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ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS.

Hegira of North Carolina Farmers to the Far West.

Many Good Citizens are Leaving—Two Aged Maiden Ladies Found Dead in Bed Together—Something About the Quakers—A Robesonian Prefers the Chain Gang at Home to Liberty Elsewhere.

The Winston Journal says that Mr. J. W. Franklin, of Vienna township, Forsyth county, worked a 26 acre farm last year with a horse for which he paid \$20. From this farm he has sold \$400 worth of tobacco and he also raised 65 bushels of wheat and other crops in proportion.

Asheville Citizen: It is learned that the sheep industry will perhaps be taken up in this section on an extensive scale. Western North Carolina is particularly adapted to sheep raising and if a business venture of this kind is made it will probably be the beginning of a live stock business of great importance.

Wilson Times: When corn sells for about one dollar a bushel, and pork for ten cents per pound, when cotton sells well, and also tobacco, it is a good time to farm. For years farmers have not been favored with greater inducements; put forth reasonable efforts to make crops.

Concord Tribune: This morning as Mr. Frank Lowder, the Mt. Pleasant mail carrier, was coming to town, and while in the Three-Mile branch, which was up, all four of his traces broke and left the hack and its occupants sitting in three feet of water, while the horses came on to town. Mr. D. A. Corrine came along with his wagon and took out the stranded people and brought them on to town.

Tom Early, a negro, was tried in Edenton Thursday for assaulting a white girl, convicted and sentenced to 15 years in the penitentiary. The Edenton military company had been guarding him, as a crowd had been in waiting to lynch him. Governor Aycock sat up nearly all night to be ready to act in case of emergency, but after the sentence the sheriff thought the danger was over, dismissed the military and started with his prisoner for the penitentiary, but on the way to the station the negro was shot down.

Lumberton Robesonian: W. H. Hammond was convicted of an assault with a deadly weapon at the last term of court and when sentenced to the chain-gang disappeared. Since his escape he has traveled about in Georgia and Florida until a few days ago he returned and gave himself up to the authorities for the purpose of serving out his time. He says that serving time on the chain-gang in Robeson county is far better than enjoying the privileges of liberty in other states.

Two aged maiden ladies were found dead in the same bed at Flynt Hill, Yadkin county. They were Miss Susie Speir, aged 60, and Miss Martha Logan, aged 65. They had been in feeble health for some time, but were not known to be dangerously sick, and it is not known when they died. It was reported that there were grounds to suspect that the old friends, tiring of life, had committed suicide, but there is nothing to justify this conclusion. The old ladies had a large circle of friends and any want would have been relieved that could have been known.

Southern Field: There is said to be about 5,000 Quakers or Friends in North Carolina. From old records it appears that these people first settled in the Piedmont section of the State about 1600, their being the first pioneer church in the State. General meetings were early established. The yearly meeting dates from 1698. Since 1893 this meeting has been held at High Point and includes the Friends of Tennessee. In 1837 this yearly meeting founded what was at that time called the "New Garden Boarding School," but now known as Guilford College.

Asheville Citizen: It is said there has never been a time in the history of North Carolina when so many people were emigrating as now. The emigration in this section is confined largely to the mountain districts and is mostly to Oklahoma and Washington. Nor is all of this emigration confined to this section, for large numbers are also going from other parts of the State, also from South Carolina and Virginia. Within the past few years a number of emigrant parties have passed through Asheville going west. It is not a floating class of people that have been struck by the emigration fever, but some of the very best citizens of the country. These people are not going on uncertainties for they have sold their property here and already purchased land in the west.

MAYORALTY FIGHT A RED HOT ONE

FOUR NEW ALDERMEN NOMINATED

Webb and Midyette Are Fighting It Out Today.

Anybody's Battle Up to the Hour of Going to Press—Candidates Working Like Beavers—Heath and Brown Only Members of Old Board Renominated—Others are Tull, Wagner, Tunstall and Pittman.

