

PEOPLE'S COLUMN

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WANTED.

- WANTED-Second-hand milk separator. T. W. Long, phone 3097.
WANTED-Room and board in a first-class private family by young married couple. Answer L. care Observer.
WANTED-Position in drug store by registered druggist. Good reference. Address "Listerine" care Observer.
WANTED-A good, experienced stenographer who has had some experience in working on books and general office work. A good position and liberal salary for the right one. Applications strictly confidential. "G. W." care Observer.
WANTED-Teachers, Spring and fall terms. Rural graded, high schools, colleges. Enroll early. Sheridan's Teachers Agency, Greenwood, S. C.
WANTED-Position at once by lady stenographer. Six years' experience. Good reference. Address "B. H. C." care Observer, city.
WANTED-Woodworker to do wood work on vehicles in general repair shop. Must be able to build new work, such as drays, delivery wagons, etc., and be recommended. Good wages, permanent job. Wood-Mendall Co., Greer, S. C.
WANTED-Registered pharmacist desires position. 7 years' experience, best of references. Address "Druggist" care Observer.
WANTED-Meat cutter at once; good wages to a good man; steady employment. Apply to Liberty Market and Grocery, Spertburg, S. C. Ask to 43 S. Liberty St.
WANTED-Position, young married man, 25 years' experience in dry goods and notions, would like to make change in position about March 1st. Address Selwyn, care Observer.
WANTED-A few first-class men to do a canvassing business; teams furnished, good salary, expenses paid, no experience needed, whiskey, cigarette permits and loafers need not apply. Address Box 14, Charlotte, N. C.
WANTED-Five hundred good, sober, energetic men with medium education and permanent address, experience preferred. Give reference when writing Southern Detective Bureau, Inc., Wilmington, N. C.
WANTED-Men to learn boiler trade; few weeks complete, 60 chairs constantly busy, careful instruction, tuition, diploma granted, wages Saturday, positions waiting, wonderful demand for graduates. Write for catalogue, Hoier Barber College, Atlanta, Ga.
FOR SALE-No. 5 Oliver. Good condition. "Oliver" care Observer.
FOR SALE-A large store building within a few hundred feet of square. Address "W. F. R." care Observer.
FOR SALE-A piano good as new; will sell cheap. Address Jones, care Observer.
FOR SALE-A bargain, Chickering grand piano. Address Box 573, City.
FOR SALE-Cheap to quick purchaser, Stonewall Hotel pool room, with new outfit. Jones & Eagle.
FOR SALE-Three second-hand roll-top desks. Good condition. "Bargain" care Observer.
FOR SALE-Five million feet pine timber in ten-million territory. Balance in hands of originator. Address W. D. Bizzell, Elizabethtown, N. C.
FOR SALE-Oliver typewriter. In excellent condition; can be seen at 21 East 4th St. A bargain.
FOR SALE-Bed-room suit and cook stove, practically new. Call at 54 East Fifth street to-day.
FOR SALE-One National cash register, six drawers, good as new, cost \$11. Sell at bargain on easy terms. Address "Clothing Out" care Observer.
FOR SALE-One Chandler and Price job press, one Diamond cylinder, paper cutter, good assortment job and newspaper type; good condition, cash or easy terms. Cape Fear Printing Co., Hope Mills, N. C.
FOR SALE-Well established mail order liquor grocery and hotel business combined, possession at once. License on sale. Reason, other business. Will lease building. Terms easy. D. L. Toney, Manchester, Va.
FOR SALE-Established, well-paying dry goods business in bustling town of 4,000. Stock \$200. Reason for selling, owner has other interests and cannot give business his attention. Splendid opening for a hustler. Address J. L. Simmons, No. 38 Middle street, Newbern, N. C.
FOR RENT-Desirable store, two blocks from square. Address Agent, Box 568.
FOR RENT-Seven-room house. Apply 400 E. 9th St.
FOR RENT-Truck farm, 3 miles from square. J. E. Murphy & Co.
FOR RENT-Farm 3 miles of city, 34 acres. J. Arthur Henderson.
FOR RENT-3 bedroom, 11 N. College St. Apply to C. S. Cook.
FOR RENT-Suite 1st, two large and one small-story brick stores, one block from square, suitable for machinery, etc. W. F. & W. C. Dowed.
FOR RENT-Modern six-room dwelling. All conveniences 202 Oak street. One four-room dwelling adjoining. F. W. Ahrens, 31 E. Morehead.
LOST.
LST-Silver belt buckle, between Elizabeth Ave. and Ransom Place. Reward if returned to Observer.
MISCELLANEOUS.
SEND FOR mailing list of Davis' Barred Rocks, Charlotte, N. C.
ASK ELLIS for baggage transfer or information about trains. Telephone 686.
CITY AND SUBURBAN surveying maps, etc. C. B. Hubbel, civil engineer, Room 3 third floor Piedmont Building.
HAVE YOU SEEN Barred Rock window display at Dismuth Drug Store?
IF YOU WANT TO BUY OR SELL a second-hand automobile, write Guilford Motor Transfer Co., J. E. Carrigan, Mgr., Greensboro, N. C.
BOGS FOR HATCHING-Davis' Barred Rocks, Charlotte, N. C.
STOP At New Perry Hotel, High Point, N. C. In postoffice Building. Every thing new and rates reasonable. Your patronage solicited. C. C. Perry, Prop.
FIRST-CLASS table board and furnished rooms. Mrs. E. E. Vick, 9 E. 8th.

