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ONLY SEVEN MORE DAYS OF THE FIRST PERIOD

NEVER AGAIN IN THIS CONTEST WILL THE VOTE SCHEDULE BE SO LARGE AS IT IS NOW—STRIKE WHILE THE IRON IS HOT, FOR ENERGY AND AN EARLY START ARE NECESSARY TO SUCCESS.

"Strike while the iron is hot", is a time worn adage, containing more truth than poetry, and should be observed by the candidates in The Courier's great automobile and piano contest.

The interest in this big contest is becoming more intense each day. Each day many readers of The Courier discover that they have a favorite in the contest. Each day more and more friends are becoming interested in the race being made by the various contestants.

The Iron is Hot

The time is ripe for results now. The iron is hot. The contestants should lose no time in "striking" their friends and acquaintances for subscriptions and votes. Every one in the county and in the adjoining territory is willing to help the candidates secure one of the valuable prizes that will be given away. But in order to get this assistance which is here for the asking, the candidates must let their friends know that they want it. People are glad to help those who help themselves. If the candidates want the "golden apple" they must go to the garden to get it.

The big vote period, the biggest in the contest, is on, but it will end at midnight Thursday, September 2nd. There is still time to get the subscriptions, but there is no time to waste.

Now is the time to go after the subscriptions, and it is the chosen time to help your friend if the iron is in the contest. It is not necessary to wait until the end of the period to turn in the subscriptions. Turn them in at any time and the votes will be issued at once.

New Candidates

New candidates can enter the contest now, today, and with a few hours work secure enough votes to place their names among the leaders. You stand a good chance to win a prize if you enter now, as there is plenty of room, and subscriptions will come easy during this period of big votes.

This First Period

This first period lasts until midnight next Thursday. After this time there will never be a time when the regular votes will be as large for the subscriptions. Now is truly THE time to put forth the extra effort. Now is the time to work over time and place your name among the leaders. It is the time to get the big lead that will be so valuable later in the contest. If you have just entered it is the more necessary that you get busy for the subscriptions.

All Free to the Contestants

Every one of these prizes is to be given away in the strictest sense of the word. It will cost you nothing to enter this friendly struggle for the prizes; it will cost you nothing to stay in, and it will cost you nothing to win.

To make it more emphatic: The Courier does not want the money of those who compete in this contest; it wants only a little work in its behalf and their good will. The offer is one of exceptional merit and a number of people will profit handsomely. The Courier hopes to be benefited in new subscriptions and in new friends made.

As has already been said the prizes will be awarded to the contestants receiving the highest number of votes. Two ways of obtaining votes are offered: First by clipping and sending in the weekly ballot that appears in each issue of The Courier; and, secondly, by securing subscriptions to The Courier.

No Cost For Information

If there is anything you do not understand about the contest, do not hesitate to call contest department and full information will be furnished you as to how you may win the automobile without one cent of cost to you.

It is safe to say that 98 per cent. of the residents of Randolph county do not appreciate what The Courier's contest really is. Truly there have been contests in this county before, but nothing like this one. It is entirely different from any that have ever been conducted in this part of the State. It doesn't cost anything to find out whether or not you might be interested. In fact, the people that allow this great opportunity to pass unheeded are the losers. The woman that allows opportunities to go continually by without investigating will

some day look back in sorrow. There are many women and girls in this county who if they would but take advantage of this great opportunity would have a good start in life, both from a financial and social standpoint. What do these people need? The answer is a simple one, ENTHUSIASM.

Enthusiasm

Enthusiasm is the greatest business asset in the world. It beats money, and power, and influence.

An enthusiast convinces and dominates where wealth or even a small army of unenthusiastic workers would scarcely raise a tremor of interest.

Enthusiasm will go a long way toward helping you win the big prizes. It will make people understand that you are out for the big game and they will be glad to help you get it. **CONTEST—2**

The world likes to help the prosperous person. They will help you if you will only ask them and make them understand that you are after the big prizes and will be satisfied with nothing less than the automobile or the piano.

Let's Go Now

There is nothing gained by waiting. You can't hope to get the subscriptions unless you go after them. You can't get anything by merely wishing, you must get up and go after the business. It is easy to get if you will only get out and try. The next few days are the ones during which you ought to get up and go. The big lead you will win for yourself will more than repay you for the efforts you will make. Why hesitate while so much is at stake and dependent upon your action?

Vote Schedule

Good until midnight, Thursday, September 2.

- 1 Year Subscription, \$1.00, Counts 5,000 votes.
- 2 Year Subscription, \$2.00, Counts 15,000 votes.
- 3 Year Subscription, \$3.00, Counts 45,000 votes.
- 4 Year Subscription, \$4.00, Counts 75,000 votes.
- 5 Year Subscription, \$5.00, Counts 135,000 votes.

