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## COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE

### UNIVERSITY NEWS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

CHAPEL HILL, March 4.—The committee appointed last November by the Alumni Council of the University of North Carolina to find a suitable man for the position of general secretary of the council has secured the services of Mr. Walter Murphy of Salisbury. Mr. Murphy will enter upon the duties of the position on March 1st.

The Alumni Council is to be congratulated on securing Mr. Murphy for the place. A man of tremendous enthusiasm and force, of broad personal acquaintance, with a record of repeated and effective service to his county and State, he is at the same time a loyal and devoted son of the University. He entered the University in 1888, took law at the same institution in 1893-4, and acted as secretary to President Winston. Mr. Murphy was a member of the House of Representatives from Rowan county in 1897, '99, and 1903; reading clerk of the State Senate in 1899. He has been a trustee of the University since 1903 and during that time has contributed not only wise counsel but also active service in behalf of his Alma Mater.

As general secretary of the Alumni Council Mr. Murphy will at first set about effecting a permanent organization of the alumni of the University in every town and county of the State. These local organizations are to be federated into a representative deliberative body known as the "General Assembly of the University of North Carolina." The central head of this body will be the Alumni Council. The purpose and object of this organization, broadly stated, is the general welfare of the University, the furtherance of the plans of the board of trustees, and the active support of the officers of the administration elected by the trustees.

Elections among the students for the positions of marshals and ball managers for the coming commencement have taken place. The Junior Class chose as marshals, F. H. Kennedy, chief; I. R. Williams, J. Y. Caldwell, T. M. Ramsaur, D. J. Walker, J. S. Hunter, and A. L. Hamilton. The Senior Class elected as ball managers, F. P. Barker, R. M. Hanes, William Graves, W. F. Hendrix, L. N. McKean, of the class of 1912, and E. H. Alderman and T. H. Norwood, of the class of 1913.

Mr. John Hall Manning has been elected by the Athletic Council as graduate manager of athletics. Mr. Manning is well suited for this position, being a good athlete, as well as a fine manager.

### Long Shoals Items.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

LONG SHOALS, March 7.—Mr. LaFayette Kiser and Miss Grace Stroup surprised their many friends last Saturday by driving to Gastonia and being married by Rev. A. S. Anderson. The bride is an accomplished daughter of Mr. Jacob Stroup while the groom is a prosperous young farmer.

The school closed here last Friday. It was taught by Misses Ellis Proctor and Venia Carpenter. Miss Ellis Proctor spent Wednesday with Misses Venia and Emma Lee Carpenter. Quite a number of people around here attended the exhibition at Kettle Shoals last Saturday. Mrs. R. B. Brown of Charlotte spent a few days with her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Carpenter. Misses Venia Carpenter and Ellis Proctor spent Thursday in Lincolnton. Miss Clyde Rutledge spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Pinkie Rutledge near Worth.

Col. George Harvey, editor of Harper's Weekly, gave a dinner in New York Saturday night in honor of William Dean Howells, the writer, who was 75 years old on that day. President Taft and a few hundred other folks, some prominent in literature, some near-prominent and some otherwise, were guests at the dinner.

Captain John D. Lineberger, one of Cleveland county's most prominent citizens, died at his home in Shelby Wednesday morning, aged 50 years. Three years ago he retired from active business because of an attack of Bright's disease and had since been steadily going down in health. For a year he had been confined to his bed most of the time. He was closely identified with the business life of Shelby being connected in an official capacity with quite a number of commercial enterprises. He was town treasurer for fourteen years. Capt. Lineberger was prominent in church work being chairman of one of the boards of the Western North Carolina Conference, was a steward of the Shelby church and was for 27 years treasurer of the Sunday school there. He is survived by his widow and three children. The firm of J. D. Lineberger & Sons, manufacturers of buggies and wagons, of which deceased was a member, has been in business for 56 years.

### Hickory Grove News.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

HICKORY GROVE, March 4.—Hickory Grove school closed last Saturday with an entertainment. Our teacher, Mr. D. C. Poole, returned to his home in Fallston last Tuesday. We regretted to see him leave but hope we can have him back for a teacher again.—Rev. J. M. Fenter preached his farewell sermon at Bethel Sunday. He has accepted a call in Davidson county and will move his family in a few days.

Mr. LaFayette Kiser and Grace Stroup drove to Gastonia Saturday and were married. We wish for them a long and happy life.

