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SHORT LOCAL ITEMS

THE MOVEMENTS OF GASTON PEOPLE

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
—Keep everlastingly at it—we mean swatting the fly.

—Rev. J. E. Abernethy spent yesterday in Charlotte on business.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Love and children spent the week-end at Lenoir.

—Miss Esther Bolch left this morning for Rock Hill, S. C., where she will spend a week with friends.

—Mr. Ed Villas and family left this morning for Whitwell where they will spend a few days with friends.

—This is the season of special sales. Keep up with them by reading the ads in The Gazette.

—Blackberry pies and watermelons now have prominent places on the menu.

—Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Miller left this morning for Greenville, S. C., where they will spend a few days with friends.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Atkins and sons are expected home this afternoon from Hiddenite where they spent a week.

—Mrs. L. J. Beach and little grandson, Master Fred Beach, left yesterday morning for Lenoir to spend sometime with relatives.

—A number of Gaston veterans will leave Monday for Gettysburg to attend the big reunion of the Gray and the Blue.

—Lenoir News: Mr. J. O. White of Gastonia spent Friday and Saturday in Lenoir on business pertaining to the Whitwell Cotton Mill.

—Miss Robbie Lee Morrow of Hamlet after a brief visit to Mrs. J. Holland Morrow has returned to her home.

—Mrs. George V. Patterson, of Kings Mountain, was the guest last week of Mrs. W. T. Love at Spencer Mountain.

—Capt. Freno Dilling, Mr. Walter Dilling and Mr. Ed Campbell, of Kings Mountain, were in the city yesterday. They came in Mr. Dilling's auto.

—Lenoir News: Mr. A. E. Woltz, formerly superintendent of the Lenoir public schools, but who is now practicing law in Gastonia spent Monday in town.

—Miss Alice Anderson, of Atlanta, Ga., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. E. Page. She came from Spartanburg where she was the guest of Misses Rosa and Mary Black.

—Misses Nancy and Annie Rankin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Rankin, left Wednesday for Asheville where they will spend a month with their aunt, Mrs. Shuford Wilkinson.

—Rock Hill Herald: Miss Sue Ramsey Johnston, of Gastonia, who was visiting Miss Helen Fewell, left here yesterday for Charlotte where she will visit friends.

—Mr. B. F. Austin, Rev. N. C. Williams and Rev. J. H. Ridenhour are spending the day in Charlotte. They went over this morning in Mr. Austin's car.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. Holland Morrow left Wednesday for Wrightsville to attend the Shriners convention to be held there Thursday and Friday. They will be absent for a week or ten days.

—A local branch of the United National Association of Postoffice Clerks was organized here last night with four members, employees of the Gastonia postoffice. Mr. W. L. Walters was chosen president and Mr. George L. Rawlings secretary and treasurer. A charter has been applied for.

—The many friends of Dr. O. P. Rhyme, who recently received his Ph. D. degree at Johns Hopkins and was elected assistant professor of German in the University of North Carolina for next year, will be interested to know that he was elected an instructor in German at Yale University but preferred to remain in his native State.

—Lincoln County News: The item clipped from The Gastonia Gazette which was published in our last issue stating that Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Knuckley would move back to Gastonia is incorrect. Mr. and Mrs. Knuckley were informed have no intention of moving away from Lincoln. We are glad to make the correction.

—Revival services are in progress at Oquir Methodist church, having commenced Sunday. The pastor, Rev. Nell C. Williams, is assisted by Rev. J. H. Ridenhour, of Concord, who is doing the preaching. Services are held each evening at 7:45 o'clock. There will be two services Sunday, at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. The attendance is good and much interest is being manifested in the meeting.

—A remarkable record is being made by the local postoffice in the matter of unclaimed letters sent to the dead letter office. Handling about 20,000 incoming letters weekly, this office sends to the dead letter office now an average of only ten letters per week. Formerly the number averaged as high as 25 or 30 a week, even when the total number handled was much smaller than at present. This record is splendid testimony of the efficiency of the local postoffice force.

