

HOLTON IS NAMED FOR THIRD TERM.

Millikan Also Re-Appointed by President.

Washington, D C, Feb 5.—The President sent to the Senate to-day the names of District Attorney Holton and Marshal Millikan for third terms. This course was taken by the President on the basis of a report made by Chas H Robb, assistant attorney-general, who has had charge of the investigation of the revenue frauds. Reports as to District Attorney Holton's conduct in these revenue fraud cases were made both by solicitor Hayes, of the Internal Revenue Department and Acting Attorney General Robb. The result of their investigation was that the district attorney had done no more than his duty and was entitled to another term as the result of his activity in uncovering official and other corruption in the conduct of internal revenue affairs. Mr Robb not only went to Greensboro in his official capacity as assistant attorney general to look into the trial of the pending cases, but also as the personal representative of the President and Attorney General Moody to look into the personal aspect of the situation. Not only did he recommend Holton's reappointment, but he took up Millikan's case, and placed the President in the embarrassing position of breaking his absolute promise to Clint Wagoner that he should be the Marshal of the Western district. The President followed Mr Robb's recommendations to the letter. Holton's reappointment is regarded as just and merited and gave general satisfaction, especially to members of the State delegation. Republicans generally resented the manner in which the President ignored the two rival party factions in the State.

BLACKBURN SAYS NEVER.

There is already talk of a fight on Holton's confirmation, though the Senators have not been officially advised about this contemplated action. It is not believed that any such move will be more than an expression of revenge. Representative Blackburn would not comment on the nomination, though he said to a friend during the day, "Holton will never be district attorney." The charges, it is said, would relate to the district attorney's official conduct. Chairman Rollins, who had the district attorney bee in his bonnet, never knew that the President was about to act on the initiative of the Department of Justice until Blackburn made the discovery. Rollins came here in great haste. It is said that he went to the White House to protest, but lay down as soon as the President made known his fully determined purpose. Rollins' friends deny this and claim both appointments as an organization victory. The Blackburn report is that Rollins agreed to Wagoner's appointment, and that if he did not he went back on a written agreement and handed his political rival the double cross. The double statement comes today from an authoritative source that can be accepted, that Robb's report never referred to the collectorship in any way. If Hoskins continues in office, it will be for reasons entirely independent. The friends of O G Bailey claim that he has Rollins' endorsement on the collectorship.

WAGONER'S BREACH OF PROMISE.

The general opinion here is that the President has treated L Clint Wagoner pretty shabbily and that the latter either has cause for action for mental anguish or breach of promise. There is no question about the President's promise to him that he should be made marshal. He did so in the presence of twenty-three men (all of Blackburn's flying squadron) and the fact is recalled that as the party was leaving the White House Mr Roosevelt stepped up to Wagoner, and tapping him on the shoulder said, "You needn't worry; you will be appointed marshal." The President's double act towards Wagoner is not explained by any of his champions or admirers.

LOTS OF MAD REPUBLICANS.

There were lots of very mad Republicans, though, who did much talking. One of them said: "It looks like this man Robb is running

politics in North Carolina. If this is to be his game, he ought to consult some one else besides Judge Boyd. It might be a good idea to elect Boyd chairman of our State committee. Then we could get all our politics from the bench and patronage through the Department of Justice."

CLAUDIUS IS NAMED.

The President kept his word in the case of Claude Dockery and sent to the Senate his nomination, which afforded no little relief to organization Republicans generally. The faithful had begun to get on the ragged edge about Dockery's appointment, because of the delay in sending it to the Senate.—T J Pence in News & Observer.

GRADED SCHOOL HONOR ROLL.

Names of Students Meriting Note for excellent Work

FIRST GRADE.

Carrie Burrows, Claudius Crater, Ruth McPherson, Pearl Way, Etta Glasgow, Ernest Spencer, Lila Slack, Nettie Newby, Rush Lassiter, Laura Jones, Joe Hendrix, Frank Fox, Simon Fox, George Betts, Lela Aiken, John Brittain.

SECOND GRADE.

Arthur Presnell, Mabel Spoon, Lucile Scarboro, Harvey Rodgers, John Plummer, Jessie Wood, Carl Hoover, Kate Brittain, John Plummer, Clara Presnell.

THIRD GRADE.

Fred McPherson, Guy Aiken, Clarence McPherson, Fanny Newby, Tom Wood, Everette Newby, Lillian Hendrix, Ila Aiken.

FOURTH GRADE.

Mildred Birkhead, Eulah Glasgow, Mary Hannah.

FIFTH GRADE.

Mattie Kivett.

SIXTH GRADE.

Lynette Swain, Enolie Presnell, Mamie Morris, Annie Fox, Ernest Williams.

SEVENTH GRADE.

Grace Wood, Lela Hall, Blanche Anderson, Lollie Jones.

EIGHTH GRADE.

Mona Rush, Blanch Spoon, Grady Miller, John Sexton, Daniel Sharpe.

NINTH GRADE.

Marietta Betts, Blanche Coffin, Mullie Rush, Henry Ingram, Roscoe Miller.

