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OVER GASTON COUNTY.

BESSEMER ROUTE ONE, NEWS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
BESSEMER CITY, R. F. D. 1, Nov. 7.—The farmers of this section are about through gathering their crops and are getting along nicely sowing small grain.—Misses Prue Beam, Winnie and Maud Allran, Pearle and Grace Sipe, of Cherryville, were the guests of Misses Myrtle and Sumie Carpenter last Saturday and Sunday.—Mrs. M. F. Pasour and daughter, Miss Cleo, spent last Sunday at the home of Mrs. C. A. Clark.—The little child of Mr. and Mrs. Grier Nelts is right sick at this writing.—Rev. C. W. Pasour, of Cliffside, was the guest of his father, Mr. M. F. Pasour, last Sunday night.—Mrs. G. I. Pasour is spending some time with her son-in-law, Mr. George Long, at Dallas.—Mr. Clarence Beam spent last Tuesday night with his uncle, Mr. John Beam, of Gastonia.—Mr. Dodd Flinger and Miss Vera Shrum, of Maiden, were the guests last Saturday and Sunday of Misses Cleo, Helen and Annie Pasour.—Miss Orebell Clarke spent last Tuesday with her cousins, Misses Mary and Lucy Beam.—Little Miss Josie Pasour is sick at this writing.—Mr. John Baldwin was a business visitor to Cherryville last Saturday.—Misses Mittie and Vera Shrum, of Lincolnville, attended the fair at Charlotte.—Mr. Sylvanus Beam, who has been very sick, is improving some.—Misses Ila Kincaid, Lertha Lancaster, Circe Cobb, Maude Rudsill and Messrs. Audie Carroll, Cude and David Mauney and Jesse Caldwell were among the number from Cherryville who attended the play, "Sins of the Fathers," at Shelby last Tuesday night.—Mr. W. E. Farnsworth, a prosperous farmer and merchant, has just completed an up-to-date store house with large show windows.

High Shoals News.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
HIGH SHOALS, Nov. 7.—Mr. and Mrs. Hardin, of Gastonia, gave a Halloween party at the Mission house last Monday night. A large crowd was present and all were sorry that the time came to leave so soon.—Mr. Bonnie Kendrick, son of A. S. Kendrick, and Miss Effie Lowery, the charming daughter of Mrs. J. A. Clark, were married at M. D. Friday's, Esq., last Wednesday night. They are both very popular young people and we wish them a bright happy future.
 Rev. C. M. Robinson, of Gastonia, preached at the Baptist church last Thursday night. A protracted meeting will begin at this church Saturday night and continue until the third Sunday.—Miss Elva Hall went to Belmont Saturday to attend the teachers meeting.—Mr. and Mrs. Van Morris, of Stanley, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Morris' father, Mr. S. W. Cloninger.—Mrs. J. B. Hartsell returned home Saturday from Charlotte. She had had her little daughter, Lena, there for several days for treatment by Dr. R. M. Petrie. We are glad to hear she is getting along nicely.—Dr. Holt spent last week at Thomasville.—Mrs. J. V. Dellinger, who has been sick for several weeks, is improving.—Mr. and Mrs. William Bradshaw spent yesterday with Mr. J. E. Cronister.—Mr. Otis Daniels, of Forest City, is spending a few days with his brother, Mr. J. W. Daniel.

NOTES FROM DALLAS R. F. D. 1.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
DALLAS, R. F. D. 1, Nov. 7.—Miss Octavia Willis spent Saturday night and Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Oscar Cloninger.—Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Pasour, of Crouse, visited relatives on route one Sunday.—Miss Ola Cloninger, who is attending school at Dallas, spent Sunday with her folks.—Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Pabur were Gastonia visitors Thursday.—Miss Elliott Friday, of Hoyles creek, returned home Sunday from a very pleasant visit to her sister, Mrs. Luther Pasour.—Misses Mabel and Carrie Dixon, of Gastonia, are in this section visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Clemmer.—Misses Etta and Laura Pasour were Gastonia shoppers last Thursday.—Mrs. C. C. Pasour and children were the guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. John Lineberger.—A large crowd at-

tended the communion services at Antioch Sunday.

