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## COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE

### NESBITT-FOISTER.

Mr. Marion W. Nesbit, of West Gastonia, Weds Miss Ethel Foister, of Mars Hill.

Correspondence of The Gazette.  
WEST GASTONIA, Jan. 29. — A wedding of more than usual interest to the people of West Gastonia was that of Mr. Marion W. Nesbit of this place and Miss Ethel Foister of Mars Hill, Thursday morning, January 18th, at 11:30 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Foister. The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. R. Harris in the presence of a number of friends and relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Nesbit came to Old Fort immediately after the ceremony, where a few days were spent with his mother. They arrived in Gastonia Thursday, January 25th, and will make their future home here. Miss Foister spent a part of last winter here and made a number of close friends during the stay, and was very popular with all who knew her. Mr. Nesbit is the senior member of the firm of Nesbit & Gilliam, one of West Gastonia's largest and most successful grocery concerns. Their many friends extend to Mrs. Nesbit a most cordial welcome to their midst and wish for them all the pleasure and happiness possible in their new relation.

### SAD DEATH OF CHILD.

Mr. and Mrs. David Abernethy, of High Shoals, Bereaved—Mr. A. Q. Kale Builds New Residence—Personal Items.

Correspondence of The Gazette.  
HIGH SHOALS, Jan. 29. — The death angel entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Abernethy last Saturday morning and took their precious little son, Paul. His death was unexpected and was a great shock to both parents and town. He had a severe case of pneumonia last summer, but had recovered and was in good health until Friday when he took that dreadful disease membranous croup. The little body was tenderly laid to rest yesterday afternoon in the High Shoals cemetery. We extend our profound sympathy to the bereaved parents. Those attending the burial from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Mings, of Lowell; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rankin, of Clover, S. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Cline, of Southside, and Mr. Ed Abernethy, of Reidsville.

Mr. A. Q. Kale has just completed a handsome residence about a mile from town into which Mr. R. J. Dellinger, the cloth room overseer, will move this week. — Mr. Adolphus Davis, of Bessemer City, is erecting a nice residence for the High Shoals Company. — Mr. Sterne Lazenby, of Gastonia, spent yesterday with his brother, Mr. J. C. Lazenby. — The Messrs. Hubbard, Mrs. Hubbard and son, of New York city, and Miss Annie Twelvrees, of Charlotte, spent Saturday and Sunday in town. — Dr. Gamble and Mr. Paul Rogers spent yesterday in Lincolnton. — Mr. Baker, of Hickory, spent last night with Mr. R. F. Putnam. — Misses Emma and Annie McGinnas spent Saturday in Maiden. — Miss Fleeta Ramsey went last week to King's Business College, Charlotte, to take a business course.

### Blacksburg Items.

Gaffney, (S. C.) Ledger, 30th. — Miss Marie Goforth is visiting friends at Gastonia, N. C., for a few days.

Mr. C. C. Clark spent the weekend at Bessemer City, N. C., with his family.

Mrs. G. F. Hovis left Thursday for Gastonia, N. C., after visiting her mother, Mrs. Randall, for some time.

Rev. C. W. Payseur left Friday morning for Lenoir, N. C., where he filled his regular appointment Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Evelyn Barnhardt, who lives in No. 9 township, Cabarrus county, celebrated her 94th birthday last Thursday.

Prof. R. J. Cochran, who has been superintendent of public schools in Mecklenburg county for a number of years, has purchased 1,000 acres of land in Moore county. He will not stand for re-election to his present position at the end of his present term.

Mr. Lee Beaver, of Landis, Cabarrus county, was drowned Thursday at Ivanhoe, Sampson county. He was driving a four-mule team across Black river when the bridge gave way, precipitating the whole outfit into the stream.

Miss Clara Sloan, of the city schools, spent the week-end at her home near Belmont.

In a game of basketball at Belmont Saturday the Salisbury high school team lost to the Belmont high school team by the score of 37 to 22. The line-up was: Salisbury, Thomas, Marsh, Blackmer, Martin and Goodson; Belmont—Armstrong, R., Gaston, Query, Lewis and Armstrong, J. The two teams will play a return game in Salisbury at an early date.

