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RALEIGH SENSATION.

Warm Municipal Campaign Full of Sensations.

CHIEF OF POLICE MULLINS SHORT IN ACCOUNT.

Officer Suspended by Police Commission Pending an Investigation of the Records.

The very warm municipal campaign that has been waged in Raleigh closed with the primary Tuesday after a series of big sensations.

The last sensation sprung was the disclosure of grave misconduct upon the part of city officials. On Saturday afternoon the News & Observer issued an extra, in which it charged a shortage of \$1,700 in the books of Chief of Police Mullins, who has held the office for 20 years.

The extra contains a sworn statement by Reporter Conn that he asked Justice Badger for his judgment docket for the past two years so as to ascertain fines imposed and those collected, and that the docket only shows fines imposed, the record of the chief of police showing those collected. Conn says that he then asked Chief Mullins the amount of the fines collected during the past two years. Mullins called off each case and the amount of the fine paid, saying the total fines and costs were only \$1,905, of which \$837 went to the county school fund and \$1068 to the city treasury. Conn says he found that \$1,775, imposed as shown by the judgment docket, had not been paid to the county treasurer.

Saturday night some unknown persons so mutilated the records of Police Justice Badger and Chief Mullins that the true condition cannot be ascertained by investigation of the books.

Chief Mullins has been suspended pending an investigation of the records.

Two arrests have been made, but no preliminary hearing will be held until after the election.

The freight is between the citizen's ticket and the administration ticket.

Citizens' Movement Wins.

The Citizens' Democratic ticket, backed by the Good Government Association, swept everything before it in the primary at Raleigh on Tuesday of this week. Wynne's vote for Mayor almost doubled that of Johnson. Alderman Upchurch was the only successful nominee of the old officers, and many of his votes are challenged. The administration received a black eye. The reform administration ticket carried seven words.

The Baptists in High Point.

On Thursday of last week the Women's Baptist Missionary Union convened its annual session in the First Baptist Church in High Point. There were more than 300 delegates in attendance. Many prominent Baptists were present, and the session was most enjoyable as well as of great benefit to the church. The reports from various sections indicated the liveliest activity on the part of the members of the union. The Association will meet in Fayetteville next year the third week in March.

Military Company for Thomasville.

An application has been made to the North Carolina National Guard from the major of Thomasville for the admission of a Military Company proposed to be offered in that town to the North Carolina National Guard, to take the place of the Greensboro Company in the third regiment, the Greensboro Company having been transferred to the Coast Artillery.

Fell From Freight Train.

Thomas Cowe fell from a freight train on the S. A. L. at Apex, Wake county, on the night of Mar. 28rd. He fell in such a way as to have the left leg crushed and the flesh literally torn from the bones up to six inches to the hip. The chances are against his recovery. His leg was amputated, of course.

Married.

Charles B. Overman, of High Point, was married to Miss Mattie Skils, of Greensboro, on Wednesday morning of last week.

Taft to Visit Charlotte.

President Taft will be at Charlotte at the 20th of May Festival.

HELD ON GRAVE CHARGE.

Man Given Hearing on Charge of Rape Claims to be a Minister.

Troy, N. C., March 27.—A preliminary hearing was held in the courthouse before L. R. Lisk, J. P., here today in the case of State vs. John D. McDonald, charged with assault with intent to commit rape on the daughter of Thos. Baldwin, who lives near Pekin, N. C. The defendant was also charged with practicing medicine without license from the Board of Medical Examiners of the Medical Society of North Carolina.

Through his counsel, J. R. Blair, the defendant waived examination and was committed to jail in default of \$7,000 bond. The defendant claims to be a doctor and Baptist minister, and says that he came from Virginia.

"Boss" Somers Captured.

A. L. Somers, known as "Boss" Somers, who up until Statesville went dry, was engaged in the distilling and whiskey business in and about Statesville, and since that time for several years has been engaged in the saloon business in Salisbury until State prohibition put him out of a job there, has been arrested. The ever-alert policeman of the town of Statesville were on the watch-out for him for some time. They saw negroes go into his home through the back way after nightfall. Recently two of Statesville's police got behind some honeysuckle vines near his fence and watched developments. It was not long until they bagged a negro by the name of Burgess White, who had 13 quart bottles full of liquor. The negro was taken before the mayor and swore that he had bought the 13 quarts of whiskey from Somers, and had bought it from him on other occasions.

State Sunday School Convention.

The State Sunday School Association will convene at Concord Tuesday morning, April 6th, and last through Thursday, the 8th. This promises to be the largest gathering of Sunday school workers ever held in the State, representatives of every denomination participating in the exercises. The program, a synopsis of which has appeared in The Courier, is one of the best and will be most interesting. Randolph will be well represented, and her report this year will be better by far than for any previous year.

