spencer last Wednesday night, will recover. Two negroes have been arrested and lodged in jail charged with the crime.

Mr. J. J. Britt, of Asheville, who was some months ago appointed as special counsel to the Postoffice Department at Washington, has been promoted and has been assigned to prosecute seven important cases now pending agaist the Lewis Publishing Company of St. Louis. The sum of \$1,000 annually has been added to his salary, giving him now \$4,000 a year. This eliminates him from of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hunter on the Republican race for the solicitorship in the fifteenth district.

## THE SALARY SYSTEM.

NO. 50.

Cleveland County Saves \$1,200 Annually by Having Only Two of Its Officers on Salary.

The Gazette has for a long time advocated the placing of the officers of Gaston county on a salary basis instead of continuing the fee system as at present. We have cited facts as proven in Guilford and othcounties in support of our contention.

Writing along this line The Highlander, published at Shelby, in its issue of last week, says that Cleveland county has saved \$1,200 by placing two of its officers on salary and pleads for an extension of the system so as to take in all the offices of Cleveland. The Highlander

"The Highlander advocates a salary basis for county officials, so as to save some money for tax payers. Many counties favor this plan, which has proved to be a success in Guilford county. Here is what Guilford saved last year by putting all its officials on a salary basis. The school fund last year gained \$2,224 and the road fund \$8,254.

"Pay them a reasonable salary. Under the present plan some officials get from \$2,500 to \$4,500 per year and this heavy payment makes some extravagant and they spend several hundred dollars at each election to hold again the office and to debauch politics.

"Cleveland county has already saved in one year \$1,200 by putting on a salary basis our treasurer and register of deeds, but this is partial and should apply to all our officials. It is now unjust to cut down the salaries of only two and leave those with higher salaries untouched.

"Salaries can be advanced as cost of living and labor of the position increase."

LINEMAN GETS JUDGMENT.

Beatty Morrow Gets \$2,300 Judgment in South Carolina Against Piedmont Telephone & Telegraph Company.

Shelby Highlander, 23rd.

The Piedmont Telephone and Telegraph Company of Shelby were dedendants in a damage suit for injuries sustained by a lineman Beatty Morrow, who fell from a broken telephone pole near Belmont cotton mill. Beatty Morrow had his arm broken by the fall and was carried for treatment to Rutherford Hospital last November, and signed a release from damages. Yet Beatty Morrow moved to Gaffney, S. C., brought suit for damages, claimed his mind was affected by the fall and got a judgment of \$2,300 damages against said company. Messrs. Sims, Butler and Hall were the plaintiff's lawyers; Claude Jeffries, Esq., appeared for the defendant, who will appeal to a higher court, and claim a written release as a bar to damages. The plaintiff was shrewd in moving to South Carolina so that he could bring suit in another State. He won his case.

### Family Reunion.

On Thursday, August 11th, Mrs. Franklin Holland will give a family reunion at her home two miles north of Gastonia in celebration of her 69th birthday. All her relatives are invited to be present wheth er they have received special invitation or not and all friends and acquaintances who wish to attend are invited to come and bring well-filled baskets for dinner. Mrs. Holland has only three children living, viz: Mrs. C. E. Torrence, Mrs. Will Boyd, Mrs. Oscar L. Rhyne, and a number of grandchildren.

-Lloyd, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Head, who has been ill with typhoid fever for the past week is reported today as being somewhat

-Miss Evelyn Hunt and Miss Robbie Lee Morrow, of Hamlet, Miss Sudle Wilson, of Charlotte, and Miss Ollie Brown Ware, of Greensboro, are the guests this week of Missen Zelda and Loie Ling at their home on East Airline avenue. The Missen Long will entertain in honor of their guests on Friday night.

Meadow Branch Baptist church. at Wingate, celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of its birth last Wednesday, the 20th. Twelve hundred people attended the exercises. Dr. E. W. Sikes, of Wake Forest Col lege, delivered the principal address.