

THE TWICE-A-WEEK DISPATCH

A PROGRESSIVE REPUBLICAN NEWSPAPER DEVOTED TO THE UPBUILDING OF AMERICAN HOMES AND AMERICAN INDUSTRIES.

United States Civil Service Examination.

The United States Civil Service Commission states that notwithstanding its efforts it has been unable to secure a sufficient number of male stenographers and typewriter eligibles to meet the needs of the service in the departments at Washington. Examinations are held every month except December. The next examination will be held in the larger cities throughout the United States on Jan. 27, 1914. Young men who are willing to accept entrance salaries of \$840 and \$900 per annum have excellent opportunities for appointment. While the entrance salary is small, promotion is reasonably rapid for those who merit it.

Application forms and information in regard to examinations may be secured from the Commission at Washington or from any of the district secretaries who are located at the Post Office, Boston, Mass., Philadelphia, Pa., Atlanta, Ga., Cincinnati, Ohio, Chicago, Ill., St. Paul, Minn., Seattle, Wash., San Francisco, Cal., Customhouse, New York, N. Y., New Orleans, La., Old Customhouse, St. Louis, Mo.

Misses Check Entertain.

Last Friday evening at the home of their parents on Webb Avenue, Misses Delorians and Margery Check entertained in honor of their guest, Miss Myrtle Gage, of Asheville. The house was very prettily decorated in evergreens. The guests were met at the door by Miss Delorians and ushered into the parlor by Miss Margery. The punchbowl was gracefully presided over by Miss Mamie Holt. Numerous games were played which were followed by music and delicious refreshments. Those being present to enjoy this occasion were Misses Myrtle Gage and Lillian Kendrick, of Asheville; Emmie Snyder, Ruby Bain and Jessie Phillips, of Graham; Maud and Lillie Shatterly, Mamie Holt, Birdie Holt, Burlington; Messrs. Lottie Perry and Charlie Jones, Graham; Frank Anderson, Charlie Henny and Thomas Boone, Willie Stancel, Graham Fayette, Eugene May, Thomas Anthony and Ralph Isley, of Burlington. The Misses Check were unanimously voted as charming hostesses.

Resolutions of Respect.

Whereas, the Great Creator in His superior and matchless wisdom, knowing all things that work for the good of His children, has taken from our number the president of our class, and from the Philathea class a true and devoted friend, we, the Baraca and Philathea classes in a joint meeting pass the following resolutions:

Resolved, First: That we in the death of our president, classmate, friend and brother, Zeb Vance Cates, feeling the great and over-ruling power of God, and having been made to understand that those whom He seems to endow with a perfect body, return to dust at His bidding, bow humbly though sadly to the Divinet decree that took him from our number.

Resolved, Second: That in his death we lose one of our most faithful and devoted members, a tireless worker for the interest of both classes, a champion of the character of our young womanhood, a soldier fighting for the happiness, pleasure, and uplifting of those with whom he associated.

Resolved, Third: Knowing his deep interest in the Sunday school work we feel that we can do honor to his memory by a renewed interest in this great work, and by showing that devotion to duty which he magnified.

Resolved, Fourth: That we as sons and daughters of our Maker, and brother and sisters in the great work of our Divine President and Ruler, feel a very close relationship existing between our departed President and ourselves; therefore, being members of one great family we are better able to extend to the saddened relatives our deepest sympathy. We give to them in their great bereavement our friendship, love and prayers, and their souls we point to the one who said to the waves: "Peace be still."

ATTENTION!

Boys wanted for a band in Burlington. Boys from 12 to 18 years of age, with musical talent, and with good moral habits, and with a desire for a musical education, wanted for a band. Those interested in the above proposition, see me at once or write V. WILSON.

Representative Moore of Pennsylvania, says that the Congressmen of these days are "more moral" than the Congressmen of other days were.

King's Daughters Thank the Public.

With feelings mingled thankfulness and pride, the King's Daughters come to give an account of their stewardship; with thanks to those who have made their work of good cheer possible, with pride in their work, that it was through that generosity they have been able to extend their scope to greater usefulness. To their efforts this Christmas, there should go the plaudit of "Well Done." They have shown themselves good and faithful servants.

