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## ELECTING A PRESIDENT 13



HAYES.

**More Votes  
For  
Tilden,  
but  
Hayes  
Elected  
in 1876.**

**A** GAIN in the election of 1876 the candidate who received the smaller number of popular votes was elected president. Samuel J. Tilden of New York, Democrat, received 4,284,885 votes, and his Republican opponent Rutherford B. Hayes of Ohio, received 4,033,950. The result of this election was in doubt for many days. Discrepancies in Louisiana changed one vote, and the result in the electoral college was: Hayes, 185; Tilden, 184. An electoral commission decided for Hayes. William A. Wheeler of New York was elected vice president.

James A. Garfield, Republican, defeated W. S. Hancock, Democrat, in 1880. Chester A. Arthur was elected vice president and after Garfield's assassination became president.

(Watch for the election of Cleveland in 1884 in our next issue.)

## Killed an Alligator.

Wonders never cease. Gastonia is a long ways from the tropics, the part of the world where alligators and such like are wont to congregate, but in some mysterious manner an alligator found its way into the pond at the Lory Mill. Early this morning it crawled out on the bank or rather into the road which skirts the pond and was basking in the warm sunshine when Mr. W. V. West shot him. A negro man on his way to work spied the animal and notified Mr. West who lost no time in getting his shot gun and going after the gator. He was 36 inches long. Just what age his size would indicate we do not know. How it came to be in the lake no one seems to know. No tenable theories have been advanced by Mr. West or any other person as yet as to "how come" an alligator in Gastonia.

## Off to School.

A very large number of Gaston young people have left this week to begin work at the various institutions of learning. Among the number were Misses Rebekah McLean, Katherine McLean, Mary Bradley, Madge Craig, Ruth Morris, Mary Ratchford, Madeline Thomson, Sue Kamsay Johnston and Aline Reid to the State Normal College at Greensboro; Misses Lena Lineberger, of Gastonia, and Bertie Stowe, of Belmont, to Peace Institute at Raleigh; Misses Mary McLean, Mary LaFar, Ruth Mason, Louisa Reid and Gaynelle Boone to Queens College at Charlotte; Mr. Tom Carpenter to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Mr. Kenneth Lewis to the Kansas City Veterinary College, Kansas City, Mo.

The Gastonia Furniture Company wants to see you.

## RAILROADS GIVE RATES

### LOW ROUND-TRIP FARES TO THE FAIR

Southern and C. & N.-W. Railroads Grant Liberal Reductions in Fares to Gastonia from Many Points—Expected That They Will be Taxed to Capacity—Four More Amusement Attractions Added, Which Guarantees the Largest Midway Ever Seen in This Section—Interest in Fair Grows Daily.

Arrangements have been made by Secretary Holland of the Gaston County Fair Association with the Southern and Carolina & Northwestern Railroads for special low round-trip rates on account of the approaching fair. Both roads have been exceedingly liberal in making the rates, thus manifesting a disposition to assist the fair management in bringing into Gastonia for that event a large number of people.

A special rate of three cents per mile plus 25 cents for the round-trip has been made by the Southern, this rate applying from Spartanburg, Rutherfordton, Statesville, Sallisbury, Lancaster, S. C., Chester, S. C., Union, S. C., and intermediate points. Tickets will be on sale from September 30th to October 7th inclusive, with final return limit October 9th.

The rate on the C. & N.-W., applying from all points on the road, is four cents per mile for the round-trip with a minimum of 50 cents. The dates of sale and final return limit are the same as granted by the Southern.

The matter of special rates has been taken up with the P. & N. Railway and announcement will probably be made within a few days of the rates to be given by that road.

## MORE AMUSEMENTS.

The Great American Shows, the carnival company which is to furnish all of the midway amusements for the fair, has notified the secretary that they will bring four more attractions than the original contract calls for. They will also bring another band and several more concessions. This will give a total of 14 shows, three riding devices, two splendid bands and between 30 and 40 concessions. This means that the midway at the Gaston County Fair will be the largest ever seen in this part of the country. There will be no lack of amusements.

It is gratifying to the officers and directors of the fair association to note the very large and increasing interest that is being manifested in the fair by the farmers of the county. This interest would seem to guarantee that the exhibits of agricultural products, livestock, hogs and poultry will be even larger than had been hoped for at the beginning of the summer.

