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MEETING OF DEACONS

HELD HERE TO-NIGHT AND TO-MORROW

Fourth Semi-Annual Convention of the Deacons of Kings Mountain Presbytery to be held at First Presbyterian Church here—First Session To-Night—Men's Bible Class to Give Banquet To-Morrow Night.

Deacons of the several churches embraced within the bounds of Kings Mountain Presbytery are gathering in Gastonia today for the fourth semi-annual deacon's convention of this Presbytery which begins with a session at 7:30 o'clock this evening in the First Presbyterian church and closes with a banquet to be given by the Men's Bible Class of that church tomorrow night. There will probably be about 100 deacons from out of town in attendance. An interesting program has been arranged by the committee which is composed of Dr. H. F. Glenn and Messrs. J. O. White, J. H. Huffstetler, C. C. Craig, P. P. Murphy and E. P. Lewis.

Following is the program:
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 7:30 P. M.

Devotional Exercises—Rev. G. A. Sparrow.

Enrollment of Delegates.
Address of Welcome—Mr. W. W. Glenn, Gastonia.

Response—Mr. W. T. Johnson, of Mount Holly.

Address—The Influence of the Country Church and School in Piedmont Carolina—Rev. Thos. J. Bate-man.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 11, 10 A. M.
Devotional Exercises—Rev. S. L. Cathey.

Enrollment of Delegates.
Addresses—The Deacon's Relation to the Progress of the Kingdom.

(a) In Stewardship and Church Finance—Mr. C. C. Reid, Rutherfordton.

(b) As a Spiritual Force—Rev. W. R. Minter, D. D.

Round Table Discussion—Five minute talks on Practical Problems, Difficulties, Methods, Encouragements, etc.—Free for all.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 11, 2 P. M.
Business Session—Election of Officers, Place of next meeting, Appointment of Committees, Resolutions, New Business, etc.

Five Minute Talks by Ministers of Kings Mountain Presbytery.
Reading and Correction of Minutes.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 11, 7:30 P. M.
Banquet—Given by Men's Bible Class to the Convention and the Men and Boys of the Congregation.

Address by Mr. J. P. McCallie, of Chattanooga, Tenn.

THE BANQUET.

Tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock in the armory of Company B the Men's Bible Class of the First Presbyterian church will give a banquet to the visiting deacons and to all the men and boys (15 years old and over) of the church. Mr. P. W. Garland will be toastmaster. The principal address will be by Dr. J. P. McCallie, of Chattanooga, Tenn., secretary of the Southern General Assembly. There will also be a number of impromptu three-minute talks. The menu will consist of oysters, sandwiches, celery, olives, pickles, fruits and coffee.

The officers of this class are E. J. Rankin president, Jos. H. Adams vice-president, Sidney Winget treasurer, R. M. Jackson secretary and Rev. J. H. Henderlite teacher.

New Photo Gallery Open.

Messrs. Joyner and Walker, of Chester, S. C., have just opened a photograph gallery upstairs in the new Rankin building on West Main avenue. The firm is composed of Mr. Albert Walker and Mr. T. W. Joyner. The latter has been in the photograph business in Chester for a number of years past. The Gastonia gallery will be under the management of Mr. Walker and Miss Annie Howell.

In the column of candidates' announcements elsewhere in this issue will be found a card to the voters of the county from Sheriff J. D. B. McLean announcing his candidacy to succeed himself as Sheriff. Mr. McLean is completing a term as Sheriff during which he has fulfilled the duties of the office in a thoroughly businesslike manner, and he appeals to the Democratic voters of the county upon his record. He states that he will not be able to give very much time to a personal canvass of the county, inasmuch as he considers that the proper fulfillment of the duties of his office forbids his doing so, since he needs to be in his office the greater part of his time.

The board of aldermen of the city of Asheville has refused to grant Penrose Baldwin a license to sell whiskey on prescriptions at Grant's Pharmacy. Baldwin's former license was cancelled during the investigation conducted there some time ago, and since that time Asheville has had no place where whiskey can be obtained on prescription.

