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ONLY SEVEN MORE DAYS OF THIS PERIOD.

125,000 EXTRA VOTES WILL BE GIVEN TO EVERY CONTESTANT FOR EVERY CLUB OF TEN ANNUAL SUBSCRIBERS TO THE COURIER—EVERY CONTESTANT IN THE RACE SHOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS OFFER—IF YOU WANT THE AUTOMOBILE NOW IS THE TIME TO WORK—YOU WILL HAVE LOTS OF TIME TO REST WHEN YOU GET YOUR AUTOMOBILE.

First Grand Prize.—The contestant having the largest number of votes at the close of the contest, regardless of district, will be awarded a five passenger Ford Touring Car.

Second Prize.—The contestant having the second largest number of votes at the close of the contest, regardless of district, will be awarded a standard \$375 Yerkes Piano.

Third Prize.—The contestant having the third largest number of votes at the close of the contest, regardless of district, will be awarded a handsome bedroom suite.

Fourth Prize.—The contestant having the fourth largest number of votes at the close of the contest, regardless of district, will be awarded an open top Rock Hill Buggy.

Fifth Prize.—The contestant having the fifth largest number of votes at the close of the contest, regardless of district, will be awarded a standard make cooking range.

District Prizes.

After the five grand prizes have been awarded the contestant standing highest in each of the three districts will be awarded a beautiful diamond ring or a high grade sewing machine each, whichever is preferred.

The object of the contest is to secure subscriptions to The Courier.

The contestant securing the largest number of votes will win the prize.

The way to get votes is to get your friends and relatives to pay for their subscriptions to The Courier.

George Washington became the leader of the colonies who rebelled against the tyranny of England and afterwards became President of the United States simply because he did not consider contemporaries to be endowed with qualities superceding his perseverance and never-say-die spirit. When the odds were against him in the contest between the ragged colonists and the well-equipped British regulars, and he himself persisted and inspired the interest of the others in his fight and won. He left behind him a history that will show the present generation how to win a struggle.

An Example.

The contestants in the Courier's Great Automobile and Piano Contest should let Washington's life serve as the example for the manner in which they should conduct their struggle for the auto or one of the beautiful prizes. They should make up their minds to make successful race in the contest and then go ahead with the never-say-die George Washington spirit.

Extra Votes For a Club.

You have only seven more days in which to get the 125,000 votes for every club of ten annual subscriptions to the Courier. Remember the period closes midnight Oct. 14th, and there is no limit to the number of clubs you may secure. The more you get the better your chances are for the grand award.

At this stage of the contest no one candidate whose name has been entered so far should consider that they have not as good a chance to get one of the prizes as another who might be several thousand votes ahead at this time.

It will not be difficult for any one to get a few clubs and thus make up the difference with votes between themselves and the leaders.

Now is the Time

The time is ripe for results. You will not have opportunity again to get so many extra votes for a club of subscriptions. Now is the time to do the winning work while the big votes are on. If you want to win one of the grand awards you should not lose a minute of the valuable time between now and midnight, October 14th.

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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As a result of the tropical hurricane of last Wednesday night, the number of persons dead and missing amounts to 600. Along the coast of Louisiana and Mississippi the damage of property is estimated at \$12,000,000.

NEWS FROM TRINITY

Mr. Chapin, of Mocksville, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Bruce Craven.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Andrews who have been quite sick with tonsillitis have recovered.

Chester, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Massey, has scarlet fever.

Mesdames Wood, Ellis and Hayes motored to High Point Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Pepper, of Thomasville, were in town Sunday the guests of Capt. and Mrs. Joseph Parkin.

Mr. Joe Ellis went to Salisbury Wednesday to attend the fair.

The Book Club met with Miss Lydia Leach Thursday afternoon. Owing to the inclemency of the weather, very few were present, but those who were pronounced it quite a contrast to the weather in its brightness. All seemed to enjoy the refreshments of delicious cake and cream as much as if the day had been one of summer heat.