Get busy while the big vote is on.

The First List of Contestants

District No. 1
District No. 1 comprises all the territory west of the Norfolk-Southern, and Southern railroads, including all of Asheboro.

Asheboro.	
Mrs. J. Bart Robbins	1,000
Miss Ulnah Rash	1,000
Miss Lillie Parrish	1,000
Miss Nancy White	1,000
Miss Ivey Miller	1,000
Miss Clarice Presnell	1,000
Randleman	
Miss Nina Ingle	1,000
Miss Mary Davis	1,000
Trinity	
Miss Daisy Jordan	1,000
Miss Maude Phillips	1,000
Asheboro Route 2	
Mr. R. J. Pierce	1,000
Farmer	
Miss Luna Kearns	1,000
Caraway Route 2	
Miss Fannie Morgan	1,000
Mrs. Clarence C. Ridge	1,000
Seagrave Route 2	
Miss Ethel King	1,000
Hills Store	
Miss Edith Parrish	1,000
Trinity Route 1	
Miss Berta Welborn	1,000
Miss Letha Royals	1,000
Miss Beatrice Bulla	1,000
Salem Church	
Mrs. Lee Kearns	1,000
Martha	
Miss Ella Morris	1,000
Mr. J. P. Tucker	1,000
Elezzer	
Mrs. G. E. Carter	1,000
New Hope Academy	
Miss Lydia Lassiter	1,000
Fullers	
Miss Pearl Snyder	1,000
Thomasville Route 4	
Miss Maude Fuller	1,000
Miss Clara May Skeen	1,000
Jackson's Creek	
Miss Bessie Cody	1,000
Miss Blanche Ingram	1,000
Pipe	
Miss Jennie Lassiter	1,000
Glenola	
Mr. J. M. Richardson	1,000

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SNAPSHOT OF THE POET OF OUR PRESS ASSOCIATION

William Laurie Hill, who has for a number of years been the poet of the Press Association of the Old North State, was "to the manor born." He first saw the light of day through eyes he has kept open ever since on the old Mill Grove Farm in Wake county about four miles west of Raleigh, N. C., which was the home of his grandfather, Green Hill. This old homestead was afterwards sold and is now a part of a large stock farm belonging to Mr. W. T. Upchurch, of Raleigh, N. C.

While only an infant William Laurie Hill was taken to Leasville in Rockingham county, when his father, Wm. R. Hill, removed from Raleigh to Leasville to take charge of a branch of the old Bank of North Carolina. This arrangement continued about four years until this branch was closed and Wm. R. Hill was transferred to Milton in Caswell county where he remained identified with the old Bank of North Carolina and its successor until the close of the Civil War in 1865. To his credit as a bank officer he said that he turned over to the mother bank at Raleigh about sixty thousand dollars in gold and silver which he had carefully guarded during the war—and this was better than any other branch of that institution did.

Being reared in the old town of Milton on the Dan River, among a people far-famed for their intelligence and hospitality, William Laurie Hill, early imbued a love of the true and the beautiful. His first attempts at a pastoral began with these lines:

"See the little tamba,
How they skip and jump,
First over a gully
And then over a stump."

If this was not poetry it was at least a picture of facts. Not being able to get a collegiate course, William Laurie obtained the best academic course he could from one of the best schools in the State, one that sent always to college the best prepared boys who entered them. Then, like other youths who were to scratch for a living, he went to Richmond, Va., soon after the completion of the old Richmond and Danville railroad.

Here he was engaged in commercial life when the war between the North and South began. It is needless to say that he passed through it all; heard the guns at Gaines' Mill and Malvern Hill, saw old Richmond crowded with twenty thousand sick and wounded soldiers of the Southland and afterwards saw the heart of the Southern capital in ashes and in these ashes was all for which he had toiled for years.

ARABIC IS TORPEDOED

BRITISH STEAMER IS SENT TO BOTTOM NEAR GRAVE OF THE LUSITANIA — TORPEDOED WITHOUT WARNING.

The big White Star Liner steamer Arabic from Liverpool to New York, was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine at 9:15 o'clock Thursday morning southeast of Fastnet. She was attacked without warning and went down in ten minutes. Of the 423 persons on board (181 passengers and 242 members of crew), 32 are believed to have perished. Only six passengers are reported missing. Whether any of those not yet accounted for are American has not been determined, but there were only 26 citizens of the United States on board.

The survivors who left the steamer in the ship's boats and were picked up by passing vessels, were taken to Queenstown, and are being cared for in the little town which so recently cared for the survivors and dead of the Lusitania.

The small loss of life was doubtless due to the fact that the weather was fine and that steamers plying the German submarine war zone now keep their boats swung out and are otherwise prepared for emergencies. The torpedo that sank the Arabic struck her on the starboard side 100 feet from her stern.