The Woman Confesses.

The kidnapping of little eight year old Willie Whittle from Sharon, Pa., caused much surprise and confusion. Mrs. Boyle and her husband have been arrested for the kidnapping, and nearly \$10,000 of the ransom money which had been marked before it was paid, was found in her clothes.

Another Term for Montgomery.

Another term of court has been added for Montgomery county. It is a criminal term and will be the ninth Monday before the first Monday in September, which falls this year on the 4th of July or the first Monday in July. The second Monday in July will be Stanley Superior Court, and the third Monday in July in Randolph.

Col. Wm. Lamb Dead.

Col. Wm. Lamb, aged 73 years, soldier, lawyer, editor and politician, died in Norfolk on March 22. He was best known as the "Hero of Fort Fisher." In the Confederate war when in a siege of three days he held the fort with 19 men against the attack of ten thousand federal troops on land and six hundred guns on water, Butler and Porter losing more men than Lamb had.

Died.

J. E. Kanoy, who has been in the hospital at Morganton for some time as an insane patient, died last week at Morganton. Mr. Kanoy formerly lived at High Point. His wife and family live at Troy. At one time he lived at Moffitt's Mills in this county.

Wine Gets Place.

Henry A. Wise, a son of Jas. S. Wise of Virginia, has been appointed U. S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York, in the place of Henry L. Stimson who has resigned the position.

RANDOLPH BABY SHOW.

To Be Given in The Opera House Next Month.

Arrangements are being made to hold a Baby Show in the new Opera House at some time during the month of May. The show will be under the management of E. G. Morris. Prizes in gold coin amounting to between \$25 and \$50 will be given.

The prizes will be offered for the prettiest baby less than one year old.

One for the prettiest baby between one and three years old.

For the prettiest child between three and five years old.

And for the prettiest child between five and eight years old.

The prizes are open for any child in Randolph county and the mothers of the county are urged to prepare at once to present their children at the show.

The judges will be selected from a distance and if possible no relative or friend of the children will act on the board of judges.

Fire at Salisbury.

The building of the Kincaid Veneer & Lumber Co. at Salisbury with all the machinery, was burned Saturday morning. The plant had been idle for some months in the hands of receivers. It is said to have caught from a spark from a passing train. The loss is placed at \$18,000.

Kidnapper who has just returned from Salisbury from Moore County will institute suit against the Southern for damages. The plant carried \$6,500 insurance.

Batters to Answer Criminal Libel Charges.

The case in which Ex-Judge Spencer B. Adams is prosecuting Ex-Senator Marion Butler and brother, Lester, for criminal libel, is to be tried this week in Guilford Superior Court. The case is founded on articles published in The Caucasian concerning the prosecutor. The case was set for Wednesday and will continue several days.

Orphans Singing Class.

The Eastern tour of the Oxford Orphanage Singing Class will begin April 6th. The Western tour will begin the last of July. About 325 orphans are now inmates of this institution and since it was established in 1872 over 2500 boys and girls of North Carolina have been cared for by it.

Good Citizen of Yadkin Dies.

Alfred Haynes, a respected citizen of Yadkin county, died at his home at Hamptonville Saturday morning. He was a wealthy public spirited citizen, and an extensive farmer. He is survived by a wife and one son, Representative Frank Haynes of the last Legislature.

Veteran Blockader Caught.

Mat Hall, a white man and veteran blockader who has been wanted in Montgomery County for two years on the charge of blockading, was captured Sunday morning by Sheriff McKenzie and Deputy Krider in Rowan county. Strong evidence is held against him in Montgomery.

Death Ends Visit With Friends.

Miss Myrtle Cochrane, daughter of J. E. Cochrane, of Charlotte, died suddenly at Greensboro Friday from organic heart trouble. She was visiting friends in Greensboro. Miss Cochrane was 20 years old and a popular young woman. The remains were taken to Charlotte.

Negro Kills Wife.

Gilbert Taylor, colored, shot and killed his wife at Charlotte Sunday night. Taylor escaped. The crime was the outcome of a domestic quarrel. Curtis Neely who rents the cottage where the tragedy occurred has been arrested as an accomplice in the murder.

Fatally Stabbed Playmate.

In a quarrel over a game of baseball at Elizabeth City Monday Roy Richardson, aged 16 was fatally stabbed by another lad named Parrish. Witnesses say Parrish used his knife while he was held down by his victim.

U. S. C. Endowment.

Work has so rapidly progressed on raising the endowment for Greensboro Female College that \$96,000 has been raised. It is only \$100,000 that is asked for.

TO CUT REPRESENTATION.

New York Representative Digs Up The House Membership Reduction Farce.

