

POLITICIANS' VOICES

MANY WARD MEETINGS HELD.

Friends of the Two Candidates For Mayor, Messrs. T. W. Hawkins and J. D. McCall, Realize the Need of Time and Are Making Every Effort to Secure the Support of the People...

THE MEETINGS LAST NIGHT.

A large number of meetings in the interest of the candidates was held last night. One could stand almost anywhere in the city and hear distinctly the rumble of the voice of a political speaker...

MR. McCALL'S LEADERS.

The leaders in the campaign of Mr. McCall are Messrs. T. L. Kirkpatrick, F. R. McNeill, L. E. Williams and R. E. Mason. In addition to Mr. McCall himself, these gentlemen are bearing the brunt and burden of his fight...

MR. HAWKINS CONFIDENT.

Mr. Hawkins and his friends are confident of victory. One of the leaders was heard to say yesterday that the vote would show a large per cent. of the mill people going toward Mr. Hawkins...

CAMPAIGN CLOSES TO-NIGHT.

The curtain falls to-night on the brief, but entergetic campaign. Two great rallies will be held as the climax. The Hawkins mass meeting will be held in Vance Park and will be attended by special music...

PASSED EXAMINATION SUCCESSFULLY.

James Donahue, New Britain, Conn. writes: "I tried several kidney remedies and was treated by our best physicians for diabetes, but did not improve until I took Foley's Kidney Remedy..."

A SECOND FIGHT AVOIDED.

Case of Young Rowan Howell Which Was So Bitterly Contested at Recent Term, Settled by Suspension of Judgment—Retaining His Charge—Judge Advises Him That Blind Tigering is Not a Profitable Business.

JOINT PILGRIMAGE TO-MORROW

Oasis and Omar Temples of the Shrine to Hold Joint Meeting in Charlotte, S. C., To-Morrow—Those Who Will Attend From Charlotte.

The delegation of Charlotte Shrines from Oasis Temple will leave the city this afternoon at 4:35 o'clock in a special Pullman attached to Southern passenger train No. 27 for Charleston via Columbia to participate in the festivities incident upon the joint pilgrimage to-morrow to the city by the Shrine of Omar at Oasis Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, the Lincoln and C. & N. W. party, captained by Mr. R. S. Reinhardt...

TO ROADS FOR COTTON THEFT.

Baxter Phifer, Colored, Comes to Grief Again—Defends Himself in Court and Denies His Guilt. But is Disbelieved.

When the name of Baxter Phifer was called yesterday afternoon in Superior court, a coal-black country negro emerged from the prisoners' apartments and took his seat within the bar, undefended by attorney. Baxter, it proved, was charged with the theft of cotton from Mr. Isaac W. Sehorn, a farmer in the rural neighborhood. The latter told of having missed a quantity and of having traced the thief proving to his satisfaction and that of neighbors who insisted that Baxter was the one. His father, Mr. R. W. Sehorn, also corroborated him in this saying that he had made shoes in his time and describing in great detail the tracks made by the thief and the manner in which the measurements of these included with those of Phifer's feet at the trial at Newell. Others told of having seen the prisoner and his brother driving his brother's horse on the way to the gin that day. His brother's horse was given a bad character for halckness and it was alleged that he was poor and did not take kindly to hill-climbing. The character of the horse tracks noted gave color to the contention that the horse was also included in the transaction. Baxter denied it stoutly to the end, but his record was not immaculate and it became an issue of veracity between him and a farmer who told of the prisoner's having admitted his guilt to him. The jury found him guilty and a term of twelve months was given him.

DR. F. P. VENABLE COMING.

Distinguished President of the University of North Carolina to Be Present at Graded School Commencement—The Programme.

Superintendent Alexander Graham received a letter from President Francis P. Venable, of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, yesterday accepting the invitation recently tendered him to be present and deliver the diplomas to the members of the graduating class of the Charlotte High School, the evening of May 14, in the Auditorium. The address will be delivered by Mr. Thomas W. Bickett, of Raleigh, Attorney General of North Carolina, one of the most scholarly of the younger orators of the State. The exercises will commence at 8 o'clock and the opening prayer will be by Rev. E. L. Balm, pastor of Trinity Methodist church. The baccalaureate sermon will be preached Sunday morning, May 16, at Tryon Street Methodist church by Rev. Dr. G. H. Detwiler.

The many friends of Dr. Venable will be glad to learn that he is to visit Charlotte at this time. It was his recommendation that contributed largely to the establishment of an eleventh grade in the Charlotte schools and it is therefore very fitting and proper that the first graduates should receive their diplomas from his hand. The holding of these exercises in the Auditorium will afford ample room for as many as desire to be present.

The Grind in Court Yesterday.

A sentence of three years on the roads was given yesterday afternoon to Jim Sprines, colored, convicted of store-breaking in three cases. This was the longest sentence of the day. Bert Alexander and Henry Miller for an affray were given six months each on the roads. Frank Greer, convicted of store-breaking in three cases, was sentenced to the roads for twelve months. Richard Lockhart for larceny was presented with a free pass to the convict camp, good for six months. A. A. Ballinger was fined \$15 and costs on the charge of carrying on his concealed weapon. Will White and John Sample, convicted of stealing peas, were sent to the roads for twelve months. Mitch Harris for an assault got four months.

SEALED PROPOSALS

For constructing about 2,800 feet of 12-inch and 8-inch sewer on Elizabeth avenue and East Fifth street will be received up to 3 o'clock p. m. of Monday, April 26, 1909, at the office of the City Engineer, where plans may be seen and specifications obtained. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. A. H. WEARN, City Clerk and Treas.

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FIFTY BALES DAMAGED.

Cotton Fire Yesterday Afternoon on Seaboard Siding—Two Cars Had Been Left But an Hour Before. Within an hour after fifty bales of cotton belonging to Sanders, Orr & Co. had been loaded into two Seaboard freight cars on siding between A and B street yesterday afternoon both cars were discovered to be on fire. An alarm was sent in and the cars were deluged with water both by the city fire department and the employees of the company. After both cars had been thoroughly soaked and the fire extinguished, the bales were unloaded on the platform. Almost every one of them bore scars of the fire, being scorched, smoked and burned in places. The damage was estimated at \$500. Besides the both cars in the interior were damaged to some extent.

CLOSING OF INSTITUTE.

Rev. W. M. Kincaid Delivers Commencement Address at Southern Industrial Institute. Rev. Dr. William M. Kincaid, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, delivered the commencement address at the closing exercises of the Southern Industrial Institute last night. The piece was the hall of the Woodmen of the World at Chatwick, the hour being 8 o'clock. Dr. Kincaid's subject was "The Power of Purpose." His address was well wrought and inspiring. Citing the cases of several men who have lifted themselves from lowly places to positions of great usefulness in the world, he made clear to his hearers the innate ability to rise which is vested in every man or woman who feels that there is a work for him or her to do in the world and has determined to accomplish it. The speech was couched in eloquent verbiage and could not have failed of its purpose.

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