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CONTEST GROWS MORE EXCITING.

Big Bonus Offer This Week--- 5,000 Extra Votes.

The contest department is offering a bonus of 5,000 extra votes for the contestant bringing in the largest number of votes between October 15th and October 22d. This means that the contestant bringing in the largest number of subscriptions, making the largest number of votes, in the limited time between October 15th and October 22d will be given a bonus of 5,000 votes, besides the regular scale of votes on the subscriptions. This will be a good chance for the contestants who are a little behind to catch up and make their votes count in the first publication of the votes.

The one and two year subscriptions have lost their novelty already and the contestants are now after those five-year subscriptions.

Let every citizen of this county respond to the call for votes and subscribe today.

Workers, avail yourselves of every opportunity to get a vote. Every minute of time is valuable now and though some of the contestants seem to soar far ahead, one good worker could in a few hours time far exceed the highest count. The Robesonian has

a lot of past-due subscriptions on hand and any one can get a list of the names and get those subscriptions. Remember that every dollar for The Robesonian counts 1,000 votes, and everybody wants the paper, so all of you have an excellent field to work in. Watch for the first count of votes. The Robesonian has a "special" box and can handle all that are turned in.

Let all the goodness there is in you materialize into a one or two year subscription. You need the paper, citizens, and the contestants need your votes. If you have not entered into the friendly interest of the contest you are missing a whole heap of fun. Come on in; the water is fine.

Let us remind that being outstripped at the first mile-post does not mean defeat. Far from it. It should act as a stimulant and make you work all the more earnestly in the future than in the past. The contest is very young yet—it's only three weeks old—and new contestants are coming in all the time; and they promise to make it lively for those in the lead now. Come down and make us call at the office and we will gladly explain our big contest to you.

DEMOCRATIC SPEAKERS.

Mr. A. L. Brooks at Court House This Evening—Governor Kitchin at Red Springs October 31—Other Speakers.

Mr. A. L. Brooks, of Greensboro, former solicitor, Democratic candidate for Congress from the fifth district two years ago, and manager of the campaign of Major Steadman, present nominee for Congress from that district, will discuss the issues of the campaign at the court house this evening at 8 o'clock. Mr. Brooks is an able and entertaining speaker and should be given a large audience this evening.

Mr. J. R. Blair, of Troy, will speak at Fairmont Saturday, October 15th, at what time has not been determined.

Governor W. W. Kitchin will speak at Red Springs October 31st. Particulars will be given later.

As has been mentioned in The Robesonian, Congressman H. L. Godwin and his Republican opponent, Mr. Iredell Meares, of Wilmington, have agreed on a joint canvass and will discuss the issues of the campaign at the following places and times: Lillington, October 24th, 11 a. m.; Fayetteville, 25th, 11 a. m.; Maxton, 25th, 7:30 p. m.; Lumberton, 26th, 11 a. m.; Elizabethtown, 27th, 11 a. m.; Weiteville, 28th, 11 a. m.

Messrs. White & Gough's Elegant New Store Front—A Growing Business.

The new front for Messrs. White & Gough's big department stores has been completed, all but a few finishing touches, and it is a thing of beauty. There is not anything of the kind handsomer in this part of the State. A marble base runs the width of the front. The large show windows are of plate glass, with mirror backs, and the floors of the show windows are of hard wood, the mirrors giving the floors the appearance of being twice as large as they really are. The molding and trimmings are of copper and above the show windows are windows of leaded prism glass, the panels being of Washington pressed brick. The corners are of Indiana Bedford stone, the trimmings of the corners and front being of the same material. Large steel beams across the front are supported by steel columns on granite bases. The second-story windows are of polished plate glass. A galvanized cornice crowns the whole, with four galvanized pedestals. The unsightly telephone pole that stood in front of the entrance has been removed.

Only a bare outline has been attempted in the above. To be appreciated this beautiful front should be seen. It is a credit to this enterprising firm and to the town.

From a small beginning a few years ago Messrs. White & Gough have been continually enlarging their business until now they occupy 22,000 feet of floor space. The old telephone office has been moved to a corner room on the side next the court house on the second floor and the room formerly occupied has been turned into a wholesale drygoods department by Messrs. White & Gough, and the large room formerly used by the mayor and town commissioners is now a wholesale shoe department.

Coburn's Greater Minstrels Delight a Capacity Audience.

