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BAPTISTS AT SHELBY

THE STATE CONVENTION NEXT WEEK

Hundreds of Delegates from All Over State Will Gather at Shelby Tuesday for Annual Meeting—Interesting Facts About the Shelby Church, Kings Mountain Association and Other Conventions.

T. W. Chambliss, in Charlotte News, Nov. 30.

One more week and the messengers from Baptist Churches and Associations will gather at Shelby for the annual Baptist State Convention. Arrangements have been made for the perfect entertainment of the hundreds of delegates and in every section of the State churches are engaged in an heroic effort to close the year without debt upon the State Mission Work—with the information at hand this morning there is still some doubt of the success of the effort but there is the fact that in previous years tremendous action even at the last hour has resulted in victory.

Some very important measures are to come before the Convention this year and plans are to be formulated looking forward to greater denominational progress in the coming year.

Shelby, because of the historic Baptist surroundings, is peculiarly attractive to the messengers this year and in not alone the town out the association has had to do very largely with the success of the denominational work in the passing years.

THE SHELBY CHURCH.

This Convention which meets with the First Baptist Church in the beautiful Cleveland county town will be the third session held in that community. This Convention will be held in the new meeting house which was completed two years ago. The handsome and modern structure apart from the beautiful lot upon which it stands and the parsonage near by, cost \$40,000. It will actually seat 4,000 people and 200 more can be cared for in the spacious auditorium.

The building has 21 convenient rooms, including parlors, class rooms and pastor's study and is one of the more modern buildings erected for church purposes within the past few years in this State. In addition to its other equipment the Church has a large pipe organ.

The First Baptist Church of Shelby has a membership of 536 and a Sunday school enrollment of 450. The present pastor is Rev. Logan W. Swope and he is closing his second year. Mr. B. T. Falls is the superintendent of the Sunday school.

The Shelby Baptist Church was organized in the year 1846 and the first deacons of the Church were: J. R. Logan, William Roberts and David Warlick. The first clerk was William Roberts. The following entry is found in the old record book:

"James Love, a member of the church at Zoar, donates a parcel of ground in the town of Shelby for the purpose of building a Baptist Church. During the year 1846 a house was erected, mainly by the efforts and liberality of William Roberts, Dr. Thomas Williams and David Warlick. Towards the close of the year 1846 Elder J. M. Webb, of Rutherford county, began to preach once a month in the new house. March 20 and 21, 1847, a meeting was held in the new church to make arrangements for organizing a Baptist Church."

The building first constructed was a wooden one and painted white. It was a very comfortable one and seated from 200 to 250 people. It was heated in the winter by stoves. This structure remained as a church until about the year 1889, when it was pulled down and a brick structure erected. It was constructed, not very beautiful, cold in winter, and very warm in summer.

THE NEW EDIFICE.

The building of a new church was talked of at times by the members for some years, but not until the fall of 1909 were the final steps taken for the erection of such a church. On the seventh day of November, 1909, the pastor, Rev. C. A. Jenkins, suggested to the congregation that in his opinion the time had come when the church should take action in the matter and on that day a committee of twenty-two of the members was appointed by the church to investigate and see if means and ways could be provided for the erection of a new building. This committee met soon thereafter and at its first meeting about 29,000 were pledged by the committee alone and all of them went actively to work and within less than 40 days, the sum of \$10,000 was pledged and subscribed for the erection of a new building.

As soon as the subscriptions were made the committee of 22 reported its action back to the church and the church unanimously decided that the committee should go forward and have a new church erected. Several architects submitted designs, and after giving them all careful consideration, Messrs. Wheeler & Sterne, architects of Charlotte, were selected and the plan drawn by them accepted by the committee and immediately thereafter the contract for the construction of the church, according to the plans and specifications,

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.

—Mr. Tate Powell, of Lenoir, was a business visitor in the city Wednesday.

—Mr. A. J. Rankin, of Belmont, has been attending court here this week.

—Hon. D. P. Dellinger was in Cherryville on professional business Tuesday.

—Mr. B. R. Payseur, of East Kings Mountain, was in the city on business Wednesday morning.

—Mrs. Fred D. Barkley and little daughter returned Tuesday from a week's visit to relatives at Statesville.

—Rev. E. B. Hayes, of Elk Park, will preach next Sunday at Ozark Methodist church in the absence of the pastor, Rev. N. C. Williams, who is visiting relatives in Rockingham.

—Miss Clara Armstrong and her house-guest, Miss Nellie Graves, of Carthage, returned yesterday from Davidson, where they went Friday to attend the Senior speaking and to visit friends.

