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## COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE

### LORAY LOCALS.

**Loray Manufacturers' Club Being Organized and Boosted—Initiation Fee Raised—Club Quarters Enlarged and Improved—Campaign For New Members.**

Correspondence of The Gazette.  
WEST GASTONIA, June 24.—The Loray Manufacturers Club was organized about the first of March with only twelve members, and considering the progress of the club by the number of new members added since the organization, it has been rather slow, but judging from the work for its betterment and improvement that has been accomplished by the untiring efforts of the faithful few, it has been a most decided success.

The building which was given to the club by the company has been furnished with good chairs and tables, the windows and doors have recently been screened and the rooms are well lighted with electricity. Two rooms have been thrown together and a first-class pool table installed. The club receives a large number of good newspapers and magazines and more than one hundred books of various kinds have been donated by the members and their friends making an interesting and valuable collection. The work of improvement is still going on and plans are being made for other changes that will add to the comfort and entertainment of the members and enhance the beauty and attractiveness of the building and lot.

At a business meeting last Friday evening the initiation fee was raised from \$3 to \$5, and the dues fixed at \$1 per month.

Quite a number have joined since the club was organized and with the advantages now offered the number should steadily increase and the club should be financially able to do things on a larger scale.

A smoker will be given at the club rooms for the purpose of boosting it up and getting interested, on the first Friday evening in August. Cigars, cigarettes, ice cream, cake and various kinds of fruits and cold drinks will be served. Each member will be allowed to invite a certain number of friends and the club at large will send invitations to prospective members.

### BELMONT BUDGET.

Correspondence of The Gazette.  
BELMONT, June 24.—Mr. H. D. Cooley, who for the past eight months has been agent here for the Southern, is on leave of absence for a few weeks. While on his vacation he expects to make a tour of the West visiting the following places of interest: St. Paul, Minn., Salt Lake City, Spokane, Wash., and the Yellowstone Park. He will be gone practically the rest of the summer. Mr. R. P. Washam, who for the past eight months has been night operator here for the same company, has succeeded Mr. Cooley as agent during his vacation.

Miss Torrence Stowe spent Sunday visiting at the home of Mr. B. Rhyne near Gastonia.

Mr. Reese Stowe spent Monday in Charlotte on business.

There is a merry-go-round on the grounds near the Southern Railway station.

Miss Ruth McCorkle, of Monroe, has been visiting at the home of Mr. Traywick for the past week. She returned to her home today.

### Kings Mountain Items.

Kings Mountain Herald.  
Miss Lizzie Ormand, of Bessemer City, spent last week in this city with relatives.

Mrs. John Tate, of Belmont is spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. C. L. Albright, who is right sick.

Mr. H. M. Heavener, of Lincolnton is visiting Mrs. Heavener in this city. Mrs. Hunter Patterson and children and Miss Gertrude Ware are visiting relatives in Columbia, S. C.

The many friends of Miss Violet Goforth will be glad to hear that she has returned from the hospital in Shelby. Miss Goforth underwent an operation for appendicitis.

Mr. R. L. Gantt, has returned to this city from a week's visit to relatives in South Carolina.

Mesdames Alexander Wreen, of Wrenn's, Ga., and Harris Patrick, of White Oak, S. C., are visiting their brother, Dr. J. C. Patrick, in this city.

Miss Emma Cornwell spent several days last week with friends in Blacksburg, S. C.

Mr. H. F. Peterson is having some exceedingly nice tomatoes from his own garden. These are the first to ripen in this city so far as we have heard.

—Mrs. V. M. Hanner and child, of Florence, S. C., are visiting at the home of Mrs. Frost Torrence.

—Rev. R. A. Miller, of Lowell, was a business visitor in Gastonia yesterday.

Penny column ads are CASH.

### IRON STATION NEWS.

IRON STATION, June 24.—Mr. and Mrs. Ural Goode and little daughter and Miss Francis Rendleman, of Charlotte, spent the weekend with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Armstrong and children, of Lincolnton, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Armstrong.