### 1,000,000 BAGS.

Atlas Manufacturing Company at Bessemer City Has Big Contract—Osage Company Figuring on Export Product.

Correspondence of The Gazette.  
BESSEMER CITY, Jan. 29. — Mrs. J. R. Boulware and children, of Lenoir, spent a few days with Rev. R. R. Caldwell and family en route to Florida where they expect to reside. Mr. Boulware has a lucrative position with a wholesale grocery company at Lakeland, Fla.—The Atlas Manufacturing Company is making good on the cement bag business. They have orders now for nearly a million bags and these are pressing. A hundred sample bags were sent out one day last week. Any success along this line will be noted with pleasure.—It is reported that the Osage Company is figuring on an export product which if they decide to produce will necessitate some changes in looms and other machinery.

Bessemer City is a scene of activity now along almost all lines of business. Many people are coming and going on the trains these days and therefore there is a rush around the depot about train time. The streets are also crowded in the evenings just after the mills close for the night.

Rev. R. R. Caldwell has taken an mission work in West Gastonia and services are conducted there in the Lindsay store room on the second and fourth Sabbaths of each month at 3:30 in the afternoon. Everybody is cordially invited to these services.

### Cleveland Cullings.

The Highlander, 26th. — It is reported that a modern hotel building is to be erected at Patterson Springs this season. This is one of the most desirable resort properties in the State and is owned by Charlotte business men.

Capt. W. P. Eddleman and his road forces are now at work on the eastern part of town on the road to Kings Mountain. A deep fill is to be made this side of Flat Rock branch and a steel and concrete bridge erected over this stream at a cost of about \$1,800. This will add much to the value of the property in that section of the city.

Mrs. Mollie Weathers had the misfortune Wednesday night to fall and fracture her hip. About a year ago she fell down the stairs while coming from Quinn & Hamrick's law office, causing a fracture of the hip. She was in the hospital for several weeks. It is now feared that her injuries are permanent.

Rev. L. W. Swope, pastor of the First Baptist church, left Sunday night for Chicago, where he is this week attending a convention of the Woodmen of the World. After conducting the evening service Sunday night, he drove to Geneva and boarded a train. If possible he will return this Saturday and be here for the service Sunday morning.

### IN SOCIETY.

#### S. AND O. CLUB AND FRIENDLY MATRONS.

At 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon Miss Laura Page and Mrs. D. A. Page will entertain jointly at the latter's home on North Marietta street, the former for the S. and O. Club and the latter for the Friendly Matrons.

#### IN HONOR OF MISS FRY.

Mrs. Arnold Stovall will entertain from three to five tomorrow afternoon with a novelty shower in honor of Miss Mary Gordon Fry, whose marriage to Mr. Lewis H. Balthis will be solemnized on St. Valentine's Day, February 14th.

#### BRIDGE LUNCHEON AT MRS. CRAIG'S.

Tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock Mrs. T. L. Craig will entertain at a "Bridge Luncheon" in honor of Mrs. Cleveland, of Spartanburg, S. C., and Mrs. E. W. Mellon, of Charlotte.

Farmers, gardeners and poultrymen will find something of interest to them in The Gazette almost every week. Subscribe and keep up.

The Woman's Betterment Association will meet in the Central school auditorium on Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

Mr. Henry Blount, of Wilson, lecturer, editor and word-painter, closed a two night's engagement at Belmont Saturday night. His entertainment was of a high order. His subject Friday night was "Wit and Humor." Saturday night he gave an impersonation of "Rip Van Winkle" as acted by Joseph Jefferson.

Get a Gazette dinner set free.

