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## THE TIME IS SHORT IN WHICH TO WIN THE GOLD PRIZES!

Only Three More Days and Then It Will Be Known Whether Your Little One Is The Most Popular Baby in Concord and Surrounding County.

From All Sections of the Contiguous Territory Comes Word of a Determined Striving to Win—The Time Is Very Short and If You Win You Must Not Lose a Moment.

The race right now is the prettiest imaginable with the babies running neck and neck down the home stretch and who will come in under the wire ahead is the question just now. It would take a pair of good opera glasses to determine who is ahead now, but we expect to see some of the leaders pull away little by little until they will lead by a head at the finish. Saturday, June 3, will see the curtain rung down on the grand baby contest which has been in progress during the past six weeks under the auspices of The Times-Tribune and the management of the Joyee Syndicate of Chicago. Mr. J. F. Joyce, the general manager of the firm, has given this contest his personal supervision and concededly the enterprise has been the greatest newspaper undertaking that has ever been witnessed anywhere in this vicinity. As proof of the immense success of the undertaking it should only be necessary to state that it has already resulted in adding hundreds of new readers to the Times and Tribune and that this is no idle boast the management of the papers is only too willing to prove.

Do not be dismayed because you think someone has a few more votes than you. This should only urge you on to greater efforts, for there is no one certain of victory as yet, nor will any one be until the last word has been said, the contest officially at an end.

Waste no time now in vain regrets about what you did not do earlier in the race. The tide of battle has not turned against you by any means. Work hard every minute and you will find your friends only too willing to

loosen their purse strings for your dear little baby, now that their assistance means so much to you. Sit down and think over the offers that we are making this week and then get up and go to work and see how many votes you can pile up before Saturday night at nine o'clock; 3,000 votes for every three months; 9,000 votes for every six months; 27,000 for every year, and added to this for every sixty months you turn in you receive a bonus of 100,000 votes. Just bring in your subscriptions and we will keep a record of them and when you have sixty months to your credit we will give you a receipt for the votes. The contest manager has one request to make of you and that is not to wait until the very last moment Saturday night before making your report. Report to him as early as you possibly can, it will make it easier for all concerned. Work up until the last moments as we will accept subscriptions until the last moment at 9 o'clock. The contest will come to a close at that time as we have already stated. Promptly at nine o'clock the doors of the contest room will be locked, so be sure you get in time to get your votes in the box. The contest manager can offer you but one word of advice at this late hour and that is to do your very best and do not lay down for one second. A few subscriptions now may mean victory for you; get every one you can. All arrangements for the final close of this mammoth contest are rapidly going forward. The contestants should report at this office by eight o'clock Saturday night so that you may have time to deposit your voting certificates.

### THE NEWS OF MT. PLEASANT.

Dr. Moore Put in New Soda Fountain—Mr. Miller Concludes His Work—Personal. The latest in the list of improvements is the new fountain installed Monday by Dr. A. W. Moore. It is fitted with all the up-to-date appliances necessary for the dispensing of a large variety of cold drinks, handsome in appearance, and is a great credit, not only to Dr. Moore's pharmaceutical establishment, but to the town.

With the services Sunday night at the Lutheran church, Rev. J. P. Miller concluded his work as pastor of the church. He begins his work at once as president of Marion Female College. His successor has not yet been secured.

Rev. N. R. Richardson left Monday for a fortnight's vacation. He will spend a few days at Durham, at Trinity commencement after which he will go to his old home, near Raleigh, for a short rest.

Dr. M. A. Foil, Misses Mary Baringer and Stella Foil have gone to Newton to attend Catawba College Commencement.

Mrs. J. A. Peck, of Concord, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Hellig. Miss Katie Foil is visiting friends in Salisbury.

Mr. Roy Thayer, who has been engaged on a large government contract near Tampa, Florida, came in yesterday to visit his mother, Mrs. J. H. Thayer.

Mrs. J. J. Irvin, of Cameron, is visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Matthews.

Miss Della Moody, of Albemarle, is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. W. Barrier. Miss Ethelyn Crabtree spent Sunday here before going to her home at Salem, Va.

Mr. John Cook, of Concord, was a visitor here yesterday.

Mr. P. R. Moore spent yesterday in Salisbury.

Miss Elma Welsh goes to Charlotte tomorrow to visit her sister, Mrs. S. H. Long.

Prof. J. Kiger, of High Point, was a visitor in town Sunday.

Mr. T. A. Moser has about completed his work for No. 8 listing property. His books will close on Saturday, June 9th, but for the convenience of a few not yet listed, Mr. Moser will be in Mt. Pleasant on Friday, June 2d. Mt. Pleasant, May 31, 1911.

Amazed at Concord's Growth. Mr. J. M. Cherry, of Rock Hill, S. C., spent yesterday in the city inspecting the Edison storage battery car with a view to buying one for the Rock Hill urban line. In conversation with the Tribune reporter Mr. Cherry said that this was his first visit to Concord since the electric light plant was established, about twenty years ago when he came here to inspect that with a view to building a plant at Rock Hill, and that he was amazed at the growth and progress of Concord since that time. "From a small town at that time Concord has developed into a live progressive city with large modern stores, strong and resourceful banks and modern and beautiful residences, and on every hand is evidence of prosperity and progress," he said.

Baseball Tomorrow. The baseball management is making every effort to put forward the most formidable baseball aggregation that can be found in the city against the and Charlotte Y. M. C. A. Friday. The game will be played at the graded school grounds. Kay Patterson or Campbell Cline will twirl against Davidson and Swearingin will probably be the hurler against Charlotte. Come out and encourage the boys in giving Concord a ball team this summer.