Miss Lela Helderman, of Mt. Holly, is visiting her mother, Mrs. A. F. Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Plato Miller and daughter, Miss Virginia, and Miss Alpha Goode, of Lincolnton, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Goode.

Mr. J. M. Hallman is spending a few days at his farm near Maiden.

Mr. Quince Rhyne and sister, Miss Joe, are visiting their sister, Mrs. O. P. Rudisill.

Mrs. Lester Clemmer and children spent several days at Stanley last week visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Hall Shelton and Miss Sallie Senter, of Alexis, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Long.

On last Monday Miss Vertie Hovis and Mr. Tom McCoy were married by Esquire D. A. Troutman at his home here. They are popular young people of the Salem neighborhood. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hovis, while the groom is a son of Mrs. Mary McCoy. We wish their many friends wish for them a happy life.

Mrs. Luther Long is spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Miles Jenkins, at Mt. Holly.

The farmers institute and annual picnic will be held here August 14.

### Cleveland Cullings.

Cleveland Star.  
Rev. Baylus Cade left Wednesday for Philadelphia in the interest of his typesetting machine.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Weathers who have been spending about two weeks in Washington, Philadelphia and New York arrived home Tuesday after a pleasant trip.

The Cleveland Guards will drill every Friday and Saturday nights preparing for the encampment at Moorhead City July 13th. Lieutenant Roberts wants a full attendance at these drills.

Mr. J. M. Murray who has been here several days looking out for a location as a merchant tailor likes Shelby and has rented rooms in the Royster building. He has moved his family from Chester, S. C., and is in Dr. R. C. Ellis' concrete house.

Mr. Irvin Philbeck on Lattimore Poute I has purchased a 20 horse power gasoline engine with a four disc turning plow from the International Harvester Company and will give a demonstration on his farm Tuesday. Mr. H. L. Kanipe will demonstrate.

### Lincoln Locals.

Lincoln Co., News.  
Attorney R. L. Sigman and his brother Rev. Charles A. Sigman, of Indiana, who is visiting here, went to Shelby Tuesday on business.

Mr. G. B. Goodson, was in Gastonia, Mount Holly, and Charlotte on a business trip this week. He went to Charlotte via Gastonia and the Interurban.

Mr. J. H. Ramsaur, of Shelby, stopped here Monday on his way home from Concord where he had gone to attend the funeral of his little nephew, Mr. Claude Ramsaur's son.

Rev. W. R. Dye and Judge W. A. Hoke left Tuesday evening for Flat Rock where they went to attend the association of the Episcopal church in the Western Diocese of North Carolina.

Miss Maude Rhyne, who has been visiting in Waco passed through Lincolnton Tuesday enroute to her home at Gastonia.

Misses Lottie Vinson of Charlotte and Bessie Heafner of Crouse visited Misses Annie and Mary McKee in Lincolnton Wednesday.

Misses Minnie and Amelia Summey of route six were in Lincolnton shopping Tuesday. They were accompanied by Master Seth Summey.

Mr. B. P. Stroup, who recently held a position as extra force foreman on the Piedmont Northern, was a visitor to Lincolnton Tuesday. He was also accompanied by Mr. J. C. Hambrick of Iron, who has been a railroader "from way back."

Miss Mary Miller received a telegram Tuesday from her friend, Mrs. Madge Boutelle conveying the sad news of the death of her husband that occurred Monday night. Mrs. Boutelle whose maiden name was Miss Madge White taught school in Lincolnton several years ago and many friends here sympathize with her in this her sad hour.

Mr. A. H. Kiser, who has been a student at Christ School, Arden, for the past few years and who after spending part of his vacation in Lincolnton with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Kiser, left yesterday for Brevard, over in the beautiful mountains of Western North Carolina where he has accepted a lucrative position at the Franklin, a magnificent summer resort hotel.

### MRS. NANNIE KENNEDY DEAD.

**Well-Known Bessemer City Lady Succumbs to Brief Illness—Leaves Large Family Connections—Buried at Long Creek.**

Correspondence of The Gazette.