IN SOCIAL CIRCLES

LATEST EVENTS IN WOMAN'S WORLD

OYSTER SUPPER FRIDAY NIGHT.

We are requested to announce that an oyster supper will be given by the Y. P. C. U. of Pisgah Associate Reformed Presbyterian church on Friday evening of this week from 5 to 11 o'clock at the home of Mr. S. T. Whitesides, near Linwood College.

RECIPROCIITY DAY LUNCHEON.

In connection with the announcement in another column of the preparations for the observance of Reciprocity Day on February 18th, a special request is made that all the members of the Betterment Association and of the U. C. Club who can attend the luncheon to be given that day give their names at once to Mrs. J. S. Wray, who is chairman of the attendance committee.

D. A. R. MEETING POSTPONED.

On account of the illness of the regent, Mrs. Rufus M. Johnston, and for other reasons, the meeting of the William Gaston Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, which was to have been held on Friday of this week with Mrs. T. M. McCoy at Mount Holly, has been indefinitely postponed. Announcement will be made later of the date of the next meeting.

SIX O'CLOCK DINNER AT MRS. WILSON'S.

At their home on West Franklin avenue last Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Wilson gave a most enjoyable 6 o'clock dinner to a number of their friends. Six courses were served, the guests present being Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Henderlite, Mrs. Mattie Pegrum, Misses Jennie and Bessie Pegrum, Messrs. Lamar and Edward Pegrum, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilson and Mr. Henry Duff.

"VALENTINE TEA" AT THE FALLS HOUSE.

A very enjoyable occasion is being anticipated by those who have received invitations to a "Valentine Tea" to be given at the Falls House Saturday afternoon and evening by the Woman's Auxiliary of St. Mark's Episcopal church. Invitations reading as follows were issued yesterday:

The Woman's Auxiliary of St. Mark's Episcopal Church will receive

At a Valentine Tea Saturday, February Fourteenth four to six seven-thirty to ten

At the Falls House Silver Offering

MISSION STUDY CLASS WITH MRS. CARPENTER.

The Mission Study Class of Main Street Methodist church held a most pleasant and profitable meeting yesterday afternoon with Mrs. Miles A. Carpenter at her home on South Oakland street. Under the leadership of Mrs. T. E. Summerrow the study hour was devoted to the completion of the study of "Mexico Today," on which the class has spent some time with great interest and profit. The next book to be studied will be "Immigrant Forces" by Dr. William P. Shriver. At the conclusion of the study hour a delicious salad course was served, the hostess being assisted by Mrs. Carl E. Carpenter. The Valentine idea was very prettily carried out in the serving of the refreshments. Besides the members of the class there were present as invited guests Mrs. B. F. Carpenter, of Stanley, Mrs. C. C. Cornwell, of Dallas, Mrs. L. A. Brittain, Mrs. W. B. Morris, Mrs. L. A. States, Mrs. R. B. Babington and Mrs. John R. Rankin. Much interest was manifested in the approaching lecture on Mexico to be given under the auspices of the class at Main Street church on Thursday afternoon, February 26, by Miss Terrie Buttrick, of Asheville, who has spent several years in Mexico as a missionary. The ladies of all the various churches of the city are cordially invited to attend this lecture.

Mr. C. M. Hester Dead.

Mr. Charles Milton Hester, an employe of the Clara Mill, died at the City Hospital yesterday morning at 3:30 o'clock following an illness of several weeks. Funeral services were held this morning at 9:30 o'clock by Rev. W. C. Barrett, pastor of the First Baptist church, and the body was taken through the country to Salem Baptist church, near Harden, for burial. "Deceased was 33 years old and a native of Lincoln county but had resided here for some time. A widow and several children survive.

Full line of enamel ware and dishes at Barry & Frazier's Five, Ten and Twenty-Five Cent Store.