WINS IN TARIFF FIGHT

PRESIDENT WILSON'S PLAN UPHELD

Democratic Party Caucus Approves Free Sugar in 1916 and Free Raw Wool—Little Opposition to These Measures—No Effort Made to Bind Members to Action, This Subject to Come up Later.

Washington, June 25.—Free sugar in 1916 and free raw wool are now established in the tariff revision bill, having been approved late tonight by the Democratic caucus of the Senate, after a two days' fight. The sugar schedule, as reported by the majority members of the Finance Committee and practically as it passed the House, was approved by a vote of 40 to 6. Free raw wool as submitted by the majority, and just as it passed the House, swept the Senate caucus by a vote of 41 to 6.

This ratification of President Wilson's tariff policy, he having insisted upon the wool and sugar propositions before the Ways and Means Committee in the beginning, came after a long series of developments, since the tariff bill passed the House, in which the President was an active participant. When the fight of the anti-free wool Democrats was getting hot, the President issued a public statement declaring that any suggestion of compromise on the wool and sugar schedules was absolutely out of the question and later he stirred the Administration leaders to action when he made his charge about the existence in Washington of an "insidious lobby."

Investigation of which has brought results regarded as favorable to the tariff bill.

The six Democratic Senators who voted against free sugar on the final vote approving the schedule were Hitchcock, Nebraska; Newland, Nevada; Ransdell and Thornton, Louisiana; Shafroth, Colorado; Walsh, Montana.

The six who opposed free raw wool were Chamberlain, Oregon; Newlands, Nevada; Ransdell and Thornton, Louisiana; Shafroth and Walsh.

No attempt was made in the caucus today to bind the members to the action of the caucus. The question will come up when the entire bill has been passed upon. Some members fought it but Administration leaders said tonight they believed only the two Louisiana Senators would ask to be released from the caucus pledge if it is submitted. The opinion is that a binding resolution will be offered.

Approval of the schedule came after prolonged discussion and after several amendments had been voted down. On some of the amendments the opposition showed more strength the maximum being 10 votes for Senator Shafroth's amendment to the sugar schedule. This would have eliminated free sugar and substituted a duty of approximately one-half cent a pound on refined sugar. This amendment was lost by a vote of 37 to 10.

When this had been lost, Senator Thompson of Kansas offered an amendment to retain the Underwood rate for three years, reducing it 50 per cent in 1916 and 25 per cent each succeeding year until it reached the free list. The amendment offered by Senator Thornton to eliminate the free sugar provisions and maintain the Underwood rates indefinitely, was supported only by Senators Ransdell and Thornton.

Senator Walsh offered the amendment to the wool schedule, proposing a duty of 15 per cent ad valorem on first class wools and that wools of the second and third class, such as carpet and clothing wool, be free. This was defeated 39 to 7.

When sugar and wool had been disposed of, the caucus ratified the committee amendment placing a tariff of the Angora goat on the free list. Consideration of the agricultural schedule was then resumed and a dispute at once arose over the committee amendment putting a countervailing duty on wheat and flour. Some Democrats asserted following the adjournment that the countervailing duty would be stricken off, leaving wheat and flour on the unrestricted free list on a parity with cattle and meats.

MRS. MARTHA RATCHFORD DEAD

Prominent and Beloved Woman, of Union Section Succumbs—Well-Known Throughout the County—Funeral To-Day at 4 O'clock.

Mrs. Martha Ratchford, widow of the late John P. Ratchford, died at her home in the Union section yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. For two years Mrs. Ratchford has been an invalid, but has been confined to her bed only for the last two weeks.

Surviving the deceased are one son, Mr. R. F. Ratchford, and one sister, Mrs. J. F. Warren, of Gastonia. Mrs. Ratchford was born in February, 1839, and was, therefore, in her 75th year. She was a typical mother in Israel and her death brings sorrow to many hearts. She was one of the best known and loved women in Gaston county.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at Union church at four o'clock by Rev. G. A. Sparrow. Interment will be in the Union cemetery.

—Mrs. Coit M. Robinson has returned to her home in Dallas after a visit of two weeks to relatives in Greenville, S. C.

LATEST EVENTS IN GASTONIA'S SOCIAL CIRCLES

RECORD OF LOCAL SOCIETY HAPPENINGS AND DOINGS OF GENERAL INTEREST

ATTENDING HOUSE PARTY.

