

GASTON IN THE EIGHTIES

Interesting Events in the County Thirty-odd Years Ago as Recorded in the Gazette—To Which is Added State and General News Notes and Some General Reading Matter That Proved of Interest a Third of a Century Ago.

SEVENTY-NINTH INSTALLMENT. (From The Gazette of Feb. 9, '83.)

SCHLAPS. Mr. J. B. Beal has moved into his fine new residence on Airline street. Messrs. Miller Rhyne and Christy Froneberger killed 650 birds at the cane brake one night last week.

We are glad to state that Mrs. B. G. Bradley, who has been very ill during the past week, is much better.

Mr. J. R. Falls, of Pleasant Ridge, made on his 4-horse farm, last year, 2,000 bushels of corn and 30 bales of cotton, besides a large crop of wheat and oats.

Rev. J. R. Peterson preached at the burnt chapel on Sunday morning. A congregational meeting was also held and \$500 was raised towards the rebuilding of the church. We understand that it will not be moved.

We are sorry to hear that Mr. J. D. B. McLean, of South Point, sustained a painful accident last week. He was assisting his workmen in loading saw-logs when one of them rolled over his hand, crushing it and tearing out almost the entire palm.

The physicians of the county will hold a meeting at Dallas tomorrow for the purpose of organizing a county medical society. Our correspondent truly says that "this is a move in the right direction." We hope for the sake of humanity and the benefit of the medical profession in Gaston county, that every physician within her borders will take a deep interest in the matter.

Fatal Accident. (From The Gazette of Feb. 9, '83.) We are informed that Mr. Wm. M. Davis, who lives at Mr. Abe Rhyne's, as he was returning from Gastonia on Monday night, fell into a gully 15 feet deep and sustained probably fatal internal injuries. We are informed that Dr. J. M. Templeton, of Dallas, is attending the unfortunate man and that but little hope of his recovery is entertained.

The Town Council. (From The Gazette of Feb. 9, '83.) A special meeting of the town council was held on Wednesday.

Capt. James H. Fayssoux tendered his resignation as mayor. The council unanimously refused to accept the resignation. Their action will receive the unqualified approval of every individual citizen of the town. Capt. Fayssoux's reasons for resigning were that he was impressed with the idea that his administration of town affairs was not giving satisfaction. This belief he based upon remarks made concerning two recent violations of town ordinances, which were not punished. We heard these remarks and made a few of them ourself, but never heard, and certainly never made an intimation that Capt. Fayssoux had in any particular been derelict in his duty. The blame did not attach to him. He restored quiet, and it was not his place to make the arrest and no one thought so. Had the proper officer made the arrest and brought the parties before him, we, in common with every one else, are satisfied that Capt. Fayssoux in strict accordance with his high sense of justice and his character as a conscientious officer would have enforced the ordinance to the letter and spirit.

A Good Housewife. (From The Gazette of Feb. 16, '83.) Mrs. R. J. Ferguson, a lady 62 years of age, who lives in Gaston county, made with her own hands, last year, enough butter for her family besides selling 368 pounds which brought her \$87.40, from two cows. The old lady in addition sold 12 dozen eggs for \$13.66. Here is an example it would be well for young housewives to imitate.

Death of an Estimable Lady. (From The Gazette of Feb. 16, '83.) After a long illness, of over a month's duration, Mrs. Margaret Adams, wife of Dr. William Adams, died at her residence near Bethel in York county, S. C., on Wednesday night, 14th. Mrs. Adams was a sister of Dr. William Hayes, of Mecklenburg county, and was about 60 years of age.

During her long illness and in the midst of excruciating pain we are told that Mrs. Adams exhibited great patience and cheerful submission to the will of the Master. She died triumphant in the Christian's hope of heaven and we extend to her bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy.

Bought a Railroad. (From The Gazette of Feb. 16, '83.) Mr. William Richards, of Brevard, was here on a visit to relatives this week. Mr. Richards enjoys the distinction of being the only citizen of Gaston county who ever bought a railroad. Some months ago a cow belonging to William Skidmore, of this county, was killed by a train on the Carolina Central Railroad. The authorities of the road refused to pay for the cow and Skidmore

brought suit against them in the Superior Court and secured judgment. That part of the Carolina Central (about 14 miles) lying in Gaston county was accordingly levied on and sold by the sheriff. Mr. Richards became the purchaser at a cost of \$20, about one dollar and fifty cents per mile. This is the cheapest railroad ever bought in the United States.

The Gazette. (From The Gazette of Feb. 16, '83.)

