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WARNING TO CANDIDATES. All outstanding pink slips, bonus, votes and remittances in order to be counted will have to be mailed Saturday and show by a postmark on the envelope that they were mailed at a railroad point in time to be on a mail train, en route for Raleigh at 9 o'clock Saturday evening, April 24th, 1909. The judges will have full control of the incoming mail Saturday, April 24th.

Mr. W. G. Briggs, P. M., Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Sir:—Beginning at noon Saturday will you kindly have withdrawn from Box A, belonging to The News and Observer Publishing Company, all mail addressed to the Contest Department, News and Observer, Raleigh, and have all of this mail delivered to the judges of the contest. We are especially anxious that this be rigidly adhered to in order to prevent the possibility of any information of any description whatever regarding the votes of any candidate in our contest, coming into the possession of any person other than the judges. Thanking you in advance for your customary attention, W. H. BAGLEY, Business Manager

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Last Special Offer. From Monday, April 19th, until the closing hour of the contest, the following offers will be in effect:

Table with columns: New, Daily, Old. Rows: \$1.50 three months, 3.00 six months, 4.50 nine months, 6.00 one year, 7.50 15 months, 9.00 18 months, 10.50 21 months, 12.00 three years, 14.00 four years, 16.00 five years.

There is no longer any question about the closing of this great Popularity Contest. The finish is going to be extremely torrid. But forty-eight hours are left, and many are making ready for the effort that will land them the prize for which they have been working. The whole "North State" is watching the outcome with intense interest and every minute or so the long-distance telephone rings and questions from all parts of the state ask the contest man, "Who's ahead in the race?" Will I get a prize, if so what one? Will Miss Blank be a prize winner? Just as if the contest man knew, or could tell him if he did. It shows the widespread interest of the contest, though. It shows how anxious some people are to help their friends at the last show down; and it pleases the management of the News and Observer to know that the close of this contest will mark the close of the greatest, fairest and largest popularity contest ever held in the Carolinas.

Another thing. The prize-winner who becomes the proud possessor of the White Steamer Touring Car will own a record-breaker. He will own a car that wins every hill-climbing contest in which it is allowed to compete. He will win a car which is unequalled in endurance tests and holds its own in every speed contest. The contest department is just in receipt of telegrams from the White Company stating that Model O, an exact duplicate of the Touring Car offered by the News and Observer, made the fastest time in the Memphis hill climb held at Memphis, Tenn., on Wednesday afternoon, April 21. The report of telegrams stated that in speed tests held at Columbia, South Carolina the same day, another machine, also Model O, took first in the ten mile race and also first in the mile event. The above is taken from a telegram to add emphasis to the fact

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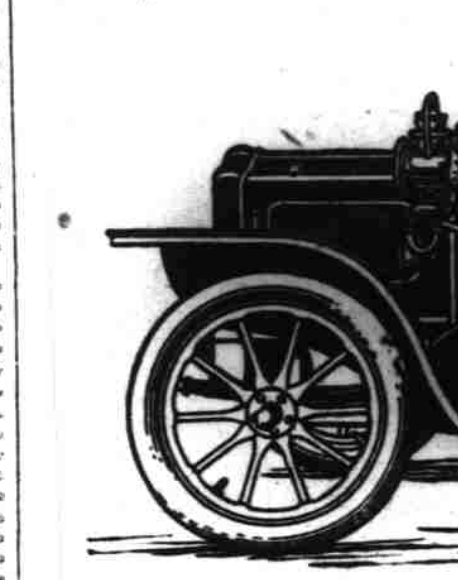
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Chases Negro With Gun.

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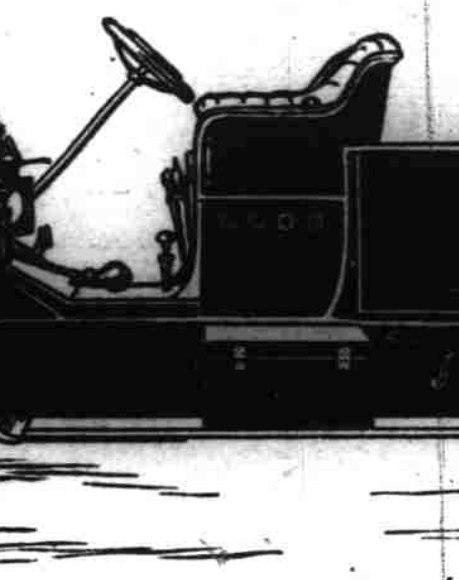
THE MILLER \$750 GRAND PIANO

Piano of Tone, Quality and Finish

THE PIANO BEAUTIFUL

The Third Grand Prize in the News and Observer Popularity Contest the \$750 Miller Grand Piano, Purchased From Darnell & Thomas Music Store, Raleigh, a Beauty.

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tion, Mrs. Books was 55 years old, and a most estimable and much beloved lady. She is survived by her husband and six children. The remains were brought here for interment.

MEDICAL SOCIETY MEETS.

