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## WELCOME, METHODISTS.

Gastonia extends the glad hand to the Methodist ministers and laymen of Western North Carolina who come here for their annual meeting for the first time since November, 1901. The homes of the city have been thrown open to them and they will find here a royal welcome. To have these consecrated men in our homes will be a benediction to Gastonians and the influence that will remain after they have departed will rest as a benediction upon us.

To have the privilege of hearing and coming in contact with a number of the connective officers, who are men of strong personality, will be another valuable influence which will no doubt leave its impress here for a long time to come.

The only shadow that rests upon the conference is the sorrow occasioned by the news of the death of Bishop Wilson in Baltimore yesterday. He was known and loved by practically all of the ministers of the conference and by a large number of laymen as well. He wrought well in the episcopacy for thirty-four years and his life has been a benediction to Southern Methodism.

The Gazette, on behalf of the town, extends to the visitors a cordial welcome and bids them enjoy themselves while here to the fullest extent. We are glad indeed to have you with us this week.

## A Clear Case.

New York Journal.  
Policeman (giving evidence)—After being ejected from the cinema, he was discovered with a large bouquet in his arms on the doorstep of the back entrance to the picture palace.

Magistrate—Did he give any reason for his extraordinary behavior?  
Policeman—His speech was very indistinct, yer worship, but from what I could gather 'e was waiting to see Mary Pickford 'ome.

## TRANSFER OF \$250,000 MADE.

Two Gastonians and Charlotte Man Bought Entire Holdings of Elizabeth Mill Yesterday — Transfer Will be Made January 1—Is a 12,000 Spindle Plant.

The transfer in Charlotte yesterday of the entire holdings of the Elizabeth Mill, Inc., announcement of which was made in yesterday's Gazette, from R. M. Miller, Jr., and associated stockholders to W. C. Wilkinson of Charlotte, and Messrs. C. B. Armstrong and A. G. Myers, of this city, represented a transaction of approximately \$250,000.

Messrs. Armstrong, Myers and Wilkinson will take charge of the plant on January 1, Mr. Armstrong having active charge of the mill while the other two gentlemen will represent the financial interests of the enterprise, it is understood. The plant will be operated along the same lines that it has been heretofore, with some changes of course which the new owners may deem necessary.

The Elizabeth Mill, Inc., makes a specialty of fine combed yarns, producing ordinarily 60s to 80s yarns although the plant has facilities for turning out finer yarns even up to 150s. The mill has an equipment of 11,856 spindles. The mill was erected in 1901 and was first operated in 1902. In 1904 an addition was built to the mill which has also been in daily operation.

Messrs. Armstrong and Myers returned to the city last night after having closed the deal for the mill.

## ATTENDING DOKIE MEETING.

Many Gastonia Votaries of D. O. K. K. in Charlotte Today—Nine Candidates from Gastonia to Cross Hot Sands.

Gastonia Dokies, along with a big delegation of Tyros, have been leaving on almost every Interurban car for Charlotte where they will attend the big winter ceremonial of Suez Temple No. 73, beginning tonight at 8 o'clock.

The Gastonia Pythian Drum Corps left on the 11 o'clock car in order to get to Charlotte in time for the street parade which begins at two o'clock. Several members made the trip in automobiles.

Those Gastonia Tyros who will cross the "hot sands" tonight are: Messrs. Fay Iavender, A. C. Jones, W. T. Love, John G. Carpenter, W. E. Todd, John L. Page, B. E. Douglas, W. L. Parsley and R. W. Gray, Jr.

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# TO SUPPORT AN ORPHAN

## HEART OF GASTONIA GIRL TOUCHED

Reading About the Terrible Sufferings of Children in War-Stricken France Led Little Miss Martia Elizabeth Moore to Organize Her Girl Friends into a Club to Support an Orphan—Thirty-Three Dollars Already Sent.

