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COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE

CHERRYVILLE ROUTE 2 NEWS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

CHERRYVILLE, R. F. D. 2. March 1 .- The Hickory Grove school closed last Friday with an entertainment on Saturday. A few of our people attended, the attendance being good considering the bad day. The patrons are highly pleased with the successful term taught by Mr. D. C. Poole.-Mr. W. R. Carpenter and family spent last Saturday and Sunday at the home of Mr. George Clarke .- Mr. Kelly Dixon, of Charlotte, spent Saturday and Sunday Mr. Benjamin Stroup.-Miss Jenett Thornburg spent last Sunday with Miss Sallie Strop. - Miss Eunice Carpenter spent Monday with Miss Irene Davis .- Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Carpenter spent Wednesday in Bessemer City with Mrs. Venia Carpenter.-Mrs. Mollie Homsley, of Charlotte, and Miss Mosourta Homsley, of Cherryville, spent Tuesday with Mrs. Walter Long and Wednesday night with Mr. John A. Stroup's family .- Mr. Grier Dellinger is on the sick list this week .-Misses Maggie Lee Carpenter and Ferrie Froneberger spent last Satur-

day with Mrs. Luther Carpenter. Mrs. Pink Huss died yesterday morning. February 29th, and will be buried today at 2 o'clock at the Cherryville cemetery.

Mrs. Maggie Lytton and Mrs. Requa spent last night at the home of Mr. Ed Gardner .- Mrs. J. S. Stroup spent Wednesday with her mother, Mrs. Stewart, in Cherryville.

CAUSE HALF MILLION LOSS.

Expense of Five Hundred Consumptives-Boston Investigation Shows How Tuberculosis Drains Resourcces of Individual and community.

and institutional care of \$500.023 - m, 000 was sustained by the City of Boston and by 500 male consumptives studied by Dr. Edwin A. Locke and Dr. Cleveland Floyd, of the Out-Patient Department of the Boston Consumptives Hostipal. This is but presented by these physicians in the March Journal of the Out-door Line. (New York) the official organ of The National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculo-

In order to ascertain the actual economic loss from tuberculosis. Drs. Locke and Floyd sefected at random 500 male cases, men who had visited the dispensary during the last five years. 244 of the cases studied were dead when the investigation was begun and 256 were living. Over 41 per cent of the men were between the ages of twenty and thirty-nine.

It was found on May, 1, 1911, the date of the investigation, that the 224 dead men had each lost on an average 58.03 weeks of work from the time of the onset of their disease until death. The average weekly rate of wages of these men was \$11.89 and their total loss in wages amounted to \$170.965. The 256 living cases each lost on an average 89.3 weeks of work at an average wage of \$11.38 or a total loss of \$255,074, making \$426,039 lost in wages alone by both groups.

In addition to this large sum, it cost the City of Boston \$73.984 to care for these 500 men in its public hosiptals and other institutions. This community loss is exclusive of the large sums that were spent by private organizations on 406 out of these 500 cases.

422 of the 500 men had families with an average of 4.32 members. Commenting on this phase of the

problem, the investigators say: 'The direct result on the family income of the disability of the chief bread winner is well shown by the comparison of the total and average weekly income of the 422 families before the onset of illness and after the beginning of the stage of complete disability. In the first instance the total weekly income from all sources was \$6.807.29 or an average of \$17.50, while in the latter the total weekly income was only \$3.055 .-60, or an average of \$7.86, a decline of 65 per cent. One hundred and sixty-one families were without income of any sort during the period of complete disability of the patient. while the total weekly income previous to this stage was \$1,877.75.

If to all of these losses were added the "capitalized value of the earnings cut off by death." Drs. Locke and Floyd estimate that the loss of the 244 dead cases alone would bring the total up to nearly \$2,000 .-And if to these 500 cases actually studied were added the 15,000 living cases in Boston, they estimate the loss to the individuals and the city would amount to many millions of dollars.

These figures of the economic loss caused by tuberculosis, they con clude, present the most complete justification for the money Boston has spent in tuberculosis work, and show why other communities should not hesitate for fear of expense to attack the tuberculosis problem.

in today's Gazette.

