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FIVE DOCTORS TO BE IN HOUSE

And One in Upper Branch Will Look After All Sick Bills In Legislature—80 Lawyers, 25 Farmers, 4 Preachers, and 3 Editors.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 3.—Five physicians in the House and one in the Senate will provide plenty of medical attention for sick bills in the General Assembly while one funeral director will look after the embalming of those dying in the committee.

The legal profession sends 51 representatives while 29 lawyers will hold seats in the Senate. Twenty-five farmers, four ministers, seven bankers, one Ford dealer, three editors and three real estate dealers are here. Two teachers, three insurance agents, one fisherman, one cotton buyer, one lumber and one furniture man, one druggist, one cotton manufacturer and one civil engineer represent their walks in life.

Virtually all members of the Senate are alumni of colleges and universities while one-fourth of the House members claim only a high school or grammar school education. Two of the Senators are classed as high school graduates.

The Methodists lead among the church-going members with 40 in the House and 19 in the Senate. The Baptists are next with 29 in the house and four in the Senate, while the Presbyterians are third with 15 members in the House and six in the Senate. The Episcopalians can muster five members in the Senate and nine in the House.

Twelve veterans of the World War are listed in the House and four in the Senate. William B. Horton, a Senator, served 20 years in the Navy.

Miss Carrie McLean, of Charlotte, is the only woman member of either house.

AUTO LICENSE AT HALF PRICE

May Now Be Had For Cars Purchased On Or Since Jan. 1—Sale of Licenses Picking Up.

If you have purchased a car or truck since December 31st, you can now buy a license plate for it at half price, as the license year is half gone. However, if you purchased or used the car before Jan. 1st, this year, you must pay full price for a license plate. This is the recent ruling of the State revenue department.

Owners who purchased cars prior to January 1 and who apply for license at the reduced rate must make affidavit that the car was not driven prior to Jan. 1st. Persons making false statements to secure six months license are subject to prosecution under misdemeanor charges.

The auto license bureau at Winston-Salem sold an even hundred plates on the first day of the year, last Saturday.

Former Stokes Man Dies In Montgomery

News was received here yesterday of the death of Walter Stephens at his home in Montgomery county. Mr. Stephens removed from Stokes several years since and was a son of Mr. James H. Stephens, of Danbury Route 1. He had been ill for some months and his death had been expected for weeks. He is survived by his wife and seven children, as well as a large number of relatives in this county. Interment will be made near the home of the deceased.

It's hard to love your neighbor as yourself if he happens to be learning the saxophone.

BIG INCREASE IN MOTOR CARS

385,217 Cars Registered In State In 1916 Against 294,834 In 1925—Revenue Large—2,000 Less Births, 1,000 More Deaths.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 4.—State and Federal departments, caught up after the end-of-the-year rush, today disgorged statistics about North Carolina in 1926.

From the Automobile Department it was learned there was an increase of 31 per cent in automobiles in the State during the year. The comparative figures for 1925 and 1926 showed 385,217 cars for the former and 294,834 for the latter.

The State Revenue Department reflected a slump in its December collections, showing \$6,000 under the \$315,126 taken in December, 1925.

William Grissom, United States collector of internal revenue for the district of North Carolina, beamed broadly as he announced that more than \$100,000,000 had been collected from the Old North State in the first six months of the present fiscal year, and even broader when he predicted that the State's contribution to Federal revenue would exceed \$200,000,000 for the entire year. That figure would stand as the highest in history.

The Health Board, courtesy of Dr. F. M. Register, unraveled its vital statistics reel. The doctor's estimate had it there were 2,000 less births and 1,000 more deaths in 1926 than in 1925. November and December reports are not all in, but the figures will be approximately: 81,856 deaths and 34,601 deaths.

It was a big year for gasoline and license taxes. The first six months of the present fiscal year showed nearly \$10,000,000. In December alone they ran over three-quarters of a million. The record is nearly two and one-half millions better than any other first six-month period.

St. Cecilia Music Club.

