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VETERAN CLERKS IN CIVIL SERVICE CROWDED OUT.

Fall of the Official Ax Causes Much Distress in Washington.

Washington Herald, 29th.

Retrenchment is a governmental watchword today and many veteran employes in the departments are reaching the end of their official tenure.

The only consideration possible for them, according to departmental heads, is a thirty days' notice, with the customary leave of absence.

Grown gray in the service and too old to secure employment in other spheres, the cases of many of the discharged clerks, men and women, are pathetic and pitiable in the extreme. Soldiers and widows and children of soldiers are among those who are feeling the fall of the official ax.

Two hundred more dismissals are impending in the Treasury, but most of this number, it is said, will be provided for by transfer.

Moved by the distress occasioned by this retrenchment policy, the force of the administration promises to be behind the bill for a civil service retirement fund on the contributory basis. Secretary MacVeagh favors it earnestly and resident Taft may urge its passage in a special message to Congress.

Much depends on the attitude of the great army of government clerks. If they give such a bill their united support, it can be passed—possibly at this session.

There is absolutely no chance of Congress creating a civil pension list. It will be a contributory retirement fund, which will in the end entail no expense on the government, or nothing.

Church Growth Has Been Rapid in the United States.

Church growth in the United States has been greater than the increase in population between the years 1900 and 1906, according to the special census report on the census of religious bodies for 1906, now in press. In the principal cities of the country the growth both in the number of religious organizations and communities was greater than in the years mentioned than the increase in population, while in the area outside the principal cities the rate of increase in the number of new churches established was approximately the same as the rate of population increase, although in the number of communicants the increase in the outside area, as in the cities, was in excess of that in population.

No. 36 Wrecked in Virginia.

Reports received at the headquarters of the Southern Railway in Washington, are to the effect that three passengers, two of them negroes, seven mail clerks, the fireman and an expressman were injured in the wreck of train No. 36 at Sycamore, Va., Monday. The engine was overturned but none of the four coaches and three cars left the track.

As far as reported none of the twelve injured persons is hurt seriously, although several of the mail clerks are reported to be injured internally, but how seriously is not yet known. After four hours delay of traffic, the track was opened again about 9 o'clock last night.

\$2,500 for Lorimer Vote.

Within a few hours after United States Senator William Lorimer had delivered a speech at Washington Saturday denying that his election was brought about by bribery, State Senator John Broderick, a leading Chicago Democrat, was indicted on a bribery charge by the grand jury at Springfield.

Broderick's indictment was the direct result of a confession made to the grand jury by State Senator D. W. Holstow, of Iuka, Ill., who says Broderick paid him \$2,500 to vote for Lorimer for Senator. A capias was ordered at once for Broderick and a bench warrant issued for his arrest.

This from the Gastonia Gazette: "There has been no little kicking by Gaston county folks who were inveigled into going to Charlotte last Friday to attend the 20th of May celebration. The Charlotte papers had boosted the occasion and hundreds of people went there expecting to see at least a decent street parade and some passable automobile races. They saw neither and came away thoroughly disgusted."

The Southern Student Conference of the Y. M. C. A. will be held at Montreat, Jun 17-20, under the auspices of the student department of the International committee of the Y. M. C. A. Each year increased interest is shown in these conferences and the one this year promises even better things than those of the past.

Mrs. R. P. Benson will return tonight from La Grange, where she has been visiting her father, Mr. G. W. Best.

CURTISS WINS NEW YORK WORLD'S \$10,000 PRIZE.

Daring Flight from Albany to New York, 137 Miles in 152 Minutes.

New York World.

Glenn Hammond Curtiss flew from Albany to New York yesterday morning and won the \$10,000 prize offered by The World for the successful completion of such a trip in less than twenty-four hours.

Starting from the State capital at three minutes after 7 o'clock, he landed on Governor's Island, both man and machine in perfect condition, exactly at noon.

On the way he had made stops, the first at Poughkeepsie, where he spent an hour replenishing his oil tanks and going over the engine, and the second at Inwood, just across the ship canal from Spuyten Duyvil, where he made his official landing in the limits of New York City. He spent an hour and seven minutes there and then flew on to Governor's Island, going the distance from Inwood to the landing place in eighteen minutes.