The climax came last night to what has been the most spirited contest for municipal offices ever held in Kinston, when the Democratic voters of the town met in their respective wards and nominated candidates for aldermen and voted for mayor. The grand finale will come tonight when the votes are counted and the nominee for mayor determined. To determine this, a primary with appointed poll holders is being held from 10 a. m. to 9 p. m.

The contest is now between Mr. Geo. B. Webb, the present mayor, and Mr. J. T. Midyette, Mr. W. A. Mitchell having withdrawn. Mayor Webb lacked only 11 votes of a nomination last night, but the friends of Mr. Midyette still have confidence, and it is not a foregone conclusion by any means as to who will be our next mayor. In fact, it seems to be an assured fact that the candidate who does receive the nomination will do so by a very narrow margin.

A nomination at the hands of the Democratic party of the city is equivalent to an election.

There were three candidates for mayor, Messrs. Webb, Midyette and W. A. Mitchell. Webb received a total vote of 284; Midyette, 253, and Mitchell, 41. Webb

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Only 40 delegates are in attendance at the Kentucky State Populist convention.

The property losses by the flood in Tennessee, according to conservative estimates, aggregate \$5,235,000, and the number of lives lost is 25.

Six persons were burned to death Tuesday night in Prosser's Hollow, a mile from the outskirts of Jobstown, Pa., in a fire which destroyed their home.

Eleven men were drowned as the result of a collision near the Nab lightship between the English channel passenger steamer Alma and the British ship Cambrian Princess.

Walter Allen, a negro, was lynched by a mob of 4,000 white citizens of Rome, Ga., Tuesday night for attempting to criminally assault a 16-year-old white girl there Monday.

Newport, Va., was almost entirely destroyed by fire Monday night. Two hotels, every store and most of the best residences were leveled to the ground. The loss is over \$100,000.

With a spanking northwest wind blowing, the Meteor III, the German emperor's schooner yacht, started Tuesday afternoon on her 8,100 hundred miles voyage across the Atlantic for Southampton.

Sanford B. Dole, governor of Hawaii, is on his way from Honolulu to Washington to explain conditions in the islands to President Roosevelt and to defend his administration from the attacks of the anti-missionary party.

The London Telegraph claims to have authoritative information that nothing hitherto published in connection with the will of the late Cecil Rhodes is authentic. It says the will is certainly of imperial interest, but in a way not even hinted at.

The engineers who returned to New Orleans on the British transport Atlantean report that while the vessel was lying at Port Elizabeth, the Boers raided the British mule and horse depot near that port and captured 6,000 of the newly arrived American horses intended for the use of the British army.

Final results of the twelfth census give the total population of the United States on June 1, 1900, as 84,232,000 with a margin of error of possibly 1,000,000 accounted for by the uncertainty regarding the population of the Philippines.

Three countries only have a larger population under their flags—the Chinese, British and Russian empires.

LaGRANGE, April 3. At the home of the bride's mother, on Railroad street, Wednesday evening, Miss Lola Waller and Mr. Baird Croome were quietly married, Rev. Mr. Rich of the Baptist church, officiating. Miss Waller is a most worthy young lady, modest and retiring, and Mr. Croome, who is a successful business man, of good morals, is to be congratulated in the prize he has won. May their lives be long and prosperous.

Services Saturday and Sunday in the Primitive Baptist church and in the M. E. church Sunday morning and evening.

Messrs. E. P. Wooten, Will Wooten and Carl Pridgen, of Kinston, are here today.

Messrs. D. W. Wood, Will Parks and James Wood left Tuesday for the Charleston exposition.

Red, green and yellow shipping tags, with metal eyelets, have been added to the stock carried in the Free Press Job Printing Department. They are strong and durable—just the thing for tobacco buyers to use in sending off samples of leaf tobacco.

And now the wise wife begins to execute the Easter bonnet snuggie.

The Bargain Counter.

