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## ELECTING A PRESIDENT 5



### Monroe Triumphed Over Rufus King in 1816.

THE Republicans were again victorious in 1816. They nominated James Monroe of Virginia, with Daniel D. Tompkins of New York as his running mate. The Federalists supported Rufus King of New York, but had no candidate for vice president that year. The election took place on Nov. 5 and the vote, counted the following February, was: Monroe, 183; King, 34.

The election of 1820 had but one candidate, Monroe and Tompkins having no opposition. All of the electors chosen in the presidential election except one voted for Monroe. Twenty-three states voted that year, but there is no record of the popular vote.

(Watch for the election of John Quincy Adams in 1824 in our next issue.)

## Personal Mention.

—Mr. H. L. Wright, of Clover, S. C., was a Gastonia visitor yesterday.

—Miss Mae Quinn is spending some time with friends at Maxton.

—Mr. A. A. Armstrong, of the Stonewall Hotel, Charlotte, was a visitor in the city today.

—Mr. E. L. Campbell, of Kings Mountain, was in Gastonia on business today.

—Dr. T. N. Dulin, of the Bethel section of York county, S. C., was in the city on business yesterday.

—Messrs. Joe and Albert Riddle, of Bethel, were business visitors in the city yesterday.

—Mr. R. B. Riddle, of Bethel, was in the city on business this morning.

—Mr. A. G. Myers, of the Citizens National Bank, spent Wednesday in Salisbury on business.

—Mr. J. H. Huffstetter, of the Union section, was a Gastonia visitor yesterday.

—Mr. J. B. Beal left yesterday for Wrightsville Beach, where he will spend some time.

—Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Pursley, of Crowders Creek, were in the city shopping this morning.

—Mr. E. D. Houser left yesterday for Atlantic City, N. J., where he will spend several days.

—Many Gastonians are attending the annual picnic at Union church today.

—Mrs. P. R. Falls left yesterday for Lenoir, where she will be the guest for some time of Mrs. J. H. Beal.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Davis returned today from a visit to Mrs. Davis' mother, Mr. T. M. Benton, of Winston-Salem.

—Mr. W. Newton Glenn, of the Bethel section of York county, S. C., was in the city on business yesterday.

—York News, 17th: R. Ernest Allen returned to his home in Clover Tuesday afternoon after spending several days at a house party in Lowell, N. C.

—Mr. F. A. Hewitt, of Birmingham, Ala., who attended the funeral of his stepmother, Mrs. Nancy Hewitt, at Union church yesterday, left this morning for his home.

—Mr. H. B. Pursley, of Crowders Creek, is in town today. He says that the corn crop in his section is very poor but that cotton promises a pretty good crop.

—Miss Della Nolen went to Lincoln county this morning where she will assist tonight in the organization of an Epworth League at one of Rev. F. W. Cook's churches.

—The August term of Gaston Superior Court for the trial of criminal cases will commence here Monday with Judge M. H. Justice, of Rutherfordton, presiding.

—Miss Willie Choate, of Huntersville, arrived in the city yesterday to be the guest for some time of her school-mate, Miss Mary McLean, at the latter's home on South Broad street.

—Mauney family reunion and picnic near Smyrna church on the Cherryville-Bessemer road tomorrow. It is to be a gathering of all the descendants of Christian Mauney. The place where it is to be held is the site of the old Tryon county court house.

Buy It In Gastonia.

## HOLDING CONFERENCE WILSON AND THE RAILROAD MANAGERS

### Strike Situation Not Yet Cleared Up

—President Has Formulated Tentative Basis For Agreement Between Employers and Employees But Former Are Unmoved in Opposition to Eight-Hour Day — Will Appeal to Financial Dictators if Negotiations With Railroad Managers Fail.

An Associated Press dispatch sent out from Washington last night and appearing in this morning's papers says in part:

President Wilson today had his plans for averting the threatened railway strike before the employees' committee of 640 and, having found the managers' demand adamant to his proposal that they accept the 8-hour day, he appealed to the railroad presidents and asked them to come to the White House for a conference. There is every indication if the railroad presidents sustain their managers President Wilson will appeal finally to the financial powers which control the roads, for it is his purpose to deal with the ultimate authority before he gives up his effort.

