

MR. THOS. P. ROSS PASSES AFTER 4-WEEKS ILLNESS

End Came Yesterday Afternoon at 2 O'clock at His Home on North Church St.—Funeral Today at 3:30 P. M. at First A. R. P. Church.

Deceased Was One Of The City's Most Esteemed Citizens—Native of The County—Prominent Pythian and Member of Other Orders.

Thomas Pringle Ross, one of the best known, most prominent and most highly esteemed citizens of this city, fell on sleep yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock at his home on North Church street. News of Mr. Ross' death reached the News office on the morning of Saturday and the city was in a state of mourning. The funeral was held at 3:30 p. m. at the First A. R. P. Church. Mr. Ross was a native of the county and a member of the Pythian and other orders. He was a prominent citizen and a member of the city's most esteemed citizens. He was a native of the county and a member of the Pythian and other orders. He was a prominent citizen and a member of the city's most esteemed citizens.

which he died. And not the least of his many virtues was his loyalty to friend. His friendships were not affected by adversity. One a friend, always a friend, was a dominant trait of his character. As a husband and father he was an example of devotion that was beautiful. His home was his castle. When not at work he was at home. Mr. Ross is survived by his wife, daughter and son.

The funeral will be conducted Sunday afternoon at 2:30 at the First A. R. P. church, by Rev. W. B. Lindsay, pastor of the church. The service at the cemetery will be in charge of the Pythians. All members of Rathbone Lodge, and all other Pythians in the city asked to meet at Rathbone Lodge at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The pall bearers will be: Messrs. E. A. McCasland, Henry Ramsay, B. F. Winters, J. F. Jamison, Ira Ranson, W. A. Cochran.

COMEDY AND MUSIC MAKE "A MODERN EVE" ENJOYABLE SHOW

Tuneful and whistleable music, amusing comedy and lively-looking chorus are features of the Berlin opera, "A Modern Eve," presented at the Academy of Music yesterday matinee and night and whether it is the fact that a play of the kind had not been here for quite a while or whether it was the intrinsic merit of the production, the audience got a great deal of enjoyment out of it. It was one continuous ripple of laughter from the time Edward Hume, as Casimir Cascadier, the suffragette-pestered husband appeared on the stage until the last curtain. He was instantly recognized as the unique comedian who appeared here last season and made a hit as the chimney sweep in "The Heartbreakers." As the hen-pecked husband he was very, very funny, the role fitting him like a glove. He was the outstanding figure in the cast. Harry Dickson as suitor to one of Mme. Cascadier's daughters of very modern ideas and Lawrence Ackerlind as suitor for her sister were also very good, while Miss Henrietta Pedro as Madame Cascadier, the woman who dominated everybody in the household, was splendid. The production is full of good songs, particularly "Goodbye, Everybody," "Hello Sweetheart," and "Rita, My Marguerite." The audience came out whistling and humming "Goodbye, Everybody" as they had heard it before often. Several of the numbers have an old-fashioned something about them that is sure to leave the public where the show has appeared humming them familiarly in a short while.

MANY ATTEND THE YATES PHARMACY OPENING SATURDAY

The formal opening of the Yates Pharmacy at 200 East Morehead street yesterday was a decided success in every way, and the attractive new store of this concern was well crowded throughout the day despite the inclement weather which prevailed. A large number of young people, young women men and boys, were present at the opening day and each received at attractive souvenir and a drink at the handsome soda fountain which the Yates Pharmacy has installed. The opening day for the promoters of this new enterprise was in all ways encouraging and the owners of the new store were highly pleased last night with the encouraging showing which had been made on the initial day of their business in Charlotte. Mr. A. M. Yates is manager of the business of the pharmacy while Mr. C. L. Yates, an experienced pharmacist, will be in charge of the prescription work of the new store. The pharmacy is one of the best equipped of the smallest drug stores in the city.

LATEST MILITANT STUNT DOES \$20,000 DAMAGE TO BOTANIC GARDEN

Glasgow, Jan. 24.—The authorities tonight estimated that \$20,000 damages was done to the Botanic gardens here today by suffragette bomb. A watchman found one arsonette contrivance in Kibble Palace, the conservatory room of the gardens and at the risk of his life, extinguished the sputtering fuse. As he ran to call the police a second bomb exploded and the conservatory windows were shattered. Many of the rarest and most valuable plants in Great Britain were hopelessly mutilated. Women's footprints in the turf and a woman's veil found near where the first bomb was discovered convinced the police the explosion was the work of the militants. No arrests were made.