NEW CLUB ORGANIZED.

Loray Manufacturers Club Will Seek the Mental and Physical Development of Its Members - Club House Being Fitted Up-The Of-

Correspondence of The Gazette. WEST GASTONIA, March 5, -23rd. The officers of the club are as follows: Norman Morrow, president; E. C. Herrin, vice-president; Philip Plyler, secretary and treasurer; D. C. Elliott, solicitor; A. B. McAllister, R. A. Baker, J. B. Horton, H. E. Conrad and C. T. Settlemyer constitute the board of gov-

Loray Mill companies buildings at the corner of Church and Mill streets, which will be remodeled and of the club. One room has already ed her she was standing with her been furnished with chairs and tables for a reading room and quite a number of the best magazines and burial srevice was held at Mount Zinewspapers have been subscribed for. A gympasium will be installed and the little body was laid to rest in one of the other rooms, the entire building will be nicely furnished and parents have the sympathy of the painted and will be up-to-date in every respect.

The object of the club is the physical and mental development of its members, also to boost Gastonia. This is something that has been needed here for a long ime and we feel sure that a step has been taken in the right direc-Judging from the interest that the people are taking in the enterprise there is no reason why it should not prove a decided success.

The club will be open every day in the week from 7:30 a. m. until 12 o'clock m, except Sundays when An actual money loss in wages it will be open from 1 until 6:30 p.

\$10,000 FOR BRIDGE,

Mecklenburg Commissioners Appropriate That Sum for Mount Holly Bridge Conditioned on Similar Amount from Gaston.

The following is from yesterday afternoon's Charlotte News:

· A strong delegation of citizens from Mount Holly and vicinity, representing both the Mecklenburg and Gaston county sides of the river, appeared before the commissioners and asked that they make an appropriation of \$10,000 to supplement another \$10,000 to be given by the commissioners of Gaston county for the purpose of building a \$20,000 steel bridge over the Catawba river at Mount Holly.

The commissioners decided to make an appropriation not to excced \$10,000 provided the Gaston commissioners will do the same. therefore the bridge is assured and will be a steel structure.

ROSES AND THORNS.

An Old Eastern Legend and Its Application to Human Life.

This world we're living in Is mighty hard to beat. You get a thorn with every rose, But ain't the roses sweet?

There is an eastern legend that when the beneficent Creator prepared the earth for man, causing it to bring forth herbs and trees pleasant to the eye and good for food, each bearing its seed within itself for propagating its kind, the roses had no thorns and the lilies, violets and other blossoming plants were free from thistles, brambles and noxious weeds.

But the sons and daughters of men in their greedy eagerness to gather the flowers, each one selfishly striving to secure a larger share than his fellow, seemed likely to despoil the earth of its beauty and leave not even enough blossoms to perfect their seed and perpetuate their species. So the kindly All Father provided the roses with thorns for self protection and sent a host of defenders of the more tender blossoms by causing thistles and briers to spring up around them like wardens of a castle or the bodyguard of a queen. And this is the reason for the thorns and briers-nature's protection against human greed.

The legend has a wider application. The roses typify the pleasures of life and the thorns its pains. A life of ease and pleasure was not only useless, but satiating. It would demoralize him who indulged in it. Satiety despoils the rose of its beauty and the violet of its fragrance; hence kind nature makes true pleasure the reward of virtuous effort and punishes overindulgence with penalizing suffering, to the end that greed may be restrained and self control developed with its attendant virtues of temperance, kindliness, industry and thrift.-John B. Stoll in South Bend Times.

Read Efird's page of big specials

CHILD BURNED TO DEATH,

Jennie May, Three-Year-Old Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Long. of Alexis, Suffers Horrible Death.

Correspondence of The Gazette. ALEXIS, March 2 .- On Wednesday, February 28th, Jennie May, the little three-year-old daughter of Mr. The Loray Manufacturers Club was and Mrs. Phillip A. Long, who live organized Friday evening, February about a mile from Alexis, was so badly burned about noon that she died about 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Mrs. Long had been doing some washing and there were some coals of fire left under the pot. Jennie May, together with two other small children, was playing tn the yard. While Mrs. Long was gone to the spring for water the little girl got too close to the fire and her dress was ignited. Before aid could reach her her clothing had been almost altogether burned from arranged to meet the requirements her body. When the mother reacharms held up crying "Oh" and the flames leaping above her head. The on church by Rev. W. B. McClure in the gravevard. The bereaved entire neighborhood.