The President's plan, which is expected to be formally accepted by the employees' committee at a meeting at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning, proposes:

An eight-hour day as the basis for computing wages.

Regular pay at the eight-hour day rate for overtime.

To refer all other collateral issues to a small commission to be created by Congress on which the employees, the railroads and the public would be represented.

Acceptance of the proposal by the employees was forecast by expressions of their leaders after they left the President's conference. One of them declared:

"The men would be fools not to accept it."

The attitude of the railroad presidents is not so clear. They began arriving tonight and all are expected to be here tomorrow. No one can say what will be the effect of an appeal such as a President of the United States, speaking in the name of the welfare of a Nation, can make. But from such information as can be gathered it appears that the railroad presidents if the managers' committee understands them are unalterably opposed to conceding the eight-hour day or anything else out of hand but are quite ready to arbitrate anything and everything in almost any form of arbitration upon which the employees and the committee may agree.

The railroad presidents, it is understood, justify their stand upon the broad ground of maintaining the principle of arbitration, which if sacrificed in this instance, they intend to tell the President will be destroyed as a factor in the settlement of industrial disputes.

If the railroad presidents persist in that view and are supported by the financial powers only the future can tell the outcome.

With this growing seriousness of the situation, Congress began paying more real attention to the crisis today and there were many indications of intervention to prevent a nationwide tie-up.

Orders for the remaining mobilized units of the National Guard to proceed to the border have been suspended by the war department. No official explanation has been made but it is known that the delicacy of the railroad strike situation has been the moving consideration.

## DRUM CORPS MAKES HIT IN FEAST OF LANTERNS AT THE BEACH

Gastonia Pythian Drum Corps, Participating in Feast of Lanterns at Wrightsville Beach by Special Invitation, Makes Big Hit—Requested to Stay Over and Repeat Drill in Wilmington Today—Will Contest for Fancy Drilling Prize With Crack Wilmington Team.

—By Max Abernethy—  
WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH, Aug. 17.—Gastonia's Pythian Drum Corps made a big hit here and in Wilmington today. It was one of the chief features of the big parade in the Feast of Lanterns on the beach tonight and attracted much favorable attention. Earlier in the day the drum corps paraded the principal streets of Wilmington and made such a favorable impression that an urgent request was made that we remain over and repeat the drills tomorrow.

So classy was the drilling of the Gastonia boys that they were asked to enter a fancy drilling contest tomorrow in Wilmington with the crack Sepa Grotto team of the Veiled Prophets and we are expecting to win the contest.

The appearance here of the Drum Corps has been a splendid advertisement for Gastonia.

This morning's Wilmington Star carried the following complimentary reference to the organization:

Gastonia's prize Pythian Drum Corps, which will take part tonight in the big parade in celebration of the Feast of the Lanterns at Wrightsville Beach, arrived today at 12:20 a. m. via the Seaboard, at the union station. The members of the corps, consisting of 25 men, were met by Mr. J. W. Smith, chairman of the local Pythian lodges, who escorted them to a special beach car, and they were soon happy on their way to the Ocean Hotel, where they will be guests during the entire celebration. Following the parade tonight, the members of the corps will give a special drill at Lumina.

The members of the corps are expected to give a fancy drill in the business section of Wilmington this morning, probably about 11 o'clock. In view of the fact that the members will wear hussar uniforms of rich maroon and white, they present a most attractive appearance on parade.

The members of the corps, all of whom are Dookies, participated in the big celebration at Charlotte May 20th, and took first prize. The corps also had the honor of leading the D. O. O. K. ceremonial at Waynesville, at the recent Grand Lodge meeting of the Knights of Pythias. The corps was only organized about eight months ago, but has already become well and favorably known throughout the state.

