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Are Getting Ready For Second Count December, 21st.

The News great piano voting contest is reaching normal proportions now. It has come to where you can't tell who is leading. So many have brought in subscriptions and received their votes, and some have so many that no one can even guess which one has the most. There is quite a demand for merchants' coupons, too. These are the little jokers that will probably tell the story in the end. And this is the way our readers can help. It does not cost you a cent when you buy groceries, dry goods, hardware, clothing, furniture, harness, or whatever the advertisers in the contest have to offer, and then as the contestant comes to you, you will have a pleasant little surprise for her; that will prove you a person who thinks of others, and it will make her pleased with you.

Every one of the ladies who is out for that piano wants it, and they are honestly trying in every honorable way to come in possession of it. It is simply a question of which one you like best. Of course you like them all, and Mt. Airy and vicinity have nothing nicer than these contestants, and what is nicer for a lady, whether old or young, and her family and circle of friends, than a nice piano—and such a one for instance, as The News is going to give to the lady that the people of Mt. Airy and vicinity like the best.

Bear in mind that the ballot box is closed for the second count at 6 p. m. on Saturday, Dec. 21. Be sure and have your votes all in by that time so that you will have a fair chance to show what your standing is.

For every seven yearly new subscriptions we will give 10,000 extra votes, making a total of 14,200 votes.

For every seven renewal subscriptions, 8,000 extra votes, making a total of 11,500 votes.

For every seven back subscriptions, 6,000 extra votes making a total of 8,800 votes.

For every bunch of forty (40) merchants coupons, that are brought to the office of the Publisher and counted, an additional bonus of 500 votes will be allowed, making a total of 1,500 votes.

These coupons may be collected from any and all merchants who are in the contest.

Remember and have your friends trade with the merchants who are giving the coupons. They are reliable tradespeople.

The following are the enterprising merchants who give coupons.

- F. M. Moore,
- Earp's 5 and 10 ct. Store.
- W. E. Merritt Co.
- F. L. Smith Hardware Co.
- C. E. Lundy,
- W. B. Haymore,
- Peoples Drug Co.
- R. H. Leonard,
- Frank Howard,
- W. W. Burke.

The following young ladies have been nominated in the contest. They are authorized to accept money for subscriptions to The News and give a receipt therefor:

- Miss Ola Ward, 34,275
- Miss Maud Sparger, 30,350
- Miss Mallie Thacker, 13,875
- Miss Johnnie Mae Roberts, 12,200
- Miss Annie Miller, 7,775

Miss Mary Johnson	4,625
Miss Nannie Watson	1,425
Miss Gertrude Reece	800
Miss Nina York	475
Miss Nellie Haymore	400
Miss Katherine Willis	250
Miss Isabelle Saunders	50
Miss Annie Folger	50
Miss Lilla Hemmings	25
Miss Grace Humdley	25

Positions in Plenty.

Positions in plenty are waiting for the young man or young woman who can measure up to requirements. Throughout the year the Roanoke National Business College receives inquiries for pupils and places graduates in positions. At times the demand far exceeds the supply; in fact, the school has been unable to fill more than fifty per cent of the applications received from business men. Such is the confidence the public has in that institution.

Business men know they are getting just the kind of help they need and the best that up-to-date methods in teaching and training can produce. The school is careful to ascertain from the prospective employer just what he expects from the pupil. The college is just as careful to recommend only such applicants as it feels confident can live up to these expectations.

All its students who become reasonably competent can readily secure positions. The college makes no charge to either the employer or applicant for its service in establishing a mutually satisfactory connection.

The winter session opens January 1st. Desk room is reserved in the order in which applications for entrance are received. Those contemplating a course should make arrangements early—Ad.

Democrats Will Block Appointments by Taft.

Washington, Dec. 3.—President Taft sent more than 200 recess appointments to the Senate today and immediately indications of a movement among some of the Democratic Senators to prevent their confirmation became evident. Senator Gore, it was said, would have the active support of several colleagues in heading the movement.