BELMONT BUDGET.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

BELMONT, March 3 .- At a congregational meeting this morning at the Presbyterian church, definite steps were taken toward the erection of a new church building in the near future. A committee consisting of the board of deacons, Messr's. R. L. Stowe, J. B. Hall, J. R. Gaston. and H. C. Johnston, together with Messrs, F. P. Hall and S. P. Stowe, was appointed to look after such important matters as the securing of a site, the plans for financing the new venture and the conferring with architects concerning plans and specifications for the building. All the above-named men are wellknown business men, four out of Hager simply did his duty as an ofthe six named being prominent in ficer as he saw it. If he is to sufthe cotton mill business here, and the affairs of the church are in safe

hands and under wise ministrations. The South Point township teachers spent last Friday in Belmont. going over the local school. the guidance of Superintendent Hall they went in a body from room to room, inspecting and observing the classroom work done in each grade. This move is in line with the poltcy recently inaugurated by Superintendent Hall to displace the format county organization with the more practical effective township organization. By this method, actual demonstrative teaching is shown and class-room work observed first-hand. However, the county organization will not be altogether discontinued. Among those present Friday were the teachers from Lowell, McAdenoffle, Union, New Hope and some from Gastonia. Principals Ramseur

Riddle and Earl Thompson, the latter of the Carolina football fame. The basketball season for high school closed Saturday with a victory over Baird's school of Charlotte by a score of 24 to 14. There is, however, a probability of a game being arranged with the Charlotte high school team. The local boys have not lost a game this season. St. Mary's College has been beaten twice. Baird's school twice and the Salisbury high school once. squad, every member of which has played throughout the whole of every game on the schedule, is as follows: Ray Armstrong I. f., H. A. Query, r. f., and coach, Gaston, c., James Armstrong, l. g., and P. Lewis, r. g. Prospects for a winning baseball team are bright.

Lighted Him Home.

Two friends who lived in the country were in the habit of dining frequently with one another. One day Jack received an invitation from James to dine with him at the usual hour in the evening. As it happened it was an extremely dark night, and Jack took a stable lantern to enable him to see the way clearly. In due course he arrived quite safely at James's residence, and they dined exceedingly well, but certainly not wisely.

The next morning Jack received a note from James to this effect: "Dear Jack, herewith find your stable lantern. Please return my parrot and cage.'

Her Fortune.

Miss Ivy Brayton Hodge, one of the well known women drummers of the west, at a commercial travelers' banquet in Chicago, responded to a toast with these words:

"A woman's face is said to be her fortune. In the girl drummer's case, however, it's her check " .

-Miss Maud Wilkins, of Bessemer City, spent Sunday in Gastonta as the guest of Mrs. T. A. Wilkins,

HAGER GOES TO ROADS

Bessemer City Policeman Convicted of Manslaughter and Sentenced to Six Months on Roads-Verdict Came as Surprise to Many People —Appeal Taken to Supreme Court—Partlow Case Being Trica -Other Court News.

Six months on the roads and to pay the costs of the case was the penalty imposed yesterday morning by Judge Lyon in Gaston Superior Court on Christy S. Hager, ex-policeman of Bessemer City, who was convicted Saturday night of manslaughter by the jury, which had been out for less than two hours. The verdict came as a surprise to most everybody as the general belief seemed to be that Hager would be acquitted.