On the official trip, from Albany to Inwood, Mr. Curtiss covered 137 miles in 152 minutes, an average speed of fifty-four and four-fifths miles an hour. At times Mr. Curtiss's machine sped as fast as sixty miles an hour.

All records in aviation were broken by this flight. Records for speed and distance and both combined went down before the steady wing of the Curtiss aeroplane.

Crowds gathered at every point along the great trip. A special train hired by the New York Times followed the flight of the aviator, locomotive and steam vessels cranked the air with their blasts of greeting, and everywhere Mr. Curtiss found a welcome awaiting him.

But he flew on unheeding, mindful only of his engine and his oil tanks, skimming through the air at a speed that left the Twentieth Century Limited behind him. It was only by running the special train at sixty miles and more per hour that the occupants were able to get glimpses of the man-bird.

When he landed he was cheered by the officers of Governor's Island, and then, after a brief lunch, The World's check was presented to him.

The fact that the day was Sunday prevented many persons from seeing the flight who would have been on the lookout on a week day. But bulletins were sent out through the city and flags were flown in prominent points indicating that Curtiss had started on his memorable flight.

Crowds gathered on rooftops in the city, and there was not a hotel that did not have a gathering of interested spectators. They saw Curtiss glide down the river like a flash, faster than any bird and with strength and equipoise comparable to that of an eagle.

Lutheran Commission to Meet Again Friday.

Salisbury Post.

Following the meeting of the Lutheran Commission in Salisbury and Hickory last week to confer relative to uniting North Carolina and Lenoir Colleges, Rev. B. S. Brown, chairman, gives notice that a second meeting will be held in Salisbury next Friday. Representatives of the boards of North Carolina College and Mt. Amoena Seminary at Mt. Pleasant, will be invited to be present at the meeting.

The purpose of the second meeting of the commission is to confer relative to the proposition of Lenoir College and take such action as may seem wise.

It is probable that the commission at the meeting Friday, will ask for a call session of the North Carolina Synod to report the work done.

Davidson College Commencement.

The 73d commencement exercises of Davidson college began Sunday with the baccalaureate sermon in the morning by Dr. M. E. Sentelle, D. D., professor of philosophy at Davidson, and the sermon to the Y. M. C. A. by Rev. Dr. Hammond, of Atlanta, in the evening.

The church was crowded for both sermons, the student body, and the regular attendants from the village being augmented by a number of visitors. The sermon of Dr. Sentelle was highly commended by all who heard it and especially by the members of the graduating class to whom he directed his remarks.

Champion Soda Water Drinker.

All of the drug stores in the city gave soda water tickets as prizes in the clean-up contest. The youngster who won the ticket at the Cabarrus Drug store won the distinction of being the champion soda water drinker of all the contestants. The ticket was given him about 4 o'clock in the afternoon and by 6 o'clock he had consumed twelve soft drinks all by himself. This little fellow evidently did some strenuous work in the contest from the number of drinks it required to refresh him when the contest came to an end.

"AUNT MAG ROSS DEAD."

Mr. Editor:—I beg through you to pay tribute to the late Aunt Mag Ross, as you aptly say one of the "old time darkies." Aunt Mag cooked for us for eight very important years of our lives. We then had several children, boys and girls, in our happy home. Aunt Mag was indeed an important factor in caring for them. She was not only faithful, economical and efficient as a cook, but was watchful, tender and motherly to our children. My wife always felt safe to leave them with Aunt Mag. She was a very unique character who always made herself interesting and instructive to the children. No sacrifice was too great for her to make for them and no demand made by them was disregarded, not always granted, but invariably considered with a disposition to benefit them. She was an ardent Methodist, "a church bigot." She believed the Bible and delighted to have some one read it to her. When my wife visited Concord a year ago she went to see Aunt Mag, who was then feeble and old, living in her own home, though humble, it was neat and orderly, a palace to her. She said Aunt Mag said to her, "Miss Belle, Mr. Montgomery gave me every cent I paid for this home." I was reminded that during the eight years she cooked for us, she never drew her money till I would owe her about twenty-five dollars then she would pay this on her home. A lesson to many of us, showing how wise to properly apply our earnings.

