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PEOPLE IN PRINT SOCIAL CIRCLES COMING AND GOING IN WOMAN'S REALM

Personal Items About Gaston Folks and their Friends—Short Items About People and Things That Are of Interest to Gazette Readers. Condensed for Their Convenience.

—Simmons tonight.

—Mr. and Mrs. Knox Neeley, of Charlotte, were here yesterday.

—Clean-up day Wednesday, October 9th.

—Cotton is bringing 11 3/4 cents on the local market today.

—Dr. J. M. Caldwell, of Blacksburg, S. C., was a Gastonia visitor yesterday afternoon.

—Attorney N. F. McMillan, of Shelby, was here on business yesterday.

—Mrs. B. H. Parker and Mrs. S. A. Robinson were among yesterday's visitors to Charlotte.

—Mr. John Hirst, of Charlotte, was a business visitor in Gastonia yesterday.

—Cotton seed on the local market is 27 cents today, an advance of two cents.

—Mr. R. L. Quinn and daughter, of Clover, route two, are in the city shopping today.

—Mrs. L. C. Davis returned Tuesday from a visit to relatives and friends in Cleveland county.

—Dr. T. N. Dulin, of Clover, S. C., was a business visitor in the city this morning.

—The Gazette carries today a half-page advertisement of the Liles-Nix Company, of Charlotte.

—Mr. R. C. Warren went to Shelby yesterday on business. He returns this afternoon.

—Mr. Clarence L. Rhine left on No. 11 today for Atlanta where he will enter the Southern College of Pharmacy.

—Local grocers want turnips. They are quoted in the produce market today at 60 to 75 cents per bushel.

—Miss Nellie Rose Sloan returned this week to Spartanburg, S. C., to resume her studies at Converse College.

—The Gazette is requested to state that the ladies missionary society of the Lutheran church is called to meet Sunday morning immediately after Sunday school.

—Mrs. L. F. Wetzel, Mrs. J. D. Moore, Mrs. G. A. Gray, Mrs. J. L. Gray and Mrs. J. H. Separk were among yesterday's visitors to Charlotte.

—Among yesterday's visitors to Charlotte were Mrs. G. W. Ragan, Mrs. R. M. Reid, Mrs. G. W. Wilson, Mrs. J. H. Jenkins, Mrs. W. P. Grier and Mrs. Parks Huffstetler.

—The Quaker Girl at the Academy of Music, Charlotte, next Monday night promises to draw a good crowd from Gastonia. The press comments on this show are most favorable.

—A meeting will begin at the East Baptist church Sunday. Rev. W. R. Beach, of Cary, a cousin of the pastor, Rev. J. J. Beach, will preach Sunday morning. Sunday night and during the following week Rev. C. W. Payseur, of Blacksburg, S. C., will do the preaching.

—The fourth quarterly conference for Lowell and Dallas Methodist churches will be held at Lowell on Saturday, October 5th. Following the quarterly meeting a protracted meeting will begin Sunday night, October 6th and continue through the following week. The pastor, Rev. E. N. Crowder, will have some one to assist him in the preaching.

—Trade in Gastonia this week has been most satisfactory. Despite alluring offers held out by larger towns in this section, Gastonia folks have largely traded at home and numbers of ladies from the surrounding country have been here to attend the openings and purchase their fall and winter goods. Gastonia merchants know how to buy in order to sell at the lowest figure and are rapidly building up a larger business. The people who buy in Gastonia get the most for their money.

—The Gazette has been asked to utter a word of warning against the making of Main avenue in the business section a playground by the boys who have bicycles. They ride up and down the street, often making quick turns and all but running into automobiles, wagons, buggies and other vehicles as well as pedestrians. Unless this practice is discontinued some of these days a serious accident will result in injury or perhaps death to some of them who endeavor to do "stunts" in fast riding and quick turning. This warning ought to be heeded.

—A number of Gastonia's "morally stunted" were shaking in their boots, yesterday when it became whispered around that an officer was "in their midst" armed with a bunch of summonses for some Gastonians who were wanted as witnesses in Mecklenburg Superior Court, now sitting in Charlotte, to testify in a case against a so-called club being prosecuted by Solicitor Wilson for violation of the prohibition laws. The rumor this morning that the case had been settled by the club's pleading guilty and submitting to the charge, served to greatly relieve their fears.

Pleasant Reception in Honor of Mrs. Lewis H. Balthis—Beville-Dalton Wedding—Marriage at Rock Hill—Business Meeting of Tuesday Afternoon Club.

