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WORK IS FAR-REACHING

HEALTH WORK BRINGING BIG RESULTS

Dr. J. A. Anderson Tells Gastonia Woman's Betterment Association That Its Efforts for Better Health Conditions Are Most Commendable—Discusses Heredity and Environment as Related to Diseases—Says Ninety Per Cent of Sickness is Preventable.

Following are some extracts from the excellent paper read last Friday before the Woman's Betterment Association by Dr. James A. Anderson.

I doubt that you yourselves know the extent of the good work you are accomplishing in your uplift work among the poorer and more ignorant classes of our population. The influences for good are manifest everywhere. Ignorance and superstition are being dissipated rapidly and the most ignorant man or woman now seems to be perfectly willing and anxious to learn these great truths of hygiene and sanitation which are so essentially necessary to the good health and economic usefulness of our people. I now hear very little about babies being "liver-grown" and mothers no longer attribute every disease of childhood to worms, but they are seeking better information on the subject and are asking their physicians and your visiting nurse more about health laws than formerly.

Knowledge of things vital is very necessary to a proper understanding of how to control influences which affect vitality and how disease is propagated in man and, being once propagated, how it is transmitted from one to the other. I am going to premise that only two factors enter into consideration of a weakened or weakening of the human system, namely heredity and environment. By heredity we mean certain characteristics, tendencies and idiosyncrasies transmitted to us by our fathers and mothers. As a child is given red hair and blue eyes, so he is given sometimes the elements which develop chronic disease, and as he is given large features and sometimes possibly a large nose, so he is sometimes given a weakened constitution which makes him an easy prey to the ravages of the germ world.

Environment is said to be the conditions obtaining around us. Our environment is said to be good when we are reared by Christian parents in Christian schools and associated with wholesome companions and are taught the value of plenty of sunlight, fresh air, clean habits and plenty of good nourishing food prepared in a manner wholly acceptable to human requirements.

Our environment is said to be bad when we grow up under the tutelage of ignorant and uncleanly parents who know little about the laws of health and regard with suspicion any suggestion looking toward clean habits—six, eight or ten children piled into one or two sleeping rooms along with the father and mother, in beds that are, to say the least, unsanitary. Some of the mattresses and quilts having been used for all the maternity cases, typhoid fever, tuberculosis and perhaps smallpox, pneumonia and all the other contagious and infectious diseases, with never a thought of the proper washing and sterilization of the bedding and clothes. I have seen babies lying asleep in the cradle with something less than a million flies playing hide and seek all around the mouth and eyes and sometimes several smart flies get into the mouth and behind the tongue and come up and some up in the nose and of course it is very hard for the other flies to find them when they are so hidden.

I think I have made the definitions of heredity and environment fairly plain and while we cannot help who were our parents (for I am sorry to say that none of us were consulted upon this important matter), we can arrange our environment so that in large measure we may be extremely healthy and overcome to a great extent those imperfections transmitted to us by faulty parents.

Roughly speaking, I should say that ten per cent of all disease is due to heredity and 90 per cent due to environment therefore we can safely say that 90 per cent is due to environment. I mean that 90 per cent of all disease should never have happened, if we had lived under proper conditions. I am going to take the further bold stand that every disease is caused by the fault of some body. That somebody may have lived generations ago. A woman once asked the ancient philosopher Socrates, who was also an eminent physician, when a mother should begin training her child, and he very promptly answered, "five hundred years before it is born." You can readily see what the physician meant—that is if we are to have healthy, strong and robust posterity, we must see to it ourselves that we are living under such conditions that will guarantee to our children and their children the elements sufficient to make strong and vigorous men and women. I believe that if we had lived as we should have lived, disease among us would be an unknown quantity. Unfortunately, on account of sin and ignorance, superstition, carelessness, filthy and uncleanly habits, the sin of moral impurity and other degrading and degenerating influences, we have lapsed into a condition where we are an easy prey to the ravages of pathogenic bacteria.

This now brings me up to the consideration of the germ theory of disease. I say germ theory, because when we began to consider the subject of germs we began it theoretically.

MUNICIPAL CELEBRATION

TO HAVE MUNICIPAL CHRISTMAS TREE

Music Club and Chamber of Commerce Are Making Preparations for Gastonia's First Municipal Christmas Tree on December 25—Excellent Musical Program Will be a Feature.

