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PRINCIPLE FIRST

ONE DOLLAR A YEAR in ADVANCE

## What The Progressive Association Has Done

### DURING FIRST YEAR OF SERVICE

(Released for Publication by Vote of the Association)

The Kings Mountain Progressive Association has been directly responsible for the following since its organization eleven months ago:

The extension of Route no. 3 so as to give this town direct and daily mail connections with Linwood College as well as the families living between the Anna Cotton Mill and Linwood College.

The renting of a building for J. O. Plonk at a top notch price; the building being empty at the time and has been occupied since the first day of May, 1914, at the price originally rented for.

Having the Southern Railway Co. stop Nos. 37 and 38 at this place for long distance passengers, thereby increasing the conveniences for the travelling public.

Having the claim department of the Southern Railway give the agent at this place authority to settle small claims thereby saving the business men a great amount of trouble and annoyance as well as money.

Persuading the officials of the Charlotte division of the Southern Railway to construct underpass on the Kings Creek road without fighting same before Corporation Commission.

It has promoted an agitation for a creamery in Kings Mountain and through its influence the State Department of Agriculture sent Stanly Combs, a Creamery expert, here to discuss the matter with our people.

The Southern Railway issued an order to have train 31 carry its mail by Kings Mountain to be brought back on 35. The association succeeded in having the order repealed.

It secured an order from the Southern Railway making train 44 a regular stop instead of a provisional stop as heretofore.

The Association has been directly responsible for the preliminary work now going on at the old Catawba gold mine and which now looks as if it will develop into such an enterprise that all of our merchants and citizens generally will be benefited.

The Association is responsible for the fact that we have not a railroad station located within one and one eighth miles of our present station and within a few hundred yards of the town's corporate limits. The placing of a railway station at the point named would have no doubt had a bad effect on business, business property and real estate in general especially in the Southern and Western part of the town.

There have been other matters that the Association has been helpful in but they are of minor importance we will not mention them at this time, except that we have a definite promise from the General Manager of the Southern Railway Company saying that before the work of changing the grade of the railroad through this town that he will have a representative come here and confer with the officers of the association, the officers of the town and the citizens generally as to the location of both freight and passenger stations so that the present congested condition of one of our main business streets will be removed, and we also have the promise of the passenger department that when the above work is done that they will co-operate with the Association and make a beauty spot of the present bad looking place between Mountain and Gold street.

**BE SURE TO ATTEND THE MEETING OF THE PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION MONDAY NIGHT. IMPORTANT BUSINESS IS TO BE TRANSACTED.**  
**M. E. HERNDON, PRES.**

#### Meeting At Grace

(Arrived too late for last issue.)

The revival meeting which has been in progress at Grace Church for the past two weeks closed Sunday night. The pastor, Rev. B. A. Culp did all the preaching. While he had preached continually for two weeks, he was at his best Sunday night and preached a most forceful sermon from the 7th verse of the 39th Psalm: "And now, Lord, what wait I for? my hope is in thee." The church was filled to overflowing with eager hearers, many having to stand for want of space.

At the close of the sermon, Rev. Culp gave the call for those who wished to start to live a better life to come forward and about fifty responded to the call.

most of them staying at the altar for prayer.

Our Sunday School has increased wonderfully, having had 232 present for Sunday School Sunday. Rev. Culp is Superintendent.

Mr. Augustus Ford and family and Miss Cordelia Harrelson of Cherryville were present Sunday and helped with the singing.

Mr. Ford and Miss Harrelson gave some special music that was greatly enjoyed by those present Sunday night.

Sunday morning before the sermon the young people started a free will offering for the pastor, receiving \$52.60.

Sunday closed one of the most successful services in the history of the church, the number of confessions following was seventy-two, accessions to the church 12. A MEMBER.

## 2nd BAPTIST

### CHURCH LAUNCHED

That Kings Mountain is to have another Baptist Church known as "Kings Mountain Second Baptist Church" was decided in conference at the Baptist Church here Wednesday night of last week. The new church will be located somewhere near the Cora Mill and the present church will henceforward be known as "The First Baptist Church of Kings Mountain."

