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GASTONIA, N. C., FRIDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 29, 1916.

\$2.00 A YEAR IN ADVANCE.

EMPLOYEES BANQUETED

Superintendents, Overseers and Office Men of Armstrong Chain of Mills...

On Tuesday night the office employees, superintendents and overseers of the chain of cotton mills...

Col. Armstrong presided over the festive board and made a short talk on the work the organizations had done...

While the banquet was in progress some moving picture scenes were taken of the banqueters...

MILL MEN BANQUET.

Overseers, Second Hands and Section Men of Old Mill Given Sumptuous Banquet at Arlington Saturday Night...

(Written for The Gazette.)

On last Saturday night, December 23rd, Mr. W. B. Biggers, of the Gastonia Cotton Manufacturing Company...

When the inner man had been satisfied by a bountiful repast in the dining room the company adjourned to the spacious assembly hall...

All present were given an opportunity to express their ideas as to what improvements they wanted made...

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BANKS HAD A FINE YEAR

Citizens National and First National Each Paid Five Per Cent Semi-Annual Dividends in 1916...

No institutions so definitely and accurately indicate the condition of business in any community as the banks...

At the regular meeting of the board of directors of the Citizens National Bank held Tuesday the regular semi-annual dividend of five per cent was ordered paid...

During the year the First National Bank has paid out \$12,500 in dividends, this representing two semi-annual dividends of five per cent each.

The Gaston Loan & Trust Co., whose dividend periods are April 1st and October 1st, has paid four per cent semi-annually on its capital stock of \$25,000.

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SHORT LOCAL ITEMS

Miss Fannie Kate Wilson is visiting friends at Lowryville, S. C.

Messrs. S. R. and F. S. Clinton motored to Clover, S. C., Wednesday.

Mr. Carlisle Cochran, of Huntersville, spent Wednesday in the city with friends.

Mr. Estill Steele, of Tazewell, Va., is spending a few days in the city.

Miss Miriam Goforth, of Kings Mountain, is spending a few days in the city as the guest of Mrs. D. K. Jackson.

Misses Mary and Annie Galloway spent Christmas Day and Tuesday in Charlotte as the guests of Mrs. O. G. Allen.

Start the new year right by taking out some shares in one of Gastonia's two successful building and loan associations.

Mr. J. E. Lindsay and family are moving today to their new residence on the York road near Mr. J. Frank McArver's.

Mrs. M. B. Henry has moved into her handsome new residence on South York street which is nearing completion.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Deaver Caldwell, of Atlanta, are spending the holidays here with the former's parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Caldwell.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Warren and children spent yesterday in Charlotte as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Lanier.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Gallant had as their guests this week Mr. and Mrs. Wade M. Gallant, of Raleigh, and Miss Ola Herron.

Miss Kate Jones, of Bessemer City, route one, left Wednesday for Concord to visit Mrs. Carrie Barnhardt.

Mr. Leonard Henry returned Wednesday night to Pensacola, Fla., after spending a few days here with his mother, Mrs. M. B. Henry.

Miss Della Nolen, who is teaching in the city schools of Charlotte, is spending the holidays here with homefolks.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Brown and young son, C. T., Jr., spent a part of the holidays with Mrs. Brown's brother, Mr. L. L. Dowdee, in Durham.

Miss Mary Wilson, who is spending the holidays with her father, Mr. W. C. Wilson, is spending a day or two with friends in the Steele Creek section of Mecklenburg county.

Mrs. J. Q. Holland, of Cherryville, is in the city this week spending several days as the guest of her daughters, Mrs. P. R. Falls, Mrs. S. N. Boyce and Mrs. M. H. Curry.

Prof. Edgar McLean, who is superintendent of the graded schools at Dover, Craven county, is spending the holidays in the city with homefolks.

Mrs. Julia Byars, of Spartanburg, S. C., spent the holidays in the city with her sister, Mrs. E. P. Stabler, at 701 West Franklin avenue.

Prof. J. W. Moore, who is instructor in the Winston-Salem high school, is spending several days in the city as the guest of his uncles, Prof. J. P. and Dr. R. M. Reid.

Mr. H. K. Logan, who is manager of the Gaston County Gas Company, left Saturday night to spend the holidays with homefolks in Philadelphia, Pa.

Miss Janie Drennan, who has been spending some time in the city with Mrs. E. J. Smith at her home on West Franklin avenue, returned today to her home in the Bethel section of York county, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rhyne have as their guests during the holidays their daughter, Miss Nina Rhyne, and their son, Mr. Walter Rhyne, both of whom are teaching in the eastern part of the State.

Mr. E. Ralph Rankin, of Chapel Hill, who is secretary of the bureau of extension at the University of North Carolina, is spending several days in the city with relatives and friends.

Francis X. Bushman and Beverly Bayne Cozy Tuesday.

