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Once more, with some people means again, and again, and then some more.

Unexpectedly night Policeman Amick came into the ring, and passed out Monday night with as little ceremony.

It would seem from their action last Monday night that the City Aldermen think a change is beneficent now and then.

It is said a new broom sweeps clean, the City Aldermen made a clean sweep of the officers last Monday night. Let's see if any improvement results therefrom.

The steam roller method was used on Policeman Amick Monday night. Not even his record as an efficient officer was considered.

The record of A. A. Russell as tax collector has been a record-breaker. We trust he will keep this good record as Chief of Police.

How would you like to meet Mr. W. P. Ireland come rolling around the corner some dark night? Well, "Pete" received one vote for night policeman.

Although he looks wise we were not aware that Mr. Romey Rogers was possessed with the dignity of a professional until Monday night. He received one vote for City Attorney.

The election of Robt. Lutterloh to the position of tax collector appears to be the paying of an old political debt. One that only those who stand up in the ring and shoot at the middle man know anything about.

And Dr. Faucett received one vote for mayor-pro tem at Aldermen's meeting. Wouldn't that jar you to have Doc administer to your moral needs. Suppose he should get the thing mixed and give you three doses of quinine when you deserved six months on the roads.

Chief Patillo passed out of politics quietly Monday night. Seems to have died a natural death without even kicking. Suppose he had been handed a hyperdermic of the dose before hand. Mr. Patillo has made a faithful officer and it will doubtless be some time before another like him will pop up.

We trust the tax collector will get busy now and collect the poll tax of the four hundred republicans who failed to pay on or before the first day of May, the county needs the money, and they should be taught to know that it has got to be paid anyway, and that they might just as well pay before as after the time limit. Let every man pay his poll tax in time to qualify himself to vote, and then vote

his sentiments regardless of whether it be democratic, republican or prohibition.

We learn that there is more than five hundred disfranchised voters in this county from failure to pay their poll tax. This is possibly the largest number since the payment of poll tax became a feature of the Constitutional amendment. It is thought that about four hundred of this number are republicans and about one hundred democrats, the activities of the deputy sheriff is responsible for the small number of democrats that failed to pay. With four hundred republicans disfranchised and the county thousand dollars in debt, all made since the last bond issue to refund the county debt, it would seem we are in a bad way, and relief is no where in sight.

**Can Now Return to His First Love.**

Once upon a time there was a man who came up from the lowly walks of life, and finally entered the ministry, where for a brief season he enjoyed quite a brilliant career, but like a great many men, who spring from nothing into prominence, he overtaxed his dwarfed mental capacity, to such an extent, that his will power was not strong enough to coerce his power for good, and make it predominate over his desire for evil, being thus encompassed about, he soon became possessed of a devil and his immediate prospects for a long and useful life in the service of the meek and lowly Jesus blasted, feeling his sad plight, and knowing that he could not serve two masters, and maintain his standing in the ministry; and the confidence and respect of his fellow man. Being of a proud and self-conceited disposition, and desirous of keeping his real predicament from the eyes and knowledge of the world, he set about to find a calling or occupation where there would be the least conflict of the two elements of his depraved nature, and after taxing his diseased brain with various ideas and problems, the evil in his mind still encouraged and predominated by the evil spirit of which he was possessed. He decided to embark upon the sea of democratic journalism. Bringing his desire into action, he purchased a sheet of the democratic persuasion in a small city of about five thousand inhabitants, where for a time it looked as if the change had caused his will power to grow stronger, and the hopes of his friends grew brighter, only to receive a more severe shock, when they learned that he had again been stricken in a more violent form than before. While in this delusion he sought to belittle, berate, vilify and misrepresent anybody and everybody who differed with him, or the cause that he thought he had been chosen to defend, using such words, epithets and denunciations as to make those who remembered his former calling hang their heads in shame, and to bring forth a severe rebuke from a former co-laborer, a devout man and good citizen, in behalf of a suffering public, and in the name of decency and a higher plan of journalism. But this evil genius who had deserted his former lofty calling, to get down in the mire of partisan politics, that he might satisfy his new found master, continued in labor, using such adjectives, denunciations, and high sounding phrases until the fury of the evil spirit had exhausted itself, and he was duly delivered. Let the public hope that he is now thoroughly cleansed. That he has repented in sack cloth and ashes, that the evil spirit has deserted his once filthy carcass, that he is now in a spiritual condition to return to his first love and that he will ever be found a willing worker in his masters vineyard.



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**I WILL KILL FOSTER BEFORE THE SUN GOES DOWN, ALLEN SAID**

Wytheville, Va., May 2.—"I'll kill Bill Foster before the sun goes down tomorrow night if I'm convicted."  
 Floyd Allen, the first of the Hillsville courthouse assassins now on trial here for his life, was charged with making this remark before the shooting on March 14, according to the testimony today of I. B. Weddell, of Montgomery, one of the first day's witnesses for the prosecution. On cross-examination Weddell stuck to his story though he admitted no other persons were present during his conversation with Allen.  
 Six witnesses, three of them spectators at the shooting affray testified. The first D. W. Bolen, a lawyer who was defending Allen in the court where the murders occurred, testified that he saw Claud Allen fire the first shot and that it struck Judge Massie. Court officials returned the fire, he said. Two of the jurymen who were then trying Allen testified, one of them that Allen had fired in the direction of where he last saw Foster, the commonwealth's attorney who was killed. Other witnesses told of conversations with Allen in which he had threatened Foster.  
 Prosecutor Wysor, opening the case, said he would show there was a conspiracy among the Allens to shoot up the court if Floyd Allen was convicted. Attorney Willis, for the defense retorted that reports of the tragedy

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 Miss Ada Bell Isley spent urday at Durham the gu her friend and schoolmate Kilgo.  
 Miss Thelma Thurston leave Thursday for R where she will enter Business College.  
 Miss Minnie Garrison of Lane R. F. D. is spending week in town the guest of sister Mrs. Will Dalley and friends and relatives.  
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