A capacity audience witnessed the performance given at the opera house last evening by J. A. Coburn's Greater Minstrels. From the medley of ragtime marches, quartettes, dancing numbers and song hits with which the performance opened to the closing performance of acting figures, every moment was enjoyed. It is a company of high-class minstrels. There are excellent voices in the company, all the singing was tip-top, and all the stunts were good. The acting figures were something new to a Lumberton audience and they were greatly enjoyed. Coburn's Greater Minstrels are most decidedly all to the good.

WITH THE CANDIDATES.

Lifting up Voices and Fanning the Air Before Small Crowds—Better Crowds Expected.

The candidates, both Democratic and Republican, began Monday on their canvass of the county, making their appointments with the sheriff on his tax-collecting rounds. They met Monday at Kingsdale, Tuesday at Orrum, yesterday at Barnesville, and today they are at Rodger's store.

So far there has not been much doing, as far as the crowd is concerned. It has been the candidates and just a few hearers, the candidates being somewhat in the majority. At Kingsdale Monday, the beginning of the campaign, there were 15 candidates and 14 "hearers," at Orrum it was about the same and at Barnesville yesterday the crowd was not so good; but the candidates are game and do their talking just the same and in fact some puff and blow, rip and rare, as if the audience consisted of voters by the thousand, and it might be said:

Of the Republicans, there's Taylor and Kinlaw. The great and noble expounders of the law. Who avail themselves of every single minute. Pawing the dirt; but there's nothing in it.

They will be at Alfordville tomorrow and at Rowland Saturday. It is expected that the crowds will be larger for these appointments.

The sheriff says that the State Treasurer is calling upon him for the State taxes and that he would be greatly pleased to be "troubled" with a few more of the tax-payers than are coming out at present. The cash is wanted now.

Sixth District Congressional Committee Organizes—Democratic Victory Assured.

The newly-chosen executive committee of this congressional district met in Wilmington yesterday and organized by re-electing Geo. H. Bellamy, of Brunswick county, chairman and electing Geo. B. McLeod, of Robeson, secretary, both elections being unanimous. Besides those mentioned above, the committee is composed of the following: R. G. Taylor, Harnett; Geo. McNeill, Cumberland; Wm. E. Springer, New Hanover; J. R. Williamson, Columbus; E. F. McCulloch, Bladen.

The meeting was harmonious and plans for waging a vigorous campaign were outlined. Each committeeman reported that his county would give a larger Democratic majority this year than ever before and that the Republican candidate for Congress will be defeated by a large majority.

Now is The Time to Register.

The registration books were opened last Saturday, the 8th, and will be kept open until sunset Saturday, October 29th, every day except Sundays. The registrar of each voting precinct is required to keep his registration book open from 9 o'clock a. m. till sunset each day, and on each Saturday during the period he shall attend with his registration books at the polling place of his precinct. Now is the time, before the matter is overlooked, for each citizen who is entitled to vote to see that his name is properly enrolled.

"The Sins of the Father"—A Special Train to Fayetteville.

Tom Dixon's new play, "The Sins of the Father," which is attracting so much attention now, will be presented at La Fayette theatre at Fayetteville next Monday evening, the 17th, and in order to accommodate the large number of people of Lumberton and the surrounding country who want to see this play the Virginia & Carolina Southern will run a special train to Fayetteville, leaving Lumberton at 6 o'clock Monday evening and returning immediately after the play. The round-trip fare will be \$1.25. Reserved seats for the play may be obtained at The Robesonian office.

PARKTON PARAGRAPHS.

Telephone Exchange to be Installed Soon—A Birthday Party—Personal.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Parkton, Oct. 11.—Mrs. L. B. Timmons left this morning for South Carolina to visit relatives for a week.

Mr. M. F. Underwood returned home last week from a business trip to Georgia. He is in a strong notion of selling his farm and buying in Georgia.

The Parkton graded school is planning to take in the Cumberland fair.

We are sorry to report Mrs. H. Welsh sick.

Mr. W. J. Council, of Red Springs, spent Sunday with his brother, Mr. R. F. Council.—Miss Rachel Culbreth is visiting relatives and friends at Godwin.

Meta McMillan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. McMillan, was bitten by a ground rattlesnake last Thursday evening. Dr. Currie was quickly summoned and the child is now out of danger.

