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LOCAL INTELLIGENCE

Latest Happenings In and Around Monroe.

There will be a box supper at Bufalo school house Thursday night, January 8th. The public is invited to attend.

Mr. Y. M. Bogan of Wingate had the misfortune to lose two fingers the other day when his hand brushed against a gasoline wood saw.

Mr. J. Frank Williams is confined to his home several days last week from the effects of an injured knee, caused by the horse he was riding falling on his leg.

There will be a box supper at Fairview school house in Marshville town-

ship Friday night, January ninth. The proceeds will go to the school improvement fund. The public is cordially invited.

A special meeting of the colored school teachers of Union county will be held in the Morris Street graded school Saturday, January 10th, at 11 o'clock. All teachers urged to be present.

A telegram has been received by the manager of the Poultry Association that Judge McClave, who was scheduled as judge, is, owing to business complications, unable to attend and judge the chickens; but Judge E. F. Jacobs, manager of the celebrated Hartman Stock Farm, at Columbus, Ohio, will take his place. Mr. Jacobs is one of the best known judges of poultry in the United States.

An expert agronomist from the department of agriculture will be in this county for five days in February. He will preach soil management, and proper fertilization.

There will be a box supper at the Euto school house, in New Salem township, Saturday night, January 10. Proceeds will be used to dig a well for the school.

Stock farmers are preparing to organize a Guernsey breeders association at Marshville, and a Jersey association at Monroe. The object of the associations will be to encourage the production of thoroughbred cattle, and the ultimate intention of the promoters is to hold annual Guernsey and Jersey sales in this county. People from all over the country, it is believed, would attend these sales in large numbers.

A report of cotton ginned in this State for the year 1915 up to December 15th, credits Union with 27,757 bales, as compared with 20,994 on the same date, 1918. This county ranks seventh in number of bales ginned in the State. Anson county ginned more than Union by a 1,000 bales, while Robeson county led the list with out 60,000 bales. Mecklenburg county ginned 23,841 bales. Figuring the gross returns for one bale at \$2.00, including the seed, Union county farmers received \$55,495.200 for their crop this year.

Mrs. H. W. Gribble of Buford township is very successful at raising poultry. Last year she sold \$300 worth of chickens and eggs, and when some neighbor asked her how she managed to get her hens to lay so well, she replied: "I read them the Progressive Farmer." This paper, so well edited by Dr. Clarence Poe, should be a weekly visitor in every home in Union county. It will not only make the hens lay, but increase the productivity of the soil. No man who desires to farm intelligently can afford to be without it.

Directors of the Bank of Wingate, in session recently, declared a semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent, and added a neat sum to the surplus fund. The deposits of the bank at the close of business in 1919 were practically twice as much as the total deposits on the same date the year previous. Officers and directors of the bank are: R. A. Morrow, president; W. M. Perry, vice-president; W. A. Chaney, cashier; G. M. Stewart, R. A. Morrow, W. M. Perry, S. W. Blanton, John H. Williams, J. L. Austin, J. W. Dims, J. C. McInnis, and J. W. Chaney, directors.

Mrs. Eleanor Bass died Sunday, December 28th, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. B. Pierce, in Marshville. She was the widow of Mr. J. C. Bass who died thirty years before. Funeral exercises were conducted the Monday following her death and interment was in the Bass cemetery in east Monroe township, Rev. J. A. Bivens, Rev. A. Marsh and Rev. A. C. Sherwood conducting the service. Mrs. Bass was the daughter of the late Abram Seerest and was a sister of Esq. J. D. A. Seerest of Monroe township. She was born in 1859. Surviving her are five children, namely, Mr. J. B. Bass of Wingate, Mrs. J. S. Baucum of Bakers, Mrs. A. E. Green of Stanly county, Mrs. J. B. Pierce and Mrs. W. B. Griffin of Marshville.

"Union county would have produced 45,000 bales of cotton this season had the planters fertilized their land judiciously," declares Mr. T. J. W. Broom, county demonstrator. As it is, though, the county has equalled if not outdistanced the production record of former years, he believes. "Union county soil needs more nitrate of soda, with a top-dressing preparation," Mr. Broom continued. "Anson county used over 2,000 tons of soda last year, and as a result, raised nearly a thousand bales more than we did. In the past Union has produced more cotton than Anson. Only 400 tons of soda were used in this county the past season, and if we would use about ten times this amount next year we would nearly double the size of our crop."

Ten years ago the farmer who produced a bale of cotton to the acre was considered an exception to the rule. Some people, back in those days, even went so far as to state Union county land was incapable of raising a bale to the acre. The past season, when reports came in of certain farmers producing two bales of cotton to the acre, little comment resulted. This comparison goes to show how much farming methods have improved in this section in such a comparatively short time; and it is not out of reason to expect the day soon to arrive when a farmer who raises less than a bale to the acre will be considered worthless and trifling. Tom Broom says this county could raise 40,000 bales of cotton next year if the landowners would use nitrate of soda and top-dressing generously.

The "Wants You" edition of The Journal is attracting attention in many parts of the State judging by the number of felicitous letters received by local business houses. The latest is from M. B. Saunders of Greenwood, S. C., manager of the C. C. Fire Hose and Rubber Company, to Mr. T. L. Crowell, and extracts from his letter follow: "Many thanks for the copy of the splendid edition of The Journal. I have looked it over with interest and lots of pleasure. It is well gotten up, and certainly reflects credit on the persons who edited it as well as your bustling city. I have often remarked that of all the towns in my territory in the South-eastern States, Monroe and Greenwood were making the greatest improvements. Therefore, I can congratulate you and say let's keep it up."



