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NEWS FROM NEARBY TOWNS

Bessemer Route Two News.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
BESSEMER CITY, Route 2, Sept. 5.—The largest rain that has fallen this summer fell yesterday. It rained for one hour and a half. As a result, creeks and branches are all over the lowlands. Fodder which had been pulled is almost ruined.
The Sunnyside Literary Society will give a public debate Saturday night, Sept. 16th. A very interesting question is to be discussed, viz: Resolved, That the United States should encourage foreign immigration. The speakers chosen for the affirmative side are Messrs. Fred Arrowood and Walter Weaver. For the negative, Messrs. Milton Arrowood and Walter Hovis will be the speakers.

Mr. D. A. Kiser and family spent Sunday with his brother, Mr. C. C. Kiser. Mr. Fample Hager spent Sunday with Mr. Marshall Payne. Miss Edith Kincaid, Myrtle Kiser, Vera Howell, Mary Moore, and Messrs. Walden Weaver, Walter and Robert Hovis spent Sunday with Miss Beulah Kiser.

Stanley Happenings.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
STANLEY, Sept. 7.—The fall term of Stanley High School opened Monday with an enrollment of 80 scholars. Rev. R. H. Cline is principal and Misses Allie Mason and Bessie Morris are assistant teachers. Among those that have gone off to school are Miss Bayne Rutledge to Claremont College, Hickory, and Mr. Charles Clemens, Lenoir College, Hickory. Mr. Leon Smith will leave the last of the week for Chapel Hill. Miss Edith Mason will leave Saturday for Hamlet, where she will resume her duties as teacher in the graded school.

Mr. H. C. Whitner arrived Sunday from South Dakota, where he has been preaching during the summer months, and after a few weeks' visit to his parents, will return to Princeton, N. J., to resume his studies in the seminary there.

The regular fall meeting of the Kings Mountain Presbytery will convene here in the Presbyterian church, beginning Tuesday night, September 12th, at 8 o'clock.

The new macadamized road here being completed the chain gang force has been moved below Gastonia on the sand-clay road.

Miss Wilive Summerrow returned last Thursday from a five weeks' stay in the mountains. She visited her brother, Mr. D. F. Summerrow, at Erwin, Tenn., and also visited at Johnson City and Dante, Va.
Mrs. J. F. Deal and little son, J. F. Jr., will return to their home at Lexington Friday after spending several weeks with her parents here.
Mrs. C. C. Kennedy, of Charlotte, has been the guest of Mrs. O. B. Carpenter. Miss Carrie Thomas, of Newbern, is expected to arrive from Baltimore soon to take charge of the B. F. Carpenter millinery department. Mrs. T. P. McGill, of Kings Mountain, has been the guest of Mrs. J. L. Shelton for several days.

For School Betterment.

There was held last night in the city hall a meeting of the physicians and dentists of the town together with a committee from the Woman's Betterment Association and the superintendent of the city schools. The meeting was held for the purpose of promulgating plans and programs whereby the children of the city schools might from time to time have medical examination and inspection, together with lectures on the principal diseases common to the school room. It was thought best by all present to make this an educational movement, first training the teacher to detect symptoms of defectiveness and disease. Several of the local physicians voluntarily offered their services to give at stated intervals talks and lectures to the school children and teachers. A committee was appointed last night to draw up a list of subjects and diseases considered the most pertinent to the needs of school children. From this list each physician is to select one subject suitable to him and to his line of work and to deliver a short address on that particular disease or symptom.

The committee is as follows: Mrs. D. R. Lafar, chairman, Mr. J. P. Reid, Drs. H. F. Glenn and T. A. Wilkins and Supt. J. S. Wray. This movement is a most estimable one and it is hoped that the patrons of the school will give it their fullest endorsement.

In a collision at Newbern Tuesday between an auto and a Norfolk Southern shifting engine, five young ladies, Misses Stewart, Jones and Guion, were injured. Some difference of opinion is entertained as to the cause of the accident, some blaming the railroad, others the autoists.

When you know any news call 50 and give it to The Gazette.

