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## CHANGE IN FEDERAL OFFICERS.

**Geo. H. Brown Named to Succeed H. S. Harkins, Collector.**  
Washington Cor. Charlotte Observer, 19th.

It was foretold in these dispatches Sunday that some changes were scheduled to take place among the Federal office-holders of North Carolina. This statement was made advisedly. President Roosevelt today transmitted to the Senate the nomination of George H. Brown, the Statesville banker, to succeed Collector Harkins, of the western internal revenue district. Mr. Brown's appointment to this office, one of the two large Federal offices in the State, carrying a salary almost as large as that received by members of Congress, and with much patronage, was made at the instance of Congressman Blackburn.

The newly elected Chairman Adams was here recently. Mr. Adams circulated around and got acquainted, and assured his friends that he had been given a most pleasant audience by the President, all of which may be true, but it seems that no one even showed him the courtesy of telling him what was about to happen. In fact, and would almost gather the impression that Mr. Adams' recently acquired honors will carry no material advantage further than the privilege of paying postage on correspondence with small postmasters outside of the eighth district.

At the Treasury Department the officials were not communicative when questioned regarding the suddenness of this new turn of affairs. One of the clerks said that Mr. Harkins' term had expired and that it had been deemed expedient to make a change, but this explanation hardly explains when it is recalled that Mr. Harkins only renewed his bond a few weeks ago, and that he announced that he did not have the least notion of resigning. The belief obtains that Secretary Shaw very gently but firmly invited him to walk the plank.

## Parkton News Notes.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Timmons returned Wednesday from Rocky Mount, where they had been visiting for a few days.

Mrs. M. A. Malloy spent Tuesday in Fayetteville.

Mr. Murphy McMillan has given up his place as clerk for Parkton Mercantile Company to engage in the saw mill business with his uncle, Mr. Hector Bethune.

On Sunday afternoon Miss Flora McRainey and Mr. John Hall, from near St. Pauls, drove over to Hope Mills and were married by Rev. S. J. Baker.

The incessant rains of last week greatly hindered the farmers with their crops.

Mr. Alex Thaggard, of Pembroke, is visiting friends and relatives in this community.

The sixteen-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Beard died Sunday evening and was buried at the McNatt cemetery Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock. We extend sympathies to the bereaved parents.

Mr. R. J. Rivers has the contract to build the dam across Gaulberry Swamp. This will be a great convenience to the traveling public along the Parkton and Willis Creek road.

Mr. J. R. Chason is the first man to report cotton blossoms June 20th. Who can come up to this?

Dr. Thompson, of Lumberton, came over last week to see his little children who are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Taylor Fisher. Parkton, N. C., June 20th.

Jeff Nelson, colored, sentenced from Guilford county in 1893 to serve 60 years for larceny and burning, escaped from the penitentiary farm a few days ago.

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## Brewer-McKenzie.

The following account of the recent marriage of Miss Maie McKenzie, daughter of County Treasurer McKenzie, and Mr. W. O. Brewer, is from the Levy Times-Democrat, published at Bronson, Fla., and will be read with interest by her friends in this county:

Lennon was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Wednesday morning of last week at 9 o'clock, when Mr. W. O. Brewer and Miss Maie McKenzie pledged themselves to fare life's way together, Dr. Waddel, of Archer, pronouncing the holy bans.

The only invited guests present were Mrs. J. B. Peacock, sister of the groom, and R. C. Epperson, of Williston, and W. P. Pinnell, of Bronson.

Mr. Brewer thought he was keeping his approaching marriage a profound secret from his friends, but they all knew it, some of them weeks ahead, and they were therefore ready with good wishes for the happy pair.

The groom is a popular young man belonging to one of the oldest and best families of our county, being a son of Hon. and Mrs. E. H. Brewer, of Williston. He is engaged in the naval stores business at Romeo.

The bride is a sweet young lady, noted for her graces of head and heart. She belongs to one of the leading families of North Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. Brewer drove to Archer and took the train for St. Augustine, and will visit North Carolina before going to house-keeping.

## New Law Firm.

The following announcements have been received here:

H. L. Godwin and N. A. Townsend hereby announce that they have this day formed a partnership under the style of Godwin and Townsend for the general practice of law, with offices in the town of Dunn, Harnett county, North Carolina. Prompt attention will be given to all business entrusted to their care June eighth, nineteen hundred and six.