Manly McDowell, of Morganton, has been appointed special agent for the internal revenue department for the collection of the income tax. Mr. McDowell's territory will include the entire State of North Carolina and he will receive a salary of \$6 a day and \$4 a day for expenses.

ARE LAYING GAS MAINS

ITALIAN LABORERS DIGGING DITCHES

Gaston County Gas Company Brings Car Load of Foreign Laborers In and Puts Them to Digging Ditches for Gas Mains—First Dirt Thrown This Morning—Will Push Work to Completion.

At last actual work on the local gas system has been commenced. The installation of a gas plant has been looked forward to for many months by our citizens and now that the work of putting in the system has actually begun, they will look forward with as keen anticipation to its completion.

Contractor A. Romora, who has the contract to install the mains, began moving dirt this morning despite the drizzling rain. For this work he brought to Gastonia thirty or more Italian laborers from Philadelphia. They arrived in a special car yesterday morning and went to work this morning. Most if not all of them are recent arrivals in America and but few of them can speak enough English to make themselves intelligible to our people. This is something new for Gastonia—having in our midst so many foreigners who cannot speak English. All during yesterday the pedestrians on Main avenue watched and heard the Italians with considerable interest and curiosity.

The entire crew is housed in the Lebovitz building on Main avenue. They sleep in the large hall on the second floor and cook and eat in the basement.

This morning work was begun on South Marietta street at the intersection of Franklin avenue. By noon the laborers had about completed the ditch for two blocks, or to Third avenue. Work was somewhat hindered by a drizzling rain.

LORAY LOCALS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

WEST GASTONIA, Feb. 9.—Miss Ellen Morris, spent Saturday and Sunday as the guest of Miss Mary Ross, of Bessemer City.

Mr. T. J. Spruce left Monday for Spartanburg, S. C.

Mr. Finley Burgin has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Sallie Shehan of Clifton, S. C.

Mr. Willie Hill has returned after spending a few weeks with relatives in Cleveland county.

Mrs. A. H. Mithem has been real sick, but is improving at this writing.

Miss Donnie Lytle left Friday for Old Fort for a two months visit to relatives.

Mr. L. J. Waldron who has been sick is now able to be up again.

Miss May Ross, of the old, has been visiting relatives here.

Messrs. Arthur Fahms and Henry Stephenson left Wednesday for Lockhart, S. C.

Mr. John Moss spent Monday in Bessemer City on business.

Mr. Henry Payne and family moved to Paw Creek this week.

Little Beulah May Hall who has been sick for the past few days is now better.

Mr. Buford Moss, of Shelby, spent a few days with Mr. D. W. Blanton.

Miss May Rabb, of Bessemer City, spent Saturday and Sunday here with her sister, Mrs. Lee Dulin.

Mrs. Mamie Gilliam, of Old Fort, has returned home after spending a few weeks with her son, Mr. John Gilliam.

Mrs. D. W. Blanton and daughter Louie, have returned after spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Harris, of Cherokee Falls, S. C.

Mrs. Lola Settemyra and mother Mrs. F. J. Bradley, left Thursday for Concord.

Mr. A. J. Jenkins left Saturday for Converse, S. C.

"That new five and ten cent store has the biggest and best line of enamel ware and dishes in town and the prices are right." Everybody's going there? Are you?

Making Good Record.

Present indications are that the first twelve months of Gastonia's Municipal Court will show at least 1,000 cases tried. The year ends with March 3rd and up until today 927 cases had been tried. The court is proving not only a great convenience but the figures for the year will show that it has been more than self-sustaining. The Gazette expects to give its readers the exact figures with reference to the number of cases tried, number of convictions, costs and fines collected, etc., at the close of the fiscal year.

To Install Officers.

At the regular meeting of Gaston Conclave No. 391, Improved Order of Heptasophs, to be held at 7:30 o'clock tonight, District Deputy Supreme Archon John B. Sloan, of Rock Hill, will be present and will install the officers of the conclave who were recently elected for the current year.

