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FOR THE LADIES.

In these days of political activity there are certain politicians who no doubt persuade themselves that the ladies are never to vote. These politicians seem to never think of the ladies when a public speaking is on hand and political issues are to be discussed, but they are sadly mistaken. As sure as fate the ladies are going to vote, and that at no distant day. And when they do vote these same politicians who now ignore them when a political speaker comes along will no doubt pose as the original and Simon pure originators of woman suffrage. To a man who is in favor of the women taking an active part in all public matters it is amusing, and we might truthfully say ridiculous, to see a gathering of the lords of earth at a political meeting and take stock of the mental caliber of the bunch, and make comparison with how it will be when the women of the land are actively engaged in the political contests.

There can be almost no doubt about the ability of woman to add tone and respectability to the political contests that a free people must indulge in when selecting those to whom we must delegate important powers. The day is close at hand when the lords of earth will not be able to longer class the women along with idiots and criminals and tell them by act, if not by word, that they are not mentally suited to handle such weighty matters as the public issues of the day. The women are going to vote and the sooner the better, is the opinion of this editor as well as the opinion of the majority of the people of this the greatest nation.

Lawless Folks Hit Hard

The lawless element of this section is living hard since the town commissioners turned over a new leaf and elected Mr. Joe Mingis Chief.

During the past month the policemen arrested forty people and convicted every one of them. Several arrests were made for other towns on papers sent here. And all this means a better state of society and an increased revenue to the town and school fund of the county. All the fines and forfeits go to the school fund of the county, and our attention has just been called to two cases that will turn into this school fund the neat little sum of $225.

In one case a man named M. C. Norman, a horse trader, was here on business and had differences with a man named E. W. Gwyn, from the state of Virginia. Norman, to carry his point, used the breast tree of a double buggy on Gwyn and put up a cash bond of $100 to answer to the local court for his part of the affair. Later he thought it good judgement to forfeit the bond and go back to South Carolina without his $100. And so the school fund will get it.

In another case a woman was indicted for vagrancy and put up a cash bond for $125, and rather than appear in the local court to answer to the charges she left the state and left her money in the hands of the officers. This, too, will go to the school fund.

The truth is that if people will be lawless they should be made to contribute enough in the way of fines and costs to relieve the balance of society from the expense of maintaining the courts. If the courts are to be kept going to keep the lawless element in its place then make the lawless element pay the cost of maintaining the courts. There is a strong disposition here to let a man off with the cost of an action. If he should be let off with the cost of the action it appears to us that it is very probable that he should never have been brought before the court at all. No good can come from bringing citizens before the courts on charges that are of such a frivolous nature as to not require but a penny cost.

Convicts Secured for Road Work in Surry.

How to build roads in Surry has been the problem for some time because of the scarcity of labor. This week Messrs. W. F. Carter, A. R. Smith and J. B. Sparger went to Raleigh and secured fifty convicts to be used on our roads. This means that the work will be pushed this year and that much work will be done. In addition to this two large forces are now operating on the state highway near this city, one force working towards Stokes county and the other in the direction of Dobson.

Recorders Court Doing Business

When this town secured a Recorders Court there was much opposition from those who opposed it. But to attend a session and see the court now in operation since the new town hall has been finished makes one see the real need of this court. Much business is disposed of there in a short order that once required large numbers of citizens to go to Dobson and hang about there for days and days at a time at great expense and annoyance.

The Recorders Court is not only a quick and satisfactory way to settle many differences that arise between the people, but it is quite a source of revenue to the town and county. The court payed into the school fund of the county during the month of March past the neat little sum of $140 and payed to the general town fund the sum of $75.90. The town gets part of the costs of each action, but the general school fund of the county gets all the fines and bonds that are forfeited. In this way the court will be a right large contributor to the school funft of the county.

Real Estate Deals

During the past few days some important deals have been made in land and town property about here. Among them we note the following.

Mr. W. O. Fowler, of Pinnacle, is moving here and will make this his future home. He has bought the A. L. future home. He has bought two houses on Lebanon street, one the Will Jones home place for which he paid about $3,000 and the other the Frank Thomas house where he will make his home. The Thomas house cost about $3,500. Mr. Thomas in turn has bought the A. L. Lineberry farm five miles north of the city and will move to it this week.

Mr. S. A. Hennis last Friday sold his residence on North Main street to Mr. J. D. McCollum, the price we understand, paid was about $10,000. Mr. McCollum bought the place for his future home. It is a granite building and one of the nicest residences of the city.

Mr. James Holloway, bookkeeper for the American Tobacco Company in this city, bought from Mr. J. D. Smith, 42 acres of land a mile west of the city paying $5,000 for it. The land has three tobacco barns on it and Mr. Holloway will engage extensively in the growing of tobacco.

C. C. Hutchens has bought ten acres of land a quarter mile west of his home place at White Plains and will build a nice bungalow home for himself. He paid $160 an acre for the land, which is part of the Simmons farm which was cut up and sold in small tracts some weeks ago.

C. W. Dockery has bought the Ed. Ashby residence on the corner of Wilson and Spring streets from S. M. Hale, who bought the home place when the Ashby estate was sold at auction some weeks ago.

Mr. Dockery is moving into his new home this week.

To Build Catholic Church

There are in Mount Airy perhaps 60 or 70 people of the Catholic faith. These people have been holding services in private homes but have decided to build a church in the near future. They have bought a lot on north Main street, the second lot beyond Lebanon street, on the right hand side going north.