Gastonia "grown-ups" have no monopoly on "doing things." The young folks of the town are as wide awake as their parents, especially when it comes to doing charitable and humanitarian work.

The latest movement inaugurated among the young folks of Gastonia is one looking to the support of a French orphan. It culminated a day or two ago in the formation of the Fleur de Lis Aid Club composed of fifteen young girls, aged ten to twelve years. The president is Miss Jennie May Henry, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Henry, and the secretary-treasurer is Miss Martha Elizabeth Moore, aged ten, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew E. Moore.

This club has undertaken to support a French orphan. The sum required to keep one of these "war" orphans with its mother or other relative is \$75 for two years. The money is sent to Life, the well-known New York publication, which is fostering this work and which sends the money direct to France for the purpose designated. Last Saturday the club mailed its check for \$33 to Life as a start on its fund, having raised this amount as soon as the organization was perfected. They expect to make frequent remittances and if any charitably inclined Gastonian wants to help them such person can do so by sending the amount it is desired to contribute to Miss Martia Elizabeth Moore, city.

The idea of supporting a French "war" orphan originated with little Miss Moore who had for some time been reading about the great suffering among the women and children of France as a result of the war. So strongly was her sympathetic heart impressed with the need for help in that war-stricken country that she began to talk to her young school mates about it and inspired them, under her leadership, to undertake to support at least one French orphan. This is a splendid work and The Gazette wishes to commend the club in its effort and hopes that their coffers may be flooded with contributions from generous-hearted Gastonians.

The only male member of the club is Master Tom Moore who has been chosen as page to the club members.

## CAPTAIN COY AT WORK.

Is in Charge of the Volunteers of America at Hickory—An Advisory Board Will Assist Him in His Work.

The following from yesterday's Hickory Record will be of interest to Gastonia inasmuch as Capt. Coy is a former resident of Gastonia and had had charge of the Salvation Army here several months ago.

With an advisory board to assist him in his work, Capt. D. G. Coy, in charge of the Volunteers of America, has taken additional steps to handle the cases of charity and distress that puzzle Hickory people from time to time. The committee is composed of Messrs. A. K. Joy, Mayor S. L. Whitener, C. W. Ellington, Chief of Police E. W. Lentz, H. E. Whitener and D. L. Martin. They will be called together to handle all doubtful cases. The ministers of the city co-operate with Captain Coy, but sometimes they are out of town and the advisory board is necessary.

Captain Coy said today that if the Sunday schools of Hickory would arrange to pay the house rent of his home—\$20 a month—he would find it easier to meet the other expenses of the organization. It has been suggested that the Sunday schools regard the work here as home missions—and that is what it is—and raise a small sum every week for the cause.

## MAKES ANOTHER DASH TO SEA.

German Submarine Deutschland Makes Bold Start For Bremen Sailing Out of Harbor in Broad Daylight—Was Without Convoy.

New London, Conn., Nov. 21.—The German merchant submarine Deutschland, with a \$2,000,000 cargo and official mail for Emperor William aboard, made another start for Bremen this afternoon, her dash last Friday being frustrated when she sank a convoying tug, necessitating a return to port for minor repairs.

Her skipper, Paul Koenig, instead of stealing out to sea under the cover of darkness, boldly sailed down the harbor in broad daylight and without convoy. Local marines were surprised when he again elected to send his craft through the dangerous waters of the race, where the collision occurred in which five of the tug's crew were drowned.

The tug Alert, of the Tascott Wrecking Company, sub-agents of the Eastern Forwarding Company, remained a half mile astern today. Passing the Race safely, the Deutschland turned her nose to the east and headed for Nantucket shoals. The Alert followed her a short distance and returned to her pier.

The Deutschland passed Watch Hill, R. I., tonight moving eastward through Black Island. She was without convoy, 10 miles off shore.

