

# THE GASTONIA GAZETTE

PUBLISHED EVERY MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY.

VOL. XL. NO. 54.

GASTONIA, N. C. MONDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 5, 1919.

\$2.00 A YEAR IN ADVANCE.

## CORONER'S JURY TO HEAR EVIDENCE IN ROOK CASE

Young Rook, who was fatally shot by City Police Officers Wednesday, died at Early Hour This Morning—Solicitor Wilson Issues Written Notice on Coroner for Investigation.

\* Solicitor George W. Wilson this morning served a written notice on \* Coroner W. N. Davis requesting an \* investigation as to the cause of the \* death of A. L. Rook. \* The inquest will probably be held \* some time this afternoon or as soon \* as Coroner Davis completes the selection of six members of the coroner's \* jury.

Coroner Davis has summoned a jury composed of the following men and the inquest will probably be held some time this afternoon: C. B. Armstrong, T. L. Craig, W. B. Morris, J. L. Beal, E. J. Rankin and R. A. Ratchford.

A. L. Rook, who was fatally wounded Wednesday afternoon by a shot from the pistol of city police officers who were chasing him and three companions wanted on the charge of breaking into and robbing Frohman's store Tuesday night, died at the City Hospital shortly past midnight this morning.

No funeral arrangements have been made at this time. The body is being held at the Ford Undertaking Co's. rooms awaiting the arrival of young Rook's sister, Mrs. Nannie Barnett, of Greenville, S. C. Chief of Police A. B. Hord has notified Mrs. Barnett of the death of her brother and she is expected here on an afternoon train.

## VICE-PRES. MARSHALL AT SHELBY FRIDAY

Many Gastonians are planning to go to Shelby Friday night of this week to hear Vice-President Thomas R. Marshall. This distinguished citizen and official of the United States will deliver an address in the school auditorium there under the auspices of the Men's Bible Class of the First Baptist church. Eighty-three is the hour.

## MISSIONARY MEETING AT LINCOLNTON THIS WEEK

Several Gastonia Methodist women will go to Lincolnton tomorrow to attend the district meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the Western North Carolina Conference which will be in session there Tuesday and Wednesday. Among those who will go are Mrs. B. T. Morris, Mrs. J. K. Dixon, Mrs. T. E. Summerrow, Mrs. W. B. Morris, Rev. J. E. Kirk, Mrs. Kirk and perhaps others.

At the opening service Tuesday night Mrs. W. A. Newell, superintendent of social service of the Western North Carolina Conference, and Mrs. W. R. Harris, the first vice-president of the conference, will deliver addresses. Wednesday morning Mrs. J. K. Dixon will lead the consecration service. Mrs. T. E. Summerrow will speak on "Mission Study" and Rev. J. F. Kirk on "Christian Stewardship." Mrs. Newell will conduct a model social service meeting.

Mrs. Harris will conduct an institute on young people's work Wednesday night. Mrs. B. T. Morris, of Gastonia, is district secretary.

## ENTERTAINED FRIDAY IN HONOR OF HIGH SCHOOL FACULTY.

Miss Sarah Warren, a daughter of Mr. W. Y. Warren, gave a delightful 7 o'clock dinner Friday evening at her home on South Marietta street in honor of the faculty of the Gastonia High School. The dining room was beautifully decorated with spring flowers and a delightful four-course dinner was served by Miss Warren who was assisted by her mother. Guests were Misses Ruth Thomason, Mabel Farmer, Berthel Mitchell, Eula Glenn, Ella Bradley and Ednee Smith, Principal W. P. Grier and Mr. Manly Mason. Miss Warren, who is president of the graduating class, also entertained the members of the class during the evening, rook being played. The evening was greatly enjoyed.

—Mr. Tom C. Abernethy, a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Abernethy, has accepted a position with the Gray-Barkley Cotton Company. He assumed his duties here May 1st.

## K. OF P. NOTICE.

Gastonia Lodge No. 53, Knights of Pythias, will hold its regular meeting tonight at 8 p. m. and will do work in the Second Rank.

