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NEWS FROM NEARBY TOWNS

TOWN OF IDEAL HOMES.

Mount Holly's Slogan a Good One—
Bridge Proposition Not Yet Given Up.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
MT. HOLLY, June 29.—Last night the Progressive Club decided to have Mount Holly represented in the coming Industrial edition of The Charlotte Observer with a full page of advertising setting forth the many advantages that make Mount Holly "The Town of Ideal Homes."

The Progressive Club is still working on the bridge question. Since the Piedmont & Northern Railway refused to allow a bridge in connection with their, a committee of representative citizens will go before the commissioners at Gastonia July 3rd and ask for an independent bridge. The volume of business done at Mt. Holly demands a bridge. The new business that the Piedmont & Northern Railway will bring here is another reason for the bridge. But the most convincing argument for a bridge here is the exceedingly small cost. The river here is narrow and shallow. Its banks are high. A bridge can be built here at approximately the same cost as one could have been secured in connection with the Piedmont & Northern Railway Company. The building of a bridge here at once is an attractive business proposition that should not be lost.

Stanley Happenings.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
STANLEY, June 29.—The remains of Mr. T. B. Black, of Spencer Mountain, were brought here from Charlotte and interment made in the city cemetery Saturday afternoon. Rev. W. S. Hales, the deceased's wife's pastor, conducted the funeral services. Mr. Black being a member of the East Avenue A. R. P. church, Charlotte. Among the many and beautiful floral designs was a lovely wreath from the Eagles, a fraternal order of which Mr. Black was a member.

Mr. W. M. Morris, of Gastonia, spent Sunday here with his wife who arrived Friday morning from Lincolnton and was the guest of Mrs. O. B. Carpenter and Miss Bessie Morris. Mr. and Mrs. Morris returned home Sunday afternoon.—Mrs. O. B. Carpenter had as her guest Sunday her father, Mr. Steven Smith, of Asheville.—The young people of Stanley have enjoyed two pleasant parties this week. Monday evening at their hospitable home, Misses Alice and Edith Mason entertained. The veranda and lawn were illuminated with Japanese lanterns while in the hall and parlor ferns, sweet peas and nasturtiums were the decorations. Many interesting games were played, among which was a penny guessing contest. The prize being the pennies used in the contest which in the draw was won by Miss Pearl Leneberger. After this delightful refreshments were served. Tuesday evening it was at the attractive home of Misses Ethel and Mayme Peterson that quite a number of the young people gathered, and spent a few hours most pleasantly. A number of interesting games and piano selections were greatly enjoyed as were also the delicious refreshments which followed and consisted of fruits and ice cream.

Dr. and Mrs. C. J. McCombs have had as their guests Mr. Forbis and Mr. Oscar Forbis, of Matthews, mother and brother of Dr. McCombs.—Misses Ollie Pegram, of Jackson Springs, and Francis and Ethel McDonald, of Charlotte, are visiting their grandmother's, Mrs. J. M. Pegram and Mrs. M. A. Mason.—Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Rutledge have as their guests their daughter, Mrs. George Rutledge and children, of Salisbury.—Mr. and Mrs. Lester Clemmer and children are expected to arrive today from Norfolk, Va., to visit relatives for a month.—Mr. Polle Jenkins, of the Greenville, S. C., ball team, spent Sunday at home, accompanied by Mr. Roy Suggs, of Gastonia.—Mr. Frank Morris, after several days' visit to his uncle, Mr. J. A. Morris, returned to Gastonia Wednesday, accompanied by Mr. Leon Smith who expects to visit his mother, Mrs. B. F. Groves, near Gastonia.—Messrs. J. M. Archer and Clyde Bass were Gastonia visitors Wednesday.—Misses Kate Carpenter and Ethel Peterson, were Charlotte shoppers Wednesday.

In the ball game between the cowboys and the local team Tuesday the cowboys won the game by a score of 7 to 3. They went from here to Gastonia where they play.