Mr. C. S. McArthur and Miss Mary Stuart spent Sunday afternoon in St. Paul.—Miss Ethel Williamson, of East Lumberton, spent Saturday and Sunday at home.—Mrs. J. T. Nicholson and little daughter, Ula, and Mr. Justin McNeill, of Lumberton, were visitors in town Sunday.

The latest enterprise in our town is the telephone. More than \$1,300 has been subscribed and at a business meeting last night several hundred dollars of this amount was paid in. This will be a great convenience to our town.

Last Saturday night a large crowd of young girls and boys were invited to attend a birthday party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Beard in honor of Miss Douglass' sixteenth birthday. Despite the rainy and foggy weather the folks began to gather long before the appointed time.

The evening was spent in playing many interesting games, all creating much fun and laughter, but the game "trying" created greatest enthusiasm. It is played this way: select a long word with many letters in it, write on a card, giving each guest one card and pencil; have them make as many words as possible from the original word; when all have completed their task, write name on opposite side and hand to hostess for correction. The one that succeeds in making the greatest number of words receive the prize. The words used on this occasion were "sixteenth birthday." It was a tight race, but after close consideration the judges awarded Mr. Herman Cashwell the booby, a bottle of Hoyt's cologne.

Delicious refreshments of cream and cake were gracefully served by Misses Alma Baker and Gertrude Harts. Much credit is due these charming ladies for their faithful work in making the evening indeed a pleasant one.

The presents were many and beautiful.

The guests departed at a late hour, wishing Miss Douglass many happy returns of the day.

Meeting of Civic Association Committees.

A meeting of the committees of the Lumberton Civic Association was held in the reading room of the Commercial and Industrial Club Tuesday afternoon and special work was mapped out. The physicians and dentists of the town met with these committees and readily agreed to do the work proposed by the association in examining all the pupils of the graded school for defects in hearing, sight, nasal organs and teeth. This important matter will be taken up with the trustees of the school at an early date and arrangements will be made to have the work done as soon as possible. Owing to the public spirit of the physicians in falling in with the suggestion of the association, these examinations will cost the patrons of the school nothing and will do much good.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

—A county meeting of the Farmers' Union is being held in town today.

—Quiet a number of teachers from various sections of the county are in town today for the county examination.

—There will be an oyster supper at Iona school-house, near Fairmont, tomorrow night. The public is cordially invited.

—Miss Artemesia Rozier has been quite sick at her home on Fifth street for several days and her condition is not thought to be much improved today.

—Just to give some idea of the volume of business being done in town, the McAllister Hdw. Co. has received five solid car loads of hardware within the last two months, to say nothing of many small shipments.

—Mr. McKay Byrd, of R. F. D. No. 5 from Lumberton, who was a Lumberton visitor yesterday, says that Mr. W. B. Purnell killed a rattlesnake recently that was equipped with double fangs three-quarters of an inch long. His snakeship was 5 feet and 4 inches long, 12 inches around at his largest point and had 11 rattles.

—Invitations reading as follows have been issued:

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Kernodle request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter

Sarah May to Mr. James Dick Proctor on Wednesday, the twenty sixth of October

one thousand nine hundred and ten at half after two o'clock Christian Church Graham, North Carolina

Miss Kernodle is an accomplished young lady who is wellknown in Lumberton, the home of the groom to be. Further particulars in regard to this event will be given in a subsequent issue.

McDonald News Notes and Personal.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

McDonald, Oct. 10.—Miss Lillian Harkrader spent Saturday and Sunday at Elrod visiting Miss Lena Hatcher.

Messrs. Knox Byrd and Miles McInnis, of Carolina, S. C., were guests of friends here Sunday.

Misses Ola and Minnie Hall gave a delightful "at home" last Friday evening, but owing to inclement weather many were unable to attend.

Mrs. J. T. McLean, of Fairmont, is visiting relatives here this week.

Miss Dessie Prevatt, of Orrum, who was the guest of friends here last week, returned to her home Saturday night. She was accompanied by Miss Bertha Stone.

Miss Mabel Townsend, who has been attending school at Rowland, is at home for a few days, the school at Rowland having to close on account of dyptheria.

Mr. Haddon McLean visited friends at Elrod Sunday.

There will be an oyster supper at Iona school house Friday night. Many of the young people are expecting to attend.