DOUBLE HOMICIDE.

Ave Darr, a Drunken Vagabond of Lexington Shoots and Kills Section Master Hughes Near Thomasville.

Thomasville, Feb 6.—A double homicide occurred this afternoon about 5 o'clock, two miles north of Thomasville. The facts are as follows: When W D Hughes, a railroad section boss was preparing to return to town from work on his dump with his hands, three white men coming from the direction of High Point walking, whose names are Spencer, of High Point, Lookabill and Ave Darr, of Lexington, the last named being drunk, asked Mr Hughes to let them ride to town on the dump. He would not consent telling Darr he was drunk. They were left behind but when the force stopped again to repair the track, Darr overtook them, renewed the quarrel during which he drew out a heavy pistol and shot Mr Hughes three times. At this point Big Jim Hunt, a tall negro, one of Mr Hughes hands got possession of the pistol after wrestling with Darr, who attempted to make his escape when the negro shot him. In a very short time both Hughes and Darr were dead.

Dr Mock and Esquire Keen were sent for immediately but both men were dead before they reached the scene. The boddies were brought to town and delivered to the undertaker. Mr Hughes was a fine man and considered a good, inoffensive citizen. He was 30 years of age. It is well known by a number of citizens of Asheboro, where he formerly worked. Mr Hughes is a brother of Mr S A Hughes, of Spero.

We have never seen any one who had a form to which the addition of angel's wings would be becoming.

SCHOOLS IN FRANKLINVILLE TOWNSHIP.

Progress Made During the Past Five Years. The Passing of the Old Log School in Franklinsville.

Last week the Courier presented an article relating to education generally in Randolph County and with suggestions for the improvement of the system. This week we present statistics from Franklinsville township representing the improvements made in that township during the last five years. In 1900 there were seven white public school to every five square miles of territory. Now there are



NEW PUBLIC SCHOOL AT CEDAR FALLS.

last year was \$1451.60. The enrollment in 1900 was 418; last year it was 511. One of the communities in this township which has received much benefit from these improvements is



MR. O. R. COX, CEDAR FALLS.

only five schools in the township, an average of one for each seven square miles of territory, or less than half the amount of territory embraced in one of the old original districts which were laid out four miles square. Consequently the changes have not yet worked a hardship on anybody as compared with the distance in the original districts. In 1900 there were seven teachers in the township. They were teaching school in seven school houses valued at about \$1000 which was twice as much as the property in the township is worth. Now the public school property in the township is worth \$4950. In nineteen hundred the 7



The Above is a Picture of the old Ferrees School House; Below is the Old Cedar Falls School House. These Were Consolidated in the New Building.



FOX HUNTERS OFF.

A large party of Randolph sportsmen went to Jackson Springs Monday to participate in a fox hunt to last a week. They carried with them a large pack of hounds to furnish music for the occasion. Among the party were Messrs Robt Millikan and Sidney Hughes, of Spero, Thos Farlow and Lem English, of Hoyle, Jim Lassiter, Worth Garner and Burk Thornburg, of Lassiter, and Jesse Lassiter and J C Davis, of Asheboro. At Blacoe they were joined by Mr J Reece Blair, of Troy. A lively time is anticipated. A poor man always smiles when a railroad train pulls out and leaves a rich man who fails to get there on time.

JURORS FOR MARCH TERM.

Commissioners Met Monday—Will Build Bridge Across Deep River.

The Board of County Commissioners were in session at the Court House Monday, being present H T Caviness, chairman; H G Lassiter and A N Bulla.

The regular routine of allowing claims against the county with other matters were dispensed with.

The following jurors were drawn for the March Term of Randolph Superior Court: A J Craven, Richland; C F Kirkman, Liberty; J W Marley, Richland; S C Cranford, Concord; W R Graves, Richland; M L Fogleman, Liberty; Lewis Jarrett, Randleman; Orlando Chrisco, Brower; M W Wood, Providence; J M Wright, Grant; D C Pool, Cedar Grove; H B Carter, Columbia; H L Miller, Back Creek; M Charles Cranford, New Hope; C F Arnold, Franklinsville; D A Hancock, Union; G W Way, Liberty; S W Kearns, Concord; M H Allied, Providence; Joseph B Hinshaw, Providence; S E Way, Asheboro; J H Johnson, Concord; J F Craven, Coleridge; Jno L Cox, Grant; M R Moffitt, Cedar Grove; W T Bryant, Randleman; S W Wall, New Market; L C Elliott, New Hope; G P Bray, Pleasant Grove; J C Wright, Grant; W E Nelson, Franklinsville; W G Surratt, New Hope; B M Caviness, Pleasant Grove; C L Johnson, Trinity; John Kearns, Cedar Grove; C L Luther, Union.

SECOND WEEK.

T W Ingram, New Hope; Wm Chrisco, Richland; W D Fields, Providence; N P Nelson, Back Creek; C W Slack, Randleman; T M Brady, Pleasant Grove; G H Richardson, Tabernacle; S W Cox, Grant; W J Scarboro, Asheboro; T Siler, Providence; E M Allen, Grant; E L Tomlinson, New Market; J C Kirkman, Liberty; John Wright, Columbia; Benj. Cox, Columbia; J A Patterson, Franklinsville; W M Cheek, Coleridge; W B Richardson, Asheboro.