Before sentence was pronounced Mr. O. F. Mason, who with Mr. S. J. Durham, admirably conducted the defense, asked that the verdict of the jury be set aside and the defendant granted a new trial. Mr. A. G. Mangum, of counsel for the prosecution, opposed this and the request was not granted. The defendant's attorneys appealed to the Supreme Court and the appeal bond was fixed

In speaking in behalf of the defendant Mr. Mason made a strong ap peal for the ex-officer. It was rather an unusual scene for a Gaston county court. The case has elicited more interest perhaps than any trial conducted in the county in ten years. Hager killed Earl Lockman while discharging his duties as chief or police of Bessemer City last Novem-The plea of the defense was that the killing was done in self-de-Lockman was placed under arrest by Hager. The latter was drinking, according to the evidence. and attacked Hager with a knife. cutting him two or three times. Arhe had been cut Hager shot Lockman. These facts were testified to by witnesses for the defense and testimony of the witnesses for the prosecution were largely in accord therewith. The most essential difference in the testlmony was that the State's witnesses stated that Hager, when he shot the dead man. was six or eight feet away from htm. Hager testified that he was within arm's length of Lockman. The general opinion was that Hager made a solendid witness for himself and that he made no attempt whatever to color the story to his own advant-Nearly everybody seemed to he told the straight truth about the tragedy. In the course of his talk yesterday morning Mr. Mason reviewed the case briefly and referred to the popular belief that

fer a felon's fate for this, then lawlessness may break loose and run riot over the country. Police officers will be afraid to do their duty and the public welfare will suffer as a consequence. "If the police officers of this county believed that the good people of the county upheld the verdict of this jury and were clamoring for the conviction of this man," said the speaker, "they would all be tempted at once to throw up their jobs.' There was death-like silence in the court room. To the observant person it was evident that the crowded court room was taking in every word the attorney said and that a very large per cent of them agreed with what he said. There was no clamor for Hager's conviction, evidently. Mr. Mason referred to the defendant's invalid wife and eight children and reminded the audience that they did not bring these into the court room to work on the sympathies of the jury as did the prosecution, who had Lockman's widow and his two boys in the court room throughout the trial. A number of the best citizens of that section of the county in which Hager was born and reared were brought forward and testified that he was a man of good character, that he had never been in trouble or in court before. All had known him since he was a boy. Mr. Mangum stated in his reply that he had heard citizens express views contrary to those set forth in behalf of the defendant. However, it was patent that those who sanctioned the jury's verdict

were a small minority. The case of the State vs. Milas Partlow, for attempting to wreck C. & N.-W. passenger train No. 10 at the Crowders Creek trestle September 19th last, was given to the jury shortly before adjournment for the mid-day recess at 1 o'clock this afternoon. At the time of going to press, 2:30 o'clock, the jury has not returned a verdict. The trial of this case was taken up yesterday morning about 10:30 o'clock and the taking of testimony consumed the remainder of the day and most of the morning session today. Mr. F. M. Shannonhouse represented the defendant and Solicitor Wilson and Mr. O. F. Mason conducted the prosecution. The principal witnesses for the State were Messrs. H. L. H. E. and S. N. Johnson, J. D. B. Currence, B. M. Currence and Tom Rankin, all of York county; Chief of Police Wiley Carroll and Policeman Adam Hord, of Gastonia; Messrs. H. S. Ross and J. W. Fletcher, of the C. & N.-W. Rallway. The evidence is altogether circumstancial. There are quite a number of other cases against Partlow on the criminal docket. It is probable that the criminal docket will be completed and the trial of civil cases taken up by tomorrow.

PARTLOW GUILTY.

Shortly before two o'clock this afternoon the jury returned a verdict of guilty in the case of State vs. meeting was Mr. Dupe, of Greens-

COUNTY BUSINESS

Proceedings of Regular Meeting of Mrs. David J. Jackson Passes Away County Commissioners Held Yesterday-Large Amount of Koutine Business Transacted.

The regular meeting of the board of county commissioners for March was held at the court house yesterday, all mémbers being present and Chairman John F. Leeper presiding. M. A. Carpenter was released of taxes on 36 acres of land in River Bend township valued at \$300, er-

roneously charged. Miss Lillie Johnston was released of special school tax in the Lucia district on 89 acres of land valued at \$890 and also on \$1.712 solvent credits erroneously returned.

The York Bridge Company was required to raise the bridge across Crowders Creek to the height called for in the original contract. This order will require the bridge to be made from six to twelve inches higher than at present.