Mr. J. L. Phillips moved his family to the place recently purchased on Carr Corner.

Mr. W. F. Ellis went to Greensboro on a business trip Wednesday.

Miss Vera Green, of Thomasville, and a party of friends motored down Sunday to see the family of Rev. J. N. Crowder.

Rev. J. N. Crowder says that the meeting which he is holding at Mt. Vernon church has resulted in the conversion of many souls, and is one of the best held this year. His service at Trinity Sunday afternoon was full of zeal and a blessing to those who were present.

The death of Mr. Erasmus Ingram at his home, Landadown, west of town, takes from among us one if not our oldest citizens. From boyhood Mr. Ingram has been a consistent member of the Methodist church, and a true man. He was a tender husband and a kind, pleasant neighbor and a man respected by all. As he said at the last, we know where to find him. In life he served God and has gone to rest with Him "who provideth a place for His children." We extend our deepest sympathy to the sorrowing family.

The Ladies Aid Society will meet at the parsonage Tuesday afternoon.

Mesdames Weeks, Johnson, Pepper, and Parker motored to High Point Monday.

Mrs. Frank Wood spent several days in High Point, the guest of Mrs. J. J. Farris.

Mr. J. H. Hill and family took in Everybody's Day at Thomasville last Saturday.

Quite a number of our people took in the Dog and Pony show at High Point Saturday.

Miss Jewel Parkin accompanied by Judge McRae, of Thomasville, went to Greensboro Wednesday to see Barbara Worth.

Our high school is still increasing in numbers. People are sending their children here and paying tuition where they are out of the district, and others are coming all the time to get room for light house-keeping. The county ought to establish a tenth and eleventh grade and give us more teachers. There is hardly a limit to the good this school might do if we had money enough. Can't our county board devise some means to give us at least half of what is needed? There are so many bright talented boys and girls throughout the country that need the advantage to be had at Trinity. We have a fine body of teachers, but need more of them.

Mrs. Rufe Reddick is in Thomasville visiting her sisters.

Mrs. T. J. Finch, of Wheatmore, was the guest of Mrs. J. M. Ballance Sunday.

Miss Lucy Crowder who spent the week end with Miss Vera Green, of Thomasville, returned Sunday.

Mrs. Vannor and son, Charles, were guests of Mrs. Janie Weeks Sunday.

Mr. Roland Briles who has been in the hospital in High Point is well again.

Mr. Chas. Phillips and William Norment left for Jamestown Monday to enter the high school.

J. S. Mann, superintendent of the State prison, will run against Treasurer Lucy for the Democratic nomination for State Treasurer.

RAMSEUR NEWS LETTER.

Rev. W. O. Johnson attended the Sandy Creek Association at Bonlee last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. York, Miss Lizzie Smith, and Messrs. Bostic and Sam Black went to Southern Pines Sunday.

Prof. W. P. White, Mr. J. M. Whitehead and Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Smith and little Francis attended the Association at Bonlee Sunday.

Mr. E. C. Watkins and family, accompanied by V. C. Marley and family, visited friends and relatives in Greensboro Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Melton, Mrs. R. C. Houser and little Louise and Messrs. Harold and Tom Melton, all of Macon, Ga., are spending a few days with parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Allred. They arrived here Saturday evening, having made the trip by automobile from Georgia.

"The Old Maids Club," given here last Saturday night, was a great success as an entertainment, was the verdict of the crowd.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Jennings, of Cedar Falls, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Hartly Allred.

R. T. McIntyre returned Saturday from a trip to Mt. Vernon Springs.

Mrs. J. W. Stout, of Sanford, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Allred.

A large number of our people are planning to attend the big show at Ashboro the 13th.

The Farmer boys crossed bats with our team Saturday night, and at the end the score stood 11 to 2 in favor of the home team.

Mr. W. M. Kimrey returned home Saturday from the Eastern part of the State where he had been selling fruit trees.

A fine son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Joe McAllister last week.

