

**IDEAL THEATER**  
**PRESENTS**  
**TODAY—TUESDAY**  
**WALLACE REID**  
**AND**  
**CLEO RIDGLEY**  
**IN THE**  
**"Yellow Pawn"**  
 5 ACT PARAMOUNT

**WEDNESDAY**  
**VALESKA SURATT**  
**IN**  
**"The Straight Way"**  
 OR  
**A Woman's Quest**  
**For Happiness**  
 FIVE ACT FOX

**THURSDAY**  
**BILLIE BURKE**  
**IN**  
**"Gloria's Romance"**  
 ALSO  
**"Who's Guilty"**

**CAROLINA & NORTHWESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY.**  
 Schedule Effective Sunday, August 20, 1916.

**Northbound No. 10.**  
 Leave Chester ..... 7:43 a. m.  
 Leave York ..... 8:29 a. m.  
 Leave Gastonia ..... 9:24 a. m.  
 Leave Lincolnton ..... 10:20 a. m.  
 Leave Newton ..... 10:55 a. m.  
 Leave Hickory ..... 11:40 a. m.  
 Arrive Lenoir ..... 12:45 p. m.

**Northbound No. 6.**  
 Leave Hickory ..... 5:45 p. m.  
 Leave Lenoir ..... 6:50 p. m.  
 Arrive Mortimer ..... 8:22 p. m.

**Southbound No. 9.**  
 Leave Lenoir ..... 1:40 p. m.  
 Leave Hickory ..... 2:35 p. m.  
 Leave Newton ..... 3:08 p. m.  
 Leave Lincolnton ..... 3:46 p. m.  
 Leave Gastonia ..... 5:00 p. m.  
 Leave York ..... 5:46 p. m.  
 Arrive Chester ..... 6:35 p. m.

**Southbound No. 5.**  
 Leave Mortimer ..... 7:00 a. m.  
 Leave Lenoir ..... 7:22 a. m.  
 Arrive Hickory ..... 9:30 a. m.

**Connections.**  
 Chester—Southern Ry., S. A. L. and L. & C.  
 York—Southern Railway.  
 Gastonia—Southern Ry. and P. & N. Railway.  
 Lincolnton—S. A. L. Railway.  
 Newton and Hickory—Southern Railway.  
 E. F. REID, G. P. A.,  
 Chester, S. C.

**For** **Gastonia's Ideal**  
**Prices and** **Residential**  
**Terms see** **Section**

**GASTONIA**  
**INS. & REALTY**  
**CO.**

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**THE SOVEREIGN OF THE SCREEN**  
**FRANCIS X. BUSHMAN**  
**and Lovely BEVERLY BAYNE**  
**IN**  
**THE STIRRING METRO WONDERPLAY**  
**"IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE"**  
 5 Superb Acts Presenting a Vivid Story of Love and International Politics

**COZY THEATRE**  
**TODAY**  
 A Great Feature. Admission 5 and 10c.

**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.

**EIGHTY-FIFTH INSTALLMENT.**  
**Locals.**  
 (From The Gazette of May 25, '83.)  
 The thermometer fell to 37 here on Wednesday.

The new Presbyterian church will seat comfortably four hundred persons.

We have been informed that Rev. P. H. Fontain, lately principal of the high school at All Healing Springs, has removed to Laurel Grove, Va.

We learn that in the neighborhood of Cherryville two young people engaged to be married on a certain day, and so certain was the bride that the knot would be tied that she bought her wedding outfit and all other arrangements were made. She even had prepared an excellent feast of good things but she received a note from her affianced telling of circumstances beyond his control and which prevented his marrying at that time, but that he would call again in the Fall. The girl is only 13 years old. Bad on the girl.

We notice that Mr. R. A. Caldwell, a well-to-do and wide-awake farmer of this county, has purchased an improved reaper, the first of the kind, we believe, that has ever been owned by a Gaston county farmer.

**The Commencement.**  
 (From The Gazette of May 25, '83.)  
 The closing exercises of the Gastonia High School began at the academy on the evening of the 23rd. By 7 o'clock the large hall was packed with folks from the town and country around, who were eager to hear the exercises. All deserve credit for their skill and competency with which they executed their parts, and that Mrs. J. B. Blanton and his accomplished assistant, Miss Aurelia Barr, have not been negligent of their duties to the patrons of the school. The exercises on Wednesday were merely preparatory.

Early Thursday morning people came from all parts of the county and gathered at the grove near the Presbyterian church where arrangements had been made for the entertainment of the crowd. About 9:30 o'clock the young men were called to the front of the stage. The speeches, generally, were of good selection, well prepared and well delivered.

