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## ELECTING A PRESIDENT 17



**Bryan  
Ran Again  
In  
1908,  
but  
Taft  
Was  
Winner.**

TAFT.

**W**ILLIAM H. TAFT of Ohio, who was Roosevelt's secretary of war, went to the Chicago convention in 1908 with the colonel's support. He was quickly nominated, with James S. Sherman of New York as his running mate.

The Democrats nominated Bryan again, with John W. Kern of Indiana as the vice presidential candidate.

For the third time Bryan was defeated for the presidency. Taft receiving a popular vote of 7,678,908 to Bryan's 6,409,104. The vote in the electoral college was 321 to 162. The Republican party was united solidly that year, while the friction among the Democrats still existed.

(Watch for the election of Wilson in 1912 in our next issue.)

### MAKE ENTRIES NOW.

Those Who Have Exhibits Should Make Entries Now—Delay and Confusion Will be Occasioned if Put Off Until the Fair Has Opened.

Continued interest is being manifested in Gaston County's Second Annual Fair which opens next Tuesday, October 3rd and runs through the 7th. Every department of the association is being handled in a creditable manner and with dispatch. There is only one thing that is likely to be overlooked and that is the matter of making the entries.

It is not too early to make the entries now, and by so doing the work at the fair grounds will be greatly facilitated on the opening day. In order to make an entry it is not necessary to bring the article to Gastonia until the opening day of the fair, but simply file the entry blank with the secretary along with the fee and on return an entry tag will be forwarded to attach to the article entered. Entries should then be brought to the fair on the first day. All that is necessary is that each entry be left at the department in which it has been entered.

By waiting until the fair has opened before making an entry much delay will be occasioned and a hardship will be worked on the fair management. Any assistance that might be needed in selecting the exhibits or advice as to how the entry blanks should be filled in will be furnished by Secretary Holland at the Fair offices on Main street.

"The End of the World" is coming at 1 p. m. Friday Cozy Theatre.

Make our store your headquarters Fair Week, you are always welcome Gastonia Furniture Co.

## TO ATTEND BIG SHOOT

### GASTONIA GUNNERS TO JACKSONVILLE

Team of Six or Eight Crack Shots from Gastonia's Government Rifle Club Will Participate in National Shooting Match at Jacksonville, Fla., October 11th to 14th—Gastonia Club the Largest in the State.

Gastonia shots will have a chance at Jacksonville, Fla., this month to hit the bull's eye and to try their skill in competition with crack shots from all over the country. One of the National Shooting Matches is to be held there October 11th to 14th inclusive and the Gastonia Government Rifle Club has been notified that it will be expected to send representatives. There are only three Government Rifle Clubs in North Carolina, at Gastonia, Asheville and Charlotte. Gastonia's club is considerably larger than either of the others and will hence be entitled to the lion's share of the delegation from this State. North Carolina is entitled to about twelve representatives and Gastonia will get six and perhaps eight of these. The government pays the railroad fare of those who are chosen to attend these matches.

In these National matches held annually in several sections of the country the crack shots of the regular army, the navy and the civilian rifle clubs compete for honors. Last year Gastonia's military company had representatives there and did some very creditable shooting. This year the company is on the border and Gastonia's reputation will rest in the hands of her civilian shooters. That they will make a good showing is not to be doubted, as quite a number of the members of the local rifle club have made some excellent records. There are about 80 members in the club. From now until the date of the Jacksonville meet the members will practice daily at Leinster Range. The men who go from here will be chosen on the shooting records they make; hence any one who desires to try for this honor will have to win it by merit. The officers of the club hope that the members will exhibit a lively interest and that they will do considerable practice shooting during the next two weeks.

Secretary T. A. Wilkins will be glad to furnish complete details with reference to the match to any of the members who desire such information.

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Judge Hughes has been complaining about what President Wilson does, but the Republicans are complaining because Hughes depends too much on complaining without explaining what he would do in order to give some satisfaction himself. Wilmington Star.

To Speak at Panhandle.

Solicitor George W. Wilson, of this city, will address the voters of Cherryville township at Panhandle school house on Saturday night, September 30th, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. This is the second of a number of speeches that Mr. Wilson is to make in the interest of Democracy's cause in Gaston county within the next several weeks.

Three thousand chairs and rockers at Gastonia Furniture Co., special prices Fair Week.

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## ROUSING RALLIES HELD

### SATURDAY NIGHT IN FOUR TOWNS

Democrats of the County Have Started Campaign With a Boom—Speaking at Mount Holly, Belmont, Lowell and Bessemer City—Wilson-Bickett-Webb Club Formed at Lowell—Much Interest Manifested at All of the Meetings.

