

The High Point Enterprise has enlarged to a seven column four-page paper and has put in a Mergenthaler linotype machine, and is otherwise greatly improved.

There is a plan on foot to settle ten thousand negroes on eighty-five square miles of land in Mexico, who will be left principally to manage their own affairs. Many think that the colony will degenerate when left to their own devices, and become as are the negroes of the black Republic of Hayti.

The Yadkin Ripple instead of drifting into fish and potato farms tells of a western potato grower who planted potatoes and set up electric lights in the field and the crop was so bountiful that the owner had to buy a stump puller to make a start at digging, and after removing the first one he prized the crowbar out one at a time with a crow bar, and the inference is he had to rent his neighbor's farm on which to stack them.

The liquor question will not be an issue in the coming campaign so far as the democratic party is concerned. It will certainly not be in issue in this county, for there is not a foot of land in the county where liquor can be made or sold. And so far as we are informed there is no desire anywhere to disturb the recent Liquor Legislature. But on the other hand there seems to be an inclination on the part of a few fair-minded persons to give the proper time to ascertain true conditions and see how the present liquor laws suit. Time and experience may make it necessary to make changes, and the changes may be made when experience shows the necessity therefor.

There is no "boss" in State county or nation in the democratic party; the rank and file of the party is a law unto themselves. The only King and the only "boss" who has any right or can dictate in democratic councils is the will of the sovereign people. It is in the republican party where you find boss and ring rule, it is there where you find ring rule and court house cliques. It is in the councils of that party where you find domination by cliques and concubines. It is there you find nothing done when in power except strife and contention for office and power.

In the history of their party in this State they have been obstructionists and have opposed material and industrial improvement when in power. They have arrayed themselves against the sovereignty of the people against public improvements, against the improvement of highways, against the farmers, the tax payers, the laborers, and general improvement. When in power in North Carolina they made no public improvement. The only monument that marks their efforts is the penitentiary, and they did not complete it. Not a mile of permanent road nor a public building did they ever erect. Yet when out of power they talk about what they would do and what ought to be done and yet they have done nothing when in power. The people have long memories and will not forget in the few short years the record of wreck and ruin.

It now looks very much like congress will pass the Hepburn Railroad Rate Bill with the great Revenue Amendment agreed to by the President and other members in a recent White House caucus.

This amendment gives the circuit courts of the U. S. privilege to review the orders of the interstate commerce commission. The President started out and was going to do big things. He winds up his exploits in this particular by agreeing to an

amendment which gives the Railroads the right to appeal to the courts another thing the President has agreed to allow the R. R. to file an injunction against the rate fixed by the commission and the R. R. can go right on charging the old rate until the case goes through the courts. Senator Bailey's amendment which provides that the orders on commission remain in effect until set aside by the courts will not allow another like the Elkins-Knox provision to pay into court money to indemnify if the commission is sustained. The trouble is that the President is a quitter and that he always yields under party pressure.

We want to see every man in Asheboro own his home, and the best way to do this is to take stock in the Building & Loan Association. It is through the building and loan that every man, the poor man and the man in moderate circumstances alike, can own his home. Every man in Asheboro who lives in a rented house can, with his rent money, in a few years build a home better than the one he now lives in. Poor but industrious people can, through the building and loan association, build for themselves homes in Asheboro.

The public school teachers of Robeson county under the lead of the betterment association have accomplished a great deal for the betterment of the schools in that county. On Friday of last week there was a meeting at practically every school house in that county. The children took pictures to the schools and placed them on the walls, parents and pupils cleaned off the play grounds and planted shade trees. Acting upon the principal that the public schools are the colleges of the people; they are the nurseries of freedom; their establishment and efficiency are the paramount duty of a republic; the education of children is the most legitimate object of taxation. These Robeson people are accomplishing great wonders.

RURAL FREE DELIVERY.

Routes Now Existing Undergoing a Strong Test. All Routes Must Carry 2,000 or More Pieces of Mail Each Month.

The rural delivery carriers are instructed from April 1st to make daily reports showing the number of pieces of mail handled on their routes. It is said—not officially, but with some authority—that the service on routes handling less than 2,000 pieces a month may be reduced to a delivery only three times a week. In a communication to the Apex Journal, Mr. T. Ivey, of Cary, a rural delivery carrier, urges the people in the country to write more letters and particularly to subscribe to more newspapers and adds:

"Why not try to send at least one piece of mail from your box every day? You will then be likely to receive (including your papers) one or more pieces. A route with eighty boxes receiving one and dispatching one piece each to the box every day for twenty-six days, will amount to 4,160 pieces per month, and such a route will hardly be discontinued. Now a word to the carriers: Occasionally I see some expressions in the papers indicating that both editors and carriers indulge the opinion that carriers are not permitted to act as agents for papers. This is erroneous. Here is the general order on the subject, and if it has ever been modified or changed, this writer has no knowledge of it.