C. E. CARPENTER, C. C.  
B. G. RANKIN, K. B. S.

## BABY TANK DREW BIG CROWDS HERE

Gastonia's Victory Loan drive received a considerable impetus Saturday through the splendid advertising given the campaign by one of the "baby" tanks sent out by the Victory Loan Committee for this purpose. While no special effort was made to sell bonds direct during the demonstration, the "minute men," under the direction of Chairman J. H. Separk, explained the loan issue and presented telling arguments to the public as to why they should invest in these government securities at this time. At each stop Mr. J. H. Kennedy, chairman of the Gastonia township canvassing committee, distributed subscription cards and received a few subscriptions on the ground.

Starting at 10:30 o'clock Saturday morning from the courthouse, where the first four-minute speeches were made, the tank stopped at the corner of Marietta and Main, in front of the postoffice and in front of The Gazette office. At each place it attracted a crowd and at each stop the speakers got in some telling boosts for the loan. Chairman Separk was particularly fortunate in having Major A. L. Bulinkle, who recently returned from overseas duty, and Mr. W. T. Rankin, who recently returned from a visit to the battlefields of France and Belgium, as speakers. There were other speakers also, including Col. C. B. Armstrong, who made strong pleas that Gastonia people send this county over the top with a whoop in this, the last, war loan campaign.

To the small boy, and the grownups, too, the tank itself was as good as a three-ring circus. Saturday afternoon it made several trips up and down Main street and attracted large crowds all the while.

It is the opinion of the canvassers that the visit to Gastonia of the tank was a splendid advertisement for the loan and will make the raising of our quota easier.

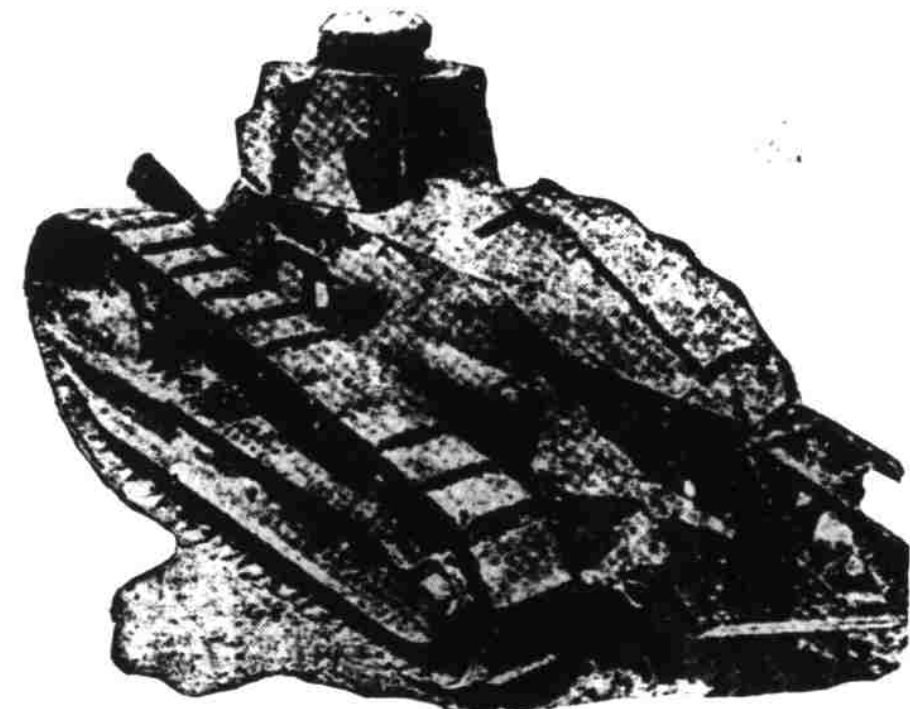
Talked of S. A. Work.

Brigadier Crawford, of Atlanta, Ga., who has charge of the Salvation Army work in North and South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, spoke at a mass meeting in the First Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the interest of the work in Gastonia county. A nation-wide campaign for 15 million dollars is now being made for the support of the Salvation Army work in the United States and France. Gastonia county's quota has been announced as \$5,000. Mr. George W. Smith has been named chairman for carrying on the work in Gastonia and the county at an early date.

## TODAY'S COTTON MARKET.

(By International News Service.)  
NEW YORK, May 5.—The cotton market opened with contracts for May selling at 8.27, July 24.60, October 24.60, December 24.15, January 24.78 and March 24.56.

