

# Kings Mountain Herald

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## SEWERAGE SYSTEM DONE

WAS INSPECTED LAST WEEK.

Sewer lines now ready for connections  
—A thorough system.

The Kings Mountain Sewerage System has been completed and accepted by the City Council. Mr. Wagner, inspector for the J. B. McCrary Co. of Atlanta, was here last week and went over the entire system and pronounced it first-class. The system was installed by the J. B. McCrary Co. and has been under way since last Fall. An awful amount of mud and slush was our heritage while the main thoroughfares were being worked but things are normal again and everybody seems glad it's over. We expect to give the exact figures on cost of the system as soon as they are definitely known.

## MR. DAVID PAGE DEAD

Mr. David Page of the Klotho Mill this city died, Saturday morning after a long illness with tuberculosis. He was a member of the Baptist church and while fully resigned to his Master's will fought death bravely. He was a middle aged man and leaves a widow and three children. It is said by neighbors that better and more loyal attention could not have been bestowed by a companion than was administered by his wife through all the months of his lingerings. The remains were laid to rest in Mountain Rest Cemetery Saturday afternoon, Rev. B. A. Culp conducting the funeral.

## DR. JAS. A. WRAY BURIED HERE SATURDAY

Dr. Jas. A. Wray of Henry, N. C. died Friday after an illness of grippe. He was eighty-three years old and not able to recover from the attack. He formerly lived here, having moved away in 1886, and his remains were brought here Saturday afternoon and buried beside those of his first wife. The funeral was conducted from the Baptist church by Rev. E. O. Cole, pastor of the Methodist church, the Baptist pastor having not yet reached town.

Dr. Wray was first married in 1861 to Miss M. J. Hall who died in 1880. To this union there were born four children. In 1881 he married Miss M. E. Goforth of Cleveland county, who survives with two children.

Deceased was a member of Corinth Baptist church in Catawba county. He was well known and highly respected as a man, as a physician and as a soldier of the Sixties.

## TAX LISTERS APPOINTED.

NO. 4 TOWNSHIP, GROVER PRECINCT  
J. Lester Herndon, Lister.

Grover, from May 10th to May 17th.

NO. 4 TOWNSHIP, KINGS MOUNTAIN PRECINCT.

Leslie McGinnis, Lister,  
Ware's School House, Monday

May 15th.

Kings Mountain, from May 15th to June 1st.

NO. 5 TOWNSHIP  
S. L. Dellinger, Lister,

Stony Point, Wednesday, May 17th.

Wolfe's Store, Thursday, May 18th.

Waco, Friday, May 12th.

Waco, Saturday, May 13th.

## BURTON KILLS HARDING

BESSEMER CITY MURDER CASE.

Boys knocked on door and ran—Burton shot one—In jail without bond.

Excitement reigned in Bessemer City Wednesday night when it was learned that Bura, the 17 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. David P. Harding had been shot and killed by I. J. Burton. Following is a condensed account of the affair as given by the Bessemer City Journal of Thursday:

"The shooting occurred at 9:45 last night and, on account of the lateness of the hour, it was not generally known until this morning when the news spread like fire.

"Immediately after the shooting coroner Sellers was sent for and arrived on the scene in about an hour. He empaneled a jury at once to investigate the killing. Their verdict was that Bura Harding came to his death from a pistol shot wound at the hands of I. J. Burton.

"The facts as brought out at the inquest were about as follows: Burton, who conducts a small grocery near the Gambrell cotton mill, sleeps in the rear of his store. It appeared that Harding and other boys have been in the habit of knocking on Burton's store door for several nights for the purpose of teasing him. Burton is said to be a man of great temper and had prepared for the boys. Last night a stick of eight-foot pine wood was leaned against Burton's door and the door knocked upon. As Burton opened the door he saw the boy running across the street in front of his store.

He fired one shot at the boy which took effect just under the left shoulder blade and passed on through the heart. The boy hollowed once and fell dead in Lee Huffstetter's yard just across the street from Burton's store. The weapon used was a .38 calibre Iver Johnson. Burton was taken to Gastonia as soon as the verdict of the coroner's inquest was announced and lodged in jail without bond."

## ARE YOU GETTING YOUR PAPER?

Are you getting your paper? If you are not of course you will not see this notice. But any person getting the paper who knows of a person having subscribed and is not receiving it will confer a great favor on both the losing subscriber and the Herald by calling attention to the fact, we want everybody who has paid for the Herald to get it but in handling more than a thousand names one could easily be overlooked or lost. So please notify us of any failure to receive the paper. In notifying us be sure to say to whom you subscribed, when, how much you paid, and give the address exactly like it is on your receipt.