Gastonia's first Christmas tree, which is being planned by the Chamber of Commerce and the Music Club of the city, will be held on Saturday night, December 23. At a meeting of the committee in charge of the work yesterday it was decided to place the tree in the center of the street between the freight and passenger depots and near the Chamber of Commerce offices, on South street. The exercises will be held around the tree, which will be brilliantly illuminated with electric lights. Mr. Harry Rutter, superintendent of the water and light department of the city, will have charge of the electric decorations for the tree.

Already the members of the Music Club are busy arranging a musical program for the occasion and the choirs of the various churches in the city are being urged to co-operate with the Music Club in assembling a chorus of several hundred voices. Rehearsals are being held every Sunday afternoon at the First Presbyterian church under the direction of Dr. Charles R. Fischer who is training the chorus.

The committees in charge of the arrangement for the exercises at the tree are anxious for all who can sing to join the chorus at the rehearsal on Sunday afternoon in order that they may become familiar with the carols that will be sung. At the rehearsal last Sunday afternoon the following Christmas carols were selected: "Silent Night," "Hark! The Herald Angels," "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

Preparations are being made for several thousand men, women and children. The public in general is cordially invited and expected to attend the exercises which will be instructive and entertaining. The exact time for the exercises has not been decided upon but will be announced in Tuesday's Gazette.

Inasmuch as this is Gastonia's first municipal Christmas tree the women in charge of the work are desirous of making it a success and are asking for the support of the people of the community.

Mr. Folk Has Resigned.

Mr. E. P. Folk, who has been for the past year in charge of the Pig Club work of the North Carolina Department of Agriculture, has resigned that position to accept a position as superintendent of a large plantation in Louisiana. Mr. Folk was formerly county farm demonstration agent for Gaston, having been the first man to hold that position in the county, and he has a large circle of friends here who will regret that he is to leave the State. In a letter to The Gazette Mr. Folk says: "I certainly hate to leave the Old North State, and I shall always remember dear old Gaston and the people there."

Charlie Chaplin, Helen Holmes, Ham and Bud, Cozy Saturday.

We supposed that all disease was due to a germ. It has now been proven beyond any possible doubt or peradventure that such is the case, that practically all of the contagious and infectious diseases are due to a specific germ or micro-organism, that this germ enters into the human body, begins to grow and raise a large family, and in its growth and propagation generates a virulent poison which circulates in the blood and through the tissues of the body and deals its deadly blow to life itself.

In every case of consumption or tuberculosis only one germ is responsible for the trouble, the bacillus of tuberculosis. No other germ can cause tuberculosis. Likewise we have a specific germ for typhoid fever. No other germ can cause typhoid fever. The same way with varioloid, diphtheria, typhus and various other diseases too numerous to mention. You can readily see that for people to be sleeping and living in the same house with tuberculosis and knowing nothing about the spread and cause of this terrible disease, simply means the rapid infection and death of other folks, who on account of various reasons, mostly love and affection, are prompted to remain loyal to their brother or sister, father or mother, who happens to be suffering with the disease. The remedy for this defect is to go into the home and teach them how to handle a case of tuberculosis in the home and, if properly handled, there is no necessity for others of the family becoming infected.

DALLAS WILL BE HOST

COMMUNITY PROGRESS MEETING TONIGHT

The First of a Series of Similar Meetings to be Held in Every Township Within Gaston County Will Be at Neighboring Town Tonight—Many Gastonians Along With Representatives Will Attend—Good Program Arranged.

Through the activities of the Greater Gaston Association and the Dallas Chamber of Commerce a community progress meeting has been planned and will be held in the farm life school building tonight, beginning at 8 o'clock sharp. Many Gastonians are going to attend the meeting as are also representatives from each of the several townships within the county.

President J. Wirt Summey, of the Dallas Chamber of Commerce, will have charge of the meeting while Prof. J. B. Henson, superintendent of the graded schools, will deliver the address of welcome to the visitors. From Gastonia the following are expected to attend: Mayor J. Armstrong, J. M. Holland, T. L. Craig, J. H. Sparks, Dr. D. A. Garrison, C. W. Roberts and others.