—Among the prominent Cherryville citizens here Wednesday attending court and on other business were Messrs. J. M. Beam, N. B. Kendrick, T. B. Leonard and J. W. Kendrick and Rev. C. M. Robinson.

—Mr. G. R. Van Dyke and Miss Addie Long left yesterday for Bolivar, Tenn., on a two weeks visit to their uncle, Mr. J. R. Long. After his return from Tennessee Mr. Van Dyke will go to Birmingham, Ala., to resume his work there.

—The music pupils of Miss Pearl Evans are to give a public recital in the graded school auditorium at Lowell tomorrow night beginning at 8 o'clock. A splendid program has been prepared and the public is cordially invited to attend.

—Mr. H. H. Koonts, of Lexington, State treasurer of the Patriotic Order of Sons of America, was in the city Wednesday looking after the interests of that order, which has a flourishing camp here, of which Col. G. H. Marvin is the presiding officer.

—Bynum Brothers will open a cafe in the Ragan block on North Marietta street in the building formerly occupied by Todd's Cafe, which was recently damaged by fire. Mr. Carl Bynum will be manager. They expect to open for business about the 11th.

—Mr. R. L. Davis and son, Dewey, of Charlotte, spent Wednesday in the city with friends. Mr. Davis and family, who formerly lived in Gastonia but have been making their home in Charlotte for the past two years, expect to move next year to the farm which they recently purchased near Pinetown.

MEETS NEXT TUESDAY.

Annual Meeting of Twenty-Second Masonic District at Charlotte
Next Tuesday—Mr. S. N. Boyce on the Program.

Gastonia will send a large delegation of Masons to Charlotte next Tuesday to attend the annual meeting of the twenty-second Masonic district of the State. Handsome invitations to this meeting have been sent to all the lodges in the district and were received in Gastonia this morning. Mr. Leake Carraway, general chairman in charge of the preparations for the meeting, together with a number of other Charlotte Masons will be in Gastonia tonight to advertise the event.

Following is the program:

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 8 P. M.

Opening of the Lodge. Knox. W. Henry, District Deputy.

Invocation, Rev. Harris Mallinckrodt.

Address of Welcome, Dr. C. A. Bland, Mayor.

Response, S. N. Boyce, Gastonia.

Introductory, Judge Wm. F. Harding.

Address, Hon. O. B. Eaton, Winston.

Call from Labor to Refreshment.

At Fresco Dinner.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 10 P. M.

Lodge at Ease.

Address, Dr. F. M. Wincnester, Grand Master.

Music.

Address, John C. Drewry, Grand Secretary.

Prayer, Rev. Harris Mallinckrodt.

Closing.

See those pretty House Mantels, Grates and Tiling at Gastonia Furniture Company.

WHY GIRLS LEAVE HOME.

This is a new version of the side-splitting Comedy that won worldwide fame several years ago. It's a special release in two reels and will be presented at the Ideal Theatre, Tuesday, Dec. 9th, matinee and night. This is a play that both old and young will enjoy; a play that will long linger in the minds of those who see it.—Adv.

MANY TAX RELEASES

THE COUNTY FATHERS ARE LENIENT

More Than Fifty Released From Double-Taxes by County Commissioners—Mr. Leeper Re-Elected Chairman—Jury Drawn for January Term of Court—Paupers List Gone Over—A Busy Session.

Nothing of especial interest marked the December meeting of the board of county commissioners which was held Monday and concluded Wednesday. A large amount of routine business was transacted, the bulk of it being hearing from persons who desired to be released from double-tax or who had been erroneously charged with taxes in one way and another and who desired to be released. In all, about 55 requests of this nature were granted.

Commissioners J. P. McArver, of Gastonia, and R. S. Lewis, of Dallas, were appointed a committee to look after the county home.

Mr. John F. Leeper was unanimously re-elected chairman of the board for the coming year.

Mr. W. M. Nolen was re-elected janitor of the court house at a monthly salary of \$40, to be under the supervision of the auditor.

It was ordered that the contract for printing the annual statement of the county and road funds and county reports be awarded to The Gastonia Gazette and the school report to The Gaston Progress.

Mr. Clyde C. Craig was re-elected keeper of the county home at a salary of \$50 per month.

R. A. Weaver was exempted from paying poll tax on account of physical infirmities.

Supt. T. L. Ware was instructed to survey a road as per petition of C. A. Witherspoon and others in Cherryville township.

Jackson Knight was declared a pauper and allowed to go to the county home.

JURY LIST.

The following jurors were drawn for the January term of Gaston County Superior Court.

FIRST WEEK.