Washington, D. C., March 29.—Representative Bennett, of New York, has offered a bill reducing the representation of States which deny to negro citizens the right of franchise.

Mr. Bennett's bill specifies the reduction he would have made, giving Alabama five instead of nine representatives; Arkansas five instead of seven; Florida two instead of three; Georgia six instead of eleven; Mississippi three instead of eight; North Carolina seven instead of ten; Texas thirteen instead of sixteen, and Virginia seven instead of ten.

ENTERTAINS AT SUPPER.

Mr. McAulay, of Mt. Gilead, Host to a Party at the McAduo.

Mr. Jas. McAulay, of Mt. Gilead, entertained his two daughters, Misses Kati and Helen, and Misses Annie Newby and Edna De Berry, of Greensboro Female College, and Mrs. Blanche Carr Mrs. Lula B. Carr at a beautifully appointed supper at the McAduo Hotel, in Greensboro. After the supper Mr. McAulay entertained the party at the Grand to see the "Fighting Chance."

Kitchen For Free Lumber.

Hon. Claude Kitchin made an able, clear-cut and entertaining speech in the House on Tuesday of this week. He stands alone in his declaration for free lumber. He declared that he stood with Tilden, Hendrix, Vance, and Ransom and that the new Tariff bill was a discrimination against the South, and that the tariff on lumber was not beneficial to the Southern people or to those of them who had timber or were engaged in the lumber business.

North Carolina Teachers Assembly.

The program for the 26th annual session of North Carolina Teachers Assembly, at Morehead City, June 15-18, is completed. Among the most distinguished speakers will be Gov. Kitchin, J. D. Eggleston, State Supt. of public instruction of Virginia, and Mrs. Eileen R. Richards of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Mrs. E. E. Moffitt, of Raleigh, and Mrs. W. R. Howell, of the Woman's Betterment Association, will also be present and will take enthusiastic interest in the work of education.

Stealing From his Employer.

Just as Max Matthews was getting ready to board a Northbound train in Greensboro one morning last week, he was arrested and there was found in his possession a valise packed full of goods furnishing goods which he had taken from the store of L. I. Blaustein. The young man had been employed by Blaustein. Blaustein had "smelt a mouse" and had a search warrant issued for his goods.

New Court House For Davis.

The commissioners of Davis Co. have given the contract for a new modern up-to-date court house and jail.

It will be built on the site of the old Kelly Hotel, which was burned some three years ago. On the completion of this court house every county in the tenth district will have ample protection for the records.

Dropped Dead in Davis.

Wm. D. Peebles dropped dead at his home near Advance in Davis county, on Monday of this week. The deceased was a son of John Peebles, and a brother of Joe Peebles. He was about 50 years old. His wife, who formerly lived in Chatham county, survives him.

Unearthed Bucket of Gold and Silver.

A negro man, Henry Campbell, while grubbing in a field on the farm of the late John Sloop, four miles northeast of Mooresville, found a sum of money, both gold and silver. The negro claims he found \$600 in all, and that there were twenty \$10 gold pieces in the lot.

The Rameur Graded School will close April 22nd. Prof. W. H. Swift, of Greensboro, will deliver the address.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Ex-Secretary and Treasurer Cortel-yon has been elected president of the Consolidated Gas Company of New York.

Rev. J. P. Rodgers, who is soliciting funds for the Methodist orphanage, has collected \$4,400 in the city of Charlotte alone.

Dr. Hartman, acting State veterinarian, is in Moore county fighting an epidemic of hog cholera.

Small pox in Jones county has reached the epidemic stage. Court could not be held this week on account of it.

E. W. Durant has been appointed collector of customs at Charleston to succeed the negro, W. D. Crum.

W. I. Underwood, receiver for the Industrial News at Greensboro has been authorized to dispose of the plant at private sale. The paper will probably be revived.

G. A. Kimball, mayor of Southern Pines, has resigned. A. S. Newcomb was appointed to fill the unexpired term.

Two piers on Havana harbor were burned Monday entailing a loss of over \$1,000,000.

W. A. Syme, of Wake Forest, has been appointed Oil Chemist, an office created by the Doughton oil inspection law passed by legislature.

The Charlotte Cotton Fibre Company has been organized with C. O. Brown, President. New buildings will be erected for the manufacture of yarn from cotton waste.

A millionaire iron master, a banker and others have been indicted in Pittsburg for conspiracy to bribe, soliciting graft and similar offences. These indictments have reference to the city council of Pittsburg, about which so much was said a few months ago.

A hard fought municipal primary closed Friday night at Spencer, J. D. Dorsett, postmaster was nominated for mayor. A. D. Smith, a locomotive engineer, and C. H. Van Canon, chief accountant for the Southern Railway Company.