It seems peculiarly fitting that this group of noble Christian workers should at the organization's twenty-fifth year of existence in our midst, be more active and diligent in this admirable work of relieving the wants of the poor in our city, than they have ever been.

The changes of the shifting years have attended the personnel of this body, but the dynamic spirit of helpful service to God's less fortunate beings, has been a growing passion.

During the holiday season just past, when the Christmas spirit was abroad in the lands, the King's Daughters went abroad with it, carrying food in ample baskets to families who were hungry, helping to carry Christmas trees of good cheer to longing children, meeting doctor bills and the expense of medicine and trained nurses for the worthy needy, taking fuel to brighten the hearthstones of destitute homes, giving of themselves in the spirit of Christ. This work of true giving was made possible through the response made to the recent appeal in the columns of this paper. One big-hearted man in town sent his personal check for fifty dollars, and to him, more than any one else the King's Daughters are indebted for much charity they have been able to dispense in other days. One good farmer in the country contributed a generous supply of provisions. To these and all others who have so kindly helped them in their distributions, and to the papers of the city for their courtesies, I am requested by the King's Daughters to express their very sincere thanks.

Mrs. J. W. Lasley.

Exit Bill Jackson; Enter Sam Johnson.

Chicago, Jan. 3.—Came before Judge Albert Sabath in the Municipal court Mrs. Lucinda Jackson and also Samuel Jackson, whom she charged with abandonment.

"You say this man is your husband, and yet your name is Jackson, while his is Johnson," remarked Judge Sabath. How can that be?"

"Oh, he's mah husband," all right, Judge," answered Lucinda. "You see, about seven years ago Ah's married to a no-count man named William Jackson. Well, he hadn't been married long 'fo he ups an' tells me one mawmin' dat he's tired of libbin' with me an' dat he's gwine to leave. An' dat's zactly what he does. But dat same afternoon in walks Sam Johnson.

"Am yo' husban' lef' yo'?" says he. "He hab," says I. "Dat bein' de case," says he, "Ah am's gwine to stay."

"An wiv dat, Judge, dat man reaches up on de wall an' pulls down mah marriage certificate and takes a pencil an' scratches mah husban's name off and writes his own name on. Dat's how he come to be mah husban', Judge, an' Ah sho do like dat man."

Judge Sabath was puzzled for a moment, but the difficulty was finally solved by the promise of Mr. Johnson to get a new marriage certificate and stick to Lucinda.

Patton-Hailey.

Miss Sattie Patton and Dorsey J. Hailey, both of Burlington, were quietly married Saturday at 12:20 p. m., in the parlor of the First Christian Church by the pastor, Rev. H. E. Rountree. Only three friends, Misses Venia Hailey and Blanche Leonard and Ralph Isley, all of Burlington, witnessed the ceremony. Mr. Hailey is a young business man of Burlington and the bride is a charming young woman of the same city. The happy young couple returned home immediately after the ceremony where they expect to make their home.—Greensboro News.

Aliens May Be Deported.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Aliens who may have lived in the United States for years still are subject to deportation under the immigration law of 1907, should they visit their foreign homes and within three years after immoral practices.

The Supreme Court so decided to.

Little Mary Catherine Foust Died Near Graham.

Little Mary Catherine, the two-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Foust, died Friday morning at 10 o'clock at the residence of her grandmother, Mrs. Thomas G. Foust, near Graham. Interment was made in the family plot in the cemetery at Graham on Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The service was attended by the following: Dr. J. I. Foust, Thomas R. Foust and Mrs. A. L. Hendley of Greensboro, and F. L. Foust, of Pleasant Garden, uncles and aunt of the deceased.

British Minister to Mexico Moved.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The announcement from London today that Great Britain is about to transfer Sir Lionel Carden, its minister at the City of Mexico, was regarded by official Washington as a substantial manifestation of the purpose of the British Government to remove every obstruction to the execution of President Wilson's plans for dealing with the Mexican situation. At the State Department it was denied that the United States had made any protest to the British Foreign Office against acts or utterances ascribed to Minister Carden. From other sources, though, it was learned that Ambassador Page did seek information at the British Foreign Office some time ago regarding the attitude of its representative in Mexico. About the time this occurred a semi-official statement was issued in London repudiating a statement attributed to Sir Lionel that President Wilson's policy towards Mexico would not have been adopted had he not been in ignorance of the facts.