Dallas, Route Two Items.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
DALLAS, Route 2, June 29.—Mrs. Elizabeth Rhyne is very sick at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Will Little.—Mr. Aaron Jenkins and family and Mr. Miles Bell and family were the guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Hoffman.—Mr. B. L. Smith and daughter, Miss Lorena Smith, visited Mr. Smith's mother near Iron Station Sunday.—Mr. and Mrs. John White and children, and Mr. W. B.

Smith visited Mr. John J. Pressly, near Sandy Plains church Sunday.—Misses Vera and Nell Setzer visited Miss Pearl Leneberger Sunday.—Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Leneberger were the guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Grier.—Mrs. Craig Hoffman and children were the guests of Mr. Flowers Sunday.—Misses Vera and Nell Setzer spent a short while in Gastonia shopping Tuesday.

Lowell Locals.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
LOWELL, June 29.—We have added lately another automobile and two motorcycles to the town's rolling stock. Dr. Frank Robinson owns the auto, a nice one.

Two children have died here this week. One was Mr. Will Pennington's and the other Mr. Taylor's. Rev. R. A. Miller conducted the funeral services.

Miss Thatcher and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Thatcher, of Virginia, have been visiting their cousin, Mr. W. H. Holmes. They returned home yesterday. Miss Fannie Thornburg is also visiting at Mr. Holmes' this week.—Mrs. J. R. Titman arrived home Tuesday night from a trip to Washington, D. C.—Mrs. R. P. Rankin, of Gastonia, accompanied her.—Messrs. J. R. Titman, T. P. Rankin, Paul Nipper, J. Funderburk, Cliff Jenkins, Walter Rhyne and perhaps others from here went on the excursion to Wilmington Wednesday.—We have had only light showers lately and it is still dry.—Rev. E. N. Crowder has gone to Shelby to recuperate a few days.

BELMONT BUDGET.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
BELMONT, June 30.—Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Armstrong were Gastonia visitors Thursday.—Mrs. W. B. Gouger was a Charlotte visitor Monday.—Mrs. O. M. Boyd and children, of Gastonia, are visiting Mrs. Boyd's mother, Mrs. C. P. Stowe.—Miss Margaret Query spent the weekend with Miss Melva Guillek.—Miss Edna Douglas left Monday to visit relatives at Mt. Mourne.—Mrs. Jas. Stowe and Misses Nan and Edith Ward are visiting at Mrs. Fanny Stowe's this week.—Mr. G. W. Stowe left Tuesday to spend a few days at Wrightsville Beach.—Miss Cora Hart, who has been visiting Miss Clara Sloan, left Monday for her home in Mooresville.—Mrs. Will McLean, of the New Hope section visited at Dr. Hall's Tuesday.—The Methodist people have erected a tent on their new lot. They are to have a week's meeting beginning Sunday morning.

Personals and Locals

—All the banks in town will be closed next Tuesday.

—Miss Narcissus Gray who has been quite ill for some time is somewhat better today.

—At their regular meeting the directors of the Flint Manufacturing Company declared their usual semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent.

—Miss Lottie Klutz, who has been the guest of Miss Nell McLean, for several days leaves this afternoon for her home in Chester.

—Misses Johnnie Adams, Annie McLean, Katherine Mason, Rebecca Adams and Mrs. J. Lean Adams left at noon today for Wrightsville Beach where they will spend a fortnight.

—Mr. L. C. Carpenter leaves tonight on No. 35 for a visit of ten days to Wolf City, Texas, where he visits his son, Mr. D. W. Carpenter, and brother, Mr. J. Q. Carpenter.

The Building and Loan Association period of six and one-half years from the opening ends Saturday, July 1. Series No. 14 will be issued, beginning July 1. Series No. 1 about which announcements will be made later will mature.

A prominent citizen living on South Broad street, who often goes to sleep and wakes up to the tune of shrill freight whistles and bumping and clanking box and flat cars, stopped The Gazette's man yesterday long enough to say that, in his opinion, we don't want any more freight lines running along the principal residence streets of Gastonia. He expressed himself as thoroughly in accord with the position The Gazette has taken on this subject. In fact his opinion is the one that prevails almost if not quite unanimously among Gastonians. "Save Franklin Avenue" is the prevailing sentiment.

