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LATEST EVENTS IN WOMAN'S WORLD

MUSIC CLUB

TO-MORROW.

The Music Club will hold its regular meeting to-morrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock with Mrs. W. F. Rankin on West Main avenue. The program includes the following topics: "French Opera," "Carmen" and "Tales of Hoffman".

CONCERT A SUCCESS.

The concert given last Friday night at the Central school auditorium by the Music Club assisted by the Atkins Orchestra was a decided success so far as the program was concerned. The crowd was small, due probably to the threatening weather. Every number on the program, which was an excellent one within itself, was splendidly rendered and those who attended were well paid for their time and trouble. The music lovers of the city hope that the club will give another concert at an early date.

EARL MORROW'S FUNERAL.

Was Buried at Hamlet Thursday—Wilson Page Will Recover.

The following specials from Hamlet to the Charlotte Observer of Saturday will be of interest to many Gazette readers:

The funeral of Mr. Earl Morrow, who was killed in an automobile accident near West End, Moore County on Tuesday, was held from the residence of his father, Mr. Pelham Morrow, Thursday morning at 10:30. The services at the residence were conducted by Rev. F. B. Rankin, former pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Hamlet and now of Rutherfordton, assisted by Rev. J. A. Dailey of the Methodist Church. The funeral was one of the largest in attendance ever held in Hamlet, and the floral offerings were beautiful. The Masons conducted the exercises at the cemetery. The deceased was also a member of the Raleigh lodge of Elks and a large delegation from this lodge attended the funeral.

There was no more popular young man in the town, and no one with better prospects for the future than the deceased.

The latest information from the bedside of Mr. Wilson Page, who was seriously injured in the automobile accident Tuesday which caused the death of Mr. Earl Morrow, is that his injuries are not as serious as first thought and the chances for his recovery are good. It will be some time before he can be moved from the hospital at Jackson Springs, where he was taken immediately after the accident.

There was an error in the report of the accident Thursday night relative to the relation of Mr. Page and Mr. Morrow. Mr. Page is the uncle of Mrs. Morrow and has a wife and two children, who are with him at present.

REPORT OF COTTON GINNING.

Statistics of Census Bureau Show 12,081,100 Bales Ginned to December 1st.

A Washington dispatch of yesterday says:

The sixth cotton ginning report of the Census Bureau for the season, issued at 10 o'clock this morning, announced that 12,081,100 bales of cotton, counting round as half bales, of the growth of 1913 had been ginned prior to December 1, to which date during the past seven years the ginning averaged 83.2 per cent of the entire crop. Last year to December 1 there had been ginned 11,854,541 bales, or 87.9 per cent of the entire crop; in 1911 to that date, 12,816,807 bales or 82.4 per cent, and in 1908 to that date 11,008,661 bales, or 84.1 per cent.

Included in the ginning were 85,760 round bales, compared with 73,030 round bales last year, 87,996 round bales in 1911, 101,718 round bales in 1910, and 134,393 round bales in 1909.

The number of sea island cotton bales included were 61,516, compared with 51,275 bales last year, 87,656 bales in 1911, 77,591 bales in 1909 and 68,396 bales in 1908.

North Carolina reports 622,746 bales ginned up to December 1st this year as against 754,569 in 1912 and 828,660 in 1911.

Mr. R. P. Carlton, of Lakeside, Cal., arrived in the city on Sunday night and will be the guest for several days of his sister, Mrs. J. J. Beach, and then visit relatives at other points in the State.

Her friends will regret to learn that Mrs. J. W. Dellinger, of Stanley, confined at the City Hospital. Her condition is not regarded as serious, however, and her friends hope for her early recovery.

A called meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held in the city hall at 7:30 o'clock to-night. All members are urged to be present. A report will be heard from the committee on constitution and by-laws.

Miss Bessie Kingsley, of Athens, Pa., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Winget for the holiday season. Miss Kingsley was formerly with Thomson's and has a large number of friends in Gastonia who will be delighted to see her.