## Battle Scarred Tanks in Victory Loan Drive



"No road is impassable, no stunt impossible," is the slogan of the crews of the twenty real battle tanks now touring the Fifth Federal Reserve District in the interest of the Victory Liberty Loan.

These tanks, manned by crews who saw active service on the Western front, are of the six-ton whippet type, the kind that proved so efficient in battle. They are in full battle regalia, even to the camouflage coat of paint.

The turrets, from which the machine guns project, are arranged to revolve in any direction. This feature, coupled with the great agility of the whippet tanks make them unusually effective in action.

These agile steel terriers just "eat up" sticky spring roads, so even the

## BOLSHEVIK DICTATOR AGREES TO SURRENDER BUDAPEST

(By International News Service.)  
VIENNA, May 5.—Bela Kun, the Hungarian Bolshevik dictator, has accepted the Allied demand for the surrender of Budapest.

## HALLER'S POLISH ARMY HAS CAPTURED GRODNO

(By International News Service.)  
WARSAW, May 5.—General Haller's Polish army, continuing its success against the Bolsheviks, has captured Grodno. The Bolshevik headquarters on the eastern front is doomed.

## CITY ELECTION TO BE HELD TOMORROW

City Election to Be Held Tuesday, May 6th at Which Time City Council and Board of School Commissioners Will Be Named.

Tuesday, May 6th, the voters of Gastonia will ballot at the city hall for the purpose of ratifying the action of the city primary held on April 28th, at which time five candidates for city council were nominated. In addition to the candidates for city council a board of school commissioners consisting of seven members will be voted on for a term of two years.

Candidates nominated for the city council in the recent primary are W. B. Anderson, R. G. Cherry, W. J. Clifford, F. L. Smyre and A. K. Winget. No announcements for the board of school commissioners had been made at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The supposition is, however, that all of the members of the present board will be voted for.

## MISS JENKINS TO GIVE CONCERT AT MAJESTIC HOTEL.

Gastonia friends of Miss Lola Jenkins have received souvenir programs of a recital which she will give on the night of May 8th in the concert room of the Majestic Hotel in New York. She will be accompanied by Emilio Roxas on the piano. The program carries an excellent likeness of Miss Jenkins. Miss Jenkins has been making her home in New York for the past several years and has studied under some of the country's greatest musical artists.

Miss Lou Smith and Miss Mary Rawlings will attend the missionary meeting at Lincolnton Wednesday.

Fifty cents brings The Gazette three months. Try it.

## TENT TO REPLACE CHURCH TO ACCOMMODATE CROWDS

Culpepper Revival Outgrows Main Street Methodist Church—Services to Be Held in Tent Opposite Church—Evangelist Preached Forceful Sermon Sunday.

Main Street Methodist church failed to accommodate the crowds who wanted to hear Rev. Burke Culpepper during the services last week and a huge tent is going to be raised on the Davis lot on East Main avenue where future services will be held beginning tonight.

Taking his text at the Sunday morning service from John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life," the evangelist made an inspiring and intellectual plea to those who had refused to heed the appeal made to them through the birth, life, sacrifice and death of Christ.

Mr. Culpepper painted a graphic word picture of the crucifixion, death and resurrection of Christ, declaring that He overcame death and the grave for the salvation of the world. He pointed out that Christ's sympathy and love for mankind was far greater than all else.

Sunday morning's discourse was declared to be the most forceful and inspiring of any sermon that he has thus far preached.

As an evidence of the great work that Mr. Culpepper did in his Greensboro meeting just recently closed, the following telegrams were received by the preacher Sunday afternoon, the first from a prominent business man and member of the Presbyterian church, and the other from a member of the board of stewards of Centenary Methodist church, Greensboro:

—Rev. Dr. Burke Culpepper:  
—Dr. Pleyer was glorious in power in today's great climax to a great religious awakening resulting from a great campaign held by a great evangelist for a great church with a great pastor, and he was radiant in happiness when he said from his pulpit that, all things considered, during his 30 years service in the great cause he had never seen a greater sight than that when he received a new enrollment exceeding 100 in number, and the end is not yet. You must have been conscious today of the numbers and numbers of sincere benedictions spontaneously pouring forth to you for the great good you have been instrumental in procuring for so many people. God bless you.