Given an impetus by the opening speech of ex-Governor R. B. Glenn in this city on Friday night, the Democrats of the county have already begun work in earnest in the campaign opened with a boom Saturday night when Democratic rallies were held at four neighboring towns. At each meeting there was considerable enthusiasm manifested, the candidates being frequently applauded.

At Lowell a large and enthusiastic audience gathered and heard Messrs. A. C. Jones and N. F. McMillan, of the Gastonia bar, present and discuss the issues of the campaign. Mr. Jones spoke first on the issues of the State and for more than an hour held the close attention of his audience by his eloquent and forceful arguments. Especially did he call the attention of the young men to the political activities of Marion Butler, who is managing the Republican party's campaign in North Carolina.

Mr. McMillan forcefully presented the achievements of the Wilson administration and humorously dealt with the Hughes campaign. Following his address a motion was made and carried that a Democratic club be formed, and the following officers were elected to head the Wilson-Bickett-Webb Club: President, P. P. Murphy; vice-president, P. W. Hand; secretary, R. F. Harris. The following men were elected on the membership committee: T. P. Rankin, J. R. Reid, J. C. Roberts, D. W. Mitcheem, C. M. Robinson.

Between three and four hundred people heard Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby, at an open-air meeting at Belmont. Mr. F. P. Hall, superintendent of public instruction, was master of ceremonies and first presented Col. C. B. Armstrong, of this city, who spoke on the record of the Democrats in Gaston county and challenged the Republicans to show its inefficiency.

Mr. A. B. Dixon introduced the speaker of the evening and for an hour and a half Mr. Hoey presented the virtues and attributes of the Democratic party in both State and Nation. He declared that the Woodrow Wilson administration in four years had accomplished things for the uplift of the people that the Republican administration for forty years had never thought of doing. His address was convincing and eloquent and he was loudly and frequently applauded. Music for the occasion was furnished by the Lory Band of this city.

Messrs. George W. Wilson and P. W. Garland, of the local bar, spoke to a representative crowd of voters at Bessemer City. The meeting was held in the opera house, there being about 200 present. The speakers were given rapt attention and presented their subject in a clear-cut and forceful manner. The meeting was pronounced by some as being a rousing success.

The voters of Mount Holly were greatly favored by hearing Hon. J. D. McCall, of Charlotte, who spoke for nearly two hours in defense of the record of the Democratic party in North Carolina and the Nation. The speaker was introduced by Mr. Carl Carpenter, of the Gastonia bar. A well-filled house greeted Mr. McCall and plenty of the old-time enthusiasm and fire was manifested. Mr. McCall in touching on State issues laid bare the record of Marion Butler and pointed to him as the man selected by the Republicans to engineer their campaign. A Democratic club will be formed at Mount Holly within the next few days.

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Sustained a Broken Arm.

Mr. Carl Carpenter had the misfortune to have his arm fractured just below the elbow while attempting to board the Interurban car at Mount Holly on Saturday night. He had attended the Democratic rally and was late in getting to the station. The car was in motion and as he went to get aboard his grip slipped, breaking his arm.

do for him. When last seen the young Gastonian was in search of a stone-cutter, wanting to purchase a monument to erect in memory of this friend and benefactor. It might be well to state that this gentleman of nerve was not a resident of Gastonia.

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The States in which women may vote for President next November are Illinois, Kansas, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, Arizona, Utah, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, California, and Nevada. These States have a total of 91 votes in the Electoral College.

## WAS STRUCK BY TRAIN

### NEARLY FATAL ACCIDENT YESTERDAY

Thomas Gazette Morrow, a Young White Man, Was Seriously Wounded When Struck by Southern Train Yesterday Afternoon—Occurred at York Street Railroad Crossing—Shortly Past Five O'clock—Is in City Hospital and His Condition is Serious—Horse Was Killed.

Thomas Gazette Morrow, a young white man, was seriously if not fatally injured and a horse he was driving was almost instantly killed yesterday afternoon shortly past 5 o'clock when struck by Southern passenger train No. 12 at the York street crossing.

Young Morrow was driving a delivery wagon for Mr. J. Y. Miller and was attempting to cross the tracks from the north side. Those who saw the accident state that he drove on the tracks unconscious that the train was approaching and when he saw the train and realized that it would be impossible to get across he pulled back on the reins in an attempt to back off the track. The horse became frightened and plunged forward. The man and horse were both hurled 10 or 15 feet through the air by the impact, the man falling on the north side of the track and the horse on the opposite side.

When the engineer saw that the young man could not clear the track he applied the brakes, but owing to the short distance of the train to the crossing and the vehicle it could not be stopped in time. As evidence of the engineer's attempt to stop is shown by the fact that the train only rolled about two car lengths after the emergency brakes were applied.

