

THE COMMONWEALTH.

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The New York World is supporting Wilson for president.

The North Carolina Press Association meets at Morehead City July 23.

It is boss against boss between Taft and Roosevelt. Which will win the nomination?

We have seen it stated that the government is soon to coin three-cent and half-cent pieces.

The town needs a street sprinkler. It would be a good investment for the town authorities to buy one.

Col. Roosevelt on the Republican side and Governor Wilson on the Democratic side made clean sweeps in the New Jersey primaries last week.

Major J. C. Hemphill has resigned his position as editor of the Charlotte Observer and will go with the New York Times. His going away is regretted very much.

At the first Congressional district convention held at Elizabeth City Thursday the present Congressman, Hon. John H. Small, was renominated, and our former townsman, Mr. Albion Dunn, of Greenville, was named as presidential elector.

On the subject of good roads the Henderson Gold Leaf hands out the following:

It is almost impossible to enumerate all the advantages of good roads. Every now and then a new and very decided one crops out. The Franklinton correspondent of the Franklin Times tells us that when the horses are all badly needed in the crops a hand can be sent to mill with a wheelbarrow, easily carrying three bushels of grain over the splendid roads of that section. A thousand and one other minor advantages of good roads could be mentioned, not to say anything of the greater ones that are plainly apparent to everybody.

Superior Court.

The June term of Halifax Superior Court convened Monday, with Judge E. B. Cline, presiding. The following names were drawn as grand jurors, for the term: E. L. Garlich, J. L. Johnson, Froelich, M. Shields, W. H. Jackson, Richard W. Parker, J. G. Powell, W. H. Wiley, J. Hale, J. G. Lee, Augustus Neville, M. L. Morris, W. C. Allsbrook, J. H. Applewhite, E. A. Welton, L. Y. Taylor, Arthur McDaniel, S. B. Kitchin. E. G. Garlich was appointed foreman. J. E. Daniel was sworn as officer to the grand jury.

Judge Cline did not enter into a lengthy charge, saying that he did not think it necessary. He expressed himself very favorably pleased with our people and the people throughout eastern North Carolina.

The grand jury in the case of State vs. Tom Hawkins charged with killing Henry Cotten in Scotland Neck some weeks ago, found a true bill charging him with murder in the first degree. This case will be tried at the August term of court.

Owing to the busy season with the farmers and the fact that most of the lawyers desired to attend the Democratic State convention only the jail cases were tried and court adjourned Tuesday.

A. C. L. Attorney Dies in Norfolk.

Rocky Mount, June 3.—Telegram bearing the sad intelligence of the death of Frank L. Pippin, which occurred last night in St. Vincent's hospital in Norfolk, were received by his friends in this city today. Mr. Pippin was in Norfolk last week on duties attendant to his position of special attorney for the Atlantic Coast Line. He was taken sick in a Norfolk Hotel Wednesday and it was at first thought that it was simply a slight indisposition. However, serious complications set in later in the day and he was removed to the hospital named and relatives were telegraphed for and arrived at his bedside Friday morning. The remains will be taken to Enfield for burial. The deceased is survived by a wife and one daughter, Mrs. R. C. Dunn, of Enfield. He was 53 years old.

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CONGRESSMAN CLAUDE KITCHIN.

Congressional Convention.

The convention of the Second Congressional District was held at Rocky Mount Tuesday and Hon. Claude Kitchin was re-nominated without opposition for another term.

Mr. F. R. Harris, of Northampton County, was named as presidential elector.

The convention elected W. G. Clark, of Edgecombe, W. A. Finch, of Wilson, A. S. Roscoe, of Bertie, and Matt W. Ransom, of Northampton, as delegates to the National Convention, each delegate will control one-half a vote.

The delegation goes uninstructed.

Commencement at Mullen's.

The closing exercises of the Mullen High School were held last Friday in the beautiful grove at Mullen's Cross Roads where the school is located. The exercises were most interesting, and the patrons and friends of the school came out in great numbers to witness them.

Miss Fannie Sharpe Joyner, the popular, capable, and most efficient teacher had arranged and prepared a most splendid and entertaining program, and in the beautifully decorated hall, the decorations consisting of hot house plants, summer flowers, and a lovely and graceful festoon of long leaf pine, the individual numbers were rendered in a manner that bespoke credit both for pupils and teacher.

There were songs, recitations, and declamations, but the most interesting feature of all was when Master Robert Joyner, a youth of four or five summers, in appropriate words, without embarrassment or hesitation, introduced the speaker for the occasion, Mr. Ashby Dunn.

