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GREAT IS THE ROBESONIAN CONTEST.

Standing of the Contestants will Be Published For the First Time Next Thursday--How Will Your Contestant Stand?

Soaring upward upon untiring wings into the thousands, two of the ambitious contestants have simply gone by the "speed limit." That's right; good-natured rivalry is the spice of a race, and it is pleasing to note a feeling of fellowship existing between the contestants and their various friends in spite of the strong competition.

Next Thursday we will publish the standing of the contestants for the first time. How will your votes count? Will your name be at the top of the list, or will it be at the bottom? Now is the time to make the best show. If you have not turned all the subscriptions that you have in, be sure and do so before the standing is published. The box will be closed after six o'clock Wednesday afternoon, so don't fail to be at the head of the list.

For the past two weeks several of our contestants have been putting forth their best efforts, and when the standing is announced they of course will be in the lead, but the next several weeks are the ones that are going to count in the end. Those that have started out with a bounce are the ones that will count most in the start, but the ones that start out with the determination to win will be the ones that will tell in the end, and that is what counts most. The count that will be made at the close of the contest will decide who is the winner, and that is where you want to count the most. Isn't it well, the only way to be the one to win is to work and work hard, show your friends that you are in earnest, show them that you are determined to win, ask them to support you—they will do it, and will be glad to do so; but if there is one who will play "traitor" do not be discouraged, for he does not belong on your list of friends. So just put a mark through his name and go on to the next fellow. Don't be a receptive contestant—the way to win a prize worth your time

is to go at it with a "will to do and to have." Don't hide yourself away in a corner and wait for some one to pull you out to give you votes.

The Value of Time.

This matter of time is curious. Time is a man-made thing. Man has picked out an arbitrary portion from eternity, set it aside and said, "This is time."

The curious thing about it is, that for a man-made institution it is so impartially distributed. The rich man and the poor man alike have an hour of sixty minutes, a day of twenty-four hours, and a week of seven days.

No amount of wealth can change this. There is no class privilege.

Napoleon had only 24 hours in each day, but at the age when most of us are simply novices in the game of life, he was master of Europe.

Such colossal figures of statecraft as Gladstone and Bismarck had only twenty-four hours in each day, but each directed the business of an empire.

What business man would not give much for the ability to do in two days what they did in one?

This ability to use time effectively is so surely a characteristic of every great man that it is beyond question a necessity in making any career a success—this knack of making every minute count. To get the best value of your time, work systematically, make a list of your friends and acquaintances and solicit their subscription. After you have obtained each one's subscription for one, two, or, if possible, five years, then get them to help you get more. Get your friends in your town to go with you and call on their friends, and so on, until you have thoroughly worked the entire city and country. If you do this perseveringly there is no way for you not to win one of the prizes.

NOMINATION COUPON

The first one of these coupons sent in for each contestant, entitles them to 1,000 free votes. Only one of these coupons will be allowed to each contestant.)

I nominate Mr. Mrs. or Miss _____
Of _____ State _____
as a candidate in The Robesonian contest.
Nominated by _____
of _____ State _____

While it is not absolutely necessary that a coupon be used, it will facilitate matters to send one for each contestant. Under no circumstances will the nominator's name be divulged. Robesonian Contest Manager.

FREE VOTING COUPON:

EXPIRES Sat. Oct. 8.

This is a separate vote from the nominating coupon. As many may be sent in each week for each contestant as can be collected.

This coupon entitles _____
Of _____ N. C.

To 25 votes in The Robesonian Popularity contest. This coupon must be in office by Saturday noon of each week.

SCALE OF VOTES.

Following is the scale of votes to be used in The Robesonian Voting Contest.

One year's subscription	\$1.50	1,500 votes
Two years'	3.00	3,000 "
Three "	4.50	5,000 "
Five "	7.50	8,000 "
Ten "	15.00	17,000 "
Twenty-five year "	37.50	30,000 "

CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS.

Meeting of Lumberton Civic Association—Various Plans for Improving Conditions On Foot—Committees Meet Tomorrow Evening.