Mr. H. L. Godwin, the senior member of the firm, is well known to our people and has many friends in this county. He was presidential elector from this district in 1904 and in his canvass spoke at many places in the county.

Mr. N. A. Townsend is a native Robesonian. He is a brother of Mr. Ira B. Townsend, of this town, and of Mr. B. O. Townsend, of Raynham, and has a number of relatives and friends here. He is a graduate of the State University, and recently completed the law course there. He is a young man of fine character and intelligence, and The Robesonian wishes for him in his new home the fullest measure of success.

## Pembroke Supply Company.

The State has chartered the Pembroke Supply Co., of Pembroke, this county. The new concern will deal in general merchandise, fertilizers, wagons, carts, buggies, harness, fresh meats, horses, mules, cattle, and all other kinds of live stock and real estate. The authorized capital stock is \$50,000 in shares of \$10 each and the company begins business with \$750 paid in the incorporators Messrs. D. F. Lowery, J. A. Oxendine, E. Lowery, Jesse Jones, H. H. Lowery and Wharton Oxendine, of Elrod; James Cummings, of Pembroke; H. B. Locklear, W. H. Godwin, Daniel Locklear and W. S. Lowery, of Buie; J. E. Jacobs and Richard Hunt, of McDonald; Riley Jones, H. Revels, J. E. Dial, Fuller Locklear and M. L. Lowery, of Lumberton; J. P. W. Hatcher, of Pate; Luther Oxendine and W. M. Lowery, of Maxton; E. H. Hunt, of Ashpole.

Longest days of 1906.

## NEW PRINCIPAL.

**Mr. R. E. Sentelle Elected to Succeed Prof. Vann.**  
Correspondence of The Robesonian.

At a meeting of the town school board, composed of Messrs. Stephen McIntyre, R. D. Caldwell, Frank Gough, Q. T. Williams and L. H. Caldwell, Mr. R. E. Sentelle, of near Waynesville, was elected to succeed Prof. Vann as principal of Robeson Institute. His formal acceptance has not yet been arranged.

Mr. Sentelle has been teaching at Elizabeth City and is well known in Lumberton.

Miss Mary Watson, formerly teacher in the Robeson Institute but for the past year teacher at Riverton, will have charge of the primary department next term. She has been elected and has accepted.

## The Lawn Party.

Twenty-six dollars was realized from the party given on the court house lawn Tuesday night by the Missionary Gleamers of the Presbyterian church.

As we stated in a previous issue, the entertainment was to raise funds to be applied to building "Little Joe's Church" at Barium Springs. The lawn was lighted by Japanese lanterns and several tables were placed about the yard on which cream and cake were served. A well of lemonade was provided and from all sources the amount of the receipts resulted. Those in charge of the entertainment did everything they could to make the occasion pleasant to those who were present. The little folks had a big time, as well as the older ones who also contributed to the success with their means.

The young ladies who served at the tables were: Misses Courtney Nunn, Agnes McLean, Flora Wishart, Sadie Harrison, Alice Barker, Maria Nash, Cammie McNeill.

## Powell Granted New Trial.

The Supreme Court has granted a new trial in the case of State vs. Powell, of Robeson. This is the case in which Sylvester Powell, colored, a merchant across the river, was indicted for retailing intoxicating liquor. He sold some concoction that made drunk.

The reasons for the new trial are:

(1) In a bill of indictment for retailing intoxicating liquor the words "willfully and unlawfully" or words of equivalent import should be used, though such language is not found in the statute.

(2) In an indictment for retailing intoxicating liquor, evidence of the defendant that the article purchased by him was known as "soft drink," and that he had a guaranty from the manufacturer that it was non-alcoholic and non-intoxicating, that the agent of the manufacturer furnished him with what purported to be a statement from the Commissioner of Internal Revenue that it was not taxable, that he purchased it in good faith and in the full belief that it contained no alcohol: that he received it on the 5th day of the month, sold only one day, bearing it was charged to be intoxicating he immediately closed it, and shipped it to the manufacturer, was competent to show that the defendant did not knowingly sell intoxicating liquor, that in doing so he was acting under a mistake of fact.