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.

—Rev. R. A. Miller, of Lowell, was a Gastonia visitor Saturday.

—Mr. S. J. Clinton, of Clover, S. C., was a visitor in the city Saturday.

—Solicitor George W. Wilson left yesterday morning for Raleigh on professional business.

—Mr. E. G. Petty, of Bowling Green, S. C., was in the city on business Saturday.

—Mrs. Clyde C. Armstrong is visiting her mother, Mrs. R. B. Bass, at Senora.

—Mr. and Mrs. Clair Harper, of the Point section, spent Sunday in Gastonia with relatives.

—Mr. F. C. Proctor, of the clerical force at E.R.D.'s, is spending the week with homefolks in Shelby.

—The regular meeting of the city council for February will be held at the city hall tonight.

—Mr. P. R. Huffstetler has recently repainted his house on South York street.

—Mr. J. N. Henderson, of Lowell, Route one, was a business visitor in Gastonia yesterday.

—Mr. Hugh B. Pursley, of the Swan-Slater Co.'s, force, has been confined to his room for the past several days.

—The board of governors of the Chamber of Commerce will meet tonight to take up again the matter of electing a secretary.

—Miss Lula Ridele has returned from Clover where she has been the guest for several weeks of Mr. W. B. Riddle's family.

—Mrs. A. C. Beville returned yesterday to Spencer after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Dalton, here.

—Misses Blanche Glenn and Bertha Jackson, of the Bethel section, were the guests yesterday of Miss Eunice Craig.

—Mrs. Graham McLean returned Sunday from the Point section where she visited her sister, Mrs. William McLean.

—Mrs. R. D. Craver and two children and Mrs. N. W. Lumpkin, of Charlotte, are spending the day here with Mr. W. H. Jenkins' family.

—Mrs. M. E. Meyer and two children, of Red Springs, are spending some time here as the guests of Mrs. Meyer's sister, Mrs. H. Schneider.

—Col. T. L. Craig was able to be out yesterday for the first time in several days, following an illness that kept him in doors all of last week.

—Miss Jante Stroun, daughter of Mr. R. S. Stroup, of Pleasant Ridge, whose serious illness with pneumonia was noted last week, is reported today as being slightly better.

—Friends of Mr. R. A. Caldwell will regret to learn that there is no improvement in his condition. He remains quite critically ill at his home on South York street.

—Prof. John James, of Bessemer City, Prof. Joe Nixon, of Cherryville, and Prof. H. A. Query, of Belmont, principals of the high schools in their respective towns, are spending the day in Gastonia inspecting the work of the local high school.

—Mr. R. L. Wagner arrived in the city last night from Elk City, Okla. Mr. Wagner is a brother of Mr. C. Everett Wagner, chief operator at the Ideal Theatre. He is a printer by trade and will probably make his home in Gastonia.

—Mr. J. O. Fayssoux, proprietor of Fayssoux's meat market, has just installed an independent refrigerating plant. The machinery is operated by a small electric motor and is kept running for seven or eight hours a day and keeps the cold room and the refrigerator compartments at a point well below freezing in a very satisfactory manner, thus doing away with the use of ice entirely.

—Mrs. G. C. Andrews and little son Cleveland returned Sunday morning from Jacksonville, Florida, where they have been visiting Mrs. Andrews' sister, Mrs. J. E. Farmer.

They were accompanied by another of Mrs. Andrews' sisters, Mrs. W. G. Armstrong, and daughter, Miss Thelma, of Albany, Ky., who have been visiting in Jacksonville some time. They will be Mrs. Andrews' guests for a while before returning to their home in Kentucky.

—Mr. Carl Finger, County Treasurer, gives notice to the voters of the county through the columns of The Gazette that he is in the race to succeed himself as Treasurer. Mr. Finger has made a most satisfactory and successful record as an efficient officer during his present term, and is therefore fully justified in again asking the support of the voters of the county for re-election. So far no other candidates have announced themselves as in the race against Mr. Finger, and on account of his great popularity he will doubtless be an easy winner in the race.