A meeting of the Lumberton Civic Association was held in the reading room of the Commercial & Industrial Club Friday evening, this being the first meeting of the association, for various reasons, since the first Friday evening in July. At the request of the president, Mrs. R. D. Caldwell, Mr. A. W. McLean presided.

A full and comprehensive report was made by the secretary, Mrs. L. T. Townsend, showing that much good work had been accomplished up to the date of the last meeting. The report of the treasurer, Mrs. F. J. Thomas, showed that something over \$50 had been expended and a small balance in the treasury. The corresponding secretary, Mr. J. A. Sharpe, reported that he had remitted \$5 to the American Civic Association for membership, as instructed, and turned over to the secretary a card of membership in the national association and to the committee on program and publicity some literature that had been sent by the larger association. Mrs. W. J. Prevatt, chairman of the committee on factory betterment, reported through Mr. Prevatt that sanitary conditions at the factories are good and that the people want flag stations at the factories so that they may board trains without having to come to town. No other committees were ready to report.

Tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock all the committees of the association are requested to meet in the club reading room for the purpose of outlining some special work. At the suggestion of Mr. A. W. McLean the physicians and dentists of the town will be asked to meet with these committees to discuss a plan to examine all the school children of the town for defective sight, hearing, nasal organs and teeth. It is the purpose to have this done free of charge and to make a report to the parents. This is a work that will result in much good.

Mr. McLean stated that while he was in Raleigh Thursday he saw Dr. W. S. Rankin, secretary of the State Board of Health, and Dr. Rankin assured him that he would be glad to come to Lumberton and make an address on the subject of public health at any time that would suit the association. Friday evening, October 28, was decided upon, and Mr. S. McIntyre, of the committee on public health, has written Dr. Rankin asking him to be here on that date. Dr. Rankin will address a meeting in the court house which all will be asked to attend and his visit will be of great benefit to the town.

Various matters looking to public improvement were discussed—making some changes at the old cemetery near the Seaboard depot, installing a fountain at the graded school and doing away with the public drinking cup, paving Elm street, designating the streets with signs, paving side streets, compulsory connection with sewerage. It was suggested that the next General Assembly be asked for some legislation in regard to the old cemetery referred to, and this and other matters will be taken up at once.

Much good has been done by the association so far and vigorous efforts will be made this fall to further improve conditions. While there has been much sickness in the town recently, Mr. McIntyre pointed out that owing to weather conditions there would have been much more sickness, in the nature of things, but for the work that has been done by the association in cleaning up and insisting upon better sanitary conditions, and suggested that there should be another clean-up day this fall. He also threw out the suggestion that merchants should not use sidewalk for displaying their goods.

The commission form of government was mentioned and those present were inclined to think that that is really the most important reform the association should urge.

RED SPRINGS REVIEWS.

A Delightful Elocution Recital—Personal Mention.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Red Springs, Oct. 6.—Mr. James, of Laurinburg, was a visitor in Red Springs Friday.—Hon. D. P. McEachern spent a few days in Rowland this week with relatives.

Misses Carrie Belle and Margaret McNeill are visiting relatives in Burgaw this week. Their cousin Miss Cora Moore is to be married and they are to play the wedding march.

Mr. and Mrs. Atkins, of Richmond, Va., who were guests of Miss Fannie and Mr. and Mrs. Jones for several weeks, have returned to their home.—Miss McKay, of Maxton, spent Sunday in Red Springs.—Mrs. Fannie Marsh spent Monday in Laurinburg.—Mr. McArthur, of Jacksonville, Fla., is a visitor at Hotel Red Springs.—Miss Jones spent Monday in Fayetteville with Miss Jessie Singleton, who is in Highsmith hospital for treatment.—Little Miss Roselle McKinnon of Wake Forest is visiting her aunt Mrs. T. M. Cunningham.—Miss Georgia Pearsall has returned from Chicago and Cincinnati, where she had been visiting for several months. She had a lovely time and enjoyed her stay among the "Yankees."—Miss Wyatt McKinnon spent a few hours in Fayetteville Friday evening.—Miss Margaret Alderman is spending some time at the home of Mr. J. E. Purnell.—Messrs. Jack Blythe and William Wetzell, of Gastonia, are visitors in our town this week.—Miss Clara de Vane has returned to Norfolk, where she will again teach piano.