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. George Grice spent Sunday with friends in Charlotte.

—Just seven more shopping days until Christmas.

—Wood is getting more plentiful on the local market.

—Hon. N. B. Kendrick, of Cherryville, is in the city on business today.

—Miss Carrie Petrea, of Concord, is visiting her sister, Mrs. G. F. Post.

—Mr. C. F. Harry, of Grover, was a business visitor in the city Saturday.

—Mr. W. P. McAteer, of McAdenville, was a Gastonia visitor Saturday.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rutledge, of Dallas, route two, were in the city shopping Saturday.

—Mr. J. M. Holland and Mr. G. H. Marvin are business visitors to Salisbury today.

—Mr. J. D. Fronberger, of Mt. Holly, route one, was in the city on business Saturday.

—Mr. G. M. Shives, a prosperous farmer of Mount Holly, route two, was in the city Saturday.

—Mr. Perry Wright, of Bessemer City, route two, was a Gastonia visitor Saturday.

—Mrs. C. E. Wagner left yesterday afternoon for Lexington on a visit to relatives.

—Mr. S. E. Foy, of the risgan neighborhood on route one, was in the city Saturday.

—Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Kirby, Jr., and children spent Sunday in Charlotte with relatives.

—Miss Grace Armstrong, of Belmont was the guest last week of Mrs. A. R. Rankin.

—Mr. J. W. Meek, of Clover, S. C., route two, was in the city on business this morning.

—Mr. J. B. Pursley, of Lowell, route one, was a business visitor in the city today.

—Col. R. N. Wilson has been quite ill for some days at his home on South Oakland street.

—The Holland Realty & Insurance Company has sold a house and lot on Chestnut street to Mr. W. M. Miller.

—Mrs. Lizzie Falls, of Charlotte, was the guest Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Long at their home on East Airline avenue.

—Mrs. A. B. Mitchell, who has been ill for several days at her home on Maple street, is reported as being better today.

—Mrs. M. E. Jenkins, who was quite ill last week at her home on East Airline avenue, is able to be out again this week.

—Mrs. L. L. Hardin, of Columbia, S. C., and Mrs. Ida C. Hardin, of Clover, S. C., were the guests Friday of Mrs. G. W. Ragan.

—Mrs. W. G. Pace, after a visit of a week or more with Mrs. D. A. Garrison, left on 35 last night for her home in Birmingham.

—Prof. R. E. Lineberger, who is teaching near Mt. Holly, spent Saturday in Gastonia en route to Lincolnton to spend Sunday with his family.

—Mrs. D. A. Garrison, to the delight of her many friends, is able to be out after having been confined to her home for the past four or five weeks.

—Mrs. J. L. Hemphill and Miss Bruce McKemy, of Moreland, Ga., are spending some time in the city as the guests of their sister, Mrs. J. C. Galloway.

—Mrs. Louisa J. Wilson returned last night from an extended visit to her sons, Prof. R. N. Wilson, of Trinity College, Durham, and Dr. L. R. Wilson, of Chapel Hill.

—Mr. E. Clarence Gerhart left Saturday night on train No. 38 for his home at Perkaskie, Pa., after a visit of three weeks to Mr. R. W. White and family.

—The new white way lights have just been placed at the corners of the Southern passenger station yard, and add greatly to the appearance of the new station by night.

—Chester, S. C., Reporter, 15th: Mrs. W. M. Grier, of Bartow, Fla., arrived in the city Friday evening to be the guest of her sister-in-law, Mrs. R. R. Moffat, on College street.

—"Quo Vadis," a photo drama based on the famous novel by Henry Sienkiewicz, will be presented Thursday afternoon and night of this week at the Gastonia Opera House.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Daniels and little son, of High Shoals, passed through Gastonia this morning. Mr. Daniels is manager of the High Shoals Company store at High Shoals.