Stomach Trouble and Constipation. Those who are afflicted with stomach trouble and constipation should read the following: "I have never found anything so good for stomach trouble and constipation as Chamberlain's Tablets. I have used them off and on now for the past two years. They not only regulate the action of the bowels but stimulate the liver and keep one's body in a healthy condition."

Charlie Chaplin Cozy today.

Plies Cured in 6 to 14 Days. Your druggist will refund money if FAZO OINTMENT fails to cure any case of Itching, Biting, Stinging or Pruritic Piles in 6 to 14 days. The first application gives Ease and Rest. 50c.

OPERATIVES MADE HAPPY

GASTONIA MILLS GAVE MANY PRESENTS

All of Gastonia's Textile Plants Remembered Their Employees on Christmas—Upwards of \$10,000 in Money Was Distributed Among the Operatives.

Employees in the Gastonia cotton mills were not forgotten by the mill owners. So far as The Gazette has been able to learn every textile plant in the city made its employees, from the youngest to the oldest, a Christmas present of some kind as a token of appreciation of the work that had been done by them during the past year.

AVON MILL. Presents to its employees were given by the Avon Mill in an additional week's pay amounting to \$1,318 and packages of nuts, fruits and candies.

THE ARMSTRONG MILLS. A sum totaling \$3,500 in presents was distributed among the employees of the Armstrong chain of mills in cash as a bonus.

LORAY MILLS. The employees of the Loray Mill were given a bonus of \$500, this amount being distributed among all of the workers. Beginning the first week in January this mill will increase the wages of its employees which will amount to several hundred dollars weekly.

GRAY MFG. COMPANY. Using the week ending December 23, as a basis the Gray Manufacturing Co. issued to each of its employees specially printed checks for about 50 per cent. of the week's salary. The total amount was \$1,000.

MODENA MILLS. The employees of the Modena Mill were given an additional dollar on the week's wages as a Christmas present.

FLINT AND ARLINGTON MILLS. A nice present was given to every employee of both the Flint and Arlington Cotton Mills on Christmas day.

TRENTON MILL. A substantial bonus was given by the owners to the employees of the Trenton Mill, the amount being given on a per centage basis.

OZARK MILL. Three full days' time was computed by the owners and given to every employee of the Ozark Cotton Mills as a Christmas present. The amount totaled more than \$750.

GASTONIA MFG. COMPANY. Officials of the Gastonia Manufacturing Company presented their operatives with a bonus as a Christmas present. The amount was figured and distributed on a percentage basis.

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OPPORTUNITY IS OFFERED.

Pin-Money Savings Club Inaugurated by Gastonia Banking Institution is Excellent and Novel Plan.

In the inauguration of a Pin-Money Savings Club the First National Bank of Gastonia, is offering to the people of this city and Gaston county an excellent opportunity to begin a savings account, regardless of the member's salary.

By joining the savings club and paying a few cents each week, beginning the first Monday in January, its members will receive from the bank in time for Christmas, 1917, a check for the total amount paid in plus the interest of four per cent. Attractive little pocket banks are being given to the members.

The plan started by this banking institution is somewhat novel and offers splendid advantages to the young people of the city, and tends to inculcate the saving habit.

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GASTONIA AND GASTON

LATE EVENTS IN TOWN AND COUNTY

Now With Thomson Company. Mr. J. Stacey Boyce, who for the past several years has held a position in the office of the Loray Mills, has accepted a position with the Thomson Mercantile Company as bookkeeper. Mr. Boyce has already entered upon his new work.

To Build Bungalow. Mr. James A. Estridge, proprietor of the Cozy Theatre, is having material placed on his lot on South street, near Fourth, for the construction of a handsome eight-room bungalow, work on which will be commenced at once. Mr. Will Grigg is to have charge of the work.

To Observe Holiday. New Years is a holiday with the postoffice, force and holiday hours will be observed. The windows will be open from 8 to 10 a. m. and from 5 to 6 p. m. The city carriers will make one delivery and one collection in the forenoon. The rural carriers will not go out.

Many Loans Asked For. Applications for loans for more than \$200,000 have been filed in the offices of the Gaston County National Farm Loan Association in this city. These applications which number upwards of one hundred, come from residents of all sections of Gaston county.

Eclipses in 1917. According to Turner's North Carolina Almanac there will be seven eclipses in 1917, four of the sun and three of the moon. This is the largest number of eclipses possible in any one calendar year. Only two of these eclipses will be visible here, a total eclipse of the moon on January 7, and a total eclipse of the sun on December 28.

To Make Views of Gaston County. Three representatives of a New York motion picture concern arrived in the city Tuesday and if their plans materialize a film will be made in Gastonia and the county, showing some of the points of interest here. The film will be named "The Princess Visits Gastonia and Gaston County," and will be shown along with other films entitled "Seeing America First."