BESSEMER CITY, June 24.—Mrs. Nannie Kennedy, widow of the late Mr. James J. Kennedy and one of Bessemer City's best-known and best-loved women, died Friday evening at 7 o'clock following a brief illness from typhoid fever. She had been confined to her bed for less than two weeks and was getting along satisfactorily until Friday morning when she became suddenly worse and declined rapidly until death came at the hour above mentioned.

Funeral services were held at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon at Long Creek Presbyterian church, Rev. L. M. Hobbs, pastor of the Bessemer City Baptist church, officiating. Interment was made in the cemetery at this church beside the body of her husband. A large number of sorrowing friends and relatives were present to pay their last tribute of love to the deceased.

Mrs. Kennedy was a daughter of Mrs. Ann Ormand, who lives near Bessemer City. She was in her 40th year. Her husband, the late James J. Kennedy, died about seven years ago. Surviving are her mother, four children, namely, Misses Annie, Loula and Sudie and Master Jeter Johnson; four sisters, Mrs. Docia Shives, of Stanley Creek; Mrs. Ritta Hambright, of King's Mountain; Mrs. Caleb Kiser, of Bessemer City; and Mrs. E. Lee Thornburg, of Beaumont, Texas; five brothers, Messrs. Dave and John Ormand, of California; Charles and R. Vance Ormand, of Kings Mountain, and Ben M. Ormand, of Bessemer City.

Deceased was a woman of lovely Christian character and numbered her friends by the circle of her acquaintance. She was a loyal and devoted member of the Baptist church. One of her daughters, Loula, is quite sick and it is feared she has typhoid fever, though her many friends hope not.

### Orphans Here.

Saturday night at the Central school auditorium the class of fourteen boys and girls from the Methodist Children's Home at Winston-Salem gave a delightful entertainment consisting of songs and recitations. Prof. H. A. Haynes, superintendent of the home, and Miss Messer, one of the teachers, accompanied them Sunday morning at Main Street Methodist church. Prof. Hayes had charge of the regular service. The children rendered a number of sacred songs and Mr. Hayes, in a most interesting address, told of the work they are doing at the home. The young people acquitted themselves most creditably and the large congregation thoroughly enjoyed their "let to Gastonia. Sunday night Rev. J. P. Kirk, assistant superintendent had charge of the service and told more of the good work being done. From Gastonia the class went to Mount Holly where they conducted a service Sunday afternoon.

### Some Oats, These.

Yorkville Enquirer.  
Mr. A. S. Barron, of Yorkville, brought to The Enquirer office Wednesday a stalk of oats that seems calculated to make people who are interested in such matters sit up and take notice. The stalk was four feet high, measured an inch and a quarter around the cover joint and had a heavy head of oats seventeen inches long. Mr. Barron has a patch of five acres of such on the eastern outskirts of Yorkville and he estimates the total yield at about 25,000 pounds.

### Mountain Island News.

Correspondence of The Gazette.  
MOUNTAIN ISLAND, June 24.—The members of Mountain Island Lodge, No. 20, I. O. O. F., accepted an invitation last week from Charlotte Lodge No. 88 to bring their candidates for the first degree to their lodge room for the conferring of that degree by the Charlotte lodge's crack degree team. The first degree was conferred on Messrs. J. R. Riley, M. T. Fisher and J. W. Ward, all of Mountain Island. The visiting members from Mountain Island Lodge were Messrs. J. H. McKelvey, C. C. Clark, T. A. Prim, Graham Sanders, C. B. Guinn, T. N. Roberts, M. L. Thomas and C. T. Thomas. There were also a number of visiting brethren from Mt. Holly Lodge.

Messrs. W. T. Hicks, Joe Benfield, C. H. Ward, P. H. Beach, Reuben Underwood, C. R. Stone and O. S. Grider went to Charlotte on business Saturday.

The Mountain Island team crossed bats with Belmont here Saturday. The game was a lively one from start to finish, the score being 8 to 6 in favor of Belmont.

