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McGINNIS

GETS GOV. JOB

His many friends will be interested to know that our townsman, Mr. Leslie McGinnis, has landed a government position which is attended with much honor and a good salary. Tuesday's Charlotte Observer carries the following account of his appointment:

"Observer Bureau, Washington, Feb. 8.

"Leslie McGinnis of Kings Mountain, who has many kinman in Mecklenburg County, was made a special investigator for the Census Bureau today. Senator Overman secured the position for him. The place pays about \$1,200, and he will call on manufacturers."

Elbethel Items

Correspondence of The Herald.

We have been having bad weather for a while.

Prof. M. L. White, the principal of Elbethel school attended the teachers meeting at Shelby Saturday.

Mr. Garnet Poston and sister of near Elizabeth visited Mr. T. C. Black, Sunday.

Miss Edilda Barber, visited Miss Mattie Ellis Sunday.

Mr. Tom Phifer of Gaffney, S. C. visited Mr. Ben Phifer Sunday.

Mrs. R. F. Ellis is spending a few days in Shelby with her son Mr. Forest Ellis.

Miss FreeLove Black spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Black. She also attended the teachers meeting at Shelby Saturday.

Mr. Grady Beam of Grover N. C. spent a pleasant afternoon at W. T. Byars Sunday.

His mule became frightened at some one passing and broke the hitch rein and ran for the barn and broke the shafts and double tree. He had to borrow a saddle to go home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Byars of near Elbethel visited Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dixon of Oak Grove last Saturday night.

Mr. George Ware of Elbethel section visited Goth Blalock Sunday evening.

Oak Grove Items

Correspondence of The Herald.

The farmers of this section are anxious for the ground to dry off so they can plow.

Clarence Blanton, while chopping wood the other day, cut his foot. It required seven stitches to close up the wound. He is getting along very nicely.

Elam McSwain spent Sunday night at the hospitable home of Monroe Lovelace.

Mr. and Mrs. Kimp Leiford visited Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bell Sunday night.

Mr. D. A. Bell and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Lovelace.

Mr. J. W. Bell and family spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Canipe.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ware visited Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Blanton Sunday.

MISS ADNA GARLINTON
Public Stenographer
PHON 107
For Leave your orders
at HERALD OFFICE.

R. A. HICKS

BROUGHT IN DEAD

Mr. S. A. Hicks, formerly of Kings Mountain, was shot and killed in Monroe Louisiana, last Friday and was brought here for burial yesterday. The circumstances of the manner, in which he came to his death are unknown here at this writing except that he was shot. He is survived by two sisters, Mrs. C. W. Richardson and Miss Pearl Hicks, of Kings Mountain.

The funeral was conducted by Rev. G. L. Kerr at 1:30 yesterday at the home of C. W. Richardson where the body lay after its arrival at nine o'clock until burial at three. Mr. Hicks was a painter by trade.

We hope to give the particulars in the case next week.

Bessemer Fire

Bessemer City, Feb. 8.—Fire destroyed the residence of Mr. C. W. Fuller here, this morning about 1 o'clock. The family barely escaped with their lives.

The origin of the fire is not known but the supposition is that it was caused by rats and matches.

The loss this morning was estimated at \$6,000 and only partially covered by insurance.

The volunteer firemen fought manfully and with the town's magnificent water pressure throwing a heavy volume of water the flames were kept from spreading to the adjacent building.

This has been the most destructive fire that has been here in many years.

Last Call For Taxes:

I want to thank the good people of Cleveland County who have paid their taxes for being prompt in doing so during this, the hardest of all years. Our excellent County Commissioners kindly extended the time of my settlement to March 1st, which is greatly appreciated by me as I am sure it will be by those who have not paid their taxes. They instruct me however, that settlement must be made at that time, and that I must advertise thereafter all properties upon which taxes have not been paid.

I trust that all delinquents will find it convenient to pay their taxes before March 1st and save me the unpleasantness and themselves the cost of advertising their property.

Respectfully,
W. D. Lackey,
Sheriff Cleveland County.

Dr. Hambricht Dead.

Dr. A. P. Hambricht of Grover died Tuesday of last week at the age of 80 years. For many years he was the leading physician of Grover but retired some time ago on account of bad health.

He is survived by the widow and five children; Misses Edith and Mayme Hambricht and C. F., Bell, and Jake Hambricht.

He was an uncle of G. F. Hambricht of Kings Mountain.

W. K. Mauney gave a very enjoyable Valentine party to the Kings Mountain teachers Tuesday night at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Mauney.