What is perhaps the most tremendous crowd ever assembled under the dome of Memorial Hall composed of students, townspeople and people from all the country round Chapel Hill, heard Gov. Woodrow Wilson, of New Jersey, deliver the principal address at the one hundred and sixteenth commencement of the University of North Carolina Tuesday.

We request that all persons getting subscriptions for The Times and Tribune, when accepting checks from their patrons have the checks made payable to themselves, and get them cashed before turning in the subscriptions at Contest Department of The Times and Tribune office. After tonight we will accept nothing but cash. For the benefit of those living out of town we will accept postoffice money orders. This rule will be strictly adhered to. We are making this announcement in time so it will not inconvenience anyone.

Cabarrus Boy Wins Orator's Medal. Mr. George Robert Misenheimer, of Boat Mill, won the orator's medal at the recent commencement of Clemmons School, of which Prof. J. F. Brower, is principal. The contest for the medal was a warm one and it is quite a credit to the winner to have secured the medal. The subject of Mr. Misenheimer's oration was "It is Not Luck but Pluck that Wins."

Master Elliott Springs, of Lancaster, S. C., is spending the day in the city with relatives.

### PERSONAL MENTION.

Some of the People Here and Elsewhere Who Come and Go. Mr. H. G. Ritz is spending the day in Charlotte.

Mr. Sidney Lowe is visiting in Fort Mill and Bessemer City.

Postmaster M. L. Buchanan is spending the day in Salisbury.

The postal savings depository will be opened at the postoffice tomorrow.

Mr. W. G. Means spent yesterday afternoon in Charlotte on legal business.

Mr. Paul B. Means has returned from the University of North Carolina.

Mr. W. H. Hagland, of Salisbury, was a business visitor yesterday afternoon.

Miss Pattie Vaughan, of Washington, N. C., will arrive tonight to visit Miss Margaret Lentz.

Miss Marie Griffin, who has been visiting Miss Frances Goodson, has returned to her home in Wilson.

Mr. M. B. Stuckley has returned from Raleigh where he attended a meeting of the board of trustees of A. & M. College.

Mrs. R. P. Benson, who has been visiting her father, Mr. Geo. W. Best, at La Grange, for some time, will arrive in Concord this afternoon.

Charlotte Observer: "Miss Julia Barrow, of Concord, who was one of the graduates at Converse last week, arrived in the city yesterday morning with Miss Beatrice Blake and will be her guest for two weeks. Miss Blake attended the Converse commencement and was the recipient of many charming social courtesies while there. Miss Barrow has visited in Charlotte frequently and has a host of friends here."

Patent for Bag Stringing Machine. Mr. Walter H. Crowell, of Virginia, Va., a native of New London, secured a patent for a bag stringing machine for some time ago, that bids fair to fill a need in the tobacco manufacturing industry that has long been a great handicap to the manufacturers. The machine is a device for stringing a tobacco bag, a problem that the men engaged in the industry have been trying for years to solve. The bag is placed on the machine, the string run through, tied and the bag folded again and it is claimed the machine will string 12,000 a day. This work has heretofore been done by hand, mostly by women of the poorer class who live in the tobacco manufacturing towns and take the bags home and string them at odd times. Mr. Crowell has a number of associates with him, some of whom are prominent tobacco manufacturers, and they are enthusiastic over the manner in which the machine works and they are highly satisfied with the results so far obtained. They say it will, beyond doubt, revolutionize the present methods of stringing bags. The machine weighs 1,400 pounds and it cost \$500 to build it. Mr. Crowell has spent his entire time for several years on perfecting the patent. He is a nephew of Mr. J. Lee Crowell, who is associated with him in putting out the machine.

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### POISONED YOUNG BRIDE.

Iredell Boy Confesses Crime, Declaring He Was Tired of His Wife, Though Only Wedded Three Months. Statesville, May 30.—Confessing that he had deliberately poisoned his young bride of three months, Reuben Combs, an 18-year-old Stony Point farmer, was committed to jail this afternoon without bail by the coroner's jury.

Last Friday morning Combs aroused his neighbors with the announcement that he had found his wife in the cow lot near the house. He claimed that he awakened, missed her from his side and went in search with that result. There was no apparent reason to doubt his statement, and the young woman was buried Saturday.

Shortly after the funeral ugly reports were circulated and these gained such headway that the county authorities decided this morning to exhumate the body and this was done. A large quantity of strychnine was found in the woman's stomach, and Combs was immediately arrested. Before he could be locked in the cell in Statesville jail the young fellow broke down and confessed to the sheriff that he had tired of his wife and had murdered her.

Everything is quiet and there is no danger of a lynching, as some feared this morning might be the consequences.

The coroner's jury rendered a verdict that the deceased came to her death through poison administered by Reuben Combs.

Combs married the girl in March. She was 16 years old and he is only 18. Both of them attended public school last winter.

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### RETAIL MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION ORGANIZED.

About Twenty Merchants Join—Mr. J. E. Davis Elected President. A number of merchants of the city formed a re-organization of the Retail Merchants' Association. This association was organized several years ago and for a time it was effective, but interest finally lagged to such an extent that about all the members dropped out. For the past several months there has been an effort made on the here to re-organize the association, and a call was issued for a meeting of those interested last night. About twenty responded and manifested considerable interest in the work and decided unanimously to perfect the organization. The charter of the former association is still in effect and the organization was perfected under this. Mr. J. E. Davis was elected president and Mr. Lewis Hartsell secretary.

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