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## BETTERMENT ASSOCIATION HOLDS REGULAR MEETING

The Woman's Betterment Association met Friday afternoon for the regular monthly meeting with the president, Mrs. R. C. Warren, in the chair.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Prof. W. P. Grier.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Two new names were reported by the membership committee.

The library committee made its report, showing a very gratifying increase from 127 to 1606 members in the past two years, since it was made a free library. The January circulation of books was the largest in the history of the library, being over 2200.

The library committee was not ready to submit its full annual report, but will do so at the next meeting. They called emphatic attention to the Means Anderson Concert Company, which will appear next Thursday night, being the last number in the series for this season. This is considered among the best attractions sent out by the Respath Bureau and has proved universally popular. It has the fine record of having never been adversely criticized.

Mr. W. E. Todd extended an invitation to the betterment to visit his bakery at an early date to be named later by Mr. Todd. This invitation was unanimously accepted with great and hungry expectations.

Mrs. T. M. Brockman, chairman of the nominating committee, brought in the following report: Officers for the next year: President, Mrs. G. W. Bagan; first vice-president, Mrs. J. H. Spark; second vice-president, Mrs. D. R. LaFar; recording secretary, Mrs. Joe S. Wray; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. W. Moore; treasurer, Mrs. J. F. Thomson; club editor, Mrs. C. J. McCombs. These were all unanimously elected to serve next year. After which the meeting adjourned.

## JAPANESE PLAY TO BE GIVEN TUESDAY NIGHT.

All is now in readiness for the Japanese opera, "Billy in Japan," which is to be given by local talent at the Central school auditorium tomorrow night, April 8, for the benefit of the Gastonia Public Library. The dress rehearsal will be held tonight. The cast has been rehearsed faithfully and a splendid performance is promised. "Billy in Japan" is a merry frolic from beginning to end and well worth going to see for its own sake, added to the fact that it is being given for the benefit of the library. Tickets are now on sale at Kennedy's Drug Store.

## CHILDREN'S CHAPTER MET SATURDAY.

The J. D. Moore Chapter Children of the Confederacy held its monthly meeting at the home of Miss Frances Mason Saturday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. The meeting was opened as usual by its leader, Mrs. T. L. Craig. With a few appropriate remarks Miss Nancy Rankin, the newly elected president, assumed the duties of this office. Miss Edna Watson was welcomed to the chapter as a new member. After the business meeting was over, the members had an enjoyable social hour. The chapter enjoyed a diet, "Military March," by Misses Virginia and Rachel Henderlite. Miss Margaret Warren played a beautiful piano solo, "Loves Lament." After the program was rendered, the hostess served delicious hot chocolate and sandwiches. The meeting adjourned to meet the first Saturday in May at the home of Miss Lottie Warren.

## WOULD THROW KITCHIN AND CLARK OVERBOARD.

Leaders Must Be Displaced if Democratic Party is to Succeed, Says Congressman Ayres.

Washington, April 6.—If the Democratic party is to avoid another defeat at the hands of the Republicans in 1920, according to Representative W. A. Ayres, of Kansas, it must get rid of such leaders as ex-Speaker Champ Clark and former floor leader, Claude Kitchin, and others not in sympathy with the democratic administration.

The war on the democratic leader is being waged by the democratic reorganization committee which is making strenuous efforts to start a back-fire of sentiment among democrats of the country for a change. The old leaders deny there is any following of consequence to the reorganization movement and predict that Mr. Clark will be the next leader in the house.

Mr. Ayres declared today that instead of meeting republican attacks the "leaders" sat back seeming to say "Hit them again." It was so sickening, said Mr. Ayres, "to many of the new members that they would return to their offices and try to obtain consolation by writing an alibi to their constituents."

## CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our many friends and neighbors for their loving ministrations during the illness and at the death of our dear mother. Especially do we wish to thank those who were so kind as to furnish automobiles for the funeral and who sent the lovely floral tributes.