WE BUY HIDES— We pay the highest market price for all kinds of good hides. Costner Bros.—Kings Mountain, N. C.

Creamery Meeting Here To-night

If you are interested in a creamery for Kings Mountain be sure to attend the meeting of the Progressive Association to night. It will be held at the opera house at 7:30. Mr. Stanly Combs of the Division of Dairy Farming will be present. The Department has also asked Col. T. G. Wood, Industrial and Immigration Agent of the Southern Railway, to attend and give us the benefit of what he knows about the business. This bids fair to be one of the most important and educating meetings the Progressive Association has had.

Let everybody interested in Kings Mountain and adjacent territory turn out.

Executive Committee Called to meet

A Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Union Sunday School Singing Convention is hereby called for Tuesday, Feb. 16 at 2:30 p. m. in the Herald office. Let each member take notice and be present.

G. G. Page, Pres. & Ex officio Chmn.

COUNTY TEACHERS MEET

Kings Mountain, N. C.
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Editor Herald:

On this day and date the teachers met at Shelby in ancient, due and solemn conclave with Miss Meldona Livingston, president, ex officio, and M. L. White, secretary, present.

The Lord's Prayer was recited in concert, and it was ascertained that 114 moulders of character were present, the large majority of whom are country damsels of tender age, while the modern editions of Ichabod Crane were alike cumbering the earth, drawing their breath and their salaries; with features so atrocious they would stop a clock or turn milk sour.

"School Interest and Spirit" was discussed by Lawton Blanton, and he inveighed against the spirit of vandalism so prevalent. This is evinced by defacing school furniture, on principle that school property belongs to everybody in general and no one in particular.

Base ball and basket ball were recommended as profitable to develop athletics, as athletics in some form are necessary.

The motion was adopted that no prominent speaker be invited to county commencement; but full attention be given to program.

The date appointed is Saturday, April 3, 1915, and the parade is to form line of march at 10:30 a. m., starting point for procession to be between Shelby Baptist Church and S. A. L. R. R.

At 11 a. m. Declamers contest for both 7th Grade and High School; and 11:30 Spelling contest, wards to be pronounced by Miss Livingston. At 12:30 is lunch hour, and later, School athletics. Prizes will be awarded for 1 mile race, 1-4 mile race and relay race for both 7th grade and High school. School exhibits will consist of awarding prize to boy for 10 best ears of corn; prize to girl for best canned goods or workapron, and to boy for best ax handle. Best exhibit to 1 teacher school dictionary, to 2 teachers school set of books, to 3 teachers school set of maps.

Also, Roe and Peterson offer a fine medal to boy and girl, each, for best paper turned in.

Dr. Ruffin Osborn now gave an interesting lecture on teeth, and declared they were great factors in mental and physical excellence.

Next, Dr. Mitchell spoke of tuberculosis the scourge of human race. Dr. R. C. Ellis offered some excellent ideas along the same line.

Next the "Moonlight Schools" organized by Miss Stewart in Kentucky were discussed by M. L. White, Miss Livingston, Prof. Huskey, Prof. Ivey Willis, Prof. Bumgardner, Squire D. S. Lovelace.

W. E. White was then called out on the spelling races, and offered timely remarks in well chosen language.

On motion the meeting then adjourned to meet again on March 6, 1915.

Corn Cracker

Miss Laura Plank announces very attractive play "At The End Of The Rainbow", graded school Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Beverly Patterson left yesterday for Atlanta where they are visiting her cousin, Dr. Sage Harelin.

Mr. Johnson Long who has been in bad health lately has gone to Gastonia to live with his son, Bynum Long.

Mrs. Lizzie Falls of Gastonia is visiting her mother Mrs. Kate Falls.

Rev. B. A. Culp is at Gold Hill on business.

A protracted meeting will begin at Grace Methodist Church Sunday.

Esq. W. A. Mauney made a business trip to Long Shoals Tuesday.

Pastor Cole will preach at the Cora Mill School House next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Gold, gold, gold, is the talk of the town and when the Southern Venture Company gets fully under way its going to put our fair city on such a boom as she hasn't known before. The promoters are selling the stock right along.

Frank Wei has gone and shown his sense again. He has contracted with the Kiser Lumber Company to build his house on his farm near Bethlehem. Of late other folks have exhibited the same mental demeanor. They know that the Kiser Lumber Company manufactures its own doors, sashes, blinds, screen and other building material and can, therefore, do a better job cheaper. Read their ad and give them a trial.

CASAR R. R.

CONTRACT IS LET

Many Herald readers will greet with glad acclaim the tidings that the wrangle over the contract for the Casar railroad has been settled and that work will begin at an early date.

