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THURSDAY, . . . AUGUST 20, 1908

**NATIONAL TICKET.**

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**NORTH CAROLINA DEMOCRATIC TICKET.**

Governor—W. W. Kitchin.  
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 Commissioner of Agriculture—W. A. Graham.  
 Corporation Commissioner—B. F. Aycock.  
 Electors at Large—J. W. Bailey and Walter Murphy.

Admiral Evans is yet a big man.

All should depend upon self, but there are many who would suffer at that.

Judge Pritchard finds that he is unable to make the run for Governor. The rates are too high.

There is some difference in what other people say of us, than what we say of other people.

If these presidential elections were held in watermelon season, the negro vote could be handled with less expense in the South.

In Salisbury the other day a girl attempted suicide by jumping in a well. Must have changed her mind after her feet got wet.

Mr. Roosevelt has denied the report sent out that he would take the stump this fall for Mr. Taft. Does this mean that another member has been added to his Annanias Club.

Rather than go to jail on the charge of assault and battery, a farmer near York, Pa., took poison and killed himself. This is a mighty sure way to win, but some of us don't mind losing some times.

Mutiny broke out among the crew of a United Fruit Company's steamship this week. The trouble, it is said, grew out of Chinese complaining that they were receiving bad food. Civilization is spreading.

"Keep off the streets and don't spread foolish reports," is some of the advice given to people while the riot was going on in Springfield, the other day. Wouldn't this work all right any time and anywhere.

Postmaster Breathitt was officially informed that post cards mailed out of Hopkinsville and other towns recently, showing the four bodies of negroes lynched at Russellville, Kentucky, August 1, should not have been allowed to pass through Uncle Sam's hands. The post cards showed a gruesome view of four men strung up to a tree and were genuine reproductions. This was liable to carry the matter too far.

**GOVERNMENT CLERKSHIP.**

The United States Retirement Association, an organization of clerks from the various government departments formed for the purpose of solving the problem of what to do with clerks in the different government departments who have been in the service so long that they are now unfit for service, has offered a prize of \$150 for the best suggestion along this line. The competition is confined to departmental clerks, and it is hoped that the effort will find the solution.

One of the drawbacks of the merit system as applied to the civil service is the fact that it will keep a man in office as long as he is efficient, and then when it ought to let him go he is found to be too old and too unfitted for his government work to be good for anything in any civil line of employment. The result is that all the departments are full of men and women who have given good service in the past, but who are now a drag upon the work and who keep out the younger men and women who would be a help. Neither the heads of the departments nor the members of congress have the heart to put these faithful old servants out, and yet they haven't been able to agree upon just what to do with them. All sorts of retirement and pension plans have been formulated and advocated, but when one doesn't run contrary to the constitution it is found to be impracticable or inadequate. Many of the clerks have no other means of support than their monthly stipend from the government and are without either friends or relatives who could look after them until death relieved them of their burden. They simply can't be turned out to starve or die in a poorhouse. It is truly a delicate and pathetic problem and one rendered all the more difficult by the fact that few, if any, of the superannuates realize that their day of usefulness is over. They think they are just as good as they used to be, and consequently are of no help in solving the problem that they present. Between the superannuates who persist in holding to their jobs and the younger clerks who are forever agitating increase in pay, the life of the heads of the departments and the congressmen must be far from being a happy one.

A dispatch from Waterbury, Conn., to the New York World, gives the following information about raising potatoes, both above and below ground: Samuel Wilson, of Wolcott, is raising potatoes both above and below ground on the same vine as a result of two years of experimenting. A few weeks ago, on looking over his new potato plants, he saw little buds, like protuberances growing out from the bases of the leaves. These buds developed into well formed and good sized potatoes of the same kind as those growing at the roots of the plants. The bush potato is a cross between the Beauty of Hebron potato and the Delaware. Those above ground grow from four to eight on a plant, one at the base of each leaf. Food experts report the hybrid to be far more nutritious than the Irish or sweet potato and much more easily grown.

**CONSERVATORY SEPT 10.**

Regular Fall Session Will Open on September 10.  
 By Wire to The Sun.  
 Durham, Aug. 20.—The Southern Conservatory of Music will open its regular fall session September 10 and the management in an advertisement is announced that date this morning.