Rev. R. A. Webb, of York county, S. C., delivered the address. His speech was highly interesting, delivered in an easy, elegant manner and was listened to with marked attention.

**Locals.**  
 (From The Gazette of June 1, '83.)  
 At an election recently had at New Hope Presbyterian church in South Point, Rev. J. M. McLain was elected pastor.

Mr. L. M. Grist and wife passed through here yesterday morning on their return home from Texas and Mexico. They enjoyed the trip but don't like the country. Mr. Grist says there are plenty of people out

**TRY THIS TO BANISH ALL RHEUMATIC PAINS**

People who have been tormented for years—yes, even so crippled that they were unable to help themselves—have been brought back to robust health through the mighty power of Rheuma.

Rheuma acts with speed; it brings in a few days the relief you have prayed for. It antagonizes the poisons that cause agony and pain in the joints and muscles and quickly the torturing soreness completely disappears.

It is a harmless remedy, but sure and certain, because it is one discovered that has forced rheumatism and its attendant pains to yield and disappear.

Do not get the cheap bottle of Rheuma, you do not get the loyal respect your money will buy. J. H. Kennedy & Co. supply of Rheuma and all other ailments to you.—(Adv.)

**PURE CREAM FOR SALE.**  
 (From T. F. Jackson's Dairy.)  
 Delivered anywhere in the city if orders are given us the day before.  
 -TORRENCE DRUG COMPANY.

there who would gladly come back if they could.

The Gastonia Cornet Band went out to Blacks last Wednesday to furnish the music for the closing exercises of the high school there. The members were treated "handsomely" and are well pleased with the trip. G. W. Chalk and E. L. Smyre accompanied the party and these latter gentlemen report that there is a "heap of purty girls" out there.

The new Presbyterian church of this place will be dedicated on Saturday before the second Sabbath in June and the Lord's supper will be administered on the Sabbath. Rev. T. L. Leeper will preach the dedication sermon at 11 o'clock and Rev. R. Z. Johnson will assist in the dedication services.

**Dallas Dots.**  
 (From The Gazette of June 1, '83.)  
 The picnic last Saturday was a grand success. The Southern "Stars" of Lincolnton, were here as the guests of the Dallas Light Infantry. Music was furnished by the Dallas Cornet Band. Though a very large crowd was in attendance, the affair passed off in a very pleasant and satisfactory manner.

The commencement exercises of the Gaston High School will be held here in the court house.

The many friends of Hon. J. H. White will regret to learn he is in feeble health.

In a few weeks the new store of Morris Bros. will be ready to be occupied.

Dallas, May 31, 1883.

**River Bend Items.**  
 (From The Gazette of June 1, '83.)  
 The young ladies here are endeavoring to raise money to build a church. They have succeeded in getting \$350 subscribed.

The Castanea congregation have, we learn, secured the services of Rev. Mr. Neal, a young curate for the next three months.

Mr. R. R. Ray, of Mountain Island, had his kitchen and contents burned last Friday night. The fire originated from a defective stove pipe.

Lawson Rozzell, a deaf and dumb man, who is one of our best farmers, reports the finest prospects for watermelons of any one in the River Bend section. Mr. Rozzell married a deaf and dumb lady. They have two interesting boys who are not afflicted as they are.

(To Be Continued.)

**Spend Your Money With Home Merchants.**

**SOUTHERN MILLS LEADING.**

**Consumption of Cotton in Southern Mills Shows Marked Increase—In November Used 333,000 Bales.**

Special to The Gazette.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 1.—The report of the Census Office on the consumption of cotton in the mills of the United States in the month of November and in the four months ended November 30 shows the Southern mills still increasing their lead," said President Harrison, of Southern Railway Company today.

"The consumption in Southern mills in November amounted to 333,033 bales, an increase of 16.66 per cent over November last year, as compared with consumption in the mills of all other States of 251,043 bales, an increase of 9.49 per cent over November last year.

"In the four-months period consumption in Southern mills amounted to 1,275,964 bales, an increase of 18.05 per cent over the corresponding period last year, as compared with consumption in the mills of all other States of 951,411 bales, an increase of but 5.97 per cent over last year. In the four months the consumption of cotton in the Southern mills exceeded that of the mills of all other States by 324,553 bales, or 34.11 per cent."

Trade With Gazette Advertisers.