HELD BUSINESS MEETING.

The Tuesday Afternoon Club held a business meeting yesterday at the home of Mrs. R. C. Warren. Officers for the ensuing year were chosen as follows: President, Mrs. J. Lean Adams; vice-president, Mrs. M. F. Kirby; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. J. Lee Robinson. The first social meeting of the club will be held some time next month.

BEVILLE-DALTON WEDDING.

At the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Dalton, in West Gastonia, Mr. H. C. Beville, of Spencer, and Miss Mamie L. Dalton were united in marriage Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The ceremony was pronounced in the presence of a number of the friends and relatives of the contracting parties by Rev. Neill C. Williams, pastor of West End and Franklin Avenue Methodist churches. Mr. and Mrs. Beville left on an afternoon train for their new home at Spencer, where the groom holds a responsible position in the offices of the Southern Railway Company.

ORMAND-THOMASSON WEDDING AT ROCK HILL.

The following is from Wednesday's Rock Hill Herald:

"Last night in the parlor of the First Presbyterian manse Rev. Alex Martin united in marriage Miss Pearl Thomasson, of Leslie, and Mr. J. Ormand, of Charlotte. The bride is the pretty and attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Thomasson, and has many friends in this city who will be interested to know of the happy event. Mr. Ormand is a popular yard conductor of the Southern Railway in Charlotte, where he and his bride will reside upon their return from a wedding trip to Washington, D. C. The bride was attired in a stylish blue coat suit with hat to match and was attended by her sister, Miss Mattie Thomasson. The groom was accompanied by his brother and cousin, Messrs. Bert and J. J. Ormand, of Bessemer City, N. C."

FOR MRS. LEWIS BALTHIS.

At her home on South Chester street Wednesday afternoon from 5 to 7 o'clock Mrs. W. L. Balthis was at home, complimentary to Mrs. Lewis H. Balthis. The guests were greeted at the front door by Mrs. L. N. Glenn and Master Robert Ray Glenn received the cards on a silver tray. Mrs. D. A. Garrison presented the guests to the receiving line which was constituted as follows: Mrs. W. L. Balthis, Mrs. Lewis H. Balthis, Mrs. S. G. Frye, Mrs. B. F. Dixon, Mrs. H. N. Garrison, Mrs. Stella Scofield, Mrs. Walter Rameuse and Miss Dickerson. In the rear hall Mrs. F. P. Rockett and Miss Lowry Shuford served punch. Miss Lottie Blake showed them into the dining room where an ice course was served by Misses Mary and Mildred Lineberger, Louie Frye and Mrs. A. M. Dixon. The color scheme was yellow and white, this being carried out in the decorations and refreshments. During the receiving hours a large number of ladies called at the Balthis home.

KENNEDY-TITMAN WEDDING.

The following from The Yorkville Enquirer will be of interest to many of our readers:

"Of interest to a large number of friends and relatives of the contracting parties was the marriage Thursday afternoon, September 19th, at 3 o'clock of Erskine W. Kennedy, of Sharon, S. C., and Miss Esther Titman, of Lowryville, S. C. The marriage ceremony which united the lives of the two young people was performed in a very impressive manner by the Rev. W. A. Kennedy, a brother of the groom, assisted by Rev. F. A. Drennan, the bride's pastor. Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy left immediately for the home of the groom's father at Sharon where they will spend a few days before going to Florida. Mr. Kennedy is a young man of sterling qualities, is a graduate of Erskine College and is now successfully engaged in teaching in Florida. Mrs. Kennedy is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Titman and was one of Lowryville's most attractive and accomplished young ladies."

—Attention of voters is called to the fact that all who have changed their residence since last election from one precinct to another, all who have come of age or have otherwise qualified, and all voters residing in the two newly established precincts, Spencer Mountain and Gastonia No. 3, will have to register for the regular November election. The registration books are required by law to be kept open at the various polling places from October 3rd to October 26th.

—A good name keeps its luster in the dark.



HATS HATS BIG FALL SHOWING

Gastonia Merchants Have Largest Fall Openings Yet—Ladies Come from Many Nearby Towns to Inspect the New Styles and Initial Sales Were Large—Gastonia Rapidly Becoming a Center for Trade in This as Well as Other Lines—Merchants Are Alive and Their Stocks Are Up-to-date.