Ex-Sheriff Jordan, of Guilford county, and Congressman William Kent, of California, who has the reputation of being the wealthiest insurgent in Congress, have just closed a deal for 40,000 acres of land near Manchester on the C. F. & Y. V. Railroad between Fayetteville and Sanford. Part of it is in Cumberland and part in Harnett county. The entire tract is to be developed. A 100-acre section will be put in orchard first as a demonstration.

HEARD ON THE STREETS

In his rambles around town ransacking every nook and corner for news, a newspaper man frequently runs across little happenings and incidents, conversational chats with interesting people, anecdotes and street occurrences which cannot be classified as news items, but which might make interesting reading matter. The local man in his wanderings over the city, through the court house corridors, around the hotel lobby and passenger station, on slinking street corners and at sizzling soda fountains, in fact wherever his perambulating lead him, has an excellent chance to study people, their characteristics, their hobbies, their faults and foibles, their vices and virtues. Some of these if put down in print would make interesting reading both for themselves and for other people. Now and then such little human nature stories will appear in this column.

Some mornings ago north-bound passenger train No. 35 was a few minutes behind schedule time. It so happened that the northbound passenger on the C. & N.-W. was running just about on time. No. 35 unloaded and received its usual quota of passengers for Charlotte and other northerly points, the conductor yelled "all aboard" and the train steamed out. Just as it was a little beyond the crossing on Broad street and the rear coach fast disappearing around the curve, there came the shrill squeaky sound of the little air whistle of the C. & N.-W. passenger puffing around the curve behind the Southern Express office. Pulling in to the yard it disgorged its load of passengers from Chester, Clover, Filbert and Pleasant Ridge. Falling all over himself in his efforts to get out of the coach and loaded down with grips and bags, there alighted a fat, fussy, perspiring, pompous individual whose complexion resembled that of the top side of a broiled piece of steak and down whose huge cheeks great drops of sweat were chasing each other. Nervously he inquired of bystanders if the Charlotte train had gone. Anxiety was written in every line of his countenance. He trembled for his own safety. The expression, "What is so rare as a day in June," appealed to him with double force, enhanced as it was by spending about three hours of the hottest part of that day around the far-famed, commodious, comfortable waiting room of the Gastonia depot. On being informed that the last vestige of the train had just gone over the brow of the hill, he collapsed utterly, but struck by a—shall we say heaven-born—idea, he rid his system of one of the most anathematic denunciations it has ever been our privilege to hear. He poured forth the vitals of his righteous wrath upon the C. & N.-W. officials for maintaining such a slow schedule, and upon the Southern for operating such a fast one. The atmosphere was surcharged with sulphur and blue flames for several moments. Finally some one led him meekly away.

It does seem to an innocent on-looker that a better connection might be established between these two trains.

While going the rounds the other day some overly zealous friend, very solicitous as to our welfare, sprung the following on us with the injunction not to use big words:

"In promulgating your esoteric cogitations or articulating your superficial sentimentalities and amicable, philosophical or psychological observations, beware of plattitudinous ponderosity. Let your conversational communications possess a clarified conciseness, a compacted comprehensibility, coalescent consistency, and a concatenated cogency. Eschew all conglomerations of flatusful garrulity, jejune babblement and affectations. Let your extemporaneous disquisitions and unpremeditated expatiations have intelligibility and veracious vivacity, without rhodomontade of thronical bombast. Sedulously avoid all polysyllabic profundity, pompous prolixity, psittacous vacuity, ventriloquial verbosity and vaniloquent vapidity."

Federal Judge Newman at Atlanta Tuesday denied the application for a writ of habeas corpus for Chas. W. Morse, the New York banker serving a fifteen-year sentence in the Atlanta prison for embezzlement. Morse's attorneys are using every means in their power to secure his freedom.

The Charlotte Chronicle of yesterday says that since December, 1906, the Mecklenburg county convicts have built 77 miles of macadam roads in that county.

GASTONIA TO HAVE SLOGAN.

Business Men of That Opinion—
Should Adopt Some Characteristic Phrase—Witness Other Cities' Example—Some Slogans Suggested.