—Mrs. J. D. Post, mother of Mrs. Chas. Ford, was brought here from Newton a few days ago to undergo treatment at the City Hospital. Mrs. Post has been ill for several weeks and her condition, while grave, is not considered critical. Her friends hope for her early recovery.

VILLA NOW DICTATOR

REBEL LEADER ASSUMES THAT ROLE

Seizes Five Million Dollars Worth of Property and Executes Twenty Mexican Civilians—Catholic Nuns and Priests Expelled—Situation is Serious.

An Associated Press dispatch from El Paso, Texas, dated the 14th and appearing in yesterday's morning papers says in part:

Americans, Germans and Spaniards who today arrived from Chihuahua, Mexico, report that Francisco Villa, the rebel leader, virtually has constituted himself dictator there and that he refused to listen to the representatives of foreign Governments.

The refugees asserted that the rebel leader had seized \$5,000,000 worth of property belonging to foreigners' had put to death about 20 Mexican civilians including Serge Sanchez, a lawyer and former State official and had commanded the American, German and British Consuls to obey rebel orders. The happenings in Chihuahua since Villa occupied the city on its evacuation by the Federal troops, as told by the refugees, who numbered 1,000 were:

Villa seized a large department store valued at \$1,500,000 and owned by French, German, English and Spanish interests, but chiefly by Spanish, and placed in command of the store General Chao, a rebel leader.

He also seized a brewery, a clothing factory and all the grocery and other stores owned by Spaniards, valued at \$3,500,000.

He called a meeting of merchants of all nationalities and told them they must pay him large sums of money, aggregating several million dollars, to support the revolution. He gave orders that the so-called constitutional money should be accepted as currency.

Villa's expulsion of citizens of Spain was on pain of death. He at first informed them they must be out of the country within five days but later, after an appeal by Harry Scheff, the British Vice Consul, he extended the time to 10 days. None of the Spaniards was allowed to take anything except personal effects and all were told never to return.

The capture and imprisonment of Luis Terrazas, Jr., son of a rich land owner, was after Terrazas had sought refuge in the British Vice Consulate and after the rebels informed Mr. Scheff they would break down the British Vice Consulate unless Terrazas was released.

Marion Letcher, United States Consul, was asked by the foreigners to protect them. Mr. Letcher attempted to send a cipher message to the State Department but was informed by Villa that no cipher messages would be permitted on the rebel telegraph.

Villa then informed the foreign Consuls in a body that they would have to obey rebel orders.

Otto Kueck, the German Consul, protested to Villa against the execution of tribute from Germans. Villa threatened Kueck, saying the latter would be escorted to the border if he persisted in his protest. A store in which Kueck was interested was required to pay \$30,000. All homes and property of the expelled Spaniards were appropriated to the personal use of the rebels.

The expulsion of Spanish nuns and priests was complete except that the bishop, a Spaniard, was allowed to remain.

"Villa's attitude toward the consuls was hostile," a German clothing merchant said. "The German colony went to Mr. Kueck for protection. Mr. Kueck went to Villa with a protest. Villa said I cannot shoot you, but I can escort you to the border. Kueck replied he would remain in Chihuahua as long as there was a German citizen there."

It was impossible for the foreigners to obtain any definite understanding from Villa as to what course he would pursue in future toward foreigners.

—The Gazette is requested to state that the music department and chorus class of the Bolling Springs High School, Cleveland county, will give a mid-winter musical recital in the school auditorium on Friday evening, December 9th, at 7 o'clock. A small admission fee will be charged.

—Mr. R. B. Babington, general manager of the Piedmont Telephone & Telegraph Company, announces that the central office of the company here will be closed for Christmas Day from 11 a. m. to 2 p. m. to allow the operators time for Christmas dinner. These three hours are the only suspension of the service throughout the entire year.

—Mrs. D. G. Phillips and little son, William, returned Friday afternoon from a visit of a few days to the former's parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Wideman, at Due West.—Married at the A. R. P. parsonage in this city Saturday afternoon, Dec. 13th, 1913, Mrs. Ella Moore, of Richburg, and Mr. James Hemphill McMill, of Wellridge. Rev. D. G. Phillips, D. D. officiating.