Miss Margaret Morris left Wednesday for Brevard where she will spend a week as a member of a house party at the home of Miss Maude Allison, one of her classmates at Greenboro College for Women.

TO RECEIVE FOR MRS. H. E. JENKINS.

Cards reading as follows have been received by friends in town: Mrs. W. H. Jenkins Miss Willie Jenkins will receive Thursday afternoon, July the third five to six 116 South Marietta Street Mrs. H. E. Jenkins.

TO HOLD MEETING IN SHELBY.

The district meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church for the Shelby district will convene for a two-days session in Shelby July 7th. The secretary, Mrs. R. E. Ware, urges each church in the district to send delegates to this meeting which promises to be both interesting and profitable.

SHRINERS TO WRIGHTSVILLE.

The following party of Gastonia Shriners left yesterday morning via Charlotte for Wrightsville Beach to attend the Shriners' convention: Mrs. W. B. Morris, Misses Rebecca Adams and Laura Page, Messrs. A. Lean Adams, R. L. and W. H. Adams, R. G. Rankin, Norman Morrow, R. B. Babington, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Jennings, Mrs. E. W. Gilliam and Mr. Will Wetzel.

FOR VISITING YOUNG LADIES.

Tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock Miss Hallie Torrence will entertain at her home on South York street complimentary to the following young ladies from out of town: Miss Lola Jenkins, of Asheville; Mrs. Jack Harper's house guest; Misses Annie Louise Wharton, of Greensboro; Lida Brooks, of San Antonio, Texas, and Miss Mary Carson, of Charlotte, house guests of Miss Lucy Boyce, and Misses Essie Greene, of Monroe, and Marguerite Brittain of Salisbury who are Miss Violet Rankin's house guests. This afternoon at 5:30 Miss Lucy Boyce will entertain these visiting young ladies at tea.

FOR VISITING YOUNG LADY.

At her home on South Marietta street last evening Mrs. Jack V. Harper entertained a few guests complimentary to her sister, Miss Lola Jenkins, of Asheville, who is her house guest. Auction bridge and 42 were played, there being two tables. The house was prettily decorated in sweet peas and nasturtiums for the occasion. Punch was served by Misses Marie Torrence and Nell McLean. A salad course was also served. During the evening Miss Jenkins rendered several solos to the delight of all present. She spent the past winter in New York studying music under Oscar Saenger.

VISITORS TO GASTONIA.

From this morning's Charlotte Observer we take the following: Miss Mary Carson and Miss Lida Brooks of San Antonio, Tex., will leave today for Gastonia to attend a house party given by Miss Lucy Boyce. Among other guests will be Miss Annie Louise Wharton, of Greensboro. Miss Boyce will entertain at a dinner party this evening in honor of her guests. Miss Brooks will accompany Miss Wharton home for a visit at the expiration of which she will go to Little Switzerland to visit Miss Sarah Candler.

A SURPRISE WEDDING AT LOWELL.

Last Sunday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Herman near Lowell, Miss Minnie their youngest daughter, became the bride of Mr. Hollis Black. The marriage was a surprise to their friends, only the family and a few others being present at the ceremony, which was performed by Rev. E. N. Crowder, in his simple and impressive manner. The decorations were of ferns and old-field daisies, the bride's favorite flower. The bride was gowned in a simple white dress of sheer material and carried bride's roses and maiden hair fern. The happy couple left on the evening train for Charlotte where they will spend several days with the groom's parents, Col. and Mrs. T. J. Black, after which they go to Salisbury where the groom is at work doing the wiring of the new court house. He is in the employ of the Hornets' Nest Electric Company. Later they will return to Charlotte and begin house-keeping.

WITH MRS. DIXON THIS MORNING.

Mrs. Arthur Dixon was hostess to the Auction Bridge Club at her home on South Chester street this morning from 10 to 12 o'clock.

SURPRISE MARRIAGE.

