

A GREAT PLEASURE IN STORE FOR SOMEONE TOMORROW NIGHT?

THE RULING QUESTION IS WHO WILL WIN IN THIS GREAT RACE?

Is the Winner Going to Be One of the Dear, Little Babies at the Top, or Is Some One of the Dark Horses to Spring from the Bottom of the List and Walk Off with the Laurel Branches of Victory?—Only a Few More Hours in Which to Work—The Interest Intense.

"Baby Day" in Concord is upon us. It takes place tomorrow and will provide a fitting close to the Grand Baby Contest which has been in progress during the past six weeks under the auspices of the Times and Tribune and the active management of the Joyce Syndicate of Chicago.

Intense and widespread interest is being manifested in the closing hours of this great race. It has become more and more evident as the week has advanced and this great competition has neared a close, that it is anybody's race.

There are a number of babies which have apparently forged to the front, at least so far as the standings which are published from day to day are concerned, but it must be borne in mind that this contest is conducted along secret lines and that thousands and thousands of votes may be withheld until the last moment for babies which are seemingly out of the race.

The Times and Tribune race is a complete puzzle, even to those who are best informed. Mr. Joyce who is here in personal charge of this contest,

says he would not dare to venture a prediction as to who will win.

Yes, indeed, this is anybody's race and with a fair field and no favors it is going to be the hardest fought finish ever witnessed.

We sincerely hope that everyone will be able to take advantage of the offer and will get in as early as possible so we will not have so much confusion at the last hour. The office will be closed promptly at nine o'clock and anyone who is not in at that time will lose their votes, as we will turn the ballot box over to the judges as soon as possible after the doors are closed. This is a final warning and must be adhered to. So be wise and get in on time.

We are hearing rumors every day of some who are working and who will not turn in their subscriptions until the very last minute. For your own sake we would like to ask you to not wait later than noon Saturday as it may be almost impossible to get in your votes at all, as we expect to be very busy all day and exceptionally so at night.

THE GAME YESTERDAY.

Concord Defeats Davidson in a Snappy Game by a Score of 7 to 6.

The Concordians donned their neat and natty new suits with a big red "Cineo" trade mark prominently displayed across the shirt fronts, and journeyed around to the graded school grounds here on Thursday afternoon. There a clash took place with an aggregation of ball tossers from Davidson College, and a game characterized by a little of everything that is known to baseball resulted. It began with an avalanche of hits and runs and then settled back into a long drawn out affair for inning after inning, when suddenly during the course of the unravelling it would vibrate and sparkle with flashes of brilliancy.

Cline was on the hurling peak for the "Cineo" boys and Siler did a similar act for the Davidsonians. The locals lit up and started things puffing and smoking right from the jump. Cesar Sappenfeld was the first stogie to be lit, reaching first on Rosewell's error. Grier bunted a la Keeler and beat it

windpad at this stage of the game and the Cineites began to puff with renewed energy. They made two more in the seventh, which proved enough to win. Clark polled a single and swiped second; Grier slapped one out for a base and Clark came across; Rastus confronted Siler at this stage of the proceedings and, amid the cheers of perspiring fans, he negotiated a single, sending "Foxy" in with the winning run, making the final score 7 to 6 in favor of Concord.

The game was featured by the clever fielding of Caldwell in center, the stellar work of Grier at first and the willow work of Dunn, Clark, Grier and Sappenfeld.

The two teams lined up as follows: Davidson—Dunn, c; Mayes, ss; Pharr, 3rd; Caldwell, cf; Christenberry, lf; Cranford, 2nd; Rosewell, 1b; Gibson, rf; Siler, p. Concord—Morris, c; Smith, c; Cline, p; Grier, 1b; Sappenfeld, O. 2b; Sappenfeld, L. ss; Sapp, 3b; Bingham, lf; Clark, cf; Cook, rf.

Ensign Robert S. Young's Engagement Announced.

The following, copied from the Richmond Dispatch, will be of much interest to all our people:

"Mr. and Mrs. E. Bryan Merritt, of Norfolk, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Bessie Haidane, and Ensign Robert Simon Young, Jr., United States navy. The wedding will be celebrated in the autumn. Miss Merritt is one of the most attractive girls in Norfolk, and has been much admired in Richmond society, having visited here as the guest of Miss Shields any number of times. Ensign Young, who is a son of Dr. and Mrs. Robert S. Young, of Concord, N. C., is now attached to the U. S. S. torpedo boat Perkins."

The Drought.