## BUILDING AT BELMONT

In passing Belmont the other day we noticed that lots of building is going on. It appeared from the train that a new cotton mill was going up and a number of houses. There are more signs of progress throughout all mill sections than we have ever before noticed.

## BIG FACTS ABOUT CLEVELAND COUNTY

FORMED 1841—NAMED IN HONOR BENJAMIN CLEVELAND.

Population 29,494—Value of Real Estate \$5,220,605—Property \$3,352,556  
—Shelby County Seat—Kings Mountain Industrial Centre.

[The following article was prepared and submitted for publication by the North Carolina Bureau of Publicity. It deals solely with Cleveland County and should be carefully read by all Herald readers.—Editor]

### Cleveland County

Population, 29,494; population per square mile, 60.4; rural 51.0. Formed in 1841. Named in honor of Hon. Benjamin Cleveland. Value of real estate, \$5,220,605; personal property, \$3,352,556; Number of rural schools, white 73; negro 22. Public road 300 miles.

Farms and Farm Property, U. S. Report 1900 compared 1910.

1910 1900

4,032 Number of farms 3,416

65.2 Average acres per farm 74.9

Average improved acres 32.2 per farm

Value of all farm property \$10,158,277. \$4,022,206

Per cent increase in farm property 1900 1910 152.5

Average value of land per \$26.19 farm \$9.72

Average value of all property \$2,519 per farm \$1,167

### Agricultural Products

Corn 561,449 bu.

Oats 65,505 bu.

Wheat 37,037 bu.

Hay and forage 4,818 tons

Dry Peas 7,783 bu.

Potatoes, Irish 8,297 bu.

" sweet 93,593 bu.

Cotton 15,568 bales

Tobacco 1,155 lbs.

Cane, syrup 32,989 gal.

Apples 24,265 bu.

Peaches 25,239 bu.

Grapes 73,642 lbs.

Figs 2,900 qts.

Strawberries 5,883 "

Nuts 8,035 lbs.

### Live Stock and Products

Value of domestic animals \$924,584

" of cows 182,397

" of horses 159,735

" of mules 534,106

" of hogs 47,392

" of poultry 33,481

Dairy cows reported 5,244

Milk produced, gallons 1,976,857

Butter produced, lbs. 745,717

Eggs produced doz. 396,166

Poultry raised 276,680

Honey produced, lbs. 46,305

ing shipped out of the county.

The transportation facilities of the county are good. Three railroads traverse the county, the Carolina Central bisecting it nearly from east to west, with its eastern terminus at Wilmington; and a part of the Seaboard Air Line system connecting with Norfolk and Atlanta. A fourth railroad is being surveyed to be built in the next eighteen months.

Cleveland county has several mineral springs celebrated for their curative properties—Cleveland Springs, Patterson's Springs, and McBrayer's Springs. Good hotels and boarding houses are located at some of these springs and many tourists visit them every summer.

Climatic conditions are excellent. The environment of the hills on three sides of the county with an open southern exposure gives to it an exceptionally fine winter climate, singularly free from snow. Its altitude and proximity to the mountains make it one of the most desirable summer residences.

Cleveland County is proving itself a great dairying county for the two creameries located in the county are paying the farmers a dividend of about \$60,000 yearly.

Rural free delivery of mail and telephones are serving almost every section of the county. Besides the high schools and graded schools located in the towns there are 73 white rural schools and 22 negro rural schools, with a total average daily attendance of 5,383 in 1912-1913. Also good

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## LENOIR COLLEGE FINALS

WILL BE HELD MAY 21-24

Good Full Program of interest to Herald Readers - Good Speakers.

Saturday, May 20, 8:30 P. M. Annual Concert.

Sunday, May 21, 10:30 A. M. Raccalaureate Sermon—

The Rev. F. B. Clausen, Wilmington, N. C.

Sunday, May 21, 8:00 P. M. Address before College Luther League—The Rev. B. D. Wessinger, Cherryville, N. C.

Monday, May 22, 10:30 A. M. Declamation Contest.

Monday, May 22, 1:30 P. M. Meeting of Board of Trustees.

Monday, May 22, 2:—5: P. M. Art Exhibit.

Monday, May 22, 8:30 P. M. Junior Orator's Contest.