THE MAYOR RESPONSIBLE

IS GIVEN MANY LARGE POWERS Draft of Section of New City Charter Reproduced in Order That There May Be No Doubt as to His Duties and Powers—Shall Give His Entire Time to the City's Service and Shall Receive Handsome Salary—Shall Have Veto Power and Hold Office Two Years.

That section of the new city charter relative to the election of the mayor is perhaps the most important feature of it. This can be readily imagined from the interest it has excited in the public mind. The most casual reader of the new charter will immediately observe that the mayor is the keystone to the new arch of municipal government designed by the committee of ten. He is to give his entire time to the city, to be paid a salary of \$4,000 annually, is to preside at all meetings of the board, and, armed as he is with the veto power, is to be the directing head of all things pertaining to the city's welfare. When the new charter goes into effect, there will be no longer any question as to responsibility, for it will be fixed beyond the peradventure of a doubt, in order that a more perfect idea of the power and duties of the mayor as comprehended under the new charter may be had, that section is reproduced in full. It is not complete for Mr. J. A. McCrea, city attorney, and Messrs. T. C. Guthrie and E. L. Preston, have yet whittled it into shape for the Legislature.

THE MAYOR.

The board of aldermen shall elect one of its own members mayor. The term of the office of the mayor shall be for two years. His salary shall be fixed by the board of aldermen and shall not exceed the sum of \$4,000 per annum, and shall not be diminished during his term of office. The mayor shall devote his entire time to the affairs of the city and shall not actively engage in any other business. He shall be the executive head of the city and shall be active in enforcing the law and ordinances of the city. He shall have power to appoint special policemen for any special occasion and to call upon the Governor of the State for aid in enforcing the law and ordinances of the city. He shall have power to appoint special policemen for any special occasion and to call upon the Governor of the State for aid in enforcing the law and ordinances of the city. He shall have power to appoint special policemen for any special occasion and to call upon the Governor of the State for aid in enforcing the law and ordinances of the city.

SHALL APPOINT ALL AGENTS. The mayor shall, by and with the advice and consent of the board of aldermen, appoint all officers and public agents which may be deemed necessary for the proper administration of the health, water, police, improvement and all other departments of the city government. He shall preside at all meetings of the board of aldermen and shall have a vote except in case of a tie. He shall have the right to veto any ordinance, resolution or order of the board of aldermen, and his veto shall be overruled only by a vote of at least four members of the board of aldermen. The mayor shall sign all written contracts and obligations of the City of Charlotte and no contract of the city shall be binding upon the city until signed by the mayor. He shall have authority to administer oaths in any transaction connected with the city government, and the official oaths of the aldermen or other officials or employees of said city may be administered by the mayor.

PROVE ALL BONDS. It shall be the duty of the mayor to prove all bonds required by law to be given by any city official, employee or agent, or by any contractor for public work, and in case he objects to the security thereon, a new and approved security shall be given before such bond shall be received. Where the security in any such bond shall be found insufficient or invalid, he shall require an additional security.

At the first regular meeting of the board of aldermen, after the induction in office of the mayor, the board shall elect one of its members mayor pro tem, who shall hold office until the expiration of the term of office of the mayor, but he shall receive no extra pay for being or acting as mayor pro tem, but only the pay of an alderman. If for any reason the mayor is absent from the city, sick, or unable to perform the duties of his office, the mayor pro tem shall act as mayor, and during such absence or disability, shall possess all the powers and perform all the duties of the mayor, except that he shall not without the consent of the board of aldermen, appoint or remove any officer or head of any department, unless the mayor shall be absent or disabled for a period of at least six days. The mayor shall have the authority to require any officer or employee of the city to exhibit his official books and papers, and the refusal of any officer or employee when so required shall be deemed a forfeiture of his office or employment; he may employ experts to examine the records of any department of the city when he deems it necessary; and in all cases of investigation of any such department, or any charges against any officer or employee of the city, he shall have the power to administer oaths, subpoena and compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books and papers.