Miss Elizabeth Nickles gave a beautiful elocution recital in the college auditorium Monday evening. A large audience was assembled at the opening Monday and all greatly enjoyed the evening's entertainment. Miss Nickles is a skilled elocutionist and recited beautifully the well-chosen numbers on the program. One number should be mentioned especially, "The Passing of the White Swan." This was a pathetic poem and it almost moved the audience to tears. "The Discard" was very much enjoyed, as it was humorous and light. Miss Nickles was ably assisted by the college quartette, which is composed of Misses Britt, Brown, McDonald and Cloyd. They sang two beautiful songs which delighted their hearers. Miss Lillian Farquhar played a lovely sonata in her usual perfect and charming manner. The next recital will be the annual teacher's recital and will be given soon. We always enjoy these recitals and look forward to this one with great pleasure.

The ladies have had a big time this past week selecting hats, as the two millinery stores have had their openings this week.

Mr. Archie McEachern, of Savannah, Ga., is visiting his father, Mr. John McEachern.—Mrs. Jim Williams and daughters, Misses Annie Belle and Mary, spent Monday in Fayetteville shopping.—Mrs. Rodwell, of Florida, Ala., is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Sikes. Her daughter, Miss Myrtle, has entered the college and will be here this winter.

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Betterment Association Organized.

Reported for The Robesonian.

The Lumber Bridge high school Betterment Association was organized on September 2d. At this meeting the following officers were elected: President, Miss Kate Walker; vice president, Miss Margaret John; secretary, Miss Pauline Stamps; treasurer, Miss Lily Sykes.

Since its organization the association has had several meetings and on Friday night, September 23d, an ice-cream supper was given at which \$9.65 was realized. With this money the association expects to buy shades for the school windows.

The members of the Woman's Betterment Association have shown such an interest in the work that it is assured that the school will receive many improvements through it.

ST. PAUL PACKAGE.

Box Party and Voting Contest—Personal.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

St. Paul, Oct. 8.—Among those who attended the Woman's Union at Saddle Tree Wednesday were Mrs. D. B. Lancaster, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Townsend and Misses Lillian Clark and Maggie Plumber. They report a good meeting.

Miss Mary McGoogan went to Lumberton Monday to attend the burial of her cousin Mrs. Martir.

Supt. J. R. Poole passed through Saint Paul Monday visiting the schools of this section.

Miss Pearl Evans has gone to Fayetteville shopping today.

Mrs. Sallie Mitchell, of Fairmont, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Townsend this week.

Mr. John McGoogan and family, of Georgia, are here this week visiting relatives.

Miss Della McGoogan left Tuesday for New York, where she will be in school again this year.

The singing school conducted by Prof. Vestal is being well attended by both the young and married folks of the village. The instruction is good and the interest great.

On account of sickness Miss Flora Register, assistant in St. Paul high school, was unable to teach Friday. We hope she will be able to resume her work Monday.

Miss Fannie McArthur went to Fayetteville Tuesday shopping.

Everybody is cordially invited to come out to the school house Friday evening, Oct. 14th, at 8 o'clock. There will be a box party, voting contests, etc., the proceeds to go for the benefit of the library.

An Early Morning Police Call.

Night Policeman E. S. McNeill received a hurry call Saturday morning at 3 o'clock to go in haste to the home of Mr. Jno. D. McMillan, on Cedar street, where some men were said to be acting in a manner mighty curious. Policeman McNeill went in a run and when he got to the scene of the excitement he found Mr. McMillan at his front gate and near by Messrs. McNeill and McMillan found Mr. R. E. Lee partially dressed and with a lantern and Register of Deeds T. N. Highley in his bare feet, with nothing on save an anxious look and his unmentionables, stealthily crouching around with a gun; which gun in his marshal's hand Mr. Highley had fired once into the air by way of notice to any possible evil-doers that he was on their trail and with which he was prepared to do instant destruction. The innocent cause of all the trouble was a cow which the four men managed to round up, and then all was well.

