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## DEPTHS OF DEGRADATION.

**American Girls Bought As Slaves For Deeds of Infamy On The Isthmus--Moral Conditions Unprintable.**

President Roosevelt will soon be called upon to clear up the fearful condition of morals on the Isthmus of Panama, and later Congress will be asked to take a hand. The shocking moral condition is being told by Rev. Wm. P. Ferguson, of New York, who has just returned from the Isthmus. He hopes the government will be aroused to cleanse the moral sinkhole which he says was created and is being sustained by American officials in Panama.

Some of the things which were seen on the Isthmus by Mr. Ferguson are almost past belief and are utterly beyond the telling in print.

He makes the direct charge that there is a regular slave trade in young American girls from the States and gives an instance where he saw two young girls not more than seven or eight years, who had been bought in shortly before. One of them was from Jonesboro, Ark., and the other from Memphis, Tenn. Three weeks later he saw them physical, mental, and moral wrecks.

He charges that one of the most vicious resorts in Panama, is operated by one of the former (American) governors of the canal zone.

From Central Avenue, the leading street of the city, was thronged with the infamous houses.

Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, when she visited this city with her husband, last November, rode down Central Avenue, bowing right and left to women, whom she doubtless supposed to be ladies of the city and wives of American gentlemen, but who were, in point of fact, one of the most remarkable aggregations of base women ever assembled.

The sight seemed to shock the powers that be, an ordinance was passed by the Panamanian government of the city, locating all vice dens on side streets.

Upon the return of Rev. Ferguson to New York, evidence will be placed in the hands of the President.

### Montgomery Notes.

From the Montgomeryian

Rev. H. M. Ingram, of Star, will preach at Sulphur Springs the 4th Sunday in June.

Col. B. F. Simmons has returned to Troy after spending the winter in Florida.

The Endicott correspondent to the Montgomeryian says:

Messrs. W. D. and Neil Clark and families, Mrs. W. F. Woolly and daughter, of Troy, and Mrs. Joe Kanoy and family, of Biscoe, were picnicking at Sutherman's mill Friday.

Court adjourned Saturday, and the Sheriff was instructed by the judge to notify the jury for that week not to attend. There were several trials and a number of cases went off the docket by compromise and otherwise. The damage suit of Billard vs. A. & A. Railroad was finished Friday, the plaintiff getting a verdict for \$800. This was for injuries sustained by plaintiff in a wreck near Troy a year or two ago, when a car turned over and rolled down a high embankment.—Moore County News.

Mrs. Amos Clodfelter died at her home in the Blain section last Friday, aged about 82 years. She was a good woman. She leaves a husband, two daughters and one son besides other relatives and friends to mourn her death.

### Injured In a Runaway.

Dr. J. T. Reeves and Dr. Boyles, of Greensboro, both well known in Randolph, were painfully injured in a runaway Friday while returning from a visit to a patient in the county. Both were thrown from the buggy, Dr. Boyles receiving a severe contusion on the head.

## NEW RULING IN GREAT \$4,000 CONTEST FOR JUNE

**Contestants Should Begin Active Campaign for New Subscribers--Premium on New Ones; Special Premium on Clubs of Six.**

**SPECIAL PROPOSITION--During the month of June we will allow 400 votes for every new subscription and 300 votes for every dollar paid on old subscriptions and renewals. And for every club of six new subscribers sent in at one time during the first 15 days of June we will give 500 extra votes for the club.**

**ALL CAN GO TO JAMESTOWN--In order to give every one an opportunity to go with "THE COURIER SPECIAL" to Jamestown during North Carolina week, beginning August 12, at the great exposition, we will pay all expenses for any person who will get for us 100 new subscriptions for one year at \$1.00 each.**

The above propositions are of mutual advantage to both The Courier and the contestants. We want during June to add one thousand names to our subscription list. This may sound large, but there are now seventy-five names registered in the contest, and if each one will send in fifteen new names we will overstep this number by a hundred and twenty-five names. Three clubs of six will give you 8,700 votes, if collected during first 15 days. See how fast it counts!

The past week has shown greatly increased activity and it will take some work from now on to carry off one of the first prizes. And it should be remembered that no such opportunity as the one offered during the first fifteen days of June for new subscribers will be repeated during the contest.

### CLIP COUPONS.

Arrangements should be made to vote all the coupons possible printed in The Courier each week, a care should be taken in clipping them so that no part is cut away.

No coupons can be counted after the date printed on the bottom, and none will be voted that have the date clipped off.

### THE SPECIAL JUNE OFFER.

The special inducement is indeed liberal, and one of which every contestant in the race should take advantage of. It was made to give the young ladies a chance to increase their vote totals and to allow those who entered the contest during the past week an opportunity to secure a few extra votes as well as increase the number of Courier readers.