George Neill, Cherryville.
F. D. Barkley, Gastonia.
James P. Quinn, Dallas.
R. L. Adams, Gastonia.
S. L. McAllister, Alexis.
J. L. Leeper, Belmont.
McKee Bradley, Gastonia.
E. D. Maynard, Belmont.
John E. McAllister, Gastonia.
D. R. Van Dyke, Cherryville.
Chas. Ford, Gastonia.
Chas. M. Robinson, Gastonia.
J. T. Van Dyke, Cherryville.
J. F. Ellington, Belmont.
J. P. Bumgardner, Bessemer City.
H. Young, Bessemer City.
W. A. Rhyne, Dallas.
Z. V. Martin, Bessemer City.
J. L. Burke, Bessemer City.
S. Black, Cherryville.
L. W. Hardgrave, High Shoals.
D. G. Rafter, Mount Holly.
N. L. McGee, McAdenville.
Frank S. Kale, High Shoals.
L. W. Allen, Stanley.
R. T. Padgett, Gastonia.
O. S. Eaker, Cherryville.
J. W. Culp, Gastonia.
S. L. Jackson, Lowell.
A. F. McKenzie, Stanley.
A. L. Leeper, Bessemer City.
C. W. Fuller, Bessemer City.
J. P. Glover, Gastonia.
Fred M. Pasour, Jr., Dallas.

SECOND WEEK.

Robert Littlejohn, Bessemer City.
T. C. T. Smith, Belmont.
Burt Huffstetter, Dallas.
W. C. Casler, Mount Holly.
R. P. Collins, Bessemer City.
J. H. Brisson, Lowell.
Edward Mauncy, Dallas.
R. H. Kale, Belmont.
J. R. Freeman, Bessemer City.
S. M. Pearson, Gastonia.
L. J. Lineberger, Lowell.
G. R. Phillips, Lowell.
J. W. Moten, Gastonia.
M. L. Craft, Cherryville.
L. P. Baker, Cherryville.
J. S. Rhyne, Mount Holly.
Lave Jenkins, Gastonia.

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Congressman Webb Here.

Congressman E. Yates Webb of the Ninth District is spending the day in the city as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Dixon. He is spending a short time at his home in Shelby and will remain there next week to attend the Baptist State Convention. In January Mr. Webb will go to Georgia to conduct the investigation into the charges recently made against Federal Judge Emory Seer. Mr. Webb is strongly of the opinion that work will actually be begun on Gastonia's postoffice building early in the year, his belief being based on assurances he has from the supervising architect's office and from the Treasury Department. The plans are now being prepared and will probably be completed at an early date when bids will be asked for and the contract let. Congressman Webb's numerous friends were glad to see him.

Gastonia Cotton.

Good Middling 13½c
Cotton Seed 45c

IN SOCIAL CIRCLES

LATEST EVENTS IN WOMAN'S WORLD

CHORUS PRACTICE

TO-MORROW AFTERNOON.
Members of the Music Club are requested to take notice that there is to be chorus practice at the Central school auditorium tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Every member is specially invited to be present as the time for the public concert to be given by the club is drawing near.

ENTERTAINED AT FORTY-TWO.

At her home on South Marietta street yesterday afternoon from 3 to 5:30 Mrs. J. V. Harper entertained a number of her friends at forty-two complimentary to her house-guest, Mrs. H. W. Hatcher, of Salisbury. There were three tables of players. A hot course of refreshments was served. A liberal use of roses and narcissus in decorating made the house most attractive for this occasion.

BAZAAR AT BELMONT NEXT WEEK.

On Friday and Saturday of next week, December 12 and 13, the ladies of the Belmont Baptist church will give a bazaar in the hall over W. H. and D. P. Stowe's store. They will have on sale articles of Japanese art work, pictures, fancy work and miscellaneous articles very suitable for holiday gifts. There will also be tempting refreshments for all who wish them. Supper will be served Friday night and dinner on Saturday. The menu will include oysters, salads, ice cream and cake and other good things to eat. Everybody is cordially invited.

U. C. CLUB MET WITH MISS PURSLEY.

The regular meeting of the U. C. Club was held yesterday afternoon with Miss Ida Pursley at her home on West Franklin avenue. The topic for study was Scotland, and there were interesting papers read by Miss Pursley, Mrs. Walter Ramsaur and Miss Mary Ragan. Roll-call was answered by quotations from Burns and Mrs. A. C. Jones gave a reading of one of Burns' poems. At the conclusion of the program refreshments were served. Besides members of the club Miss Waldrop, of Hendersonville, and Mrs. S. J. Hood, of Iva, S. C., were invited guests.