That Gastonia should have a suitable slogan, characteristic of the city of its growth, of its enterprising business concerns and future industrial expansion, is the consensus of opinion expressed by several prominent business men of town, one or two of whom have dropped into The Gazette office for the purpose of making known their sentiments in regard to the matter.

There is hardly a city in the United States, and especially in the Northern and Eastern sections, that has not heard of Charlotte through its slogan, "Watch Charlotte Grow," adopted some years ago by the Chamber of Commerce of that city. Through that phrase Charlotte is advertised extensively in all the large Northern cities and manufacturing centers. Through it many capitalists and financiers have been interested in Charlotte's rapid growth and rise to the position of metropolis of the South. Other cities around Gastonia have adopted slogans through which they are being thoroughly advertised.

The business men of Spartanburg recently operated a train through Western North Carolina showing forth the advantages and attractions of their city whose slogan, adopted by them and generally known throughout the South, is "Spartanburg, the City of Success."

Probably the most widely advertised small city in this section of the Carolinas is Rock Hill which with the slogan, "Rock Hill is a Good Town," has put itself before the public eye. There is hardly a bank check, business letter, envelope or newspaper that leaves Rock Hill without that slogan printed thereon. "Chester Certainly Can" is the watchword of another good town. "Statesville, the Best Town in North Carolina," according to Capt. Rowland, is well-known from Charlotte to Winston and Greensboro.

Now, if Gastonia is just as good a town as any of the above-mentioned, and it certainly is for the size, why cannot we have a suitable slogan for our city? In the heart of the textile development here in the South, with excellent railroad facilities and with two interurban lines soon to link our town with all of Piedmont Carolina, and in the midst of an excellent agricultural section, there is no end to Gastonia's development and growth. This fact should be known to the outside public and put before them in the form of a slogan. It would seem to us that "Gastonia is Going Some" from the above! Other slogans that have been suggested are "Gastonia, the Town That Does Things" and "The Heart of the Piedmont."

We have a good town. Get out and boast it. Tell outsiders the same thing. Get them to locate here, to invest their money and see what handsome returns they will realize. Show Gastonia's advantages and attractions. Don't be a knocker, but put your shoulder to the wheel and push.

The Gazette hopes that the proper authorities will see to it that our town is properly advertised, that its advantages are put before the public and let everybody know and see that "Gastonia is Going Some."

Jewish Wedding in Charlotte.

Several Gastonia Jews were in Charlotte Tuesday evening to be present at the marriage of Miss Ida Silverstein, of Charlotte, and Mr. Morris Staden, of Greensboro. The wedding was an unusually brilliant affair and was performed according to the orthodox rites of the Jewish church. Rev. Charles Arick, the well-known Jewish rabbi officiated. The service was partly in English, partly in Hebrew. The marriage certificate was read in both languages and presented to the bride. The glass of wine used in the ceremony was twice passed, among the attendants, to the rabbi and to the groom who placed it on the floor and then stamped on it breaking it to pieces. This symbolized that things made by man could be broken, but not so the wedding ceremony instituted by God. In accordance with custom the groom and his father both wore their hats during the ceremony. A night of merry-making until 3.30 followed. Those present from Gastonia were Mrs. H. Schneider, Miss Capland, Mr. Alexander Sherman and Mr. Lebovitz.

Pays Five Per Cent Dividend.

At the monthly meeting of the directors of the First National Bank Monday a semi-annual dividend of five per cent was declared and it will be paid tomorrow. The condition of the bank was found to be most satisfactory. This bank paid a semi-annual dividend of five per cent the first of the year. Heretofore the dividend was four per cent. The officers of this institution are to be congratulated that the bank's business is such as to enable it to pay such a good per cent on the capital stock.

Postal Savings Bank Open.

Saturday morning, July 1, the Gastonia postoffice will be formally opened for the receiving of deposits. Mr. E. B. Osborne, of the Postoffice Department at Washington, was in town yesterday for the purpose of giving the local officials instructions in the conducting of this new feature.

—Mr. Claude Wilson, of Lowell, was the guest Wednesday night of Mr. Kenneth Todd.

TO TRAVERSE ENTIRE ROUTE.

Board of Directors of North Carolina Interurban Railway to Go Over Route from Asheville to Gastonia—
Work to Begin at Once—Prospects Are Bright.