This is the first of a series of progress meetings that Secretary Roberts, of the Greater Gaston County Association has planned for each of the six townships in the county and bids fair to be a success in every particular. The Gastonia delegation to the meeting tonight will leave from the office of the Chamber of Commerce promptly at 7:30 o'clock.

Following is the program of the exercises in full:
Song by Quartet.
Address of Welcome, by Prof. J. B. Henson.
Response, by Col. C. B. Armstrong, Our Community, by Dr. S. A. Wilkins.
Our Churches, by Rev. W. A. Jenkins.
Our Schools, by Prof. S. J. Kirby.
Our Business, by R. S. Lewis.
Our Farms, by A. P. Rudisill.
Our Chamber of Commerce, by E. L. Houser.

Short talks as follows:
Cherryville Township: M. L. Mauney, M. A. Stroup.
South Point Township: R. R. Ray and P. P. Hall.

Crowders Mountain Township: R. C. Kennedy, Rev. A. T. Lindsay.
Gastonia Township: S. N. Boyce, J. H. Sparks.
River Bend Township: R. K. Davenport, J. M. Reinhardt.
High Shoals: John W. Daniel.
Worth: J. A. Costner.
Alexis: Lee Howard.

PROF. WRAY'S FATHER DEAD.

End Came at Home in Shelby Saturday Afternoon—Was Seventy Years Old.

Prof. Joe S. Wray, superintendent of city schools, has the sympathy of his large circle of friends in the bereavement which came to him in the death of his father, Mr. George W. Wray, which occurred at Shelby last Saturday.

Tuesday's Cleveland Star contains the following account of his death:

In the death of Mr. Geo. W. Wray Saturday afternoon at 6 o'clock, Shelby loses one of her most esteemed citizens and one of her truest and staunchest friends. Mr. Wray was taken several months ago to Morganton where he was in the hospital for treatment and had been confined to his bed for two or three weeks. Last week he had a turn for the worse and died Saturday, his remains being brought to his home here Sunday morning, where the funeral took place at 4 p. m. from the residence. Rev. John W. Suttle conducting the services. The large crowd and the beautiful and bountiful floral offerings testified to the popularity and esteem in which Mr. Wray was held.

Mr. Wray was a life-time resident of Cleveland. He was born on the farm and as long as he was active, which was up to a few years ago, he maintained his farming interests and there was hardly a better farmer in the county. When the war broke out he was a lad in his teens, seeing that he would be called to service and preferring to enter the cavalry with a number of other Shelby men and served two years with credit to himself and the cause in the Confederate cavalry.

Mr. Wray first came to Shelby and entered the drug business with his brother, Mr. Julius Wray. After a short while in business he returned to the country, to return again and engage in the livery business here. Mr. Wray was an indulgent church member and father, an active church worker and patriotic citizen of his town and county. Surviving are his wife, who before marriage was Miss Sarah Suttle and the following children: Prof. Joe Wray, superintendent of the graded schools of Gastonia; Messrs. Stough and Chevis Wray, prominent farmers of Ridgeway, S. C.; Mr. A. V. Wray, one of Shelby's leading merchants; and Mrs. Carl Thompson, of Shelby.

In addition to these, the following brothers and sisters also survive: Mr. Arthur Wray, of Knoxville, Tenn.; Mr. James A. L. Wray, of Greensboro; Mr. Julius Wray, of Asheville; Mr. Chevis P. Wray, of Ridgeway, S. C., and Mrs. C. B. Suttle, of Chester.

The following gentlemen acted as pall-bearers: Messrs. J. J. McMurry, A. C. and W. H. Miller, P. B. McMurry, T. K. Barnett and Major Jones, of Blacksburg, S. C.

Spend Your Money With Home Merchants.

IN SOCIAL CIRCLES

LATEST EVENTS IN WOMAN'S WORLD

PRESBYTERIANS WILL HAVE CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT.
The First Presbyterian church Sunday school is making preparations for its Christmas entertainment on Friday, December 22, at 7:30 o'clock. The exercises will be held in the main auditorium of the church.

GAVE POSSUM SUPPER WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

At their home on South Broad street Wednesday night Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Freeman entertained a number of their friends most pleasantly at a "possum" supper. The guests were Mr. W. L. Gallant, Mr. W. L. Hogan, of Charlotte, Mr. E. D. Jordan, Mr. L. T. McLean, Dr. F. G. Wilson, Mr. T. H. Tyson, Mr. S. H. Johnson and Mr. W. Y. Warren.