The vessel had left Liverpool Wednesday afternoon and taken a southerly course, well off the Irish coast, doubtless with a view of avoiding the submarines which frequent the waters nearer the shore.

One of the passengers was Kenneth Douglas, well-known English actor. He was on the Lusitania when it went to the bottom. His good luck followed him again for he is among the survivors.



for years.

Then William Laurie Hill began life, again, striving for an existence, and was for some years the business manager of the Southern Planter at Richmond, Va., which publication is still alive and thriving. About the year 1870 he was the position of field manager of the New Eclectic Magazine, of Baltimore, which was afterwards consolidated with Gen. D. H. Hill's magazine the Land We Love and called the Southern Magazine. He was for two years the publisher of the Southern Magazine and had the owners only have followed the plan he outlined for them they would have created a very valuable property.

As a writer and editor, William Laurie Hill has spent more than half his busy life—and has several books prepared for publication in addition to the "Master of the Red Buck" and "Boy Doe" already published. In collaboration with Rev. Dr. Halbert G. Hill he hopes soon to offer to the public a book on poems entitled, "Blue Bird Songs of Hope and Joy." It has been with William Laurie Hill, the poet of the North Carolina Press Association, a life ambition to try to do his share in wiping away the stain of the lack of authorship in North Carolina. One reason we have suffered so long under the stigma is because our people are slow to recognize the talent they have and many born North Carolinians have to leave home to get recognition and their talent is then accredited to other localities. The old mother gets no credit for rearing a prodigal son.

LATE WAR NEWS

ITALY DECLARES WAR ON TURKEY—ACTIVITIES ON THE SEAS — RUSSIANS CONTINUE RETREAT—COTTON CONTRABAND OF WAR

Italy has declared war against Turkey and hostilities between the two countries will begin at once. Turkish support of the revolt in Libya and the prevention of the departure of Italian residents from Asia Minor are the reasons Italy gives for her hostile move.

Italian warships which have been held in readiness pending the declaration of war will be sent to the aid of the British and French at the Dardanelles. An army of 150,000 men is expected to be Italy's contribution to the Dardanelles campaign.

Activities on the Seas

Activities of the belligerents on the seas continue. A British submarine has torpedoed a German cruiser in the Baltic Sea. German submarines have been unusually active during the past week. Two small steamers from American ports were sunk Saturday. Spain has protested to the German Government against the recent sinking of two Spanish merchant vessels.

The Russian armies are continuing their retreat under the persistent pressure of the Austro-Germans. Von Mackensen's army is closing in on the Brest-Litovsk stronghold. The army of Prince Leopold has broken the Russian lines and is forcing the Muscovites back at a rapid pace.

The German fleet that entered the Gulf of Riga has had minor engagements with the Russian naval forces in which both sides suffered small losses.

Cotton is Contraband
Great Britain has issued a state-

HEALTH EXHIBIT WEEK

BEGINS HERE NEXT MONDAY—BETTER BABIES CONTEST SEPTEMBER 3—DR. McBRAYER TO LECTURE

Beginning Monday, August 30th, the State Health Exhibit will be in the court house for ten days. This exhibit has many interesting and instructive features which have attracted much attention wherever they have been displayed.

The exhibit will be in sections. The first section will expose patent medicine fakes and frauds. Much of the widely advertised patent medicines will be shown up in its true light and its fallacy exposed. The tuberculosis exhibit will be in three sections. This part dealing with the Great White Plague is complete in every particular. From prevention on through the various stages the disease is vividly depicted. Stress is given to the prevention of the disease. There will be three sections dealing with the care of the baby. This part of the exhibit is full and complete. Another section will deal with the progress and development of the health work in the State. Marvelous strides have been taken in this direction during the past few years and every indication is to the effect that greater progress will be made in the future.

Dr. L. B. McBrayer, superintendent of the State Sanatorium, will be here Thursday and will lecture in the evening beginning at 8 o'clock. Arrangements have been made for the colored people to occupy the gallery. Dr. J. T. Burrus, of High Point, will lecture Friday afternoon at 3:30 p. m. His address will be the closing feature of the Better Babies Contest.

The Woman's Club, through whose efforts the exhibit was brought here, is anxious to have everyone who can come and inspect this exhibit. Everything from the first day to the last is absolutely free. Many lessons in sanitation and hygiene may be learned without one cent of expense. That this exhibit is worth seeing is indicated if by nothing else by the fact that it goes from Asheboro to Durham where it will start in with the Central Carolina Fair Association and go from one fair to another throughout the circuit.