The contract was awarded Tuesday of last week to Messrs. W. T. Clement Greensboro and J. L. Hawley of Rockingham to build and equip the Railroad from Shelby to Casar, through Roam's Mill, Fallston and Belwood as prescribed by law. Work will begin right away, in fact Mr. Clement stated before leaving Shelby that the engineers would arrive in ten days or two weeks and begin surveying and the work would be rushed with a view of running trains before the summer is over.

Get no money until the road is finished.

These are only material changes in the contract which was signed and the one proposed in January and circulated with petitions in the two railroad districts. The principal objection to the former contract was that it permitted the issue of bonds and the expenditure of the bond money in the construction of the road. This met strong objection especially in lower Belwood-Fallston district, but Messrs. Clement and Hawley erased this objection by offering to build and equip the road and not ask for a cent of the bond money until it is complete and in operation. It was the understanding of many of the people in the railroad districts that the bonds would not be turned over until the road was completed, hence their objection to the former proposition, but this big objection was entirely overcome in the new proposition which was signed. The matter as to when the bonds should be delivered caused much discussion and the circulation of counter petitions. Nearly 500 signed the petitions which the commissioners sent out in January authorizing them to accept the Hawley-Clement proposition as then made to turn over the bonds as the work progresses on the road, provided no better proposition was made them by Feb. 2nd from any source. Several petitions contrary to this circulated and signed by between 200 and 300. The petitions were worded differently but had the same purpose in view. One was from the citizens of the Casar district asking the commissioners to hold the bond money in trust until the railroad is completed. Another was not to allow bonds to be sold until the road is built and rolling stock put on. Another was that no action be taken now or for at least 30 or 60 days for three reasons (1) the citizens oppose turning over bonds until the railroad is completed; (2) investigation is on looking to the construction of an electric road which would give at least three trains daily each way which petitioners favors; (3) because of impracticability of road building in February on account of the weather.

Hawley and Clement arrived on Monday. They had been informed that there objection to using the bond money in the construction of the road and asked to make arrangements to overcome this if possible. They met with the several committees

LOCAL ITEMS

CAUGHT ON THE FLY

Adam Hoyis of Oak Grove, section was in town Tuesday to have his knee sewed up where he had stuck his axe. The wound was about an inch long.

Dr. T. F. Marr, pastor of Trinity Methodist Church at Charlotte has been engaged by Pastor Cole of the local Methodist church to conduct an evangelistic campaign here beginning March 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Henson went to Gastonia Tuesday.

Sam, the 18 months old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Allen of Kannapolis, was brought here for burial Tuesday. Mr. Allen was for several years in the employ of the Kings Mountain Roller Mill but left here about six years ago. Rev. Mr. Bickel of Kannapolis came with the funeral party and conducted the funeral services.

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Willeford of Greenville, S. C. visited his Mother, Mrs. Dora Bell Willeford here Sunday.

Costner Brothers are moving their harness and repair shop from the Mauney warehouse to the building on Mountain street formerly occupied by the Chinese Laundry.

Mr. and Mrs. John Medcalf and Miss Etta Farmer of Bessemer City visited Mr. J. T. Davidson Saturday night and Sunday.

R. T. Cansler is storing his stock of 5 & 10 cent goods upstairs for the spring and summer. He is now hoping to go to the Panama Exposition.

E. W. Hord has resigned as shop foreman for the Kiser Lumber Co. and will go into business for himself. He figures on opening up a shop in the brick building near Richardson's stable. Mr. Hord was with the Kiser Lumber Co. when the whistle blew the first time and the first wheel turned some seven years ago.

We call attention to the half-page add of Kuester-Lowe Co. of Charlotte in this issue of the Herald.

from the two districts and the county at large Monday night and reshaped their proposition, agreeing to build and equip the road before receiving the bond money, and lay new rails weighing not less than 60 pounds per foot. The first contract left it optional with the builders whether they would use new or relay rails. The committee having heard these changes which removed all objection from the people in upper Cleveland who really want a railroad, recommended to the commissioners that they accept the proposition. This recommendation was signed by P. L. Peeler for the Fallston-Belwood district, G. W. D. Peeler for the Casar district and attested by Zeno Mull, secretary.

Messrs. Royster and Elam have been working on a proposition to submit to build either a team or electric road, but they were not ready Tuesday to submit anything.

The contract is long and drawn out and not of special interest to many readers; we will therefore, not reproduce it. Suffice it to say that it covers the proposition thoroughly as outlined above and is signed by H. T. Fulton, chairman, for the board of Commissioners.