

**OF LOCAL INTEREST**

**MARRIAGE LICENSE.**

License to wed was issued by the Register of Deeds, Thursday, to Lehman Jones of Wilson Mills, to Mattie Jones of Johnston county, white, aged 21 and 18 years, respectively.

**KINSTON HIGHS TO PLAY GREENVILLE.**

The Kinston High School basketball quintet will play the Greenville High in that city Saturday afternoon. It will be Greenville's first game of the season.

**RAILROAD OFFICIALS HERE.**

Mr. J. Frank Mitchell, traveling passenger agent of the Norfolk Southern; Mr. O. F. York, traveling passenger agent of the Southern, and Mr. Singleton, ticket agent at the Union Station in Raleigh, were Kinston visitors Thursday.

**VAUDEVILLE BILL AT GRAND PLEASSED LARGE CROWDS.**

The first appearance of the Follette and Wicks Victoria Girls in their three-day engagement at the Grand pleased a large crowd, which gathered at the popular playhouse Thursday. The bill Thursday night was "Shutts's Cabaret." Today, matinee and night the company will present "A Night Out." The picture bill for today includes a two-reel Lubin feature entitled "Mountain Law" and a one-reel Essanay called "Sentimental Sophia."

**CANDIDATES FOR MAYOR ARE SCARCE OR BASHFUL.**

Election Less Than Three Months Off and No Hats Have Yet Been Thrown in the Ring, Except by Street Gossips.

With the municipal election just a little more than two months off, not a single candidate has appeared in the lists. It's time for somebody to get busy. There have got to be a mayor and six aldermen chosen in April's primary. So far, the available material is keeping out of the spotlight, however, and not a soul has publicly declared for either billet.

At least one present alderman and one former alderman have said they "don't know," however, and this looks encouraging. But mayoralty candidates are certainly scarce. His Honor, the incumbent, won't commit himself, and doesn't seem to want to discuss the matter for publication.

The coming administration must be a constructive one, though. The public at large realizes that for there are apt to be numerous things necessary to be performed in the coming two years that will be tasks for full-grown men.

Politics is beginning to be a matter of moment, despite the listlessness of might-be aspirants. Many people are already beginning to "wander," and in each street gathering where there is nothing more interesting to discuss, it is the topic. Names of several of Kinston's prominent attorneys are heard mentioned by the street gatherings in connection with the mayoralty campaign, but no more authoritative is the use of such names than "gossip."

**JESSE CREEL SUBMITTED TO 2ND DEGREE MURDER**

Aged Craven County Man Killed Young Fulford Christmas Eve—Plead Extenuating Circumstances—Gets 10 Years.

New Bern, Feb. 12.—In Superior Court here yesterday Jesse Creel, the aged slayer of Gannon Fulford, submitted to a second degree murder. Judge Carter said that had not Creel been as old as he is he would have made the sentence twenty years, but in view of the old man's years, ordered him to State's prison for ten years.

On the stand Creel testified that Fulford entered his home on Christmas eve about dark, was ordered out several times because of his misbehavior, and struck him when he insisted upon him leaving. Afterwards they met on the street and Fulford struck him again several times with his fists. Creel told the court, before he drew his knife, and inflicted the fatal cuts. He said that he took refuge in an outhouse with a loaded gun because he feared Fulford's friends would try to avenge him.

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**HISTORY OF WHEAT MARKET IS A STORY OF JOY AND SORROW**

Fortunes Made and Lost, Speculation and Suicide—the Innocent Consumer Paying the Cost Always—Sensational "Corners" of Years Gone By

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 12.—The romance and tragedy of the people's breadstuff in the last 50 years is a story of fortunes made and lost; of speculation and suicide, with the innocent consumer always paying the freight. Some times the grower benefited, sometimes not.

The rapid and sensational advance in wheat prices which has followed the war recalled to Chicago traders other wheat marks in years gone by. During the civil war, wheat at one time sold for \$2.25 in the Chicago grain market, while on the seaboard it could not be purchased cheaper than \$3 gold. The prices forced by the war lasted until 1867. From that time to 1883, wheat sold above \$1 every year. In the last 20 years, wheat brought above \$1 in 11 years not continuously, but at times.

In 1872, the Franco-Prussian war, either by demand or speculation, forced wheat to \$1.61. Three years prior to that, September wheat was cornered. No one now in Chicago trade remembers just who did it, but records show that this corner sent wheat to \$2.47 per bushel.

The most noted corners of the last 30 years were those engineered by E. J. Harper, B. P. Hutchinson, "Joe" Leiter and James A. Patten.

Harper's corner in 1887 took wheat to \$1.16, when the corner collapsed and sent banks and speculators tottering. "Old Hutch," now dead, one of the most spectacular of the old time traders, engineered his corner in 1888. It sent wheat to \$2 a bushel. There was no serious attempt after that to corner wheat until 1898, when "Joe" Leiter tried. He put May and wheat went up to \$1.85, made millions, and then tried to switch his corner to June and thereby lost a sum that he himself testified a few weeks ago totalled \$11,000,000. His father's estate, that of Levi Leiter, merchant prince, came to his aid and in later years Leiter recouped all his losses—but not in the grain pit.

The latest corner in 1909 was engineered by James A. Patten, Chicago trader, and Patten is believed to have cleared millions, how many not even his brokers ever knew. The record price in his coup was \$1.00. For two months after he closed his corner, cash wheat sold higher than the futures.

Patten ostensibly retired a few years ago and lives in a place at Evanston, Ill. His gifts to colleges, hospitals and private charities total millions. The magnificent gymnasium at Northwestern University, Methodist institution at Evanston, was Patten's gift and bears his name. While Patten is "officially" retired, he maintains an office and is usually there when there is a "hen on" in the grain pit and frequently takes a "flyer" so he calls it, involving a mere matter of a few hundred of thousands.

**REULBACH MAY HAVE BEEN TOO INTIMATE WITH UNION, THOUGHT**

By Hal Sheridan  
New York, Feb. 12.—In the unconditional release of "Big Ed" Reulbach by President Charley Ebbets of the Brooklyn Dodgers, many persons interested in baseball politics profess to see a direct slap at the Player's Fraternity. They also profess to sight in Ebbets' action a general policy that is to be adopted by all magnates toward players who became too active in the ranks of the Union.

In explaining why he had released the veteran, Ebbets said he did so on advice of Manager Robinson, who thought several recruits could do more and better work. He also said that Reulbach's season's record was partly responsible.

Reulbach probably will hook up with a Federal league team this season, as no organized team seems to be exactly pining for his services.

Reulbach came to the Dodgers in the season of 1913, when Johnny Evers, then manager of the Cubs, traded him to for pitcher Eddie Stack. In 1906-7-8 "Big Ed" was one of the best hurlers in the business. With Overhall and Brown he pitched the Cubs to several pennants and world's championships.

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