Mrs. Maggie Coffey, of Bessemer City, has moved to Mountain Island with her family.

### ONLY ONE TRACK.

FRANKLIN AVENUE SAVED.

As Result of Visit of General Manager Z. V. Taylor and Traffic Agent C. V. Palmer to Gastonia, Statement is Made That Only One Track Will Be Laid on Franklin Avenue—Will Extend From Franklin Avenue Along South Street to Square.

As will be remembered in Gastonia considerable opposition was raised a few weeks ago when it was announced that the Piedmont and Northern officials contemplated the laying of a double track along Franklin Avenue, the principal residence street of town. As a result of this opposition Mr. Z. V. Taylor was in Gastonia yesterday. The results of his visit are told in the following story from yesterday's Charlotte News.

The Piedmont and Northern lines will lay but one track on Franklin Avenue, in Gastonia, instead of the two tracks which the company had determined to place on this thoroughfare.

This announcement is made here today at noon by Mr. Zeb Vance Taylor, who went to Gastonia this morning to confer with Editor James W. Atkins, of The Gastonia Gazette, and other business people and property owners who had asked that the single track be laid instead of the two tracks.

Last week several business people of Charlotte laid the matter before Vice President W. S. Lee and Mr. Taylor, through a resident of Charlotte who is exceptionally friendly to the city of Gastonia, presenting the desires of the people of Gastonia at which time it was decided that Mr. Taylor would make a trip to Gastonia this morning and confer personally with those who are objecting to the two tracks on Franklin Avenue. After two hours in Gastonia he returned to Charlotte with the statement that the single track will be laid on South street from Franklin Avenue to the Square passing between the Gaston county court house and the city hall, crossing Main street at the Y. M. C. A. building, in the very heart of the city, to the square, where the track will end and whence the cars will return to Franklin Avenue.

"It is their railroad and their city," said Mr. Taylor this noon, "and if the people of Gastonia want a single track service on Franklin Avenue instead of the two tracks then we will give it to them and I today have authorized the changing of the special work on that street which entails an additional expense to us of some \$700. We had decided to lay two tracks on Franklin Avenue and still desire to. But there arose a difference of opinion between the people there and our people and it is not the intention of the Piedmont and Northern Lines to raise any disturbance and rather than have any misunderstanding of the attitude of the company toward the town of Gastonia I have ordered the one track placed on this street, with the additional line of track up South street to the square."

Mr. Taylor also stated that the company would establish an uptown office but that he had no idea where it would be. There was a report that Solicitor George W. Wilson has leased his office in the rear of the bank facing the point where the cars will stop, to the company but this is not a fact, according to Mr. Taylor, but an announcement of a location will soon be made.

### Born

To Mr. and Mrs. James Killian on Monday, June 24, 1912, a son.

### The New Hotel.

Mrs. S. F. New is the name of the proprietress of Gastonia's latest hotel. It is located in one of Mayor Craig's houses on West Ayliff Avenue. Mrs. New comes from Durham with the highest recommendations. The hotel will be a welcome addition to Gastonia's list of hostleries.

### Regal Club Social.

Last Thursday night an informal smoker and social was enjoyed by the members of the Regal Club. About 40 members were present. Cigars and cold drinks were served and a general good time experienced. A short business meeting was held at which plans were discussed for the further strengthening of the club.

### Installation of Officers.

Gastonia Lodge No. 369 A. F. and A. M. installed officers last night for the ensuing year. They are as follows, namely: W. L. Thompson, worshipful master; Marshall Dilling, senior warden; Chas. Ford, junior warden; E. G. McClure, treasurer; P. R. Anders, secretary; P. W. Garland, senior deacon; J. W. Culp, junior deacon; E. N. Hahn and G. G. Willis, stewards; L. A. Reynolds, tyler.

### Goes to Charlotte.

Yesterday's Charlotte News says: Rev. W. M. Willis, of King's Mountain, and family, have arrived in the city and Mr. Willis will serve as pastor of Groveton A. R. P. church, devoting his entire time to the work. He has taken a residence on the Statesville road, near the church. Mr. Willis is a brother of Mr. Bryce Willis, of this city.