Mr. Delehay Promoted.  
Friends of Mr. J. L. Delehay, who has been with the Southern Power Company in Gastonia, will be interested to know that he has been transferred to Gaffney, S. C., where he will have charge of the plant at that place. Mr. Delehay has been living in Gastonia for the past 10 years. He will not move his family until his new home, which he is having built, is completed.

FOR SALE: Manila Second-sheets at Gazette office. Attractive prices in large lots.

## The Good Citizen.

J. H. Richmond, of Louisville, Kentucky, in a recent address to members of the Rotary Club, gave his definition of a good citizen, which at this particular time is worth passing around:

"Unless human nature is revolutionized," he declared, "men will continue to love their country above any spot on earth. They will be jealous of her greatness and valiant in her defense. Their eyes will sparkle with pride as they gaze upon their flag and their hearts thrill with love as the strains of their national songs reach their ears.

"Surely such emotions are worthy they must have a divine inception. For God never planted a lie in the human heart. From the time the exiled Jews wept by the waters of Babylon to this good day, patriotism has been a powerful factor in the life of all peoples; and long after Carl Marx's attractive theories shall have been consigned to oblivion, men will continue to love the land of their fathers and be ready to defend it against the world.

"The American nation is a partnership of citizens; our laws are the composite thought of our citizens; and our national ideals are the products of their hearts and brains.

"One of the distinctive features of a good citizen is unselfishness. He subscribes to that fundamental political maxim—the greatest good for the greatest number, as opposed to that sinister philosophy, as hideous as it is prevalent—the greatest gain for the favored few. Such a citizen is willing to vote for good roads bonds, even if the road doesn't touch his farm. He is willing to tax himself for good schools, even though he has no children of school age. He works for and helps pay for an auditorium, even though it is not built in his backyard. He has in him the spirit of Rotary, for he lives our motto—He Profits Most Who Serves Best.

"The good citizen is one who refuses to be a pawn of a political machine or party, but votes as conscience and judgment guide him. He is free from the hide-bound political prejudices and bigotry.

"A man that dares scratch a ticket, change his party affiliation, divorcing himself from the shackles of party name, commands my unstinted admiration and respect. I have heard men of affairs and of fair intelligence boast of the fact that they had never scratched a ticket! Any man who has voted for ten years and never scratched a party ticket has failed to perform his full duty as a sovereign voter. I stand pat on that statement. Ticket scratchers in the United States once were called 'Mugwumps.' This title, once a brand of shame, is a badge of dignity and honor.

"The good citizen is constructive in his activities. He doesn't stoop to carping and vengeful criticism. If he offers criticism, it is prompted by duty and tempered with charity, and it is constructive criticism. He does not stop with mere criticism—any fool can criticize and most of them do—but he offers a wholesome substitute. If he destroys the picture, he supplies another more beautiful to take its place. He is a builder, not a vandal.

"Deliver me from the man who is 'agin' everything; from the man that never sees any good in anything or anybody; from the small and despicable body of misanthropes who wear smoked glasses, feast on blue pills, and quench their thirst with vinegar.

"But how wholesome and inspiring are those choice spirits who can see good in everything! One reason I love Bobby Burns so much is because he, big-hearted man that he was, discovered a little good in the devil.

"Good citizens are men who can give those elected to office by vicious rings and by unscrupulous methods, credit for doing the square thing sometimes, and who are honest enough and broad enough to commend those officials for so doing.

"The good citizen is a forward looking man. He does not get all his inspiration from the past. But we must not deceive ourselves into thinking that every new theory is good merely because it is new; nor are we to admit the infallibility of all old philosophies because they are clothed in moss-covered precedents and have the dignity of age. We too often err by going to one or the other of these extremes.

"And, finally, a good citizen is a man who places a higher value on the soul than he does on a dollar. The political and economic philosophy of the past concerned itself chiefly with the rights of property; the new and infinitely better philosophy, destined soon to be the heart and spirit of all our laws, is that which places human rights above all other considerations. The lowest basis on which any question can be settled, moral or political, is the dollar basis. No question ever has or ever will receive ultimate settlement on that ground. Runnymede, Bunker Hill and Yorktown, the French Revolution, and Appomattox—all support the proposition that every great issue is disposed of finally in favor of the rights of man.