Mr. Luther Kiser entertained a number of friends Saturday night in honor of his cousins, Misses Magge Lee Carpenter and Ferrie Fronberger, of Cherryville.—Mr. and Mrs. Lov Carpenter spent last Sunday with his father, Rev. M. L. Carpenter.—Miss Marjette Pasour spent a few days last week with her sister, Mrs. M. L. Carpenter.—Mrs. Joe Moss and children spent last week in Cherryville visiting relatives.—Mrs. M. L. Carpenter and children spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Pasour.—Mr. Walter Carpenter, of Hickory, spent the week-end with homefolks near Long Shoals.—Miss Pearl Carpenter spent Saturday with her cousin, Miss Ella Kiser.

### Bessemer Route Two News.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

BESSEMER CITY, R. F. D. 2, March 6.—The weather is very unfavorable for the farmer. It looks like they are not going to get to plant much in the first part of this month. Last year in February the plum and peach trees were in bloom and this year the buds haven't swelled. The people think that we will have plenty of fruit this year.

Mr. S. L. Kiser, who started to ditch Long Creek last July, is expecting to finish the job this week if the weather is favorable.

Miss Lizzie Harmon gave a party Saturday night and entertained a large number of her friends.

Misses Leona and Mae Kiser gave a singing Saturday night and a large number of their friends were present.

Mrs. Moses Stroup has been very sick for the last few days.—Messrs. F. S. Hager, Jacob Harmon, Marshall Payne and D. A. Kiser spent a few days at court last week.—Mr. D. A. Stroup and family spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Mae Payne.—Mr. Gaither Davis spent Saturday and Sunday with his friend, Mr. Jacob Harmon.—Misses Zula Goun and Edith Kincaid spent Saturday and Sunday with their grand father, Mr. Moses Stroup.

—Misses Columbia Kelly and Ruth Boyce will go to Charlotte to see "The Spring Maid" at the Academy of Music Monday.

—Elsewhere in this issue the Stowe Clothing & Shoe Co. invites you to attend its tailor opening on next Monday and Tuesday.

—Little Miss Helen Torrence, of Gastonia, spent last week-end with little Miss Mary Neal Wilkins at Dallas.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. Brady and son Jenks, of El Reno, Okla., arrived in Charlotte last night and after Monday will be the guests here of Mrs. Brady's mother, Mrs. J. H. Craig. Mr. Jenks Brady is a student at the University of Wisconsin and is enjoying a brief vacation.

—Dr. R. M. Reid and Mr. Andrew E. Moore returned Sunday from Baltimore whether they went several days previous to accompany Mrs. Moore who underwent an operation last Thursday at Dr. Howard Kelley's private hospital. Mrs. Moore stood the operation well and expects to return to Gastonia in about two weeks.

—Rev. F. T. Shore and wife, evangelists of the Church of God, are conducting open air services in the "park" here. They arrived yesterday and will remain some time. They expect to rent a hall later and hold services indoors. They are stopping at the Gastonia Inn. Mr. Shore says that, in addition to preaching, they look up destitute children and secure homes for them in orphanages.

—Rev. Walter R. Rhodes, pastor of Onancock (Virginia) Baptist church and a pulpit orator and lecturer of note, committed suicide Tuesday in a hotel in Baltimore by shooting himself. Ill health is assigned as the cause for his rash deed. He was a direct descendant of Zachariah Rhodes, who with Roger Williams, established the first Baptist church in America.

—President W. W. Finley, of the Southern Railway, will deliver the literary address at the commencement of Woford College, Spartanburg, S. C., this year.

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### IN SOCIETY.

IN HONOR OF MISS SHELTON.

At her home on East Main avenue Saturday night Miss Myrtle Nolen entertained about twenty-four of her young friends most pleasantly in honor of Miss Mary Shelton, of Charlotte. A pleasant evening was spent in playing various games and delicious refreshments were served.

ENTERTAINED FRIENDLY MATRONS.

At her home on West Airline avenue yesterday afternoon Mrs. H. Rutter was hostess to the Friendly Matrons Club and a few invited guests. Progressive trail was played, there being five tables. A salad course was served after the game. The afternoon was a most delightful one, despite the inclement weather.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Smith on Morris street a very pleasant birthday party was given Tuesday afternoon in celebration of the fifth birthday anniversary of their little son, Allen. Fourteen of the host's little friends enjoyed two hours of play after which refreshments were served in the dining room, where the decorations were in red and white. The birthday cake was in white. Sandwiches, cake and cream and mints were served. In spite of the rain and snow all the invited guests were present and the occasion was in every way a most delightful one.