Wednesday and Thursday were fall opening days with the millinery establishments of Gastonia and, despite the fact that these dates conflicted with the Charlotte openings and the further fact that, because of a misunderstanding, the expected half-rate on the Interurban was not given, the crowds were unusually large and the sales heavier than usual on the first days. The Gastonia merchants began this year a movement to reach out for trade over a larger territory and this movement promises to grow with each passing season. Last Saturday and again on Wednesday a number of them jointly carried a half-page advertisement in The Charlotte Chronicle announcing Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday as fall opening and special sales days and inviting everybody to come. It was expected that the Interurban would give half-fare round-trip rates on Wednesday and Thursday but it developed that the Charlotte merchants had asked for and received the promise of half-fare rates on those two days first and hence the road did not give the rate. Despite this fact, however, there were a good many Charlotte ladies here on those days and not a few of them purchased hats. The half-rate from Charlotte and all other points on the Interurban to Gastonia is being given today, we understand. Because of the threatening weather, however, today's crowd is smaller than it would otherwise have been.

An inspection of the lines of hats and ladies goods carried in the Gastonia stores convinces one that our merchants are strictly up-to-date and that they are in a position to satisfy the wants of the most fastidious. Below will be found brief descriptions of the displays at the several millinery establishments of the town.

THOMSON MERCANTILE CO.
Under the supervision of Miss Eva Willie, who is an adept in the trimmer's art and who is spending her second season with Thomson's, the millinery exhibition at this store is this season a splendid one. This, however, is really nothing unusual as Thomson's openings have always attracted much attention. Drawn first by a skillfully arranged and most attractive show window display, the ladies filed into the parlors on the first floor in large numbers. Here the hats were well arranged for exhibition purposes. Among the most admired hats seen here were: A big white satin hat with pink velvet facing, chiffon covered with mirabeau drooping and white plumes; a pretty, large sailor with cheek silk top, with fancy facing and trimmings; another hat that was greatly admired was a black walking shape with pheasant feathers and pecco ribbon trimming. The misses hats were also quite attractive. In a general way they follow the ladies' styles pretty closely. The big soft rolled shapes are very popular, while at the same time the smaller shapes are greatly in demand. The leading colors are taupe, fucia and browns and the trimmings are mostly soft fancy feathers and aigrettes, the latter being used a great deal this season. Miss Willie is assisted by Mrs. Wiley Hanna. The crowds at Thomson's Wednesday, yesterday and today were large and the sales for the opening days were very satisfactory indeed.

J. M. BELK CO.

The millinery display at this store was, as usual, on a large scale and the array of hats for ladies, misses and children was bewildering. The parlors on the second floor had been most attractively decorated for the annual fall opening in purple and lavender. Miss Willie Bradley, who has been with the firm for several years past, is head milliner and she is ably assisted this season by Miss Cora Clark, Miss Ola Whitesides, Miss Ruby Happerfield and Mrs. Murphy Mauney.

Some of the prettiest and most popular hats at this place were: Black postillion shape in Lions velvet, with paradise aigrette, this being one of the most admired of all the hats shown; a white picture hat, soft mirabeau brim with four pink ostrich plumes and pink trimming underneath the brim; a Robespierre shape in black and white, ostrich feather, plush top, black velvet underlining; a large white mushroom shape, with aigrette and rhinestone ornaments and ostrich brim; a mushroom shape in black and white with American maline trimming; a misses' white beaver with flat bow and rhinestone ornament; a small colonial shape with gold ornaments and white aigrette; a large mushroom shape in black with black fur, pink roses and long black velvet streamers; a Titanic shape in brown with pheasant feathers on the side. The leading colors were taupe, king's blue, American Beauty and Saxony blue. The leading shapes are the Robespierre, Georgette, Titanic and Postillion. For trimmings the most popular are gold, paradise aigrettes, French feathers in every shape and form, faile and moire ribbons, pecco edges, princess silk and plush and velvet.

Belk's opening was very largely attended. The number of out-of-town ladies was unusually large, including some Charlotte shoppers. Many hats were sold the first day.

MISSIS RUDDOCK.