The Baptists living in the Cora Mill vicinity and East Kings Mountain have desired a separate organization for several months and it was only last week that the uptown church agreed to its organization. There will be about fifty charter members of the "Second". About forty of these will go by letter from the "First" Church and about ten are Baptists living in the community and holding their membership elsewhere.

As stated above the matter has been agitated for a long time and the sentiment has constantly grown. The need of a church in this locality has been urged upon the ground that there is a great many women and children in that part of town who are too inconveniently situated to attend services up town especially in bad weather. Some of these people live over a mile from the First Church and when the weather is like it has been for the past winter they are almost entirely shut out from church service and Sunday school.

Those serving on the committee which represent the cause of the "Second" church before the conference of the "First" are Rev. N. S. Mass, J. H. Riddle, J. R. Roberts, R. L. Chaney, B. L. England, and Ben Bruce. Some of these are the most substantial members of the "First Church" and they doubtless will be instrumental in putting the "Second" Church to a work of great usefulness.

The "First" Church will feel distinctly the loss of these members in the work of the Church and Sunday School but as they are liberated into a new field of usefulness their work there is anticipated with great satisfaction.

The "Second" Church will be duly organized within a short time and a building will be erected.

The "First" is planning for the completion of its handsome structure.

#### Mrs. W. T. R. Belle.

Rutherfordton, March 5.—At the home of her son, Charles Belle, at Spartanburg S. C. Mrs. W. T. R. Belle died Monday night, aged 66 years. The body was brought here Monday and services were conducted from the Methodist Church, of which she had been a consistent member for the greater part of her life, by her pastor, Rev. Albert Sherill.

#### Back From Hospital

Mrs. Wright Harmon returned from the city Hospital at Gastonia last week where she had been for an operation. We are glad to report that the operation was successful and that Mrs. Harmon is getting along well.

## LINWOOD

### ITEMS OF INTEREST

Correspondence of The Herald.

(Arrived too late for last issue.)

The annual evangelistic meeting of the Y. W. C. A. began last Tuesday night and continued through Sabbath, February 28th, Rev. W. P. Grier the able pastor of Bethany, Clover and Crowders Creek churches did the preaching. There were two sermons a day and just before each one the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. held a most earnest prayer meeting, praying for the out pouring of the Holy Spirit upon each individual. As all of the services were public a number attended from the surrounding neighborhood. The house was full Saturday. Mr. Grier's preaching is of a very high standing and no one can get around the truths he brought out from time to time. Rev. A. T. Lindsay, G. L. Kerr, J. B. and L. E. Kirby were called on for special prayer. As a visible result of the meeting, three confessions of faith were made one of the three receiving the sacrament of baptism. The invisible result cannot be estimated, for every soul seemed to have been blessed spiritually. The two associations presented Mr. Grier with a nice nurse and expressed a deep-felt sadness at his departure, but fond hopes of having him again.

Forty boys and girls spent the twenty second of February with friends and relatives.

Mr. Stark Slaughter of Hickory Grove, South Carolina entered school last week. He was given a hearty by the faculty and students.

Misses Mildred and Annie Falls spent Saturday night with Misses Massey and Bethune.

Messrs Guy Castles and Stark Slaughter spent the week end with their parents.

Miss Ethel Smith of Cowpens South Carolina, a former student of Linwood College is spending several weeks with us. She hopes that her health may be regained while here. The "All Healing" water will do wonders for anyone.

The following attend the "Laymen's Missionary Movement" at the Second Presbyterian Church in Charlotte: President Lindsay, Rev. G. L. Kerr, Messrs L. R. Neil, J. L. Shannon, W. E. Lee, J. E. Lindsay, Misses Rowan, Bethune, Massey, Helms, Lois Whitesides and Edith McGill.

Mr. Robret Kidd and Mr. Jim Rowan of Greenville Virginia, visited Miss Annie Rowan last week.

Messrs Herman Brown and Chaska Holdhouser spent the week end with their parents at Troutman, North Carolina.

We are glad to welcome Mr. Hoke Hanua, of Gastonia as one of our students.