(Written for The Reporter.) The St. Cecilia Music Club met Saturday evening, Jan. 1st, in the annex of the Methodist church. All the composers that have been studied this far were reviewed. They included Beethoven, Mozart, Schumann, Handel, Schubert, Mendelssohn and Haydn.

The program was opened with the club song, "I Would Be True," by society.

Misses Elizabeth Martin and Mary McCanless read papers on the lives of Mendelssohn and Schumann. Different members of the club read sketches from the lives of the different composers.

Miriam Hall played "The Jolly Farmer," by Schumann.

Raymond Hackney read a poem on "Music."

"Largo" by Handel was sung by Elizabeth Martin, Mary Hackney and Miriam Hall.

The club discussed joining the National Federation of Music Clubs, but we decided that we would wait until the next meeting to vote on it, because several members were away.

We had as new members, Mrs. W. E. Joyce, Lucile Martin, Merritt Hudspeth, William McCanless and Walter Petree, Jr.

A very exciting contest was enjoyed, in which Easley Joyce and Elizabeth Martin won the prizes.

Delicious refreshments were served by the refreshment committee.

The club adjourned to meet again Thursday, Jan. 27th, with Mrs. W. E. Joyce.

SECRETARY CLUB.

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TOBACCO MARKET OPENED TUESDAY

Prices About Same As Before Holidays—Sales Were Light On First Day.

Winston-Salem, Jan. 4.—Only 196,584 pounds of tobacco were sold on the Winston-Salem leaf tobacco market when it opened for the post holiday business yesterday. This poundage brought a total of \$36,169.82, or an average of \$18.39 a hundred pounds. Indications pointed to small sales today, at a late hour last night.

Little difference between prices paid for identical grades before and after Christmas were noted yesterday. The greater part of the offerings yesterday were of a sorry quality and therefore low prices were not expected for them.

Most of the warehouses made such small sales that they were not work before noon.

Lackey-Sechrest

High Point, Jan. 1.—The following announcements have been issued throughout this city:

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Lackey announce the marriage of their daughter, Mary Lillie, to Mr. Samuel W. Sechrest, on Monday, December 13, 1926, at High Point, N. C., at West End Parsonage.

Mr. and Mrs. Sechrest were quietly married at the parsonage of Rev. Samuel T. Hensley.

The bride is an attractive young woman of this city and holds a position with the North State Telephone Co. Mr. Sechrest is well known in High Point, and numbers his friends by the score.

The bride and groom have left for Asheville and will later make their home in High Point.

Fine Arts Club.

The Fine Arts Club was very delightfully entertained at the December meeting by Mrs. M. O. Jones at her home here which was quite attractive and inviting with its decorations suggestive of the Christmas season.

The meeting was presided over by the president, Mrs. R. R. King, and an interesting program was carried out. The club is now taking a course on North Carolina, the topic for this meeting was "The Coastal Plains Area" with Mrs. J. S. Taylor, Mrs. R. R. King and Mrs. N. E. Pepper, each presenting instructive papers. An interesting and appropriate contest was enjoyed on the counties of North Carolina, Miss Minnie Flora being awarded the prize, a box of stationery.

A delicious course of refreshments was served during the social hour. Mrs. H. H. Leake and Misses Minnie Flora and Carrie Moore Neal, teachers in the school here, were welcomed visitors.

Mrs. J. Spot Taylor will be hostess to the club in January, which is the third birthday of the Fine Arts Club.

Preaching At Peters Creek Church

Lawsonville, Jan. 4.—Rev. J. A. Joyce will preach at the Peters' Creek Baptist church Jan. 9th, 1927, at 2 o'clock, P. M. The public is cordially invited.

Choppin's monument in Warsaw, Poland, begun 22 years ago, was recently unveiled in the presence of a notable gathering of musicians from all countries.

There is to be built a 300-room hotel for airplane passengers at Templehof field near Berlin, where 75 local and international air lines converge.

There are still a few left who can remember when there was an airplane.