(3) A mistake of fact neither induced nor accompanied by any fault or omission of duty, excuses the otherwise criminal act which it prompts.

(4) When the statute does not make knowledge or intent an essential element the State may, upon proof of the commission of the act, rest and rely upon the presumption that knowledge is in accord with the fact. The duty then devolves upon the defendant to show the exculpatory facts.

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## MARRIAGE AT MAXTON.

**Miss Currie and Mr. McKinnon The Contracting Parties.**  
Correspondence of The Robesonian.

At 7 o'clock this morning, at the home of the bride's parents here, Miss Manie Currie and Mr. L. W. McKinnon, both of this place, were happily married. The ceremony was performed by Dr. H. G. Hill, in his usual inimitable style, a number of friends and relatives being present.

Mrs. R. M. Williams rendered the wedding march. The only attendants were Miss Graham, maid of honor, and Dr. L. R. Kirkpatrick, best man. The shaded parlor was appropriately decorated with flowers and greenery and the scene during the ceremony was quite impressive. Although no formal invitations were sent out, a large number of handsome presents were received. After a wedding breakfast, Mr. and Mrs. McKinnon boarded the early train en route for the mountains.

Of these young people, who seem auspiciously united, it may well be said that they are both highly regarded and very popular here. The bride, who possesses in a rare degree those qualities of mind and heart which so enable womanhood, is a young lady of much beauty of person, fine intellect, and sterling worth. Of Mr. McKinnon, the groom, who as a man stands correspondingly high, suffice it to say that his worth is best attested by the wedding of his bride.

Maxton, N. C., June 21st.

## Maxton Briefs.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McCaskill, Jr., made a short visit to Bennettsville recently.

Miss Katie Thompson, a popular teacher of the Maxton graded school, has gone to Knoxville, Tenn., to attend the summer school of the South.

Mr. A. J. McKinnon went to Statesville the first of the week, accompanying Miss Thompson a part of her journey to Knoxville.

Mr. F. L. Black has just returned from Davidson, where he has been spending a few days with his parents.

Mr. Hubert Ramseur and Lamar McCallum returned Sunday afternoon from a brief pleasure excursion to parts unknown.

Mr. Chas. Gibson, of McColl, S. C., came over recently and spent the day with his sister, Miss Gertrude Gibson, Maxton's capable and popular lady pharmacist.

Mr. R. T. Cecil is conducting a business school here now, penmanship and book-keeping being the specialties.

Mr. H. B. Smith, formerly of Lumber, S. C., who has been working as a salesman in the mercantile establishment of Mr. J. W. Carter, is no longer in that position and is leaving town this week.

Miss Sallie McLean is making a visit to friends in Monroe. She expects to be away several weeks.

Miss Bessie McNair has just returned from a trip to New York and other Northern cities. She gives an interesting account of her travels.

Miss Martha Wiswall, of Washington, N. C., is with her daughter, Mrs. J. S. McRae.

Mrs. Lizzie Thompson was over at Gibson this week. Mr. B. F. McLean was also there recently to see his relatives.

Miss Hallie Austin, of Red Springs, was here en passant Wednesday.

Miss McEachin, of Lumber Bridge, is a guest at the home of Mrs. M. M. McKinnon.

Mr. D. R. Caddell, of the Old Fork neighborhood, was exhibiting a new cotton bloom Tuesday, the first seen here this year. Mr. Caddell is ever in the van.

Friends of Rev. P. R. Law note with regret his retirement as an editorial correspondent of The Robesonian. His writings have afforded pleasant food for thought for a long time.

Mr. W. H. Humphrey is here at this writing.  
Maxton, N. C., June 20th.

## TWO MOTHERS ANSWER CALL.

**Mrs. J. T. Bryant, of Lumberton, and Mrs. J. T. Kinlaw, of Howellsville Township, Die Suddenly.**

Mrs. J. T. Bryant died very suddenly at her home in Lumberton yesterday afternoon at a short while before 5 o'clock, death resulting from heart trouble.

Mrs. Bryant had been a sufferer from valvular heart trouble for some time but she had gone about her duties as usual. Apparently there was nothing to indicate that her condition was more critical up to even a few minutes before the end came. She had been seated at her machine, doing some sewing. This finished, she arose from the chair and started to move across the room. Suddenly the summons came and she only had time to call to her daughter before she breathed her last. Dr. N. A. Thompson responded to the call but she was dead when he arrived.