Secretary Holland has just gotten in a large quantity of attractive advertising matter and within the next week this and adjoining counties will be thoroughly worked.

Mary Pickford Ideal today.

Let us gin your cotton on our New Automatic Ginning System. It costs you no more to have it ginned on these gins and you will find a good market for your cotton as the lint will never be cut. Try us on (1) bale and you will bring us all. Southern Cotton Oil Co., J. P. Bess, Manager.

Miss Carrie Dixon, who has been spending the summer in Asheville, returned home yesterday and resumed her studies at Linwood College.

## VISIT TRAINING SCHOOL

### JUDGE JONES TALKS OF REFORMATORY

Head of Gastonia Municipal Court and Chief of Police Carroll Spend Day at Stonewall Jackson Training School and Are Most Favorably Impressed With the Splendid Work Being Done There—Larger Appropriation and Increased Accommodations a Crying Need.

Judge A. C. Jones of the Municipal Court and Chief of Police Wiley Carroll spent Tuesday at the Stonewall Jackson Manual Training School (the State reformatory) at Concord. They went to place in that institution Francis Perry, a 10-year-old Gastonia boy. The trip was made in a machine, with Mr. William Davis as chauffeur. The Perry boy is an incorrigible. Though only ten years old he has been before Municipal Court on charges of larceny and embezzlement several times. He was put on probation for eight months under the juvenile probation officer but this system apparently made no impression upon him. The utmost efforts of the probation officer proved futile and, as a last resort, he was placed in the State reformatory with the hope that there he may be reformed.

This was Judge Jones' first visit to the school and he expressed himself yesterday to The Gazette as being profoundly impressed with the institution and the work that is being done there. He and Chief Carroll were the guests during their stay of Superintendent Charles E. Boger. They were shown over the entire plant by Mr. Boger and were given an insight into the workings of the school. Judge Jones made a short talk to each of the several groups of boys.

The farm at the school consists of 290 acres, most of which is in cultivation. The farming is done by the boys under the supervision of an expert farmer employed by the management. Besides the farm there are several departments of manual training, including a machine shop, a carpentry and cabinet shop, a printing department from which is issued a neat and attractive monthly magazine called "The Uplift." The boys are also taught to sew and are thus enabled to mend their own clothing, sew on their buttons, etc. At present there are 30 in the school, this being about its capacity. Applications for admission to the institution are necessarily turned down almost daily, the capacity being less than half what it should be in order to accommodate all who ought to be there.

In addition to the manual training the boys are given two military drills daily, with the guns eliminated. Splendid advantages are given the inmates in school work also. Experienced teachers are employed and the course of study provided carries them through the eighth grade. Half of the boys work in the forenoon and attend classes in the afternoon while the other half attends classes in the forenoon and works in the afternoon.

In establishing this school the management followed the cottage home plan. There are four cottages, each under the management of an experienced person. The honor system is in vogue. Each cottage is organized, having a full complement of officers. Once each week an officer of the day is chosen, his election being subject to the approval of the superintendent, and this officer is in charge of all the boys in his cottage during that week. The boys, as a whole, respond splendidly to the workings of the honor system.

In the dormitories each boy makes up and looks after his own bed. Judge Jones said, "I was shown into one large room where there were 60 single iron beds. Everything was as neat and clean as a new pin. The linen was spotless. I never saw anything at a college or a university that was any better kept. The room was large and airy, having an abundance of fresh air and sunshine. Each cottage has an assembly hall where the boys gather each night to read, play games and have a general good time."

Judge Jones was most favorably impressed with the system of keeping records of all the inmates, not only while they are there but after they leave and until they attain their majority. According to the records, which have been carefully kept, more than 50 per cent of the first class of boys taken in when the school was first established several years ago, have gone right making useful and influential citizens. The percentage since that time has been considerably more.

The appropriation for the maintenance of this institution from the State is only \$18,000. To support even the capacity of the school as it now stands the amount needed, says Judge Jones, is at least \$25,000. Two new cottage homes are now being constructed, making six in all.

Both Judge Jones and Chief Carroll had their eyes opened to the great possibilities of this institution. They were impressed not only with the splendid equipment and the fine manner in which the plant is being carried on but were still more profoundly impressed with the fact that the institution should be enlarged to a point where it can accommodate a much larger number of boys who should be under its fostering care.