Washington and Tyrrell County Organizations at Columbia. (Special to News and Observer.) Columbia, N. C., April 22.—The Washington and Tyrrell County Medical Society met in this town on Wednesday evening at the office of Dr. J. L. Spruill.

Those present were Doctors Hassell and Harrison of Creswell; Doctors Ward and Dissaway of Plymouth; Doctors Halsey and Speight of Roper.

Doctors Spruill and Stancell of Columbia. Dr. D. T. Taylor of Washington, N. C., was honorary guest and read a very interesting paper. After the general routine of business they were honored with a "buffet luncheon" at the home of Dr. and Mrs. C. B. McKee.

COMMENCEMENT AT SOUTHERN PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE.

Red Springs, N. C., April 22.—Commencement exercises of the Southern Presbyterian College, will be held Sunday, May 16th, Baccalaureate Sermon by Rev. A. H. McArn, Che-



raw, S. C. Monday, May 17th, 8:00 p. m., Senior Class Day Exercises. Tuesday, May 18th, 11:00 a. m., Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Tuesday, May 18th, 4:00 p. m., Reception and Art Exhibit. Tuesday, May 18th, 8:00 p. m., Annual Concert. Wednesday, May 19th, Commencement.

Friday and Saturday and the registration books will be closed at sunset. Register at once. Every Democrat should qualify himself to vote for the nominees at the May city election.



Ford HIGH PRICED QUALITY IN A LOW PRICED CAR

A PAINFUL ACCIDENT.

Representative Freeman Hurt His Ankle, Muscles and Tendons of His Foot Strained. (Rockingham Post.) Hon. Martin C. Freeman of Hamlet, Richmond's popular and efficient Representative in the Legislature, met with a very painful accident last week. He was at his saw mill and was on top of the boiler busily engaged in screwing up a loose bolt. The wrench slipped, throwing him to the ground, where he fell with his whole weight on one foot. The muscles and tendons of his foot and ankle were so badly strained, and had been so much swollen since the accident that Mr. Freeman has been unable to walk. Last accounts he was greatly improved, we are glad to say.

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Ford Touring Car Given in News and Observer Popularity Contest—a Car of Rare Merit and Running Ability—A Few Facts About It.

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The Ford was the first low-priced, high-power, light-weight automobile to be placed on the American market, and still holds its popularity in the face of many other low-priced cars which have subsequently appeared. The 1,000 pound runabout which appeared in 1904 under Ford's name is still considered an up-to-date car, although only a few changes have been effected in its construction.

There are many trophies and prizes which have been won by the Ford, embracing hill-climbs, races and endurance contests, not only in this country but in every civilized land where automobiles are known. It was a little 15-horse power Ford car that John Park, of North Carolina, drove from Raleigh to Morehead in 1908, at the time of the eastern floods, through a country which no other automobile had ever traversed before, nor has any one done so since. The remarkable part of Mr. Park's long journey was the fact that no repairs or adjustments of any kind were required on the car, even though it fell through a bridge and was totally submerged in a river at one time.

Two little Fords will leave New York on June 1st for Seattle, Washington, for a trip across the continent in competition for the Guggenheim trophy. Their light construction and high power will show up their full value in this grueling test. Vanadium steel, which has been used in Ford cars for three years, will be the main dependence in this trans-continental run and will prove that Fords are built of the right kind of materials for hard service. It is not a very difficult matter to build an automobile and make it heavy, but the designer's skill is fully tested in building a light-weight car that will "stand the racket." A light car means more power, better hill-climbing and speeding ability, easier up-keep, less gasoline, fewer tires and longer service.

The Ford touring car, which The News and Observer is going to give to some fortunate person represents the highest type of development which the Ford Motor Company, with all its capital, its skillful designers and workmen, and its modern plant, can produce. Twenty full horse power in its engine, with only 1,200 pounds of weight for the entire car is certainly a desirable feature to the man who wants a car for service. There is a magnetite included in the equipment, making the power plant almost infallible under any conditions of service.

The News and Observer's Ford car is fully guaranteed by the Carolina Garage and Machine Company, of Raleigh, who have the car on exhibition at their garage.

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Bon's of Reading in Bed.

A German physician, in order to investigate the exact kind of injury which reading in bed inflicts upon those who practice it, used himself for an animal purpose. He found, thus, by personal experience, that the eyes are made to suffer when in this position for two reasons—first, because the light is usually insufficient,

and badly placed, falling on the eyes instead of the book or paper; and second, because it is difficult while reclining to hold a book so that the benefit of the light on both eyes be obtained. This latter is especially the case when the reader is lying on one side. Another bad habit is that of holding the book too near the eyes, thus producing myopia. No one under 15 years of age should be allowed to read in bed. Since a large number of persons, especially chronic invalids, will insist upon reading in bed, suggestions by which the injurious effects can be minimized are as follows: The light should be sufficiently brilliant, with the eyes shaded from it, and the reader should lie on his back with his head and shoulders raised. For both daytime and night reading the greatest care must be taken to have the light fall on the book or paper and not on the eyes.

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