

MRS. W. GOULD BROKAW FILES SUIT FOR DIVORCE

We clip the following from a recent issue of the New York World relating to the divorce suit instituted against Mr. Brokaw by his wife. It will be remembered that Mrs. Brokaw had a suit for alimony 18 months ago and that Ex-Sheriff Finch, of Randolph, and Col. A. H. Boydan, of Salisbury, attended the trial in New York and were important witnesses.

Blair family were there with her and every morning they drove to court. Shortly after the trial began there was a heavy snow and for three days Mrs. Brokaw and her relatives drove to court in a big farm sleigh.

Mr. Brokaw's estate in Trinity township is estimated to be worth one and a half millions. He has recently purchased valuable property in Mecklenburg county, on which is located the celebrated Mida Mineral Springs.

On the stand Brokaw did not fare as well as his wife. Many days he was on the stand under cross-examination by Arthur Baldwin, Mrs. Brokaw's lawyer. Brokaw when asked concerning his fortune said that his entire estate was worth \$1,633,929, but that his annual income was only \$46,706.75.

The divorce trial, it is expected, will be held in Nassau county, which is given as the residence of both Brokaw and his wife, although since her separation Ms. Brokaw has spent most of her time at the home of her father, James A. Blair, at Chittenango, N. Y.

This is the second time the millionaire and clubman has figured in divorce proceedings. The first Mrs. Brokaw was Miss Leonce Couderd, a niece of Frederic R. Couderd, the famous New York lawyer. Following her divorce, which she obtained in Rhode Island, she went to Back Rock, Conn., to live with her brother, Norman Couderd.

The complaint was not made public. While the process servers were lurking about the home of Brokaw's sister young Mrs. Brokaw was staying quietly at the Garden City Hotel and was getting reports of the progress of the men there.

Sued for Breach of Promise Brokaw then figured in a sensational breach of promise suit brought by Katherine Poillon nine years ago. She alleged that Brokaw had promised to marry her and then cast her off. She sued for \$25,000 damages and is said to have got about \$30,000 before the case was finally settled.

She didn't tell father "She was at the Garden City Hotel until this morning. I don't know where she went from there. We don't expect her back here for a few days."

Brokaw's engagement to the beautiful Mary Blair was announced in the summer of 1907. The wedding took place on September 6, in the Blair home at Chittenango and was attended only by a few intimate friends and relatives of the families.

Mr. Blair was asked if Mrs. Brokaw had ever talked with him or other members of his household regarding a divorce from Brokaw. "No; I can't say she has," he answered. "She may have planned to take this step, though, and kept it secret from me because of the worry it would give me."

But quiet as this wedding was it was not without incident. Brokaw desired to be married by an Episcopal clergyman and sent for the Rev. Dr. H. E. Coddington, rector of the Grace Episcopal church of Syracuse, asking him to perform the ceremony. Although ten years had elapsed since the first Mrs. Brokaw had obtained her divorce, Dr. Coddington refused to act and the Rev. George Spaulding, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Syracuse tied the knot.

Won sympathy at trial Mrs. Brokaw was subjected to a grueling at the hands of John F. McIntyre, of counsel for Brokaw but throughout the long ordeal her demeanor won the sympathy of the court and the scores of society people who gathered at the trial from the Long Island colonies.

The troubles between Brokaw and his girl wife dated from early in their honeymoon. In fact there was a serious break between them five months after their marriage while they were on Brokaw's North Carolina estate. At that time Mrs. Brokaw's father said that the troubles between his daughter and son-in-law were due to Brokaw's intense jealousy.

On several previous occasions after a truce had been patched up and husband and wife were brought together the couple separated. Then came the final separation.

It was shown at the trial that at one time while at their estate in North Carolina Mrs. Brokaw was so abused, or thought that she was, that she attempted suicide. She only succeeded in making herself very sick.

Sunday School Convention Back Creek Sunday School convention was held at Neighbor's Grove last Sunday.

The number of delegates in attendance was not so large as usual, but we feel that the convention was a success. Some new schools have been organized and seem to be very much interested. At the opening of the convention Rev. Amos Gregson taught and explained the lesson with much interest. We were favored in having with us Mr. Elijah Moffitt, who spoke to us on the subject of "An Ideal Sunday School," or Christ as the Central Figure." We also had with us Rev. J. A. McMillan, who gave quite an impressive talk, his theme being "The Teacher," pointing out what a teacher ought to be, know and do, leaving great emphasis on the responsibility of the teacher.

The convention adjourned to meet at Mountain View next year. We hope to see the work move forward.

A Stay-at-home Man Mr. Durant Ballance, a popular and successful merchant of Old Trinity, made a trip to High Point last Monday for the first time in three years. Mr. Ballance stays with his business, and while his delivery wagon goes to High Point nearly every day, he says he had no business in town and stayed in Trinity. It is suggested that he ought to have a medal for being the best stay-at-home man in the county.

Company K at Raleigh

The Asheboro boys representing Company K in the recent target practice at Raleigh made a most creditable showing. This is one of the newest companies organized in the state; but, although the boys did not excel, they showed such skill and training as to indicate that they will win the laurels in the near future.

