# **OF LOCAL INTEREST**

ARMY CHAPLAIN HOME

FROM MEXICAN STATION Rav. R. R. Fleming, chaplain of the neteenth United States Infantry, with rank equivalent to captain, is ing relatives in Pitt county. plain Fleming has just returned from Vera Cruz, where he went with his regiment last spring.

### CHRISTMAS EXERCISES

IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS. There will be no general Christmas exercises in the city schools Friday, when the holidays will begin, owing to the congested condition in the buldings. In the primary department however, programs will be rendered in the various rooms from 11 to 12 o'clock, and the teachers have invited parents and friends of the pupils to attend these exercises.

### LOCOMOTIVE AND COTTON CART COLLIDE ON YARD.

man whose identity cannot be learned, who drove a cart loaded with cotton onto a track in the Norfolk Southern yard late Wednesday, had a narrow escape when a yard locomotive smashed into the vehicle, completely breaking it up. The near-victim had just driven up to the cotton platform near Queen street when the engine hit the cart. A mule which was drawing the cart escaped injury along with the driver.

### MOZINGO IDENTIFIES BLACK HIGHWAYMAN

Charles Mozingo, a young Pitt county farmer, who in . November, was waylaid and shot down by a negro highwayman near Greenville, has located and identified his assailant. Mozingo has just come out of the hospital, and asked that a prisoner held on suspicion be walked before him. He positively stated immediately upon seeing him exercise his power of locomotion t that the suspect was the guilty party.

### NEGRO INDICTED FOR

THEFT OF BUTTER. Ed. Turnage is in the toils for the larceny of two pounds of butter which in Municipal Court, he admitted. Agent W. J. Nicholson of the Norfolk Southern Railroad, noticed a package consigned to a local dealer at the freight station, from which the two blocks of butter had been taken. He suspected Turnage, a truck hand employed in the warehouse. Mr. Nicholson found the butter secreted in the warehouse and accused Turnage, asking him what he had intended doing with it. "I was going to take it home, maybe," said Turnage.

# KINSTON IS IN GOOD

HEALTH! NO EPIDEMICS Dr. George Kornegay, city physician, declares the city's health is betcumbency. There are no epidemics prevalent, except a few cases of mumps, which are of a mild order. There is no typhoid, scarlet fever, diphtheria or other contagious diseases, so far as Dr. Kornegay knows, although his reports from physicians have not been as complete as they might be. There has been no recurrence of the smallpox which for the past two or three winters raged, for months increasingly, in the city and county, the city physician suggests as one reason that Kinston has for selfcongratulation.

# WHOLESALE BUSINESS

FOR THE PARSONS. Five marriage licenses have been issued by the register of deeds in about thirty hours' time. The number is unusual for such a short period, even at the holiday season. Those licensed were: White: James N. Parker, 19, no time in clipping certificates.

and Fleta Smith, 19, both of Lenoir county; Leon Stroud, 23, of Lenoir county, and Roselle Phillips, 15, of Duplin county. Colored: John Dunn, 18, and Bettie Wood, 21; Sam Dupree, 21, and Martha Tucker, 19; Cleo Dixon, 35, and Annie Isler, 35. All of the colored contracting parties are residents of Kinston.

### D. J. MILLER, VICTIM OF DAUGHTER'S SHOT, DEAD

News was received here Wednesday night that "Bud" (D. J.) Miller, a Goldsboro man, who was fatally shot by Mrs. Bessie Miller Parker, his daughter, Tuesday afternoon at their home there, died in a hospital Wednesday afternoon late. Charles Miller, a young man of Kinston, is a son of Miller. Mrs. Parker, who claimed that her father had abused her beyond endurance, is being held without bail by the sheriff of Wayne county.

# SCHOOL CHILDREN

TO PRESENT PLAY

"A Box of Monkeys" is the title of a play to be presented in the high school auditorium tonight at 8:15 o'clock. The proceeds from the play are to go towards helping out the high school magazine, "The Tatler." After the play, sandwiches and hot tea will be served by the primary department. The proceeds from this will go to the "victrola fund" of the primary grades.

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### SLEEPY HACKMAN

CAUSE OF THIS.

A handful of guests from the hotel at Snow Hill Wednesday morning started out to walk to the depot, across town to catch the early train, because the town's hack driver had not waked up to get on the job. Real estate men with a donkey used for advertising purposes headed the procession straggling along in the chill air over frozen roads. The donkey, when the party came to a ditch made fordable by a crust of ice, refused to cross, and then trouble brewed thick and fast. In the midst of the excitement a lady traveling for perfume manufacturers fell into the ditch. The whole outfit ultimately made the station after "Dogwood," that being the donkey's name, had been literally dragged across the ditch.

### NORTH CAROLINA BLACKS MAKE TROUBLE IN PENNSY.

The authorities of Schuylkill county, Pa., have just narrowly missed making their first arrest of a negro for murder in that county with a quarter of a million people. It all came about because Jim Youngblood, formerly of Kinston, a railroad laborer, invited all the members of his race for several miles around to a party in his box-car shanty. Jack Johnson, also formerly of this section. and another North Carolina negro, named Black, were among the guests. Several months ago Johnson had attempted to kill Black, and at the party Black reminded Johnson of the fact, seized upon a double-edged axe and plunger it into the latter's head. Johnson leaped to one side, and that action, according to United Press reports, saved his life. He has a terrible four-inch gash on the top of his head, but will recover.

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