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WANTED: A copy of a circular address issued by me to the voters of Gaston county during the campaign of 1898. Address Asheville, N. C. L. L. Jenkins. 9c4

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FOR RENT: May 1 new six-room house, all conveniences, 312 South Oakland. W. C. Davis. tf

FOUND.

FOUND: Automobile license tag No. 16,442. Owner can get same at Gazette office. tf

FOUND: On Main avenue Wednesday, bunch of keys. Owner can get same at Gazette office. 28c

FOUND: Friday a pig. Owner can get same by identifying and paying for ad. R. S. Barkley, Holland Mill. 28c

MISCELLANEOUS.

FOR ICE AND COAL the year round, call Gastonia Ice & Coal Company, Phone 281. tf

FIFTY CENTS in stamps will bring you THE GAZETTE twice a week for four months. Subscribe today.

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LADIES mark your linen with a rubber stamp, using indelible ink. Complete outfit 50 cents. Saves lot of trouble and insures prompt return of articles from laundry or washer-woman. Gazette Publishing Co. tf.

IF YOU HAVE any cotton to gin bring it in Saturday, April 29. After that date we will be unable to gin any more this season. Southern Cotton Oil Co. 28c2

STANDARD HARDWARE CO. calls attention special demonstration Kor-Ker puncture cure all day tomorrow, April 29th. See their ad in today's Gazette. 28c1

Dr. Pressley to Lecture.
We are requested to announce that Dr. E. W. Pressley, of Clover, will deliver a lecture on Scott and Burns in the chapel at Linwood College tomorrow night at 8 o'clock. There will be no charge for admission and everybody is cordially invited to attend.

Buy It In Gastonia.
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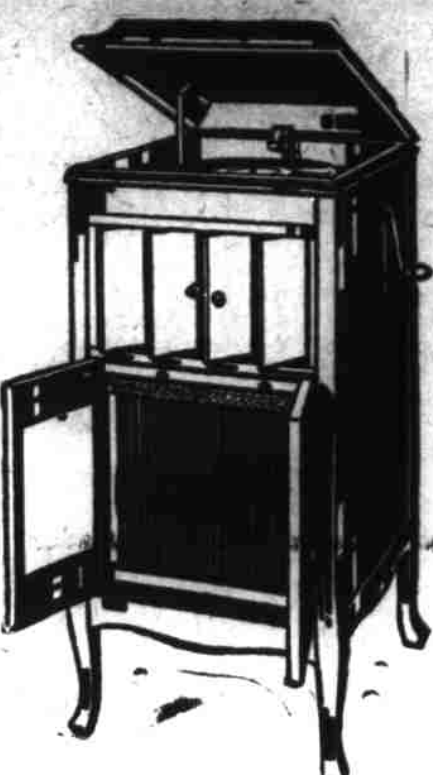
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GASTONIA GIRL WINNER

MISS MYRTLE WARREN GETS \$5 IN GOLD
Second Prize of \$2.50 in Gold for Second Best Article on "Why Gaston People Should Trade at Home" Won by Miss Alma Williams of Bessemer City High School—Ten Excellent Reasons for Trading at Home.

A few weeks ago The Gazette offered a prize of \$5 in gold for the best ten reasons on the subject "Why Gaston People Should Trade at Home" submitted by any high school pupil in the county. A second prize of \$2.50 in gold for the next best article on the same subject was offered. The publishers are frank to say that they were a little disappointed because more did not enter the contest. The lack of interest, however, is attributable, we think, to the fact that for weeks prior to the first of April the high school pupils were busily engaged in making preparations for the county commencement and for the triangular debates and since that time have been engaged in making preparations for the several commencement. Quite a number entered the contest and the publishers only regret that a prize was not forthcoming for each and every one of the contestants. In the nature of the case, however, this could not be. Miss Myrtle Warren, of Gastonia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Warren and one of the Gastonia high school's brightest pupils, won the first prize while the second went to Miss Alma Williams, a popular student in the Bessemer City high school.