Dallas, Route Two Items.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
DALLAS, Route No. 2, Sept. 6.—Misses Nell Setzer and Myrtle Robinson were the guests from Friday until Tuesday of Misses Mable and Lella Friday near Hardin. Mr. Tate Setzer was a visitor in Asheville Tuesday and Wednesday. Mrs. Oscar Hoffman and children, who have been visiting Mrs. Hoffman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Setzer, have returned to their home in Asheville. Mr. Paul Rhyne left Monday for Hickory to enter Lenoir College.

Sometime ago Mr. T. A. Setzer lost two cows and thought the cause was eating too much copel. In answer to inquiry about the copel tree the following letter was received from O. I. Tillman, State botanist:

Department of Agriculture.
Dear Sir:—The plant which you sent in several days ago and which you suspected of having caused the death of your cows, has been received.

It is *Allanthus glandulosa* Desf., Tree of Heaven. It is a native of China and India and escaped from cultivation in this country along roadsides and in fields. It spreads extensively by suckers and seeding freely and forms a luxuriant undergrowth often. It is not poisonous and the bark and roots are sometimes used in medicine as a stimulant to increase the digestive action of the stomach. This plant has a disagreeable odor which might make one suspicious of it, but it would do no injury to stock feeding upon it.

Yours very truly,
(Signed) O. I. TILLMAN, Botanist.

The above we think is full of valuable information and we thought might be of interest to some.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wallace and family, were the guests Sunday of Mrs. Laura Lineberger. Miss Leonie White, of Charlotte, who was the guest of her brother, Mr. John White, returned to her home Sunday.

Long Shoals Items.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
LONG SHOALS, Sept. 7.—We have been having plenty of rain for the past few weeks. The farmers are about through pulling fodder.—W. L. and W. B. Carpenter, Horace Norman and Ransom Carpenter left today for Johnson City.—Mesdames Hunter, Mouney and James Putnam spent Sunday at Mr. J. F. Carpenter's. Quite a number of our people attended the Matthews camp-meeting Sunday.—Mr. Clayton Carpenter left Monday for Lenoir College, where he will be in school.—Mr. and Mrs. Julius Alexander spent Saturday and Sunday at Mr. J. F. Carpenter's.

Miss Vivian Carpenter and Mr. Reuben Brown drove to Cherryville Tuesday and were married by Rev. Mr. Deitzl. The bride was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Carpenter, while the groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Brown, both of Crouse. Those who were present were Misses Florence Carpenter, Venia, Emma Lu and Rachel Carpenter and Miss Eva Black, of Spokane, Washington; Messrs. Clifton Brown, Forest Davis Clayton Carpenter, Vernan Summit and Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Crouse.

BESSEMER, ROUTE 1 NEWS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
BESSEMER, Route 1, Sept. 7.—Most of the farmers of this section are about through pulling fodder and have begun picking cotton.—Misses Ferrie and Ora Froneberger spent last Sunday with Miss Mary Hager on Bessemer, route one.—Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Allen spent Sunday in Cherryville. Quite a number of people from this section attended the baptizing at Cedar church Sunday.—Misses Lucy and Oasie Clark were the guests of Miss Emma Rudisill last Sunday.—Mr. J. P. Allen was a business visitor to Gastonia Thursday.—There will be a Sabbath school picnic at Hepziba church Saturday before the fourth Sunday of this month. The public is cordially invited to attend and bring well-filled baskets.—Mr. Forest Allen and sister, Miss Callie were in Gastonia shopping Friday.

Base-Ball at McAdenville.

On Saturday of this week, September 9th, there will be played one of the best games of the season when McAdenville meets Concord on the McAdenville diamond. This promises to be one of the best, if not the very best, game that will be played in this county this season as Concord has a very strong team, while McAdenville boasts of the best in the county, having beaten all teams played with the exception of one which she tied; eliminating incomplete and forfeited games to this same team. McAdenville has recently won eleven out of twelve games played with the best teams of the county, and as usual will close the season at the head of the procession. Game will be called promptly at 3.30 and it is hoped a large crowd will attend.