The first number of The Gazette appeared February 21, 1880, under anything else but favorable prospects. The first attempt at publishing a paper was The Gastonia Herald by Mr. E. M. Evans, a practical printer, of Chester, S. C. Mr. Evans was backed by a company composed of the following citizens: J. R. Kincaid, J. E. Page, T. G. Chaik, O. W. Davis, J. W. Davis, R. H. Adams, K. E. Waddill, J. H. Fayssoux and D. C. Beam. The capital stock amounted to \$425. The material was purchased second-hand at a bargain, but they had no press. A great deal of other material was found necessary to complete the outfit for a neat paper. The Herald reached a subscription of about 100 when it ceased in. The next effort for a newspaper was by R. M. Martin, Esq., who started The Enterprise, a small but spicy little sheet. The Enterprise increased in circulation until the appearance of The Gazette as before mentioned.

The present owners of the Gazette bought up all the shares at a greatly reduced price, added in a press and additional material at an increased cost of about \$500.

The first printers employed were Cassius Buckner, of St. Louis, Mo., and Homer Bernhardt, of Concord, besides the following boys: Gregory Waddill, Edward Johnson and Morgan Fayssoux. The paper has gradually increased in circulation and is now a well established and paying journal. The great drought of 1881 was a serious drawback to the manager, by energetic and careful work, kept it on a solid basis. New material has been added from month to month until today \$3,000 is asked for the office and establishment.

Several changes have taken place among the printers since it was established. Homer Bernhardt is now the foreman, Ed Johnson, 2nd compositor, Morgan Fayssoux, 3rd compositor, and Robert Glenn and Eugene Harper, apprentices. Gregory Waddill is now in charge of a telegraph office at Laurel Hill at a salary of \$25 per month.

The Town Council. (From The Gazette of Feb. 16, '83.)

In accordance with the request contained in a petition laid before him on Monday, Mayor J. H. Fayssoux called a special meeting of the council on Tuesday. The petition, in addition to requesting the council to meet, prayed the repeal of the street working ordinance. The citizens of Gastonia pay a tax of 20 cents on each \$100 and 50 cents on each poll, and those who signed the petition believed that the amount raised at that rate and remaining in the town treasury (about \$100) was sufficient to keep the streets in repair, and accordingly requested the council to repeal the ordinance which required each male citizen to work the streets or pay a fine of 75 cents per day. The council refused to rescind the order and passed a resolution making this question an issue in the next election.

(To Be Continued.)

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UNIVERSITY NEWS

Correspondence of The Gazette. CHAPEL HILL, Dec. 2. — Never before in the history of the University or any other college has such a celebration been held over a football victory as was staged here tonight. The enthusiasm which goes with triumph and which has been lying dormant for eleven years was poured out in every possible manner. By rights the main outburst should have come on Thursday night after the game, but on account of the illness of Mrs. Graham and to allow the victorious heroes time to return and participate in the celebration, it was postponed until Saturday night.

The general mass meeting was called for 7 o'clock but long before this time, jubilant boys bedecked in all manner of array were parading the campus. The co-eds, wearing Carolina colors, were out in full force. Then came "Sru's" Band, upon which all of the decorative genius of the University had been expended, marching to the tune of "The Richmond Blues." Following the band came the "Virginia team" appropriately labeled and bandaged, testifying to the fact that they could not get out of Bill's way.

With the Carolina team on the platform, together with many others, Prof. Billy Noble took charge. He in his own way was pointing out the virtues of the team when Roy Homewood rushed up the aisle followed by a goat covered with Virginia colors. Pandemonium reigned over the house packed to its limit. When order was restored, pep speeches were had from President Graham, Coach Towery Campbell, Captain Tandy and others. Doctor Lawson, the varsity physician, was then called on. "I have been going to Richmond for eleven years," he said, "trying to get a prize, and this time I got it." So saying he pulled a mud stained football from under his overcoat and pitched it into the lap of Yank Tandy.

Cuban Bond Suit Serious — State Will Fight It.

A Raleigh dispatch to The Daily News says: Attorney-General Bickett spent the day here working upon the Cuban suit against North Carolina for the recovery on the \$40,000,000 carpet-bond and announced tonight that he will argue the case for the State in the supreme court of the United States January 8, 1917.

Mr. Bickett may have "a hand" as he said of "Old Man Horn" but he means to appear as chief counsel for the commonwealth. It is much the biggest thing that he has tackled since he became attorney general eight years ago and he has argued with great success many important cases. The Cuban suit was announced the day before election and not a few republicans understood it to be a political coup. It now promises to be one of the most serious things that the State has ever met.