The injured man was picked up by several men who saw the accident and hurried to the City Hospital where medical attention was given by Dr. L. N. Glenn and Dr. J. M. Sloan. An examination showed that the young man's face was badly mangled and his right jaw bone was shattered. Several teeth were also broken out, his ankle was mangled and he sustained several minor flesh bruises none of which it is thought are serious.

Reports from the hospital early this morning were to the effect that his condition was about the same as last night, and while he was having hemorrhages it had not been ascertained whether this was caused by a fracture at the base of the skull or merely a membranous hemorrhage. In the event that this is caused by a membranous condition no apprehension is felt for the young man's recovery. Should it be discovered that he had suffered a fracture of the skull his condition will be considered much more serious.

Eye-witnesses to the unfortunate accident state that it could not have been avoided under the circumstances. Two box cars were standing on the Albion Grocery Company's siding which doubtless hid the approaching train from the young man's sight until he was upon the tracks.

Young Morrow is a son of Mr. S. L. Morrow, of Forest City, and has been a resident of Gastonia for about a year. For the past month or so he has been employed by Mr. J. V. Miller. He is a brother of Mrs. J. B. Smith, of this city.

The dray wagon in which the young man was riding was completely demolished. The horse was thrown against the switching engine on the siding north of the crossing and lived only a few minutes after being struck by the train.

Dr. L. N. Glenn stated to a Gazette representative at 2 o'clock that the young man's condition was unchanged. He is at times delirious but it is thought that he will recover.

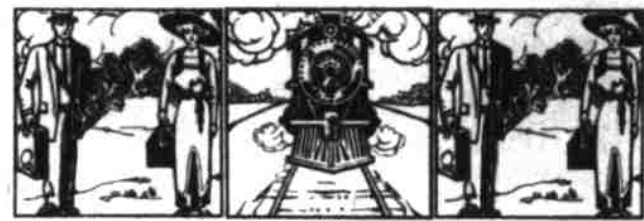
### PLANNING NEW MILL.

Col. C. B. Armstrong Organizing Company to Build New 6,000 Spindle Yarn Mill—Unique Plan for Financing the Enterprise.

An item of interest in the textile manufacturing circles of the city became known today when Col. C. B. Armstrong made public the announcement that he is planning to organize a stock company with a capital of \$150,000 to build a 6,000 spindle cotton mill on a site near the Arlington Mill in West Gastonia.

Of the capital stock of \$150,000 almost half has already been subscribed by local men. The remaining \$75,000 Col. Armstrong plans to place through the two local building and loan associations in such a way that any person who is able to carry \$500 or \$1,000 stock in the building and loan can in this way purchase stock in the mill. The plan is one that has never been followed in the organization and financing of any local enterprise, and will doubtless appeal to a large number of local people who see a good investment in mill stock, but are unable to carry the investment in the usual way. The purchaser of \$1,000 stock under this plan would have only the weekly or monthly payments to make to the building and loan association, amounting to only about \$875 in six and one half years, when he would become owner of the mill stock unencumbered. During the life of the building and loan arrangement the company would pay the interest on the loan as a dividend on the stock, and the probability is that at the end of that period the stock would have a book value of far more than its face.

## —COMING AND GOING—



BRIEF ITEMS ABOUT THE MOVEMENTS OF GASTON PEOPLE

—Mr. Henry Rankin was a Spartanburg, S. C., visitor Sunday.

—Messrs. Hunter Morrow and Carl Loughridge motored to Piedmont Springs, S. C., Sunday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Love, of Lincoln, were the guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. McLean.

—Messrs. Hugh Cline, Herbert Miller and Tom Abernethy, of Lincoln, spent Sunday in the city.

—Mr. F. P. Sessions, of the Holland Realty & Insurance Co., spent Sunday with friends in Gaffney.

—Mr. L. A. States will leave on No. 38 tonight for a business trip to Philadelphia and other northern cities.

—Rev. D. E. Vipperman, pastor of the Baptist church at McAdenville, was a Gastonia visitor yesterday.

—Mr. H. S. Adams, of Lowell, was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

—Esquire I. F. Mabry, of McAdenville, was in the city on business Saturday.

—Ex-Sheriff J. D. B. McLean, of South Point, was in Gastonia on business Saturday.

—Mr. H. F. Forbes, of Crowders Creek, was in the city on business Saturday.

—Mr. Stephen B. Dolley, of the Gastonia bar, attended the Democratic rally at Lowell Saturday night.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Hicks, of Charlotte, spent Sunday in the city as the guests of their daughter, Mrs. R. T. Padgett.

—The Royal Arch Chapter No. 66 will hold a regular meeting at 8 o'clock tonight and do work in the Past Master's degree.

—Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Huffstetter and Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Robinson motored to Columbia, S. C., Sunday. They made the trip in Mr. Huffstetter's auto.

—Miss Annie Cummins, who has been spending the summer here as the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Giles Ratchford, left Sunday night for her home in Spartanburg, S. C.

—Mr. Avery Bass, engineer on the C. & N.-W., who was injured in the freight wreck above Hickory last Tuesday is now able to be at his work again.

—Mrs. Joseph H. Adams, formerly of Gastonia but now living in the Steele creek section of Mecklenburg county, spent several days here last week with relatives and friends, returning to her home yesterday.

—Mrs. C. C. Leonard returned Sunday to her home at Reepsville, Lincoln county, after being the guest for some days of Miss Eunice Stroup. Mr. Leonard joined her for the week-end and accompanied her home.

Marguerite Clark Ideal Today.

Deposits in postal savings banks during August increased nearly \$5,000,000, the largest monthly gain since the system was established. On September 1st there were 621,000 depositors with deposits aggregating more than \$94,000,000 to their credit.

Marguerite Clark Ideal Today.

Haskell Hawkins, a 10-year-old Spartanburg boy, died Saturday from hydrophobia caused by a cat's bite.

### BETTERMENT TO MEET FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

The Woman's Betterment Association will hold its regular meeting on Friday afternoon, September 29, at the Central school auditorium at 3:30 o'clock. This is one week earlier than the usual time, the change being due to the fact that Friday, October 6th, will be school day at the Gaston County Fair. It is hoped that all will remember this change and be present at this meeting. After the business session the exercises will be turned over to Mrs. J. W. Atkins, chairman of Education, and the following program will be carried out:

General subject, "The School and the Community."

1. What the Church Has a Right to Expect of the Schools, by Rev. W. C. Barrett, pastor of the First Baptist church.

2. The Patron's Relation to the School, by Mr. A. E. Wolts.

### RAY-PENDELTON WEDDING SUNDAY.

Mr. P. R. Ray, of Wayneville, and Miss Fleete Pendleton were united in marriage at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the bride's home in West Gastonia. The ceremony was pronounced in the presence of only a few relatives and friends by Rev. G. P. Abernethy, pastor of the Lory Baptist church. Meets at Hickory.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of the South Fork Baptist Association will be held with the First Baptist church in Hickory on October 3rd and 4th. Among the ladies who will attend from this county are Mrs. H. B. Moore, of Gastonia, superintendent of the sunbeam societies; Mrs. T. M. McCoy, of Mount Holly; Mrs. F. M. Huggins, of Belmont; Mrs. C. W. Payseur and Mrs. J. W. Whitley, of Gastonia, all of whom are on the program of the meeting.

### Marguerite Clark Ideal Today.

Peter Short was killed and Sidney Allen is at the point of death in a High Point hospital as the result of an auto accident early Sunday morning near Thomasville. It is stated that they were going at a high rate of speed and that the car overturned.

### Marguerite Clark Ideal Today.

At Nitroville, S. C., yesterday afternoon five negro laborers were blown to pieces by the premature explosion of a charge of dynamite.

### Baptists Raise \$22,000.

Cherryville, Sept. 23.—The Kings Mountain Baptist Association closed one of the most successful sessions of their 66 years' experience yesterday at Waco. All churches appeared to be in good condition and for most part have made good gains.

The membership of the association is nearly 8,500 in 42 churches, all except one being represented. Total contributions for all objects nearly \$22,000.

The passenger steamer Bay State plying between Boston and Portland went upon the rocks off Cape Elizabeth Saturday night. The 150 passengers were rescued and the freight taken off. The steamer will be a total loss. It cost \$350,000 and was one of the old-style passenger boats.

WE WISH TO WORK NO HARDSHIP ON ANY ONE, BUT MUST PROTECT THE INTEREST OF THE GASTON COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION. THE FOLLOWING LAW WILL BE ENFORCED:

Chapter 242, Section 5, North Carolina Laws. That every person, firm, officer or agent of any corporation, who shall temporarily expose for sale any goods, wares, foods, soft drinks, ice cream, fruits, novelties, or any other kind of merchandise, or shall operate any merry-go-round, ferris wheel, or any other device for public amusement, within one quarter of a mile of any agricultural fair, during such fair, shall pay a tax of one hundred dollars in each county in which he shall carry on such business, whether as a principal or agent. Provided, this section shall not apply to any business established sixty days prior to the beginning of such fair.

**Gaston County Fair Association**  
J. M. HOLLAND, Secretary

## TWO KINDS OF SEASON TICKETS

### Non-Transferable Ones

Can only be used by purchasers

15 admissions for \$1.50.

### Transferable Ones

Can be used by any one

15 admissions for \$3.00

10 admissions for \$2.25