Leave For Chapel Hill.

The State University at Chapel Hill, which opens its doors next Tuesday always claims a good delegation of Gaston county boys. The following are among the number who leave the first of next week: Messrs. George Mason, Ralph Rankin, Kirkpatrick Reid, Claire Henderson, Lowry Wilson from Gastonia; Leon Smith, of Stanley; J. H. Workman, of Cherryville, and R. P. Burke, of Bessemer City.

Called to Louisburg.

Attorney A. G. Mangum left yesterday for Louisburg in response to a message stating that his brother-in-law, Mr. B. B. Messenburg, had died suddenly. He will return to Gastonia Sunday. Dispatches from Louisburg to this morning's papers state that Mr. Messenburg drank a quantity of formaldehyde by mistake and despite all efforts to save him, died within five minutes. Deceased was about 61 years old and leaves a wife and a number of children.

Light Bearers to Entertain.

The members of the Light Bearers, the juvenile missionary society of Main Street Methodist church, have issued unique invitations to an entertainment in the nature of a lawn party to be given on the church lawn next Thursday evening and night, September 14th. Refreshments of various kinds will be served, the proceeds to go into the treasury of the society. Not only those who receive invitations, but the public generally is invited to attend and enjoy the occasion and at the same time help in a worthy cause.

With Charlotte Orchestra.

Mr. Kenneth Todd who left several days ago for Charlotte to enter Baird's school, has accepted a position as clarinet player with Asbury's Orchestra. This orchestra is composed of some of the finest musical talent in Charlotte and the fact that Mr. Todd has gained a place on it is a distinct tribute to his musical ability. This orchestra will furnish music during the winter at the Academy of Music, Charlotte's modern playhouse. The new orchestra will be heard first Saturday night when "The Red Rose" is to be presented.

Minister Ordained.

At the Loray Baptist church last Sunday afternoon Mr. J. Waldrop was ordained to the ministry by a presbytery called by the Loray Baptist church, of which he is a member, and consisting of Rev. J. J. Beach, chairman; Rev. C. M. Robinson, Rev. L. M. Hobbs, of Bessemer City; Rev. G. P. Abernethy, of Maiden, together with the deacons of the Loray and East Baptist churches. The ordination sermon was preached by Rev. J. J. Beach, pastor of the East Baptist church, while Rev. L. M. Hobbs delivered the charge to the candidate and Rev. G. P. Abernethy presented the Bible. Rev. Mr. Waldrop has received a call to the pastorate of Reensville Baptist church and is now giving a part of his time to that work.

Important Deal Closed.

A real estate deal of more than usual interest was closed yesterday when Mr. G. W. Ragan, president of the Arlington Cotton Mills, purchased the handsome residence of Mr. John F. Love, located at the corner of Oakland street and East Franklin avenue. This property is in the opinion of many, the most desirable and beautiful residence location in the city, the lot extending about three hundred feet back from each street and the grounds quite beautifully laid off and improved, while the residence itself is among the handsomest here. Possession of the property is to be given the purchaser in about thirty days and Mr. Ragan and family will occupy it as a residence, moving there from their present residence at the corner of York street and West Franklin avenue. Mr. Love and family, it is understood, will move to Charlotte and make their home there.

James Hicks, of Spencer, and Philip Shaw, of Statesville, two young autoists en route from Statesville to Spencer Wednesday night, were overtaken in a severe rain-storm in a dense woods near Barber and compelled to spend the night in the forests. Much of the trip was made in mud axle-deep.

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IN SOCIETY.

DELIGHTFUL AFFAIR AT MISS McLEAN'S.

The pot-pourri party given by Misses Annie and Nell McLean Wednesday evening in honor of their guest, Miss Harriet McLean, of Rock Hill, S. C., was a delightful affair in every respect. At every table a different game was played, this innovation adding much more zest and spice to the entertainment. Punch was poured by Misses Johnnie Adams and Edith McLean. At the conclusion of the games an ice course was served.

MISS ADAMS ENTERTAINS.