The officers and members of the corps follow: Dumm Major, J. Holland Morrow; president, R. G. Cherry; vice-president, Kenneth Todd; secretary-treasurer, F. C. Abernethy; Geo. B. Mason, Hunter Morrow, J. C. Loughridge, John L. Page, F. A. Whitesides, Ben. Douglas, M. D. Abernethy, W. S. Morris, A. M. Spencer, J. F. Bass, C. M. Robinson, R. L. Spencer, W. T. McArver, Amos Morris, W. L. Pursley, Kenneth Ward, Hendrix Palmer, C. C. McLean, Henry Rankin, J. G. Carpenter, Lamar Rankin, D. S. Rhyne and R. G. Rankin.

Blanche Sweet and Thomas Meighan in Paramount Pictures Ideal today.

## WORK AT FAIR GROUNDS BUILDING A LARGE NEW ENTRANCE

Capacity of Entrance Gates Quadrupled—Convenient Entrance Provided for Vehicles—Midway Will Start at Entrance and Extend Back 2,500 Feet or More—New Cattle and Pig Barns to Be Built—Many Improvements Now Being Made—Thursday to Be Home-Coming Day.

Secretary Holland of the Gaston County Fair Association has a force of carpenters busy this week changing the entrance to the fair grounds and re-arranging it in much more convenient shape than it was last year. The location of the entrance is being moved about 200 feet east of its previous location to a point where pedestrians and vehicles may enter the grounds on a level and not be forced to go up grade as has been the case heretofore.

The entrance itself is 250 feet wide. In the center of this space is the office and ticket window. At the right of the office will be four turnstile gates for pedestrians instead of only one as before. On the left of the office building will be two turnstile gates for outgoing pedestrians. This enlargement is a guarantee against congestion and will enable the public to get inside without any undue delay.

To the left of the exit gates will be the entrance and exit gates for vehicles. These have been so placed as to enable vehicles to enter at a point near the auto-parking section and also to have access to an open road around the midway and exhibit tents to the cattle, horse and pig barns. No vehicles of any kind will be allowed on the midway. Considerable inconvenience was experienced last year because of the promiscuous intermingling of pedestrians and vehicles on the midway. There will be none of this at the approaching fair.

THE MIDWAY.

This year's midway will not only contain a much higher class of attractions than last year but will be so placed and arranged as to be a great deal more convenient for the public. Instead of starting a thousand feet from the entrance it will begin right at the entrance and will extend 2,500 feet straight through the fair grounds. It will be 140 feet in width and the lunch stands and other concessions will occupy positions in the very center of the midway. There will be frequent openings along the way so that easy access may be had from one side of the midway to the other.

At the southern end of the midway, after one passes the line of attractions, will be found the various exhibit tents arranged in a uniform line on each side. Everything will be compact and so arranged as to enable one to see the most in the shortest length of time and at the same time nothing will be crowded.

Down the center of the midway there will be a row of brilliant electric lights. The entrance will also be brilliantly lighted.

Secretary Holland has worked out this arrangement of entrance and shows after inspecting the arrangement of several other fair grounds and believes that he has improved on the best that he has so far seen.

In the livestock section two more barns are to be built, one for cattle and another for pigs. The capacity of these will be double that of last year.

A new feature added this year which will prove a great boon to the public is the free check room. This is to be located at the right of the entrances for pedestrians and will have windows opening on the outside and inside. Here those who attend the fair may check free of charge, their lunch baskets, umbrellas, coats or anything desired. This may be done before entering or after and access to the room can be had either from the inside or outside.

HOME-COMING DAY.

It has been decided by the fair management to make Thursday of fair week, the 24th, Home-Coming Day. It is hoped that on that day every son and daughter of Gaston, living elsewhere who can possibly do so will be in Gastonia and at the fair grounds. A special program will be arranged for that day and everything possible will be done to make all former Gastonians feel at home and have a good time. As soon as completed the special program for this day will be published. At present Secretary Holland is compiling as complete a list as possible of people who have gone from Gaston to other parts and to each of these will be sent a special invitation to be here. Mr. Holland requests that every person in the county who has relatives or friends living outside the county or State send him the names of such persons for this list. They will be given special invitations to come and will be furnished with literature about the fair and about Gaston. This will require only the writing of a postal card or a short list by any one person and will greatly assist Secretary Holland in reaching former Gastonians.

Blanche Sweet and Thomas Meighan in Paramount Pictures Ideal today.

Broadway Friday Herbert Rawlinson and Agnes Vernon.