It has been many years since this section of the State has suffered from such a drought as has been on the country for the past few weeks. The crops are parched, the masts and streams at a very low mark, and the ground is so dry that farm work is hardly worth while. Especially for this season of the year, the drought is unprecedented. Many farmers declare that if there is no relief within a very short time now every growing crop will be a practical failure. Already cotton, corn and other crops have been injured, so that even if there is a rain immediately the crop loss shortage will be 25 per cent or more.

Fire at Rimer.

Fire destroyed the residence of Mrs. Katie Rimer, at Rimertown, this morning about 6 o'clock. There was no one at the house at the time of the fire, Mrs. Rimer being at the home of her brother, Mr. William Rimer, where she has been visiting for some time. The house was closed during her absence and so far as is known no one had been there since she left. The house and all of its contents were consumed by the blaze. It is thought the fire was the work of an incendiary.

A Concord Boy at Mohave.

At the commencement exercises, just held at the Bingham School, Mohave, N. C., Mr. Fred R. Best, of Concord, was awarded a diploma of graduation in the Commercial Bookkeeping Course. The diploma is of parchment linen, handsomely designed and engraved, the name and date being beautifully engrossed in the Old English Script, the work of the school penman. We are always glad to see Concord boys doing well at school.

Engraved Wedding Invitations and Announcements.

We hope our friends will not forget that we furnish the most elegant marriage invitations and announcements that can be obtained. We have a book showing a beautiful line of samples of the very latest styles, which will be sent to anyone on request. All orders are considered strictly confidential.

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KANNAPOLIS NEWS.

Rural Carrier's Nobby Outfit—Basketball—To Organize a Debating Society—Moving Picture Machine at Y. M. C. A.—A Letter Full of Interesting News.

Mr. D. L. Carter, the new carrier, on the new mail route, began his rounds yesterday and has the noblest outfit in the county. He bought a new horse and buggy and harness for the business and will go well equipped. This is Kannapolis R. F. D. No. 1 and is 17 miles from the postoffice back to the postoffice again. The route is as follows: From Kannapolis to Mr. Walter Dayvault's, then on the new road to Mr. Charlie Hileman's, then on the Concord and Charlotte road north to Bostian's corner, and then southwest to the Salisbury and Kannapolis road, then north with said road to Enochville road and then south and west to Kannapolis. This route will traverse one of the finest sections of Cabarrus and Rowan counties.

A game of ball was played here Saturday evening on the old diamond, between Kannapolis and China Grove, which resulted in a victory for the latter, in a score of 7 to 13. Right fielder Childers and Catcher Broom deserve special mention for their fine playing. The Kannapolis boys have not been practicing much but they propose to train and develop themselves to make a better record. They expect to play on their new diamond soon, of which they are justly proud and are spending much time and energy in trying to make it perfect.

Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Shinn spent last week with Mrs. Shinn's mother, Mrs. E. J. McAnless, at Dunn's Mountain, near Salisbury, returning home Friday. Mr. Shinn will fill his regular appointments here Sunday, both morning and evening, and will begin a series of sermons on a special subject Sunday night.

A number of our young men are interested in a debating society and will meet in the Y. M. C. A. Monday night to organize.

The baseball club will give an ice cream supper Saturday night on the junior baseball team's ground for the benefit of the club.

The moving picture machine for the Y. M. C. A. has arrived and will show Tuesday night. Mr. Owens says he will show once a week and will show four reels each time. The admission fee will be ten cents; children under 16 five cents, and little tots under 6 free.

The band boys gave an ice cream supper Saturday night, which was a decided success, both socially and financially, netting the treasury about fifty dollars. A prize was offered for the young lady selected the most cream. Misses Maud Richardson and Bertha Demarens tied in this contest and each received a prize. Mr. C. T. Ly-

tle got the box with the lucky number and received a prize also.

The Y. M. C. A. Bible class will meet on Sunday evening at 4:15 instead of Monday night as heretofore. Mr. Owen will have the Boys Bible Class photographed Saturday evening at about 5 o'clock. This picture is wanted by the international committee of the Y. M. C. A. and no doubt all members of the class will want one also.

The gymnasium classes have been called off until fall, as all the time is taken up at present, but these classes will begin training again in the fall.

The boys membership contest for the Y. M. C. A. between the Reds and Blues closed last Saturday night at ten o'clock, the Blues winning with 1575 points to the Reds' 1275. The secretary will give the boys an ice cream supper Monday night, June 12 and a committee of the Reds will act as waiters. Mr. C. C. Robinson, International Boys' Secretary, with headquarters in Charlotte, will be present and will address the boys, which will be a treat for them, as Mr. Robinson is a favorite with the boys everywhere he goes.