### McAdenville Matters.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

McADENVILLE, Jan. 29.—Mr. R. R. Ray left Wednesday afternoon on a business trip to New York and other Northern cities. He will be absent for a week or ten days.—Miss Elizabeth Jenkins and Mrs. Sarah Jenkins were the guests Sunday of Mrs. J. R. Latimer.—Mrs. B. T. McAden left Saturday for Baltimore, Philadelphia and Atlantic City. She has been spending several weeks here with her son, Mr. J. T. McAden.—Mr. Ed C. Ray was a Gastonia visitor Sunday.—Mr. L. W. Jenkins was a Charlotte visitor Friday.—Master Robert Ray Glenn, son of Dr. and Mrs. L. N. Glenn, of Gastonia, is spending some time here with his grand mother, Mrs. R. R. Ray.—M. J. Johnson spent Sunday with relatives in Gastonia.—Miss Mamie Ray was a Gastonia shopper Saturday.—Dr. L. N. Glenn, of Gastonia, was shaking hands with his many friends here Sunday.—Mr. L. K. Bumgardner, law agent for the Southern Railway Company, was here Saturday on business.

Mrs. Mattie Wilson returned home Friday from Charlotte where she has been for several weeks in the Charlotte Sanatorium for treatment. She was accompanied by her mother, who spent several days with her son, Mr. S. A. Mangum in Charlotte.—Mr. W. F. Garrison, of Anderson, S. C., spent some time here last week with his daughter, Mrs. W. H. Kay.—Miss Ila Pressley, Mrs. Grace Epps and Mrs. George Ingram, of Maysville, were McAdenville visitors Saturday.—Mr. T. G. Bentley is spending today in Charlotte on business.—Prof. J. L. Webb is expected to return home this week from Newberry, S. C., where he has been teaching a singing school for the past month.

### STUDENTS' RECITAL.

Miss Atkins' Pupils Will Give Recital at Auditorium Friday Night, Assisted by Her Orchestra—The Public Invited.

The pupils of Miss Lillian J. Atkins will give a recital in the auditorium of the Central graded school Friday night at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend. The program, which is given in full below, contains several numbers by Miss Atkins' Orchestra. The program is as follows:

- PART I.**
1. Anthony and Cleopatra, Suite de Ballet, Gruenwald.
  - (a) In the Arbor.
  - (b) Dance of the Nubians.
  - (c) Solo Dance.
  - (d) Anthony's Victory.
- Atkins Orchestra.
1. "Sleep, Dolly Sleep." Isabelle Killian—Betcher.
  2. "Sing, Robin, Sing." Ruth Morris—Spaulding.
  3. "Barcarolle." Lois Smith—Behr.
  4. Waltz, Lillian McLean, Mason.
  5. "The Young Recruits," Janette Davis, Mary Neil Davis, Reade.
  6. "Cinderella Waltz," Mary Dunn, Gurlitt.
  7. Waltz, Mary Neil Davis, Gurlitt.
  8. "Poetry of Motion," Janette Mason, Davis, Gurlitt.
  9. "Reaper's March," Lucille Mason, Read.
  10. "Flower Song" (violin), Ben Clark, Longe.
  11. "Meditation," Vernie Arthurs, Oldham.
  12. (a) My Beautiful Lady (From "The Pink Lady"), Caryl.
  - (b) March, Lampe.
- PART II.**
13. "Coronation March" (From The Prophet), Orchestra, Meyerherr.
  14. "Hilarity March," Earl Groves, Mero.
  15. Second Valse, Lola Davis, Durand.
  16. 6th Air Varli (violin), Erskine Boyce, De Beriot.
  17. Mazurka, Mary White, Lindsay.
  18. "Military March," Annie Kennedy, Galbraith.
  19. "Souvenir de Weintawski" (violin), Robert McLean, Hae sche.
  20. "Meditation," Ruth Mason, Engleman.
  21. "Carnival King," Atkins Orchestra, Paul.

The date of the annual reception of the Gastonia Commercial Club has been set for February 22d.

Rev. George D. Herman, formerly pastor of Main Street Methodist church here but now pastor of the Methodist church at Wadesboro, is spending the day in town with his daughter, Mrs. Chess Abernethy. He will return to Wadesboro on No. 12 this afternoon. Mr. Herman's many friends in Gastonia were exceedingly glad to see him again and hope he will visit our town again soon and remain longer. Mr. Herman was pastor here for three years and in that time made a host of admiring friends whose best wishes are with him in his new field of labor.