Capt. W. P. Wood, of Randolph County, Nominated for State Auditor.

Capt. W. P. Wood, of Randolph county, was nominated Thursday night on the 17th ballot by the State Democratic committee for State Auditor to fill out the unexpired term of the late Major B. F. Dixon, the remaining portion of the term involved being two years from next January. There were 12 candidates placed before the committee, the lowest ones dropping out gradually until at the finish the ballot was: Wood, 28; Major E. J. Hale, of Cumberland, 21; E. F. Lovell, of Watauga, 5; W. T. R. Bell, of Rutherford, 1.

Four Minnesota Towns Wiped Off Map and Hundreds Perish in Forest Fire.

Warroad, Minn., Dispatch, 9th.

The towns of Beaudette, Spooner, Pitt and Graceton, Minn., are wiped off the map of Minnesota by the most terrible forest fire ever experienced by Minnesota settlers. The bodies of 75 victims have been found and it is thought the death rate will be upwards of 300. Wagon loads of bodies are being brought into Beaudette constantly.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

—Licenses have been issued for the marriage of Rachel Bowyer and T. A. McNeill; Amelia Allen and Z. V. Tolar.

—Mr. C. A. Babbit, of New Bern, is a new salesman in White & Gough's big department store. He began work last week.

—Mr. James Wooten, of Clarkton, has accepted a position as salesman for Mr. K. M. Biggs. He began work last week.

—Mr. Raymond Reynolds went this morning to Rowland, where he has accepted a position as salesman for the Rowland Drug Company.

—Mr. A. S. Tyner, who sold his farm near Moss Neck last week, will move to a farm near Lumber City, Ga., instead of Columbus City, as stated in Thursday's Robesonian.

—The candidates for office began their campaign rounds with the sheriff to day at Kingsdale. They will be at Orrum tomorrow, Barnesville Wednesday, Roger's store Thursday.

—Rev. A. E. Baker, pastor of the Presbyterian church, expects to leave tomorrow for Smithfield, where he will attend Presbytery. He will probably be away for a week or more.

—Thursday of this week, the 13th, is Yom Kippur, Day of Atonement, and will be observed by the Jews. Last Tuesday, as mentioned in The Robesonian, was new year's day, Rosh Hashanah, according to the Jewish calendar.

—Mr. C. S. Garrell expects to open tomorrow a meat market in the little new building on the corner of Fifth and Elm streets, in front of the court house. The building belongs to Dr. J. D. Regan. The carpenter expects to finish work today.

—Mr. and Mrs. Sam Edwards and infant son left yesterday for Burlington, where Mr. Edwards has accepted a position as printer with The News. Mr. Edwards has been with The Robesonian for several years and is a valuable man in his line of work.

—Receipts from stamp sales and box rent at the Lumberton postoffice for July, August and September last year amounted to \$1,840.96, while receipts for the same months this year reached the sum of \$2,699. This is the largest 3-months business in the history of the office.

—Rowland Sun: On account of the prevalence of diphtheria in the community, the Rowland school closed for two weeks. There have been several cases in town and while there is not much danger of an epidemic, the authorities thought it best for the school to stop until the scare is over. The time set for opening it again is Monday, the 17th.

—Coburn's minstrels will hold the boards at the opera house Wednesday evening. This is said to be one of the best, cleanest and most up-to-date shows on the road and it will be witnessed by a large crowd here. Reserved seats went on sale at McMillan's drug store this morning and from present indications it will be a case of some early to avoid the rush.

—Mr. R. Trotter, of the Radcliffe Entertainment Bureau of Washington, D. C., is spending a few days in Lumberton trying to sell season tickets for a course of six attractions during the fall and winter. The entertainments offered are high class and can be secured only in this way—that is, they are booked only for places where the required number of season tickets have been sold.

At the meeting of the State Democratic executive committee in Raleigh Thursday night to select a candidate for State Auditor, Chairman Eiler stated that a date would be announced later when a "Young Man's Day" would be celebrated by the party throughout the State. On this occasion meetings will be held in every county and a concerted effort will be made to bring the young men of the State into the ranks of the Democracy.