Earle Cotton, Tim Holderfield and Red Hopkins were placed on trial in Wake superior court this week for the murder of Dr. E. W. Smith of Richmond, Va., at the rock quarry Sunday, November 15. The work of selecting a jury is progressing slowly.

Cumberland county boasts the youngest magistrate in the world in the person of Jno. W. Underwood, 18-year-old son of Representative John Underwood, appointed a magistrate by the recent Legislature, of which his father was a member.

Elder J. F. Hutchenson, a Primitive Baptist Elder, was killed while crossing a bridge spanning the Yadkin River, near Wilkesboro Saturday. A part of the bridge which was an old one crashed in upon him, and he died a few minutes later. The bridge had been condemned by the commissioners.

Lum Smith, colored, hailing from the formerly notorious blockading section of Stokes county known as Smithtown, and who was in jail at Greensboro for making moonshine liquor without warrant of law, was released from imprisonment Thursday upon a physician's certificate that he is a victim of tuberculosis and that further confinement would endanger his life.

Mrs. Jane Holt, living 12 miles Southeast of Greensboro in Guilford county, is 84 years old. A surprise party at her home. All her seven children were present; 14 of her 31 grand children and 10 of her 30 great grand children. She also has one great grand child. Rev. Eli Craven, of Ore Hill was present and led in prayer.

Every mail brings letters telling of the entire satisfaction given by our self-sharpening scissors guaranteed for five years, and of the excellent and satisfactory service rendered by the fountain pens. The Courier is giving to every person who complies with the terms in the proposition published in this issue of The Courier.

INDUSTRIAL MEETING

Important Gathering at Asheboro April 8th.

PROMINENT RAILROAD OFFICIALS TO SPEAK.

Officials of the Southern and A. & A. Railways to Visit Asheboro Next Week—Meeting for Entire County.

M. V. Richards, Industrial Agent for the Southern Railway, will visit Asheboro on next Thursday, April 8th. He comes upon invitation of the Asheboro Industrial Association. Other officials of the Southern and A. & A. Railways have also been invited and will probably accept.

The object is to better acquaint these gentlemen with Asheboro and Randolph county, our people and commercial and social advantages, and to secure from them some points on town building, and kindred thoughts. Mr. Richards will deliver an address upon the future of North Carolina and the South, and especially the possibilities of Asheboro and Randolph county, and it is hoped that every citizen of the county that is interested in better farming, improved and increased mercantile, manufacturing enterprises in Randolph, will be present. The meeting is not for Asheboro but for the entire county, and everyone interested in the development of the county is invited and will secure both pleasure and profit from the day.

D. B. McCrary, president of the Association, will furnish any information desired by people residing out of Asheboro regarding the meeting.

The day, Thursday, April 8th, will be full of interest.

NEW MILL MACHINERY.

Complete Outfit of Modern Machines to Be Installed by Asheboro Roller Mills.

The Asheboro Roller Mills will close down in a few days to make changes in the equipment. All the machinery now in use will be taken out and exchanged for a complete new equipment of the most modern machinery. The capacity of the mill will also be increased from 80 barrels to 100 barrels a day. When the changes are complete this will be one of the best mills in the Piedmont section. Under the management of W. J. Scarborough, it has been successful and the installation of modern machinery is to meet the demand of its customers.

Robbed of \$147.00.

Lonnie Vuncannon, son of Lewis Vuncannon, living near Piney Hill, was robbed of \$147.00 while returning from the home of Olay Dorsett last Friday morning. Young Vuncannon had just sold some cattle to Mr. Dorsett and was returning home. When near the farm of Frank Hoover, two negro men asked him to let them ride, to which he consented. When they had gone only a short distance one of the men seized Mr. Vuncannon, throwing him down in the wagon. The other went through his pockets and secured the money. Then both fled. A searching party hunted the criminals all night, but no trace of them could be found. The negroes were strangers to their victim.

Asheboro Gold Mining Co.

The Asheboro Gold Mining Company, of Asheboro, was incorporated Monday with an authorized capital stock of \$50,000. The Company will begin business with \$7,394. Incorporators: Messrs. W. W. Taylor, of Chicago; W. P. Johnson, of Philadelphia; John Thomas Winslow.

Prof Smith Goes to Virginia.

Prof. Charles Alfonso Smith, head of the department of English at the University of North Carolina, has been elected professor of Teutonic languages at the University of Virginia to succeed James A. Harrison, who resigned on account of ill health. Prof. Smith will leave for Virginia early in April.

Ronoake To Remain Wet

Ronoake, Va., March 29.—Judge Staples, in Corporation Court, set aside the local option election held December 30th, in which the saloons was voted out.