Below the prize-winning articles are reprinted and others entered in the contest will be published later:

"WHY GASTON COUNTY PEOPLE SHOULD TRADE IN THEIR HOME TOWN."
—By Miss Myrtle Warren, Winner of First Prize—
If Gastonia is ever to become the city that its founders dreamed of and planned for, then we will have to pull long and strong: all must

pull together.
In the first place we must be a united people. "In union there is strength." We must stand united commercially, if we would grow.
Second: We should have town pride enough to want to see our merchants succeed in their businesses. It will be impossible for them to do so if we don't give them our trade.
Third: We should want to trade where we know the merchants and have confidence in them.
Fourth: It is easier and cheaper to do our trading at home and thereby help home industries.
Fifth: We should trade at home because the merchants help us in all financial affairs. When we want help on charity, schools or any public work, we do not run to another town to get it. I believe in feeding the horse that pulls the load.
Sixth: You get the worth of your money and keep your money at home at the same time.
Seventh: It is a reflection on our merchants' tastes and ability to buy the right things to be running to another town to trade.
Eighth: If we ever ask credit, it is at home.
Ninth: Because we have nice stores and up-to-date goods, polite and efficient clerks.
Tenth: If we trade at home it will increase business and thereby give employment to more people. One class cannot prosper, without benefitting some one else.
Then let's trade at home, the place where we are treated the best and have the privilege of grumbling the most.

GASTONIA LODGE
NO. 53
KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS
ARMORY BUILDING, WEST LONG AVE.
Regular Meeting, Monday
May 1
Degree Work.

PROVIDENCE
CAMP NO. 382
Regular Meeting
Tuesday Night,
May 2
7:30 p. m.

GASTONIA LODGE NO. 369
A. F. & A. M.
Called Meeting
Friday Night,
April 28, 8 p. m.
Work in 2nd
Degree.

WHY WE SHOULD TRADE AT HOME.
—By Alma Williams, Bessemer City, Winner of Second Prize—
To receive justice yourself and to help in the prosperity of your town, one of the most essential things is to do your trading at home.
No one will go into the mercantile business in your town if the people go to some other place to trade. Thus the town doesn't prosper.
You say you cannot get the class of goods you want at home. This is because you go elsewhere to trade. If you would always trade at home, and the merchant was aware of this, he could afford to keep every class of goods; otherwise he cannot do this.
To trade at home is in keeping with the golden rule.
Help the home merchant, then you help one that helps you. He must pay tax for carrying on business, so his money is used for the benefit of the citizens.
He owns personal property, is interested in the public welfare and the growth of the town, because your town is his town.
He keeps his goods on display; you don't buy before you see, and he is ever ready to tell you what is best and will always take back unsatisfactory goods. He will not have you buy anything to his knowledge which is a fake. Why? Because he expects to live in the community and must depend on the citizens for patronage.
If you want to see your town prosper, then spend your dollar at home.
When you get your merchandise from mail order houses you can't see what you get until it arrives; then, if some article is unsatisfactory, you must have the trouble of returning it. This is a waste of time and also a great disadvantage.
When a merchant has an excellent sale for his goods, he can afford to sell cheaper; therefore trade at home, and by doing so, help merchant, town and yourself.

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Robert Bratton Lowry, for many years a prominent citizen of York and since 1907 agent at that place for the Southern Express Company, died at his home there Wednesday, aged 64 years. He is survived by his widow and three children.

NOTICE.
The undersigned hereby notify the public that they have sold the business of the Clemmer Vulcanizing Company to R. D. Lewis and R. C. Setzer.
This 18th day of April, 1916.
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CARD OF THANKS.
I take this method to express my hearty thanks to the good people of Gastonia, both men and women, for their generous and hearty response to the request for assistance in building the tabernacle in a day, especially those of the other church. We trust that this is but an indication of the fine response and co-operation that we shall have in our operation that we shall begin May 7th. I also desire to thank the good ladies for the sumptuous dinner served at the noon hour.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.
Having qualified as executor of the last will and testament of William R. Blackwood, late of Gaston county, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the said estate to present the same duly verified, to the undersigned on or before
May 1, 1917
or this notice will be pleaded in bar of any recovery thereon. All persons indebted to the said estate will please make prompt settlement with the undersigned.
This 28th day of April, 1916.
REV. H. H. JORDAN, Pastor Main Street Methodist Church.
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