Contract has been made for the work which will begin very soon. It is the purpose of the committee in charge to build a house of worship similar in style and size to the Episcopal church. Contributions have been very generous and it is estimated that the church which will be of granite will cost seven to ten thousand dollars.

New Bank Applies For Charter

The men who are behind the effort to organize a new bank have applied for a charter and as soon as the papers are received from Raleigh they will notify the subscribers and hold a meeting for the election of officers. They tell us that the new bank is now a certainty and that as soon as the regular formalities are gone through with that are necessary to complete an organization of this kind, the new business will be ready to serve the people.

New Cotton Mill for Mount Airy.

Mr. R. A. Love representing the Gastonia Cotton Mill Company, was here last week and purchased a lot near the bark sheds on which his company will at once erect a building in which they will operate a cotton mill. They have bought 250,000 brick to be delivered by June and the work of erecting the building will be pushed with the idea of getting the mill in operation by fall. This is the same company that recently bought the Laurel Bluff Cotton mills and they are extensively engaged in the business at Gastonia and other places.

Misses Lessie Smith and Mary Thompson students of Meredith college, Raleigh, spent Easter with their parents in this city.

Hon. Cameron Morrison Here

Hon. Cameron Morrison, democratic candidate for Governor, spoke in the county twice this week, speaking at Dobson at one o'clock Monday and in Mount Airy in the Town Hall at night. At both places he had good audiences.

The speech he made here at Mount Airy was one of the best we have heard and, no doubt, Mr. Morrison strengthened his cause here in Surry by his visit. In the first place he is a man who has a distinguished look and would, so far as looks go, be at home in the Senate, or any other exalted position, as to that. He is large enough and old enough and strong enough to take rank among the strongest men of any gathering. He speaks with ease and force and is plenty able to entertain his audience without having to tell jokes to keep up the interest. And this is not saying that he is a dull speaker, for he is not. There is a vein of sarcasm and wit about his manner that makes him a delightful speaker.

While his effort here Monday night was not strictly political, for he was here to present his own personal cause, he makes a most impressive presentation of the cause of Democracy. In the beginning of his speech he stressed the importance of having political parties and standing by them in their organization. He denounced in strong language any effort at class rule, and insisted that it is class rule that has played havoc in Europe today.

In a most striking manner he showed how the Democratic party has made banking laws that made it possible to finance the late war and our allies during the world war. As h eexpressed it, under our banking laws we have been able to finance the late war with no panic and with less confusion in financial circles that the old banking laws caused in moving the grain crop in the fall of the year.

In an impressive way he showed how the state has gone forward under Democratic leadership and has taken rank in many ways with the most progressive states in the Union. He pointed out the many needs that are before us and declared that he would, if elected Governor, stand for development of our great water power, make good roads, and be for any and all progressive measures that will bring about better times and make life more pleasant for all the people.

To our way of thinking of it Mr. Morrison made a fine impression here and greatly enthused those of our citizens who have so far lined up for him for our next governor.

Labor Differences With Stone Cutters

A question of wages has caused a discontinuance of work by stone cutters all over this country. Some months ago the contractors of the whole country were notified that the stone cutters would demand an increased wage beginning with the first of this month. No agreement was reached between the interested parties, and so every stone cutter quit work last Thursday. Conferences are being held daily, they tell us, in an effort to get the matter adjusted, and no doubt an agreement will be reached as the result of these efforts.

A Pounding.

Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Williams were the recipients of quite a nice supply of food stuffs including flour, canned goods and other edibles beside many other useful gifts when they were severely pounded last Friday night. About seventy-five people were present including people of other denominations beside the Methodists, and most of them living in north Mount Airy.

The churches on the circuit were not as well represented as they would have been had the roads not been so bad from recent rains, but as many as could do so sent their packages and doubtless many others will leave their gifts at the parsonage the next time they come to town.

Rev. and Mrs. Williams warmly appreciate this expression of love and good will from their church membership and neighbors.

Methodist Orphanage

The Trustees of the Children's Home by virtue of authority of a resolution adopted at the last session of the Western North Carolina Conference, are beginning a campaign to raise $175,000 for the purpose of adding much needed buildings and equipment too the Children's Home at Winston-Salem, N. C.

This great and serviceable institution is much cramped for lack of an infirmary, a chapel, a laundry, suitable barns, dairy equipment, and new dormitories, and since it is entirely dependent on us Methodist folks, it behooves us to rally to its support and relieve it of these cramping conditions.

The quota for Mount Airy is three thousand dollars. Twice that amount could easily be given without anyone being hurt. Come to church Sunday prepared to give liberally to this good cause, and those who do not subscribe there, will be given an opportunity the following week.

L. M. Epps, Local Director.

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This February 23rd, 1920.

THE PUBLISHERS.

To Honor Miss Dorothy Yates.

Miss Kate Spaugh entertained at four tables of rook Monday afternoon at her home on Cherry street in honor of Miss Dorothy Yates of Raleigh who was the guest of her sister, Miss Leonita Yates, of the school faculty. The senior high school girls were the guests. Peach blooms were used for the decorations and dainty refreshments followed the game.

Fourteen Year Old Bride

At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Byrd at 3 P. M. last Saturday Miss Lizzie Byrd became the bride of Ernest Moore. Rev. C. C. Haymore officiating. After the ceremony an abundant feast was spread for the guests.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

The great benefit derived from the use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been gratefully acknowledged by many. Mrs. Benjamin F. Blakeney, Decatur, Ill. writes, "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is by far the best medicine for colds and coughs we have ever used in our family. I gave it to my children when small for croup and have taken it myself."

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