Mr. Fred Burgess, one of our most estimable young men, suffered an attack of appendicitis last week, but we are glad to say is improving.

Our complaint about the dust in last week's news was rather untimely, as we were blessed with a universal sprinkling before the writing was published. We are enjoying the absence of the dust to the fullest extent now, though only for a season, we suspect.

Mrs. E. L. Reece returned last Saturday from a pleasant visit to Greensboro.

TRINITY ROUTE 1 ITEMS.

Mrs. H. H. Kennedy has returned to her home at Asheboro after spending some time with friends and relatives around Mt. Vernon.

We are glad that Mrs. Sandy White, who has been sick for several months, was able to be at church again Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Davis are visiting relatives on the route.

Mr. Garfield Farlow, of Philadelphia, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Farlow, last week.

Miss Gertrude Farlow, who has been elected a member of the Springfield school faculty for the ensuing year, went to take charge of her work Monday.

Mrs. G. W. Frazier, spent Saturday night with relatives in High Point.

Mrs. Letha Spencer Cripps, of New York, came in Monday for an extended visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Spencer.

Miss Ethel Gaddis, of Asheboro, is spending some time at home.

Mr. Troy Smith, of Guilford College, spent Saturday night with home folks.

Some of the 'possum hunters seem to be having good luck this season as they caught five one night last week.

The people on the route as well as elsewhere, are glad to know that Mr. Roland Briles who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis, is improving. We hope he will soon be able to leave the hospital.

Mr. Jeff. Alexander was elected secretary of Gilead Sunday School Sunday.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Wall died Sunday morning and was buried in the Gilead cemetery, about four o'clock Sunday afternoon.

Don't forget that there will be preaching at Gilead next Sunday afternoon by Rev. E. N. Crowder.

Quite a large number of our people attended Everybody's day at Thomasville Saturday, and report a nice time.

Albemarle is to have another half million dollar cotton mill.

FRANKLINVILLE NEWS.

Sunday being rally and promotion day for the M. E. Church Sunday School there were 215 students present. Rev. J. T. Rogers presented the certificates of promotion to the students who passed to higher classes in the graded department. Most of the students were promoted with honor; (very few did not come up quite to the standard in their work,) but it is hoped and believed that the end of the coming year will find them all on the top round.

We were glad to see so many out at teachers meeting and training class Sunday evening.

Dr. T. I. Fox and family attended preaching at Melancthon Sunday.

J. H. Marley and family attended Sandy Creek Baptist Association at Bonlee Sunday.

Mr. John M. Hammer, of Greensboro, has bought what is known as the New Year's Wombel farm on Greensboro road, a short distance north of the city and will improve the property by building large barns and an up-to-date residence. This will be a valuable farm for grain, truck and fruit when properly developed. We understand that a Mr. Brady, of Montgomery county, has the contract to erect the building and will also superintend the farm.

The Franklinville Lumber Plant has installed another large engine and will now be enabled to increase their production to take care of their large orders.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Jones, a daughter.

Mr. R. W. Hughes is preparing to erect a large store building near his residence on Depot Street, and will run both a general store and meat market.

Saturday afternoon, Messrs. James Buie and I. M. Welch had a pleasant visit to Mr. Pascal Marbles near Cedar Falls, who has a nice vineyard well loaded with delicious scuppernongs, enough to make several gallons of wine, but when they left late in the evening the grapes had disappeared, the hulls were not in sight and Mr. Marbles is feeling very thankful that at least part of the vines are left for another season.

The erection of a knitting mill is being considered by some of our progressive citizens, which we hope will terminate in a reality.

Mr. James Allred died suddenly last Thursday morning near the home of his son, Mr. W. E. Allred, and was buried at Pleasant Ridge Friday evening. The funeral was conducted by his pastor, Rev. Mr. White, of Ramseur. Mr. Allred was a good citizen, was about 74 years old and had been a member of the church 45 years and a deacon for 20 years. He was a brother of Rev. J. F. Allred of this place. He leaves several children and quite a number of relatives and friends who have our sympathy.