Tuesday, May 23, 10:30 A. M. Address before Literary Societies—Professor Collier Cobb, University of N. C.

Tuesday, May 23, 8:30 P. M. Commencement Play.

Wednesday, May 24, 10:30 A. M. Graduation Exercises.

Wednesday, Afternoon and Night.

Annual Alumni Exercises.

## "UNCLE JOHNNIE" DEAD

Mr. John Smith, better known as "Uncle Johnnie," died last Wednesday morning at one o'clock at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Peeler, at the Sevier Mill. There were two characteristics that distinctly marked this old soldier. First, he wore his old Confederate gray uniform and cap, and second, he usually carried his violin to play for pastime. He was well known in these parts and especially by the old veterans.

## S. P. Goforth Won Auto

## H. B. Jones Won Piano

## Miss Ware Scholarship

## Herald Contest Wound Up In

## Burst of Speed at Finish - About

## 1000 Subscriptions Handled And

## Herald Has Reached High Tide

## Of Circulation and Prestige In

## This Section. Something For Adver-

## tisers To Consider.

Kings Mountain, N. C. May 13, 1916.

Mr. G. G. Page,  
Pubr. Herald  
City:—

We the undersigned judges chosen to make the final count in the Herald's Auto Contest beg to report our findings as follows.

KINGS MOUNTAIN	Last report	Votes Cast Saturday, May 13.	Total Vote Cast
Miss Ada Ware	956,175	1,044,200	2,000,375.
H. B. Jones	920,900.	2,287,200	3,208,100.
R. F. D. 2.			
S. P. Goforth	907,825.	2,540,800	3,448,625
HICKORY, 803—14th St.			
Miss Mabel Long	713,250.	158,800	872,050

First Grand Prize, A \$480.50 Ford Auto.

Mr. S. P. Goforth.

Second Grand Prize, A \$350 Starck Piano.

Mr. H. B. Jones.

Third Grand Prize, A \$50 Scholarship.

Miss Ada Ware.

H. M. Heavner

J. B. Thomason.

The Judges.

## 20 VETERANS PRESENT

MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATED HERE

Graves decorated—Veterans relate war stories—Good dinner.

The local chapter United Daughters of the Confederacy together with a few friends and citizens paid respect Wednesday to the Confederate dead of Mountain Rest Cemetery. The veterans present, twenty in number, assembled at the school building at ten o'clock and those who were able to walk marched to the cemetery while the others were taken in buggies and automobile. Rev. J. E. Berryhill presided at the cemetery where "Lead Kindly Light" was sung and prayer offered, after which flowers were taken to the graves of veterans who have gone ahead and were tenderly laid thereupon. One thing that made the exercise of unusual sadness was the absence of one who had no grave to decorate, neither was he alive. "Uncle Johnnie" Smith had died that morning at one o'clock and lay a corpse. "Uncle Johnnie was always keen to attend these exercises garbed in his old war uniform and his comrades missed him greatly. After the graves were decorated a closing service was held, after which the company repaired to the school auditorium.

The meeting at the auditorium was not what was expected, as Rev. T. D. Bateman of Shelby, who was to have been the orator of the day, was sick and was unable to attend. Editor G. G. Page presided at the school building and in announcing that Mr. Bateman would not be present to speak stated that the time would be given the veterans for relating war reminiscences by roll call. This part of the program proved most interesting as these men of the Sixties related their experiences during their younger but unfortunate days. One thing seemed unanimous among them. "I am not sorry I went to the war but I'm mighty glad I got back." Capt. F. Dilling in a brief but forceful and feeling speech wanted to know why the younger people and citizens didn't take any more interest in the exercises of this Memorial Day. He said if it weren't for a few good women the old soldiers would get no attention at all.

There were a number of patriotic songs and one reading, all of which added interest to the program.

Rev. E. O. Cole made the dinner announcement. He stated that in the basement a good dinner was set and that the Veterans, their wives and widows, the ministers and their wives, the Mayor and his wife, and the editor and his wife, were all invited to eat. The table service was most acceptable. The people were given seats, coffee and tea were prepared and the repast was most thoroughly enjoyed.

The ranks are thinning. Three of last years number have fallen by the wayside and many others are growing feeble. Those who have died during the year are Mr. Sellers, Mr. McCarter and Mr. Smith. "Uncle Johnnie."

Mrs. C. Q. Rhyne is president of the local chapter and to her efforts is largely due the success of the exercise.