COSTUME-MAKER WEDDING.

The following from The Cleveland Star, Shelby, of Tuesday, the 5th, will be of interest to many Gazette readers:

"One of the prettiest home weddings occurred on last Sunday evening, February 25th, at 3 o'clock, when Miss Lella Bell Eaker became the happy bride of Mr. Sylvanus Costner. The Lutheran minister of Cherryville, Rev. J. C. Dietz, performed the ceremony.

"The bride wore a beautiful gown of blue satin trimmed in white satin over lace beads and braid. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Eaker, of near Waco. And the groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Costner, of Cherryville. The bride is a popular and highly esteemed young lady and has a host of friends. While the groom is a popular young business man of Cherryville.

"Shortly after the ceremony they drove to the groom's home in Cherryville. Their many friends wish them a long and happy life.

McKEE-NOLEN WEDDING.

A marriage which came as a surprise both to their families and most of their friends took place last night when Miss Jessie Rebecca Nolen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Nolen, became the bride of Mr. William B. McKee, a son of Mr. S. W. McKee, of Lincolnton. The ceremony was performed at 8:30 o'clock at the manse of the Loray Presbyterian church by the pastor and was witnessed only by the wife of the officiating minister, Miss Myrtle Nolen and Mr. R. Kenneth Babington. Immediately after the ceremony the bride and groom drove to the depot and left on No. 40 for Lincolnton, via Charlotte. They will spend a few days with relatives of the groom at Lincolnton and on their return to Gastonia will go to Bessemer.

The bride is a young lady of many golden traits of character and has a large number of friends. For the past five years, until recently she was one of the Piedmont Telephone & Telegraph Co.'s efficient night operators. Three groom is a young man of sterling worth and holds a responsible position with the same company as assistant wire chief. He came to Gastonia about four years ago. While some of their close friends suspected that they were soon to be married, the time and place were kept secret hence the announcement of their marriage last night brought surprise.

ENTERTAINED BY MRS. D. M. JONES.

At her home on West Airline avenue Tuesday afternoon Mrs. D. M. Jones entertained elaborately in honor of the Tuesday Afternoon Club and Misses Cornelia Latimer, of Montreat, and Columbia Kelley, of Salem, Va. There were present forty guests, including members of the club and a few invited guests. Progressive forty-two was played, there being ten tables. Delicious refreshments were served in four courses as follows, grape fruit, salad course and coffee, frozen grape juice and cake, candy. Mrs. Jones was assisted in serving by Mrs. A. C. Jones and Mrs. Fred L. Smyre. The color scheme was green and yellow and the decorations consisted mainly of ferns and other potted plants. The affair

### SUPERIOR COURT

Criminal Docket Completed and Civil Issues Now Being Tried—Parrilow's Sentences Aggregate Three Years and Ten Months With a Fine of \$200—Many Civil Cases Will Go Over to Next Term.

The two weeks term of Gaston Superior Court which convened on Monday of last week will expire tomorrow, and the presiding Judge, Judge C. C. Lyon, of Elizabeth City, will go to Charlotte, where he is to hold a term of Mecklenburg Superior Court, beginning Monday morning of next week. Owing to the great amount of time consumed by two criminal cases, the Hager trial and the Partlow trial, the court was very late this week in getting to the civil docket, and it will very probably be impossible to take up all the civil cases set for trial at this term.

In the case of Milas Partlow, colored, a verdict in whose case had just been reached as we went to press with Tuesday's Gazette, the judgment of the court in the case for injury to the property of the C. & N. W. Railway Company was that Partlow pay a fine of \$200 and serve a period of three years on the roads. For disposing of mortgaged property, three cases, he was given a sentence of ten months on the roads.

A very large number of minor cases was disposed of at this term, a partial list of which was given last week. Other cases disposed of since the last report are as follows:

Paul Partlow, larceny, not a true bill.

Ely Snider, retailing, one case not pros. In another prayer for judgment continued, defendant to give \$100 bond to appear at each term or court for 12 months and show good behavior.

Julia Martin and Georgia Johnson, affray, verdict of guilty and judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Ed Newman, retailing, verdict of guilty and sentenced to six months on the roads.

Russell Handsell and Olin Handsell, carrying concealed weapons, not a true bill.

John Short, retailing, not a true bill.