So interested are Gastonians in the work and construction of the Piedmont & Northern Railway, otherwise known as the Interurban, they are likely to forget that there is another system about ready to enter Gastonia from another direction, connecting it with the mountain country. In other words the directors of the North Carolina Interurban Railway, formerly known as the Isothermal Traction Company, are getting right down to business. Nearly all preliminaries have been disposed of, most of the difficulties have been removed, rights of way have been secured for the most part and actual work is about to begin.

In fact, one of the most prominent of the directors of the road, in conversation with The Gazette man yesterday, says that the board of directors will go over the entire proposed route, beginning Monday, July 3rd, at Asheville, and coming direct to Gastonia. The board of directors is composed of the following well-known business men of the Piedmont section of the State: Messrs. R. B. Babington and E. Lee Wilson, of Gastonia; Mr. M. L. Mauney, of Cherryville; Mr. J. T. Gardner, of Shelby; Messrs. John C. Mills, W. H. Harrell and George L. McKay, of Rutherford; Mr. S. B. Tanner, of Henrietta-Carolene, and Mr. Archibald Nichols, of Asheville.

Mr. Babington joins the party at Asheville tomorrow. Then beginning Monday, July 3rd, the party goes by automobile from Asheville to Bat Cave, from there to Rutherford in hacks and from that point to Gastonia by auto.

The prospects for a speedy beginning of the work are exceedingly bright and the directors are very much encouraged over the outlook. Surveyed as their line is through a large section of virgin territory with no transportation facilities whatever, the road is expected to handle an immense amount of traffic, both passenger and freight. The mountain travel over this road during the summer promises to be one of the most important factors in its development. With Gastonia as a convenient junction point, tourists in large numbers from nearby points are expected to take this route for the mountains.

WILL BE SENSATIONAL.

Most Far-Reaching Anti-Trust Action Yet Taken by Government—
Trust-Busters Expected in Steel Trust Cases—Grand Jury's Report To-Day Expected to be Sensational.

An Associated Press dispatch from New York to yesterday afternoon's papers says in part:

What promises to be the most sensational and far-reaching anti-trust action the federal government has ever undertaken is expected to take place here today when the federal grand jury, which has been hearing evidence against certain officials of the United States Steel Corporation, its subsidiaries and many independent steel companies, makes its report. It is known that the findings of the grand jury promise to be a great revelation than any of the published rumors have indicated. Criminal indictments charging conspiracy to control the prices of steel and steel products the country over, involving men high up in the financial world, are said to be ready. The government's investigations have gone even further and are said to have reached a prominent law firm of this city which has for years been commonly identified with many so-called trust contracts and pooling agreements.

The plants of the Southern Iron & Steel Co. at Gadsden, Ala., closed yesterday for repairs and 2,000 men will be idle until August 1st.

W. L. Pierce, division superintendent of the Richmond division of the Southern Railway, died suddenly at Richmond yesterday shortly after returning home from a ball game.

New Phones.

Add the following new telephones to your directory:

365—Dr. T. C. Quickle, office.
179—Mrs. Mervla Berryman, residence.
360-B—Mrs. S. J. Huffstetter, Res.
369—City Fire Station.

Forty-Nine Years Ago.

Rutherfordton Sun, 29th.

Forty-nine years ago on Tuesday last, Mr. Z. A. Edwards informs us, the great battle of Gain's Mill, Virginia, was fought and Rutherfordton county lost many of her best men, having had five companies in that battle, three of the 24th and two of the 16th North Carolina regiments.

State Normal Alumna.

The Gastonia County Association of the North Carolina State Normal College Alumnae will meet in the Gastonia graded school auditorium on Tuesday afternoon, July 4th, at 4 p. m. Each alumna and former student in the county is urged to be present. Miss Summerlin who is traveling in the interest of the McIver Loan Fund will be with us and will, no doubt, offer many helpful suggestions for our work. All friends of education will receive a most hearty welcome at this meeting.

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ATTENDED CONVENTION.