The campaign was directed especially against nominations, it was said, which would have been postponed from time to time thus bringing the new terms close to the beginning of the Democratic Administration.

Democratic Senators claimed that the President already had deprived the Democrats of the privilege of appointing 50,000 postmasters by placing them within the Civil Service law by a single order.

Most of the Democratic Senators expressed themselves as favorable to a "discriminating obstruction" but several Progressive Senators, whose assistance had been counted on, did not appear willing to co-operate it was understood.

Cured of Liver Complaint.

"I was suffering with liver complaint," says Iva Smith of Point Blank, Texas, "and decided to try a 25c box of Chamberlain's Tablets, and am happy to say that I am completely cured and can recommend them to every one." For sale by All Dealers.

Sidna Allen on Witness Stand.

Roanoke World.

Quite a changing of positions was caused in the audience when Judge Buxton said: "Sidna Allen will take the stand." The prisoner is pale, appears sick, decidedly more care worn than at any time during this or his former trial. He answers all questions in as few words as possible and in a very listless manner. Sidna Allen is really a sick man or he is losing his nerve, his hope. He certainly does not answer with the snap and vim as on the former trial. He began his testimony at 10:30 by saying that he is 46 years old; had been married twelve years; has two children, and is a farmer and merchant. That he recently completed a new home at a cost of twelve thousand. That as a merchant he carried a stock of from four to five thousand dollars; that he has four to five hundred acres of land, and is worth from \$35,000 to \$40,000; that he had \$700 in bank on the day of the shooting. While talking of his home and possessions he spoke nervously and with some emotion.

Sidna Allen related the trip home the night before the shooting; that Floyd Allen went with him and spent the night. He disclaimed that Floyd Allen's then pending trial was talked of at all while going, at or returning from his home. Witness said that he lived six miles. Floyd fourteen miles, from Hillville; that he was not on a bench on the north side of the court room and did not see Claude on bench either. That he did not anticipate any trouble from his brother Floyd Allen on the day of the shooting. That as soon as the court told the sheriff to take charge of the prisoner, his brother Floyd got up and began to tumble with his sweater. The sheriff took several steps toward the prisoner. Did not see him with a pistol. Then the first shot rang out, but he couldn't tell where it came from.

"I then turned towards the sheriff and Dexter Goad and they had their pistols trained on Floyd Allen and were firing," said Sidna. "Dexter Goad then turned his pistol on me and I fired at him. I don't think Goad fired at me but once in the court house. It was on the court green that he shot me through the left arm, the ball passing into my body and it has never been removed. I shot a 38 pistol. It shot five times, and I had five extra cartridges in my pocket. I reloaded my pistol in the court room, getting down on my knees to do so." There were fifty to seventy-five shots fired in the court room, witness said; that he fired once at Deputy Sheriff Gillespie, but that he never shot at Judge Massey, Sheriff Webb, Miss Ayers, Attorney Foster or Juror Howell. The prisoner said that after the shooting he went home and spent the day. The prisoner said that once while in the Blue Ridge mountains the detectives passed within fifteen feet of him. That the reason he left Virginia was, that the officers were hunting him with blood-hounds and he had heard that they had orders to shoot him on sight. That he expected to return to Virginia to stand his trial as soon as he thought he could get a fair trial.

At 12 the defense announced that they were through with the witness and turned him over to the prosecution. Court then took a short recess.