—Mr. Frank Carpenter, of Charlotte, was a pleasant visitor in the city Sunday.

### CUP FOR BEST DECORATED AUTO

### A TROPHY FOR OUT-OF-TOWN MACHINE

Executive Committee Will Award Beautiful Thirty-Dollar Silver Loving Cup to Owner of Most Attractively Decorated Automobile From Out-of-Town in Fourth of July Parade—Details of Big Event Being Systematically Worked Out—Advertising Committee Giving Wide Publicity to Occasion—Schools Will Have Handsome Floats—Immense Crowds Coming.

Announcement was made this morning by Mayor T. L. Craig, chairman of the executive committee, that a handsome \$30 silver loving cup will be awarded for the best decorated automobile from any part of the country outside of Gastonia. Automobileists of this city will not be eligible to contest for this prize. It is also very probable that prizes will be offered for the best decorated float and possibly for other things but definite announcement will be made with reference to this in Friday's Gazette.

### FREE REST ROOM FOR LADIES.

The Gastonia Woman's Betterment Association, always alive for the comfort and interest of the women and children, will have a rest room on the Fourth where provision will be made for visiting ladies and where they expect to devote especial attention to caring for ladies who will be here with children. They have rented the large and airy room on the ground floor of the Realty building formerly occupied by the Torrence Drug Company and will have it fitted up with a large number of comfortable chairs, couches and tables. Some of the members of the association will be in charge all of the time and they will have one or more colored women employed to assist women in caring for their children and otherwise looking after their comfort. This room and its benefits will be absolutely free to all visiting women and they are invited to make this room their headquarters. It is to the credit of the good women of Gastonia that they are ever watchful and careful of the interests of their visiting sisters and the good of the town and surrounding country in general.

The work of preparing for Gastonia's big Fourth of July goes merrily on. Every committee is hard at work perfecting all final details. Probably the busiest committee is the one on advertising. A big banner reading, "Come to Gastonia July the Fourth" has been stretched across South street facing the Southern depot in plain view of all the passengers on the various trains as they come to a stand at the station. There yet remain fifteen of these banners to be stretched in nearby towns from Chester to Lincolnton and from Concord to Gaffney. With hardly a single exception all the officials of these towns have gladly complied with the request to be allowed to stretch these banners and seem willing and glad to co-operate in every way possible to help make the Fourth a success.

Every one of the mills and other business institutions in Gaston county has been asked to prepare a float for the big industrial parade. How many will comply with the request is as yet unknown. A great many, of course, are keeping secret their plans and the manner of their float, intending to spring their several inventions as a surprise on the public. It is learned that several unique and ingenious devices are being arranged for the parade.

### ANOTHER BAND SECURED.

Arrangements were completed yesterday by the amusement committee, through one of its members, Mr. F. D. Barkley, by which the Bessemer City Cornet Band was secured for the Fourth, this making five bands in all. This sounds like "some music" to us.

—Mrs. J. M. Smith, of Clover, was among yesterday's visitors in town.

—Miss Nan Ward, of Charlotte, spent several days last week with Miss Lavinia Hunter.

—Mrs. J. M. Sloan and children, Christine and James, are visiting Mrs. C. W. Brown, of Beaufort, S. C.

—Mrs. J. C. Puett, of Dallas, spent Wednesday of last week in Gastonia as the guest of Mrs. J. A. Hunter.

—Dr. J. M. Sloan returned Wednesday night from a visit to friends at Beaufort, S. C.

—Miss Nellie Rose Sloan is spending some time with Miss Lavinia Hunter at her home on West Main Avenue.

### MR. JOHN F. BRYSON DEAD.

**Aged Citizen Passes Away—Death Due to Sudden Stroke of Apoplexy Suffered While at Dinner Yesterday—Died Without Struggle—Funeral and Interment at Union To-Day.**

Mr. John F. Bryson died suddenly at his home on West Main Avenue yesterday at 12:30 o'clock. While at the dinner table he complained of a slight nausea in his stomach and pain in his chest. A physician was summoned and Mr. Bryson lay down on the bed. Nothing serious was anticipated by those present, but in a few moments Mr. Bryson had died. Death was due to a stroke of apoplexy.