"Rural carriers must not act as agents, salesmen, or solicitors for express companies, wholesale houses, corporations, or firms. They may act as agents for newspaper publishers, sell newspapers or periodicals on their own account or accept and collect subscriptions for the same."

"Now, live up to this order strictly and induce your patrons to subscribe for many good papers (draw the line at trash). Receive their subscriptions and send it in to the publisher, deducting money order and postage fees."

The rural delivery system has done much to brighten rural life. Good schools, good roads, telephones and free rural delivery give to the farmer almost every convenience enjoyed by a resident of a city, with all the advantages of country life. The need in most homes is of a weekly giving all the news of the county seat, and the county villages. Every one wants the home news, and general news, fresh from the presses, with the latest news, and other literature. It will help to educate the family and guarantee a continuance of the free rural delivery.

HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK BRIEFLY TOLD.

Davidson is to remodel its court house.

E. C. Swift, the packer, died at his home in Boston April 5th. He was the originator of the refrigerator car service.

At Wilmington last week T. A. McCraw was sentenced to twenty years in the State prison for killing his mother-in-law.

J. M. Barr has resigned the presidency of the Seaboard Air Line Railway Company to be succeeded by Alfred Walter, April 30th.

The Board of Aldermen of Raleigh have decided to borrow \$10,000 for the purpose of erecting a City High School in that city.

At Salisbury April 3rd, Miss Pearl Monroe and Mr. I. A. Kidd, were married at the home of the bride's father, ex-Sheriff Monroe.

The dye house of the Oneida Cotton Mills at Graham was destroyed Friday night by fire. The loss of \$40,000 was covered by insurance.

Mr. Jesse Owens has purchased the 100-acre farm of Mr. P. H. Hunley, which is one of the best in Rowan county—Salisbury Evening Post.

The famous Tuskegee Industrial Normal for the colored people headed by Booker Washington celebrated its 25th anniversary Wednesday of last week.

A \$40,000 fire in Charlotte occurred Saturday, greatly endangered the fashionable suburb Dilworth. The fire originated in the Dowd Pipe Foundry.

The Eastern North Carolina berries place will soon be on. Estimates show the crop at 2,500 cars, of 300 crates each. This year 75,000 acres are planted in berries.

By an act of the board of Aldermen the license for retailers of spiritous liquors has been raised from \$600 to \$1,000; wholesalers from \$200 to \$600, effective July 1st.

Judge Peebles favors a legislative enactment requiring all magistrates to appear at court Monday of the first term of each year at which time judges are to instruct them as to their duty.

A fast freight train on the Western road was wrecked on the steel bridge across Second Creek near Cleveland, Friday. Several cars and a part of the bridge were destroyed, but no one was hurt.

Last week the revenue officers seized an illicit distillery, being operated under a saw mill 14 miles north of Hamlet. They also seized 1,700 gallons of beer, the saw mill and several thousand feet of lumber, teams, etc.

Capt. H. C. Reese, of Siler City, and W. Pool, of Raleigh, revenue officers, raided and captured a home-made still of about 70 gallons capacity. It was 200 yards from a colored man's house but no suspicion was attached to him.

Senator Overman, of North Carolina, and Senator Daniel, of Virginia, were in conference with the President last week on the rate bill. Senator Overman thinks the Hepburn bill, with little or no revision, will eventually be passed.

R. L. Burkhead has been made cashier of the National Bank of Lexington, succeeding John W. Boring, resigned. Mr Boring will go to Fitzgerald, Ga., where the Lexington Real Estate & Trust Co. has acquired 2,700 acres of heavily timbered property.

E. H. Pass, one of the oldest, wealthiest and best known citizens of Davie county, died recently at his home three miles from Mocksville aged 79 years. The deceased is a brother of J. W. Pass, chairman of the Democratic executive committee of Yadkin county.

Moses N. Harshaw has decided to become a candidate against Blackburn for the republican nomination for congress. Mr. Harshaw is solicitor in the 13th district and his judicial district embraces a part of the counties comprising the eighth congressional district.

The grand jury of Guilford Superior court has returned a true bill against the Southern Railway Company and C. T. Welfare, watchman for the company. Both are charged with criminal negligence whereby five persons lost their lives in the wreck on the Greensboro yards in February.

