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NOW IS THE BEST TIME TO DO YOUR WINNING WORK

EVERY CLUB OF TEN ANNUAL SUBSCRIBERS TO THE COURIER TURNED IN BEFORE THURSDAY NIGHT, OCTOBER 14TH, WILL COUNT 125,000 VOTES—YOU WILL NOT HAVE THIS GREAT OPPORTUNITY AGAIN—EVERY MINUTE VALUABLE.

WHAT A CLUB MEANS

In The Courier's Automobile and Piano Contest.

Every club of ten yearly subscriptions to The Courier entitles the contestant to a certificate good for 100,000 extra votes. Clubs count more extra votes now than at any other time in the contest. There is no limit to the number of clubs a contestant may secure. They should get as many as possible. A few clubs will place any contestant in line for one of the grand awards. These extra votes make winning easy for the candidates who take advantage of the opportunity. Clubs are made up of six months, and one year subscriptions, old or new. The contestant beginning active canvass for these clubs may become a leader. The time to begin is NOW. Get your friends to organize a club for you. The more clubs the more votes. The period begins today and ends midnight, October 14th.

You want to win one of the grand prizes, don't you? There are a number of others who have the same desire for the grand award as you have and they are going to work just as hard as you are. Sometimes the race is remarkably close at the finish, even one more subscription may make the difference to you between success and failure. It would seem very hard to miss what you want by just a few votes. Make it certain that you have left no stone unturned. If you win then you will be happy to know that you put forth the really big effort when the big votes were on; if you fail you will have no regrets over what you left undone. There is no time to lose in any period of the contest, but there are times when a little more work than you ordinarily do will pay you big dividends in large number of votes you will secure for yourself. From now until midnight October 14th, is such a time in this contest. If you are really interested in winning one of the big awards you will not neglect to take advantage of every passing minute of this valuable time. There is not a minute to be lost, for the subscriptions are valuable now, more valuable than they will ever be again in this contest.

Why Not Win
Someone will win the grand award and be pleased with the prize. Why not win it yourself? There is nothing to prevent your winning the first prize if you will try hard enough and take advantage of the big club offers this period to increase your standing among the contestants. If you are in the lead or are near the top you do not want some weaker candidate to get in ahead of you this period. But there is only one way to prevent it—and that is to do more work than the other candidates. If you are not among the leaders in the contest you want to be there and there is nothing to prevent your getting there. If you will make the effort you really think you ought to before midnight October 14th, you would not be disappointed to see your name among the leaders. There is only one person who can put it there and that person is yourself. You can do it if you will. These large votes make no candidate's position secure. The candidate who does the most work, who gets in the most of these clubs of ten will find that there is big pay in putting in the big effort at the right time.

Your Chance.
You have as good a chance for the grand prize as any of the contestants. There is no such thing as having no chance for the big awards. The big votes make it certain that you can come up among the leaders if you will. You are the maker of your own position in the contest. It rests with you, what are you going to do about it? You can lose if you will and you can win if you will.

Winner of the Extra Prize
Mrs. J. B. Robbins of Asheboro, was

the winner of the extra prize offered last period.

Extra Prizes For All
To make sure you will get something this period for the work you will do we are offering to every candidate who secures as many as ten subscriptions to The Courier at the regular price, \$1.00 a year, a gold band bracelet. These bracelets are well worth the effort it will take to win them, and furthermore the voting power of the subscriptions will be counted toward winning the grand prize as heretofore.

Important
One of the rules of this contest is that there shall be no cutting in the subscription price of the paper. The money turned in on subscriptions is to be collected. Where the full price of the subscription is not collected votes will be counted for the amount collected.

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THE NEW ROAD FROM COUNTY HOME TO COUNTY LINE

The completion of the grading of the new road from the County Home around Caraway mountain and on to the Guilford line is a striking example of scientific methods applied to road building.

This road was not only laid off by a road engineer but in grading the profile of the engineer appears to have been followed, except in a place or two where there is not quite enough fill, and the drainage in some places does not appear to be properly provided for.