Miss Flossie Marley, Mr. Carl Hughes and sister made a trip to Greensboro Saturday.

CARAWAY R 2 NEWS

Conrad Garner, McKinley Hill, Jeffrey Yates and Arvil Wood attended Everybody's Day at Thomasville last Saturday.

Mary Hill visited relatives in High Point last week.

Hal V. Lackey has purchased an automobile.

Quite a number of Mt. Tabor Sunday school students visited Fairmount Sunday school last Sunday. The Fairmount served them with a fine dinner.

Bert Kindley and Bessie Nance were married recently.

J. F. Yates and family are preparing to move to Denton in a short while we are sorry to know that they are to leave us.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ragan, of Sophia, will move near Mt. Tabor church soon, we are glad to have them with us.

W. E. Garner made a business trip to Asheboro Saturday.

The child of Mr. Miny McDowell is improving, we are glad to note.

Mr. and Mrs. Numie Pierce, of High Point, are visiting relatives in this community this week.

Beatrice Irene Brookshire, daughter of T. A. and Bird B. Brookshire, at Sophia, died October 4th, 1915, aged 1 year, 2 months, 28 days. Funeral services were conducted in the home by Rev. J. M. Brown and interment was made at Marlboro cemetery.

WASHINGTON LETTER

History of Armor Long Scandal—For Government Ownership of Munitions Factories.

Clyde H. Tavensner.

It would require several volumes to cover all the transactions deserving publicity concerning armor. Let it be sufficient in passing to say that the government purchase of armor has been a scandal from start to finish. The conduct of the armor ring in dealing with the government averages throughout at least 80 per cent. rotten.

There have been nine official estimates as to the actual cost of the manufacture of a ton of armor plate. The average estimate is \$247.17 per ton. Yet since 1887 we have purchased 217,379 tons of armor, paying the armor ring an average of \$440.04 per ton, or a total of \$95,656,246. I believe I am well within the bounds of conservatism when I say that if all this armor plate had been manufactured in a government plant at least \$35,000,000 would have been saved to the American tax-payers, and armor is only one of the things being purchased by the army and navy under similar conditions.

Take powder. We have purchased \$25,000,000 worth of powder from the trust since 1905, paying for it all the way from 53 to 80 cents per pound. We are manufacturing powder in government plants now for 36 cents per pound, and the officers in charge state that the more we manufacture, the cheaper we can produce it. There is little doubt but that from eight to ten million dollars of the twenty-five million dollars paid the powder trust could have been saved by government manufacture. Secretary Daniels has asked Congress for an appropriation for a government armor plate factory but thus far Congress has refused him.

If the government builds an armor plant and a padlock is placed on its doors as soon as it is completed, and it is never used, it will, in the opinion of Secretary Daniels, pay for itself simply by enabling him to obtain fair treatment from the armor manufacturers.

To Depend Upon Private Contractors In Time of War is to Place the Government at the Mercy of Proven Extortionists

Army and navy officers generally are opposed to complete government manufacture of munitions of war, taking the position that it is the part of wisdom for the government to encourage private manufactures to operate plants so that they may be available in time of war. Experience has shown, however, that instead of patriotically coming to the relief of the government in time of war, the war traders take advantage of the necessities of the government, which is at their mercy, and boost their prices. For instance, when war with Spain was imminent the armor manufacturers practically issued an ultimatum to the government that they would not manufacture a single piece of armor plate unless the government should agree to pay them \$100 a ton more than the price fixed by Congress after an investigation as a fair price. And it is also worthy of notice that their patriotism did not prevent them from selling armor to Russia for \$249 a ton, while they were asking their own government \$816 a ton.

If the armor and powder trusts once overcharge the government in time of war because they have it at their mercy it is their fault, but if they repeat the performance because they are a second time permitted to have the government at their mercy, it will be the government's fault.

Private Ownership of Armor and Munition Factories is a Standing Menace to Peace.