Miss Mabel Lewellyn, of Raynham, spent a short while with friends here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Alford spent Thursday visiting friends in Rowland. "RUFUS."

Death of Mrs. Marinda Lewis.

Mrs. Marinda Lewis, who had been making her home for fifteen years with her nephew, Mr. J. A. Branch, on Third street, died Tuesday night at 9:30 o'clock after an illness of five weeks. She was about 85 years old. The funeral service and interment took place at the family burying grounds, near Bellamy, yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, the service being conducted by Rev. P. Hedgpeth. Mrs. Lewis was the last member of her family, seven of whom have died at the home of Mr. Branch.

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HOPE MILLS NEWS.

Church Services—New Pastor Called—A Valuable Improvement—Personal.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Hope Mills, Oct. 10.—Mr. F. A. Culbreth is all smiles: it's a son.

Mrs. Tom Williams, of Rockingham, is here this week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Phillips.

Rev. J. D. Pegram is conducting a series of meetings in the Methodist church here this week.

Mrs. Dave Blue and Mrs. Colon Shaw, of Seventy-First, were pleasant visitors at the home of Mrs. Berta Bodenhamer last week.

Mr. M. A. McLean, of Roslin, has opened a livery-stable business near the A. C. L. depot. We welcome Mr. McLean to our town.

Morning and evening services were conducted in Christ church Sunday by the pastor, Rev. N. C. Duncan. Mr. Duncan is an excellent young man and is doing a great work in this community. His sermons are always interesting and to the point.

On Sunday, September 25th, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Averitt attended the funeral of Mrs. Averitt's father, Mr. O. H. Cain, of White Oak, who passed away at the age of fifty-eight years. Mr. Cain was for a number of years a faithful member of the Methodist church, and is survived by his wife and two daughters, Mrs. D. B. Averitt, of Hope Mills, and Mrs. M. L. Cashwell, of Abbottsburg.

Mr. K. A. McLeod filled his regular appointment at the Presbyterian church Sunday night. Mrs. McLeod, who has been sick for several weeks, is improving, her many friends will be glad to note.

The Baptist churches at Hope Mills and Cotton have called Rev. I. E. Olive, of Wade, to serve as pastor for the ensuing year. Mr. Olive is a brilliant young man, having graduated at Wake Forest at the head of his classes at the early age of nineteen years. He is now principal of the King Hiram school. We are glad to welcome this excellent gentleman to our midst.

The choir of the Hope Mills Baptist Sunday-school went over to Massey Hill Sunday afternoon, where they had been invited to take part in a song service. A great success and an enjoyable occasion have been reported.

The A. & R. Railroad Co. has erected a concrete wall fortifying the lot of Mr. W. H. Bullard, near the A. C. L. depot, which is a valuable improvement to the lot and surroundings. The concrete blocks were furnished by the Cumberland Concrete Co. and the contractors were Messrs. Chas. Muse and Alex. Fort.

SADDLE TREE NOTES.

Meeting of Woman's Missionary Association—Good Work of Betterment Association—Personal.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Lumberton, R. F. D. 2, Oct. 11.—The coming and going of the people for the past week have been many and we will not try to mention them all.

The Woman's Missionary Association met with Saddle Tree church Oct. 5th. It was well attended and they have had a very successful year.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Gray, of St. Paul, spent Saturday and Sunday here visiting relatives.

Miss Nellie Bowers, of Gaston, the principal of our school, arrived Saturday, and is boarding with Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McPhail. School opened Monday with very bright prospects for a successful term.

Mr. S. O. Willis and little son and Mr. White, of Rozier's, attended church here Sunday.

Messrs. J. B. Humphrey and D. H. McPhail attended Sunday-school at Unity chapel, three miles above Red Springs, Sunday evening.

The betterment association has purchased some tables, chairs and other furnishings for the school house here. The association is doing much for the improvement of the school property here.

The Farmers' Union held its regular meeting Saturday evening. The Union is doing a good work, as we see it.

Mr. Arch. McDuffie, Mrs. F. P. Humphrey and Mrs. C. J. Biggs spent Thursday in Lumberton on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Mert. Gray visited Mrs. Gray's parents at Elrod Sunday.

Miss Mary Conoly, of Red Springs, was a visitor in Saddle Tree Sunday. JUANITA.

Mr. Clarence McArthur, of St. Paul, spent last night in town a guest of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. McAllister.