In honor of Miss Harriet McLean, of Rock Hill, S. C., who is the guest of Misses Annie and Nell McLean, Miss Johnnie Adams entertained delightfully at her home on South Broad street last Tuesday evening. Progressive bunco was played, there being about 12 tables. A very unique feature of the evening's entertainment was the sunflower scheme, which was carried out both in the decorations and refreshments, the ice courses being served in dainty sunflower cups. Punch was served by Misses Annie McLean and Jennie Pegram. In addition to the honoree the out-of-town guests were: Misses Mary Emma and Sarah Hughes Murray, of Lewisburg, Tenn.; Miss Emily Wright, of Clover and Miss Cartwright of Yorkville.

Personals and Locals.

—Mr. J. C. Smith, a prominent cotton mill man of Shelby, is in town to-day.

—Mr. and Mrs. John F. Love and daughter, Miss Susie, spent yesterday in Charlotte.

—Mr. J. A. Livingston, city editor of The Progress, returned Monday night from a brief trip to Greensboro.

—Mr. and Mrs. James W. Atkins and little son returned this morning from a stay of several days at Wrightsville Beach.

—Misses Essie and Pearl Wilson, of Dallas, are spending the day with Mr. R. A. Falls and family near Pleasant Ridge.

—Mr. L. L. Jenkins, president of the American National Bank of Asheville, is spending the day in Gastonia on business.

—Miss Marion Miller, one of the teachers in the Dallas High School, arrived yesterday to be ready for the opening of school next Monday.

—Mr. A. F. Whitesides and two daughters and Mr. Major Whitesides left yesterday on the excursion to Johnson City.

—Mrs. C. Evelyn Gilbert, of Washington, D. C., spent Tuesday in Gastonia as the guest of Mrs. J. M. Hampton.

—Mr. John Rankin left Wednesday morning for Raleigh where he will resume his studies at the A. and M. College.

—Miss Nena Rhyne left yesterday for High Point, where she goes to resume her position in the High Point city schools.

—Mr. Alden S. Anderson left Wednesday morning for Davidson where he will resume his studies at Davidson College.

—Rev. J. Frank Armstrong, of Bessemer City, requests The Gazette to state that he will preach at Tate's Chapel Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

—Mr. W. H. Adams returned this morning from Detroit, Mich., where he went as a member of the party of agents of the E. M. F. and Flanders automobiles.

—Miss Jessie Stockard, who will teach in the city schools this year has arrived in Gastonia and is with Mrs. E. C. Wilson on Marietta street.

—Esquire Jacob Kiser and Mr. E. H. Clark, of Bessemer City, route one, were in Gastonia on business yesterday and paid The Gazette office a pleasant call.

—Dr. and Mrs. R. M. Stevenson, of Clover, are expected to arrive in Due West next week. They will receive a most cordial welcome by our people.—Due West A. R. Presbyterian.

—Mr. and Mrs. Roland W. Stockard, of Memphis, Tenn., who have been the guests of Mrs. Frank L. Wilson, left last night for Atlanta, where they will visit friends before returning to their home.

—Rev. A. Marsh, of Marshville, and Rev. C. E. Beaver, of Maiden, will begin a series of meetings next Monday night, September 11th, at the Clara Mill chapel. The public is cordially invited to attend.

—Messrs. George R. Patrick, Rufus Jackson and Colt Robinson, of Lowell, old students of Davidson College, went up Wednesday morning to Davidson to be present at the opening of the fall term.

—The many friends of Mr. H. R. Thompson, of Stanley, who is confined at the Lincoln Hospital with a case of typhoid fever, will be glad to know that he is improving.—Lincoln County News, 5th.

—At her home in Belmont last night Miss Melva Gullick gave quite a pleasant entertainment, having as her guests a large number of her young friends. Miss Edna Rankin will entertain a number of young people at her home to-night. Misses Gullick and Rankin leave next week for Charlotte to resume their work at the Presbyterian College.

OF VITAL IMPORTANCE TO THE SCHOOLS.