When the scraper is used to properly smooth the road and when a good quantity of gravel is placed upon the road thick enough and properly packed and made smooth it will be the best piece of road in this section of the state, and graded and surfaced under contract for the entire length of the road at \$624 per mile.

Of course a civil engineer will critically examine the road before it is accepted.

This grading around the mountain will be completed within ten days.

One remarkable thing about this road is that the grades are of only 4 per cent, the steepest are only a little over five per cent and that in only about two places.

FUNERAL OF MRS. BROWER

Many Attended Services at Bladen St. M. E. Church Yesterday.

The following is clipped from the Wilmington Star of September 27: Many sorrowing friends were present yesterday at Bladen Street Methodist Episcopal church to attend the funeral of Mrs. A. B. Brower, mother of Mrs. J. B. Taylor, of this city, whose death occurred Friday morning at Rocky Mount, where she had lived the past few years. The services were conducted yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock by Rev. George B. Webster, former pastor of the deceased, assisted by Rev. T. G. Vickers, now pastor of Bladen Street Methodist church.

Out-of-town relatives attending the funeral were Mrs. Harris Brower, of Savannah, Ga.; Mr. C. E. Brower, of Fitzgerald, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Brower, of Birmingham, Ala.; Mr. W. C. Vestal, of Hamlet, N. C.; Messrs. E. F. Vestal and J. H. Vestal, Misses Allie Vestal and Artie Hammer, of Asheboro, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hollingsworth, of Rocky Mount, and the two sons of the deceased, Messrs. F. J. Brower and W. C. Brower, of Rocky Mount.

The pallbearers were: Messrs. F. A. King, T. I. Page, J. O. Powers and J. L. Middleton, of Wilmington. Messrs. J. F. Roff and E. G. Brogdon, of Rocky Mount.

Mrs. Brower was born and raised in Asheboro township, two and one-half miles east of Asheboro. She married Mr. A. B. Brower, a son of Mr. Madison Brower, of Franklinville. They lived in Fayetteville and Wilmington for many years, but have lived in Rocky Mount for the last four or five years.

They were prominent people of this section and their many friends and relatives regret to learn of the sad bereavement.

CAR GASOLINE EXPLODES

Fifty Persons Killed and Two Hundred Injured When Car of Gasoline Explodes in Ardmore, Oklahoma.

Fifty persons are believed to have been crushed or burned to death while pinned under the debris of stores, wholesale houses, and the Ardmore railroad station, as a result of the explosion of a tank car of gasoline, containing 250 gallons, in the business section of Ardmore, Oklahoma, Monday afternoon. The property loss is estimated at a half million dollars. The greater part of the business houses on Main Street are in ruins and the flames spreading from there damaged other property on adjoining streets.

Two workmen were busy repairing the tank Monday afternoon when suddenly one of them struck it with a hammer. The spark from the blow ignited fumes escaping from a small leak and a terrific explosion occurred, followed by smaller ones. The railroad station and adjoining buildings were blown to pieces and the flames spread to other quarters of the city.

Death of Mrs. John W. Curtis.

Martha Jones Curtis, aged 53 years, wife of Mr. John W. Curtis, died at her home in Liberty Thursday, September 23rd after an illness of only a few hours. She leaves a husband and four small children, a father and a mother, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Jones; a widowed sister, Mrs. Maggie Jones York, who lives near Grays' Chapel church; a brother, Mr. J. W. Jones of Dunn. She had a host of friends and was loved by all who knew her. Her death came as a shock to her many friends and relatives.

Funeral services over the remains were conducted from the M. E. church at Liberty Saturday morning at 10 o'clock by Rev. G. F. Millway, of Greensboro, assisted by Rev. G. E. Spruill, of Siler City; Rev. J. B. Williams, of Sanford, and Rev. W. F. Kennett of Liberty. The pallbearers were: S. C. Frazier, W. F. Swaim, B. M. Brown, Otis Brown, W. F. Gilliam, R. A. Smith, J. Rom Smith and J. A. Martin. The bearers of the many attractive floral offerings were Misses Lizzie Cameron, Ida Lawson, Nellie McConns, Dafuy Bowman, Dora Moore, Maude McPherson, Esther Reece and Anna Ashburn. The largest crowd that ever attended a funeral at Liberty was present. Interment was made in the Liberty cemetery under the direction of the members of the Order of the Eastern Star.