MAY EXAMINE BOOKS. The mayor shall from time to time give the board of aldermen information about the condition of the affairs of the city, and recommend for consideration such measures as he deems best for the city. And he may exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as may be required by the board of aldermen not inconsistent with this charter. That upon the day following his election or as soon thereafter as practicable, the mayor shall take the following oath: "I do solemnly swear that I will, to the utmost of my power, support, advance, protect and defend the good order, peace and welfare of the City of Charlotte and its inhabitants, and will faithfully demean myself in the office of mayor for said city, according to the ordinances and regulations thereof, to the best of my skill and judgment; I do swear that I will support the constitution of this State; I do swear also that I will support the constitution of the United States."

DR. A. M. WHITENANT announces that he has removed his office to rooms 204-5 and 6, Realty Building.

HANCOCK CASE WITH JURY.

No Agreement Reached After Ten Hours of Consideration, and Ministerial May Result—Counsel Wage a Fierce Battle. Special to The Observer. Winston-Salem, Feb. 17.—The case of L. G. Hancock, charged with the embezzlement of funds from the Lambe-Fish Box Company, went to the jury at ten minutes past six o'clock yesterday afternoon, after one of the longest battles between legal counsel that has been seen in this city. With Watson, Buxton & Watson for the defense, and Manly & Hendrix, E. K. Gray and Solicitor Graves prosecuting, the trial from the first seating of a witness to the last speech of counsel, was vigorously fought. After deliberating ten hours without agreement, the jury retired to-night at 10 o'clock to resume their task to-morrow.

The defense put in a plea of insanity—mental irresponsibility as put the admitted taking of a large sum of money beyond the hand of the law—and introduced medical men to back up their contention. It was the first case of its special character ever taking place in this county, and perhaps no other in criminal courts in North Carolina has been committed to it in point of the manner of defense. The defendant's mother paid an awful price—the telling of the insanity trial in both her own family and that of her husband. The aged woman, Mrs. J. H. Geery, of Winston, sat alongside her son all through the trial and a sad and pitiful young wife, to whom he has been wedded about a year.

THE YANFON ARRIVES.

Forerunner of the Home-Coming Fleet Passes in at Norfolk—Goes to Washington to Convey Officials to Hampton Roads—North Carolina and Virginia Will Sail To-Day to Join Fleet—Third Squadron Now With Returning Ships. Fort Monroe, Va., Feb. 17.—A messenger from the home-coming fleet, the yacht-like tender "Yanfon" arrived here at 10 o'clock to-day to take on a full supply of coal, preparatory to proceeding at the earliest practicable moment to Washington in response to a wireless summons placed on her trip. The craft was passing in the Virginia capes. The Yanfon will return to Hampton Roads in time to greet the fleet and then will journey back to the capital, being to convey some of the scores of more or official parties that are to be present during the entrance and review of the fleet next Monday.

The sailing of the cruisers Montana and North Carolina was seriously interfered with yesterday by the winds prevailing in the roadstead and they were not able to leave to-day to join the incoming fleet. They will get away at some time to-morrow, however, and by that time the battleships about 300 miles off the coast. The third squadron of the Atlantic fleet, consisting of the Maine, the Mississippi, the New Hampshire and the Idaho, joined the fleet to-day about 1,000 miles east of Cape Henry and Charles. The scout cruiser Chester is hurrying from New York to rendezvous with the other ships. The battleships, the Birmingham and the Salem, are steaming eastward respectively from New Orleans and Charleston.

The supply ship Culgoa, which accompanied the fleet around the world, slipped into Norfolk to-night. The Culgoa left Gibraltar February 10th, one day ahead of the fleet, and stopped for coal at Puncnah, Madeira. The Culgoa encountered yesterday and Monday a severe gale, which pounded the Yanfon so hard, and at times had a fifty degree roll.

GOT TOO MUCH CHLOROFORM.

In Effort to Relieve Suffering, Mrs. B. T. Cooper, of Greensboro, Inhales the Drug in Two Great Quantities—Damage Suits Taken Up. Observer Bureau. The Bevil Building, Greensboro, Feb. 17.