GAVE DINNER FOR MRS. ADAMS.

At her home on South Oakland street at 1 o'clock this afternoon Mrs. Henry Glenn gave a most delightful dinner in honor of her sister, Mrs. Will Adams, of Clover, who is her guest. The guests were Mrs. J. L. Adams, Mrs. P. R. Huffstetter, Mrs. S. R. Clinton, Mrs. George G. Willis, Mrs. L. N. Glenn, Mrs. S. A. Robinson and Mrs. W. F. Michael.

DRAMATIC CLUB PRESENTS ITS FIRST PLAY TONIGHT.

Tonight at 8 o'clock in the Central graded school auditorium the dramatic club of the Gastonia high school will present "The Deacons Second Wife." The play was written by Allan Abbott and is full of mirth and wholesome amusement. Miss Ethel Armstrong plays the part of Kate Rollins, the deacon's second wife and her impersonation is excellent. Miss Elizabeth Woltz will recite several selections and Miss Pearl Miller will sing "Jean" and "The Ginger Bread Man." Tickets are on sale at Torrence's Drug Store.

IN APPRECIATION OF A NORTH CAROLINA ARTIST.

The following article from last Sunday's Asheville Times, being an appreciation of Miss Lola Jenkins, a former resident of Gastonia, will be read with interest by many Gastonians:

Miss Lola Jenkins, the talented daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Jenkins, is a young musician who has acquired a remarkable reputation as a singer in a brief space of time. Miss Jenkins' home was in Gastonia previous to her residence here, but much of her young girlhood was spent in Asheville, coming here for frequent visits with her father and spending much time at the Battery Park hotel. After Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins took Brookwood bungalow in Edgemont park and came to Asheville to reside, Miss Jenkins went to New York to study vocal music. Her family are very musical on both sides, Mrs. Jenkins having attained much as a pianist and Mr. Jenkins being very successful in vocal music. In New York where Miss Jenkins has since her first year, spent several seasons in the study of vocal music she has studied under the noted teacher, Madame Valeri, and has sung in many different social functions but has not as yet made a formal professional debut. Miss Jenkins is charmingly remembered in Asheville as having given a recital at the Battery Park hotel which attracted wide-spread favorable notice and comment. In New York this young musician had the distinction of singing for Andreas Dippel and receiving from him praise. Miss Jenkins will return to New York, after resting here during the autumn, after Christmas and will coach in repertoire. She has had many gratifying professional offers but as yet, with her parents, made no definite plans for the future. At the piano recital which Mr. Florio will give, under the auspices of the Nocturne society, on the 14th of December at the Masonic temple, Miss Jenkins will sing the "Musette Song from Loencavollo's La Boheme" and also the two selections, "I Came With a Song," by La Forge, and "Flower Rain," by Snyder. The last number which Miss Jenkins has sung in Asheville previously is, by request, "Upon her return to New York. Miss Jenkins will probably coach with La Forge and the noted Italian instructor, Emilio Roxas, the latter being especially fine in his qualities as instructor in opera. Miss Jenkins has previously sung many arias from such operas as "Butterfly," "La Boheme," by Puccini, "La Boheme," by Loencavollo, "Faust" and "Pagliacci." Miss Jenkins was the chief soloist at the recent U. S. state convention in Gastonia and had as her accompanist her sister, Mrs. Jack Harper, of Gastonia.

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Died in Washington.

News has just been received by Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Bradley of the death of Bert Mahaffie, which occurred last week at his home in Puyallup, Wash. Mr. Mahaffie was 24 years of age and a mechanic by trade. He spent several months at Mr. Bradley's home about two years ago, and while here made many friends by his sunny, cheerful disposition. He was to have been married next spring to Miss Myrtle Wilmers, of Puyallup, Wash. The cause of his death was pneumonia.

Billie Burke in "Gloria's Romance" and "Who's Guilty" Ideal Today.

Rev. Henry Horton, a converted high caste Hindoo and a native of India, will preach at the First Wesleyan Methodist church, corner of Church street and Franklin avenue, Saturday night, December 9, at 7:30 o'clock and will deliver a missionary address at the same church Sunday night, December 10, at seven o'clock. On Sunday morning Mr. Horton will preach at the Loray Wesleyan church at 11 o'clock. The speaker tells the story of how he was converted from idol worship, describes the customs of his people and relates many touching incidents showing the need of his native land for the Gospel. Everybody is welcome at all the above services.