Mr. Bryson, to outward appearance was in the best of health and not even to his family and closest associates was there any intimation of his death.

Mr. Bryson was born March 7, 1844, and was, therefore, 68 years old. Surviving, are his widow who was Miss Mary Beam, of the Cherryville section and two sisters, Mrs. Martha Ratchford and Mrs. J. R. Warren, of this city. There are no children.

The funeral services and interment were held at Union Presbyterian church this morning at 11 o'clock. Revs. G. A. Sparrow and A. S. Anderson officiating. The ball-bearers were: Messrs. W. N. Davis, T. R. McArver, J. E. Lindsay, J. W. Walters, T. W. Wilson and J. F. McArver. Mr. Bryson was born and reared in the Union section of Gaston county and was a successful farmer until his removal to Gastonia 20 years ago. About four years ago he lost his eyesight. Despite the affliction there has never been a more cheerful or patient man and his familiar figure as he walked the streets of Gastonia, supported on the arm of a friend, will be greatly missed. He belonged to the Presbyterian church and was a devoted and consistent member.

### Mrs. M. A. Martin Dead.

Mrs. Mary A. Martin, wife of Mr. Joseph H. Martin, died at her home near the Clara Mill yesterday morning at 2 o'clock after an illness of about six weeks. Mrs. Martin was born in this county April 8, 1847, and was 65 years of age. She is survived by her husband and two sons, Mr. W. A. Martin, of Gastonia, and Mr. George Martin, of Cleveland county. The funeral and burial took place yesterday afternoon at one o'clock.

### Negro Injured.

Bill Wilson, a respectable negro around town who drives for Mr. F. R. Huffstetter met with a serious accident yesterday at the Southern station crossing. He was riding on a wagon and was sitting on a heavy box of goods in the rear of the wagon. When crossing the track, the heavy load on the rear of the wagon caused it to tilt from the front and threw Wilson to the ground. He fell directly on his head, fracturing his skull. He was taken to the Gaston Hospital for treatment. At first it was thought his wound was fatal, but it is learned later that he will recover.

—Charles, the six-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin W. Heckard, of the Flint Mill, died Sunday night and was buried yesterday afternoon at Bethesda cemetery, the funeral service being conducted by Rev. J. A. Peeler.

### Cherryville Chat.

The Eagle, 20th.  
Cherryville now has a good baseball team with Mr. Ed Stroup as manager. The boys will likely try to whip into the Gaston county league next year.

Mrs. F. S. Vandyke, of this place, fell Tuesday morning spraining her ankle badly and catching on her hand put her thumb out of place which is giving her much pain.

During a thunder shower last Tuesday evening Mr. Pharoah Wacaster, who lives about three miles west of Cherryville, had the misfortune of losing two good milk cows by lightning. Either was worth forty dollars.

Mr. Stephen Stroup, formerly of this place, but now holding a position at Greenville, S. C., visited relatives here Saturday and Sunday. Mrs. Stroup accompanied him back to Greenville where they will make their home.

Messrs. E. S. Houser and J. E. Wyatt will erect a building 30 by 80 feet on the lot recently purchased by Mr. Houser across the street opposite the Cherryville Livery Company's stable to be used as a garage and general machine shop.

Rev. L. H. Hatley, of Bess' Chapel, dropped into our office last Saturday and stated that a goodly number of the brethren of Bess' chapel had gathered at the cemetery Saturday morning to do some cleaning up, when a strange dog appeared on the scene. No sooner had he put in his appearance than he had a violent fit. The brethren, assisted by another dog, soon made an end of their new comer. No one was injured in the affray, but one sad feature of it was that they had to kill the dog that had helped to slay the rabid canine. The dog had all the appearance of having hydrophobia.