Every man who opposes war and favors peace can support a policy of government manufacture, because as long as these hydra-headed capitalistic cliques which thrive and fatten on international distrust and suspicion remain in our midst we are in danger, not so much from the peoples beyond the seas as from the war traders at home, who, if permitted to ply their trade to its analysis, will lead us to the very brink of desolation and then, to satisfy their sordid greed of gold, plunge us headlong into the bottomless abyss of war itself.

Permit me here to quote the words of Minority Leader Oscar W. Underwood, uttered in the debate on the Naval Bill in the House of February 5, 1915:

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS

Fire destroyed the Peachland public school building near Wadesboro last Friday night. It is believed that the fire was the work of an incendiary.

The city council of High Point has voted to borrow \$25,000 at 5 per cent to take up outstanding indebtedness against the city now drawing 6 per cent interest.

Everybody's Day at Thomasville was a great success Saturday. Parades, exhibits and free shows featured the program for the day. The crowd in attendance was estimated at 12,000.

Secretary Daniels will fill the vacancies at the Naval Academy at Annapolis and run the number of the middies from 900 to 1200. This means that North Carolina will get her share of the 300 new men.

The department of agriculture has estimated the cotton crop of the country at 10,590,000 bales, which would be the smallest crop since 1903 and about five million bales less than the crop last year.

The two year old child of Jordan Mills was accosted by a negro, a short distance from his father's home, near Kinston, N. C. "Go home," he said. The baby stood still, and the black, carrying a loaded shotgun, shot the child's arm off.

T. C. Betterton, secretary and treasurer of the Tennessee Coffin and Casket Company, and Police Commissioner of Chattanooga, Tenn., was arrested Saturday charged with violating the penal code of the United States in his capacity as head of the coffin company in shipping whiskey all over Tennessee enclosed in caskets sent out from his factory.

Governor Craig granted a conditional pardon Sunday to W. L. Davis, of Davidson county, sentenced Dec. 1914, to serve eighteen months on the roads of Davidson county for retailing. He is released on condition that he refrain from selling liquor in the future and in all ways remain a good citizen and obey the law. Since his imprisonment began he has suffered a marked decline in his physical condition.

Robson, the 10-year-old son of S. J. Smith, was shot by his 6-year-old brother at Siler City Saturday night about 8 o'clock and died at 11. The boys were playing with their father's gun and in some way the little fellow pulled the trigger, discharging the entire load into the breast of the older boy. The father had been out hunting and coming into the house laid his gun on the bed, forgetting to remove the shells.

Governor Craig issued a statement Saturday to the authorities of the various counties and to the tax payers generally throughout the state fully endorsing the course of the State Corporation Commission, as State Tax Commission, in its work of equalizing the tax valuations of real property as among the counties. The commission has raised the tax assessments against 80 counties on percent basis ranging from 5 per cent to 30 per cent. The governor points out that this equalization is for the purpose of remedying abuses and inequalities that have been complained of for many years as glaring injustices to the taxpayers in those counties that have been bearing their share of the burden of the State taxation.

A difference of about \$69,000 is involved in a special proceeding brought by Stuart W. Cramer, of Charlotte, against the Thomasville Chair Company, upon which hearings were begun at Lexington Monday before referee H. P. Grier, of Statesville. The big suit grows out of a difference in estimate of stock on hand when Mr. Cramer sold his Thomasville furniture factory to T. J. Finch, of Thomasville. The stock of chairs in good condition is estimated by the Thomasville Chair company at about \$2,700, while Mr. Cramer assesses their value at \$29,000. There is also a variance in estimates in other property of the concern of \$23,000. The Thomasville company is countering this big suit by another suit claiming \$20,000 damages by reason of the failure of Mr. Cramer to turn over the property to them.

"I believe we ought to have a reasonable navy and a reasonable army but I do not want to see my country have either a navy or an army that will invite us to make issues that may precipitate our people into the chadron of bloodshed and disaster. (Applause). I believe that if you propose to enter into a race of armaments the end of the story will mean war. (Applause)."