For a number of years past the millinery parlors of the Misses Ruddock have been exceedingly popular with Gaston county ladies and those even from adjoining counties and this year is no exception to the rule. The Gazette man found here a large variety of handsome and stylish hats, among the most admired being the following: A Georgette of black beaver cloth with white and black ostrich plumes; a two-tone Oaker sailor of beaver felt with parrot wings in two-tone effect and gold ornaments; big picture hat of black velvet, with white and black astrakhan collar and bunch of white aigrettes; large white picture shepherdess with enormous white French plume and big white rose; big black shepherdess of velour velvet, maline facing and braided collar of black French plume; a large Georgette taupe hat with ostrich trimmings in the same shade, of velour velvet; a Georgette in royal blue trimmed with long pheasant feathers; a big white and black cloth mushroom, ermine beaver cloth crown, with black ostrich boa; a white beaver trimmed with pink roses; small French sailor with seal brown rim and burnt orange crown, with ostrich feathers of black and burnt orange; white and black turban of velour velvet with big white wibes; big picture hat of black and burnt orange, black facing and black feathers; large black beaver with wreath of American Beauty roses; a continental black beaver with big bow of imported velvet Persian ribbon and fancy ornaments in same shades.

O'NEIL'S.

Another pretty display of hats is seen at O'Neil's variety store. Mrs. A. B. O'Neil is in charge of the trimming department. This firm carries also a large line of ready-trimmed hats. A specialty is made of children's hats which are on display in a big variety of shapes, colors and materials, including fur, corduroy, velvet, etc. In connection with the millinery this firm is showing a splendid line of ladies' coat suits.

A fool may give a wise man counsel.
A fair face may hide a foul heart.

GASTON COUNTY GLEANINGS NEWS OF THE WEEK IN CONDENSED FORM

Newsy Letters from Gazette Correspondents Here and There Over Good Old Gaston—What Our Neighbors Are Doing in the Various Sections of the County—Personal Mention of People You Know and Some You Don't Know.

CLOVER CULLINGS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
CLOVER, S. C., Sept. 27.—The cotton crop of the hail beaten district has grown out and the fields are now green but the time was too short for it to fruit any that would mature. Had the hail come one month earlier, we believe that some cotton would have matured. The corn in this district was also badly hurt. Where corn was in the roasting-ear state the vitality of the stalk was so much impaired that the corn dried up and did not develop a good grain.

Mrs. F. E. Clinton and two children, Neal and Buford, spent the week-end at Granite Falls, N. C., visiting her brother, Mr. M. C. Forbes. She was accompanied by her father, Mr. H. F. Forbes and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Forbes, of Crowders Creek, N. C.

Mr. F. E. Clinton has bought a place two miles south of Tirzah and will move to it about the first of the year.

Mr. R. A. Jackson has bought the residence of Mr. F. E. Clinton and will move to Clover about the first of the year.

Rev. J. M. McLain is building a nice residence on Constitution avenue. Capt. W. J. Brison is doing the work.

The A. R. P. congregation are remodeling their church here. They will have a magnificent place of worship when it is completed.

Work has begun on Mr. F. H. Jackson's house on Main street, which is to be remodeled and put in shape for occupancy by the first of the year.

Mr. Boyce Lilly has commenced work on a nice house on South Main street near the oil mill which he will occupy by the first of the year.

Mr. J. L. Stacy and Rev. H. J. Mills, the pastor, are representing Clover Presbyterian church at presbytery which convened in Fort Mill last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lee, of Chester, visited Mrs. Lee's father, Mr. W. T. Beamgard, here last Sunday.

Hon. J. S. Brice and Hon. T. F. McDow, of Yorkville, were visitors here this week on professional business.

Mr. M. L. Smith returned home yesterday from a business trip North.

Mr. George H. O'Leary, of Yorkville, president of the Clover Manufacturing Company, was in town yesterday.

Mr. Jim Faires has bought the barber shop here from Mr. Jim Lingerfelt and now has charge of it. Mr. Lingerfelt and family have moved to Jacksonville, Fla.

Misses Annie Lee Adams and Annie Clinton are attending school at Winthrop this year.

Rev. Mr. Hall to Preach.

Rev. John Hall, of Hickory, former pastor of the Gastonia and Chapel Lutheran churches, will preach at Chapel church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and at Gastonia Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Majestic Range Demonstration.

Beginning next Monday, the 30th, and continuing through the week the Standard Hardware Company will have on a demonstration of Majestic ranges, for which they are sole agents here. A man from the factory will be in charge of the demonstration and the company invites all the ladies of the town and county to visit their store during the week and investigate the advantages of this range. They are making some special offers for the week which will be found in their half-page ad elsewhere in today's Gazette; read it.

Unveiling the 25th.

