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ITEMS FROM FOREST HILL.

Mills and Bleachery Take Two Days Off—Santa Claus to Be on Hand—New Pastor Liked.

Written For The Standard

The Sunday School of Forest Hill Methodist church will give an entertainment in their church on Christmas night, consisting of songs, recitations and a genuine Santa Claus with a snow storm thrown in. Santa will distribute presents to each member of the school.

Rev. J N Huggins, who was sent to Forest Hill Methodist church at the last Conference has arrived and is preaching with satisfaction to his people. Mr. Huggins has the reputation of being a good preacher and a fine man in every way. He served one of the Asheville churches during the past year and did a fine work. Concord gives him a hearty welcome and wishes him success in his new field of work.

Fred C Odell arrived home from Trinity College last night to spend the holidays. He expects to leave on Monday night for Boston to attend a meeting of his Greek letter Fraternity.

Mrs. J M Odell arrived home on the Florida vestibule from New York this morning, where she has been for several weeks.

The Odell Mills will close down Saturday evening and will remain closed till Wednesday morning.

The Bleachery will close down Saturday. They expect to start up the following Wednesday.

Big Game and Bigger Account.

A Mt. Pleasant correspondent sends us the following hunting story that knocks the hind sights off the hunting season. He says:

"Messrs. Harris and Edward Crowell, Geo. L. Barrier, Preston Hatley and Paul Hahn have returned from a hunting trip in Montgomery county, in the country surrounding Eldorado. They report an exceptionally good time, and more, a bag of one deer, four turkeys and two bushels of birds. They say game is very plentiful and that it is worth any hunter's time and money to go. They, or a part of them, have made arrangements to take a more extended hunt next fall. The deer hide was on exhibition here one afternoon and is now at Hartsell & Lentz's tannery undergoing the 'tan-with-hair-on' treatment."

Our correspondent says exaggeration was charged with regard to the birds but that Harris Crowell says it's all right. All hunters are governed by the same rule of telling the story when they come in.

Woodson-Bernhardt.

Mr. Walter H Woodson and Miss Pauline Bernhardt, both of Salisbury, will be married at 8 o'clock tonight in the Episcopal church by the Rev. J F Murdock. The wedded couple will board the 10.20 train for New York.

MR. KLUTZ SAVED THE DAY.

He Voted for the Hopkins Bill in Committee and Gives His Reasons for Doing So.

Special to the Charlotte Observer from Washington, December 19 says: Mr. Klutz saved the day on the Hopkins bill in the census committee and did a service for North Carolina and the South that will be far-reaching in the future, if the Hopkins bill becomes a law. To your correspondent he said:

"I voted in committee and shall vote in the House for the Hopkins bill, which fixes the membership of the House at 357, the present number. I believe this is better for the country, and I know it is better for the Democratic party, and especially for the Southern States.

"In the first place, I believe the House is now fully as large as is compatible with a proper transaction of the public business, and an addition of thirty members as proposed by the Burleigh bill would not only make it more unwieldy but it would require an expensive remodeling of the hall of the House, with a probable removal of desks, and it would add a large amount, from a quarter to a half-million dollars, to the annual expense for government. I favor the Hopkins bill because it is absolutely fair and nonpartisan. Under it, the Republicans will gain five members and lose five, and the Democrats will gain three and lose three, thus leaving the political status of the parties in the House and in the electoral college exactly as at present, with a possibility of a Democratic gain in New York and New Jersey.

"Under the Burleigh bill, which fixes the membership at 387, the Republicans gain twenty and lose one while the Democrats gain ten, making a net Republican gain of ten, or even counting New York and New Jersey as Democratic States, the net Republican gain would be four.

"It will be readily seen from these figures that the Hopkins bill is infinitely preferable from from a Democratic standpoint and I do not see how any Democrat can oppose it. True, Virginia, North Carolina and Kentucky each lose one vote under it, while Louisiana gains one, and Texas two, but each State retains its relative strength according to population. North Carolina would gain one member under the Burleigh bill, but her relative strength and influence in the House and in the electoral college would be nearly as great

with nine members in a membership of 357 as with ten members in a membership of 387, as a simple calculation will show.

"Besides all this it is the wise course for the South, because it eliminates all danger from the Crumpacker proposition, and, after all, this is perhaps the most vital consideration for the South, and particularly for North Carolina and Louisiana. The Crumpacker bill was ruled out in committee on a point of order, as unconstitutional, by Chairman Hopkins, and while it may be offered as an amendment in the House, it will stand no show whatever if the Hopkins bill passes. I deeply regret the loss of a member to Virginia, Kentucky, and South Carolina, but I must be guided by what I believe to be best for the country, the Democratic party and the South, rather than by considerations of friendship or sentiment. The proposition now being mooted, and upon which the elements of opposition are trying to unite, would be still worse, as to numbers, expense and politics. Under it, the Republicans would gain 28 votes and the Democrats 15, making a net Republican gain of 13. For 357 members the ratio is 208,868; for 387 members it is 192,676."

GOOD REPORT.

Cabarrus Man Doing a Good Work in the far Out West.

We note that the Rev. T E Winecoff (a Cabarrus boy) who became pastor of St. Luke's church, Tacoma, Washington, one year ago, has met with great success, doubling the membership of that church which is inadequate for the large congregations that attend. The Evening News of that city has a beautiful write-up of a recent function on the minister's birthday in which nearly all the parishioners engaged. The parish house, The News says, was richly decorated and furnished with costly wares secured for the occasion and a delightful evening was spent, crowned with a delicious feast.

COLUMBIA'S BIG FIRE.

Worst for 20 Years—Loss \$142,000, Insurance \$53,000.

Columbia, S. C., had the worst blaze Wednesday night that it has had in 20 years. A lamp exploded in Van Meter's Furniture store and quickly had that building in flames. A livery stable with a hay warehouse caught at once. The Jerome Hotel and three large mercantile establishments and four smaller ones were licked up by the flames.

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