—(Signed) E. COLWELL, JR.  
—One hundred fifteen joined Centenary church this morning. Thirty-five will later. Members joined other churches as a direct result of your meeting. Church packed. Your meeting still going on here and will go on. Tell people of Gastonia to wake up and grasp the great opportunity. You will always have my best wishes.

—(Signed) C. C. HUDSON.  
Last night Mr. Culpepper spoke again to a crowded house and his discourse was one of the best so far heard from the evangelist here. His text was Judges 16:21, "But the Philistines took him, and put out his eyes, and brought him down to Gaza, and bound him with fetters of brass; and he did grind in the prison house." His subject was "The blinding, binding, grinding power of sin." He drew a striking contrast between Samson's experience and that of the sinner today. He told, in language that burned the truth into the souls and hearts of his hearers, how sin blinds, how it grinds the sinner down. His sermon abounded—as do all his sermons—in apt illustrations from life's which clutch the great truths he preaches from the Gospel.

In Tent Tonight.  
Announcement was made last night by the pastor, Rev. A. L. Stafford, that the tent had arrived and would be erected to-day on the vacant lot opposite the church. It is expected that the 7:30 service will be held in the tent tonight. In erecting the tent provision is being made for a large chorus choir. Mr. Robinson, director of the choir, cordially invites all the singers of the town, of all denominations, to join this choir and assist in the singing.

Beginning tomorrow afternoon services will be held each afternoon at 3 o'clock as well as at night.

## CHILDREN HELD MONTHLY MEETING.

The J. D. Moore Children of Confederacy held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Miss Eleanor Smith Wednesday, April 20th. The chapter gladly received five new members. A chapter in Parliamentary Law was read and the leader, Mrs. T. L. Craig, led in the discussion. After the business was over the chapter had an interesting social hour. The chapter enjoyed very much a duet by Misses Josephine Moore and Wilma Kirby. Miss Louisa Wilson played a beautiful piano solo. After the program was rendered, the hostess served a delicious ice course.

All Approve of It.  
Thrift is a religion with all men. Even if they don't practice it, they approve of it.—Toledo Blade.

## BELGIAN COUNCIL DECIDES TO SIGN PEACE TREATY

(By International News Service.)  
BRUSSELS, May 5.—The Belgian crown council has decided to sign the peace treaty, despite the fact that many of Belgians' demands are not met.

## PRESIDENT FAVORS HUGHES LOAN TO GERMANY

(By International News Service.)  
PARIS, May 5.—It is reported here that President Wilson is insistent that the only way to avert making Europe bankrupt is to make a great loan to Germany to help renew its economic and commercial prosperity. American investments in Germany are not being discontinued by the American government, it is said.

## SEIZED GERMAN VESSELS ARE TO BE RETAINED

(By International News Service.)  
PARIS, May 5.—The big three have decided that German merchantships seized by the United States and Brazil shall remain American and Brazilian property for a money consideration, it is learned authoritatively today. The amount will probably be taken off the bill presented by the associated powers to Germany.

## TRANSATLANTIC SEAPLANES DAMAGED BY FIRE

(By International News Service.)  
ROCKAWAY BEACH, May 5.—The two United States seaplanes which were ready to "hop off" tomorrow to Halifax on the first leg of their trans-Atlantic flight, were badly damaged by fire at the naval station today. They expect to make repairs by night and make the start tomorrow afternoon.

## DESTRUCTIVE FIRE SWEEPS STATEN ISLAND PARK.

(By International News Service.)  
NEW YORK, May 5.—Fire swept Happonville Park, on the south bench of Staten Island, this morning. The loss was half a million dollars. Incendiarism is suspected.

## DEATHS

MRS. KATHERINE HARMON.  
Mrs. Katherine Harmon, wife of Mr. R. S. Harmon, died early Thursday morning at her home in the El Bethel section of Cleveland county. She had been an invalid for the past nine years and had been confined to her bed for a month. Funeral services were conducted at noon Friday at El Bethel Methodist church, of which deceased had been a life long member. The pastor, Rev. J. L. Kirk, officiated and the services were attended by a large gathering of friends and relatives.

Surviving deceased are her husband, R. S. Harmon, and four sons, Rev. J. C. Harmon, of Walkertown; Raymond, Oscar and North Harmon, all of the El Bethel section. She was a daughter of the late John Patterson, a well known citizen of that section, and was the last of a family of eight children.