VIOLENT DEATHS HEAVY IN STATE

Exceed 1,500 Last Year—Most Of Them From Auto Accidents.

Raleigh, Jan. 1.—Violent deaths in North Carolina last year exceeded 1,500.

State Board of Health reports show 1,313 violent deaths during the last 11 months of the year. This number does not include deaths from the violent forms of disease. Automobile accidents again took the largest toll. In 1925 the total was 376. This year it was 352 in November with one of the heaviest months to be added.

Burns came next in fatal results. The first eleven months of 1926 saw 235 Tar Heels burned to death. December was expected to run the total to nearly 300. In 1925 259 died from this cause.

Homicide showed a slight decrease. The estimated number in 1926 was 225, based on 194 for the first eleven months. In 1925 there were 260.

Stokes County Marine Is Awarded Diploma

Washington, Jan. 3.—Upon the completion of his studies in the Marine Corps Institute here, Allen J. Bowman, of Walnut Cove, near Danbury, N. C., was awarded a diploma of proficiency as a railway postal clerk. He also received a letter from General Lejeune, Commandant of the Marine Corps, praising the student's excellent work in completing the course.

Bowman is 23 years old, was born in Walnut Cove and made his home with father, E. B. Bowman, on rural route 3, Walnut Cove, before he joined the Marine Corps at Greensboro, several months ago. In recent months he has been stationed at Quantico, Va., where he qualified as a sharpshooter last July.

He took up his studies as a railway postal clerk through correspondence with the Institute, while he was performing his regular duties as a marine at Quantico. The Marine Corps Institute gives free instruction to U. S. Marines in the arts, trades and professions, preparing its students for civilian occupations.

County Commissioners Empoly Counsel

The newly-elected board of county commissioners held their second regular session here Monday. The only business transacted, other than routine matters, was the employing of counsel for the coming year, Attorneys N. O. Petree, of Danbury, and Geo. L. Jarvis, of Walnut Cove, were employed.

Stockholders To Meet Saturday

The stockholders of the Town Fork Telephone Co. will hold a special meeting at Walnut Cove Saturday. It is hoped that some action will be taken to give service between Danbury and Walnut Cove.

Heath-Lawless.

Lawsonville, Jan. 2.—Mr. Marvin J. Heath, the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Heath, of Stuart, Va., and Miss Emma Lawless, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Lawless, were quietly married Sunday afternoon near Russell Creek by Elder Neal Gilbert. Miss Emma is loved by a host of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Heath will make their future home in Roanoke, Va. Their many friends wish them a long and happy life.

Ernest Vollbehr, a German artist, has painted 14 landscapes of the Alps, from sketches made while flying in an airplane.

SEVEN ARE NOW IN DEATH'S ROW

Calmly Awaiting Execution at State's Prison At Raleigh.

Raleigh, Jan. 1.—A last-minute addition ran the number of death-row inmates greeting the New Year at State's Prison to seven.

Six languished there when the last execution of 1926 took place, but recently they were joined by George Frank Bazemore, Greene county negro, who came with a January 26 death sentence hanging over him.

Robert Lumpkin and Booker Williams, Robeson County negroes, are the only other members of the grim colony with the day of their death set. They have been twice reprieved, and the final date is now Jan. 21.

The other four men have appeals pending. They are: W. L. Ross, white, Warren county; Moses Green, Wilson county negro; Ernest Walker, negro, Durham, and Charlie Johnson, negro, Mecklenburg.

There were four executions in 1926, running the total for the death chair to 87 since its establishment in 1909. Last year there were also four commutations, giving life an even break with death.

Simmons-Burke.

Winston-Salem, Jan. 2.—A simple and impressive home wedding was solemnized at the apartment of the bride on West Fourth Street at five o'clock last evening, when Miss Stella Hester Burke became the bride of Mr. George Robert Simmons, with Rev. W. D. Spinx, pastor of the bride officiating, using the impressive ring ceremony of the Baptist church.