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LOCAL GLEANINGS

Born

On Monday December 15, 1913, to Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Vansleen, a son.

Gaston's Taxable Property.

According to the abstract of listed taxables just completed by Register of Deeds A. J. Smith, Gaston county's total listed property is valued at \$14,019,280.00. In its next issue The Gazette expects to give its readers the details from this abstract.

To Install Sanitary Fountains.

During the Christmas holidays sanitary drinking fountains will be installed at the Belmont public schools by the Woman's Betterment Association. These are to be like the ones installed at the Gastonia schools a year or so ago. Belmont is the second town in the county to take this advanced step in sanitary lines.

Pastor Moose Resigns.

Rev. J. D. Moose, who has been for nearly two years pastor of the Loray Baptist church, has resigned his pastorate and will move about the last of this month to Maiden, where he will enter the South Fork Institute and pursue a special course of study. During his residence here Mr. Moose and his family have made many close friends, who will regret that they are to leave the city. No announcement has been made as to the matter of choosing a successor to Rev. Mr. Moose as pastor of the church at Loray.

Elects Officers.

Gastonia Lodge No. 53 Knights of Pythias last night held its regular semi-annual election of officers, which resulted as follows: Chancellor Commander, J. W. Atkins; vice-chancellor, George B. Mason; prelate, P. P. Rockett; master of work, F. E. Saunders; keeper of records and seal, George R. Rawlings; master of finance, Chas. Ford; master of execution, J. Lee Robinson; master at arms, George E. Marvin; inner guard, Sidney Winget; outer guard, Dane S. Rhyme; common treasurer, Ed N. Pegram. These officers will be installed early in January.

Death of Mrs. Hammette.

Mrs. Mary Hammette, who has been making her home for the past year with her son, Mr. D. F. Hammette, at the Loray Mill, died on Tuesday, December 9th, while on a visit to her brother, Mr. J. A. Abernathy, in Cleveland county. Funeral services were conducted at Camp Creek Baptist church in Cleveland county on Wednesday, December 10th, at 1:30 p. m., by Rev. R. G. Ramsey, of the Alabama Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist church, followed by burial in the Camp Creek cemetery. Mrs. Hammette was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Kings Mountain, and was a woman of true Christian character, whose death is a great bereavement to her sorrowing children. She is survived by one brother, Mr. J. A. Abernathy, two sons, Mr. D. F. Hammette, of Gastonia, and Mr. Dexter Hammette, of Commerce, Ga., and two daughters, Mrs. Maggie Falls, of Gastonia, and Mrs. Neely Gossett, of Drayton, S. C.

Acquires Interest in Drug Store.

Mr. Ed C. Adams, for the past five years head pharmacist at J. H. Kennedy & Co.'s drug store, has acquired an interest in that business the deal having been consummated yesterday, and becomes active manager of same. Mr. Adams is a native of Clover, S. C., and came to Gastonia a number of years ago. He attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where he took the course in pharmacy. Since then he has been continuously with Kennedy. Mr. Adams is one of Gastonia's most popular and efficient young business men and his numerous friends here and elsewhere will be interested to know that he is now a member of the firm with which he has so long been identified. The other members of Kennedy's clerical force, in addition to Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Adams, are Mr. G. F. Hovis and Mr. Howard Horsely. Mr. Adams is a son of Mr. W. E. Adams, of Clover, and a brother of the late Robert C. Adams, who, until his death a few years ago, was manager of the Adams Drug Company's store here. The following physicians have their headquarters at Kennedy's: Drs. C. E. Adams, H. F. Glenn, D. A. Garrison, J. H. Jenkins and Dr. H. J. Erwin, colored. Mr. Kennedy has been in the drug business for 29 years and has been in business for himself since 1897. A year or so ago this firm took on the Rexall line which is widely advertised and is represented by leading druggists all over the United States.