SINGERS' UNION CONVENTION

Sixth Annual Convention to Meet Sunday in October at St. Paul's M. E. Church, Randleman.

The first session of the convention will be held Saturday evening, October 9th, at Mt. Lebanon M. P. church. The convention will be called to order and the devotional exercises conducted by the president, Mr. A. M. Fentris, of Pleasant Garden. Rev. J. B. O'Bryant will deliver the address of welcome.

Sunday morning, October 10th, at 10:45 in the morning, the second session will be held in the St. Paul's M. E. church. Rev. Mr. Christenberry will deliver the address of welcome. The annual sermon will be delivered by Rev. W. L. Maness, of Hemp. The third session will be held in the same church in the afternoon at 2 o'clock. This service will be taken up principally in singing.

The fourth and last session will be held at Naomi church Sunday evening. Rev. W. L. Maness will preach the closing sermon of the convention at this session.

The Singers' Union is an organization effected six years ago by Mr. A. M. Fentris, who is the president of the convention at this time. It meets every year and brings the best musical talent of the county together. Between one hundred and two hundred are enrolled as members and these members are expected to attend this convention.

John Wade, the High Point white man who was captured several days ago on the Greensboro-High Point road with his automobile well filled with whiskey, was arraigned in Superior court Friday at Greensboro and entered the plea of guilty to the charge of having whiskey in his possession for the purpose of sale. He was sentenced to serve a term of 12 months on the county roads.

RAMSEUR NEWS LETTER.

PLAY SATURDAY NIGHT—BEGIN WORK ON STREETS—SPRINKLER NEEDED.

Mr. E. M. Hurley went to Greensboro last week.

Mr. J. F. Aiken of the grip spent the week end at home.

Our community was well represented at Gray's Chapel last Sunday.

Mrs. E. B. Leonard and Mrs. M. E. Johnson went to High Point one day last week.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. Church, South, here will give "The Old Maid's Club" here Saturday night, October 2nd. Everybody will get their money's worth if they will come out and hear the ladies.

W. H. Watkins, E. C. Watkins and family went to Troy Sunday.

Rev. T. J. Rogers filled his appointments Sunday morning and night, preaching two very helpful sermons. At the morning service he received two little girls into the church, Misses Margaret and Lilly White.

District Attorney W. C. Hammer and Correspondent, Mr. Hunsucker, of Asheboro, paid us a pleasant call one day last week.

Miss Ora Scott left Saturday to accept a position in the graded school south of Greensboro.

Mr. R. L. McIntyre is spending the week at Mt. Vernon Springs.

Miss Francis Carter, of Greensboro, spent the past week end with relatives in town.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Gant visited friends at Stokesdale the past week.

Miss Pearl Leonard went up to High Point last week. She has accepted a position in the graded schools there and will teach this session.

Mrs. and Mrs. Geo. Allred, of Greensboro, came down Sunday to spend the day with their parents. They were accompanied by their mother, Mrs. J. W. Allred, who had been spending some time with them. The farmers of this community have been too busy to come to see us for two weeks because of their using the opportunity to harvest feed for the coming year. We hope this harvest is about over for it is lonesome here without the presence of our farmer friends.

A number of our folks went to Greensboro last Friday, among whom were the following: E. C. Watkins and family, E. B. Leonard, H. B. Moore, J. C. Luther, Chester Bostick, Waldo Leonard, I. F. Craven and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Watkins, Miss Pearl Leonard and Miss Lee Craven.

Our town will soon be improved by further work on the streets. Mr. J. E. Brady and his force of men having completed the Richland and Ramseur highway, will soon begin again here in town and we hope to see much improvement made on some of the other streets than the ones worked heretofore.