Deceased was born in Virginia. She had lived in Duplin county, this State, for twenty-five years when she moved to Lumberton about five years ago. She was 55 years old. Of the immediate family surviving are a daughter, Miss Jennie Bryant, and five sons. The sons are: Messrs. J. N. Bryant, of Petersburg, Va.; A. W. Bryant, Newberne; E. T. Bryant, Scotts Hill; A. P. Bryant, Arringdale, Va., and W. H. Bryant, of Lumberton. Her husband, two brothers and two sisters also survive. The brothers and sisters live in Virginia.

The remains, accompanied by members of the family that were at home and several friends, were taken to Wilmington last night and will be taken to Wallace, Duplin county, today for interment in the family graveyard.

Mrs. Bryant was a consistent member of the Methodist church and took great interest in church work. In the home she was a devoted wife and mother. She realized that the end was not far off and was ready for it.

MRS. J. T. KINLAW.

Mrs. J. T. Kinlaw, of Howellsville township, died during the night Tuesday night. She was about 60 years old. Tuesday and when she retired that night she was apparently in her usual health. When her husband awoke yesterday morning she was dead.

Mrs. Kinlaw was a Miss Allen. Her husband and several children survive. The interment was in the Kinlaw graveyard.

## Death of Mrs. Nancy Kinlaw.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Our community was shocked this morning by the news sent out that Mrs. Nancy Kinlaw, wife of Mr. J. Tally Kinlaw, was found dead in bed.

Mrs. Kinlaw had been unwell about three weeks, but was up going about as usual, and lay down feeling as well as common the night before. Next morning Mr. Kinlaw woke up at his usual hour. Mrs. Kinlaw had not woken up; he called her, but she did not answer him. He caught her by the hand and soon discovered that she was dead. Mrs. Kinlaw was 61 years of age and had been a member of Zion's Tabernacle Baptist church for many years. She has left a true husband and five children, two boys and three girls, Mr. Warren and Mr. Foster, both industrious young men, and Mrs. J. M. Roberts, Mrs. C. A. Brown and Mrs. W. H. Batten.

She will be buried at 10 o'clock tomorrow at the Allen graveyard. Rev. R. L. Byrd has been sent for to preach the funeral.

Howellsville, N. C., June 20th.

Thornton Rowland, of Raleigh, has been appointed a director of the State School for the Blind at Raleigh, to succeed J. A. Briggs, resigned.

## LOCAL BRIEFS.

**Mr. J. K. Butler, of the Parker Railway News Bureau, of Tifton, Ga., was in Lumberton Wednesday en route to St. Pauls to spend awhile with his brother, Mr. J. M. Butler.**

The first cotton blossoms that we have seen or had our fingers on this season were sent in this morning by Mr. Charlie Odum, who lives about seven miles from town. There is a red one and a white one.

Mr. G. B. Costin, of Lumberton, assistant superintendent of the Metropolitan Insurance Co., has the honor of standing third out of fifteen leading assistant superintendents in the Southern territory based on amount of increase.

Among interesting rumors along political lines here now is one to the effect that Mr. B. F. McLean, of Maxton, is being talked of and is a receptive candidate for the judgeship of this judicial district on the Republican ticket.

Mr. D. W. Bullock announces himself in this issue as a candidate for re-election to the office of register of deeds. He has served the county in this capacity for the past two years and so far there is no avowed candidate to oppose him.

Miss Nell Sarratt, of Charlotte, gave a brake ride Monday evening complimentary to Miss Bessie McAllister, of Washington, Ga., and Dr. D. S. Caldwell, of Concord. Miss McAllister visited here, leaving a few days ago for Charlotte.

Mr. R. M. Bullard, of Laurinburg, has accepted a position here as operator at the depot and began his new duties Wednesday. He succeeds Mr. R. C. Birmingham, who has been promoted to chief billing clerk in the Seaboard office at Wilmington.

Mr. James B. Richardson, of Gaffney, S. C., died a few days ago in a hospital in Atlanta. He was engaged in business at Madison, Ga., when taken ill. Deceased was well known in Lumberton, where he bought cotton for two or three seasons.