GILMER L. NISBET

The new secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Nisbet, is editor of the Washaw Enterprise, and served one term as Mayor of Washaw. For years he was secretary of the late J. L. Rodman, who, in his day, was one of the largest business men in the county. Mrs. Nisbet is a charming and attractive woman. They are staying at the Caldwell House.

Two sick soldiers were released from paying poll tax this year by the county commissioners yesterday.

Mr. T. J. W. Broom is preparing to order a hundred bushels of Lespedeza seed. Farmers desiring a part of the order should communicate with him at once.

Mr. F. W. Mitchell has resigned as a member of the high school faculty and his duties have been assumed by Miss Mabel Jetton of Shelby, who is a capable teacher of large experience.

Friends of Mr. L. D. Robinson have received letters from him stating that he is still undecided about retiring from Congress. He expects to make a public statement within a few days.

Several citizens appeared before the commissioners Monday to get released from paying dog taxes. They claimed no dogs were around their farms. Esq. George Smith in New Salem was among the number.

Messrs. J. E. Stuck and J. F. Laney were before the county commissioners this morning urging for the installation of two phonographs, one for the colored, and one for the whites, at the county house. They plan to have occasional prayer services at the home, and believe music would create more interest on these occasions. The commissioners decided to grant their request and the phonographs will be delivered this afternoon.

Ode Austin and Will Henry, colored, once good friends, have severed relations since Saturday night when the latter shot Ode in the leg, breaking the bone above the knee. Ode is now at home recovering from his wound, and Will is out under a \$400 bond. The pair were drinking. It is said, when Henry, with little or no provocation, whipped out his gun and fired at Ode. The shooting took place near the depot. Henry is a one-legged shoemaker.

The army recruiting service has for free distribution to all soldiers who saw service in France a souvenir pamphlet issued by the French government. It was intended to hand this pamphlet to every soldier as he left the shore of that country but printing difficulties intervened. If you are a member of the American Legion and saw service in France, hand your name in to Mr. Joe Hudson, Adjutant of the Melvin Deese Post. If you are not a member of the Legion, call at the recruiting station at the postoffice, with your discharge, after January 10, and a pamphlet will be issued on the spot.

The Monroe Manufacturing company plant in the extreme eastern part of town was destroyed by fire Sunday afternoon about four o'clock. The plant was owned by Mr. G. M. Tucker, but there was a large amount of finished work belonging to various other parties and this was a total loss. In addition to this the machinery and lumber was destroyed. Only by hard work the firemen managed to save the Henderson Roller Mill and other nearby buildings. The loss amounts to \$30,000 with but \$3,000 insurance on the entire plant and contents. This is one of the most disastrous fires Monroe has had in a long time.

Jurors for January Term.

The following jurors were drawn yesterday by the county commissioners for one week's term of Superior court, which convenes Jan. 26th:

W. A. Roden, Vance; Noah Carriker, Goose Creek; A. L. Locke, Jackson; J. C. Smith, New Salem; Chas. A. Long, Monroe; W. G. Stogall, Marshville; F. M. Edwards, Marshville; R. D. Robinson, Jackson; R. W. Billue, Jackson; Thos. J. Pyron, Monroe; A. F. Baucum, New Salem; Archie Mills, Lanes Creek; John L. Griffin, Marshville; T. W. Braswell, Marshville; J. S. Howey, Sandy Ridge; A. G. Braswell, New Salem; J. N. Stordvant, Lanes Creek; W. J. Helms, Vance; J. W. Carnes, Buford; R. K. Helms, Monroe; W. S. Thompson, Vance; C. A. Carriker, Goose Creek; J. M. Richardson, Buford; J. I. Griffin, Goose Creek; T. W. Taylor, Sandy Ridge; Jas. T. Hayes, Buford; John C. Gureley, Vance; W. E. Elmore, Sandy Ridge; J. A. Mattox, Buford; John P. Poer, Vance; T. J. Chaney, Monroe; J. P. Belk, Lanes Creek; M. H. Richardson, Monroe; A. W. Davis, Sandy Ridge.



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FOR SALE—A fresh milk cow.—J. O. Barber, Monroe, Route two.

LOST BETWEEN MONROE and Altan one sack of Palace flour.—W. L. Starnes, Monroe, N. C., Rt. 4.

FOR SALE—Eight registered Red Jersey pigs about two months old.—W. L. Earnhart.

OWING to my being in bad health, I will sell for cash at public auction at my slaughter pen on Saturday, Jan. 10, at 2:00 p. m., all of my hogs—7 brood sows and one stock hog.—Hugh Starnes.

LOST—On streets of Monroe, Saturday night, lady's Shrine pin. Reward if returned to Mrs. Craven Gordon.

FOR SALE—One 1917 Ford, Engine just overhauled in good condition. A bargain to quick buyer. \$325 buys it. Phone 338 or call at Monroe Steam Pressing Club.

FOR SALE—A good mule or mare.—J. B. Williams.

STRAYED—A black male pig—M. H. Richardson.

Enid Bennett Coming
Coming to the Strand Theatre Wednesday is Enid Bennett in her new Thomas H. Ince picture, "What Every Woman Learns."

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