At the Princess Monday: "For the Heart of a Princess," a gorgeous production of an Arabian Nights tale. Tuesday: The big Hagenbeck-Wallace Circus feature in four reels. Bring all the children to see these fine pictures.

Mr. Blair Suffers Stroke of Paralysis

Mr. R. K. Blair received a telegram from Troy, N. C., saying that his brother, Mr. J. Reece Blair, had suffered a stroke of paralysis yesterday morning. He left yesterday afternoon for Monroe. Mr. Blair has not been in good health recently, but the stroke came without warning. He is well known in Charlotte, and the news of his serious illness will be heard here with sincere regret. Mr. Blair is about 52 years of age. He has a wife, but no children. He is the oldest of several brothers.

Mr. Newman Smith Ill With Pneumonia

The many friends of Mr. Newman Smith of Bowen's drug store, will regret to learn that he is seriously ill with pneumonia at the Mercy General hospital. He has been ill for four days. His symptoms were worse last night. At the Princess Monday: "For the Heart of a Princess," a gorgeous production of an Arabian Nights tale. Tuesday: The big Hagenbeck-Wallace Circus feature in four reels. Bring all the children to see these fine pictures.

SENSATIONAL IS STATEMENT MADE BY MR. ALLISON

The most startling announcement with reference to the present deadlock between the executive board and the board of aldermen regarding the purchase of a new auto pump fire apparatus, is that by Mr. T. T. Allison in a formal declaration made last night in which Mr. Allison says that the car which the aldermen have ordered purchased at not exceeding \$9,000 for the fire department, was recently bought by a western city for a price considerably below that at which it is generally understood the city of Charlotte proposes to pay for the same car through the board of aldermen.

Mr. Allison's Statement.

"Even though you may be thoroughly convinced that a certain car is the best to buy, it is the duty of city officials to resist to competition; for it is a positive fact that cars are sold for less money when in competition with others than when there is no competition. As proof of this I beg to submit to the public the following evidence: In the Municipal Journal of September 11th, 1913, there appears the following item under the head of 'Contracts Awarded': 'Mankato, Minn.—To American-LaFrance Fire Engine Company contract for motor triple combination wagon at \$7,950.' 'A telegram sent to a city official of Mankato, Minn., yesterday brings the information that the car purchased was a type twelve, 700 gallon per minute, six cylinder, American-LaFrance car. 'This is the same type car that such strenuous effort is now being made to sell to this city at \$9,000 less 2 per cent for cash. It is the financial condition of this city such that it should not have the benefit of the same price paid by the Minnesota city? In what other way can such a price be secured except by open competition? 'The original proof of the above statement of facts can be seen by any one by applying to the proper city officials.'

JULIA MARLOWE WILL BE COMPELLED TO UNDERGO OPERATION

New York, Jan. 24.—Miss Julia Marlowe, noted actress and in private life the wife of E. H. Sothorn, was in the care of her physician at her Madison Avenue home tonight after a feared trip across the continent when it was discovered that she was suffering from appendicitis and that an operation might be necessary. Miss Marlowe arrived here late this afternoon on her private car "Federal." She was accompanied by her personal representative Frank Colfax, a trained nurse and maid. An invalid chair was brought for her use, but she chose to walk to the limousine of her physician, Dr. Joseph Bisoult. The actress leaned heavily on the physician's arm and appeared weak. Dr. Bisoult said he had communicated with Miss Marlowe daily since she left the coast. He refused to discuss her case but it is understood that he fears that Miss Marlowe is suffering from a recurrent attack of appendicitis and that an operation will be necessary. It will be some weeks before she can keep her engagements.