**THE GASTONIA GAZETTE.**  
 TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 1917.

One of the most attractive and elaborate special editions we have seen lately is the Haywood County Industrial and Resort Edition of The Carolina Mountaineer published at Waynesville. It is dated December 21st. It is in magazine style, sixty-four pages, and is profusely illustrated with cuts showing natural scenery, industrial plants, business houses, etc., in and around Waynesville. Mr. J. D. Boone is editor of The Mountaineer. This special edition was gotten out for him by Mr. B. H. DePriest, formerly of Shelby. They both deserve to be highly congratulated upon the excellence of this piece of work. It will prove a splendid advertisement for that section of the State.

**SOUTHERN RAILWAY'S REPORT.**  
 Special to The Gazette.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 1.—Results of operation of the Southern Railway Company for November, 1916, and for the five months ended November 30th, compared with the same month and period in 1915, exclusive of interest, rentals and other income charges, were announced today by Comptroller A. H. Plann, as follows:

Gross revenue, Nov. 1916, \$7,086,498, an increase of \$965,868 or 15.78 per cent; operating expenses, taxes and uncollectible railway revenue, Nov. 1916, \$4,724,076, an increase of \$603,694 or 14.65 per cent. Corresponding results for the five months' periods: Gross revenue, this year \$32,840,658, an increase of \$4,153,890 or 14.48 per cent; operating expenses, taxes and uncollectible railway revenues this year \$22,902,621, an increase of \$2,631,433 or 12.98 per cent.

The Southern Railway disbursed during November, for labor, material, supplies and other purposes, \$6,359,601 of which \$5,023,109 or 78.98 per cent was paid to individuals and industries located in the South, this sum being \$62,551 in excess of the total moneys contributed by the South for transportation purposes.

For improvements to its roadway and structures, the Southern spent \$1,400,156.42 in Nov. 1916, as against \$624,927.37 during Nov. 1915; during the five months ended Nov. 30, \$6,137,383.80 as against \$2,787,764.72 in 1915.—(Adv.)

**Gastonia Won the Banner.**

The following is from The Associate Reformed Presbyterian:

After considering carefully the reports sent in to determine which union is entitled to the highest distinction under the Standard of Efficiency adopted for the past year it has been decided that Gastonia Y. P. C. U. wins first place with Columbia as a very close second. Gastonia wins on points 1, 2 and 5. Columbia wins on points 4 and 6, and ties with Gastonia on 3. Both of these unions have done very fine work.

As a matter of information we print the standard that was used last year:

1. The largest increase in membership.
2. The largest average attendance of members.
3. The largest number of members uniting with the church.
4. The largest per capita contributions.
5. The largest per cent of members reading the Bible daily.
6. Some special mission work.

**Lax-Fos, A Mild, Effective Laxative & Liver Tonic Does Not Grip or Disturb the Stomach.**

In addition to other properties, Lax-Fos contains Cascara in acceptable form, a stimulating Laxative and Tonic. Lax-Fos acts effectively and does not grip nor disturb stomach. At the same time, it aids digestion, crosses the liver and secretions and restores the healthy functions. 50c.

**WATCH YOURSELF GO BY.**

Strickland W. Gillian, in The Forecaster.

Just stand aside and watch yourself go by:  
 Think of yourself as "he" instead of "I."  
 Note closely as in other men you note  
 The bag-kneed trousers and the seed coat.  
 Pick flaws; find fault; forget the man is you.  
 And try to make your estimate ring true.  
 Confront yourself and look you in the eye.  
 Just stand aside and watch yourself go by.

Interpret all your motives just as though  
 You looked on one whose aims you did not know.  
 Let undisguised contempt surge through you when  
 You see you shrink, O commonest of men!  
 Despise your cowardice; condemn whatever  
 You note of falseness in you anywhere.  
 Defend not one defect that shames your eye—  
 Just stand aside and watch yourself go by.

And then, with eyes unveiled to what you loathe—  
 To slia that with sweet charity you'd clothe—  
 Back to your self-walled tenement you go  
 With tolerance for all who dwell below.

The faults of others then will dwarf and shrink;  
 Love's chain grow stronger by one's mighty link—  
 When you, with "he" as substitute for "I,"  
 Have stood aside and watched yourself go by.