The following is from the instructions sent out by the State High School Inspector: "Do not advance the pupils from year to year until they have been well grounded in the studies pursued." This should be put upon the minds and hearts of both teachers and parents. Each one interested in a school wants to learn that it is not the passing through the grades that educates one, but the mastering of the things studied. If the parents of the children could hear the teachers in the colleges tell how many pupils come to them each year not half prepared, they would come to the school authorities as a patron yesterday. He said: "My child has been passed to the sixth grade. I do not think that he is ready for it. If you find it necessary, have him repeat the fifth grade."

The superintendent would like to see each pupil in the grade desired by itself and its loved ones. There is no one who wishes more for them to advance than he does. But he knows what is going to count out in the world. He has an ideal, and he wishes to do the very best for the boys and girls. In no other business in Gastonia would the heads promote the fellow who had not done well his part, who had not finished his task in the allotted time.

The following is the book list for the coming year. In case more than one book on a subject is given the books marked (1) are to be brought to school the very first day. Those marked otherwise are not to be brought until the teacher requests them.

BOOK LIST—FIRST GRADE.
1 Tablet \$.05
1 Pencil05
1 Palmer Method Cards 1st set05
1 Progressive Drawing Book15
Reading—(2) Additional Primer36
(3) Additional 1st Reader26
(4) First Reader Part 125
(5) Heart of Oak One20

SECOND GRADE.
Reading—(1) First Reader25
Part 225
(2) Second Reader Part 125
(3) Second Reader Part 230
(4) Big People and Little People30

Spelling—A Spelling Book20
Writing—Palmer Method Cards 1st05
Drawing—Progressive Book 215

THIRD GRADE.
Spelling—(1) Graded Classics 332
(2) Legends of R. C.30
(3) Story of Ulysses50

Writing—Palmer Manual25
Drawing—Progressive Book 315
Arithmetic—Milne's Book 132—16

FOURTH GRADE.
Spelling—A spelling book20
Reading—Fourth Language Reader32—16
(2) To be selected32
(3) McCorkle N. C. Hist. stories35

Writing—Palmer Manual25
Drawing—Progressive Book 420
Arithmetic—Milne's Progressiv. Geography—To be announced. Language—Hyde's Book 125
History—Beginner's U. S.60
Physiology—Primer of Hygiene35—17

FIFTH GRADE.
Spelling—A spelling book20
Reading—King Arthur and H. E.50
(2) Hiawatha40
(3) To be selected40

Writing—Palmer Manual25
Drawing—Progressive book 520
Arithmetic—Milne's book 236—18
Language—Hyde's Book 125
History—Allen's N. C. History Stories40
Physiology—Primer of Hygiene35—17

SIXTH GRADE.
Spelling—A Spelling book20
Reading—Guerber's Story of 13 Colonies60
(2) To be selected60
(3) To be selected60

Writing—Palmer Manual25
Drawing—Progressive book 620
Arithmetic—Milne's book 236—18

Geography—To be announced.
English—Essential studies 45—22
History—Hill's N. C.85
Physiology—Primer of Sanitation40—20

SEVENTH GRADE.
Spelling—Reed's Word Lessons 22—11
Reading—Lays of Ancient Rome25
Writing—Palmer Manual25
Arithmetic—Milne's book 3 41—20
Geography—To be announced.
English—Essential Studies 45—22
History—Hill's N. C.85
Primer of Sanitation40—20
High School Courses as Adopted by County Superintendent, Principals and Superintendents for entire County:

EIGHTH GRADE.
Reading—Franklin's Autobiography not over25
? Goldam's Desert25
? Yachoe6
Writing—Palmer Manual25
Arithmetic—Milne's book 41—20
Science—Real Things in Nature55
English—Buehler's Grammar85
History—Hill's N. C.85
Latin—Collar & Daniell's F. Y. 113
Algebra—Wentworth's New Sch 1.15

NINTH GRADE.
Reading—Poe's Poems, about40
(2) Vision of Sir Launfal not over25
(3) Merchant of Venice not over60
Writing—Palmer Method25
Arithmetic—Same as last year.