Should Cuba get judgment it is generally believed here that the bill to be paid by North Carolina would be \$40,000,000. Just now that would be terrific. The State repudiated the bonds by plebiscite and they have been offered many other States without success. A democratic vice-presidential candidate ran for that office largely upon his record, his friends said. He refused to take the bonds.

The argument of Mr. Bickett conflicts badly with his inaugural speech, which had been set for January 10, and he will in all probability ask the legislature to give him until January 11 to get it up. The business incident to getting ready for the change of administration will keep him away much of his time. He will spend quite a bit of that in Louisburg.

How the Senate Stands 18 New Men This Time.

There will be 18 new senators in the United States senate this congress. These are Hiram Johnston of California; Phllander Knox of Pennsylvania; J. S. Frelinghuysen of New Jersey; W. M. Calder of New York; F. B. Kellogg of Minnesota; James E. Watson of Indiana; Fred Hale of Maine; B. M. Ferinold of Maine; P. G. Gerry of Rhode Island; J. O. Wolcott of Delaware; Park Trammell of Florida; A. A. Jones of New Mexico; W. H. King of Utah; J. E. France of Maryland; Howard Sutherland of West Virginia; K. D. McKeller of Tennessee; W. F. Kirby of Arkansas. Of these 18 who will take their seats in this congress, 7 are democrats and 11 republicans. In the next congress 17 other senators who were also elected November 7, will take their seats. Of these 35 men, all who were elected this time, 16 are democrats and 19 republicans. The new senate will be 52 democrats and 44 republicans; the old senate was 55 democrats and 40 republicans.

Dr. C. Alphonso Smith, formerly associate professor of English at the University of North Carolina and now holding the chair of English at the University of Virginia, has been called to head the department of English at the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis. Dr. Smith is a North Carolinian, a brother of Dr. Henry Louis Smith, formerly president of Davidson College.

Pretty line of cedar chests and ladies shirt waist boxes at Gastonia Furniture Company.

TODAY'S POEM

HAVE YOU? Have you lifted anybody From the wayside dust today, As you went about your business In the old familiar way? Have you brightened anybody With the brightness of your smile, As you trod your path of duty In the old familiar style? Have you talked to anybody Through your sunny hours of life Of the happiness of labor And the sweetness after strife; Have you tried to make them happy And to blossom and to sing As the days went by so gently With life's sweetness on their wing? Have you heartened anybody With your own heart's joy today As they struggled all around you In the conflict and the fray? Have you made the world seem better As with gladness and with trust You have lifted some one's spirit From the shadows and the dust? —Bentzton Bard.

UNCLE JIMMY MULL DIES AT MORGANTON—HEAD OF LARGEST DIRECT FAMILY IN THIS COUNTRY.

Charlotte Observer. Morganton, Dec. 1.—"Uncle Jimmy Mull," as he was popularly known and one of Burke's best known citizens and the head of the largest family of direct descendants in America, is dead. Mr. Mull has over one hundred and forty living children, grand children and great grandchildren and nine years ago was proclaimed "President Roosevelt" as being at the head of the largest direct family of the country. Although a life long Democrat of much influence he took great delight in the fact, that a picture of one of his family reunions which were held every year was framed and placed in the White House by Colonel Roosevelt. He was a splendid citizen in every respect.

'THE UNBORN' IS FILM EVENT OF SEASON.

Fresh from a series of triumphs that have been unapproached in the South, "The Unborn," a problem film of the better class, will be offered to the thinking people of Gastonia at the Broadway Theatre Friday, December 8th. Record houses have witnessed this picture in many of the leading cities of the East and South, and it comes to Gastonia with the endorsement of social workers and others interested in the welfare of the human race.

The theme centers around birth control, one of the the storm centers of popular discussion at the present time. It approaches this subject frankly and with a reverent regard for truth and decency, which lifts it out of the merely sensational into the realm of morality. The restriction of children under seventeen does not mean that there is anything objectionable about the film, but this precaution has been taken simply because the topics discussed are for the mature mind solely.

Bishop McCoy to Wed.

Gadsden, Ala., Nov. 27.—Bishop J. H. McCoy, of the Southern Methodist Church, and Miss Mary N. Moore, former president of the Athens Woman's College and prominent in educational circles in the South, will be married December 2.

J. A. Claywell, aged 92, the oldest resident of Burke county, died at his home in Morganton Friday. He had been in business there since 1858.

THE GAZETTE \$2.00.

On and after January 1, 1917, the subscription price of The Gazette will be \$2 the year instead of \$1.50 as at present. Until that date new subscriptions and renewals will be taken at the old price. All subscriptions are strictly cash in advance. This increase in the price of the paper is rendered imperative because of the unprecedented increase in the cost of print paper and all other materials which enter into the making of a newspaper.

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