Officials here believe the transfer of the British Minister will impress the Huerta Government with the fact that there is to be no division among the Powers from which it might expect to profit.

A cablegram from Rear Admiral Fletcher today dated Saturday said it was feared another attack was to be made upon Tampico. In anticipation of trouble the German cruiser Bremen has gone there from Vera Cruz.

London, January 5.—Officials of the Foreign Office tonight would not discuss Sir Lionel Carden's forthcoming transfer from Mexico City to Rio de Janeiro. They were considerably surprised to discover that the intentions of the Government had leaked out. It generally is understood the Government takes much the same view of the public the Minister has not been entirely discreet in handling the situation in Mexico, although the Government does not believe he has done anything to justify severe criticism.

When it was suggested tonight to the American Ambassador, Walter H. Page, that the Ambassador might have had something to do with Sir Lionel Carden's transfer he declined to admit responsibility, but suggested that Sir Lionel himself may have been the agency.

That the transfer was not a surprise to the Ambassador was indicated by the fact that he volunteered the names of the Minister's successor, saying that he understood Charles Murray Marling was to take the post. Mr. Marling is senior counsellor in the Diplomatic Service and is now accredited to Turkey.

Sir Lionel's transfer, which is a promotion as far as salary is concerned, although the two Legations possess the same standing in the service, would have been made some time ago it is said except for the fact that the British Foreign Office would not make the change while the Minister was under fire for the alleged interviews in which he was made to reflect on the policy of the United States toward Mexico.

Sir Lionel probably will come to England before going to his new post. It is said by his friends that when he went to Mexico last July he was offered the choice of going directly to Rio de Janeiro to succeed Sir William Henry Doveton Haggard, who had reached the retiring age, or of spending six months in Mexico as the Minister there before proceeding to Brazil. Owing to the state of health of his wife Sir Lionel decided to go to Mexico first.

Another Crank.

"I have an income of \$18,600 per year. What income tax ought I to pay?" "I can show you how to dodge your tax," said the alert attorney. "But I don't want to dodge it. I want to pay it." "Some fresh bug comes in this office every day," remarked the legal light reflectively as the client went out.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Union Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Societies.

The Union Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Societies of Burlington will be held at the Christian Church, Friday afternoon, January 9, at 3:00 p. m. The following program has been arranged for the meeting: Song—No. 572.

Prayer—Mrs. Ada Teague. Scripture Lesson—John 17, Mrs. B. R. Sellars.

Talk, "Unity For All Women's Boards of Missions"—Mrs. W. H. Carroll. Prayer for unity of board.

Scripture Lesson, Matt. 28: 16-20—Mrs. P. H. Fleming.

Talk, "Thanksgiving for What God Has Wrought Through Women"—Mrs. John Barnwell.

Special music—Mesdames Scott and Morrow.

Scripture Lesson—Rom. 10:8-17—Mrs. J. Q. Cant.

Talk, "For United Efforts in Foreign Lands"—Mrs. T. S. Brown.

Prayer—for Unity in Foreign Lands—Mrs. M. W. Buck.

Scripture Lesson, Ps. 96—Miss Bessie I Holt.

Talk, "For a great Increase of Young Women Who Will Lead in Mission Work"—Mrs. J. W. Lasley.

Song—No. 583. Chain of Prayers—For Volunteers for Mission Work. Led by Mrs. A. B. Kendall, closed by Mrs. O. N. McPherson.

President Surprises Little Town of Biloxi.

Pass Christian, Miss., Jan. 4.—President Wilson today surprised the little town of Biloxi, 25 miles from the President's cottage here, by dropping in unexpectedly at the service of the First Presbyterian Church there.

The little church was hardly filled when the President and his family arrived, but word of their coming spread instantaneously through the village and soon the structure was filled.

The Rev. William Meggison was not perturbed by the incident, however. His sermon contained no reference, implied or otherwise, to the President. As the latter left the church, a crowd that had collected outside gave him a cheer.

President Wilson's party found the 50-mile ride to and from Biloxi the most pleasant they had taken since coming to Pass Christian. It lay along the Mississippi Sound, which sparkled with sunshine today. The roads were good but the cars moved slowly along the beach and many families ran to their front verandas and waved to the distinguished motorists.