"That must be the dynamic philosophy of America, and of the world, until every selfish interest is made subservient to the good of all; until every licentious business, that saps the life and the manhood of our people, is destroyed, even if it destroys property by the billions; yes, until all the world shall turn their eyes toward the motto of Rotary—He Profits Most Who Serves Best."

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# Attending Prayer Meeting

By REV. JAMES M. GRAY, D. D.  
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TEXT—Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together as the manner of some is.—Hebrews 10:25.

The weekly prayer meeting has been called the pulse of the church, but it is more; it is really the heart itself; it is the ideal church in worship; it is the church gathering of the Apostolic days.

There were two forms of public worship among the Jews in Christ's day, the temple and the synagogue. The first was ritualistic and select in the sense that the priests and Levites conducted it. The second was simple and democratic in the sense that all the people took part in it. There was only one temple and that was located in Jerusalem, but there was a synagogue in every town where as many as ten male Jews resided. Its order of service consisted merely in the reading of a portion of the law and the prophets, the chanting of a psalm and an extempore prayer. Then the meeting was thrown open, as we now say, and the people (the men, at least) were at liberty to take part.

The Christian church is built not on the model of the temple but the synagogue, as we see from Paul's first Epistle to the Corinthians where, at chapter 14, he is correcting certain disorders that had crept into the assembly because of the liberty thus granted to the people.

A Popular Gathering.  
Our text applies to such a gathering as this. That is to say, the writer has in mind not a formal service, such as is represented at a Sabbath gathering in one of our present churches, but a popular gathering of the people where the meeting is thrown open for all to exercise their spiritual gifts. It is just such a gathering as a prayer meeting always ought to be.

(1). He enjoins such an assembling of ourselves together as a duty to be obeyed. We ought not to forsake it, just as in other places God tells us not to commit murder, not to steal, not to be guilty of adultery, not to bear false witness, so here we are not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together. In other words it is a command that Christians cannot escape.

(2). It is a privilege to be enjoyed, for the context tells us that thus by prayer we have "boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus," and that we have "an High Priest over the house of God." This being the case, what blessings are we being denied if we thus forsake the assembling of ourselves together!

Some of these blessings are of a very practical every-day sort. The Continent tells of a business house in Chicago which asked a country correspondent to recommend a man for a responsible position. The reply was, "A young man passes my house every Wednesday evening on his way to prayer meeting at precisely a quarter of eight. I like the looks of that. Shall I inquire further about him?" The result was a position at a salary larger than the young man ever dreamed of receiving. The editor added what is entirely true, that the prayer meeting habit is a good asset. The prayer meeting young man is likely to have the right basis of character. There are hypocrites there, but that is an evidence of the genuine.

(3). It represents a need to be supplied, for the context says, "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering and let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works." The relation of our Christian experience in the prayer meeting and the exhortation and appeal that accompany it, express our consideration for one another as brethren in Christ, and the result is stimulating unto love and to good works. It is thus that we are able to hold fast the profession of our faith.

There was a man, the father of a family that attended my church at one time, who resisted all my appeals to win him to the Savior, and his wife told me he had resisted similar appeals from his former pastors. By and by on his death bed he accepted Christ and witnessed a good confession before his family and friends.

One day I asked him what was the cause of his conversion, and found that he attributed it to no sermon he had ever heard, but to the testimony of an elderly woman in a prayer meeting in the country town where he lived more than 40 years before.

He resided with an aunt who compelled him to go because she would not leave him alone in the house during her absence. He hated to go, but he had to go, and there he heard the testimony of this woman from which he had never been able to get away. Now that he was facing eternity it had moved him to receive and confess Christ.

Let us urge you to stand by your church prayer meeting, and to do your part to make it of vital value.



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