IRON STATION NEWS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
IRON STATION, Nov. 7.—The home of Mr. and Mrs. Gray Bynum was the scene of a beautiful home wedding at 3 o'clock Sunday evening when their daughter, Miss Addie, and Mr. Joseph Geogry were united in marriage, the ceremony being impressively performed by Rev. W. B. McClure, pastor of the Baptist church of this place. The bride wore a beautiful costume of blue broadcloth, with hat and gloves to match. Mr. Geogry is a prosperous young farmer of Alexis. Miss Bynum is a popular and attractive young woman. The wedding was a quiet home affair and only near relatives and intimate friends were present at the ceremony. We join their many friends in wishing them a long and happy life.
 Mr. and Mrs. Will Carpenter have gone to Tampa, Fla., to spend the winter.—Mr. Clint Moeck, of Stanley spent Sunday here.

DIRECTORS MEET.

Gastonia Library Association Laying Plans for the Future.

The directors of the Gastonia Library Association held a business session on the evening of the seventh to attend to business of the association and plan work for the future. Executive committees have been appointed in order that the various phases of the work may receive close attention. These are as follows: Finance, Messrs. S. A. Robinson, J. H. Separk and G. W. Wilson; literature, Messrs. J. S. Wray and A. G. Mangum and Rev. J. C. Galloway; publicity, Rev. John Hall, Dr. D. E. McConnell and Mr. J. E. Page. A committee was appointed to revise the regulations for the guidance of the librarian. The board will meet at 8 p. m. December 14th, to elect a librarian for the year beginning January 1, 1911.

With the prospect of a much larger income from rentals after December 31, 1910, the Library Association hopes to greatly increase its usefulness to the city and county. It is especially desirous of having the public know that the small membership dues of ten cent per month is not to provide an income. The main purpose of the association is to cultivate and satisfy a taste for wholesome reading. This is a work which deserves the hearty support of the public.

A Unique Newspaper.

The News-Letter, a new daily newspaper on original lines, will make its appearance in this city about December 1, if present plans are carried out. The paper will be on the streets every afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Ernest F. Birmingham, editor and publisher of the Fourth Estate for nearly 17 years, will devote his entire time to the publication.

The purpose of the News-Letter, according to Mr. Birmingham, will be threefold: First, to condense the news of the world for the benefit of the busy man of affairs, giving the latest news of importance up to the hour of publication; second, to publish the editorial opinions of the leading newspapers and standard periodicals on all important questions, without editorial comment of its own, and, third, to devote much space to art, literature, music, the drama, education, religion, civic and economic questions.

Mr. G. W. Neeley Dead.

Mrs. Joseph H. Adams was called to Mecklenburg county yesterday on account of the death of her brother-in-law, Mr. G. W. Neeley, who passed away at his home in the Steele Creek neighborhood early yesterday morning. Death was due to cancer, from which he had suffered for a long while. The funeral and burial took place this afternoon at Steele Creek Presbyterian church, of which deceased was a member. Mr. Neeley was 70-odd years old. He served throughout the war in the Confederate army. A widow and seven children survive. Mrs. Adams is expected to return to Gastonia tonight.

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COUNTY BUSINESS.

Proceedings of the November Commissioners' Meeting — Accounts Audited and Paid.

The regular meeting of the board of county commissioners for November was held at Dallas Monday, all members being present and Chairman John F. Leeper presiding.

Messrs. McLurd, Boyce and Pegrum were released of taxes on 4 acres of land in Gastonia township, valued at \$900, erroneously charged twice.

John F. Davis was relieved of tax on \$250 personal property charged in two townships.

John E. Craig was allowed to make return and pay single tax on one poll.

Kellis J. Kennedy was released of tax on \$1500 personal property, erroneously charged.

The assessment of E. H. Biggerstaff's lot was reduced to \$500 and he was ordered released from tax on \$500.

Jim Crawford was released from paying double tax as charged.

The protest of S. J. Durham against the opening of a cartway, as petitioned for by J. A. Smith, was continued.

W. E. Neagle was released of tax on \$736 personal property, erroneously charged.

Dice Burgin was exempted from paying poll tax for 1910 on account of physical infirmities.

John J. George was refunded \$14.90 on a reduction in the valuation of certain lands on account of having sold off a part thereof.

Luther Devine was released of taxes on 111 acres on account of Dallas graded school tax.

J. M. Huffstetler was ordered to be charged with tax on mountain land for 1909.

Orville Oates was released from poll tax for 1910 on account of physical infirmities.

The report of the jury to assess damages to the land of J. A. Pinchback, by reason of the location of a public road was accepted and approved.