MR. AND MRS. R. B. TERRELL.  
Gastonia, N. C., April 7, 1919.

## PRESIDENT WILSON IS BETTER TODAY

By International News Service.  
PARIS, April 7.—President Wilson, who has been suffering from a severe cold, is much better today. He is working in his bedroom, inspecting expert reports on conditions in Germany. Colonel House again set in for the President at a meeting of the Big Four which is now considering the Adriatic claims.

## Welcome to Soldiers.

Gastonia Council No. 68, J. R. O. F. A. M., will welcome all the returning soldiers tonight at 8:30, regular meeting. The service will be held and there will be a treat to those present.

## Community Meeting.

A very important meeting of the farmers of the Mt. Olive community will be held at the Mt. Olive school house on Thursday night of this week, April 10, at 8 o'clock. Mr. C. Lee Gowen, county agent, and a representative of the State department will be present to discuss legumes and crop rotation. Refreshments will be served.

## Goes to Rochester.

Miss Ollie Ratchford, a graduate of the City Hospital training school for nurses, and who has been doing private nursing for some time, is to leave Friday for Rochester, Minn., where she has accepted a position as nurse in the famous Mayo Brothers hospital. Miss Ratchford has many friends who are glad to learn of her rapid progress in her chosen profession.

## Lyceum Attraction.

The next attraction in the lyceum course which is being given under the auspices of the Gastonia Public Library will be the Means Anderson Company, who are to appear in the Central school auditorium on Thursday evening of this week, April 10, at 8:30 o'clock. The company is composed of Miss Edna Means, reader, formerly Dean of the College of Oratory of Highland Park University; Miss E. Anderson, violinist, and Miss Hilda Brady, soloist. The company gives an exceedingly bright and interesting program and has met with unanimous applause everywhere. Seats for the performance will be on sale at Kennedy's drug store Wednesday from 2 to 9 p. m. and Thursday from 9 a. m. to 7 p. m.

There will be a mass meeting of all West Gastonia at the Loyal Baptist church Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock at which time Dr. J. H. Henderlite will speak in the interest of the Armenian and Syrian relief. All are asked to be present.

## MR. M. C. DAVIS IN- JURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Mr. Marshall C. Davis, a well-known farmer living on the Union road five or six miles south of Gastonia was painfully injured about midnight Saturday night when he was struck by an automobile driven by a young man named Ferguson. The accident occurred at Pleasant Ridge. Mr. Davis had ridden over to that place on a mule on business. Information obtained here is to the effect that Mr. Davis was on his mule at the side of the road when he was struck. The car hit the mule, breaking its leg and throwing its rider to the ground. Mr. Davis was rendered unconscious and sustained painful bruises but had no bones broken. Dr. L. N. Patrick was summoned from Gastonia and dressed his wounds, of which he sustained several about the head.

## Capt. Cherry Honored.

At the closing exercises of Main Street Methodist Sunday school yesterday morning Captain R. Gregg Cherry, of Company A, 115th Machine Gun Battalion, was presented with a handsome gold watch as a token of appreciation from the Young Men's Wesleyan Branch Class, of which he was formerly teacher. The speech of presentation was made by Mr. J. H. Spark, superintendent of the school, who spoke very appropriately of the high esteem in which Captain Cherry is held by the members of the class, as well as the entire school.

Mrs. Wiley T. Rankin is confined to her home by an attack of influenza.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland D. Welch, of Maywood, spent Sunday here with Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Boyce.

Misses Margaret Anthony, of Kings Mountain, and Elizabeth Anthony, of Shelby, spent the weekend here with Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Gardner.

In a subscription contest conducted recently by The Progressive Farmer Mr. J. V. Harper, of Gastonia, was the winner of a valuable thoroughbred sow as a premium.

The "civic social" at the Armstrong community house Friday night, under the direction of Misses Ward, McCullers and Oley, netted \$14 for the purchase of pictures for the school and luncheon for the community house. Mr. H. G. Winget proved his ability to auction as well as eat pies. A general good time was enjoyed by all present. One pie was sold to a Gastonia business man for \$5 which is prima facie evidence of the quality of the pies and girls.