The many friends of Mr. T. G. Beamguard and Miss Pearl Hanna were treated to a genuine surprise at their hands Wednesday night when the couple slipped off, on the pretense of a drive, to the residence of Rev. A. T. Lindsay, pastor of Pisgah A. R. P. church and were quietly married. Mr. Fred Riddle a few days beforehand and secured the license and the services of the preacher.

Mr. Beamguard is a valued employe of the J. M. Belk Co., having moved to Gastonia from Clover several months ago. He is a young man of sterling worth and character.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. N. Hanna and is a young lady of remarkable charm of grace and manner. Up to a short while ago, she has also been in the employ of the J. M. Belk Co.

The young couple are at home in the Hugh Long house on Fourth Avenue.

BRYAN-WARREN NUPTIALS.

Special to The Gazette.

RICH SQUARE, June 26.—At the home of Mrs. Ellen Bryan Wednesday morning a beautiful wedding was solemnized when Miss Eunice Bryan became the bride of Mr. W. Y. Warren, of Gastonia. The parlor was beautifully decorated in ferns and cut flowers, the color scheme being pink and white. Before the bridal party entered Mr. Godwin Spivey sang "Oh Fair, Oh Sweet and Holy." To the strains of Lohengrin's wedding march rendered by Miss Irma Boyce, Rev. Mr. Thompson, of Goldsboro, and Rev. Mr. Merritt, pastor of the Methodist church here, entered and took their stand before the improvised altar, followed by the maid of honor, Miss Minnie Bryan and best man Mr. H. B. Pursley. The bride entered on the arm of the groom. She was gowned in an exquisite white marquisette robe over white satin and carried a shower bouquet of sweet peas. Miss Boyce played "Melody of Love" during the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren left immediately for Gastonia where they will make their home. The bride is one of Rich Square's gifted and most charming young ladies. The groom is a prominent business man of Gastonia. Many handsome presents from friends throughout the state attest the popularity of this young couple.

The wedding of Miss Bryan to Mr. Warren, of Gastonia, was one of the social events of the season. At the home of the bride's mother, an elaborate reception was given the night before. Welcoming the guests were Mrs. Bryan and Miss Rebba Bryan. The receiving line was formed by Misses Eunice and Minnie Bryan, May Withers, Mattie Sykes, Messrs. W. Y. Warren, H. B. Pursley, Hill, Scott Loughridge and Ernest Warren. Miss Mary Spivey had charge of the bride's book, while Misses Beula Baugham and Josephine Boyce dispensed punch throughout the evening. At the dining room stood Miss Irma Boyce and Mrs. E. A. Huggins. The room was beautifully decorated in ferns and roses and lighted with candles, the color scheme, pink and white, being carried out in every detail. Mesdames Shoulars, E. A. Huggins, J. P. Parker and Miss Irma Boyce served a delightfuliced course. The out-of-town guests were Mrs. Sykes and daughter, Miss Mattie, and Mrs. Martin, of Conway. Misses May Withers, of Lillington; Helene Northart, of Winston; Mary Paul, of Elkin, and Mr. Godwin Spivey, of Asheville.

ROBINSON-LONG MARRIAGE.

One of the most beautiful weddings ever witnessed in Gastonia was solemnized Tuesday night at Main Street Methodist church when Miss Zeldia Long, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Long became the bride of Mr. J. Linwood Robinson. A large number of friends of the contracting parties was present. The church was beautifully decorated for the occasion. Around the altar and chancel was a profusion of roses, ferns and palms. The columns were draped in ivy and surmounted with baskets of roses. The lights of the main chandelier were turned off and those burning were shaded so as to cast a soft mellow glow over the scene of loveliness. Throughout the whole church the delicious odor of the fragrant cape jessamine was wafted.

Preceding the ceremony several musical selections were rendered with the talented Miss Margaret Morris at the organ. Mr. Herbert Waters, of Spartanburg, S. C., sang "Because" Miss Lillian Atkins played on the violin the beautiful "Humoresque" and Miss Marie Torrence very sweetly sang "O Perfect Love."

To the strains of the stately wedding march of Lohengrin the bridal party entered as follows: Misses



Orphans to Sing.

The congregation at the first Baptist church will have the pleasure Sunday morning and evening of hearing music by the quartette from the glee club of the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville. Pastor Barrett made special arrangements to get them here for that day and a treat is in store for all who hear them.