MR. W. E. BENDLEY FAILS

Former Gastonia Merchant Meets Misfortune in Asheville—Sincere Regret Felt Here.

The following dispatch in yesterday's Charlotte Observer, bearing an Asheville date line, will be read with regret in Gastonia. Mr. Bendley was formerly a resident of Gastonia, being at one time manager of the Kindley-Belk Company at this place. While here he married Miss Nancy Hoffman, youngest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Hoffman.

From here he moved to Fayetteville and thence to Asheville. From all reports his business was in excellent condition and the news of his failure comes as a genuine surprise. "Asheville commercially was surprised late yesterday afternoon to learn of the failure of the W. E. Kindley & Co., one of the largest dry goods establishments of the town. The failure was unexpected. Mr. Bendley, the senior member of the firm, came to Asheville from Fayetteville a year or more ago and took the 'day light store,' one of the largest buildings in the town. He maintained the place until several months ago, when he moved to Patton avenue. Yesterday he failed. The assets are given at \$20,000 and the liabilities at \$25,000. Mr. Bendley says that he will return to Fayetteville and make a living; that he will leave his wife and child here for their health. Mr. Bendley has made many friends in Asheville since coming here and his failure is genuinely regretted."

Back to Memphis.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Gray Spencer will hear with regret that they are to leave Gastonia. On or about October 5th, which is, by the way, the first anniversary of their marriage, they will move to Memphis, where Mr. Spencer is to go into business. The best wishes of all Gastonia follow them to their new home.

Stockholders Meet.

The stockholders of the Imperial Cotton Mill held their regular meeting at the offices of the company in Belmont yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Reports of the officers showed the mill to be in excellent condition. The usual 5 per cent semi-annual dividend was declared and ordered paid. All the officers and directors were re-elected, as follows: A. C. Lineberger, president; D. E. Rhyne, vice president; R. L. Stowe, secretary and treasurer. The other directors are Messrs. Arthur Rhyne, J. W. Armstrong, S. P. Stowe and F. P. Hall.

Personal Mention.

—Miss Francis Clark, of New Prospect, S. C., spent Wednesday night in Gastonia as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Shuford, being en route to Bethel, Pitt county, where she will teach in the high school.

—Misses Susie and Mary Rawlings, of Gastonia, accompanied by their aunt, Mrs. J. F. Smyre, returned to their home in Gastonia yesterday after visiting relatives here for several weeks.—Catawba County News, 5th.

—Mr. Grover C. Dilling left this morning for his home at Hillsboro, Texas, after spending a month or more here, having been called here on account of the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. A. L. Dilling, who died last Friday night.

—Gastonia is soon to have a new and up-to-date garage. It will be located on the old Gaston Iron Works site. A handsome brick building, 100x50 feet, will be erected at once, the old structure having been torn down. The directors hope to have the building finished and ready for business by November 1. Messrs. A. G. Myers, W. H. Adams and Harry Shuford are among the number interested in the new concern.

—At a joint meeting of the ministers and cotton mill managers of the town held Wednesday morning in the Realty building the matter of excluding from the town tent-meetings conducted by irresponsible men was discussed at length and resolutions on the subject were adopted. There was a unanimous opinion that great harm is done in our town by meetings of this character. A fuller report of this meeting and the matters transacted will appear later.

Science—This year, Real Things in Nature—Next year, Physical Geology
Language—Smith's Writing in English75
History—Peele's Civil Government60
Algebra—Same as last year—Wentworth's New School 1.15
Latin—Review of Gramma and Caesar 1.00

TENTH GRADE.
Reading—Ancient Mariner, not over25
(2) Julius Caesar60
(3) Heroes and Hero Worship35
(4) Silas Marner60
Writing—Palmer Manual25
Sciences—to be selected.
English—This year, William 1.20
Next year, Lockwood, Emerson's.

History—This year Hart's 1.50
Next year, English History.
Latin—Cicero, any good text, about 1.00
Algebra—New school 1.15

ELEVENTH GRADE.
Will begin next year.