A public commencement for all the county schools of Rutherford county will be held at Rutherfordton on Saturday, March 20th.

SERMON ON THE MOVIES

POSSIBILITIES ALMOST UNLIMITED

Rev. W. C. Barrett Preaches on "The Moving Picture Shows"—Tells of Its Rapid Development, Its Vast Possibilities and the Abuses It is Receiving—Pleads for Its Better Use—Offers Valuable Suggestions.

"In the same hour came forth fingers of a man's hand, and wrote over against the candlestick upon the plaster of the walls of the King's palace; and the King saw the part of the hand that wrote."—Daniel 5:5.

From the above text Rev. W. C. Barrett, pastor of the First Baptist church, preached a sermon on "Moving Pictures" to a crowded house. This was the first in a series on practical religion which Mr. Barrett will preach during the next few weeks, on Sunday nights. The subject for next Sunday night is "The Foolishness of Fashion."

In his introduction, before announcement of his text, the speaker said that doubtless many people had wondered where he would find a text in the Bible from which to preach a sermon on moving pictures. The text, he said, told of the first moving picture of which he had any knowledge. That was 2500 or 3000 years ago. The nearest approach man has made to the moving picture there described is found in the motion pictures of today which are, in reality, very marvelous.

No other industry in the world, not even the automobile industry, has experienced such a marvelous growth as the moving picture business, said the speaker. In support of this statement he gave facts and figures with reference to the amount of money invested, the number of people employed in the manufacture of films and in the operation of picture shows, the daily attendance, the amount expended by patrons of the movies, etc., which are almost impossible of comprehension by the average mind.

After giving a brief history of the invention of the motion picture machine by Edison and the crude methods at first used in showing pictures, the speaker launched out on predictions as to the future progress and development that he expects to see in this line. He told of the wonderful help that might be expected from the moving picture in the study of medicine, in the teaching of health and sanitary lessons and in all lines of educational work. He predicted a time when the moving picture would supplant the daily newspaper, when it would be used in every Sunday school and day school in the land. He looked forward to the time when the talking feature would be perfected and believes that generations hence our descendants will be enabled, through the presentation of reels, to see the events of today and hear the great orators, actors and singers long years after these distinguished personages may have passed away.

In conclusion the speaker offered some very timely and severe criticisms of the motion picture of today. It pictures too much that is bad and too little that is good. There is too much shooting and cutting and filling, too much hugging and kissing, too much of the sensational depicted. But the people are getting what they want. When the public demand better things the moving picture men will give it to them. He also criticized the construction of the building usually occupied by moving picture shows and suggested larger and better entrances and exits and compulsory fire drills at stated intervals by the patrons of the shows.

The entire sermon was a plea for the elevation of the standards of moving pictures and its utilization for the dissemination of useful knowledge as well as of entertainment of the people. The large congregation heard Mr. Barrett with pleasure and interest.

Fifty different kinds of Candy at O'Neil's. All 10 cents a pound.

A Business Change.

Mr. F. E. Saunders, who for the past two years has been a member of the firm of Padgett & Saunders, tailors, owning a half interest in the business, is now sole owner, having purchased the interest of Mr. R. T. Padgett. The deal was closed the latter part of last week. For the present Mr. Saunders will continue the business under the old firm name, occupying the same quarters in the Y. M. C. A. building which the firm has occupied for some months past. Mr. Padgett has not yet decided what line of business he will follow.

In Sunday School Annex.

The East Baptist church Sunday school is now occupying the annex built especially for it and just completed at a cost of \$1,200. Already the members have contributed and paid the sum of \$1,000 on this building. This annex contains seven commodious and convenient class rooms and a large room in the basement, 45x18 feet, with cement floor, which is occupied by the primary class. With this annex the East Baptist church is now one of the most conveniently arranged suburban churches in this section.

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.