"I am for men," said Henry George. So are the fellows who build bridges, construct railroads over deserts, establish great businesses and tear down mountains for ship canals, only they don't say so.

## COBB WILL BE HERE WITHOUT FAIL

Texas Raymond Cobb will positively appear in the line-up in the game Thursday at Lorry Park between the Boston Braves and Detroit Tigers.

This information came in a telegram to Fred L. Snavely Sunday from the business manager of the Boston Braves who stated:

"You can positively announce by Cobb in line-up Detroit Boston game your city. He joins Detroit at Florence Tuesday. I have Cobb's word for it himself."

And besides a Macon dispatch in the morning papers quotes Hughie Jennings, Detroit's manager, as saying that he had word from Cobb that he would be with the team for the Rock Hill and Gastonia games. This news is most pleasing to local fans. The regular line-up of the big major league teams was guaranteed for the game but that did not spell Cobb as long as he had not signed up. However, he is down in black and white now and has given his word that he would be in Gastonia for the game. It is expected that the game will draw the largest crowd seen here since Bender pitched for the famous Gastonia team of a few years ago.

There are still 99 reserved seats unsold at Kennedy's Drug Store but they will probably be gone long before the game. Gastonia is charging less than any city in the series, all others charging war tax extra.

## TO RAISE \$4,500 FOR SUFFERING PEOPLE

A large congregation was present at the First Presbyterian church last night in attendance upon a union service in the interest of the Armenian-Syrian Relief Fund. The principal address was made by Mr. J. M. Chalmers, of Raleigh. Following him Rev. Dr. J. H. Henderlite made a brief but stirring appeal to the people of Gastonia to enter heartily into this campaign and see that Gastonia's quota of \$4,500 is promptly raised.

Thirty million dollars is the sum America is being asked to contribute to this great work and North Carolina's portion of that sum is \$200,000. So far Gastonia county has never failed to go over the top in any good cause and Mr. Chalmers and Dr. Henderlite made a convincing plea that the town and the county make good once more.

Gastonia county's quota for the cause is \$7,500.

Rev. Dr. J. C. Galloway presided over the meeting and at the conclusion, an organized committee of five business men who are to meet at the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce this afternoon and lay plans for the conducting of this campaign.

## Called to Winston.

Rev. A. L. Stanford, pastor of Main Street Methodist church, received a message yesterday afternoon conveying the sad intelligence that his brother was critically ill in a hospital at Winston-Salem and was not expected to live through the night. Mr. Stanford left for Winston-Salem last night in response to this message.

## Farmers Union Meeting.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Gastonia County Farmers' Union will be held in the court house next Saturday morning, April 12, at 10 o'clock. At 2 o'clock the same afternoon there will be a joint meeting of the county Farmers' Union and the Gastonia County Cotton Growers Association at the court house. To this meeting all farmers who are interested in the cotton holding movement are especially invited, whether they are members of the association or not.

## Why War Stamps Are Sold.

Great Britain in the seven weeks after the armistice had a total expenditure of more than 370 million pounds sterling, whereas the expenditures for the seven weeks before the armistice, at a time when hostilities were at their height, just exceeded 150 million. This indicates that other great nations, as well as the United States, are finding that they will require more funds to get through the year following the great war than they did to carry on the war for a year. This also explains the necessity for the continued sale of Government Bonds and War Savings Stamps.

## GASTONIA SOLDIER ILL IN CHESTER.

Chester, S. C., April 4.—A member of the famous Old Hickory Division, Private Ed Cash, of Company H, 110th Infantry, is in a serious condition at Pryor's hospital in Chester, having been removed from a passenger train in a dazed condition, looking like he had been drugged. He lives at Gastonia, N. C.

The above item is from Saturday's Charlotte News. All efforts of The Gazette so far to ascertain whether Cash's people live here or any other information as to identify have proved futile.

