

### FRAZIER PARK

Mr. R. W. Frazier, in deeding to the town of Asheboro three acres of his land on the old tanyard tract, is supplying a long-felt need. Men and boys have no place to go Sunday afternoons except the postoffice and street corners and livery stables. The spirit prompting Mr. Frazier to donate this park is the right kind and is commendable. Having shown this heartily, now let the citizens of Asheboro do their part and let work begin to beautifying the grounds at once. Let our Ladies' Betterment Society, and the women's clubs and the Improvement Committee of the Randolph Club give substantial aid to the town commissioners. Let all get subscriptions from individuals. The Courier will contribute \$10. During the next week let us have a list of contributions for publication next week. Let everybody contribute something, and let the organizations above mentioned take the matter in hand with the consent and aid of the town commissioners.

### HIGH-FIRE AT STANDARD DRUG COMPANY

Last Thursday night as the crowd around the stove at the Standard Drug Co., store was taking its final chance at the genial warmth before going out to meet the train and then going in for the night, came smoke on the scene of action. With the smoke came smells some kind of. The portly proprietor rushed his bulk hither and thither, searching for the hidden source. The long and unwieldy, lath-like draggert waved his six-foot-six-inches over the tops of the shelves in quest of the ignition. Everyone looked, smelling the while of the scents of of burning rubber.

Finally the devourer was discovered in a drawer under the patent medicine shelf. Medicine droppers, fountain pens and banjo strings were all striving to crackle merrily, succeeding in smelling horribly. It seems that a rat in quest of a dose of electric bitters, carrying a match to light his way, dropped into the drawer to get a medicine dropper to draw his specified "drop of th' oreochur," and tripped on a banjo string, struck his head and the match against the bottom of the drawer, setting fire to its "innards." But seriously, if the rat had been twenty minutes later in his raid on the drawer the fire would have burned the block. As a result of the high-fire there has been a cleaning up of the accumulation of waste papers and other junk at the Standard as well as at other places.

### Notice to Patrons.

The fall term of Asheboro Graded School closed Wednesday December 15th. Work will resume Wednesday morning January 4th. If there are some new students who would enter the spring term of school they are urged to do so the first day of school as the time for enrolling new students will be limited. If there are some children in town who have reached the age of six years since school began in September they may enter during the first three days of school. It would however be better for them to stay out till the next fall as they could not go up to the second grade on a half year's work.

By order of the school board those students who are numbered in the Asheboro district but outside of the town limits will be permitted to continue in school on condition that they pay half of the following monthly tuition rates: First, second and third grades \$1.00; fourth and fifth grades \$1.50; sixth and seventh grades \$2.00; eighth, ninth and tenth grades \$3.00. No deduction will be made to the beneficiaries of this ruling for absence.

We trust no parents will stop their children from school at this, the middle of the year's work and thus leave them to go over the same work at fall. Let them end up the fall year's work which they have so well done.

### Killed in Saw Mill

Charles Hedrick, a saw mill man Silver Hill, Davidson county, while sawing cross ties one day last week, became entangled in the machinery and fell against the saw. His foot was cut off just above the knee and he bled to death before a doctor could reach him. He was forty years old and leaves a wife and several children.

### NEWS COMES FROM LIBERTY

Mr. Editor: For many years some people in this section have advocated a new county composed of parts of Randolph, Chatham, Guilford and Alamance with the court house at Liberty. To get to the court house in Randolph we are compelled to drive 22 miles across the country, or go by rail round Greensboro and High Point to Asheboro.

But new counties are expensive and free strife and contention. High Point wants a new county. High Point is only 22 miles from Asheboro, exactly the same distance that Liberty is from Asheboro. High Point is three miles north of the Randolph line and the people of Trinity and New Market township have the best facilities of any section of the county to get to the county seat.

There is no reason on earth for a new county at High Point, but certainly if there is to be a new county in that corner of the county then by all means let us have two more new counties. One for us and give a court house to the citizens of the four big counties of Chatham, Guilford, Alamance and Randolph. Then would it not be well to let the people of upper Moore, lower Randolph, and eastern Chatham have a new county with a county seat at Ochees Mills?

When the people in that section and in this and adjoining counties go to the county seats it takes two days to make the trip there and back. Let us have a square deal. Let High Point be to have a new county, then let every other spirited and ambitious town have the same. Then again there is agitation for a new county with a court house at Denton. The people of southwestern Randolph, upper Montgomery, and the southern part of Davidson are all far away from their respective county seats.

The truth is, there should be an end to the creation of new counties. If High Point's ambition is to be gratified by taking off a slice of our county, then why not draw and quarter the old county and divide her up, and blot her out and wipe her off the map.