PENSION CHECKS HERE

MORE THAN \$10,000 FOR THE VETERANS

Over \$10,000 to be Distributed Among Veterans and Widows—Twenty Seven Deaths During Year.

Clerk of the Court C. C. Cornwell received from Raleigh yesterday the pension checks for Gaston county's Confederate veterans, amounting in all to the sum of \$10,256. Each pensioner receives this year \$2.00 more than heretofore. Mr. Cornwell would like for all the veterans who can conveniently do so to call at his office at the court house this week and get their checks. Those not called for within the next few days will be mailed out.

During the past year seventeen veterans and ten widows of veterans who were on the pension roll have died as follows: Veterans—A. Miller Anthony, H. S. Beam, E. W. Berry Daniel Eaker, D. A. Hallman, Aaron Hinson, A. Hovis, Hiram Johnson, William L. Lockman, D. F. Lawing, C. Nantz, David A. Parker, Joseph D. Payne, F. W. Ray, R. Simmons, W. C. Sherrill and Samuel Lutz, colored; Widows—Medlames M. L. Baker, E. Cook, T. C. Dellinger, Mary Gouch, Telitha Hartgrove, Louise Hoyle, Sellina McAllister, J. Perkins, Margaret Ramsey and M. Thomas.

There are two veterans in the county who receive \$120 a year in monthly installments of \$10, both being totally blind. They are Marcus Adderholdt and H. A. Torrence.

Mount Holly Matters.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

MT HOLLY, Dec. 16.—The Methodist congregation are very much pleased with their new pastor, Rev. N. R. Richardson, and his estimable wife, who arrived a few days ago and are at home at the parsonage. Rev. J. A. Bowles and family have gone to their new home at Forest City, after a most pleasant four years stay in our midst. No pastor has ever served the church here who was loved more and whose departure was more regretted. The church was built up, strengthened and made better in every way during his pastorate, and he and his esteemed family will be missed not only by the congregation but by the entire community.

Mr. J. E. Hovis has moved from Main street to the Stillwell residence on depot street and Mr. Todd, the new S. A. L. Agent, will occupy the house vacated by Mr. Hovis.

The big clearance sale at Cannon and Torrence's this week is attracting unusually large crowds each day.

Miss Anna Lineberger has returned to her home at Iron Station after several week's visit with friends in town.

Mrs. C. E. Hutchison and Misses Eunice and Mary Hutchison came home Thursday from a pleasant visit with relatives in Washington, D. C.

Mrs. J. E. Dunn continues very ill at her home on Route 2.

Mr. Ed Thompson and family have moved to the residence adjoining Mr. L. J. Dellinger, on Route 1.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS.

Gastonia, N. C., Dec. 13, '13. Dear Santa:

I thought I would write as Christmas is drawing near. I want you to bring me a bracelet and a little knife, apples, candy, oranges and other nice things. Please bring my little brothers and sisters some nice things too, and all other little children. Please bring me a nice pencil. Your little friend,

EUNICE BOYD.

Dear Santa:

I will write as my sister is writing to you. Please bring me a little knife and a harp. Don't forget that I like candy and apples and other nice fruits.

Your friend,

RALPH R. BOYD.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl three years old. Will you please bring me a big doll and some toys, nuts and fruits. And don't forget little sister Margaret and also remember Florence and Mabel.

ELLA MAY CARSON.

Gastonia, N. C., Dec. 16, 1913.

President Wilson was confined to his bed several days last week with a severe cold but was able to be up Sunday.

Buy your furniture, stoves, ranges from Gastonia Furniture Co. and get pony tickets.

Horner Military Institute, now located at Oxford, will probably be moved to Charlotte at the beginning of the next school year. Col. J. C. Horner, president, has accepted a proposition made by Charlotte citizens to donate a 45-acre site and a cash bonus of \$15,000 to induce the location of the school in Charlotte. Work will probably begin early in the spring on the buildings, which will be a notable addition to Charlotte's present list of splendid educational institutions.