The President looks forward to a busy week of quiet work. He is benefited so much by his vacation that each day he is tackling more and more of the documents and data of various sorts which he brought with him for leisure study. The Chief Executive's health is normal again; in fact those who have been with him for many months say he never looked better. His bronze skin shows the glow of health and his jaunty step and vigorous stroke on the golf links confirm his return to physical strength, which was the purpose of his vacation.

An Enjoyable Occasion.

Quite an enjoyable occasion took place Saturday, Dec. 27, 1913, at noon at Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Spoon when Mrs. Spoon invited and prepared a good dinner for her children, their wives and grand children and a few more of us. Dr. J. P. Spoon and Fred Spoon and wife, of Burlington; Miss Fannie Spoon, of Graham; Mr. W. G. Spoon and daughter; Mr. Lee Spoon and family, of Hartshorn No. 1, Mr. and Mrs. Spoon have nine children, all living and in good health and three grand children.

ONE PRESENT.

Advanced Step Was Taken by Methodists.

Salisbury, Jan. 4.—The First Methodist congregation today heard two progressive ideas advanced. One was that announcement by the pastor, Rev. John W. Moore, of a meeting at which a new society is to be organized, the main and only real business of which will be the raising of money to be used in the building of a new church. The other was a statement of Prof. A. T. Allen, chairman of the board of stewards in which he urged before the congregation the necessity of providing salaries for the employment of teachers in the primary department of the Sunday school. This is a new idea in this section and has naturally started considerable discussion pro and con.

County School News.

Graham, Jan. 5.—The holidays have passed and the schools are again down to business. The holiday season brought a few changes in the teaching force and several improvements on buildings.

Miss Ruby Michael, of Elon College, has been added to the faculty at Ossipee.

Miss Rosa L. Powell, of Blanche, N. C., has taken the assistant's work at the Fair Ground School in the place of Miss Ella Andrews, who resigned.

The people of Ossipee school fitted up a new room during the holiday season.

The people of the Shoffner School finished painting their school house. The people at Spring School have been doing some interior painting.

The Haw Fields School recently had a box party that netted \$20, which will be used in part payment on the new piano.

The people of the Deep Creek School have been painting their house inside and outside.

The County Association for the Improvement of Rural Schools will meet in the Court House at Graham, Jan. 10th, at 12 o'clock. All interested persons, the county over, are asked to attend this meeting.

The next and fourth, Teachers' Meeting will be held the first Saturday in February. The full program will be announced soon.

Masonic Notice.

There will be a regular communication of Bula Lodge No. 469, A. F. & A. M., in their hall on next Monday evening January 12th, at 7:30 o'clock. Refreshments will be served by the committee.

Fraternally yours,

C. A. WALKER, W. M., C. V. SHARPE, Secy.

Mr. Boswell's Birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Boswell, of Route No. 9, gave a birthday reception December 31, in honor of Mr. Boswell who was 73 years old on that day. Those present were: Mr. D. N. Walker and family, Mr. Perry and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Pool, Mr. Jack and son Leslie Roberson, J. F. Morgan, Mr. A. H. Bean, Mr. and Mrs. C. Boswell, Mr. Marion Boswell, Mr. Charles Boswell. All seemed to enjoy the day. Mr. Boswell received several valuable presents on the day which he enjoyed. He wishes to thank each and all for their kindness. With best wishes to all. W. W. BOSWELL.

Monument in Honor of the Confederate Veterans.

The county commissioners have recently appropriated one thousand dollars to be spent in erecting a monument at Graham. The Town of Graham has added three hundred to the donation.

Esq. W. A. Hall has a subscription list and will be glad to have any who may desire to add to this cause see him. It is a very worthy undertaking and one that merits consideration. The monument and erecting it will cost near twenty-five hundred dollars. It is hoped to have it erected in the near future.

Notice of Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of The State Dispatch Publishing Company, will be held on the 15th day of January, 1914, at two o'clock in the afternoon at the office of the Company in the Rauhut Building, Burlington, N. C., for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors and receiving and acting upon the reports of the officers, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

DR. J. A. PICKETT, Pres., J. E. FOUST, Secy.

Kermit Roosevelt and Miss Willard Are to Wed.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 3.—Personal letters received here today from Madrid by friends of Ambassador Willard report the engagement of the ambassador's daughter, Miss Belle Willard, to Kermit Roosevelt, son of Theodore Roosevelt.