**WHEAT ACREAGE INCREASED.**

**Southern States Adopting Diversification as Shown by Report of the Department of Agriculture—Partly Due to Spread of Boll Weevil.**

Special to The Gazette.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 1.—Commenting on the report of the United States Agricultural Department on the area of winter wheat sown this year in comparison with last year, President Harrison, of the Southern Railway Company, said:

"The figures show a gratifying tendency in the direction of crop diversification. In every Southern State traversed by Southern Railway lines, except Kentucky and Tennessee, the acreage reported this year shows a substantial increase over last year. Kentucky shows a decrease and the acreage in Tennessee is the same as last year. The largest increases are shown in Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi—States into which the cotton boll weevil has spread. Georgia and Alabama show increases of 13 per cent over last year, while Mississippi, which has heretofore grown little wheat, shows an increase of 157 per cent.

"These increases in wheat acreage are in line with increases in other crops and with increasing the number and improving the quality of farm animals in the South and show that Southern farmers are making real progress in the way of producing, as far as possible, everything consumed on the farm and of having other things beside cotton and tobacco for sale."—(Adv.)

**NEGLECTED COLDS GROW WORSE**

A cough that racks and irritates the throat may lead to a serious chronic cough, if neglected. The healing pine balsams in Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey—Nature's own remedy—will soothe and relieve the irritation, breathing will be easier, and the antiseptic properties will kill the germ which retarded healing. Have it handy for croup, sore throat and chronic bronchial affections. Get a bottle today. Pleasant to take. At all Druggists, 25c.

**OUR STOCK OF**  
**LADIES' COLORED SHOES**  
 is about complete. We have them in all the new shades in Kid and Buck Skin from double A's to D's.

**HOWELL-GROVES SHOE COMPANY**

**MONEY SEEMS TO FLY**  
 unless it is put out of the reach of easy spending. The only effective way to save money is to put it in a savings bank. It is the only profitable way to save too. Open an account here and your money will not alone be safe from temptation to spend. It will earn interest for you and put you on the road to independence.

**Gaston Loan and Trust Company**  
 GASTONIA, N. C.

**Amounts Paid County Commissioners For Service**

North Carolina, Gaston County.

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 1326 of the Revised North Carolina (1905) the following statement, showing items and ture of all compensations audited by the Board of County Commissioners of Gaston County to members thereof, severally, from Monday, cember 9th, 1915, to December 4th, 1916, (last date included) is hereby submitted:

O. G. FALLS, Chairman.

To 26 days service as Commissioner at \$3.00	\$78.00
To 23 days service as Committee at \$3.00	\$69.00
To 1175 miles traveled at 5 cents	58.75
To delegate and expense State meeting	3.00
Extra compensation	3.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$211.75</b>

R. K. DAVENPORT

To 25 days service as County Commissioner at \$3.00	\$75.00
To 27 days special committee at \$3.00	\$81.00
To 867 miles traveled at 5 cents	43.35
Expense delegate State meeting	3.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$202.35</b>

J. W. KENDRICK

To 25 days service as County Commissioner at \$3.00	\$75.00
To 81-2 days service as Committee at \$3.00	\$24.60
To 853 miles traveled at 5 cents	42.65
Railroad fare	3.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$145.25</b>

R. L. STOWE

To 26 days service as County Commissioner at \$3.00	\$78.00
To 24 days service as Special Committee at \$3.00	\$72.00
To 937 miles traveled at 5 cents	46.85
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$196.85</b>

G. W. DETTER

To 19 days service as County Commissioner at \$3.00	\$57.00
To 3 days service as committee at \$3.00	\$9.00
To 156 miles traveled at 5 cents	7.80
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$73.80</b>

A. P. RUDISILL

To 6 days service as Commissioner at \$3.00	\$18.00
To 1 days service as committee at \$3.00	\$3.00
To 72 miles traveled at 5 cents	3.60
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$24.60</b>

J. F. Mc ARVER

To 26 days service as Commissioner at \$3.00	\$78.00
To 62 days service as committee at \$3.00	\$186.00
To 1169 miles traveled at 5 cents	58.45
Expense delegate and railroad fare	3.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$325.45</b>

A. T. LINDSAY

To 1 days service as commissioner at \$3.00	\$3.00
To 14 miles traveled at 5 cents	0.70
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3.70</b>

O. B. CARPENTER

**SUMMARY**

To 302 1-2 days service at \$3.00	\$906.00
To 5243 miles traveled at 5 cents per mile	262.15
To expense of delegates to State Association Commissioners	12.00
To extra compensation allowed Chairman (Laws 1911)	3.00
To 25 days service as Clerk to board	75.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1258.15</b>

No. days board was in session, 26.

There were no unverified accounts allowed nor any to Board nor any member thereof, except as above stated.

I hereby certify that the above is correct. This Dec. 1, 1916.

L. E. RANKIN, Auditor for the County of Gaston