Mr. H. F. Pemberton won the prize due in the pool tournament for May. This is his second time to win it in four months. Mr. Patterson has had it twice also.

The Y. M. C. A. thermometer is rising with the summer temperature. The membership roll has gone up to 361.

Our marrying parson has been quiet for some time but there is always a Cupid's busy season, so we will not be surprised to hear of the knot tying process being resumed again at any time.

Kannapolis, June 2, 1911.

BABY PICTURES AT PASTIME

Baby Pictures will be shown at the Pastime tonight, also balance of the week at 4 o'clock in the afternoon and evenings at 8.

Miss D. R. Cannon left this morning for Goldsboro to spend several days.

SAYS MILLENNIUM IS NEAR.

Mrs. Besant Predicts the Early Reincarnation of Christ.

London, June 1.—Anne Besant, who is here from India, announces the impending reincarnation of Christ.

"Everything tends to show that the time is at hand," said she, "for the arrival of the Great World Teacher. Physical and social changes throughout the world tell that the age of militarism is closing and that fraternity is to be the watchword.

"The future Anglo-American peace treaty is one sign, but the world's peace is unachievable politically. It will result in a vast spiritual movement uniting all warring creeds. This will be the task of the coming Teacher prefigured in the Christian dogma as the second coming of Christ. "It is not far distant. Then our soon will close and a new age will be open."

Mrs. Besant brought with her two Indian boy disciples. One believes in reincarnation and in Buddha and says his lives cover between 20,000 and 30,000 years. They will see the coronation and then go to Oford.

Monument to J. M. Julian to Be Unveiled at Salisbury.

Salisbury, June 1.—Extensive preparations are being made by the Hickory camp of the Woodmen of the World here for the unveiling of the monument erected by them Salisbury cemetery to the memory of the late John M. Julian, editor of the Salisbury Post, who died here last fall from pellagra. Twelve camps of Woodmen have been invited to participate in the ceremonies. Hon. B. S. Royster, one of the State officers of the Woodmen, will be the orator of the day. Special music has also been arranged for the occasion.

Miss May Pemberton will leave today for Albemarle to attend the marriage of Miss Mary Pemberton and Mr. John Ferguson, which will take place June 7th.

Miss Eliza Pender, of Taboro, is the guest of Miss Lucy Brown.

Has She Put a Spell on the Weather?

About four weeks ago, says the Wadesboro Messenger and Intelligencer, Mr. H. W. Little had Sarah Hildreth, a white woman, forcibly ejected from one of his houses in the southern part of Wadesboro, because of non-payment of rent and other very good reasons. All of her household and kitchen furniture, together with Sarah, were unceremoniously escorted to the street by officers, and there they have since remained. Being of a philosophic turn of mind, Sarah proceeded to make the best of a bad situation, and immediately after being "put out" she erected her stove, fixed up a "smoking place" among the boxes and baggage, and was preparing to camp out all summer, if not providentially hindered.

A certain youth, evidently seriously thoughtful, has for some time declared that "There will be no rain until that woman is mercifully given a shelter!" She was arrested yesterday—or was it day before?—and we had a light rain. She was released and it became fair weather.

A Lunch at Maison Duree.

We have been shown a clipping from a Spanish paper of Barcelona of a lunch attended by Mr. Ralph M. Odell, of Concord, of which the following is a translation:

Sunday afternoon various American representatives of the Cotton Congress presented an intimate lunch to Sir Thomas Lipton in the tea salon of "Maison Duree." Sir Thomas Lipton sat at the table with Mr. and Mrs. Morgan, the latter dressed in an elegant blue dress, Mr. Harvie Jordan, Harry A. McBride, R. Hightower, William W. Stuart, Colonel D. Neill and Ralph M. Odell.

At night an intimate dinner on board the yacht Erin, to which assisted the Vice Consul of Great Britain with his distinguished wife, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan and Colonel Duncan Neill. It was a very agreeable fête, with which Sir Lipton showed how he appreciated the kindness accorded to him by his fellow citizens during his stay in Barcelona. Yesterday morning he left for Gibraltar and Cowes, where he will take part in yacht races.

China Famine is Abating.