Rev. W. H. Hardin, Mrs. W. L. Balthis and Mrs. J. M. Hampton Represent St. Mark's Church at Annual Meeting at Biltmore—
Entire Delegation Entertained at Tea at Biltmore House.

St. Mark's Episcopal church here was represented this week at the Annual Convention of the District of Asheville held in All Souls church, Biltmore, by the rector, Rev. W. H. Hardin, and Messdames W. L. Balthis and J. M. Hampton, the two latter being delegates from the Woman's Auxiliary. Mr. Hardin and Mrs. Balthis returned home last night. Mrs. Hampton stopped over in Spartanburg to spend a few days with her daughter and other relatives. The convention was in session Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. Hardin reports a most harmonious and delightful session of the convention. The attendance was larger than usual. Several distinguished divines were present as special preachers for the occasion, among the number being Rev. Dr. Walter C. Whitaker, rector of St. John's church, Knoxville, Tenn., who preached Tuesday night; Very Rev. William P. Capers, dean of the Cathedral at Lexington, Ky., who preached Wednesday night; and Rev. W. S. Claiborne, financial representative of the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn., who delivered Wednesday afternoon an entertaining address on Christian education.

Reports from the missionaries showed very gratifying conditions as related to the work over the District of Asheville.

One very delightful feature of the program was the entertainment of the entire convention at tea by Mr. and Mrs. George W. Vanderbilt at Biltmore House Wednesday evening. The Vanderbilts were charming hosts and the affair was a thoroughly enjoyable one. Wednesday at noon the convention was entertained at luncheon by Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Rodney R. Swope at the rectory of All Souls church, Biltmore.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in the Sunday school rooms of All Souls church Wednesday, a leading feature of the meeting being an address by Miss Lindley, of New York, general secretary of the Junior Auxiliaries. On the day following Miss Lindley also addressed the Junior Auxiliary at the home of Mrs. Dr. C. S. Minor, No. 61 North French Broad avenue, Asheville.

HOOKWORM ON THE HIKE.

North Carolina Campaign Against the Pest Making Great Progress—
21,000 Cases Treated So Far.

The North Carolina campaign against hookworm disease is making steady progress. The number of cases of the disease reported as treated by physicians has grown during the past twelve months from 3,250 to 21,000; the number of doctors treating the disease from 183 to 597; and the number of people microscopically examined for it in the State Laboratory of Hygiene from 500 to 23,312. Seven thousand two hundred and seventy-six of the latter number were found to have hookworm infection, and 2543 showed others of the eight intestinal parasites. Though some of these were found quite frequently the hookworm infections were found three times as frequently as all the others combined. Thirty-one per cent of the 23,312 examined showed hookworm infection. Of the number examined, 1,000 were State troops, 1,000 were orphans, 1,000 children in the State schools for the blind, deaf and dumb, and the reformatory. Nearly 1,000 insane have been examined. The other 19,000 are largely made up of public school children taken at random.

Dr. John A. Ferrell, assistant secretary for hookworm disease of the State Board of Health, asks The Gazette to state that he will provide free literature on this disease and on sanitary toilets to any persons who will address a request to him at Raleigh. Attention is also called to the fact that examination for this disease will be made free of charge.

ALL IN READINESS FOR PICNIC.

Great Day Anticipated at Sunnyside Farmers' Union and Letter Carriers' Rally—
Everybody Urged to Come.

The people of the Sunnyside section have spared themselves no pains in their efforts to pull off a big picnic and rally next Tuesday, July 4th. Mr. T. S. Royster, chairman of the picnic committee, has been untiring in his efforts to procure good speakers and have everything in readiness. There will be ample space for hitching purposes, plenty of good water and shade trees.

The Gaston County Farmers' Union and Rural Letter Carriers' Association will be present in a body. The Farmers' Union Band will dispense music. The boys of the surrounding country will line up in a ball game against the old-timers. Prof. E. C. Brooks, of the faculty of Trinity College, Durham, will deliver an address. Mr. J. Z. Green, of Farmers' Union fame, will also make a speech. All in all a great day is promised. Everybody is urged to come and bring a full basket.

Governor-elect Hoke Smith, of Georgia, says he will announce his candidacy for the United States Senate as soon as he is inaugurated Governor.