### SATAN'S SEED GROUND

Rev. J. E. Abernethy Preaches Strong Sermon to Boys and Young Men on the Subject of "Where Satan Sows His Seed"—Pointed Out Some of the Dangers Which Lie Along the Path of the Youth—Greatest Drawback to Christian Progress is Loss of Consciousness of Sin.

"So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field; from whence then hath it tares? He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Willst thou then that we go and gather them up? "

From the above text, found in Matthew 13: 27-28 Rev. J. E. Abernethy, pastor of Main Street Methodist church, preached a very strong and impressive sermon to boys and young men Sunday evening, his subject being "Where Satan Sows His Seed." While intended especially for the younger men it was intensely interesting and valuable to the older members of the congregation.

Before taking up his subject proper the speaker said he would not attempt to even name, much less discuss, all the places where Satan sows his seed but would confine his discourse to dealing with a few of the more prominent ones.

Satan sows his seed, first of all, in the life of every boy who has the cigarette habit. No other one habit brings ruin of health, debasement of morals and commission of crime to so many boys as this one habit. The cigarette smoker is unreliable. Men at the head of vast industrial enterprises realize this. They will not employ a cigarette smoker. Nobody wants him. He is physically, mentally and morally unfit to render service of value. Judge Ben B. Lindsay, the most famous juvenile court judge in the country, whose word on all subjects pertaining to crime among boys is authoritative was quoted as saying that the cigarette is responsible for the downfall of more boys than any other one thing. The same testimony is given by the head of the Illinois State reformatory and many others. The speaker plead with the boys and young men not to form this habit and, if they had already done so, to discontinue it at all hazards. He presented conclusive evidence that there is no future for the cigarette-smoking boy but in the criminal's cell or, at the most, in the street where he will be left by men who are employers but who will always turn him down.

In the life of every boy or young man who is a dram-drinker Satan sows his seed. At last it biffeth like a serpent and stineth like an adder. Intemperance is the greatest curse resting upon our country today. Whiskey lulls to sleep the better side of man's nature and arouses to abnormal activity the jungle nature, the bestial, animal side and crime results. It robs a man of his self-respect and causes him to turn from all that is honest, honorable and upright. It is but a step from the dram-drinker to the drunkard. The speaker did not mince words in criticizing our lawmakers who license the making and selling of intoxicating liquors. There never was any justification for it and there cannot be. Its effect in the political world has been of a stupendously blighting nature.

Another place where Satan sows his seed in the young life is in the matter of bad company. Evil associations, working insidiously, taint the life of the boy almost beyond redemption. The little tot, barely old enough to venture out on the streets, hear things and learn things that our grandfathers did not hear of or learn until they were twenty-five years old. In this connection the speaker paid his respects to the man who would swear or use foul language on the street in the hearing of boys or girls. Such a man is unworthy of a place on the street.

Bad literature is but a step behind bad company in its evil effect upon the young life. Much of the stuff printed today is not fit for grown people to read, much less for boys and girls. The yellow-back novel is a curse; the continuous playing-up by the newspapers and cheap magazines of the crimes and sensational occurrences is no less detrimental to the morals of the young.

Card-playing was named as the fifth place in which Satan sows his seed. Many people will say, said the speaker, that playing cards for pastime, pleasure or fun is not wrong. He took issue with them on this point and declared that any person who would give the subject the proper amount of investigation and study would not controvert his statement. Whether one plays cards for pastime, pleasure, fun or money, the result in the end is the same. Many a boy learns to play cards as a social game around the parlor table at home and is taught to believe it is not wrong, who eventually lands at the gambler's table and all too often behind the bars for murder or some other heinous crime. While on this subject the speaker quoted the former champion woman whist player of the world who, in an address before four thousand people at Winona Lake, Chataqua last summer on "Why I Burned Party Packs of Cards," declared that no other one thing was having such a harmful effect upon the influence and work in the church of the women as card playing.