R. C. Palmer.  
Liberty, N. C. Dec. 19, 1910.

### DEATH OF AN AGED CITIZEN.

Joel Ashworth, Aged 90 Years, Member of Legislature 68-69-70, Dies at Home of His Son in Cedar Grove Township.

Mr. Joel Ashworth, father of ex-Sheriff W. R. Ashworth, a distinguished, successful and honored citizen of Cedar Grove township, passed away quietly at the home of his son, at 3 a. m., December 15th. Mr. Ashworth leaves one son, W. R. Ashworth, ex-sheriff of this county, and his second wife, who was a Miss Presnell.

The deceased was a successful school teacher of 40 years' experience, a good farmer, and a man to whose name no taint of suspicion of any unfairness has ever been attached. He served his county in the Legislature, terms of 68-69, 69-70.

He was a leader of the Republican party in the years closely following the war, always living his life with the full respect and confidence of his neighbors and acquaintances.

He was buried at old Union December 16.

### Wilson Kindly Dead.

On December 17 Wilson Kindly died in Greensboro, aged 72 years, after a long illness.

Mr. Kindly lived in Tabernacle township, Randolph county until 35 or more years ago, when he sold the Hoover Hill gold mine for a handsome price and moved to Thomasville, where he had for several years engaged in mining. He finally moved to near Greensboro, where he purchased a large tract of land. The city soon built up and his property became valuable.

A few years ago he was said to be worth a hundred thousand dollars. He met with some reverses of late years and was not worth so much when he died, although he was considered quite wealthy.

### Bound Over On Ugly Charge.

Ed Black and Lee Black were tried before Squire A. S. H. Miller, at Hannersville, in Davidson county, all last Saturday and bound over to the Superior Court for defacing and breaking tombstones and for defacing and injuring church property.

### MOST REMARABLE OFFER

To All Paid in Advance Subscribers

### NATIONAL MONTHLY

A Large, High Class Magazine, same size pages as Collier's and Saturday Evening Post, beautifully illustrated and with handsome colored cover, will be mailed free each month to every paid in advance subscriber to The Asheboro Courier.

We now take pleasure in stating that through special clubbing arrangement with Mr. Norman E. Mack, Chairman of The Democratic National Committee and publisher of the National Monthly, we are going to mail a copy of this fine magazine to every paid in advance subscriber of The Asheboro Courier.

This is the most extraordinary and by far the most liberal offer ever made by a newspaper in the United States, as we are actually giving you the two publications for the regular price of the Asheboro Courier only and not asking you to pay one cent either for the National Monthly magazine or the postage on same.

As you probably know the National Monthly is one of the highest class magazines published in the United States, beautifully illustrated and printed on fine paper and with handsome multi-colored covers.

It is without question the most talked of magazine in the country today. Every month the leading newspapers throughout the country devote columns of space in reviewing the articles which appear in its columns.

It is the first real monthly magazine that ever took up the cause of the Democratic party. It contains every month leading political articles written by the greatest Democrats in the United States.

In addition to these political articles every issue contains a mass of general magazines and finely illustrated stories by the greatest living magazine authors which makes it the equal of any ten or fifteen cent magazine, and a welcome visitor each month to every member of the family. The regular subscription price of National Monthly is one dollar per annum, so you can see what a great offer we are making you.

Remember—every paid in advance subscriber will receive a copy of National Monthly mailed, postage paid, to them every month.

If you are not already a paid in advance subscriber of The Asheboro Courier you should become one at once.

Take advantage of this remarkable opportunity now, before it is too late. Address all subscriptions to The Asheboro Courier.

### A Worthy Cause.

He whose life was the exposition of helpfulness has never had his spirit better interpreted than by the Red Cross Society. This efficient organization is at work now on the work of destroying the white plague. To obtain money for use in this work the Red Cross seals have been put on sale in stores all over the land. At one cent for each seal it is hoped that enough will be sold to give \$1,000,000 for the cause.

This is to be used in sealing holiday packages. The seal is a pretty one, so in addition to helping in the work value is given in the goods sold. The cut below is a reproduction of the seal, which is smaller than appears in the cut.



Consumption has been proved to be in the main the result of environment. A cause of this kind deserves to claim our attention because it is for the relief of those who are simply less fortunate than ourselves. And it's not a pure case of giving. One gets his money's worth in the transaction, besides the pleasure of giving.

### BLAIR—A UMAN

POPULAR YOUNG COUPLE WED YESTERDAY

Miss Annie Blair and Mr. Ernest Auman were married yesterday afternoon at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Martha Blair at 3 o'clock, by Rev. C. A. Wood.