Better Babies Contest

Friday, September 3, will be the day for the Better Babies Contest. Last year two babies scored 99 per cent. and it is hoped that this year there may be babies who will make higher scores. Surely Randolph has one 100 per cent. baby. Who owns this perfect baby?

You are requested to fill out the application blank found below and mail it to Miss Esther Ross, Asheboro, N. C. Each child registered will be properly entered as a contestant.

All babies from 6 months to 48 months old will be eligible for the contest. Do not hesitate to enter the baby in the contest. Who knows but that it will be the perfect baby?

APPLICATION BLANK

Better Babies Contest
To be held at the court house in Asheboro, Randolph County, North Carolina, September 3rd, 1915.

Parent's Name
Address
Name of Child in Full
.....
Age in Months at Time of Contest....
.....Sex

GENUINE COPPER STILL CAPTURED

Sheriff Birkhead accompanied by Messrs O. R. Fox and Gus Hayworth made a trip down to Reedy Creek in the southeastern part of the county Monday afternoon and captured a small genuine copper still along with one of the operators. When found the still was running full blast and the operators were busy with the work.

All of the men at the still escaped except one, R. L. Owen, who was taken before Squire J. A. Monroe at Why Not and placed under bond for appearance before J. S. Ridge at Asheboro Friday.

While some things out of the ordinary occurred in the capture of the still, no one was hurt.

ment announcing that cotton has been declared a contraband of war. The French Government has issued a similar statement. The United States Government will lodge a protest immediately against this action on the part of the Allies.

S. S. CONVENTION MEETS

TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION OF RANDOLPH COUNTY AT RAMSEUR LAST WEEK—FORWARD STEPS TAKEN—RAMSEUR HOSPITABLE

The twenty-sixth annual Sunday School Convention of Randolph county met at Ramseur last Thursday and continued in session three days. Prominent Sunday school workers from all over the county and State were present and the program rendered was one of the best and attractive ever before a North Carolina audience. This was the best convention ever held by the Randolph Sunday School Association and has been pronounced the best ever held in the State. One hundred and forty delegates were enrolled.

Prior to the holding of this county convention all of the 20 townships in the county had held their annual conventions and the county secretary, F. M. Wright, was able in his report to give accurate statistics showing conditions as they obtain throughout the county.

On the first day of the convention Dr. A. G. Dixon, of High Point, delivered a forceful address. A house to house canvass of the town of Ramseur was made Thursday to ascertain the population and the number affiliated with the various Sunday schools and churches of the community. This canvass was very successful and it is planned to carry this work into every section of the county thus making a complete survey of the county for the benefit of the Sunday school work.

The nineteenth annual report of President Ross was perhaps the most interesting event of the convention. It showed that there has been an increase of nearly 800 members to the various Sunday schools of the county during the past year over the preceding year. The report also suggested that a great tent be erected at a suitable place in the county which the annual conventions might be held. Randolph is the leading Sunday school county in the State and it is likely that the progressive steps set forth by the president will be followed.

The features that made the convention a complete success may be summed up as these:

First, the splendid and painstaking work during the 26 years that have passed since the county was organized, and especially the work of the past year.

Second the well built program that carried through it a definite idea that revolved itself in a clearly outlined plan, which plan seemed to be the mind of every speaker and leader who participated.

Third, the fine spirit which pervaded every session of the convention, which spirit manifested itself in music, devotions, earnest effort and whole some humor.

Fourth, the grasp which each speaker seemed to have on his subject and the consciousness of the fact that he was playing an important part of a well laid scheme that called for team work.

Fifth, the splendid hospitality of the people of Ramseur who seem to have developed the perfect art of putting the convention to the best advantage in accomplishing the purpose for which it had met—their hospitality was unbounding and did not leave a single detail unprovided for.

Sixth, the fact that the representative people of Randolph county were taking stock in the work of the county as well as the convention, as shown in the fact that in the convention could be seen some of the county's leading business, professional and educational leaders with no lines of demarcation evident to indicate class or caste.

D. M. Weatherly, of Franklinton, was chairman of the program committee, and T. O. Pender was the director of the convention music.

Those participating in the program were as follows: T. J. Rogers, A. G. Dixon, A. W. McAlister, A. R. Williams, W. A. Harper, E. J. Coletrane, T. E. White, J. M. Broughton, Jr., W. L. Hutchens, W. O. Johnson, Mrs. E. R. Michaux, J. W. Long, P. R. Thompson, J. Rom Smith, W. B. Webster, Miss Martha Dozier, Miss Esther Ross, D. M. Sharpe, E. G. Powell, Joseph Peele.

Mr. L. F. Ross was re-elected president for the coming year. The other officers are as follows: vice-presidents, Drs. J. D. Gregg and W. I. Sumner, and J. Clyde Auman; librarian and office secretary, Miss Mari-

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