Abbie Quinn was declared a pauper and allowed to go to the county home.

The reports of the Sheriff and the County Treasurer were accepted and approved.

C. C. Craig was re-elected as superintendent of the county home for a term of two years at the same salary.

Ella Moore was declared a pauper and allowed \$10 a quarter with J. R. Carson as agent.

The following accounts were audited and ordered paid:

J. M. Shuford, salary for October, \$104.

McLurd, Boyce and Pegrum, refund of taxes, \$8.25.

John F. Davis, refund of taxes, \$2.29.

John E. Craig, making road drag, South Point, \$5.00.

York Bridge Co., building bridge over Long Creek on the Cherryville and Bessemer City road, \$1,775.

Ford Undertaking Co., two coffins for paupers, \$10.

L. N. Glenn, M. D., salary for October and expenses of lunatic, \$43.66.

Gastonia Plumbing & Heating Co., plumbing for jail, \$60.

J. C. Houser, damage to land, \$5.

Frost Torrence & Co., vaccine, \$58.55.

C. C. Craig, salary and expenses of county home, \$219.48.

T. L. Ware, expenses of N. G. Todd's grading force, \$608.30.

C. C. Cornwell, stationery, office help, etc., \$18.85.

A. R. Anders, services as commissioner to date, \$10.20.

John J. George, refund of taxes, \$14.90.

Jacob Jenkins, services as commissioner to date, \$10.80.

Mayerworth Mfg. Co., smallpox expenses, \$28.27.

T. L. Ware, salary, \$95.00.

A. G. Myers, one days service on auditing committee, \$3.

John C. Puett, services as commissioner to date, \$9.

M. L. Harmon, lumber for roads, \$64.22.

G. W. Waring, estimate of work on court house, \$2,560.

O. G. Falls, services as commissioner to date, \$13.20.

John F. Leeper, services as commissioner to date, \$13.50.

J. W. Kendrick, services as com-

BURNED TO DEATH.

Mr. Dennis Harrelson, Night Guard at County Convict Camp, Meets Tragic Death in Flames—Funeral at Bethlehem Yesterday.

One of the most deplorable tragedies occurred Wednesday at the convict camp between Bessemer City and Cherryville, when the stockade caught afire and Mr. Dennis Harrelson, of Cherryville, the night guard, was burned to death. Mr. Harrelson had been up almost continually for three days and nights, having been waiting upon his sick mother during the day and guarding the camp at night, and was sleeping in one of the compartments of the stockade. The entire force was away from the camp at work at the time, and the fire was discovered by Mrs. McArver, wife of the superintendent of the camp, who saw the blaze from her residence some distance away. She at once gave the alarm, and two trustees who were within calling distance hurried to the scene. The fire was in a pile of straw between Mr. Harrelson's bunk and the door and while the two convicts were cutting an opening in the rear of the room it is supposed that the unfortunate young man made for the door and stumbled into the pile of burning straw, being over come by the smoke and flames. At any rate when found after two or three minutes he was burned past all hope of being revived.

Mr. Harrelson was buried with Masonic honors Thursday afternoon at three o'clock at Bethlehem Methodist church, six miles above Cherryville, the services being conducted by Rev. James Wilson.

The deceased was a son of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Harrelson, of Cherryville, and was 22 years of age. Besides his parents he leaves six sisters and five brothers as follows: Mrs. C. E. Carpenter, Mrs. J. W. Craft, Misses Pearl, Lucy, Pantha and Carrie Harrelson, Messrs. Craig, Claude, Carl, Clay and Atkin Harrelson. His death was a great shock, not only to his immediate family, but to the large circle of friends by whom he was highly esteemed. He had only been acting as guard at the camp for a few weeks.

Rome, Italy is undergoing a scourge of cholera. Thousands have died and there are many sick. Six deaths were reported last Thursday.

Henri Durant, who founded the International Red Cross society, died at Heiden, Switzerland, where he had been staying for several weeks in an attempt to recover his health.

Twenty thousand Woodmen of the World witnessed the initiation at Louisville, Ky., of 7,800 men from Indiana, Ohio, Illinois, Missouri, West Virginia, Tennessee and Kentucky. Among those initiated was Gov. Willson, of Kentucky.

Twenty-two new national banks came into existence in October with a total capitalization of 2,500,000. The majority were small banks with capital of \$50,000 or less. The total national bank circulation is now \$724,874,308, an increase of about \$4,000,000 over last month.