The bride wore a pretty green travelling suit with hat and gloves to match. She entered the parlor on the arm of her mother, who together with the bride's sister, Miss Etta Bar, handsomely attired, descended from the stairway and were met at the altar in the west end of the parlor by the groom and his best man, Mr. J. K. Page, of Biscoe, entering from the dining room. The ring ceremony of the M. E. church was used and the parlors were beautifully decorated with palms, ferns and ivy.

Miss Marion Moring, as the party entered, rendered Mendelssohn's wedding march, after which Miss Clara Moffitt sang in her best voice "O Perfect Love." As the party retired from the altar Miss Moring played the wedding march from Lonhegrin.

Many friends witnessed this ceremony.

The presents were beautiful and numerous, attesting the high esteem in which the young couple were held. Miss Blair was one of our sweetest young women as well as our sweetest singer. Mr. Auman is in the employ of the Page Railway and is the son of Mr. Jefferson Auman of southern part of the county who is one of our most substantial farmers.

The couple left on the four o'clock train for St. Augustine Fla. a d will make an extended southern tour.

The out of town guests were, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Rinkin, of High Point; Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Wood and J. R. Page, Jr., of Biscoe.

### WASHINGTON NEWS

By Ulysses H. Pavenner, special Washington correspondent of this newspaper.—Washington December 18th.

It has become clear that President Taft was led to appoint Judge Archbald at the instance of Senator Boies Penrose and George T. Oliver of Pennsylvania, both of whom are frequent and welcome visitors at the executive mansion. The senators portrayed Judge Archbald as a great jurist without a blot on his record, and the president believed them.

Although it is reasonably certain that Archbald will get his position, he may be opposed on the floor of the senate by progressives, who are investigating his record since the decision referred to. In the opinion of the progressives, some of Judge Archbald's decisions are peculiar. One of these relates to safety appliances upon railroads, in which, it is charged, the prejudice of the judge in favor of the railroads is shown.

From one end of the country to the other there appears to be a growing demand on the part of the people for the initiative, referendum and recall.

Members of Congress from all sections report that they are surprised at the amount of sentiment favorably to these progressive measures that has developed in their sections within the last two years. The initiative and referendum has already secured a greater foothold in the late laws than the average man is aware of. States where the measure is adopted are: Maine, Michigan, Missouri, Oklahoma, Arkansas, South Dakota, Montana, Nevada and Oregon. States where the measure is promised in the platforms of both great parties are: Kansas, Nebraska, California, North Dakota, Wisconsin, Colorado, Illinois and Massachusetts.

"The initiative and referendum," declares Senator LaFollette of Wisconsin, who has advocated the measure from the day of his entrance into public life, "will place in the hands of the people the power to protect themselves against the mistakes or indifference of their representatives in the legislature. Then it will always be possible for the people to demand a direct vote and to repeal a bad law which the legislature has enacted, or to enact by direct vote a good measure which the legislature has refused to consider."

### NEWS BRIEFS.

J. S. Kerr, a prominent real estate dealer, of Statesville, died suddenly last Thursday.

Dr. J. B. Gaither, a well-known physician, of China Grove, N. C., died December 17.

Mrs. Mary P. Scales, of Greensboro, died Sunday morning at the age of 90 years.

Five thousand cats are to be shipped to the state of Washington by April 1st. These are to be used in a crusade against gophers.

The yard-master of the S. A. L. at Raleigh was beaten up badly by three negro employees Saturday, who resented being called to work.

Marshall Fields and Company's party have been inspecting their recent purchases in Spray, N. C., seven cotton and woollen mills.

Congressman E. Y. Webb opposes the "committee on committees" which has been suggested by several in the present Congress.

Rev. P. N. Stainback, representative elect from Halifax to next Legislature, died Dec. 19 as a result of a poison taken by mistake last week.

Manhattan was terribly shaken up Monday morning by an explosion of illuminating gas which killed 9 persons, injured 125, and damaged property to the extent of \$500,000.

The largest proposed enterprise of large dimensions has been landed by Lexington. This is a \$350,000 cotton mill promoted by O. A. Robbins, of Charlotte, in connection with some New England capitalists.

The Senate overruled a ruling of Vice-President Sherman Monday concerning a quorum, the Vice President ruling that a Senator having a pair with another Senator could be counted double to make out a quorum.

The cattle barn of W. F. Snipes & Company, of Winston-Salem, was destroyed by fire Saturday, December 17. 3000 bales of hay, 400 bushels of corn, 25 sets of harness and a considerable number of mules, cattle and hogs were lost.