Mrs. T. G. Chalk Dead.

Mrs. T. G. Chalk, a sister of Mr. J. E. Page, of Gastonia, died yesterday from pellagra at her home in Paolet, S. C. Mrs. Chalk was 57 years old and with her husband formerly lived here until 1884 when they moved to South Carolina. Funeral and interment took place today.

Barbecue for Furniture Men.

More than two hundred furnituremen, in attendance on the annual convention of the Southern Retail Furniture Dealers Association at Charlotte, enjoyed an old-time barbecue at Riverside Park, Mount Holly, yesterday afternoon as guests of the Charlotte furniture dealers. In the matter of refreshments they were treated to five barbecued pigs, Brunswick stew, cooling drinks, etc. Col. G. H. Marvin, of Gastonia, president of the Riverside Park Company, and general manager of this pleasure resort, was on hand and gave his personal attention to the affair, seeing that the furniture men had a good time all the way round. The Gastonia furniture men in attendance were Messrs. E. N. Hahn, E. P. Rankin, E. J. Rankin, R. A. Fronberger and J. L. Thomasson.

Skeleton by River Bank.

While excavating for a boat house on the banks of the Catawba at Riverside Park, Mount Holly, a few days ago the workmen engaged in that task unearthed the skeleton of a man several feet beneath the surface and near the river bank. They thought at first that they had possibly uncovered some tragic secret of the long ago but, upon investigation, it developed that a number of the older citizens of the town recalled the fact that a soldier was buried there shortly after the surrender in April, '65. He was one of a party of five soldiers who were returning to their homes in this section from Appomattox. In crossing the river at this point the boat they occupied was capsized and two of them were drowned. The body of one was recovered at the time and was taken to his home for burial. The body of the other was not recovered for several days. When it washed ashore it was found to be in such condition that it could not be taken to his home at Shelby, so his comrades buried him near the river bank. During the years that have followed, the markings, if any were made, were washed away by the waters or covered beneath the sands. The bones were reinterred in the neighborhood, further away from the river bank.

MRS. EMMA FERGUSON DEAD.

Mother of Mr. John L. Ferguson, of Gastonia, Dies at Greenville, S. C.—Funeral and Burial at El Bethel Yesterday.

Mrs. Emma Ritta Ferguson, mother of Mr. John L. Ferguson, The Gazette's efficient linotype operator, died early Wednesday morning at the home of her sister, Mrs. S. B. Rhea, whom she was visiting at Greenville, S. C. Death was due to a complication of diseases and came after an illness of several weeks. For two or three weeks her condition had been precarious and her death was not unexpected. Mr. Ferguson went to Greenville on No. 11 Wednesday and accompanied the body back to Kings Mountain on No. 36 yesterday morning.

The funeral and burial took place yesterday morning at El Bethel Methodist church, the body being laid to rest in the community where she had spent practically all of her life. A large number of friends gathered at the church to pay a last tribute of respect to her memory. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. G. W. Kerr, pastor of the Kings Mountain Associate Reformed Presbyterian church, of which she was a member, assisted by Rev. M. B. Clegg, pastor of El Bethel Methodist church. Mr. Clegg, in his eulogy of the deceased, paid a high tribute to her character as a Christian, a mother and a friend. The floral tributes from friends were many and beautiful.

Surviving deceased are three brothers, Messrs. M. L. and W. E. Ware, of El Bethel, and Mr. Boyce Ware, of Greenville, S. C.; two sisters, Mrs. Amanda Glenn, of Rock Hill, S. C., and Mrs. S. B. Rhea, of Greenville, S. C.; her husband, Mr. T. C. Ferguson, who is quite ill at Grover, and one son, Mr. John L. Ferguson, of Gastonia. Mr. J. White Ware, of Gastonia, was a nephew of deceased.

Attending the funeral from Gastonia were Mr. John L. Ferguson and family, Mr. J. K. Dixon and Mr. and Mrs. J. White Ware.

The bereaved relatives have the sympathy of many friends in their sorrow.