Mary Pickford Ideal today.

## GOING AFTER BRIDGES

### GASTONIANS MAKE BIG DEMONSTRATION

Business Men of Gaston County Invaded Charlotte This Morning With Big Automobile Parade Headed by Drum Corps—Make Earnest Attempt to Secure Some Action From Mecklenburg County in Matter of Rebuilding Bridges—Commissioners in Joint Session at Mount Holly.

Goaded almost to the point of desperation—certainly to that of exasperation—by the flat failure of the board of county commissioners of Mecklenburg county to take any action looking to the rebuilding of the joint county bridges over the Catawba river at Belmont and Mount Holly which were washed away by the recent high waters, a large and enthusiastic delegation of Gaston county business men invaded Charlotte this morning and made a rousing demonstration. This demonstration was one of protest against the spirit of "do-nothingness" so consistently and persistently manifested by Mecklenburg county and was made in an effort to arouse the business men of Charlotte to a realization of the fact that they have laid down on the job and that both counties are suffering by their negligence.

Headed by the Gastonia Pythian Drum Corps the Gaston delegation, occupying more than fifty automobiles, paraded the business section of Charlotte this forenoon. The parade was scheduled to start from Wearn Field at 10 o'clock, all the business men who went having been requested to meet there prior to that hour. With banners flying and to the noise of the drum and the bugle this live bunch of men from West of the river made an effort to arouse their friends on the other side from their lethargy. What the result will be remains to be seen.

Following the parade the Gastonites, including leading citizens of every town in this county and some from Lincoln county, came to Mount Holly to be present at a joint meeting of the commissioners of the two counties for a consideration of the bridge question.

In the July flood the big joint concrete bridge at Belmont, built by the two counties at a cost of \$110,000, and the new joint bridge at Mount Holly, constructed by Gaston and Mecklenburg counties at a cost of \$18,000, were washed away. Gaston county took immediate action to provide the money with which to reconstruct the bridge at Belmont. The money has been available since a short time after the flood and the Gaston commissioners have made every effort possible to get some action from the Mecklenburg commissioners. Their efforts have so far proved futile. While we are waiting for the construction of temporary or permanent bridges, the public has been subjected to great inconvenience and heavy charges for ferry service. The Belmont bridge was on the National Highway and was crossed daily by tourists from all sections of the country. They are giving us a lot of bad advertising over the country because of the condition of things.

After so long a time it seems that the business men of Charlotte have begun to realize the predicament they have been placed in by their board of commissioners and within the past ten days have been endeavoring to start something. Today's demonstration by Gaston countians will, it is hoped, result in securing some prompt and definite action from Mecklenburg county.

If Charlotte's business men are really desirous of seeing those bridges rebuilt promptly at Belmont and Mount Holly, we believe they can get some action from their board of commissioners without any further delay.

Yesterday afternoon's night edition of The Charlotte News says in part:

This morning Mr. W. J. Francis of the Belmont-Stowe Drug Company of Belmont, Mr. J. M. Sloan, who lives at the Gaston county end of the wrecked Sloan's Ferry bridge, and Mr. W. B. Puett, another prominent citizen of Belmont came to Charlotte as a committee from the Gaston side of the river urging the citizens of this county, who, they understand are as anxious for the rebuilding of the Catawba river bridges as the people of Gaston, to join with them tomorrow in a demonstration in favor of immediate action and a visit to Mt. Holly, where it was learned yesterday afternoon the commissioners of Gaston and Mecklenburg had planned a joint meeting for tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

The Gaston county committee reported this morning that the business men of Belmont reinforced by citizens from other points beyond the river held a mass meeting and adopted strong resolutions, urging that the rebuilding of at least two of the bridges destroyed by the floods of July be begun at once. The mass meeting also dispatched messengers to Bessemer City, Kings Mountain, Gastonia, Shelby, Lincolnton and all nearby towns asking them to come to Charlotte by automobile tomorrow and add their request to the committee that of the citizens of Charlotte that the commissioners of Mecklenburg meet the commissioners of Gaston at once and urge that the work begin on the bridges.

The Gaston county citizens said

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## —COMING AND GOING—



### BRIEF ITEMS ABOUT THE MOVEMENTS OF GASTON PEOPLE

—Mrs. George W. Falls, of Crowders Creek, is in town today.