LOOK INTO THE BANK ACCOUNT OF MURPHY

(Continued from Page One.) ment. Sulzer has furnished Whitman with a mass of documentary evidence. The district attorney was in conference with Alexander H. Bacon, counsel for the former executive this afternoon. United States Senator O'Gorman is scheduled to take the stand in the John Doe hearings on the graft next Tuesday and it is toward his appearance that politicians are looking. "If he backs Sulzer, the chief's a goner," was the remark heard more than once today even among Tammany braves. The Tammany followers looked upon the first Sulzer charges as serious only in the effect they would have on the election which was then pending and which resulted in the election of Mitchell as mayor. With a man of the standing of O'Gorman corroborating statements made by Sulzer, however, the very foundation of Murphy's support in Tammany Hall is threatened. Sulzer's attorney has conferred with Whitman and it is understood he will corroborate Sulzer's testimony, practically in all respects as it related to him. The bank accounts of Murphy and Gaffney for the past five years are being examined by Whitman. As far as they have gone, it is declared, Whitman has discovered that Gaffney deposited usually in big bills, between \$75,000 and \$100,000 annually in local banks. He frequently made deposits of from \$5,000 to \$10,000. It is said Gaffney made deposits regularly following the awards of big contracts in the highway and canal departments, it is further declared, and one instance is said to have been discovered showing a deposit of \$5,000. In March, 1909, this being the date on which Patterson Bros., Pittsburg contractors, are said to have paid \$41,000 for the award of a contract by the board of water supply. Sulzer testified this week that O'Gorman said to him: "Don't you know that James E. Gaffney is Murphy's bagman?" Then he said an attempt had been made to "shake down" his client (James Stewart, contractor) for \$150,000; that he read the "riot act" to Murphy for this, and said it would be a "disgrace to appoint Gaffney highway commissioner."

MISS HAUGHTON TO ENTERTAIN TUESDAY.

Miss Mildred Smith, of Wilmington, arrives in the city tomorrow to visit at Captain and Mrs. Thomas H. Haughton's on East Eleventh street. Mrs. Haughton being her aunt. Miss Smith comes to Charlotte from Washington city, where she has been visiting. On Tuesday afternoon Miss Alice Haughton will give a tea in her honor, to which a number of very delightful society folks will be invited.

WOODMEN ENJOY OYSTER SUPPER

Dixie Camp, No. 36, Woodmen of the World, held a big oyster dinner and jollification Friday, at which 113 persons were present. The ladies of the neighborhood brought baskets full of good things, while the oysters and other accessories were there in plenty, and a day of unusual pleasure was the result. The Steel Creek Cornet band furnished music for the occasion. The Steel Creek camp of Woodmen is one of the strongest in the county.

W. VA. TO MEET PENN IN TRACK EVENT.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 24.—University of Pennsylvania track team will meet the University of Virginia April 16, at Charlottesville. The trip will take up three days and was arranged so that the Red and Blue men might be kept together and in condition during the Easter vacation as the examinations come shortly after that.

APPOINTMENT OF INCOME TAX OFFICIALS ANNOUNCED.

Washington, Jan. 24.—Appointments of inspectors and deputies who will assist in the collection of income tax were announced tonight by the commissioner of internal revenue. The list of deputies includes E. B. Quinn, Rutherfordton, N. C., and M. L. Mauney, Murphy, N. C.

FOUND GUILTY OF BRIBING HIS NOMINATION.

New York, Jan. 24.—A verdict of guilty was returned at 11:50 tonight by the jury in Brooklyn after being out forty minutes on the case of William Willett, accused of buying a supreme court nomination in Queen's Borough in 1911.

SOCIAL SPORTS

DELIGHTFUL PARTY FROM CONCORD.

Concord was delightfully represented in this city yesterday. A party of prominent society women from that city here were: Mrs. Robt. S. Young, Mrs. R. A. Brown, Mrs. R. S. Sanders, Miss Maud Brown, Mrs. George Patterson, Mrs. Luther Hartsell, Mrs. E. T. Cannon, Miss Laura Magill, Mr. E. J. Moss and Mrs. John Fox. Miss Maud Brown joined the party here, from Gastonia where she had been on a visit.

GUESTS OF MR. AND MRS. GERARD.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward T. Gerard have as guests at their lovely home in the Pines beyond Elizabeth, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Jones, of Atlanta.

YESTERDAY'S DANCING.