Richeson Pays Penalty

C. V. T. Richeson, the former Baptist minister of Cambridge, and the confessed murderer of Avis Linnell, died in the electric chair of the Massachusetts state prison last Tuesday. Richeson had suffered a collapse last Friday when he learned that Gov. Foss would not interfere, but would allow the law to take its course. He recovered however and walked to the death chamber apparently calm and composed, saying that he had made his peace with God and was willing to die.

Company K belongs to the Third Regiment. Mr. E. L. Auman has resigned as captain, and is succeeded by Mr. J. H. Kivett. Mr. Auman is now First Lieutenant.

The body was taken to Virginia and buried by the side of his mother at Amherst Courthouse.

CORRESPONDENT TAFT GIVES THE NEWS OF WASHINGTON

By C. H. Tavenner, special Washington correspondent.

Washington, May 20.—When thieves fall out just men get their dues, and when Republican presidents and former presidents fall out the people learn how they have been misgoverned.

Roosevelt secretly suppressed that effort by ordering his attorney-general not to start a contemplated suit until he gave the word, which word he never gave. Mr. Roosevelt thus aided and abetted the one trust which more than all others combined robs and plunders the farmer of this country.

That Mr. Taft, by his own admission, has been "a man of straw." That Mr. Taft, in his advocacy of Canadian reciprocity, was not thinking, primarily, of any benefits that would come to the American farmer and wage earner, but that he believed reciprocity would make Canada an "adjunct" to the United States, which "would transfer her important business to New York and Chicago." By his own confession the president was thinking of the big business interests when he was advocating reciprocity.

G. W. Perkins, organizer of this harvest trust, is now putting up the money for Mr. Roosevelt's campaign.

A High Salaried Boot Black When Congressman Hamlin, of Missouri, was investigating the State Department he made inquiries about a certain colored man who was down on the pay roll at \$2,000 a year. He was told that this man never came around the department, except to draw his pay, for the reason that he was detailed at Mr. Knox's private residence.

That George W. Perkins, organizer of the harvest trust, and member of the board of directors of the steel trust was "highly pleased" with the present administration's methods of prosecuting the trusts.

"Where is he now?" Mr. Hamlin asked. "He is down at the Panama canal, acting as valet to Secretary Knox during the latter's tour of Central America," was the reply.

That there is a close political alliance between Mr. Perkins and Theodore Roosevelt, as evidenced by the fact that Perkins, in a sworn statement to the Secretary of State of New York, admits he spent \$15,000 to help Roosevelt in the primary election in New York City this spring, thus revealing that the big interests would be perfectly satisfied to have either Taft or Roosevelt president.

"Yes, I suppose that is part of his duties," was the answer. Fixing it So They Can't Lose According to sworn statements filed with the Secretary of State of Pennsylvania it cost the Taft and Roosevelt managers approximately \$2,000,000 to conduct the recent primary campaign.

That Mr. Taft, in the present campaign, and Mr. Roosevelt, in his campaign of 1908, made free and unrestricted use of federal office holders to obtain the nomination.

Nothing could be more apparent than that the steel interests of this nation would be perfectly satisfied to have either Mr. Taft or Mr. Roosevelt in the White House.

That Mr. Roosevelt, while constantly writing messages and giving out interviews, while he was president, all professing the deepest hatred of trusts and illegal corporations, secretly and clandestinely suppressed a report showing that the harvest trust was an illegal continuation in restraint of trade, and later ordered that a contemplated suit against that trust be dropped "until he gave the word to start it" which word he never gave.

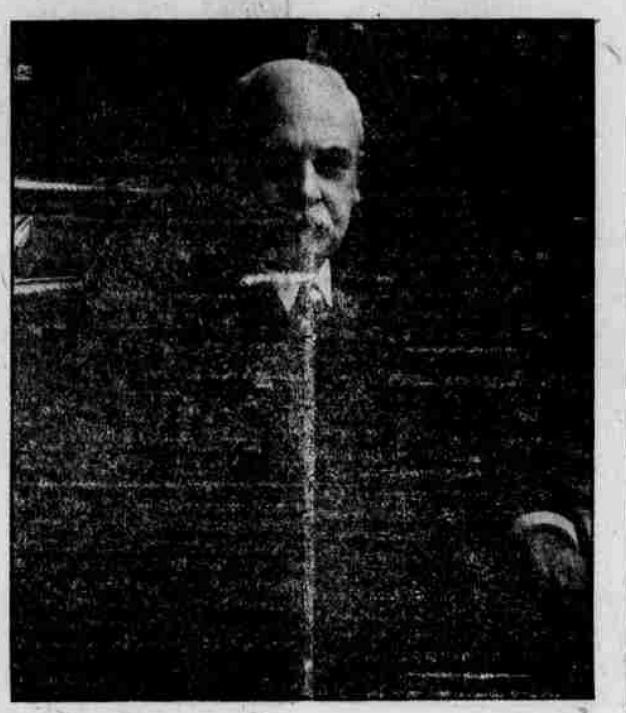
Mr. Roosevelt's chief supporters in the present campaign are G. W. Perkins, director of the Steel trust, and Frank A. Munsey, largest individual owner of the trust's common stock.