The apartment was lovely with its decorations of white and silver, tall baskets of white roses tied with tulle interested the cost etainimr. Tulle intersected the soft green of ferns, with beautiful silver baskets of roses—the whole lighted with white candles in silver holders.

The bride wore a handsome afternoon gown of blonde point de toile trimmings of brown lace, with a close fitting spring hat of felle and straw, and a tan cloth coat with shawl collar and cuffs of sable fur, with accessories to match. She carried an arm bouquet of Bride's roses and orchids.

The bride had as her only attendant her charming daughter, Miss Elizabeth Burke, who was lovely in a rose crepe gown made in bouffant style.

Mrs. Simmons is a graduate nurse and for the past five years she has been a member of the social service department of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, as chief nurse in the medical department, and is most popular and beloved throughout the plant.

She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Hester, of this city.

Mr. Simmons is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Simmons, of Westfield, and a young man of splendid business ability and fine character.

Mr. and Mrs. Simmons left immediately after the ceremony for a trip to points south.

Westfield News Items.

Westfield Route 1, Dec. 31.—The Reynolds school will open for the New Year Jan. 3. If the weather don't get better it will be impossible for the bus to run except on the State highway. The road from C. A. Vaden's store toward Dan river has been impassable for a week.

Mr. C. A. Vaden, who underwent a serious operation at the hospital at Mount Airy recently, is able to be back in his store, his many friends are glad to know.

Everything comes to him who waits, including a hauling out by the traffic cop.

ANOTHER NEW CHURCH FOR KING

Will Be Known As the Baptist Mission — Mabe - Spainhour Marriage—News and Personals.

King, Jan. 3.—Fred E. Shore went to Danbury today to look after some business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Spease are the glad parents of a new baby boy. The young fellow arrived Saturday.

Rev. G. E. Brewer, of Winston-Salem will preach at the Moravia church here next Sunday, Jan. 9th, at 3 o'clock.

Material is being placed on the site on west Main street preparatory to erecting a new church. Actual work on the building will be commenced within a few days. The name of this church will be King Baptist Mission.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Claud Newsum was made happy last week by the arrival of a new baby girl.

Rev. Paul H. Newsum, of this place, filled his regular appointment at Mount Airy Sunday.

Mr. Allen Mabe, of Florida, and Miss Mabel Spainhour, of King, were quietly married Thursday. They will make their home in Clearwater, Fla.

S. S. Boles returned to his home in Monroe, Va., yesterday after spending a few days with relatives here.

Born unto Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Kreuger a son. Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Forest are also in receipt of a new baby girl.

Mr. A. N. Jones and family, of Buies Creek, are spending a few days with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Hutchins, of Winston-Salem, spent Sunday with relatives and friends here.

R. R. Love has purchased from Bert Wilson a dwelling and lot on Spruce street, consideration not known.

Edwin Vest, of Charlotte, was among the visitors here Sunday.

Westfield Baptists To Build New Church

Much interest is being manifested by Westfield Baptists in their proposed new church building. The church has been steadily growing under the capable leadership of their pastor Rev. S. F. Martin, of Winston-Salem, and about two weeks ago the first public effort to secure funds for the new church was made, at this time \$5,200.00, of the necessary eight or ten thousand was subscribed, showing that the people are very much in earnest about the project.

The new church will be erected on the same site now occupied by the old church which will be removed in due time for the erection of the new structure which will be of brick veneer. Additional ground has already been purchased for enlarging the cemetery.

The ladies of the Missionary society of the church will give an oyster supper with lots of other good things to eat in the high school building next Friday night from 6 to 12 o'clock P. M. and cordially invite the general public to patronize them. The proceeds will be used to swell the building fund.—Mt. Airy News.

South Carolina Weed Sales Reported High

Columbia, Dec. 29.—South Carolina tobacco sales for the present year were reported today at \$6,775,614 pounds, which brought \$13,411,420.81, in the monthly statement of the department of agriculture. The average price was \$23.62. Small quantities are expected to be reported from several warehouses for December and a final statement will be issued next month, the department said.