Archibald Johnson, of Charity and Children, thinking, it seems, that charity begins at home, certainly warmed up Miss Holman, of Mitchell county fame. His comments on the ayephants who have helped the lady gather her impressions, were straight from the shoulder.

The Supreme Court of North Carolina in the case of State vs the Colonial Club of Charlotte, has reversed the conviction of the club for selling beer to its members on coupons. This is held to be no violation of the prohibition law. Prohibitionists say that this decision means another fight.

Booker T. Washington, head of the Tuskegee school for negroes, has issued invitations for an international conference, to be held in Tuskegee, of all persons in America and Europe interested in the education and improvement of the negro race. This conference will be held in January, 1912.

Robin Cooper, who was charged with the murder of Edward W. Carmack in the fall of 1908, was married on the 15th to the daughter of the President of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad.

Now this is about the last news from the Coopers, having been tried, one of them convicted and pardoned. Unless there is a call for a divorce they might as well be where the woodbine twineth as for what they'll beworth as news matter.

S. R. Winters, of Granville county, has become editor and manager of Webster's Weekly at Reidsville. Mr. Winters has had experience on the weekly press of the state, and is said to be a bright, capable young man. We wish him success.—Greensboro News.

Mr. Winters worked with the Courier this past fall and we are glad to learn of his success.

At Guilford station Saturday night as a result of a negro "festibal" at the home of Henry Williams, Frank Albright shot and killed John Austin. Medical attention and a deputy sheriff were secured from Greensboro, but further than finding the dead one, tracks of the firing, and arresting Williams for conducting a "blind pig", nothing was done.

### MONSTROUS CRIME IN GRANVILLE.

All Granville County is stirred with a most horrible triple tragedy which occurred near Hester Monday night. A negro named Montagne, entered the house of Mr. and Mrs. Laden Sanders killed the father, Mr. Sanders, in the yard, then passed into the house, and assaulted Miss Mattie Sanders.

The brute then cut her throat, killed a helpless child of four years, dragged the three bodies into the house and set fire to it.

The bloody clothing of Miss Sanders was found in the negro's house. The clothing was sworn to by neighbors, and the mother who was away from home at the time of the tragedy.

The negro was rushed under strong guard to the Raleigh Penitentiary.

### Fire at Thomasville.

The Kramer Furniture Company's main building and packing room was burned Tuesday evening involving a loss of \$125,000. to \$200,000. The finishing room, being a fire-proof building was saved.

The fire was discovered about half an hour after the shop shut down for the day. The night watchman had just made his first round, when he discovered that the main building was afire. Further than that no one knows. The source of the fire being a mystery.

This is the largest fire Thomasville has had in years, throwing about 300 of employees out of work and burning the largest furniture factory in the town. The insurance is thought to be about \$75,000.

### Negro Killed in Montgomery

Henry Rush was shot and killed last Sunday afternoon by Robert Bogan, at Bogan's store, about 2 miles north of Mt. Giload. It seems the negro and Bogan had some kind of a row when the negro was put out of the store two or three times. He came back, the last time cursing Bogan violently and was shot and killed. At a coroner's inquest it was held that Bogan's act was justifiable and he was discharged.

### The New County.

A call has been issued for a meeting of the citizens of Randolph to meet at the court house on the first Monday in January. The purpose of the meeting being to discuss the new county. It is well to have the meeting, but what is the use of such a meeting when it will be a one sided affair there being practically no division as to sentiment as to the formation of a new county.

### Rev. William B. McIlwaine, Jr. Ordained and Installed as Minister of Presbyterian Church.

On last Thursday night Rev. William B. McIlwaine, Jr., was ordained and installed as pastor of the Thomasville and Asheboro Presbyterian churches. Rev. Dr. Anderson, of Winston, preached the ordination sermon from the text "Sir we would see Jesus".

This was followed by the ordination service. Dr. Melton Clark, of Greensboro delivered the charge to the newly installed minister charging him to be first his own man, then the people's man; but last and most important of all to be God's man. The charge was a most able one.

Following the charge to the pastor was a charge to the people delivered by Rev. Thompson, pastor of the Presbyterian church in Reidsville. This was practical and helpful to all congregations as well as the Presbyterian. He outlined duties of congregations to pastor and urged the people to encourage him when he was discouraged, when congregations were small, help increase the number, and in general hold up his hands in every undertaking.

The choir rendered splendid music and the service was interesting and impressive.

Two negroes raided the Bonman settlement of Canton, O., December 17, shooting three men who resisted them, one of whom has since died, and obtaining \$100.