Green McLean, cruelty to animals, not a true bill.

John Horner, drunkenness, not pros.

J. T. Dameron, maintaining a nuisance, not a true bill; retailing, not a true bill.

Robert Erhard, retailing, plea of guilty and judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Tom Lozan, retailing, not pros.

Will Johnson, Bub Rhyne and Walter Withers, gambling, not guilty.

Napoleon Scott, larceny, verdict of guilty and sentenced to 8 months on the roads.

G. L. McKinney, false pretence, not pros.

John Horner, maintaining a nuisance, not guilty.

Rob. Petty and Ross Metcalf, assault with a deadly weapon, Metcalf called and failed, Petty guilty and judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Divorces granted as follows: Barbara Putnam from D. P. Putnam; Oscar Moss from Florence Moss; Jesse Crow from Mary Crow.

W. B. Blackwell and Henry Myers, embezzlement, not guilty.

Deathaniel Hill, manslaughter, not guilty.

Walter Rumpf vs. Seaboard Airline Railway, judgment for plaintiff in the sum of \$35 and costs.

Spinning Ring Co. vs. Mascot Mills and C. E. Whitney, judgment for the plaintiff in the sum of \$400 and costs.

N. L. Lancaster, assault with a deadly weapon, guilty and judgment suspended on payment of costs; carrying concealed weapons, not pros.

Jesse Shirley, larceny, not pros.

New Insurance Agency.

Mr. T. G. Groome, manager of agencies of the Greensboro Life Insurance Company, returned to Greensboro today after spending several days here for the purpose of securing an agent to represent his company in this territory. He closed a contract with Mr. J. White Ware as agent for Gaston county. Mr. Ware is an experienced insurance man and the company was very fortunate in securing his services. The Greensboro Life is a home company and has already established itself upon a sound basis and has a large and growing business in this and other States.

Cable Supplants Open Wires.

The lines of the Piedmont Telephone & Telegraph Co. on West Airline avenue, which were totally demolished by the heavy sleet and wind storm a couple of weeks ago, are being rebuilt, the open wire system being replaced by a cable. This will not only give the residents of that part of town better service but will add much to the appearance of the street. Manager Babington expects to have this work completed and the phones connected up within the next few days, provided the groundhog does not work overtime as he has been doing for some weeks past.

Judge Walter Clark, one of the four candidates for the United States Senate, has accepted an invitation to deliver an address to the Confederate veterans of Mecklenburg at Charlotte Saturday, the 9th.

was a most delightful one and was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.



### To Inspect Work.

Gastonia Chapter No. 66 Royal Arch Masons will hold a called meeting tonight in the lodge hall and will do work in the mark master degree. Mr. H. E. Reid, G. P. S., of Lincolnton, will be present at this meeting for the purpose of inspecting the work done by the Gastonia chapter.

### Death of Mrs. Beulah Ellis.

Mrs. Beulah Ellis, wife of Mr. J. N. Ellis, died Wednesday at their home on East Air Line avenue and her body was buried in Hollywood cemetery yesterday afternoon following funeral services held at the home at 3 o'clock conducted by Rev. A. S. Anderson. Deceased was 33 years old and was, prior to her marriage, a Miss Holdshaw. She is survived by her husband and eight children, the latter ranging in age from 19 years to two months.

### To Hold Annual Meeting.

The stockholders and directors of the North Carolina Interurban Railway Company will hold their annual meeting in Shelby next Thursday, the 14th. Important business is to be transacted. This company has in view the construction of an interurban electric line from Gastonia to Asheville and it is understood that the prospects for the ultimate consummation of their plans is bright. It is stated that the company has several propositions from financiers under consideration.

### Death of Kings Mountain Man.

Mr. A. P. Carpenter, aged 66, a well-known and highly esteemed citizen of Kings Mountain, died at his home there Tuesday morning and was buried Tuesday afternoon. Rev. C. K. Bell, pastor of the Lutheran church, officiating at the funeral. His widow and six children survive. At the age of 17, in 1863, Mr. Carpenter joined the Confederate army and stayed in the fight till the surrender. He was the senior member of the firm of Carpenter Brothers, established in 1874.