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GASTONIA AND GASTON

LATE EVENTS IN TOWN AND COUNTY

Born
To Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Edwards on Friday, November 24, 1916, a son.

Born
To Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Moton, of route three, on Wednesday, November 29, 1916, a son.

The Holiday Messenger.

Mr. H. M. Van Sleen, jeweler, is mailing out to his customers and friends a very neat and attractive little Christmas paper entitled, "The Gastonia Holiday Messenger." It is beautifully illustrated and makes a very unique advertising medium.

Meeting of Medical Society.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Gaston Medical Society held in the city hall Wednesday afternoon, officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Dr. M. C. Anders; first vice-president, Dr. T. C. Quicke; second vice-president, Dr. H. M. Eddleman; secretary-treasurer, Dr. H. F. Geinn.

Goes to Salisbury Office.

Mr. A. B. Taylor, who for the past eight months has been manager of the local Western Union Telegraph Company's office, will leave the city today or tomorrow for Salisbury where he has accepted a position as general manager of the company's office. This is quite a promotion and Mr. Taylor's work here merits the advancement. Miss Kate Faircloth, of Anderson, S. C., will have charge of the office here temporarily.

Second Lyceum Attraction.

The Hawaiian Singers and Players, who are coming to Gastonia on Wednesday, December 13, as the second lyceum attraction of the season, are without doubt on the features of the lyceum course. There are five members of the troupe, four men and one lady, and all the songs of Hawaii are sung in native tongue. The entire company will also appear in the native Hawaiian dress, adding much to the attraction. Tickets for this number will go on sale at Kennedy's Drug Store Tuesday morning, December 12th.

Attending Press Meet.

Mr. J. W. Atkins left Wednesday night for Chapel Hill to attend the mid-winter meeting of the North Carolina Press Association and the newspaper men's institute being held at the University of North Carolina yesterday, today and Saturday. From Chapel Hill Mr. Atkins will go Monday to Norfolk to attend the annual meeting of the Southern Commercial Congress to which he has been appointed a delegate. Mr. J. M. Holland, secretary of the Gaston County Fair Association, will also leave Sunday night to attend the Norfolk meeting. Mr. Holland is also a delegate from Gastonia to the Southern Commercial Congress.

Quarterly Meetings.

Rev. J. H. Barnhardt, the newly appointed presiding elder of the Shelby District, M. E. Church, South, has announced quarterly meetings as follows: Main Street church, Gastonia, December 17th; West End, Gastonia, December 17th; (night), Mt. Holly, January 13 and 14; Belmont, Sunday night, January 14; Lowell, January 21; Ozark, Gastonia, Sunday night, January 21; Stanley, Sunday night, January 28; Bessemer City, February 10; Dallas, at High Shoals, March 10 and 11; Cherryville, St. Paul's, February 17 and 18. The district stewards and pastors will meet in Shelby on Tuesday, December 19th, at 1 p. m.

Woodmen Elect Officers.

Providence Camp No. 382, W. O. W., elected officers for the year 1917 at their meeting Tuesday night as follows: C. M. Boyd, council commander; E. R. Whitener, adviser; Benjamin H. F. Rockett, banker; W. L. Smith, clerk; C. E. Spencer, court; Robert Sparks, watchman; W. M. Rockett, scribe; Dr. J. O. Dimmette, physician; R. D. Lewis, C. J. Storey and E. K. Whitener, managers. These officers will be installed at the first regular meeting of the camp in January. Since moving their new hall in the Glenn building the Woodmen now meet every Thursday night instead of only twice a month as formerly.

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SHORT LOCAL ITEMS

—Just thirteen shopping days, then Christmas.

—Nineteen sixteen is drawing rapidly to its close.

—Mr. and Mrs. John Nichols, of Bethel, were in the city yesterday.

—Miss Mabel Barkley, of Denver, is the guest of Miss Virgie Barkley.

—Mrs. Vick Sigmon, of Denver, is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. C. Barkley.

—Mr. R. T. Padgett spent several hours in Charlotte yesterday on business.