Indulgence in sensual pleasure is

### HON. JOHN G. WOOLEY COMING

Noted Temperance Lecturer to be Here Next Tuesday Night—Secretary Davis of State Anti-Saloon League Also to be Here—At Main Street Methodist Church.

Gastonians will have the opportunity next Tuesday night to hear one of the most noted temperance lecturers in America in the person of Hon. John Granville Wooley, editor of The New Voice, the well known temperance organ, and twice the candidate for president of the United States on the Prohibition ticket. Mr. Wooley will speak in Main Street Methodist church and everybody is cordially invited to hear him. He speaks Sunday night at the First Baptist church in Charlotte and Monday night at Shelby. Under the auspices of the State Anti-Saloon League Mr. Wooley has been engaged to deliver fifteen addresses in North Carolina. He will be accompanied to Gastonia by Rev. R. L. Davis, secretary of the State league.

Mr. Wooley has been a commanding figure in national temperance work for more than twenty years. He is a native of Ohio and studied and practiced law. Since 1899 he has devoted himself largely to working and speaking against intemperance. Since 1899 he has been editor of The New Voice in 1900 and once since he has been the candidate of the Prohibition party for President receiving the first time 208,914 votes.

Gastonia is especially favored in having Mr. Wooley as her guest if for only a portion of one day and all Gastonians should avail themselves of this opportunity of hearing him speak on a subject of very vital importance to our country.

### What Made Lee Great?

Exchange.

Napoleon was a great captain and Napoleon was a greater captain than Robert Edward Lee; Washington was a greater statesman, and in all probability, Woodrow Wilson is a greater teacher. Then why is it that the figure of the south's beloved towers so high above them all? Governor Aycock explains the mystery in the following gem of oratory taken from the speech he delivered before the students in Meredith College on Lee's birthday:

I think the reason may be found not alone in his handsome and commanding figure, in his magnificent intellect, in his perfect life, in his ideal Christian character, in his mastery of the science of war, but in that older fact which first sees the light when after Moses returned from his interview with the Lord on Mount Sinai he found in his absence the children of Israel had made for themselves a golden calf and worshipped it, and he lost his temper and broke the stones and punished his people, and then went up unto the Lord to make intercession in their behalf, and said, "Lord, O these people have sinned a great sin and have made them gods of gold, yet now if thou wilt, forgive their sin; and if not, I pray Thee blot me out of Thy book." This was no demagoguery. It was not said in the presence of the people. It was said by the creature to his creator. It was said by one in whose face there shone the light which emanated from the Lord. It was said by one who had seen the lightning and heard the thunders of Sinai. It was said unto the Almighty God. "If thou wilt punish my people, punish me also." From the days of Moses to the days of General Robert Edward Lee no other man had ever done so fine a thing; for Lee, who did not believe in secession, who was an officer in the United States army and loved it, who had won renown on the fields of Mexico under the stars and stripes, to who had been offered the highest position in the command of the armies of the United States, to whose clear vision there must have appeared the certainty of final outcome, calmly said to the Union, "If you will punish my people punish me also. I will not fight against Virginians."

another seed-ground for Satan. At the head of the list of sensual pleasures is dancing. The new-fangled dances recently invented are a disgrace to our civilization. The speaker warmly commended Mayor Gaynor, of New York city, for shutting down on the dancing teachers of that city and giving them the alternative of dispensing with these monstrosities or giving up their licenses. Another sensual pleasure which has in it the elements of good and the possibilities of accomplishing a great deal in an educational way is the moving picture show. But it has been turned over largely to Satan and has become a very demoralizing agency with young and old. Its influence is exceedingly harmful.

The solution of the problem of routing Satan and preventing his sowing of evil seed broadcast in the hearts and lives of boys and young men and of persons of all ages and conditions lies in the awakening of the moral consciences of the people. The lack of consciousness of sin is the greatest problem the church has to contend with today. People have grown hardened and calloused. They do not care. The criminal faces the electric chair without a tremor. He has lost all consciousness of sin. It is a widespread condition and one that presents a very discouraging aspect. Only an awakening in the hearts of the people of this consciousness of sin can bring the church and civilization back to the ground on which it should by all means rest.