The valuation of Melissa Humphrey's lot in Gastonia was ordered to be reduced from \$250 to \$150. The Dallas Cotton Mill was released of corporation, school, road

and county taxes on \$6,095 excessive valuation. Nina Elmore, colored, of Crowders Mountain township, was releas-

ed of taxes on 40 acres of land valued at \$300, erroneously charged. J. Math Armstrong was released of taxes on an overcharge of \$695 in value of real estate. The assessment of J. L. Arm-

strong on 181 acres of land in South Point township was reduced from \$2,500 to \$2,200. C. C. Bell was released of tax on

two dogs erroneously charged. H. D. Hanna was released of tax on one dog erroneously charged. M. C. Arrowood was released on

\$1,600 solvent credits erroneously

charged twice. The parts of the old Pisgah road between C. W. Boyd's farm and Pisgah church were ordered discontin-

ued as a public road. Sarah Rhom was released of taxes on 12 acres of land in Crowders Mountain township erroneously charged, and charged with taxes on one acre at \$25

A committee of three, composed of Messrs, O. G. Falls, J. F. Arver and R. S. Lewis, together with the Superintendent of Roads. was appointed to inspect the public road leading from the Dallas road to Gastonia, as petitioned for by William Jenkins and others, and report on the same at the next regular meeting.

The petition of W. B. May and ryville road was filed to be taken up consideration a later date, when a survey will be ordered.

The petition of J. Arthur Rhyne and others to change the public road near Goshen church was granted, and the Superintendent of Roads was instructed to open up the same. Mrs. E. J. Hallman was released of tax on one dog erroneously charged.

L. W. Jones was released of tax on one dog erroneously charged. Mac Bradley was released of taxes on \$2,000 and valuation of his lot reduced to \$5,000.

K. A. Chapman was allowed to make return and pay single tax for 1911. The assessment of J. T. Pearson

on two lots in Gastonia was reduced

from \$1,000 to \$650. Belzie Eddleman was declared an outside pauper and allowed \$5 per quarter with U. Broadway as agent. The time for the sheriff's settlement of road, county and special school taxes was extended to the

John Millen was released of tax on one dog erroneously charged. The contract for furnishing material for the bridge near Gastonia was awarded to the Virginia Bridge & Iron Co. at the contract price of

first Monday in May.

\$149 J. M. Burgin was released of tax on one dog erroneously charged. The contract for furnishing materials for the bridge near Kings Mountain was awarded to the York Bridge Co., at the contract price or \$2.35. Both the above bridges will be erected under the supervision of the county superintendent of roads. the county merely buying the ma-

terials from the contractors. B. L. England was released of taxes on 31 acres of land in Crowders Mountain township valued at \$240, erroneously charged twice. Philip Self was allowed to make return and pay single tax for 1911.

Held Annual Meeting. The regular annual meeting of

the stockholders and directors of the Gastonia Insurance & Realty Co. was held in the company's offices in the Realty building last Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Matters of routine business claimed the attention of the officers and stockholders. All of the old officers were reelected as follows: President and treasurer. W. T. Rankin: vice-prestdent, C. B. Armstrong; secretary, E. B. Brittain. All of the directors were re-elected and Mr. R. Grady Rankin was added to the board. A semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent was ordered paid. The reports of the officers showed that the past year has been a good one and the stockholders expressed themselves as being highly satisfied with the condition of the company. The prospects for business during the coming year are exceptionally bright. Recently Mr. R. G. Rankin was added to the company's force and has charge of the outside work. Among the stockholders present for the

DIES AT NINETY-NINE

at Extreme Old Age at Home Near Clover-Mother of Mr. J. F. Jackson, of Gastonia-Was Active Until She Sustained Fall Three Months Ago.

At her home one mile from Clover Saturday evening at 6 o'clock Mrs. Erixene Jane Jacksno, wife of Mr. David J. Jackson and mother of Mr. John Frank Jackson, of Gastonia, died in her ninety-ninth year. She had been bed-ridden practically all of the time since she sustained a fall three months ago. Death was due to the injuries sustained in this fall coupled with natural infirmities incident to her very advanced age. She was conscious almost to the end.