The subscriptions are coming in more rapidly every day and the number of votes that are going out plainly shows many good workers in the field. The interest is greater now than any at time since the contest began, and every one of the contestants are taking more interest than ever before. The time from now on until the end of the contest is comparatively short. This means that it has become imperative that every one interested in the race should get down to solid work.

## ARRANGEMENT OF COURIER CONTEST PRIZES.

To avoid any misunderstanding about the arrangement of the prizes to be awarded at the close of the contest, August 1st 1907, we publish the list below.

The capital prize is a \$400 Kimball piano, to the person anywhere who secures the largest number of votes during the contest.

The next is a \$150 piano certificate, worth its face value in part payment of a new piano of the Kimball make.

The third and fourth prizes are scholarships in King's Business College at Raleigh. The fifth and sixth prizes are scholarships in the best schools in the state, given to the two persons who receive the next highest votes.

These are the grand prizes. Then come the Jamestown Exposition trips.

To equalize the territory and to give every section a chance to be represented in the party, we have arranged the trips in the following districts, the person getting the largest vote in each district, will be awarded the trips, provided, however that they have not won one of the

first six prizes mentioned above. The districts are shown in the big advertisement on the third page of this issue.

The seventeenth to the twentieth inclusive will each be awarded a piano certificate valued at \$100.

The twenty-first and twenty-second each a New Home Champion sewing machine.

The twenty-third and twenty-fourth highest will be awarded ladies' hunting case gold watches, warranted for 20 years, and valued at \$25.00.

To the next four piano certificates valued at \$75 each.

Then there are forty-five certificates valued at fifty dollars each for those below the twenty-eighth.

Persons who win the piano certificates of one hundred and fifty dollars, or the four one hundred dollar certificates, or the scholarships who desire to do so may exchange them for either a sewing machine or a ladies' gold watch.

We have arranged to secure some sewing machines and watches for this special purpose, so that every one may be satisfied.

## LIBERTY NEWS.

**Improvements Being Made at The Liberty Normal College--Personals And Other Items.**

Liberty has been somewhat dull since the close of the Liberty Normal College. The school seems to be one of the greatest factors in the place.

Mrs. George Wrightaell has been very sick, but we are glad to know that she is improving.

The proprietors of the Liberty Normal College have contracted for quite a lot of work to be done on the Liberty Normal College buildings. It was necessary to have this work done to accommodate the increased attendance that is expected.

Miss Haasie May Jones is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Alfred Jones. She has been away from town for some time visiting her friends and relatives.

Prof. L. M. Foust was in town last week to the pleasure of his many friends. We hope to have him permanently located here and connected with the Liberty Normal College. He would be a valuable addition to any town.

Mr. Oscar Williams is again in Liberty after being away for some years at his home in the west. His many friends are glad to see him.

Prof. T. C. Amick will deliver an address before the Newlin Township Sunday School Convention of Albemarle County at Center on next Sunday.

Mrs. Bessie Lee Amick is visiting her father in the country.

The District Conference of the M. E. Church, South, Greensboro District, will convene in Liberty the last of this month. We are expecting a good time and a feast of good things then.

W. M. Hanner and Dr. G. A. Foster are reported to have bought quite a slice of the stock in the Liberty Chair Factory. We wish them the greatest success.

C. P. Smith, Jr. spent some time at home recently. He has been away to Mississippi.

The proprietors of the Liberty Normal College have decided that the fall term will open on the 20th of August. The prospects are that the school will be the fullest that it has ever been.

We are glad to state that our express agent, Miss Pearl Teague, who has been sick for some time is able to be out again.

Some say that the wedding bells are about to ring. Can you guess who?

It is rumored that some new buildings are to go up in Liberty soon. It would be a wise thing if some of our people who have capital would invest in buildings here. There was never such a cry for buildings to rent as there is now.

Prof. J. M. Way, Supt. Pub. Instruction of Randolph County was in our town last Friday on business.

### In Memoriam.

Little Ruth, infant daughter of Mrs. d Mrs. Walter Bescher, of New Salem, died May 25th, after an illness of three weeks aged nine months.

She was so bright and loving, and so dear to their home, and all that knew her knew nothing but to love her. She had a sweet laugh for all she saw; although young it is so hard to give her up, but God knows best. Her body was laid in the grave at new Salem cemetery; she is living with Jesus, looking this way with beaming hands, calling the dear ones to heavenly lands. No more on earth will we hear her little voice but we look forward with an ever strengthening faith to the time when we shall see the dear one shining with brightness around the throne of God, where many angels stand.

A FRIEND.

### Mill at Stony Point.

M. K. Steele & Son, who operate cotton mills at Turnersburg, twelve miles from Statesville, and who have been looking about in this and other counties for a location for another mill, have about decided to build at Stony Point, Alexander county. They had at first thought of locating their new mill in Yadkin county.