At a meeting of St. Alban's Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, No. 114, Tuesday night the following officers were elected: J. P. McNeill, worshipful master; J. T. Biggs, senior warden; E. J. Britt, junior warden; J. P. Stansel, treasurer; Dr. J. D. Regan, secretary.

## The Dewberry Crop.

Moore County News.

The dewberry season is now on in full blast and something like two car loads are being shipped from here daily, and the prices are holding up very well, the last shipment bringing 12 cents per quart. A car load of berries contains on an average of 200 crates of 32 quarts to the crate, which at 12 cents per quart brings the gross amount of \$768, and the two cars daily fetch an aggregate of upwards of \$1,500. This means turning loose among the pickers daily over \$125. Other sections of the county are doing as well or better, and this crop is the means of putting in circulation quite a little sum of money at what is considered the dull season of the year.

C. T. Watson, a man of some prominence in his county, died suddenly of apoplexy near Newbern, some time between Friday and Monday. His dead body was found in the woods near there Sunday. He disappeared on Friday.

It has been announced that the salary of seventeen postmasters in the State will be increased the first of next year. The Lumberton postmaster's salary will be increased from \$1,600 to \$1,700. The postmaster at Maxton will receive \$1,500 instead of \$1,400.

## SAD DEATH AT ASHPOLE.

**Sunbeams to Give Entertainment—Masonic Officers Installed.**  
Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Mr. Wright Jones, of Mt. Olive, is visiting his son, F. C. Jones. Mrs. C. B. Thompson expects to go to Wilmington this week to have her eyes treated.

Walter Hocutt, of Conway, visited his sister, Mrs. John Fisher, last week.

P. B. Thompson attended the Southern Sunday School Institute at Wrightsville Beach and had a much enjoyable time.

The Sunbeam Society of the Baptist church is practicing for a public exercise.

Masters James and George Galloway are visiting relatives in Smithfield.

We are extremely sorry to report the death by typhoid fever of Miss Incie McKenzie, whose illness was reported last week. The only daughter of her parents, she will be more than usually missed. Incie was one of our nicest and prettiest misses, just budding into womanhood and all her young mates are sad to give her up.

The corner stone of the graded school building is to be laid with Masonic ceremony and no doubt will be very interesting.

Mrs. David McLean and children, of Alma, are visiting J. H. Floyd.

Miss Chat Ashley, of Boardman, spent a few days this week with Mrs. F. S. Floyd.

Dr. N. A. Thompson, of Lumberton, grand master Mason, was out Monday night and installed the new officers of Ashpole Lodge. After the ceremony was concluded the Masons and their invited guests partook of delightful refreshments provided by the kindness of the lodge and a very pleasant social hour was spent.

Mrs. John Pate, of Buies, visited J. E. Thompson the first of the week.

Mrs. R. A. Pitman has returned from a delightful visit to McDonalds.

Mr. Glenn Ashley, of Boardman, spent Monday night in town.

The venerable father of Rev. W. W. Willis, who came to live with him a short while since, is in very feeble health.

Rev. J. B. Jackson and family have gone to Asheville for a vacation.

Ashpole, N. C., June 20th.

## Raft Swamp Notes.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Mrs. M. F. Hodges, Sr., and Mrs. Joe Brigman returned home last Friday from a week's visit to relatives in Scotland county.

Mrs. F. F. Townsend is home from Raleigh, where she has been in a hospital for some time. She is very much improved.

Mr. W. L. Parham spent last Thursday and Friday in Fayetteville with relatives.

Glad to report Mrs. Elizabeth Baxley very much improved since our last report. We hope she will soon recover completely.

Mr. Jas. A. Parham, of Fayetteville, spent Sunday here with relatives and friends.

Mr. W. H. Humphrey filled Rev. Z. Paris' place at Moss Neck Sunday evening, a large crowd being present.

Lowe, N. C., June 18th.

## Dr. and Mrs. Edmund in Accident.

Dr. and Mrs. W. O. Edmund were victims of an accident last night that might have resulted much more serious.

The town is digging a sewer ditch along North Elm street. It is between five and six feet deep in places. There were no lights out to warn or guide passersby last night. Dr. and Mrs. Edmund drove into one of the deepest places. The horse fell in and the buggy was precipitated. The occupants were considerably shaken up and Dr. Edmund's arm was hurt. The horse had to be dug out.