The wedding, it is said, will take place in the spring, probably here, the home of the Willards.

Miss Willard, Kermit Roosevelt and his sister, now Miss Richard Derby, were guests of the Willards on a long motor trip through Virginia and ending at Hot Springs, a little more than a year ago. Miss Willard was a guest last winter at the wedding in New York of Ethel Roosevelt to Mr. Derby, but the romance between the Virginia girl and the bride's brother was not suspected.

Social News.

Mrs. D. E. Sellars entertained delightfully at her home, on Park Avenue, Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock her many friends. Christmas decorations were used in the parlor and hall, and the dining room was in pink, a huge centerpiece of pink roses gracing the table and pink candles being used. About 30 guests were present, and the occasion turned into a rook party. Six tables were used for the engrossing game. Half a dozen of the married ladies were invited to stay and their husbands joined them at 6:00 o'clock, and the evening was spent in a spelling bee, charades and old-fashioned amusement. The refreshments consisted of a salad course, punch and hot chocolate and wafers.

Miss Pauline Coble gave a watch party at her home, on Broad street, Wednesday evening, December 31, from 9 to 12:30. Holly and mistletoe were used for decorations. About 20 guests were present. The feature of the evening was rook. Fruits, candies and hot chocolate were served.

Charles Sellars was host New Year evening at 7:00 o'clock at dinner at the Piedmont Hotel to the Camping Club, consisting of Messrs. and Mesdames W. R. Sellars, B. R. Sellars, T. L. Sellar, D. E. Sellar, J. A. Barwell, P. E. Morrow and J. H. Brooks and Misses Annie Morrow, Annie Bason and Mamie Barnwell.

Miss Bessie Holt gave a delightful afternoon reception at her home on Davis street, New Year at 3 o'clock. The hall and parlors were decorated in potted palms and ferns and cut flowers. Music, vocal, instrumental and graphophone, was rendered during the entire occasion. Refreshments were served in three courses. While the reception was given primarily for the Embroidery Club, there were invited besides, Mesdames A. B. Kendall, D. H. Tuttle, W. H. Sellars, D. E. Sellars, E. Y. Speed, W. E. Sharpe and R. M. Morrow and Misses Nettie Dailey, Ella and Florine Robertson, Iris and Ruth Lea Holt, Leola Tuttle and Bessie Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hay on Christmas afternoon gave their annual Christmas tree to their immediate relatives, about 40 in number. The large lovely tree was full of gifts for the guests. They were the families of W. K. Holt, C. T. Holt, R. E. Holt and J. A. Holt. Punch, candies and peanuts were dispensed lavishly to the happy children.

Mr. and Mrs. John Q. Gant held their annual family reunion at their home on Christmas day, the occasion being the annual winding of the 400-day clock. There were present Kenneth Gant, of Neuse; Joseph Gant and family, of Altamahaw; Cecil Gant, of Swannee, Tenn.; Edwin Gant, of Altamahaw; Allan Gant, of Blue Ridge, Va.; Russell Gant, of Raleigh; and John and Roger Gant and Misses Jessamine and Corinna Gant, of Burlington. A house guest was Miss Dashman, of Kentucky.

The Lutheran Banquet.

The banquet to the members and friends of the Lutheran Church of this place will be given at the Piedmont Hotel, on Saturday night, Jan. 17th. This banquet will be free to the members of the Church and invited friends. The expense being provided for by parties who do not wish their names known. The purpose of the banquet is to get the people together and to boost the work of the Church for the coming year. Every member of the Church is invited and urged to attend. The committee in charge will mail invitations to all the friends who are to be invited. A great time is expected.

Pays \$100 For Triplets.

Santa Anna, Cal., Jan. 3.—The county board of supervisors is on official record with a standing offer of \$100 reward for each set of triplets born in Orange county.

The first reward has been given to Mrs. Otto Summers, of the San Joaquin ranch, who recently presented her husband with three little Summers at once.

The board formally voted Mrs. Summers \$100 and on motion of Supervisor Lee, the board decided to make a standing reward for all triplets.

Probably Poor, Also.

Miss A—I thought Mr. Homeleigh was matrimonially inclined. Miss B—He was, but he's been declined so often, poor man, that he's not over it.—Boston Transcript.