The next thing needed in Ramseur in the way of civic improvement is a sprinkler. Under the present conditions it is almost unbearable. The peace and satisfaction of living is taken away, to say nothing of the menace to our good health by having our lungs filled with the filth of the streets. If the auto drivers would be a little more considerate of the footmen and housekeepers it would not be quite so bad, but when a machine is going above 10 or 15 miles an hour dust envelops the people on the sidewalk and finds a resting place in the parlors and on the dining tables and other furniture, etc., of homes. While we are waiting for the sprinkler please "think on these things" my dear auto friend.

GRAY'S CHAPEL NEWS

Automobiles! automobiles! They were certainly at Gray's Chapel last Sunday.

Mr. Will Blair and family, of Greensboro, are visiting relatives and taking in the meeting.

The many friends of Mrs. John Curtis, of Liberty, were saddened to hear of her death which occurred at her home there on last Thursday. Mrs. Curtis was raised in this community and was a most estimable woman. Mrs. Curtis has the sympathy of the entire community.

John Carter, a negro employee of the Lowdermilk road force, on the Denton road, in Davidson county, was terribly mangled by a dynamite explosion Thursday afternoon. No hope is entertained for his recovery.

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS

ITEMS OF LIVE NEWS GATHERED FROM OUR EXCHANGES AND CONDENSED IN BRIEF FORM FOR BUSY READERS.

The Forsyth County Teachers' Association has decided to hold a county commencement next spring.

J. M. McGee died Monday afternoon at his home in High Point at the age of 66 years.

There is more than twice the tobacco in Alamance county this year than last and the market has opened with fair prices.

Contract has been awarded to W. B. Barrows, of Raleigh, for the erection of a new school building for Chapel Hill. The lot and the building will cost about \$35,000.

Announcement was made at the opening of Salem College Wednesday of last week that the \$300,000 endowment fund had been completed.

The agreement between the Anglo-French financial commission and the American bankers has resulted in the establishment of a \$500,000,000 loan.

As a result of the great union meeting recently held in Lexington, the Lexington churches Sunday gained 123 new members.

Major H. F. Shenk, one of the most highly esteemed men of Cleveland county, died at the hospital at Rutherfordton Friday after undergoing an operation two weeks ago.

More than 240 new game laws were enacted in the United States in 1915—a larger number than any previous year except 1911. North Carolina leads with 61.

As a result of an argument, J. V. Smith, a prominent farmer living near Littleton, was hot at his home Saturday by William Alston, a negro employee. The negro was arrested and placed in jail.

The National Religious Training School, one of the most important negro educational institutions in the South, was sold at auction in Durham Friday for \$21,500. The school was sold to meet the requirements of a mortgage.

Judge Elbert H. Geary, chairman of the United States-Steel Corporation's directorate, believes that the European war will end at an early date and that an era of great prosperity for the United States will follow.

Governor Walsh, of Massachusetts, has been renominated by the Democrats of that state to succeed himself as Governor. As his opponent the Republicans have nominated Congressman McCall.

A group of German firms have offered to buy 1,000,000 bales of American cotton at 16 cents a pound provided it is delivered at Bremen. It will, however, be impossible to get this cotton to Bremen unless the British orders-in-council are changed.

Davidson county officers captured two illicit distilleries last week. One of these was located near Cid, in Emmons township, and the other near Snider. The capture of these two makes a total of five illicit distilleries captured in Davidson county during the past three months.

Mrs. Beulah Hoover, of Weaverville, was killed Thursday when the automobile in which she was riding was hurled into a tree and demolished. The driver was bringing Mrs. Hoover and her daughter to Asheville where the young lady was to take the train for Spartanburg, S. C., where she intended to enter Converse College. Neither the driver nor Miss Hoover were hurt.

One death and the injury of three other persons resulted from the caving in of the street over the new subway in Broadway, New York City, near 38th Street Friday night. The accident is believed to have been caused by the weakening of the supports in the subway, due to the weight of the traffic. The pit caused by the cave-in was about fifty feet long and thirty feet deep.