Trade With Gazette Advertisers.

## COMING AND GOING



### BRIEF ITEMS ABOUT THE MOVEMENTS OF GASTON PEOPLE

—Mr. J. A. Page and family, of Clover, S. C., were in town yesterday.

—Mr. Harry Shuford has returned from a trip to Waynesville.

—Mr. Henderson Davidson, of Charlotte, spent Sunday in Gastonia.

—Mr. H. W. Counts has been ill at the City Hospital with typhoid fever for the past week.

—Mr. C. F. Harry, of Blacksburg, S. C., was in Gastonia on business yesterday.

—Rev. H. H. Jordan made a business trip to Rutherford College the first of the week.

—Mr. and Mrs. Ross Clinton are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Roy M. Niel in Rock Hill, S. C.

—Regular meeting of Piedmont Encampment, I. O. O. F., tonight at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

—Miss Mildred Canutt, of Salisbury, is the guest of Miss Thelma Bradley at her home on South street.

—Mr. J. M. Holland returned Tuesday from a brief visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Holland, at Liberty, S. C.

—Have you gotten a copy of The Gazette's "Presidency Book"? It's worth many times its cost, namely ten cents.

—Mr. J. H. Matthews, manager of J. M. Belk Co., left Wednesday for New York to join the Belk buyers. He will be away about two weeks.

—Mr. Max Abernethy, of The Gazette's local force, has been at Wrightsville Beach the past two days with the Pythian Drum Corps of which he is a member.

—Mrs. John Blum, of Liberty, S. C., who has been the guest for some time of her sister, Mrs. W. T. Love, left this morning for Lenoir, where she will visit relatives.

—Mr. R. H. Ratchford, who has been doing Sunday School Extension work in Eastern Kentucky during the past two months, returned to the city yesterday.

—Misses Lise and Mattie McCallard, of Donaldsonville, La., are expected to arrive in the city tonight for a month's visit to their cousin, Mrs. L. L. Brison, at her home on West Main avenue.

—Baseball game at Lory Park tomorrow afternoon at 3:30. Lory Tigers against High Shoals. Also ice cream supper in front of the mill tomorrow evening. Music by the band.

—First Lieutenant C. C. Craig, of Company B, First N. C. Infantry, returned to Camp Glenn last night after spending a short leave of absence with his family at his home near Dallas.

—An ice cream supper will be given tomorrow night from 6 to 11 o'clock in the Arlington Grove, West Gastonia, under the auspices of the Sunday school of the West Airline M. E. church. The public is cordially invited to attend.

—Those who are to take part in the presentation of the play "The District School", which is to be given under the auspices of the Gastonia Chapter, I. D. C., on September first, are asked to remember that they are to meet Miss Plonk at the Central school auditorium at eight o'clock tonight for a rehearsal.

—Mr. A. B. O'Neil, Mrs. Janie Dunn, Miss Lattie Shelton, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Jennings, Miss Lola Davis, Miss Ruth Knight, Mr. Russell Shelton, Mr. J. W. Spargo and Mr. Roscoe Queen were among the Gastonians who attended Rock Springs Camp meeting last Sunday. They made the trip in autos.

—New Hope Presbyterian church has recently been treated to a new coat of white paint. The trimming is in green, the combination of colors making a splendid appearance. This work was done through the efforts of the ladies of the congregation who deserve much praise for their work. New Hope is one of the very best congregations in the county.

—A handsome new truck has just been put into service by the Gastonia Transfer Company, of which Mr. G. H. Marvin is manager. It is a four-ton Chase of the latest model and is considerably larger than any other truck here. This company already had a large truck in service but their business had reached such proportions that a new and larger machine was needed.

—Charlotte Observer, 17th: Mrs. Earle S. Pogram returned to the city Wednesday night after spending several days at Lenoir with Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Pogram. Mrs. Pogram went especially to see Mr. Pogram who recently returned home from Baltimore where he underwent treatment. Mrs. Earle S. Pogram and little daughters, Martha Craig and Virginia, and Florence Yarbrough, the latter a niece, who are spending a month here with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Withers, the latter her sister, will return to Charleston, S. C., the last of the month.