Though far away, we drop a tear of grief over the new made grave of Aunt Mag. Always faithful and true to us, a sincere believer in the saving power of the gospel of Christ, we confidently believe she has been reunited with our deceased children whom she loved so well.

C. G. MONTGOMERY.

Mobile, Ala., May 26, 1910.

Rowan Makes Fine Showing.

Salisbury Post.

The Democratic party of Rowan county goes to the bat, figuratively speaking, with a record that will compel even the approval of its opponents. For forty-five years the party has been in power in this county and forty-five times has it presented to the voters a clean balance sheet and a record of faithful public service. No scandal has attached to the incumbency of any of its officials and the county has gone forward with great strides.

With many of the richest counties in the State heavily in debt, Capt. J. R. Nicholas, Rowan's treasurer, is able to make the following report, exclusive of the net receipts for May:

Total balance in bank, \$35,889.69; balance to credit of school fund, \$7,616.86; balance county fund, \$3,636.20; balance road funds, \$4,643.73; county and special township bond fund, \$19,992.90.

There are few if any counties in the State that can make so good a showing as this.

Did They Ask Mr. Adams to Resign Chairmanship?

Winston Sentinel.

A well founded report comes to The Sentinel that at the meeting of the Republican state executive committee in Greensboro last week it was suggested to Chairman Adams that he might resign, but that the ex-judge very promptly declined the proposition. The party giving out the information contends that Adams wants to see the district attorneyship before he turns loose the state chairmanship. They say he is expecting a recess appointment—after congress adjourns.

It is also being talked in political circles that Zeb Walsler and McCrary, two Republican leaders in Davidson county, are dickering with National Committeeman Duncanson over the postoffice at Lexington. Walsler's brother holds the office, but there is danger of him losing it. McCrary or one of his friends is after it. It is said that Walsler and McCrary have each offered to deliver Davidson's to Duncanson for the state chairmanship for the postoffice.

A White Snake Killed in Rowan.

Salisbury Post.

Mr. A. P. Miller, who lives near the Yadkin river in this county, reports that a white snake, the first he ever saw, was killed in Davidson county last Wednesday about 100 yards from Mr. Ernest Miller's saw mill. The snake was four feet long and four inches around, and had coal black eyes. It was killed by Mr. C. H. Long, who with Mr. Clamie Bringle was hauling logs to the mill. The wagon first run over the snake and then Mr. Long cut off its head. Mr. Miller, who gave in the report, vouches for the statement that the snake was white; he saw it with his own eyes. He learns that a similar snake was killed about ten years ago at Cotton Grove in the same county.

Mr. Alvin Watson is a Concord visitor today.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Some of the People Here and Else-Where Who Come and Go.

Mr. J. O. Moose is spending the day in Charlotte.

Mr. Martin is spending the day in Charlotte.

Mr. T. H. Vanderford, of Salisbury, is spending the day in the city.

Mr. Dallas Pitts, of Atlanta, is visiting his father, Squire C. A. Pitts.

Mr. Leslie Bell returned yesterday from Davidson College for the holidays.

Miss Maggie and Lizzie Moore, of Cool Springs, are visiting Mrs. J. F. Dayvault.

Mrs. J. S. Carr, Jr., is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. Barhette Douglass, of Winston-Salem.

Mr. Briece Caldwell arrived in the city this morning from Raleigh, where he has been attending A. & M. College.

Miss Margaret Blair, who has been visiting Mrs. J. P. Cook, left this morning for her home in Charlotte. She was accompanied by Miss Nannie Lee Patterson.

Mr. R. M. McKemie, of Charleston, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon to assume the superintendency of the office of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., in this city.

Mrs. W. H. Leith, who has been the guest of Mrs. D. B. Cofrane for the past week, left this morning for Charlotte to visit friends before returning to her home in Chattanooga.

Aeroplanes Will be Crossing Sea in a Few Years.

Leo Stevens, the aeronaut, said in New York Monday:

Curtiss's successful flight means a great deal. It means that in a few years heavier than air machines will be crossing the Atlantic. New York will also be the great air port of the world.

It is now only a matter of applying power. When the Great Eastern was built it was declared that she was too large for the water. Airships can be built to any size, just as steamships can. It is a question of power with both. This applies not only to aeroplanes, but to dirigible balloons as well.