Mrs. B. T. Cooper was found dead at her home on North Edgeworth street this morning, death having resulted from inhaling too great a portion of chloroform. Mrs. Cooper had been subject to severe attacks of colic and neuralgia and had been in the habit of taking chloroform to relieve her suffering. She had a severe attack last night, and upon retiring poured a portion of the drug on a handkerchief, but it appears that she poured out too much of the poison and some of it fell upon her pillow. There is no reason to believe that self-destruction was premeditated. Mrs. Cooper was 33 years of age and is survived by her husband and two children. The husband, who represents the Southern Life and Trust Company, reached the city to-night from Montgomery county, where he was on a business trip. The remains will be sent to-morrow to Williamson, the former home of the family, for interment. Guilford Superior Court to-day took up the 30-odd penalty suits brought against the Southern Railway by the Brooks Manufacturing Company. These suits were brought under a section of the Revised for alleged delay in transportation of shipments. The docket carries a number of other similar suits.

WHERE ARE WE?

New York Evening Post. Governor Hughes appoints as Democratic member of his highway commission an excellent citizen who was held to be no Democrat. Mr. Taft chooses for his Secretary of State another admirable citizen when the congressional declaration is made. And the electoral college following high precedent, casts some votes for William H. Taft, of New York. Perhaps Senator Burrows was awake when he said that Nebraska went solidly for Taft last fall. Accuracy in matters political has become such a comprehensive thing that we dare not particularize dogmatically on any subject, save the existence of honest graft and blockheads. It would even be rash to say the constitution still lives; our Supreme Court itself seems to entertain doubts on this score at times.

SNOW LACE.

A frosty finger lifts the latch And opens wide the door To fling within a downy patch Of fabric on my foot. Of powdered moon and star the floor Whereof this thing is knit, And myriads of jewel glows Its beauty exquisite. A bit of splendor, dazzling white, It lies in morning's glow, Left by some gypsy winter sprite The lace with which she wove the snow.—FRANK DEMESTER SHERMAN.

Mexican Mustang Liniment

FOR MAN AND BEAST. Horses' strained shoulders quickly and permanently relieved. Galls, Barbed Wire Cuts, Bruises and Lameness of Livestock quickly healed. Unfailing cure for Caked udder and Sore teats in Cows. A postal request will bring you FREE booklet "Points from a Horse Doctor's Diary." LYON MANUFACTURING CO., 42 South Fifth St., BROOKLYN, N. Y.

TRAGEDY IN A TAXICAB.

Young Pennsylvanian Shoots 18-Year-Old Girl, Then Takes His Own Life. Both Die Before Reaching Hospital—Cause of the Rash Act Not Known. Reading, Pa., Feb. 17.—While speeding along in a taxicab here early to-day, Stella Rockwell, aged 18 years, was shot and killed and her companion, George E. Knaut, 20 years old, after directing the chauffeur to hurry to a hospital, turned the revolver that killed the girl upon himself and sent a bullet into his heart, dying almost instantly. Whether there had been a quarrel or the two had agreed to die together has not yet been definitely determined. Lewis Becker, chauffeur, is unable to throw any light on the affair but the police believe that it was a case of deliberate murder and suicide. The couple engaged the taxicab shortly before 3 o'clock this morning. When the vicinity of the young woman's home was reached the chauffeur was started by a revolver shot. A moment later Becker declared the body in the taxicab excitedly "Drive to the hospital!" Becker rushed the machine to the Reading Hospital. Just as he entered the hospital grounds there was a second shot inside the cab. The young woman was found in a heap on the seat of the cab. She was dead with a bullet wound in the right side of the head. The man too, was dead, having shot himself through the heart. Knaut was a telegraph operator. Inquiry into the case developed that Knaut had asked several persons yesterday to lend him a revolver, saying he wanted to go to a masquerade ball. He had been here last night and might the authorities are of the opinion that he was one of murder and suicide.

KNOX CASE UP AGAIN.

Notwithstanding Congress Reduced the Salary of the Secretary of State the Item For the Increase is Discussed in the Appropriation Bill—Had Been Overlooked, But Will Be Removed Without Any Trouble. Washington, Feb. 17.—While the House was engaged to-day in discussing the conference report on the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, the discovery was made that another bill repealing the law fixing the salary of the Secretary of State at \$12,000 a year, the appropriation bill provides a salary of \$12,000 for the secretary for the next fiscal year. The provision had been perfunctorily included in the bill when it was drawn up, which was before the question of eligibility of Mr. Knox for the secretaryship arose, and no one had thought of changing the figure. Mr. Tawney introduced a resolution authorizing the conferees on the bill to treat the item appropriating \$12,000 as the salary of the secretary of State for the next fiscal year as if the conference report had not been made and the item was still in disagreement with the Senate. The program is to have the committee on rules report the resolution that it will be passed; thus clearing the way for a further amendment of the bill in conference so as to reduce the salary to \$8,000, which change would bring the bill into conformity with the bill printed in the law which increased the salary to \$12,000.