The hopeful and cheering news comes from China that the famine in that country is abating, and that food conditions in the stricken provinces are improving. It is reported on what is accepted as good authority that the worst stages have passed and that the government is sending refugees back to their homes. That there is still great scarcity of food, and that thousands will yet die of starvation, is not denied, but the outlook for the future is growing brighter. It would probably be impractical for the Chinese government to provide reserve stores of food, in order to meet unfavorable conditions, but it would appear that some means might be provided to prevent the death of hundreds of thousands of the people from starvation when a similar condition recurs in the future.

Stanly County News.

Albemarle Enterprise.
Mr. Braasington, proprietor of the Rocky River Springs Hotel, was in the city Monday. He is getting in readiness for a big season at the springs.

The three year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bowers, of the vicinity four miles northeast of Albemarle, accidentally struck the blade of a knife into his right eye on Tuesday. Dr. Hill attended the child, and while he is making all effort to save the eyesight, the result can not be foretold.

The little year old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Heathcock, who reside near Endy, had a most unfortunate accident Monday. The child was playing with a pet dog, a mere puppy, when the dog carried his capers to the point of biting or attempting to eat vital parts of the child. Drs. Anderson and Hill, of Albemarle, reached the child in time to prevent its being maimed for life and saved his young life.

"A Million for Missions."

Washington, Pa., June 1.—The watchword of the United Presbyterian Church, "A million dollars for missions and 25,000 souls for Christ," this year, was forcibly impressed upon the delegates at the session of the fifty-third annual general assembly, in the speeches and reports of committees. J. J. Portier, of Pittsburg, chairman of the ways and means committee, outlined plans to raise the \$1,000,000 for missions. Reports on the men's movement and the state of religion dwelt upon the present campaign of the church.

The report of the Board of Home Missions, held over from yesterday, also was under discussion.

More Gold From Garmon Mine.

Mr. A. M. Cox, of No. 9 township, was in Concord today on his way to Charlotte. He had with him about two and a half pounds of gold, which he had taken from the Garmon mine in three weeks, with the help of only three hands and no machinery except a pump to keep the water out. The nugget he had is worth about \$600.

The Garmon mine tract has in it 43 acres. Before the war it was a very productive mine, and \$10,000 was taken from it at a depth of 13 feet. It adjoins the famous Reed mine and is about 14 miles from Concord. It belongs to the Joel Reed heirs, but Mr. Cox has it leased.

Mr. Frank Cannon One of the Promoters.

The Carolina Acid, Pulp Wood and Lumber Co., a new enterprise for western North Carolina, has been organized. The plant will be located at Spruce Pine and the offices of the company at Alta Pass. The company will deal in and manufacture acid, lumber and pulp wood. The output of the latter commodity having already been contracted for by the Champion Fibre Co., the largest paper mill in the world. Mr. D. F. Cannon, of this city, is one of the principal organizers of the concern and will be actively engaged in its management, dividing his time between Alta Pass and Concord.



Oline Kicking When Pharr Stood on the Plate.

out, a la Cobb; little Kiddo Sappenfeld, who is made up in a panteles style, sauntered up to the plate and cracked one of Mr. Siler's shoots over the right field fence, sending his big bat across the starting point; Clark hit to the infield and was safe on a wild throw, Grier and L. Sappenfeld registering; June Sapp banged one in the tree top, taking three bases, Clark counting; Cline cut a trio of smashes in the atmosphere; Morris tapped to second, Sapp scoring; Bingham whiffed.

Davidson added a brace of runs in the third. Siler walked and unloined second; Dunn fanned; Mayes walked; Pharr fell a victim to Cline's drop; Caldwell hit a fly to left and when it scouted out of Bingham's glove Siler and Mayes romped home; Christenberry expired, Cline to Grier.

Davidson increased their counts to three in the fourth. Cline punched Rosewell with a fast one in the left side and Gibson's one base wallop



Rastus Scooped a Low Drop.

moved him to second; Siler inserted a timely bingle and Rosewell registered. Davidson appeared to be solving the problem of the afternoon on the theory that "every little bit added to what you've got makes a little bit more," as they appropriated another tally in the fifth. Caldwell singled; Christenberry was safe on Sapp's error; Cranford walked, filling the bases; Cline decided to take another crack at Rosewell and swatted him again and Caldwell ambled home.

Dunn hit over right field fence in the sixth and went to third on a wild pitch; Mayes was hit by pitched ball; Cline uncorked another wild heave. Dunn scoring the run that tied the score and the hopes of the rooters assumed a maduro shade; Cline tightened up and Caldwell and Christenberry gashed the ozone; Mayes assumed a somnolent mood at third and Sapp disturbed his reverie by gently touching him with the ball, retiring the side and putting an end to Davidson's scoring.

Rastus Smith donned the mask and