

### Postmaster For Fifty-Two Years With Perfect Record Behind Him

Washington, Jan. 30.—Records at the Postoffice Department in Washington show that there is at least one "Far Heel" postmaster who can stay on the job, regardless of whether the Republican or Democratic party is in power.

His name is E. D. Springer, and he is postmaster at South Creek, in Beaufort county. He has been handing out the mail to patrons of that office since January 25, 1869, or fifty-two years on last Tuesday and there has never been a mark against him, say Postoffice Department officials. This record of continuous service is exceeded by but one other postmaster in the country. He is R. J. Knorr, of Claussville, Lehigh county, Penn., who was appointed November 13, 1865, and therefore beats Springer's record by a little more than three years.

Captain Springer, as he is known, was born March 2, 1838, at Cape May, N. Y., and was a seafaring man in his early days, serving in the U. S. Navy during the War Between the States. With his father and older brother he came to South Creek in 1866 and engaged successfully in the saw mill and store business until 1907 when he and his brother retired.

He was made postmaster under Grant's administration and has been personally attending to the affairs of the office ever since. He now has an assistant but always makes out the reports himself.

The salary the first year he was in office was \$17 but it has now grown up to around \$250 a year.

In the days when Captain Springer first served as postmaster, it was

customary for even fourth class postmasters to be changed with each change in the political wind. Captain Springer, however, managed to weather all political storms, regardless of whether a Democrat or a Republican was President and as stated has a perfect record.

Captain Springer is a man of regular habits, does not use tobacco or liquor, and carries his four score and three years remarkably well. He has reared a family of seven children and today lives quietly with his wife and one son who is at home.

His older brother, who was partner with him in business for forty years, is still living here, having reached the ripe age of ninety years.

After the beginning of Mr. Wilson's administration, when all fourth class postmasters were to be re-appointed under the Civil Service, Captain Springer qualified under the Civil Service rules as well as several others. The Postmaster General had authority to appoint anyone of the first three who qualified, and when he learned of the very excellent record and long service of Captain Springer, he determined to re-appoint him, regardless of politics.

When Captain Springer came to North Carolina he was a Republican. It is generally understood that he has always voted for the Republican candidate for President, and at the same time for the Democratic ticket in State and county matters. It may be noted that he has always supported Congressman John H. Small. He has always lived modestly and simply, and yet comfortably and has always been loyal to his community, his country and his adopted State.

### GREENSBORO WANTS A STRONG COUNTY COURT

Congestion of Superior Court Dockets There Creates Strong Demand for Relief.

(From the Greensboro Patriot.)

The continual congestion of both the civil and criminal dockets of the Superior court of Guilford county bear strong testimony to the need of relief for litigants, defendants, witnesses and all those who have occasion to resort to the courts.

During the present week a case was tried in Guilford Superior court that consumed an entire day, from the opening hour until about six o'clock in the afternoon. The action had been calendared several times before, witnesses had been in attendance, but it was only reached this week. Twelve jurors, the judge, and the court officers represented an expense to the county of more than fifty dollars. The amount involved was exactly \$6.50 and the cost of witnesses, together with court costs that the defendant will be required to pay, will exceed the total amount in controversy. This illustration of the need for relief is not an exception; it is typical of frequent occurrences.

As a means of relief the creation of a county court has been strongly advocated. It is proposed that this court would have jurisdiction of civil matters not exceeding \$1,000 and also hear criminal cases of a minor nature. This tribunal would consolidate the city courts of Greensboro and High Point and also extend to the county the benefit of speedy trials without the long delay incident to awaiting term of Superior court.



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