## HUNGARIAN SOVIET GOVERNMENT OVERTHROWN

By International News Service.  
LONDON, April 7.—Belakon, the foreign minister in the Soviet government of Hungary, has been assassinated and the government overthrown, said a telegram from Paris today, quoting an Exchange Telegraph dispatch received in Paris from Vienna.

## DEATHS

### HARRY SHIRLEY.

Harry Shirley, the little son of Lieut. tenant and Mrs. Jesse L. Shirley, died at the home of Mrs. Shirley in Maywood last Friday, following an illness of some time. The body was brought to Gastonia Saturday and interred in Hollywood cemetery. Lieut. Shirley is with the American Expeditionary Forces in France.

### MRS. W. O. CASHION.

Mrs. Pearl Cashion, widow of the late W. O. Cashion, of Lowell, and mother of Mrs. R. B. Terrell, of Gastonia, with whom she made her home, died Saturday morning at Landrum from pneumonia, following an illness of less than two days. Mrs. Cashion went to Landrum Thursday to attend the funeral of a relative. She was in her usual health. Following supper Thursday night she became violently ill and the attending physician found that she was suffering from pneumonia. Everything possible was done for her, despite which death came Saturday morning following nearly 24 hours of unconsciousness. The body was brought to Gastonia Saturday evening and funeral services were held at the home of Mrs. Terrell at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon and interment was in Hollywood cemetery. Rev. O. C. Fortenberry conducted the funeral, assisted by Rev. A. L. Stanford. A fuller sketch of Mrs. Cashion will appear in Wednesday's Gazette.

### MRS. L. E. KENDRICK.

Mrs. Lizzie M. Kendrick, wife of Mr. E. E. Kendrick, died on Wednesday of last week at the home of her father, Mr. R. W. McGinnis, in Kannapolis, after an illness of only three days from pneumonia. Mrs. Kendrick had an attack of influenza in the fall, from which she had never fully recovered, and when attacked by pneumonia she was unable to withstand it. She was visiting the family of her father at the time she was taken ill. The body was brought to May's Chapel, near Maiden, where the funeral and burial took place Friday. Deceased was 25 years and seven months of age, and is survived by her husband, who is chief petty officer in the United States Navy, and at Philadelphia, and one child, R. B. Fred, aged three years. Surviving are also her father, Mr. R. W. McGinnis, of Kannapolis, two sisters, Misses Annie and Nokie McGinnis, one brother, Leroy McGinnis, and several half brothers and sisters. Mr. Kendrick was notified of his wife's serious illness, but only succeeded in getting a furlough in time to reach Kannapolis for the funeral services Friday.

Mrs. Kendrick was a devoted and faithful member of the East Gastonia Baptist church, and has many friends who will be deeply grieved to learn of her untimely death.

### MRS. WALTER L. McARVER.

Mrs. Pauline Pearson McArver, wife of Mr. Walter L. McArver, died at her home on the York road south of the city, Saturday morning at 10:15 o'clock following an illness of four weeks. Death was due directly to meningitis, which developed following an attack of influenza pneumonia. Mrs. McArver was recovering from a two-week illness from that disease when she suffered a relapse and gradually grew worse until the end.

Prior to her marriage to Mr. McArver eight years ago, deceased was Miss Pauline Pearson, daughter of Mr. R. A. Pearson, of the Pisgah section of the county. She is survived by her father, one sister, Mrs. O. W. Torrence, and two brothers, Lee and Meek Pearson, all of the county; her husband and three children, Henry, Katherine and W. L., Jr. Early in life she joined the Pisgah Associate Reformed Presbyterian church where she retained her membership until death. She was a young woman of splendid Christian character and a most lovable disposition. As daughter, wife and mother she was true to every relationship of life and her passing leaves a vacancy in the home which cannot be filled. Many friends mourn because of her death in the very prime of life.