It is the present intention of the ladies of the Gastonia Chapter United Daughters of the Confederacy to unveil the monument to Gaston county's Confederate soldiers on October 25th. This is contingent upon the raising of the balance due on the monument and strenuous work is being done to this end now. An elaborate program is being prepared for this occasion and it will be a red letter day for Gastonia. When completed this monument will be one of the handsomest in the State and will be a credit to Gaston county.

Died at City Hospital.

Mrs. Ida Lankford, aged 32, of Kings Mountain, died at the City Hospital Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, following an illness of some time from Bright's disease. She came to the hospital three weeks ago for treatment but grew rapidly worse until the end came. The body was shipped to Kings Mountain on No. 35 Wednesday night and was taken Thursday to Earl, Cleveland county for burial. Surviving are a husband and a ten-months-old child, the latter being now in the hospital.

Senator Elihu Root Wednesday declined the nomination for the governorship of New York by the State Republican convention in session at Saratoga.

Governor Kitchin has granted another reprieve to John Ross, the Cleveland county negro who murdered Mr. and Mrs. Dixon some months ago. The date now set for his execution is October 11th.

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Dallas, Route 1, News.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
DALLAS, R. F. D. 1, Sept. 25.—Mr. W. R. Turner went to Rock Hill Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Pasour children were the guests Sunday at the home of Mr. J. O. Pasour.

Master Briscoe Ratchford, of Dallas, spent several days last week at the home of Mr. F. E. Ratchford.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Best were the guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Polte Thornburg.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Pasour visited in North Gaston Sunday at the home of Mr. C. Stroup.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Lineberger, of Hardin, spent the week-end as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mauney.

Misses Estelle, Ruth and Mildred Jones spent Sunday with Misses Ruth and Grace Pasour.

Misses Etta White and White Moore spent Thursday with Misses Etta and Florence Pasour.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Ratchford spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Ratchford at Dallas.

Mr. George Ratchford leaves today for Drumsville, where he has accepted work with Messrs. J. J. Ratchford and B. H. Drum.

Lowell Locals.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
LOWELL, Sept. 26.—Rev. L. L. Salmus came in last week from Texas to visit his brothers, Messrs. Oscar and John Salmus, at the old home place. He preached Friday and Saturday nights and Sunday at the Baptist church.

Miss Virginia Robinson left Monday for Anderson, S. C., to finish her music course under Prof. Fisher at the Anderson College. Her sister, Miss Kate Robinson has been there for two weeks.

Mr. John Harrison has begun the erection of a five-room cottage near the brick plant, which he will occupy when finished.

Several bales of cotton have been ginned at the Harrison & Ellington gin this week.

Mr. J. A. Groves, of Albemarle, was here Sunday to see his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Groves.

Mr. D. A. Groves went to Greensboro yesterday on business.

Mr. J. B. Bennett has sold his house and lot near the cotton mills to Mr. Robert Harris and Mr. Walter Ware and will, we understand, move to Stanley.

The young ladies of the Methodist Sunday school will give a box supper Saturday night, the 28th, at the school building, the proceeds to go to the Children's Home at Winston-Salem.

Mr. D. H. Cox has bought a lot near the Southern depot and will move his box-making machinery from McAdenville and will open up shop here in the near future.

Mountain Island News.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
MTN. ISLAND, Sept. 26.—Mr. P. Clark and family have moved to Belmont.

Mr. L. W. VanPelt, who has been playing ball with Charlotte for the past two seasons, has accepted employment with the Armon Manufacturing Company here and some of the Gaston league players who feared and kicked so much against Mr. VanPelt's playing with them probably will have to stand and see him deliver the goods and those who can't see so as to tell where they come and whither they go had better be making for a hole in the wall.

The Armon Manufacturing Company has installed an up-to-date dynamo.

A revival meeting began at the M. E. church Sunday but not much interest has been manifested as yet. The same was true recently when a meeting was held at the Baptist church. But, reader, let me tell you: last week there came a little show to Mountain Island and you bet your life there was interest manifested and by the church members, too. That accounts for such dead, cold meetings. The members are lovers of the world rather than of God. Christ says that he that loveth the things of the world more than he is not worthy of me. You know that if you are not worthy of Christ when he comes you cannot be accepted of him.

District Meeting Knights of Pythias.

The Eleventh District of the Knights of Pythias will hold District Meeting with Hollis Lodge No. 154, at Hollis Saturday night, September 28th, 1912. The meeting will be called to order at 8 p. m. All Pythians are cordially invited to attend.

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