—Mr. William Riddle, of Bowling Green, is in town today.

—Mr. Loy Jones, of Alexis, was a Gastonia visitor yesterday.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Todd motored to Gaffney, S. C., yesterday.

—Messrs. L. L. Brison and Foster S. Clinton motored to Clover, S. C., Tuesday night.

—Mr. John Plonk and Rev. Mr. Berryhill, of Kings Mountain, are visitors in town today.

—Miss Carrie Spencer left Wednesday to visit her sister, Mrs. C. G. Lynch at Thrift.

—Miss Etta Saunders returned yesterday from a visit to friends at Newton.

—Mr. Giles L. Wilson, a prominent banker of Jacksonville, Fla., arrived in the city last night and is the guest of his sister, Mrs. J. K. Dixon.

—Mr. J. A. Crawford and Mr. Robert A. Jackson, of the Crowders Creek section, are business visitors in the city today.

—Mrs. P. R. Falls, Mrs. S. N. Boyce, Miss Lucy Boyce, Mrs. P. W. Garland and Mrs. R. G. Rankin were Charlotte visitors yesterday.

—Miss Pearl Lineberger returned Tuesday from a month's visit to her uncle, Mr. H. L. Lineberger, at Limestone, Tenn.

—Newton Enterprise, 12th: Mrs. R. F. Cox, of Belmont, is spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Self.

—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cochran, of Newton, spent Tuesday night in Gastonia as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Baber.

—There will be regular services at St. Michael's Catholic church next Sunday morning at 10 o'clock by Rev. F. Melchior, O. S. B., the pastor.

—Miss Mabel Little will return to the city from Hickory next Monday and will reopen her studio at the Central school on Tuesday, September 19.

—Misses Lena and Madge Hanna, Mr. Star Hanna, Mr. Elbridge Craig and Misses Ethel and Emma Stowe motored to New Hope Tuesday evening.

—Miss Nellie Rose Sloan, accompanied by Miss Mary Frew whom she has been visiting for the past ten days in Rock Hill, S. C., returned to the city Wednesday afternoon.

—Mrs. E. D. Barkley and little daughter, Jennie Gray, who have been visiting for the past week in Statesville, will return to the city today.

—Mr. F. M. Francom returned the first of the week from a business trip to Johnson City, Tenn. He says that crops in that section look very much better than they do in this part of the country.

—Doctors Ralph Ray, T. A. Wilkins and J. A. Anderson and Messrs. Ed Adams and R. C. Simpson attended the Nashville-Charlotte baseball game at Charlotte yesterday afternoon.

—Prof. Edgar Long, of Due West, S. C., spent several hours in the city yesterday, having come over from Charlotte where he had been on business. He returned home last night going by way of Rock Hill, S. C.

—Misses Luella, Louise and Mary Todd and Master Lester Todd, after spending ten days here with their uncle, Mr. W. E. Todd, returned Wednesday to the Pythian Home at Clayton.

A new series of Western pictures entitled "The Girl from Frisco" will be shown at the Cozy Theater every Monday beginning next Monday. Each installment will be complete in itself.

—Mr. J. A. Estridge has as his guests his mother, Mrs. Sarah Estridge, his brother, Mr. Allen Estridge, and his cousin, Miss Azalea Harmon, all of Waxhaw. Mr. Allen Estridge will attend Linwood College this fall.

—Mrs. Joseph L. Rhodes and children, who have been spending several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Page, have returned home. They will spend several days with friends in Atlanta, Ga., before returning to New Orleans.

—Newton Enterprise: Delegates to the state convention of the Daughters of the Confederacy at Gastonia, chosen at the meeting last week at Mrs. J. A. Gaither's are Mesdames J. P. Yount, C. M. McCorkle, W. W. Trott and Mrs. Gaither.

—Mrs. S. R. Clinton, of this city, and Miss Jessie Neill, of Clover, S. C., who have been visiting for several weeks in Washington, D. C., returned to the city Wednesday night accompanied by Miss Columbia Conway. Miss Conway will visit friends in Clover for a short time.