It's a sight the Christmas things O'Neil's got. Seen 'em yet? D23C.

NEWS OF THE COUNTY

LATEST FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS

Newspapers 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.

BESSEMER BRIEFS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

BESSEMER CITY, Dec. 16.—On Friday, Dec. 5th, the members of the Bessemer City and Second Gastonia A. R. P. churches met at the home of their pastor and about their dinners and had a sumptuous feast and afterwards on leaving left many tokens of appreciation which were very substantial and which are most highly appreciated, not so much for their intrinsic worth as for the good spirit that prompted it. For these we feel unable to express our appreciation as we should like to do.

These donations have been forthcoming all through the year as the pastor is out in his buggy among the parishioners.

Rev. W. B. Shinn, who was recently appointed to the Bessemer City charge of the M. E. church, South preached his initial sermon the 14th inst. but will not move his family for several weeks.

The parsonage is undergoing some small repairs and new articles of furnishings are being placed to have everything ready for his coming.

Mrs. Oia Vara, of Kings Mountain, is filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Reinhardt, who with her husband has gone to Bryson City and Whittier to Mr. Reinhardt's new charge. It may well be said of Mrs. Reinhardt that she was one of the best teachers the school has had and her going is very much regretted.

But it is understood that Mrs. Vara is "holding the work down" all right.

The streets present a scene of activity these days, with several cottages going up, a large number of hands working in the water pipe ditches, the big reservoir and the school building—all moving along nicely and people in general moving with the tide of the season.

Mrs. F. A. Service has been quite ill for several days but is better now.

Little Myrtle, the two-year-old baby of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Morrow, has been quite ill for several days past.

CHERRYVILLE CHAT.

New Business House Completed—Live News Items and Personals.

CHERRYVILLE, Dec. 15th.—The Self and Hoffman building has been completed and Dr. M. E. Hoffman, dentist, is moving his office today from the Houser building into his new quarters.

Miss Sudie Carpenter, of Bessemer City, route one, has accepted a position with Kendrick Mercantile Co.

Miss Courtney, who has been milliner for Kendrick Mercantile Co., for the past season, left this morning for her home in Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Matney are going to housekeeping and are today moving into their house in the southern part of town on the street leading towards Cleveland Springs.

Mr. W. D. Beam, of Gastonia, was a visitor here Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. W. C. Stroup and family, who have been living in Virginia for the past two years have moved back to their place south of town.

Messrs. J. M. Beam and J. S. Niell have gone to Tennessee to buy a car load of horses and mules.

Miss Maude Rudisill returned Friday from a visit to her brother Mr. C. A. Rudisill at Indian Creek Cotton Mills, Lincoln county.

Mr. G. S. Dellinger and family, of Shelby, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Dellinger's parents Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Dellinger.

Dr. and Mrs. Robt. Hunt, of Lattimore, were visitors here Sunday. Dr. Hunt is a brother of Mrs. J. M. Beam.

Mr. A. L. Houser has purchased the vacant lot lying between him and L. C. Harrelson.

Mr. C. C. Dettler and family moved Friday back to their home in Lincoln county. For some time Mr. Dettler has been night watchman for the Gaston Mfg. Co.

Mrs. D. R. Mauney is on a visit to her parents, Rev. and Mrs. G. B. Perry at Zebulon. She will be away until the first of the year.

Mr. Sylvanus Waters, of the United States Infantry, stationed at Fort McPherson, Ga., is home on a thirty days furlough.

Mr. J. C. Ballard has sold his house and lot in the southwestern part of town to Mr. A. P. Cook and has moved into a dwelling near the Howell Mfg. Co. He will now be nearer to his work as Supt. of the Howell Mfg. Co., and the Vivian Cotton Mills.

Mr. S. Arthur Crouse, of Kings Mountain, is spending today in town.

Gastonia Cotton.

Good Middling 15c
Cotton Seed 42c