—Mrs. R. A. Love and Mrs. W. F. Michael spent Wednesday in Charlotte.

—Messrs. G. B. Mason and R. G. Rankin were Charlotte visitors yesterday.

—Mr. Robert Clinton, of York county, S. C., was a Gastonia visitor Wednesday.

—Mr. R. F. Rankin, of Mt. Holly, was a business visitor in Gastonia Wednesday.

—Mr. Louis Sinco, of Gaffney, S. C., spent Sunday here with Mr. and Mrs. D. Lebovitz.

—Mrs. John Smith and Mrs. Landon Smith, of Clover, were Gastonia visitors yesterday.

—Mr. C. A. Hamilton, of Kings Mountain, was a business visitor in the city Wednesday.

—Mr. H. A. James, of New York city, spent several days in the city last week on business.

—Mr. Joe Patrick and Mr. W. B. Riddle, of Bowling Green, were Gastonia visitors Thursday.

—Mr. Roland Padgett, of Lincolnton, spent several hours in the city with friends Wednesday.

—Mrs. L. B. Freeman had as her guests Wednesday Mrs. W. L. Hogan and Little son, of Charlotte.

—Mrs. R. B. Riddle and Mrs. Joe Riddle, of Bethel, were here yesterday to see "The Birth of a Nation."

—Misses Irma and Estelle Willeford, of Kings Mountain, attended the Birth of a Nation Wednesday night.

—Rev. J. S. Wood, of Forest City, and Rev. J. M. Berryhill, of Kings Mountain, were Gastonia visitors yesterday.

—Mrs. W. S. Penny, of Raleigh, arrived in the city last night on a visit to her sister, Mrs. Kenneth Babington.

—Mrs. L. E. Terrell and little son, L. E., Jr., left last Saturday for Gainesville, Ga., to spend ten days with relatives.

—Miss Helen Schultz, of Salisbury, is spending a few days here with Mr. and Mrs. D. Lebovitz. Miss Schultz is a niece of Mrs. Lebovitz.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Torrence and daughter, Mrs. Annie, left yesterday for Ocoee, Florida, where they expect to spend the winter.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Gray left Sunday for a week's pleasure trip to New York city. They are expected to return to the city tomorrow.

—Miss Mary Lumsden, of Raleigh, is spending some time in the city as the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. D. Moore, Jr., on West Main avenue.

—There will be regular services at St. Michael's Catholic church next Sunday, December 10, at 10 a. m., by the pastor, Rev. Father Melchior, O. S. B.

—Miss Geane Robinson, of Charlotte, arrived in the city yesterday morning to spend several days as the guest of Mrs. George B. Mason on East Airline avenue.

The full text of President Wilson's address to Congress, delivered before a joint session of the two houses Tuesday, is given to our readers on page six today.

Auction sale of 30 choice building lots just south of the Loray ball park at 1 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. This land is the property of Messrs. W. H. Adams and A. E. Woltz and will be sold by the Southern Realty & Auction Co. of Greensboro, of which Mr. E. M. Andrews is manager. Read the advertisement on page seven.

—Rev. John R. Stewart, D. D., of Nashville, Tenn., one of the connection officers of the M. E. Church, South, passed through Gastonia Wednesday en route to Durham to attend the meeting of the North Carolina annual conference. Dr. Stewart was prevented from attending the Western North Carolina Conference here in November by the change in the date of holding conference.

—Hickory Record: Mr. L. B. Gwin, for the past 15 years connected with the Southern Railway freight office here and for some time chief clerk, will leave Monday for Marion where he will relieve Mr. J. F. Conniff, agent there, for three months.

—Rev. and Mrs. Loy D. Thompson, of Marion, arrived in the city today to visit Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Thompson. —Mr. Ernest Wright, of Gastonia, is spending some time in the city with his parents.

—Rev. D. W. Brown, who has been attending the Candler School of Theology in Emory University, Atlanta, Ga., but who was appointed by Bishop Kilgo at the recent Methodist conference here to be pastor of Moore's Chapel and Chadwick Methodist churches, Charlotte, passed through Gastonia yesterday en route to Charlotte to enter upon the duties of his new pastorate. Mr. Brown was formerly junior preacher on the Mount Holly circuit when Rev. J. A. Bowles was pastor there.