—Gaffney (S. C.) Ledger, 15th: Mr. F. P. Sessions, who was formerly

connected with the Insurance Trust Co. here, but is now handling the life insurance business for the Holland Realty & Insurance Co., at Gastonia, N. C., spent Friday and Saturday in Gaffney. Mr. Sessions is making good in Gastonia, just as he did in Gaffney. He is an excellent young gentleman, and did much service for Gaffney and Cherokee county when living here. It had not been for the efforts of Mr. Sessions, it is very probable that we should have had no Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture today. Mr. Sessions returned to Gastonia Saturday afternoon.

### SMITH-BABER WEDDING AT HICKORY GROVE.

The following is from today's Yorkville Enquirer:

In the presence of a large number of relatives, friends and acquaintances from all over the county and other points, Miss Maude Smith was married at her home at Hickory Grove at 7:30 last evening to Mr. Luther G. Baber, of Yorkville. The ceremony was performed by the bride's pastor, the Rev. H. B. Hardy. After the ceremony an informal reception was tendered the young couple and refreshments were served. Later in the evening they left on a short wedding trip and expect to return to Yorkville next week. Mrs. Baber is the daughter of Magistrate and Mrs. R. L. Smith, of Hickory Grove. Mr. Baber is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Baber, of Yorkville. The many beautiful wedding presents that the young couple received attested their popularity.

### Broadway Monday "The Grip of Jealousy", A Bluebird.

### Mount Holly Matters.

### Correspondence of The Gazette.

MT. HOLLY, Aug. 17.—Since the freshet and the disaster our people have set themselves to the work of reconstruction. While conditions are bad, much more damage could have been done. The mills are going again and men are busy. No time to talk of the ill effects of the high water. To be busy is a fine antidote for talking hard times.

The following persons have been visiting in our midst the past few days: Mrs. Ed Love and children, Mary Spencer and Edgar, of Lincoln, with her brothers, Messrs. A. P. R. G. and J. A. Rhyne; Mrs. E. R. Cannon and children, of Charlotte, with her mother, Mrs. A. P. Rhyne; Miss Arabella Johnson, of Charlotte, with Miss Eunice and Mary Hutchison; Miss Alva Blackwelder, of Concord, with her college chum, Miss Grace K. Kohn. Miss Blackwelder left yesterday for Cherryville to visit Miss Jessie Rudisill.

Miss Gertrude Kohn visited in Belmont last week at the home of Mrs. A. C. Lineberger.

Mr. Theodore Blackwelder, electrician for the Southern Power Co., has been brought here from Nitroville, S. C., to put in condition the plant of the Electro-Chemical Company here. The machinery was submerged and damaged during the flood. Mrs. Blackwelder is with him.

Mrs. Earl Thompson and sisters, Misses Jean and Frances McGuire, are visiting in Asheville.

Mr. R. L. Jenkins sold a 1917 model Ford to Mr. R. G. Rhyne this week.

Dr. and Mrs. Errett and children, Helen and William, Jr., of Greensburg, Pa., who spent a week here with Rev. E. H. Kohn and family, returned to their home this week. They made the trip in three days by automobile. The doctor was pleased with this section and promised to come again. He is a successful physician and enjoys a large practice.

Rev. S. L. Cathey is having services this week morning and night. He is assisted by Rev. W. J. Roach, pastor of the Lory Presbyterian church at Gastonia, who is doing the preaching.

Rev. W. G. Moore, the newly elected pastor of the Baptist church, is on the ground. Regular services will be held from now on.

Our graded school opens September 4th, which by the way, is Labor day.

Broadway Friday Herbert Rawlinson and Agnes Vernon.

Aged Lady Dead.

Miss Amanda Patterson, aged 79, died at her home in the Pisgah section Wednesday and was buried yesterday at Pisgah church, the funeral being conducted by Rev. J. B. Hood, the pastor. Deceased lived by herself. She was the youngest of six sisters, the others having preceded her to the grave. The only near relative left is a niece, Mrs. Foster, who lives in the Bethany section of York county. All of the sisters lived to old age and were all single. They were held in high esteem by all who knew them.

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