BELMONT BUDGET.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
BELMONT, Feb. 10.—Final plans are being made this week for the Valentine party and oyster supper to be given by the Woman's Betterment Association in the high school auditorium Friday night of this week. The first part of the program will consist of a one-act comedy "Obstinacy" in which the parts will be taken by Misses Green, Hall and Moore and Messrs. Clark, Query and Lineberger. There will be also songs and whistling choruses by the high school pupils. Following this supper will be served, after which there will be a Valentine party, the chief features of which are to be a post-office and an auction sale of all-housed girls.

The game of basketball with the Monroe High School team postponed from last Friday on account of rain will be played Friday afternoon of this week at 4:30. Monroe has a strong team and a good game is expected.

The preliminary contest to decide which debaters shall represent Belmont in the high school debating union of the State University will be held in a few weeks. The local school is in a triangle with the Stanley and the Huntersville high schools.

CHERRYVILLE, ROUTE 2, NEWS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
CHERRYVILLE, Route 2, Feb. 9.

Mr. Phillip Sneed died Friday with pneumonia and was buried Sunday at Mary's Grove cemetery.

Mrs. Walter Hall and son spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Will Farris.

Mrs. Fannie Adams spent a few days with friends in this section.

Misses Eunice Carpenter and Irene Davis spent Wednesday with Miss Eunice Huest.

Mrs. John S. Stroup and children spent Sunday with Mrs. J. M. C. Stroup.

Misses Jessie Rudisill and Ina Hemesley spent Thursday with Mrs. Will Farris.

Misses Sallie and Annie Stroup spent Wednesday with Mrs. John S. Stroup.

Mrs. David Rudisill spent Thursday with her mother, Mrs. Leo DeBinger.

Miss Ferris Froneberger spent last Sunday with her cousin, Miss Maggie Lee Carpenter.

Mr. Augustus Clark, of the Bear-erdam section, spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of Mr. W. R. Carpenter.

Mr. Charles Carroll has moved to his farm near Cherryville.

Mr. W. E. Gardner, of Hoffman, is spending a few days in Cherryville.

Mrs. T. J. Black, of Hoffman, and Mrs. Trilix Gardner are spending a few days with Mrs. W. R. Carpenter.

Mr. Bryan Kiser spent Saturday and Sunday with homefolks.

Mr. Columbus Harmon was absent from school last week.

Mr. Fitzhugh Carpenter spent Friday with his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Carpenter.

Th little child of Mr. David Sisk is very ill at this writing.

WITHERS NEWS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.
WITHERS, Feb. 9.—Mrs. Frank White and children, Luella and Ruth, of Lenoir, visited Mr. W. S. Lay last week. Mr. and Mrs. Steve Paysoux, of Gastonia, have also been guests of Mr. Lay.

After a sojourn of several months in Greenville, S. C., Mr. Arthur Wilson has returned to our village.

Misses Stella and Lola Crook, of Thomasville, were guests Wednesday of Mrs. Charles Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cloninger went to Laboratory Saturday to spend some time with Mrs. Cloninger's grand mother.

Mrs. Leslie Sides, of Bessemer City, is here at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. T. C. McGill, who is ill with pneumonia.

Mr. John Green and family have moved to the Loray.

Mr. L. A. Smith has rented the P. & N. land near the Flint Mill which he will farm this summer. He will occupy the bungalow now being built by Mr. Bush.

On account of pressing orders the Flint Mill was compelled to run until midnight Saturday.

A BIG RAILROAD WRECK.

"The Wreck," a Vitagraph Special in three parts which will be presented at the Ideal today (Tuesday), is the only picture of this kind ever made, and a picture which cost the Vitagraph Company \$40,000 to produce. In this picture we see a real wreck, the fatal head-on collision of the two engines. There is no trick photography about it.—Adv.

Giles Mandeville, a well-known contractor and an uncle of Schuyler Colfax, Vice President of the United States during President Grant's first term, died at Hartford, Conn., yesterday, aged 99.