How He Loves The Farmers In his travels about the country Mr. Roosevelt never loses an opportunity to tell the farmers of his affectionate regard for them. During his term in the White House a Chicago newspaper artist drew a picture of a farmer sitting before a fireplace, with his shoes off, reading one of the Roosevelt messages. The picture was entitled: "His Favorite Author," and Mr. Roosevelt often said it was the best picture he ever saw.

In Honor of Professor Bradshaw Mr. and Mrs. William Edgar Kearns, of Farmer, entertained a number of their friends at their home Friday evening, May 17th, in honor of Prof. Bradshaw. The home was beautifully decorated in yellow and white. The guests were received in the west parlor by their hosts.

Flint Spring Items Several of our people attended memorial service at Union Grove last Sunday, and report a nice time. Miss Lulu Moffitt has gone to High Point. Strawberry picking is all the go in this community.

JUDGE WALTER CLARK



The candidate for United States Senate, who is described by Cy Watson as "irreproachable by the people and unapproachable by the enemies of the people." Mr. Watson also says that the trusts and monopolies, rather than try to control Walter Clark, would prefer to "contract to feed an unbridled rattle-snake from a short-handled teaspoon." Judge Clark has no campaign manager for the state and says he would not run a money campaign if he could, but asks all who are interested in the things he stands for or who desire a copy of the Watson letter or other literature, to send their names by letter or card to him in Raleigh.

Successful Seventh-Grade Students

The following students were successful in the seventh-grade examination held the last of March for the county diploma:

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G. T. Waddell, Mrs. E. Clark, W. T. Barnes, Mills Brown, C. T. Ycants, H. M. Cranford, J. C. Pool, E. F. Strider, W. D. Lewis, J. D. Flint, W. J. Delk, Louis Underwood, T. Pierce, Mrs. D. A. Yates, W. F. White, John Farlow, J. C. Davis, Mrs. C. C. Muse, Hattie M. Smith, Mrs. Alice Stout, John C. Stevenson, W. H. Watson, J. W. Johnson, W. F. Pierce, J. G. Allen, E. D. Pierce.

Edith Macon, Climax; Hattie R. Cox, Moffitt; Lucy Lambert, Moffitt; Florence York, Eugene Williams, Utah Williams, Randleman Route 2; C. L. Surratt and Frank Surratt, Rileys Store; Grady Cranford, Bombay Grace Brown, Sol; Ross Cameron, Cox; Alta Winslow, Progress; Tom Elder, Trinity Route 1; Oralie Yow, Bertha Yow, Myrtle Farlow, Junie L. Parks, Erastus Stutts and C. L. Scott, Seagrave; Olive Johnson, Trinity Route 1; Olive Marsh, Sophia; Cabel Phillips, Julian; Minnie Whitaker, Julian; Walter Bean, G. D. Monroe, Lloyd E. Cagle and Furman Auman, Seagrave; Gertrude Richardson and Vera Richardson, Randleman Route 1; H. Lynn Caviness, Lee Craven and J. D. Lambert, Coleridge; Katie Cox, Ramsour Route 1; Ora Loflin, Clyde Ridge and John Ridge, Edgar; Ernest Ferguson and Carl Besson, Randleman Route 3; Mary Osborne, Edgar; Lillie Farlow, Bulus Coltrane and Ruth Coltrane, Sophia Route 1; Blanche Farlow, Randleman Route 3 and Eva N. Cox, Ramsour Route 1

After a warm fight in the Iredell Democratic primaries, last Saturday, A. D. Waits defeated former Lieutenant Governor W. D. Turner for the nomination for the State Senate.

The national convention of the Socialist party met in Indianapolis last week and named Eugene V. Debs, of Terre Haute, Ind., for president and Emil Seidel, of Milwaukee, for president of the United States.

Eight have been conditioned and if they make up their deficiencies by the beginning of next school year, will be given their diplomas. The above list represents 60 per cent of those who took the examination. If the eight who are conditioned make good their deficiencies the per cent will be 72. This is a good per cent. Those who failed were not ready for any of the work of the eighth grade. A careful study of the seventh grade for another year would mean much to them. To have passed any of those who failed would have been a hindrance rather than a help. I shall be glad to give an examination here at the close of the county institute in August to those who wish to make up their deficiencies. The above students can enter

the high schools of the county without further examination and with no cost for tuition. The county is divided into three districts for the three high schools of the county. That is, students of certain townships can go to one of the high schools, and those of other townships may go to another school. I trust all the students named above will avail themselves of the opportunity which they have and attend one of these high schools the coming school year.

New teachers are added to the teaching force every year, and those students who are just out of the elementary schools are not prepared for the work of teaching. These high schools are preparing the teachers of the county. In the future we must look to these schools for our teachers.

It might be interesting to add that among the boys H. Lynn Caviness made the highest average per cent with Lee Craven a close second. Miss Bertha Yow made the highest per cent of the girls. S. T. Lassiter, Co. Supt.