PANAMA CANAL PROBLEM.

Why the Lock Scheme is Superior to Open Waterway. St. Louis Republic. Those who have given more than superficial thought to the canal problem know that such a thing as an absolutely open cut from ocean to ocean, with any depth practicable, is not a possibility. There is a difference in the water level of the two oceans of about twelve feet and this can only be overcome by building a lock as a feature of the Pacific coast end of the canal. In any event, but this is a relatively slight feature in determining the comparative value of the two types of canal. Other more important factors dictated and justified adoption of the lock scheme. The time it would take to complete the work and the cost of construction were very properly classed as important factors. The enterprise was estimated and will soon be finished by the plan adopted than could possibly have been the case if the canal had been open to the level of the Atlantic Ocean instead of being eighty-five feet higher. But more important even than these considerations is the fact that ships will take about eight days in transit across the locks in the lock canal, and would have required ten days to navigate a sea-level canal. The advantage of time follows from the fact that most of the distance is traversed in two great artificial lakes, in which steamships may move at a speed impossible in transit across the narrow stretch of a legitimate canal. The Panama Canal the United States is building is a canal in fact for less than one-third of its length.

DELEGATION GOING DOWN.

Greensboro People Will Waste Their Money in Going to Raleigh to Urge Removal of Capital. Observer Bureau. The Bevil Building, Greensboro, Feb. 17.

Arrangements are being made to carry a delegation of citizens to Raleigh to urge before the Senate committee of propositions and grievances in behalf of Senator Barringer's resolution calling for a vote on the removal of the State capital from Raleigh to Greensboro. While the people here are not excited over the proposition, they realize the immense advantage of Greensboro over Raleigh as the seat of State government and are prepared to offer any reasonable inducement to secure the removal of the State capital to the commercial and geographical center of the State.

At the Alamo.

The usual bright and interesting programme of vaudeville and motion pictures is being presented at the Alamo, the high-class theatre on West Trade street. Wolford and Burglund put forth some novelty dancing that is worth seeing. Miss Beatrice Bladen Morelle, prima donna contralto, and Miss Charlotte Shirley Morelle, violinist, had decided strength to the company.

FOR RENT. Those two desirable offices over our store, now occupied by Drs. Russell & Matheson. Possession February 1st. J.N. McCausland & Co. 221 South Tryon Street.

GOING TO TAKE A TRIP? Better let us supply your wants in clothing and furnishings for the journey. The outfitting will not take a very large sum, for sale prices are now in order here. Drop in and See Us.

The Tate-Brown Co. A Wedding Breakfast or a nice little supper after the theatre can be arranged for here. You may have privacy and quiet at small extra cost. Of course you'll favor us and yourself if you give us a little advance notice for the necessary preparation. As many or few courses as you like. Selwyn Hotel Edgar B. Moore, Prop.

Office Furniture. We are showing some very attractive Sanitary Desks at very attractive prices. We also handle Rugs, Carpets, Linoleum, Filing Cabinets, Office Tables, Typewriter Tables and Desks and Office Chairs. Call and see us, or write for prices.

W. T. McCOY & COMP'NY CUT FLOWERS. A nice assortment always on hand. Remember, they are grown by SCHOLTZ, THE FLORIST.

VAN LINDLEY'S CUT FLOWERS ARE DISTINCTIVE. Phone Us Your Orders; We Can Please You. J. Van Lindley Nursery Company POMONA, N. C. Local Agency, Hawley's Pharmacy.

A Fine Exhibit of Collapsible Go-Carts. If you want the neatest, the prettiest, the most durable, the most comfortable, the most satisfactory and THE BEST ON THE MARKET (and every mother's baby deserves the best), just call on us and we will show you a cart with many advantages that other complicated makes do not have. THE BEST MAKE is the kind we have and our usual low prices make the buying easy. LUBIN FURNITURE CO.

Ayer's Hair Vigor. Hair falling out? Troubled with dandruff? Want more hair? An elegant dressing? Ingredients: Sulphur, Glycerin, Quinin, Sodium Chlorid, Capsicum, Sage, Alcohol, Water, Perfume. We believe doctors endorse this formula, or we would not put it up. Does not Color the Hair.