ROBINSON-MURPHY WEDDING.

The following account of the Robinson-Murphy wedding is taken from the Lowell correspondence of The Charlotte Observer under date of the 4th instant:

Miss Virginia Robinson and Mr. Paul P. Murphy were married here last evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Robinson, the ceremony which was performed by Rev. R. A. Miller, being attended by only the immediate relatives and a few intimate friends. Maids of honor were Misses Edith and Kate Robinson. The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robinson, an attractive and accomplished young lady and a gifted musician. Mr. Murphy, a member of an old eastern Carolina family, has made Lowell his home for several years. He is superintendent of the Peerless Manufacturing Company. Mr. and Mrs. Murphy will spend their honeymoon in Northern cities, following which they will reside in Lowell.

Both the bride and the groom are well-known and popular in Gastonia where they have hosts of friends.

Civil Court in Session.

Gaston County Superior Court for the trial of civil cases convened Wednesday morning, with Judge W. F. Harding presiding. The first case taken up was that of James Starr vs. Southern Cotton Oil Co., which is still claiming the attention of the court. The last argument was heard just before the noon recess and the judge has charged the jury. Starr is a negro and while employed by the Southern Cotton Oil Company in its Gastonia plant lost his right arm. He is asking for \$10,000. There are several attorneys on each side and the case is being fought hard. Court is scheduled to continue through next week.

Factory to Start Soon.

All the machinery for the box factory recently erected in the northern part of town by Mr. J. B. Atkinson, of Lenoir, has now arrived and is being placed. It is expected that everything will be in readiness to begin actual production by the middle of next week. Mr. R. A. Munday, who recently moved here and lives on East Third avenue, is the superintendent in charge of the factory.

Congressman E. Y. Webb and Mrs. Webb, of Shelby, are the guests today of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Dixon at their home on York street. Mr. and Mrs. Webb came over from Shelby this morning in their car, accompanied by several friends.

Kings Mountain Herald, 4th: Dr. J. E. Anthony took his brother, Mr. Luther Anthony, to John Hopkins hospital in Baltimore last week for treatment. It will be remembered that Mr. Anthony suffered either a broken or dislocated jaw while playing football at Erskine College a few months ago. In the treatment the bones were not properly set, making necessary this later treatment.

WILL CLOSE ON SUNDAY

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES WILL END THEN

Meeting at First Presbyterian Church Has Drawn Large Crowds Daily — Three Special Services Sunday, Meeting Closing With Night Service—Several Hundred School Children Present This Morning.

The special evangelistic services at the First Presbyterian Church continue to grow in attendance and interest. The auditorium of the church is filled at the morning service, while at the evening service probably more than a thousand people are in attendance, to hear Dr. Thacker's strong and eloquent sermons. The spiritual interest is constantly deepening, and there is general regret that the meetings are drawing to a close. Many hundreds of cards have been handed in. The services will close Sunday night.

There will be three services on Sunday: At 11 a. m., 3:30 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. The service at 3:30 p. m. is for men and boys, and will be a meeting of special interest and value. Dr. Thacker has been requested to preach the annual sermon before the Junior Order U. A. M. at that time, and has consented to do so, combining that with his regular evangelistic service. The Junior Order, more than 200 strong, will march to the church in a body and occupy the middle block of pews which will be reserved for them. This will be a great service and all the men and boys of the city are urged not to miss it. All are cordially welcomed. The music will be a special feature and promises to be uncommonly attractive.

At night the last service of the meeting will be held. The other churches of the town will close on account of the meeting, and there will no doubt be a very large congregation, which will tax the capacity of the church. All the pastors of the city have lent their co-operation very heartily during the meeting, and have cheerfully volunteered to unite in the service Sunday night. This cordial co-operation and union of the Christian forces of the city has meant much to the success of the meeting, and is a striking illustration of the essential unity and the strong fraternal spirit that characterizes the Gastonia churches.

The subject of Dr. Thacker's sermon tonight will be, "The Man of the Hour," and it promises to be a discourse that every one should hear. The hour of service is 7:30 and all the people of the city and community are most earnestly and heartily invited to be present.

At this morning's service there were present in addition to a large general congregation, several hundred school children. Supt. Wray of the city schools, dismissed the pupils of the Central school in order that they might attend the services in a body. They filled the gallery and overflowed into the main auditorium, making an inspiring spectacle.

—Mr. J. B. Atkinson proprietor of the new box factory, has purchased from Mr. W. H. Adams the residence property on West Long avenue just in the rear of the Falls House. Mr. Atkinson will remodel and improve the property and move his family here within the next few weeks.

Something Wrong.