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BARGAINS IN PRINTING

We have some more of those Letter Heads, Note Heads, Bill Heads and Statements in fine quality colored bond papers, pink and blue. They are good value for price charged. If in need of some stationary examine these goods before making your selection. Letter Heads 500 for \$1.75, 1,000 for \$3.00. Note Heads 500 for \$1.85, 1,000 for \$3.25. The Old Hampshire Bond pink Note Heads 500 for \$1.65, 1,000 for \$2.95. Fine blue or pink Bill Heads, 7x8 1/2 inches, 500 for \$1.40, 1,000 for \$2.40. Statements, elegant quality bond papers in blue, pink, lemon or salmon, 500 for \$1.50, 1,000 for \$2.50.

ANNOUNCEMENT—4TH WARD!

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Ladies' Dress Goods!

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We buy direct from the factory and can save you from 15 to 25 per cent.

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LIEUTENANT GENERAL NELSON A. MILES, WHO MAY RETIRE.

When the civil war began General Miles was a clerk in a grocery store in Boston. He volunteered and at 25 was commanding an army corps. His civil war record was excellent and at the war's close he was a major general. In 1866 he was made a lieutenant general.

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lacked 11 votes of having a majority over both candidates. If he can hold the votes he polled last night and gets 11 of the votes cast for Mitchell he will get the nomination. The friends of Midyette claim this may not be done. It will be seen, though, that the vote, judging from last night, will be close today.

The following were nominated and will compose the next board of aldermen for Kinston:

Messrs. T. B. Brown and J. T. Heath, from the first ward; Mr. K. R. Tunstall and Dr. H. Tull from the second, and Messrs. J. C. Wagner and E. S. Pittman from the third.

The vote by wards last night was as follows:

FIRST WARD.

The convention was called to order by Mr. Geo. L. Kilpatrick, who, on motion, was made permanent chairman. Mr. E. R. Wooten was made secretary. Messrs. H. C. Baily, W. F. Stanley and T. W. Mewborn were made executive committee.

Messrs. T. B. Brown and J. T. Heath were placed in nomination for aldermen and were nominated by acclamation.

The vote was then taken for mayor and resulted, Webb 68, Midyette 49, Mitchell 28.

SECOND WARD.

Was called to order by Mr. E. W. Sumrell. Mr. Plato Collins was made permanent chairman. Mr. D. Oettinger, E. W. Sumrell and A. S. Wooten were made executive committee.

The vote for mayor resulted, Webb 120, Midyette 114 and Mitchell 7.

Messrs. K. R. Tunstall and D. V. Dixon were placed in nomination as aldermen from the north and of the ward and Dr. H. Tull and W. T. Hines from the south. The vote resulted, Tunstall 137, Dixon 86, Tull 171, Hines 69. Tunstall and Tull were declared the nominees.

THIRD WARD.

The convention was called to order by Mr. L. J. Mewborn, who was made chairman and C. W. Pridgen secretary. Messrs. J. A. McDaniel and C. T. Meacham were made executive committee.

The vote resulted, Webb 96, Midyette 91, Mitchell 6.

Messrs. E. S. Pittman, J. T. Skinner, J. A. McDaniel and J. C. Wagner were placed in nomination for aldermen. A motion prevailed to vote for all candidates at the same time and the two candidates receiving the highest vote he declared the nominees. The vote resulted, Wagner 135, Pittman 129, McDaniel 65, Skinner 57. Wagner and Pittman were declared the nominees.

A Story of Bunsen.

Sir Henry Roscoe in a privately printed book of lectures tells a story of Bunsen, remembered from the time when he and the German scientist were traveling together in England. They met a lady who mistook Bunsen for his cousin, the Chevalier Bunsen. "Have you finished your book, 'God in History,' yet?" she asked him. "No, madame," he replied. "I regret that my untimely death has prevented my doing so."

The sun may not dance on Easter Sunday, as ancient legends tell, but paterfamilias does when he gets the bills for the Easter bonnets.

A Michigan woman died after taking a sample dose of headache powder. The sample habit is not always a safe one.