Gray days have no effect on the tango spirit. The dancing at the Selwyn yesterday afternoon for the benefit of the Old Ladies' Home was largely attended despite leaden skies and a mist resembling rain. "Tango Tom" was at the piano and played with his usual dash and inspiration. The dancing personnel was practically the same as on last Saturday afternoon. There were scores of on-lookers within and without. The sum of \$50 was added to the Home fund.

COLONIAL BALL.

A Colonial ball is to be given on February 23 at the Selwyn, by the managers of the Old Ladies' Home, for the benefit of the Home. A Colonial costume will not be insisted upon, but paint, powder and patches will constitute the passport.

MISS WILSON GIVES "SHOWER" FOR MISS HENDERSON.

Miss Nora Belle Wilson was a very charming hostess yesterday afternoon in honor of Miss Lucy Henderson, whose marriage is to be one of the highly interesting social events of the near future. The house was prettily decorated for the occasion, a color scheme of red being used in the parlor, living room and dining room. Growing tulips, and ferns, made the floral effect, while red candles in crystal stocks added to the warmth of color. A towel shower was the chief feature of the afternoon, but brought the "grit" in. After the shower, the hostess served delicious refreshments, assisted by Misses Studie and Marporie Washburn. The guests were: Miss Henderson, Misses Mary Irwin, Mary Armand and Bettie Nash, Charlee Hutchison, Ida Hand, Sallie Bethune, Mary Wiley, Fannie Porter, Ellen Jamison, Josie Henderson, Florence Jamison, Fannie Henderson, Gertrude Smith, Annie Johnson, Mary Peasley, Mary S. Davidson, Alice McCoy, Martha Moore Carr, Alice Moore, Fannie Moore, Rose Walsh, Hattie Alexander, Evelyn Rucker, Maude McKinnon, Louise Mooney, Helm Matthews, Marjorie Washburn.

Mesdames H. P. Harding, Mulloch, Arthur Henderson, Floyd Gresham, M. M. Schiltz, Chambers Moore, P. C. Henderson, J. M. Davenport, Dr. Annie Low, Alexander and Dr. Margaret Whitesides. Miss Hattie Alexander toasted the bride and Miss Bettie Nash "the old maid school teachers" Miss Wilson was assisted in receiving by her mother, Mrs. Emory L. Wilson.

FEDERAL LEAGUE PRESIDENT RESIGNS

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 24.—John G. Barbour, head of the Pittsburg Federal League Club and its principal financial backer, tonight resigned the presidency of that organization and withdrew his support of it. Press of other business was the reason given by him for his determination to step out. The club thus passed into the hands of W. A. Kerr, a contractor, who put up the Federal League stand at Exposition Park, by virtue of his position as a professed creditor.

A. & M. WINS FROM CHARLOTTE Y. M. C. A. AT BASKET BALL

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 24.—In a rather poor exhibition of basket ball, A. & M. defeated the Charlotte Y. M. C. A. tonight by the score of 42 to 21. The first half was featured by ragged playing on both sides and ended with the score 18 to 13 in favor of the Teets, but the second half was much better. Mason for A. & M. played the most consistent game of anybody on either side, while the playing of Stewart for Charlotte and Sumner of A. & M. was good. Mason shot eleven of the twenty one goals made by A. & M. Sumner making eight and Stewart shooting in six for Charlotte.

FOUR TEAMS OF INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE PLAY BASKET BALL

All four teams in the Y. M. C. A. intermediate basket ball league played last night in the gymnasium of the association. S. I. I. defeated the C. U. S. team by the score of 26 to 5. The team work of the S. I. I. players, with the goal shooting of Rudisill and Shumaker, was the feature of this game. In the second game of the C. H. S. team went down to defeat before the good playing of the Y. M. C. A. boys by the score of 20 to 12. Byerly, for the Y. M. C. A. boys, played his best game, and as a result scored 16 field goals. Howell for C. H. S. made several spectacular shots. The representative basket ball team of the boys' department will have their first game Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock, playing the Davidson scrubs. The Davidson scrubs have a mighty strong team, with Nisbet and Critz forwards, Sommerville center, Reese and Laird guards. Reese and Nisbet are two Charlotte boys and last year players with the boys' department. The local boys have not decided upon their lineup. Captain Marsh and Manager Howell will arrange for other teams to play here. The game Monday afternoon will start at 3 o'clock, and the admission will be 15 cents.

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