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first foreigner to take a White House bride. President Jackson prevailed on the young lady, who was a relative of his, to be married in the Executive Mansion. Two years later, in 1832, Miss Mary Easton, a niece of President Jackson, was married to Lucien Polk of Tennessee at the White House. In 1835, Andrew Jackson, Jr., adopted son of the President, married Miss Sarah Yorke of Philadelphia and brought her to the White House. Jackson lectured his son for marrying away from home. He was hurt by his conduct. Maj. Abram Van Buren, son of President Van Buren, married Miss Angelica Singleton of South Carolina in the Palmetto State, but brought his bride to the White House to live. Major Van Buren was private secretary to his father. The first daughter of a President to marry in the White House was Elizabeth Tyler, who became the bride of William Waller in 1842. Two years later President Tyler went to New York and married Miss Julia Gardner, daughter of Senator Gardner. There were two White House brides in 1874 but only one White House wedding. Fred Grant, son of the President, was married in Chicago to Miss Honore. Miss Nellie Grant became the bride of Algernon Sartoris. In 1878 Emily Platt, a niece of President Hayes, was married to Gen. Russell Hastings. Eight years afterward Miss Frances Folsom and President Cleveland were united in marriage at the White House. In 1906 Miss Alice Roosevelt, oldest daughter of President Roosevelt, was married to Representative Nicholas Longworth of Ohio. The four White House brides, married elsewhere, were: Mrs. Andrew Jackson, Jr., Mrs. Abram Van Buren, Mrs. Fred Grant and Mrs. John Tyler. The two Presidents to marry while in the White House were: Cleveland and Tyler. Four sons of Presidents, John Adams, Abram Van Buren, Fred Grant and Andrew Jackson, Jr., (an adopted son), were married while their fathers were in the White House. Four daughters, Maria Monroe, Elizabeth Tyler, Nellie Grant and Alice Roosevelt, became bride while their fathers were President, all of whom were married in the White House. The weddings of Mrs. Sartoris and Mrs. Longworth were romantic. President Grant refused for months to give his consent to the marriage of his daughter to Mr. Sartoris, a wealthy Englishman. There have been five White House brides within the last 50 years. Between the years of 1811 and 1844 there were nine. There has been on an average one White House bride every decade for 140 years. Mrs. Grover Cleveland, who is soon to wed again, has the distinction of being the only woman ever married in the White House to a President. If Miss Helen Taft, the attractive daughter of President and Mrs. Taft, were to wed before her parents leave the White House her wedding would be the eleventh to take place there. In the event that such a marriage does not come between now and the 4th of March two of the Wilson young ladies can marry before No. 13 is reached. Mrs. Nicholas Longworth was the fourteenth White House bride but her wedding was the tenth to take place at the White House.

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Galax Post-Herald:

The remains of Mrs. Mollie D. Thompson, who was shot and killed at her boarding house at Gary, W. Va., Saturday by a drunken man by the name of John Hickey, arrived here yesterday en route to Lumburg, for interment, the remains being accompanied by her sister, Mrs. W. F. Shaw and Mr. W. F. Shaw. Mrs. Thompson is a daughter of Mr. Friel Hawks, of Lumburg, and about a year ago she went to the State of Oregon to obtain a divorce from her husband. After returning back to her home in Carroll county, she was induced by her sister, Mrs. Shaw, who resides at Gary, to go to West Virginia and open a boarding house to support herself and five children. John Hickey, her slayer, who is said to hail from near Hillsville, and to be a half witted fellow, was one of her boarders. On account of his drinking and being so boisterous about her boarding house the other boarders threatened to leave unless she turned him off. Saturday morning she informed Hickey that he would have to leave and hunt another boarding place. He became so enraged that he drew his pistol and threatened her life. Being a afraid of him she left her home and spent the night with her sister. Supposing that he had been arrested she returned to her home Sunday at noon. After she returned he again came to the hotel, threatening her life, and she took refuge in a room up stairs. She heard a door slam down stairs and supposing he had gone she opened the door to look out into the hall to see if he had left. As the door opened Hickey, with pistol in hand standing in the hall, fired at her, the ball taking effect at end of her nose ranging under her eye. She lived about five hours, never regaining consciousness.

Christmas Rush to Europe is Now on.

New York, Dec. 9.—Nearly a score of transatlantic steamships are scheduled to sail from New York this week taking out about 20,000 steerage passengers. This marks the flood tide of the exodus of those who go abroad this year to spend Christmas in their native lands. Steamship officials say the holiday steerage traffic this year will about equal the average of the past few years. The prosperity resulting from the bumper crops in the north-west is reflected in the unusually large number of Scandinavians from that section who are going over to spend the Christmas season in the fatherland.

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