Another factor in flying is confidence. Men must acquire confidence before they fly. Sixty-five per cent. of the art of flying depends upon the operator.

Supposed Mad Dog Killed.

Chief of Police Boger received a phone call this morning saying that there was a mad dog on Church street and to send some one at once to kill it. Chief Boger went immediately over to Church street and found the dog in the back lot and a number of excited people in pursuit. The dog ran up Church street where it turned into the yard of Mr. Dave Fowlkes. Chief Boger overtook the dog here and shot it. The dog proved to be a fine bird dog, belonging to Mr. Fowlkes, which has been sick for several weeks. In some way he got out of the kennel this morning and trotted down the street, where he was found to be acting strangely. This caused the people who saw him believe the dog was mad and they immediately phoned the police. There is no question but that the dog acted strangely but no one knows positively that the animal was mad. Chief Boger says that from his appearance the dog and the excitement it created he had every reason to believe he was mad when he shot him. At the time he shot him Chief Boger did not know who the owner was.

Funderburk Fined \$100.

Robert Funderburk plead guilty in the Recorder's Court this afternoon to bringing beer into the county for the purpose of sale and fined \$100 and cost, making a total of \$106.85. In the case against a young fellow named Shaver, who drove the wagon for Funderburk judgment was suspended upon the payment of the cost. There were found in an empty store room was thought to have had a hand in the business, and he was discharged. Several months ago ten barrels of beer was found in an empty store room near the furniture factory and was seized by the police. The beer proved to be the property of Funderburk. At the first trial in the Recorder's Court the beer was seized and turned over to the county commissioners who sold it to a liquor house in Richmond. Funderburk was arrested on the charge of bringing the beer in the county for the purpose of sale. He had his trial postponed until this afternoon. Funderburk formerly operated a near beer joint on the outskirts of the city.

FOR RENT—Small cottage on Spring street, next to Mr. Worth Propriet. Apply to Jno. M. Oglesby.

See The Times for Job Printing.

CHILD'S DEAD BODY FOUND.

Mystery of Alma Kellner's Disappearance Clearing.

With the finding Monday of her mutilated and decomposed body in an old cistern under one of the parish houses of St. John's Roman Catholic church, of Louisville, Ky., part of the mystery surrounding the disappearance on December 8, 1909, of Alma Kellner, 8 years old, daughter of Fred L. Kellner, was solved. To clear the identity of the slayer the police are searching for John Wendling, formerly janitor of St. John's church. He has been missing since January 14. His wife is under surveillance.

Mrs. Lena Wendling, wife of the janitor and housekeeper for Father Schuhman, pastor of St. John's church, in a sworn statement made before Chief of Detectives Carney, admitted washing the muddy clothes of her husband shortly after the disappearance of the Kellner girl. The detectives declare these trousers, shirt and hat are still blood stained.

A little more than a year ago, according to police records, Wendling was arrested and fined because of improper conduct toward the young girl, whom he accosted in the street.

The finding of the body after months of search throughout the United States was by accident.

On Saturday the janitor at St.

John's church told Father Schuhmann that water was collecting under one of the Parish buildings. Plumbers began to pump out the water.

After pumping only a short time the water began to smell badly and later a slimy object was discovered. A child's foot, with shoe and stocking on, appeared. The police and coroner were called by Father Schuhmann. After working for five hours, all of the fragments of the body were collected except the top of the skull and the lower part of the right leg. All the ribs on the left side were broken.

Col. Joe Reece, of the Greensboro Record, recounts an incident occurring there in connection with the prohibition law that might possibly be duplicated in other places besides Greensboro. It seems that a resident of Col. Reece's town, attracted by the alluring circulars of a whiskey house, ordered a case supposed to contain an assortment of ten-year-old peach brandy, ten-year-old applejack and a like amount of pure corn whiskey. When it arrived each portion of the shipment was found to be properly labeled, but instead of being what it purported to be, all of it was more or less mean corn whiskey.

Messrs. Ross Cannon and William Wadsworth left this morning for Davidson College to attend Davidson commencement.

BOYS' PANTS!

We have just received a Big Shipment of

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