Wadesboro Ansonian.
A young man living ten miles from Wadesboro was summoned by both sides in a case, to appear as a witness in the Recorder's court. He came on two different occasions and the case was continued. The third time it was tried but he was not put on the stand and therefore not allowed to prove his ticket and draw his pay. He had spent three days to obey the law and yet the law said he could not recover for his time and expense. There is something wrong with a legal system that permits a case like this, compelling a man to give his time and money to serve the State or the defendant and yet denying him the right to recover. The courts give very little consideration to the innocent bystander.

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BEWARE OF OINTMENTS FOR CATARRH THAT CONTAIN MERCURY

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, O., by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.

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NEWS OF THE COUNTY

LATEST FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS

Newly Letters from Gazette Correspondents Here and There Overt 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.

MET INSTANT DEATH.

Mr. R. L. Payne, Formerly of Bessemer City, Meets Instant Death in Moore County — New School House Nearing Completion—Personal Notes.

Correspondence of The Gazette. BESEMER CITY, Dec. 3. — The town and community was saddened last night when a message was received here stating that Mr. Robert L. Payne, who moved to Moore county last August, was instantly killed at Sanford by electricity. The unfortunate man was making an effort to release a fellow-laborer who had come in contact with a heavily charged wire and as a result both men lost their lives.

Mr. Payne leaves a wife and seven children. The funeral was conducted yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the home of Mr. E. L. Froneberger and was very largely attended which was an indication of the esteem in which deceased was held here. Rev. C. K. Bell, of the local Lutheran church, conducted the funeral and took the basis of his remarks the question of Job, "If a man die will he live again?" Rev. R. R. Caldwell assisted in the service.

The reservoir for the city water is rapidly nearing completion and work on the pipe lines is moving on nicely.

The last story of the elegant new school building was started today and with favorable weather it will soon be completed, namely, the walls. The large iron girders for the roof are being laid down on the grounds.

There is one thing your correspondent has heard nothing about and that is a large bell. It is hoped that a large one will be gotten and that an arrangement may be made whereby it will serve as a town clock.

Miss Mamie Fuller has accepted a position temporarily with Mr. Babbington at Gastonia.

We regret very much that Rev. and Mrs. Reinhardt will leave Bessemer City. Mr. Reinhardt goes to an appointment at Bryson City and Whittier. We hope they may have a pleasant and fruitful work there.

A successor to Mrs. Reinhardt in the school has not yet been selected. Dr. and Mrs. Kidd moved Thursday to Norfolk, where he will work at his trade, dentistry.

WEST GASTONIA NEWS.

Correspondence of The Gazette. WEST GASTONIA, Dec. 5.—Mr. Pearl Bradley, granite cutter, who has been with Mr. Will White for the past two months, left Monday for Winston-Salem to work there.

Mr. Stough Mauncy, who has been doing the pipe fitting at Loray, left Sunday for Piedmont, N. C.

Mr. Will Lambrick, of Bessemer City, was a Loray visitor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Boyter visited Loray friends Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Job Baker and little daughter, Grace, of Charlotte, visited the parents of Mrs. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. John Moss, last Thursday.

Mr. Bonner Scruggs of Charlotte was a Loray visitor Thursday.

Mr. Peatus Turner visited at High Shoals Sunday.

Mrs. A. D. Davis has returned from Stanley Creek, where she has been for the past three weeks visiting her daughters, Mrs. J. M. Thompson and Mrs. Condey Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dodd spent last week in Shelby, visiting relatives and attending to business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Webb spent Sunday in Gaffney, S. C., with home-folks.

Mrs. J. D. Moore and little daughter, Alma, spent Thanksgiving at McAdenville with her mother, Mrs. Harriett Simmons.

Mrs. George Taylor, who underwent an operation at the City Hospital, is improving rapidly, and her many friends hope she will shortly recover.

Miss Estelle Lous gave a fruit supper Thanksgiving night, and a large crowd attended and enjoyed a pleasant evening.

Mr. Jim Parker is numbered among the sick this week.

Miss Brint Thompson, of Shelby, spent Thanksgiving with her sister, Mrs. Pink Leonard.

Master Lester Broom, who has been sick for the past two weeks, is better at this writing.

—Mr. R. H. Brisson has sold to Messrs. A. C. Little and C. L. Chandler a tract of 42 acres lying near the Loray Mill. Messrs. Little and Chandler will probably divide the property into lots and put it on the market.

—The Cambridge Players, the lyceum attraction at the Central school auditorium last Friday night, gave one of the best entertainments of its kind ever given in the city. There was a good house out to hear them and all present enjoyed the evening very greatly.

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