The faculty will attempt a new course this fall that has never been given. Mr. Bryant has a new work on the subject of teaching and it has delighted the big musicians of the country. He will be directly in charge of the musical department but will be assisted by two or more young ladies.

The Conservatory this fall is giving its best work. Miss Kinne returns from studying abroad and the thoroughness of the course is already established.

"My child was burned terribly about the face, neck and chest. I applied Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. The pain ceased and the child sank into a restful sleep."—Mrs. Mary M. Manson, Hamburg, N. Y.

**MEXICAN FLAG IN HARBOR.**

First Vessel Floating That Flag Ever Seen There

By Wire to The Sun.  
 Newport News, Va., Aug. 20.—For the first time in the history of the port of Newport News the Mexican flag floated in local waters. The flag waved from the mast head of the Mexican steamer San Christobal which came to this port Sunday for bunker coal consigned to the C. and O. coal agency. After taking bunkers the vessel left here yesterday.

The San Christobal is a tank steamer and is carrying a cargo of oil from the port of Coahuatenco, Mexico to London this being the first cargo of refined oil ever shipped from that port which has sprung into considerable prominence lately because of its activity in an industrial way. The vessel has been until recently flying the British flag and under those colors has made several trips to this port. Recently she was sold to the Mexican government and this is her first trip out under the flag of her new owners.

The captain of the San Christobal had some little difficulty with his crew while here. Four of the crew who signed papers for the voyage decided they would go no further than this port and demanded their money which was refused. On the refusal to pay them off the four, two of them Mexicans, one a Spaniard, and one a Costa Rican, were apparently taken suddenly and critically ill. When a physician was called he declared that they were feigning ill. The captain finally decided to leave the members, but without paying them and he took on four new men here to make up his crew.

Do you have that dark brown tache in your mouth every morning when you awake? If so, you are bilious, and should take two or three of those little BLOODLINE LIVER PILLS, easy to take, never sicken, weaken or gripe, 25c. mailed by The Bloodline Co., Inc., Boston, Mass.

Will Enter National Rifle Contest  
 Salisbury, N. C., Aug. 20.—Corporal Theo Jenkins, of Company B., Rowan Rifles, who made a high record in the target contest with the First Regiment of North Carolina troops at Morehead City two weeks ago, left last night for Fort Perry, Ohio, where he enters the national contest.

Will Not Electrify Road  
 Richmond, Va., Aug. 20.—It is stated at the offices of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad that there is no foundation for the report that that company would use electric motor engines between this city and Ashland.

Any skin itching is a temper tester. The more you scratch the worse it itches. Doan's Ointment cures piles, eczema—any skin itching. At all drug stores.