Funeral services were held at the home yesterday morning at 11 o'clock. Rev. A. T. Lindsay, her former pastor and president of Linwood College, where she was educated, officiated, assisted by Rev. J. B. Hood, pastor. Burial was in the cemetery at Pisgah church. The pallbearers were J. S. Winget, W. D. Rawlings, W. L. Pursley, Ernest Warren, Will Ratchford and W. Y. Warren.

## LAWRENCE TEXTILE STRIKERS START RIOT

By International News Service.  
LAWRENCE, MASS., April 7.—Street fighting broke out today in the textile strike. A pitched battle in which many shots were fired took place between the police and strikers. Twenty of the ring leaders of the strike were arrested. Bullets struck the city marshal's automobile. A house in Newbury street, in which a wake was being held, was partly wrecked by bombs.

## TODAY'S COTTON MARKET.

By International News Service.  
NEW YORK, April 7.—The cotton market opened with new contracts for May selling at 26.40, July at 24.25, August 23.35, October 22.30, December 21.80, January 21.70 and March 21.55.

## NEIGHBORHOOD HOME OPENED AT OSCEOLA

The attractive and cozy neighborhood home of the Osceola Mill was formally opened Friday night with appropriate exercises. Mr. W. T. Rankin, in extending to his people the use of the building, spoke with much feeling of the struggles of other days and the warm relations that had always existed between employer and employees of the Osceola. He also said the stockholders considered the "social center" the best investment he had made. Rev. Dr. J. H. Henderlite talked briefly on the splendid advantages of the new home. Miss Myat, of Smithfield, was introduced as the social secretary and will have charge of the social, domestic and home department. Rev. G. R. Gillespie will be in charge of the religious activities conducting Sunday school, preaching service and prayer meeting each week.

## ROADSIDE TREES AS MEMORIALS.

Within the next few years many hundreds of miles of hard surfaced roads will be built in North Carolina. Are they going to be simply a means of getting from one place to another, or will they themselves be made attractive for the tourist and traveler, and real pleasure results for our own people. This will depend to a large extent upon the use which is made of the clause in the new Highway law providing for roadside trees.

Section 12 of the State-wide Road Law provides for the cooperation of the State Highway Commission and the State Forester with the county, township or district road authorities in the proper selection, planting and protection of roadside trees, and the State Highway Commission is hereby empowered to make all necessary rules and regulations for the protection of the State highways and the roadside trees herein provided for.

Roadside trees which are such striking and attractive features of the landscape in Europe and which have been widely planted and protected throughout the more Northern States are only now becoming generally appreciated in the South, because we are just beginning the construction of hard surfaced roads.

Road engineers agree that while direct sunshine is an advantage to earth roads, shade benefits macadam, concrete and other hard surfaced roads, preventing their drying out and crumbling into dust. Shade trees should therefore be planted or reserved along such roads as the proposed through highway from New Bern to Greensboro and other similar stretches.

According to the new law, the rights of way of State highways are to be furnished by the county, township or road district free of charge. It is therefore up to them to secure rights of way sufficient in width for all possible purposes, including a row of trees on each side. It may be that the trees are not yet wanted. They will be some time however, and in securing the rights of way, this should be provided for. No right of way for a State highway should be less than forty feet wide, which is the minimum width provided by the road law of 1917, and where the traffic is likely to be heavy 50 or 60 feet would be best. Where an electric trolley line is likely to be built along the road, a number of feet should be added to include it. A highway official writing in "The American City" advocates 80 to 90 feet in such cases.

The plan of planting memorial trees, avenues or parks, which has been adopted by organizations all over the country, cannot be too strongly recommended. The Lincoln Highway is a model for us to follow. Why not have a Liberty Highway leading out of or through each of our county towns, overhung with magnificent oaks, each one named for a man from that county who has made the supreme sacrifice for liberty, or who has gone forward, offering all, though later returning in safety to receive the love and respect of those who stayed at home?

Lieut. Raymond Underwood, who has been stationed at Camp Dix, New Jersey, for some time, returned to Gastonia Friday having received his final discharge from the army.

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