It is rumored that the Southern Aluminum Company has sold the big electric plant at Badia to the American Aluminum Company. While the officials of the company refuse to give any definite information, they make no secret of the fact that negotiations are pending and that the surveys are making a complete new survey. Whether this survey is the beginning of the work of the American Aluminum Company or for their information is not known. It is reported, however, that the contract of the sale is on the way to France to be signed by the proper officials of the Southern Aluminum Company.

FRANKLINVILLE NEWS.

Items of Local Interest—Committee to Superintend Work on Cemetery—Death of Mrs. Dove.

Rev. W. O. Johnson preached two sermons in the Baptist church Sunday.

Mrs. Georgia Ann Pender, of Whitakers, mother of our popular depot agent, W. D. Pender, is spending some time in the city with her son.

Messrs. Chas. Allred and Theodore Kinney spent the week end at Cedar Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Russell, J. T. Buie, Misses Edna Hutcherson and Mattie Buie spent Sunday in Greensboro and High Point.

Miss Gladie Marley, of Ramseur, was the guest of her cousin, J. H. Marley, last week.

Quite a number of our people attended meeting at Gray's Chapel Sunday.

Mr. H. R. Pender and family, of Hogwood, spent the week end in town with their brother, Mr. W. D. Pender.

Misses Edna Hutcherson and Vivian Mason made a shopping trip to Greensboro Saturday.

Miss Wiley Bagwell is spending the week at Roanoke, Va.

Dr. and Mrs. F. E. Asbury, of Asheboro, were in the city Sunday.

Messrs. J. C. Kivett and W. R. Hughes made a business trip to Greensboro one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Edwards returned from their honeymoon trip to the city Saturday and received a hearty welcome from their many friends.

The following committee, Messrs. J. R. Luther, C. H. Julian, J. W. C. Craven, J. L. Jones, and L. F. Fentris, has been appointed by the pastor of the church, Rev. J. T. Rogers, to have charge of any work necessary to be done on the M. E. church cemetery and to devise a plan to raise the funds to meet expenses. At a meeting of the committee J. R. Lutterloh was elected chairman and C. H. Julian secretary and treasurer, and it was decided to employ some one by the year to keep the cemetery cleaned off and in order and dig all the graves and in order to raise the necessary amount to defray expenses it was further decided to ask all those interested to pay a certain amount each month (or by the year if preferred), and it is earnestly hoped that everybody interested will subscribe as liberally as possible for it is the purpose of the committee to beautify and make permanent improvements on the cemetery as soon as sufficient funds are raised. Any one living at a distance who would like to help will communicate with C. H. Julian who will be glad to receive your subscription and any explanation you may want.

The death of Mrs. T. B. Dove which occurred last Tuesday morning and was noted in The Courier last week, was quite a sad shock to this community. She was but 21 years, 10 months and 18 days old and was married to Mr. Dove on last Thanksgiving Day. She was born and lived at Ramseur until the death of her father, the late Henry Steele, when with her mother, Mrs. Mary Steele, and sister, Thelma, she moved to this place and they made their home with Mrs. Steele's father, Mr. T. M. Jennings. Mrs. Mabel, as she was familiarly known, professed faith in Christ when quite young and joined the M. E. church at this place and has ever lived a beautiful Christian life and has been a useful member of the church and Sunday School and at the time of her death was superintendent of the home department and it seems hard to give her up but we humbly submit to Him who doeth all things well. The funeral was conducted Wednesday evening at the M. E. church by her pastor, Rev. J. T. Rogers, amid a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends and the remains were taken to the M. E. church cemetery where they were tenderly laid to rest. She leaves a husband, mother and one sister and many relatives and friends who have the sympathy of the entire community.

MARTNESS TALKING IT OVER

J. A. Hartness, as yet unannounced candidate for Secretary of State against Col. J. Bryan Grimes, is being urged by his friends to make definite announcement of his candidacy without further delay. Mr. Hartness prefers to wait, but he is giving his friends and their suggestions careful consideration and it is believed that there will be a definite announcement of his candidacy before a great while.