## LOCAL GLEANINGS

—Don't fail to hear Hon. John G. Wooley next Tuesday night.

—Read Poole's ad on page five. He has the first new vegetables of the season on sale.

—Remember the meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy Thursday afternoon.

—Mr. A. B. O'Neil has been confined to his home for several days by illness.

—About twenty-five or more Gastonians will go to Charlotte Thursday to see "The Pink Lady" at the Academy of Music.

—Mr. George A. Gray, Sr., who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis, is getting along pretty well at the City Hospital. His many friends hope for him a speedy restoration to health.

—Attention is called to the advertisement on page eight of today's issue of The N. P. Nelson Co.'s, carload of pianos now on display and for sale in the Craig & Wilson building.

—Mr. R. L. Davis has moved from the Old Mill to Mount Holly, route two, where he will engage in farming. He has rented a good-sized farm and moved his family last week.

—Belk's, the popular department store, has a double-page ad in today's Gazette. They will be found on pages six and seven and make mighty interesting reading.

—Esquire W. Meek Adams has moved his office as justice of the peace and notary public from the Glenn building to a room over the J. Flem Johnson & Company's wholesale store on West Main avenue.

—It's as "sure as shootin'" that the Southern Railway is never going to build a passenger station in Gastonia until the city authorities, with the help of the Corporation Commission, make them do so.

—Mr. John L. Ferguson, The Gazette's linotype operator, and his family will move to Gastonia this week from Kings Mountain where they have resided for the past several years. They will occupy one of Mr. W. T. Rankin's cottages, corner West Long avenue and Dallas street.

—The T. P. Rankin Company, of Lowell, was chartered by the Secretary of State last Friday to conduct a general merchandise business. The authorized capital stock is \$25,000 with \$4,500 paid in. The incorporators are T. P. Rankin, John R. Rankin, Justus Armstrong and John W. Groves.

—Mr. J. Ralph Carson, of route one, Gastonia, was in town Saturday and was awarded the first prize of \$30 in cash which he won in the contest the past season by the Gaston County Boys Corn Club. This included a \$15 interest-bearing certificate of deposit given by the Citizens National Bank, \$10 cash given by County Superintendent of Education F. P. Hall and \$5 cash given by The Gazette. Mr. Carson raised 84.4 bushels of corn on one acre of land at a profit of \$57.60. He is a very enthusiastic young farmer and says he is going in for corn raising again the coming season. The other two prize winners are Mr. Falls Garrison, of Belmont, and Mr. Frank Hoffman, of route two, Gastonia. Their prizes are ready for them at The Gazette office.

### Slipped Up on the Sleuth.

A Cincinnati reporter, acting independently of the men working for other papers, resolved to have an account of the proceedings of a council meeting to which no outsiders were to be admitted. By collusion with the janitor he climbed to a spot that was not without its dangers and was dusty beyond description. There he took out a notebook for a shorthand report. The meeting came to order and the first thing the chairman did was to move a reconsideration and admit the reporters. This was carried and they all (mipus one) filed in to take their places in comfortable positions.

### Elixir of Life for Steel.

For mankind, as yet, the elixir of life remains undiscovered; but for steel it has been found. The element vanadium, when added in certain predetermined and small proportions, gives to steel the combined properties of increased tensile strength, higher elastic limit and greater ductility. Strength, toughness, elasticity, united with freedom from crystallization—these are the life-giving properties which vanadium imparts to steel, properties which raise its endurance to meet the burdens which are daily increasing upon it.

### Gentle Hint.

Professional Beggar (in Hardupp's office)—I've been out o' work for over a year, mister, and ain't got the price of a night's lodgin'. Can yer do anything to help me out?  
Hardupp (sardonically)—I'd like to, but I sprained my foot on a collector yesterday.