Mrs. O. W. Davis, of Gastonia, a sister-in-law of deceased, attended the funeral.

—Rev. J. C. Harmon, who had been at El Bethel to attend the funeral of his mother, spent Friday night here with his aunt, Mrs. O. W. Davis, and left Saturday morning for his home at Walkertown. Mr. Harmon has many friends here who sympathize deeply with him in his bereavement.

## Demonstration Tomorrow.

Preparations are complete for the holding of the demonstration of modern farming methods by the educational department of the International Harvester Co. at the farm of Mr. John C. Robinson on the Union road tomorrow. This will last from 9 o'clock in the morning until 10:30 o'clock at night. The one held at Mt. Holly Saturday was very interesting to all attending. Residents of Gastonia are urged to attend tomorrow's demonstration. The next one will be held at Cherryville Thursday at the school house.

## ORLANDO AND SONNINO WILL RETURN THURSDAY

(By International News Service.)  
PARIS, May 5.—The Italian ambassador informed the French Foreign Minister, Fichon, this afternoon that Premier Orlando and Signor Sonnino, leaders of the Italian peace delegation, will arrive in Paris Thursday for the resumption of negotiations, it is learned this afternoon.

## ITALIAN DELEGATES INVITED TO RETURN.

A press dispatch from Paris dated Sunday says:  
President Wilson, Premier Clemenceau and Premier Lloyd George, composing the council of three, today sent a communication to the Italian government inviting it to resume its place at the peace conference.

The council's invitation is of such a nature that it is believed Italy will accept it and that the relations temporarily broken by the recent departure from Paris of Premier Orlando and Foreign Minister Sonnino will be restored by the presence of Italian delegates at the conference before the treaty is delivered to the German delegates.

The council of three considered the Italian situation in its deliberations during the past two days and finally determined upon an initiative of the friendliest nature. The terms of the communication to the Italian government have not been disclosed, but it is believed they seek to remove the personal element of the controversy and to pave the way for a territorial adjustment when the relations are resumed.

Major Fiorello H. La Guardia, a member of the United States house of representatives from New York, who is an Italian by birth, after seeing Colonel Howe today said he believed the entire question could be settled within 48 hours. He added he was urging that pride should not stand in the way of Italy accepting the first overture made from Paris.

## RED MEN HERE IN ANNUAL STATE SESSION MAY 6, 7, 8

Twenty-first Great Council of North Carolina Red Men Will Hold Three-Days Session in Gastonia, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday—Big Plans Made.

Delegates to the 21st annual session of the Great Council of Improved Order of Red Men of North Carolina will arrive in the city Tuesday afternoon, the convention schedule being arranged for Tuesday night, Wednesday and Thursday, May 6, 7 and 8.

Featuring the first session of the convention will be an address at 8:30 o'clock in the courthouse by Past Great Incumbent of the United States John W. Cherry, of Norfolk, Va., who comes to the session as special representative of the great incumbent. The public is invited to hear Mr. Cherry who is said to be an excellent speaker.

Plans have been made by the Gastonia Red Men of the two local tribes, Catachee and Charrasaknow, to give the visiting delegates a special entertainment on their arrival here Tuesday afternoon. The Armington Hotel has been selected as headquarters for the convention.

Every indication is that the Gastonia meeting will be the largest gathering of Red Men in the history of the North Carolina sessions. Every tribe in the State will send from one to a half dozen delegates, and it is estimated that upwards of 500 will be present at the three-day session.

## WILL GIVE RED MEN A ROYAL WELCOME

Plans for the assisting in the entertainment of the convention of Red Men were made at a meeting of the department of conventions and public affairs of the Gastonia Chamber of Commerce held at the offices Saturday afternoon with Chairman R. B. Bahington and Messrs. G. W. Smith, Crown W. Wilson, Dane Rhyne, J. E. Phillips and E. G. McLard present. Mr. Smith was appointed a committee of one to take up the matter of decorations in the business district. Messrs. Wilson, Phillips, McLard and Rhyne were named a committee to solicit automobiles and arrange for a ride to be tendered the delegates from the Armington Hotel Wednesday afternoon at five o'clock.

Unskilled Labor.  
A man never realizes what the term "unskilled labor" can mean until he boldly volunteers to repair the water faucets and take down the screen doors.—Washington Star.