The Fredell Democratic committee met at Statesville Saturday. The primaries will be held June 30th, followed by the county convention Monday, July 2nd.

In a recent issue of the News and Observer there was a communication from the Burlington News in which it was said that the Alamance jail was empty and that Alamance perhaps was the only county in the State that could boast of this. Randolph county can say the same thing. The jail is empty and every thing bespeaks quiet, peace and plenty for our prosperous county. The jail doors have stood open something like one third of the time during the last three years.

Mrs. Nancy Ingram died at her home in Anson county on Wednesday morning of last week aged 84 years. She was widow of Benjamin Ingram and mother of the late Thos. Ingram. Mrs. J. G. Boylun, of Wadesboro, is a daughter.

Spain, formerly Linwood, Davidson county, formerly superintendent of Gov. Holt's farm at Lanwood, died on Wednesday of last week aged 80 years. His death was caused in part by a fall down stairs several days before his death.

The annual meeting of the North Carolina State League of Building and Loan Associations, will be held in Winston-Salem, Tuesday and Wednesday, the 5th and 6th of June.

Ben Williams and Garfield Williams were found guilty of murder in Wake county court last week. The first was sentenced to hang in May and the latter was sentenced to 19 years in the penitentiary. An appeal was taken.

J. Van Lindley, of Pomona, has been elected president of the Bank of Kernersville.

Sam Smith, a negro, was shot in the jaw at Whitney Saturday. He was struck by a stray bullet aimed at one of the foremen by another negro.

Two negroes quarrelled at a saw mill near New London, when one pushed the other in front of a fast revolving saw, cutting him in two. The murder escaped.

Statistics show that Italian anarchists are flocking to the States by both Atlantic and Pacific coasts.

\$10,000 has been appropriated by the government for a public building at High Point.

The case against G. L. Smoot and wife, formerly of Wilkesboro, for counterfeiting were convicted in the Federal court at Greensboro Tuesday. Smoot was sentenced to two years and his wife one year in the Federal Prison at Atlanta.

GASTRITIS, SO PRONOUNCED BY PHYSICIANS, CURED BY MRS. PERSON'S REMEDY.

Huntersville, N. C., May 15 1902. Two years ago I was completely run down. I suffered from indigestion all the time, with gas on the stomach and the trouble was pronounced gastritis. I had no appetite for anything, and felt no inclination to eat. This brought on nervous prostration, and the least excitement brought on a nervous spell and I could hardly control myself. I could not get any natural sleep as a result of this nervousness. I was under medical treatment for four years and was not even benefited.

I then determined to try Mrs. Joe Person's Remedy, bought one-half dozen bottles and I commenced to improve when on the fourth bottle. I was much stronger, slept better, did not have those nervous spells nearly so often, and knew that my general health was building up. My appetite was improved and I began to enjoy eating and what I ate agreed with me. With all my ailments I had neuralgia of the bowels, which caused me intense suffering. After I took six bottles of the Remedy I found I was certainly mending, and bought six more. Before I had finished the dozen bottles the neuralgia of the bowels was completely cured. I took in all a dozen and a half bottles which restored me to good health. I feel that I owe my life to Mrs. Joe Person's Remedy. I was not able even to keep house, but had to employ help for everything; I was run down so that I felt that life was no pleasure in a certain sense. Now I am able to attend to all my household duties and feel that I am some good, once more to my family.

If any one has indigestion or nervous prostration, my advice is to take Mrs. Joe Person's Remedy, and if one will only take enough to build up the system, it will surely cure.

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BRIEFLY TOLD.

Claudius Orater, grandson of P. H. Morris, while riding yesterday evening, was thrown from a pony sustaining a broke his arm.

Mr. M. H. Moffitt, who has been confined with illness for two weeks, is able to be out.

Mrs. J. W. Johnson died at her home near Pomona last Thursday and was buried Saturday at Red Hill church. She leaves a husband, seven sons and a daughter.

The Randolph Book Club meets with Mrs. J. D. Ross on Friday at 4 p. m.

Mr. George Hunsucker is here with his family. He is a railroad man and spends very little time at home.

Miss Ethel Page, of Alamance county, is visiting relatives in town.

Dr. F. H. Wood, of Trinity, will preach at Belvidere, in Back Creek township on the fourth Sunday in April.

Dr. F. H. Wood will write some reminiscences of Randolph Methodism and on other subjects for THE COURIER in the near future.

The Thomasville Telephone Company has declared a 50 per cent. dividend.

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