The board also ordered that a bridge be built across Deep River in Brower township near the property of W S Gardner for which the board agrees to pay \$2,000 when the same is completed and accepted.

\$21,000 Worth of Horses and Mules Sold.

The first sale conducted by Penny Brothers and Company's horse and mule exchange was held Monday at their stables in Greensboro. One hundred and seventy-five horses and mules were sold and the aggregate amount of the sale was \$21,000. The highest price paid for any one horse was \$240.

WORLD'S OLDEST ENGINEER

Died in New York, Buried in Asheville.

Salisbury, Feb. 5.—The body of Capt Lester Aldrich, one of the oldest locomotive engineers in the world, was brought from New York to Salisbury, thence to Asheville Tuesday. Capt Thomas Murphy, a conductor on the Western North Carolina branch and a nephew of Mr Aldrich, had a message announcing the latter's death and accompanied the body to Asheville.

Engineer Aldrich was remarkable man and recently commemorated his ninety-first anniversary. Up to his 85th birthday the spring of youth characterized his movement. His health began to fail him shortly afterwards.

Mr Aldrich lived there twenty years. He then owned the old "car shop" before the State leased the road and this was the largest repair works in the State. He was a fine mechanic and made the shop famous. The State took his property and the veteran engineer went back to the road and up to his abandonment of the service, twelve years ago, he ran a yard engine on the Asheville station ground. He was married more than fifty years ago to Miss Chunn, a sister of Dr Locke Chunn, who died many years ago. There are numerous relatives in Salisbury and Rowan county bearing his name.

A meeting of the Asheboro School Board was held last night in the office of Col A C McAlister for the purpose of considering the erection of the new Graded School in the early spring. It was decided to issue the \$10,000 in bonds and place them on the market at once and architects were notified to present plans for the new building as early as possible.

IMPORTANT SCHOOL CONFERENCE.

Meeting Held at Randleman Saturday to Promote Work on County Education.

The meeting of the Association of High Schools at Randleman last Saturday was an important one. Plans were laid which, when carried out, will place Randolph county in the fore front of the educational movement in North Carolina.

There have been two serious hindrances to the best work in the schools: One is a lack of uniformity in the course of study in the different schools; the other is the great difference in the standard of work required. These two obstacles to progress the Association hopes to remove.

At this meeting a committee was appointed, consisting of Messrs Chas M Staley, of the Asheboro Graded School; J L Harris, of the Randleman Graded School; and K H McIntyre, of Farmer Institute, to prepare a course of study, high enough to admit to the State University and at the same time elective in some branches, and to report to the next meeting of the Association to be held in Asheboro some time in March.

Also a committee was appointed to report on the advisability of preparing a uniform set of examination questions to be given in the schools comprising the association—these questions to be based on the college entrance requirements.

There are many teachers in this county who are anxious to have the time come when the schools of Randolph county will be recognized as the equal of those in any county in the state. And to aid in doing this is the prime object of the Association of High Schools.

ALBEMARLE NEWS.

New Club Founded—Land Purchases—Other News.

Albemarle, N C, Feb. 3.—A new social and commercial club is being organized this week at Albemarle composed of the leading business men, who have the welfare of the town at heart. The nature of the club will be to look after the interests of the town as well as provide a place of social gatherings and reading rooms. A charter will be asked for with in the next few days.

The Stanley County Loan & Trust Co. are moving into their elegant new building, corner of Main and Second Streets.

The Albemarle Real Estate and Insurance Co. have purchased some twenty-five acres of land in the Southern part of the town and will have it laid off in lots for the purpose of building houses and developing that portion of the town.

Mrs J V Hunter Entertains.

The members of the Randolph Book Club were entertained at the home of Mrs J V Hunter on Main street on Friday from 4 to 6 p m.

Miss Daisy Page read an interesting paper on the Royal family of England beginning with the House of Lancaster and going through the Tudors. Miss Erwin also read a paper on Oliver Cromwell which was splendidly prepared and very much enjoyed. Each member of the club had read up on Cromwell and discussed his life, character and peculiarities. Mrs Hunter had also arranged a Literary Contest which embraced a number of noted authors and poets. Miss Frances Creight, of Winstboro, S C, gave several readings, selections from James Whitcomb Riley, Dorothy Dix and Ruth McEnery Stuart after which delicious refreshments were served.

Mrs J D Simpson Entertains in Honor of Miss Creight.

Mrs J D Simpson gave a thimble party at her home on South Fayetteville street last week in honor of Miss Creight, of Winstboro, S C. Several ladies were present who did fancy work, and kept the "conversation ball" rolling. Miss Creight entertained the party with delightful readings some of which were "Miranda on Higher Education" "Should a woman propose" by Dorothy Dix and "Nothing to say" by James Whitcomb Riley. Dainty refreshments were served. Mrs Simpson kept up her usual reputation as hostess.