Citizens to date, \$13.60.

Missioners National Bank, interest on \$4,000 to Oct. 3, \$120.

T. L. Ware, stone for Linwood College road, \$184.80.

T. L. Ware, stone for Bessemer City and Cherryville road, \$82.14.

T. L. Ware, stone for Bessemer City and Gastonia road, \$77.83.

T. L. Ware, expenses of chain-gang camp No. 1, \$760.56.

T. L. Ware, expenses of chain-gang camp No. 2, \$949.22.

A. J. Smith, services as clerk of the board, \$14.20.

Edwards & Broughton, records, etc., \$6.75.

A. J. Smith, tax record books and expense of advertising Alexis voting district, \$46.75.

Holland Drug Co., vaccine, \$17.45.

T. E. Shuford, jail fees, etc., \$76.07.

The following accounts for work on roads were audited and paid:

S. J. Gaston, South Point, \$3.40.

E. S. Ratchford, Dallas, \$29.50.

E. S. Costner, Dallas, \$95.43.

J. R. Rogers, River Bend, \$40.50.

S. S. Harrelson, Cherryville, \$13.86.

F. G. Boyter, Crowders Mountain, \$50.55.

E. Hope Adams, Gastonia, \$17.35.

At the home of Mrs. F. L. Smyre on West Airline avenue Wednesday afternoon from 3 to 5 Mrs. D. M. Jones and Mrs. F. L. Smyre entertained the Tuesday afternoon Club and a large number of invited guests in honor of Miss Maude Kelly, of Salem, Va., sister of Mrs. Smyre. The guests were greeted at the front door by Mrs. A. M. Smyre, Mrs. J. D. Moore and Mrs. J. K. Dixon and were shown into the east parlor, where the receiving line consisted of the following ladies: Mrs. D. M. Jones, Mrs. F. L. Smyre, Miss Kelly, Mrs. P. R. Falls, Mrs. D. A. Garrison, Mrs. D. K. LaFar, Mrs. J. L. Adams, Mrs. J. M. Sloan, Mrs. G. W. Ragan, Mrs. A. A. McLean, Mrs. B. H. Parker, Mrs. H. M. Eddleman, Mrs. Frost Torrence, Mrs. R. C. Warren, Mrs. J. D. Moore, Mrs. M. F. Kirby, and Mrs. G. A. Sparrow.

From the east parlor the guests were shown by Mrs. S. N. Boyce into the punch room, where Misses Blake and Latimer were in charge, assisted by Misses Lois Torrence, Martha Latimer, Lucy Boyce, Nellie Rose Sloan and Lillian Watson.

The guests were then shown by Mrs. A. M. Dixon into the salad room where Mrs. M. H. Curry and Mrs. Mary Moore Morrow presided, assisted by Misses Susie Love, Johnnie Adams, Jennie Pegrum and Ruth Boyce. Mrs. S. A. Kindley then ushered the guests into the ice cream room, which was in charge of Mrs. J. C. Moore and Mrs. P. Woods Garland, assisted by Misses Mary Ragan, Edith McLean, Mary Latimer and Cornelia Latimer.

A vocal solo by Miss Marie Torrence and instrumental selections by Misses Latimer, Boyce and Sloan were greatly enjoyed. The various rooms were all lighted with candles set in beautiful candelabra. In the punch room autumn leaves and chrysanthemums were the chief features of the decorations, while ferns and cut flowers were used in the east parlor where the receiving line was stationed. The salad room was decorated in chrysanthemums, while ivy, chrysanthemums and potted plants were used in the ice cream room. There were present about one hundred and fifty guests, to all of whom the occasion was one of the most pleasant of the entire season.

The following item from the social columns of The Charlotte Observer of Wednesday will prove of interest to many Gazette readers inasmuch as the bride is a popular young lady of the county and the groom well known to many Gastonians:

Cards reading as follows were received in the city yesterday: Mr. and Mrs. Abel Peterson Rhyne request the pleasure of your company at the wedding reception of their daughter, Helen Azile, and

Mr. Armisted Burwell, Jr., on the evening of Tuesday the twenty-second of November from eight until ten o'clock

Mount Holly, North Carolina. At home after the fifteenth of December seven hundred and five, North Tryon street Charlotte, North Carolina. Included are cards reading as follows: "Ceremony at half after seven o'clock."