An Evangelistic Campaign. An evangelistic campaign will be conducted in all the Baptist churches of the city beginning March 11th. This campaign will be conducted by the home board evangelists of Atlanta. There will be an evangelist and a singer at each of the three churches. These evangelists are employed by the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and work under the direction of that board.

A. & M. Banquet New Year's Night. Arrangements have been made for the annual banquet of the Gaston County A. & M. Alumni to be held at the Arlington Hotel New Year's night. Mr. O. Max Gardner, of Shelby, Lieutenant-Governor elect and an A. & M. alumnus, will be present and make the principal address. Those in charge of the arrangements have tried to reach every A. & M. man in the county either personally, by mail or telephone. Every A. & M. alumnus in the county is invited to attend the banquet.

Sad Death of Youth. Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Davenport, of Mount Holly, have the sympathy of a host of friends over the county in the death of their young son, Allen, which occurred at their home Tuesday night at 7 o'clock. The deceased was thirteen years old and for the past year had been an invalid. Funeral services were held at the home yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock, being conducted by Rev. J. C. Harmon, pastor of the Methodist church, and Rev. S. L. Cathey, pastor of the Presbyterian church. A large concourse of friends was present at the funeral. Interment was in the Mt. Holly Cemetery.

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Drives Out Malaria, Builds Up System. The Old Standard general strengthening tonic, GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out Malaria, enriches the blood, and builds up the system. A true tonic. For adults and children. 50c.

IN SOCIAL CIRCLES

ENJOYED POSSUM DINNER. Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Rankin were hosts at a delightful possum dinner at their home on South street yesterday. Their guests were Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Rankin, Misses Lucile and Margaret Rankin, V. E. Long, L. H. Long, Bynum Long, Hutch Workman, B. B. Gardner, Hoyle Armstrong, Gus Froneberger and Miss Emma Rankin.

WARREN FAMILY REUNIONS. On Christmas day Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Gardner gave a dinner at their home on North Falls street, having as their guests Mrs. Gardner's mother, Mrs. J. R. Warren, Mr. R. C. Warren and family and Mr. W. Y. Warren and family. Mrs. Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby, was the only out-of-town guest. Today Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Warren gave a dinner at their home on South York street, their guests being the same as at the previous dinner except that Mrs. Hoey was not there. Both occasions were most delightful ones.

ANOTHER SURPRISE WEDDING. A surprise marriage took place Wednesday night at the manse of Union Presbyterian church, six miles south of the city, when Miss Fannie Bollinger, of Gastonia, became the bride of Mr. Craig Wilson. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. A. Sparrow. The bride is a sister of Mrs. T. H. Tyson, with whom she made her home here, and formerly held a position at Efrida. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Hope Wilson and is a well-to-do young farmer. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson are making their home with the groom's parents. Attending the marriage were Mr. Walter Wilson, the groom's brother, who is connected with a bank at Simpsonville, S. C., and Miss Mary Wilson, his sister, who is teaching at Kings Mountain.

SAUNDERS-HUFFSTETLER WEDDING. One of the prettiest weddings of the season was that of Miss Etta Saunders and Mr. Laban Huffstetler which was celebrated at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Saunders, on East Franklin avenue, Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The home, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion, was filled with friends of the bridal party.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. W. Whitley, pastor of the East Gastonia Baptist church, as the couple stood under a huge bell suspended from the ceiling. The attendants were Misses Mayme Pearson, Fannie Bollinger and Mr. Foster Huffstetler, brother of the groom, and Mr. Lee Armstrong. The bridesmaids wore yellow crepe de chine accordinian pleated dresses. The bride, a perfect blonde, was pretty in a traveling suit of niger brown with accessories to match. She carried a bouquet of white carnations.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Saunders and was for two years a teacher in the county schools. The groom is a son of Mrs. S. J. Huffstetler and is one of the popular merchants in Gastonia. The young couple's popularity is attested by the many fine presents they received.

Out-of-town guests were Misses Martha Reitzel, Rose Butler and Messrs. C. P. Reitzel and Zetel White, of Newton, and Mr. Ernest Lipe and Miss Mary Abernethy, of High Shoals, and Mrs. Charles Costner and children, of the Kettle Shoals section.

After a short trip the young couple will make their home with the groom's mother in this city.

May Locate Here. Dr. Alfred W. Dula, the well-known eye specialist of Lenoir, tells The Gazette that he is thinking very seriously of locating in Gastonia for the practice of his profession. Dr. Dula has been visiting several of the nearby towns in recent months on professional business and has been so favorably impressed with Gastonia that he wants to come here to live. Dr. Dula is a graduate of the Philadelphia Optical College and several other optical institutions and has had more than 15 years experience in this line of work. Dr. Dula would find a cordial welcome to Gastonia.

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Mrs. Mattie Anderson will return Sunday from Chattanooga, Tenn., where she spent the Christmas holidays with relatives.

THE PRICE OF

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