### Debate at Bradley Hall To-Night.

The Loray Literary Society will give a public debate in Bradley hall, West Gastonia, tonight, the subject for discussion being "Resolved, That Woman Suffrage Would be a Benefit to Our Country." The affirmative will be upheld by Messrs. C. M. Robinson and J. J. Waldrop and the negative by Messrs. L. J. Waldron and R. B. Chalk. Rev. A. S. Anderson will preside. Rev. J. A. Peeler will deliver an oration and Miss Vada Pettit will give a reading. Prof. B. M. Weir will act as critic. Mr. L. J. Waldrop is secretary of the society. All are invited to attend.

### Special Orphanage Collection.

A special collection for the building fund of the Methodist Orphanage at Winston-Salem will be taken Sunday morning at the regular Sunday school service of Main Street Methodist church. A handsome new \$20,000 building is being erected at the orphanage and the various Sunday schools or many of them at least, over the conference are taking stock in it at \$100 per share. It is desired that Main Street school subscribe for and pay for at least one share, and all the members are asked to come prepared to make a contribution for this cause Sunday

### DESIRABLE IMMIGRANTS.

Movement Inaugurated to Exploit Resources of South With View to Securing More of Them.

Special to The Gazette.

Washington, D. C., March 3.—Growing out of the Southern Immigration Conference held in Baltimore on December 8th, 1911, on the invitation of Governor Crothers of Maryland, and participated in by Governors of several Southern States and the Presidents of railway companies operating in the South, a movement has been inaugurated for the systematic exploitation of Southern resources and opportunities and the attraction of desirable classes of immigrants.

A second meeting, held in Baltimore on February 20th, resulted in the definite formation of the Southern Settlement and Development Organization, with Mr. S. Davis Warfield, of Baltimore, as permanent Chairman. An Executive Committee, consisting of one representative of each of the principal railway companies operating in the South and one representative of each Southern State, was appointed to have immediate charge of the work of the Organization, the general purpose of which is to supplement the work already being carried on by the several railway companies for the development of the territory immediately contiguous to their lines by a broad and comprehensive exploitation of the entire South.

President Finley, of the Southern Railway Company, and the Presidents of several of the other companies operating in the Southeastern States, attended both of the Baltimore meetings and are taking active personal interest in the work of the Organization.

### NEW ASSOCIATION

Home Building & Loan Association to be Organized—Promoters Are Prominent Local Business Men—Nearly Five Hundred Shares Already Taken.

Gastonia is to have a new building and loan association, promoted and managed by strong business men. The taking of subscriptions for stock was commenced Wednesday and already between 400 and 500 shares have been taken. By April 1st, the date on which it is proposed to begin business, it is expected that the number of shares subscribed for will at least be double the above amount.

The name of the new organization is to be the Home Building & Loan Association. Application for a charter will be made at once and it is very probable that the first series will be open and ready for payment April 1st.

Among the promoters of this new enterprise are Col. C. B. Armstrong, one of Gastonia's most progressive and successful cotton manufacturers; Mr. W. T. Rankin, president and treasurer of the Gastonia Insurance & Realty Co.; Mr. E. B. Brittain, secretary of the same company; Mr. R. Grady Rankin and others.

It is understood that this new association is organized with no intention whatever of antagonizing the present building and loan association which has been doing business for the past seven years and which has been very successful. It is felt that there is ample room for at least two large and thriving associations in the local field. Gastonia is fast becoming a town of home-owners and there is no agency so potent in assisting the wage-earner or man of small means to obtain a home of his own.

As yet no details as to organization of the new company have been perfected and it is not known who the officers will be. The charter and plan of operation will be practically the same as those used by similar organizations here and elsewhere.

### Get a Gazette dinner set free.

While walking on the Seaboard Air Line Railway tracks at Method, near Raleigh, last Saturday, J. Madison, a member of the freshman class of the A. and M. College, was struck and seriously injured. He was removed to a Raleigh hospital where he is in a precarious condition.

Clyde Walters, a young boy living at Taylorsville, was instantly killed last Friday when a piece of timber fell on him, crushing his skull. He, together with several other boys, was playing around a pile of material which the Southern Railway had placed for the construction of a trestle when the accident occurred. The Sanford Express says that there is a pine tree in New Hope township, Chatham county, that is 29 feet in circumference four feet from the ground, and is 60 feet to the first limb. It is too large to be cut into lumber by any saw mill in that neighborhood and it is estimated that it would make 25,000 shingles.

### DINNER SETS GOING.

Twenty-Four 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, Route 3.

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, Gastonia.

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.

Miss Jessie Nolen, Gastonia.

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.

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. two.

Mrs. W. G. Beattie, 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 start to work.