The wedding of Miss Rhyne and Mr. Burwell will be one of the most interesting social events of the mid-winter season. The bride-to-be has often visited in Charlotte and is one of the State's most attractive and cultured young women. Mr. Burwell is a son of ex-Judge Armisted Burwell of this city and is one of Charlotte's most popular and capable young business men. Quite a number of Charlotte people will attend the wedding.

Death of Infant.

The month-old infant daughter of Mr. C. S. Kirby died about 4 o'clock yesterday morning of infantile paralysis at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kirby on Chester street. The body was taken on No. 36 yesterday morning to Danville, Va., accompanied by the bereaved father, and was laid to rest in the cemetery there beside the mother who died at its birth. Mr. Kirby will return to Gastonia Sunday. On the death of the child's mother Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kirby took the child to raise. They and the father have the sympathy of many friends.

A DEMOCRATIC CONGRESS.

Result of Tuesday's Election Shows that Democrats Will Have Total of 226 or a Majority of 30—Republicans Have 164 or 8 Less Than Democrats Had in Last Session—Other Election News.

The sixty-second session of Congress will show a membership in the House of Representatives of 226 Democrats and 164 Republicans. The latest returns indicate that the Democrats will have a safe working majority of 30. The Republicans have 8 members less than the Democrats had at the last session.

In the Senate the Republicans are assured of 16 new Senators which, with 34 holdover Senators, gives them a total of 50. The Democrats are assured of 15 new Senators, which, with 25 holdovers, gives them 40. Two are still in doubt. The total membership of the Senate is 92 and hence it is seen that the parties are very evenly divided.

In Tennessee the returns are still incomplete and Hooper's majority for Governor over Taylor has been considerably reduced since first reports. Taylor admits his defeat but there has been some talk of a contest. The Legislature is Democratic by a bare majority.

In New Jersey Woodrow Wilson's majority for Governor has increased from 15,000, as first reported, to 48,000.

As the returns from various parts of the country become fuller it is more and more apparent that Tuesday's election was, with few exceptions, a veritable landslide for Democracy.

Congressman Webb's majority in the ninth district is 5,823 as is shown by the following table, McNinch carrying only one county:

County	Webb	McNinch
Mecklenburg	2611	0
Gaston	987	0
Cleveland	1488	0
Lincoln	250	0
Catawba	204	0
Burke	275	0
Yancey	200	0
Mitchell	308	0
Madison	500	0
Total	6323	500

Webb's majority 5,823. Stedman's majority in the fifth was 3,729, Doughton's in the eighth was 908 and Gudger's in the tenth was 1,104.

Congressional gains were made by the Republicans and Democrats in the following States and districts:

States.	Dem.	Rep.
Connecticut, 2d	1	0
Illinois, 6th, 7th, 9th,		
16th	4	0
Indiana, 6th	1	0
Iowa, 2d, 4th	2	0
Iowa, 8th	0	1
Kentucky, 9th	1	0
Maine, 2d, 3d	2	0
Maryland, 3d, 6th	2	0
Massachusetts, 3d	1	0
Massachusetts, 14th	0	1
Michigan, 1st, 5th	2	0
Missouri, 13th, 14th,		
15th, 16th	4	0
Missouri, 11th	0	1
Nevada, at large	0	1
New Jersey, 3d, 6th, 7th,		
8th	4	0
New York, 1st, 3d, 4th,		
5th, 13th, 15th, 17th,		
21st, 25th, 27th, 33d,		
36th	12	0
New York, 32d	0	1
North Carolina, 5th, 8th,		
10th	3	0
Ohio, 2d, 7th, 11th, 15th,		
18th, 19th, 21st	7	0
Pennsylvania, 5th, 8th,		
12th, 14th, 22d, 24th	6	0
Pennsylvania, 10th	0	1
Rhode Island, 1st	1	0
West Virginia, 1st, 2d,		
3d, 4th	4	0
Totals	58	6
Net Democratic gain	52	

The Western North Carolina Conference of the M. E. Church, South, will convene in annual session next Wednesday, November 16th, at Winston-Salem.

Count Katsura, premier and minister of finance of Japan announces that the next budget will contain a clause appropriating \$40,000,000 for the navy, the same to be payable in six years. This, he declares, is essential to the preservation of world peace. The count declared that Japan was determined to prevent war in the Far East.