Mr. Dunn expressed his delight at coming to Mullen's once again saying that he had never refused an invitation to come, and always he had gone home, glad that he had attended the exercises. He had not prepared a set speech for the occasion, but his address had the rapt attention of all present, and was most helpful. He inspired the patrons of the school with new enthusiasm, a deeper interest in all educational endeavors, and commented upon the fact that there were so many patrons of the school in attendance. He congratulated them for their interest, which their coming together bespoke, and he presented great things for the people of Mullen's, saying that people who were so enthusiastic, so interested in their school, and so concerned for its success and progress would necessarily have the best things, the lasting things, the things that count most, the things that make for happiness in this world, and a blessed reward in the world to come.

He emphasized the importance of a teacher's work, quoting Daniel Webster's famous quotation, and called upon parents and friends to stand behind the teacher, to uphold her in all she did, showing them how they could then be participators in a good and lasting work.

After the exercises were ended, a beautiful repast was served, consisting of chicken, olives, pickles, barbecue, cake and other delicacies. After dinner, games were indulged in until lengthening shadows gave warning that it was time to turn our faces homeward.

The day was an enjoyable one, and the occasion most pleasing and successful. Miss Joyner received the hearty congratulations and the grateful thanks of all present for the interesting, helpful, and inspiring exercises, and every other feature of the joyous occasion.

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Death of Little Maude Matthews.

Rosemary, N. C., June 3.—The angel of death entered the home of Mr. J. L. Matthews Tuesday, May 28th, at 11:30 a. m., and took away little six-year-old Maude Matthe. She had been confined to her bed only about two weeks. Her death was caused by a head disease, which rapidly grew worse and worse. The little sufferer, though so young, was often heard to exclaim in her agony and pain, "Lord, have mercy on me, this is going to kill me."

Dr. Long, of Roanoke Rapids, was the attending physician, and did all he could to relieve her; but all the doctor, parents and trained nurse could do did not stay the chilly hand of death. Jesus, our good Shepherd thus reminds us of His tender care for His little lambs red has prepared for them His heavenly pasture.

The funeral took place from the home about 3:30 p. m., Wednesday, 28th, conducted by Rev. Wm. Lowe, pastor of the Methodist church at Roanoke Rapids. The remains were laid to rest in the country burying ground near the New Mill Village.

The sorrowing ones have the sympathy and prayers of us all. "God knows the way, He holds the key. He guides us with unerring hand; Sometime with tearless eyes we'll see; Yes, there, up there, we'll understand.

"Then trust in God through all thy days; Fear not, for He doth hold thy hand; Though dark thy way, still sing and praise; Sometime, sometime, we'll understand."

Draper's Cross Roads.

Draper's Cross Roads, June 3.—We are having some ideal weather for farm work just now and our farmer friends are doing all in their power. They are greatly behind in the work. Most crops are looking very well, except cotton and that is small and red.

The wheat crop will be short in this section. Honey taking time is here and we regret to say that very few people are trying to keep bees. If all good people would take an interest in beekeeping as they do in cotton, peanuts, and tobacco raising, we are sure they would realize just as much profit in return for their time and labor, and find it just as pleasant.

In fact it requires some preparation to handle bees, but once ready, bees can be managed with just as much ease as any thing else, and everyone likes to have honey in the house aside from regular table use it is good as a medicine in many instances, and one can always find a ready sale for any surplus amount one may have on hand.

Rev. A. G. Wiley will fill his regular appointment at Turkey Branch next Sunday. Also Rev. G. W. May will preach at Hickory Chapel.

Never Too Old to Wed.

Greensboro, May 30.—An interesting nuptial event occurred at the Church of the Covenant last evening after the prayer meeting service when Mrs. Julia E. McMichael became the bride of Capt. David Scott of this county. The bride gave her age as 60, while Captain Scott has passed the three-score years and ten mile-post on life's highway. The wedding ceremony was performed in the presence of a number of friends of the couple. Captain Scott is a constable for this township and is recognized as one of the most efficient officers in the county.

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The County Commissioners at their regular meeting Monday appointed the following road superintendents for the various townships: Brinkleyville—E. L. Lee. Butterwood—J. A. Crawley. Conocoanara—J. H. Darden. Faucetts—L. K. Dickens. Halifax—David Milklin. Enfield—Richard Pettit. Littleton—J. E. Pepper. Palmyra—R. H. White. Rosemeath—W. C. Allsbrook. Roanoke Rapids—J. L. Patterson. Scotland Neck—J. H. Smith. Weldon—A. S. Allen.

The salaries for the superintendents to remain the same as for 1911. Sleeping in Gases. Doctors are now studying the idea of sleeping for a shorter time and often. By division of the hours of sleep new stimulus for work is gained and new energy—both physical and mental—must result.—Harper's Weekly.

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