There was a basket ball game between Linwood and Belmont last Friday evening. Belmont started the ball rolling in the first ending, but only made one point more than Linwood in the second ending. The final score 20 18 in favor of Belmont.

Lowell will play Linwood next Friday at 3:30 p. m. and Hickory Grove is expected to come Saturday. This game will be at 3:30 p. m. too.

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## A History Of The Dutch In Gaston County

WRITTEN BY MISS BESSIE PAUL

(Copied from the Gastonia High School Magazine)

Gaston County, once a part of Clarendon Colony, was established in 1846 and Dallas was chosen as the county seat. Here the courthouse was begun in 1847.

Among the first settlers of the county were the Germans commonly called the Dutch. At the beginning of the eighteenth century, they had suffered great religious persecutions at the hands of the French. Their homes were devastated and destroyed and they fled to England for protection. Queen Anne sent them to America to settle the English territory. These people occupied most of the county North of Long Creek and west of the Catawba river while the country South of Long Creek was settled principally by the English. The very first settler of this county was Sebastian Best (Bess) who came to Pennsylvania with some other Dutch. He did not stay there long but traveled, South and reached Gaston in 1746, "Bastian" as he was called, selected some fertile land on Leeper's Creek, built for himself a log cabin and here remained for one year. But at the end of this he became lonesome and decided to return to choose a wife. Late one afternoon as Best camped by the road Peter Heyl (Hoyle) and his family rode up and asked to be allowed to spend the night. A member of this family was young Katherine Hoyle who was riding horseback. Best was so struck by the girl's beauty that he urged Mr. Hoyle to bring his family to this county and take possession of his cabin until he returned from Pennsylvania. Sebastian Best continued his journey but Katherine had made such an impression on his heart that he came back without a wife and shortly afterwards married her. Mr. Hoyle located on the South Fork river on what is now known as the Sugg's place at Hoyle's bridge. Best and his young bride moved on the other side of the river just opposite Hoyle's and there lived happily.

Some of the other oldest Dutch families of this county are the Radisill's, the Costner's, the Hoffman's, the Lineberger's and the Rhyne's.

The Radisill family was founded by three brothers,—Mike, who settled Hammerschold Forge on Leeper's Creek; Philip, who chose a farm between Hardin and High Shoals; another brother, who located at Dellinger's Inn near Iron Station—and a nephew who settled on Steel Creek in Mecklenburg county.

The great Costner family is descended from Adam Costner who settled near Philadelphia church. He must have come about as early as the other people for he died and was buried in the graveyard of this church in 1767.

The Hoffman's are descended from Jacob Hoffman who settled at the junction of Leeper's Creek and Killian Creek where they form Dutchman Creek. One of the peculiarities of this family is that each son had a son named Jacob and nearly every one of these married a girl named Bessie.

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All families of these times and many other people in this county and in the South and west are descendants of the first Dutch settlers of this county.

These colonists did not have the highest education but they were as well educated as the immigrants of other nations, and better, although they did not appear very ignorant to the English because to speak the English language. They were slow in trying to learn and fought against the change of language, but they did not for a long time come leaders or in the end in an English speaking people. They were content to live in peace and their freedom in their agricultural and domestic pursuits and to their homes, many of them were experts in weaving, spinning and in making machinery. They did not turn the world upside down but they did do their best in holding it level and steady.

The Dutch were calculated to carry on the great work they undertook. They stood as firm in their convictions as the rock stands on its base. Their religion was the religion of the Dutch of the Senses. They were neither to the past nor to the future with apprehension. These men had breathed into their nostrils the birth the true spirit of Liberty.

They crossed the ocean bravely and bore their share in building up this great country and in planting their rude people. They builded even better than they knew.

This characteristic, coupled with common sense in our first Dutch settlers, is the same which makes the German soldier the best in the world. This quality was fully exemplified in the War between the States. Of the Gaston county soldiers thirty-six bore the name of Rhyne, twenty-three were Hoffmans, not to speak of the descendants of these other families entering the army from adjoining counties.

Gaston county was developed by men who believed not in the "divine right of Kings" but in the divine right of human liberty. The Dutch people were not as quick as the immigrants of other nations but they

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