NEWS OF THE COUNTY

LATEST FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS

Newspaper 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.

FORD-HUSS.

Cherryville Young Folks Wed.—Mr. Stroup to Engage in Lumber Business in Georgia.—Personal.

Correspondence of The Gazette. (Crowded out of last issue.)

CHERRYVILLE, June 23.—Mr. A. I. Stroup left Sunday for Georgia to engage in the lumber business.

Miss Maude Rudisill is visiting in Lincoln and Maiden.

Mr. Hargett, of Charlotte, was the guest of his daughter, Mrs. C. F. Whitehead, last week.

The congregations of the Presbyterian and Methodist churches worshipped together in a union service Sunday night at the Methodist church. Rev. Mr. Cassaday, pastor of the Presbyterian church, did the preaching. On the fourth Sunday night in July these two congregations propose to worship together in the Presbyterian church.

Mr. Ben Stroup, of Mt. Croghan, S. C., is visiting his mother, Mrs. John A. Stroup.

Mr. Coy Ford and Miss Vertie Huss were united in marriage Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock at the home of Squire A. B. Peeler. Mr. Ford is the son of Mr. S. M. Ford, mail carrier on Cherryville route 3, and is a quiet and industrious young man. During the winter and spring months he has been engaged in road construction in Avery county. Miss Huss is the daughter of Mr. Charles Huss, of Lincoln county, and is a young woman of pleasing personality. The groom is nineteen and the bride eighteen years of age.

Mr. T. E. Summer went to Charlotte Sunday and returned with his daughter, Miss Annie, who has been in the Presbyterian Hospital.

The Baptist Sunday School will go on a picnic to High Shoals next Thursday.

(Crowded out of last issue.)

Correspondence of The Gazette.

CHERRYVILLE Route 2, June 23.—Mrs. M. L. Rudisill and Mrs. Will Farris spent Thursday with Mrs. John T. Carpenter.

Mrs. Ed Sulwain and children, of Crouse, spent Saturday with Mrs. W. R. Carpenter.

Mr. Benjamin Stroup and mother spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clegg.

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Carpenter spent last Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. J. H. Garrett, at Kings Mountain.

Misses Pearl and Lucile Jones spent last Sunday with Miss Maggie Lee Carpenter.

Mrs. T. J. Black is spending the summer with her daughter Mrs. Ed Gardner, at Rayford.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Carrol spent last Sunday with his mother Mrs. R. L. Carrol.

Miss Lizzie Stroup and brother spent Sunday with Mrs. Sallie Stroup.

Miss Maude Rudisill spent last week with her brother, Mr. Carlo Rudisill.

Mrs. John S. Stroup spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Steward.

Miss Eunice Carpenter spent Sunday with Miss Fannie Farris.

Mr. Preston Long spent Sunday with friends in this section.

Miss Ferrie Fronberger, who has been spending some weeks with her parents, returned to Cherryville Sunday.

There will be an old-time singing at Saint Mark's Sunday afternoon. Everybody is invited.

Miss Ora Fronberger and little sister, Idella, spent Sunday in Cherryville.

Mr. Will Farris left last Monday for Georgia where he will work at the carpenter's trade.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

CHERRYVILLE, June 26.—Miss Cordia Harrelson, of Charlotte, is spending this week in town with homefolks.

Mr. B. F. Jones, of Shelby, was a business visitor here Monday.

Mrs. D. A. Rudisill left Tuesday for a visit of several days in Hildebran and Henry River.

Miss Vida Mauney went to Charlotte Monday to have an operation for an internal condition of her head. Her mother, Mrs. S. S. Mauney, went down Tuesday to be with her during the operation.

Dr. Self and Hoffman are soon to begin the erection of a two-story brick building adjoining the town hall. The first floor will be arranged for a mercantile room and the second floor will be arranged with offices to be used by the owners.

Mr. Evon L. Houser, who is summing in Avery county, is spending this week in town with his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. J. Houser.

Mr. J. F. Harrelson has been elected superintendent of the graded school at Cliffside, Rutherford county. The school at Cliffside is the largest in Rutherford county and employs six teachers. This position came to Mr. Harrelson without any solicitation on his part.

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