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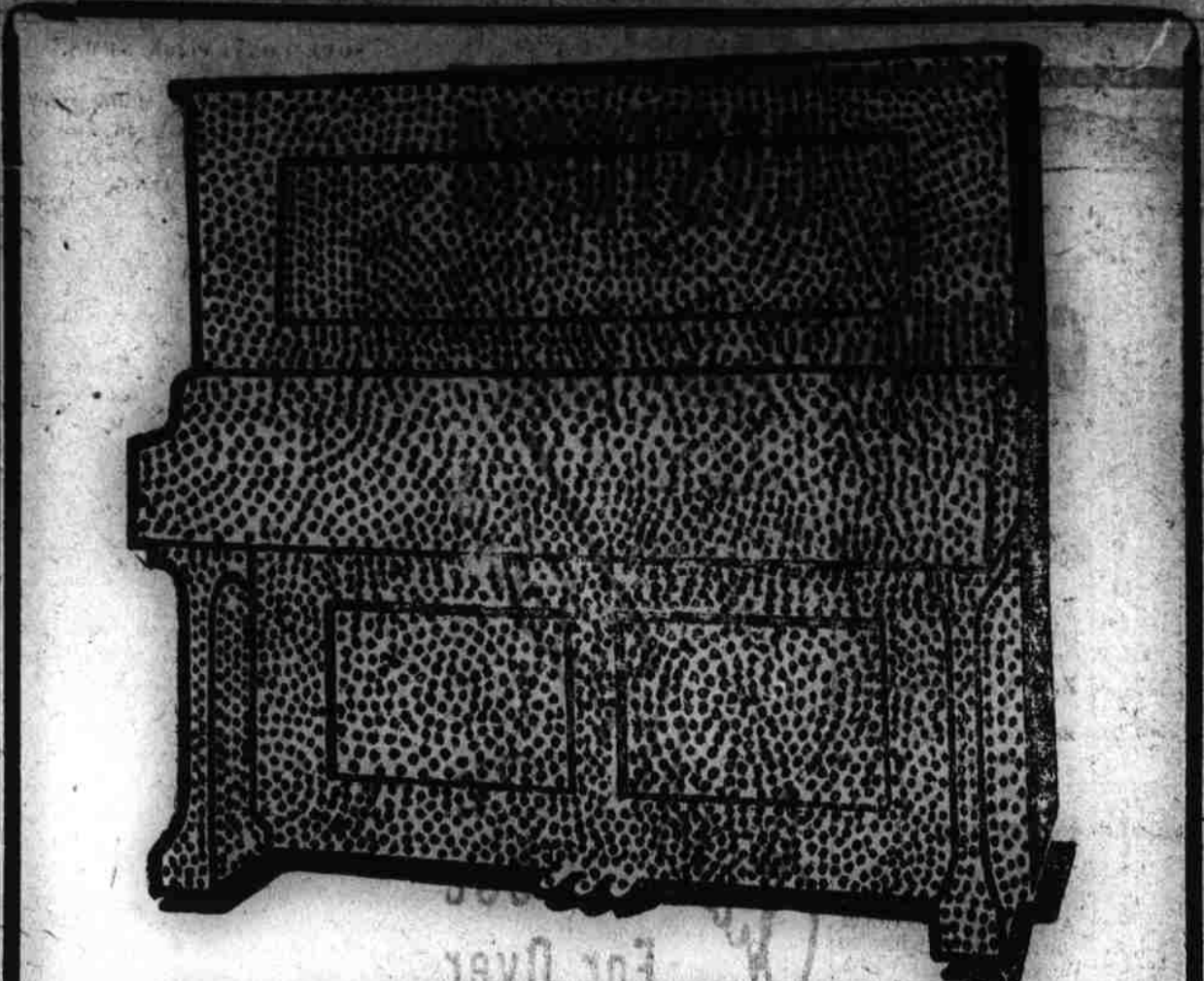
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First, We want the name of Lester to become a household word in the musical families of the South. Second, We want to test the relative advertising value of newspapers. Third, We want to convince every intending purchaser that we have the largest stock of pianos in the South, and that we give the most liberal terms of payment.

The conditions under which this great contest will be held are as follows: Just count the dots that appear in the outlines of the Lester Piano above.

The correct number of dots is known only to the judges. The correct answer has been deposited in the safe deposit vault of the National Bank of Commerce, Norfolk, Va. Each answer will be numbered consecutively as soon as received, and will remain sealed until opened by the following reputable citizens of Norfolk: A. H. Ward, John J. Foster, W. B. Webb.

Anyone residing in the United States is entitled to one answer only. This contest positively closes Monday, August 31, 1908, at 6 p.m. Everyone entering this contest will receive a neat little book of songs, words and music. This book contains over fifty pieces of popular music.

No one engaged in the music business, nor any employe of the Lester Piano Company will be allowed to enter the contest.

More than 40,000 people attest to our fair and honest dealings, and we can say beyond successful contradiction that we have the largest piano business in the South. The prices of the famous Lester Pianos are well established, and are marked in plain figures.

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Other Grand Prizes amounting to 4,500 in order of merit as follows: Second Grand Prize, 1 \$200 Credit Certificate. Third Grand Prize, One \$150 Credit Certificate. Fourth Grand Prize, One \$125 Credit Certificate. Next ten Grand Prizes, each \$100 Credit Certificates. Next twenty Grand Prizes, each \$75 Credit Certificates. Next twenty-five Grand Prizes, each \$50 Credit Certificates. Next eleven Grand Prizes, each \$25 Credit Certificates. Grand Total, \$5,000.

All answers must be plainly written in the Coupon herewith, and must state your count of the dots, your name and address and whether you have an Organ, Square or Upright Piano, and the name of the instrument.

After filling out the Coupon plainly, cut it out and mail it to

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 66 Granby Street, Norfolk, Va.

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 My name.....  
 Address.....  
 Upright.....Square.....Organ.....  
 Name of instrument.....  
 Town.....State.....  
 Date.....Coupon A.

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