—Master Ben Atkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. W. Atkins, underwent an operation at the City Hospital Tuesday, having his tonsils and adenoids removed. The operation was

performed by Drs. T. C. Quickel and R. M. Reid. He is recovering nicely from the effects of the operation.

—Mr. W. B. Morris, of Gastonia, and Mr. F. H. Robinson, of Dallas, left yesterday for Richmond, Va., where they will spend several days. Mr. Morris goes to see the distributing plant of the Edison Phonograph Co. The Torrence-Morris Company is local agent for the Edison machines.

—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cox, of Crittenden, Ark., and Miss Katherine Fleming, of Memphis, Tenn., are spending a couple of weeks in the city with Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Boshamer at their home on Dallas street. Mr. Cox is Mrs. Boshamer's brother, and this is his first visit back to this section since he went West 35 years ago. Miss Fleming is a grand daughter of Mrs. Cox. They will return home next week.

### OUT-OF-TOWN TEACHERS.

Their Names and Where They Are Staying—School Opened This Morning With Large Attendance.

Gastonia's city schools began the session of 1916-17 this morning with splendid prospects and a very large enrollment. At the time of going to press the registration figures for the several schools were not available. They will be published Tuesday.

Following is a list of the out-of-town teachers, their boarding places, phone and street numbers:

J. C. Carpenter's, 414 North Modena street; Miss Carrie M. Brown, F. W. Brantley's 210 East Long avenue, phone 435-L; Misses Annie Laurie Council, Emma McNinch, Rebecca Stinson.

Mrs. Bynum Long's, 209 East Long avenue, phone 458-L; H. Claud Sisk.

B. T. Morris's, 323 W. Main avenue, phone 225; Misses Fannie C. Hagby and Fannie M. Darlington.

Mrs. Price Rankin's, 218 S. Oakland street, phone 364; Misses Mary Kate Webb, Claudia Brown, Helene Reynolds, Lorena Kernodie, Margaret Wiley, Elizabeth Frasier, Katie N. Smith, Lucy Culpepper.

Mrs. J. P. Reid's, 307 S. Broad street, phone 11-J; Misses Esther Caldwell, Susan Markham, Amelia McNab, Ina Anderson.

Mrs. J. F. Thomson's, 420 West Main avenue, phone 247; Misses Agnes Curlee, Mary Huey, Sadelle Stewart.

Mrs. C. D. Gray, Second and S; street, phone 242; Miss Mary Frew.

Mrs. A. G. Mangum's, 309 Falls street, phone 231; Miss Alice McCullers.

Mrs. G. C. Andrews, 326 West Airline avenue, phone 230-J; Misses Minnie Lee Peedin, Margaret Tiddy, Ella Belle Copeland.

Mary Pickford Ideal today.

Everything in furniture, stoves, ranges and house-furnishings at Gastonia Furniture Company.

### MARSHALL NOTIFIED.

Democratic Nominee for Vice-President Accepts the Nomination in Strong Address at Indianapolis.

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 14.—Vice-President Thomas R. Marshall was notified tonight of his re-nomination for Vice-President on the Democratic ticket and formally accepted the honor.

A large number of prominent Democrats, including National Chairman Vance McCormick, from all over the United States, were present at the notification. Informal political conferences were held by the leaders, and plans for the campaign were discussed thoroughly. Reports of what had been done in Indiana were made to National Chairman McCormick.

Martin H. Glynn, former governor of New York, delivered the speech of notification, after having been introduced by J. A. M. Adair, candidate for governor of Indiana, chairman of the ceremonies. All the speakers praised the present Democratic administration, replied to the Republican attacks which had been made on it and expressed confidence of a Democratic victory.

Mr. Glynn summed up the results of the administration of Woodrow Wilson, replied to critics of the administration and set forth the reasons why he believed Mr. Wilson and Mr. Marshall should be re-elected.

Mr. Glynn described the Wilson administration as one "that in efficiency of service and in responsiveness to popular will has had no rival in this country in the last 50 years."

Still Another Ahead of Charlotte. Newton Enterprise, 12th.

The Observer says Charlotte is the first city in the two Carolinas to get the advantage of motor vehicles for express delivery; and The Gastonia Gazette up and says Gastonia has been getting auto delivery for several months; and Newton can claim the same—though of course there isn't as much city here as there is at Charlotte.

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OCTOBER 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 1916  
J. M. HOLLAND, Secretary**