Funeral services were held at Bethel Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock and the body was laid to rest in the cemetery at Bethel where deceased had held her membership since early girlhood. Rev. Dr. Robert Adams, of South Carolina, conducted the services which were very largely attended by relatives and friends who gathered to pay their last respects to the memory of this good woman.,

Prior to her marriage to Mr. Jackson in February, 1846, deceased was Miss Erixene Jane Adams, a daughter of Robert Adams, and was born on Beaverdam, in York county, near the present town of Bowling Green, December 11, 1813, and was hence in her ninety-ninth year at her death. She was one of 14 children, several of whom lived to advanced ages. One, Mrs. Polly Carrigan, who lived in Cabarrus county, died a few years ago at the age of 95. Another sister, Mrs.Sallie Clinton, died in Texas at the age of 92. One brother, James Adams, lived to be Deceased's husband, Mr. David Jackson, survives at the age of Mrs. Jackson was the last member of her immediate family. leaves three children, namely, Mr. W. Jackson, who lives near Bethel church; Mr. John Frank Jackson, of Gastonia, and Mr. Robert A. Jackson, who resided at the old home place with his parents. On their marriage, sixty-six years ago, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson moved to the house where she died and where they had ever since resided. for nearly three score years and ten they lived a happy and contented life. Both were active and in the enjoyment of good health. Up to a few months ago Mrs. Jackson was able to do considerable work around the house and her husband continues to be active enough to get about well and do some work. Mrs. Jackothers in regard to the Dallas-Cher- son had a wonderfully clear and retentive memory, as is testified to by who conversed with her. was able to recall, even almost to the end, happenings of long before She was able to relate with vivid accuracy and interest many important events of the civil war period.

> Mrs. Jackson was a woman of the highest Christian type. In early girlhood she joined Bethel Presbyterian church and remained a loyal and consistent member thereof until the end of her life. She was held in the highest esteem and love by all who knew her. Truly she was a mother in Israel. Besides three sons, she leaves 15 grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

DINNER SETS GOING.

Twenty-Three Persons Have Now Gotten Theirs and a Dozen or More Are Nearly Ready for Theirs-No Time Limit to Offer.

Following is a list of the persons who have already gotten up clubs of ten and have received therefor one of The Gazette's handsome 42-piece dinner sets valued at \$10.00: Miss Zuba Pursley, Bowling

Green, S. C. Miss May Carroll, Clover, S. C., Route one.

Miss Maggie Gamble, Bessemer City, Route 2.

Mrs. D. P. Hoffman, Gastonia, R. 2. Mrs. W. F. Pearson, Gastonia. Mrs. E. D. Huffstetler, Gastonia, Route 3.

Miss Madge Hanna, Gastonia. Master Roger Grier, Gastonia. Mrs. R. H. Plyler, Gastonia. Mrs. J. R. Henderson, Lowell, Route 1.

Miss Emma Sanford, Belmont. Charles and Robert Boyd, Gasto-

Mrs. O. P. Rudisill, Iron Station. Miss Ida Lee Huffstetler, Gastonia. Miss Maggie Cobb. Gastonia, R. 4. Miss Ollie Rhyne, Gastonia, R. 2. L. L. Henderson, Gastonia. Mrs. G. F. McKee, Gastonia. Mrs. F. E. McArver, Gastonia. Mr. W. B. Elam, Crouse, R. 1. Miss Carrie Jones, Gastonia. Miss Mabel Dixon, Gastonia, R. 3. Mrs. I. F. Mabry, McAdenville.

Following is a partial list of persons now engaged in getting up clubs, most of them having gotten nearly all of the required number:

Miss Vernie Arthurs, Gastonia. Mr. H. L. White, Bessemer City. Route 1.

Miss Jessie Nolen, Gastonia. L. E. Kincaid, Gastonia, Route 4. Fleming Howell, Gastonia. Mrs. C. P. Cox, Lowell. Mrs. A. B. Kaiser, Bessemer City. Mrs. P. E. Hoffman, Gastonia, R.

Mrs. W. G. Beattle, Gastonia R. 4. Miss Mina Lewis, Belmont. There are doubtless others who

have not reported to us. There is no time limit to this offer as yet, so there is opportunity for many more to get sets. Today is the time to

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