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## THE CONTEST COMES TO A CLOSE IT WAS A MOST EXCITING FINISH

The Last Few Hours Were Ones of Hustle by the Contestants and Hard Work by Their Friends. The Ballot Box Changed Many Expectations. All Are Happy If Some Were Disappointed. It Was a Splendid Race and All of the Contestants Should Feel Proud of Their Record. We Are Grateful to Each of Them.

Well, it is all over—even to the shouting; and everybody is glad it is so. We are, and we believe the candidates are, for the suspense of the last few days was something terrific.

We wish to express our thanks and gratitude to the contestants and their helpers for the noble work they have done in behalf of The Enterprise; also to the friends who so loyally stood by their favorites in the race. There was no bitterness of spirit on the part of the candidates toward each other and that same friendly, good-natured rivalry that was shown by them in the beginning prevailed to the end.

While the contest was a success in every way, from a monetary standpoint The Enterprise is not as rich as one might suppose, but it has enabled us to clear our list of "dead timber," get on a cash-in-advance basis, given us practically double the number of readers, and the opportunity for our advertising space to become worth more to the progressive advertiser—for all of which we are profoundly grateful, and to the contestants who have caused this condition of affairs, we are truly appreciative.

The final point by the judges was a surprise to many who had been "figuring" and had the results "doped out" differently—and doubtless they might not have been so far wrong, had not Monday been such an inclement day that it was almost impossible for the workers to make their final "round up."

Mr. Phillips, the contest manager, was painstaking and untiring in his efforts to make the contest a success and profitable to The Enterprise; and to be fair and impartial to the contestants, and to give everybody a "square deal," and succeeded admirably. He made many friends during his short stay here and the people of Farmville were genuinely sorry when the time of his departure came.

Our only regret is that there were not enough prizes to go round. Each one in the contest labored hard and earnestly, and some fell short only a few votes—it shows that while we "figure," we have enough to win, that a little bit more effort is sometimes necessary.

The standing of Mrs. R. B. Tyer, who fell short of one of the prizes by only a few votes, shows that if she and her friends had put forth just a little bit more effort, it would have put her very much in the running. We mention this instance simply to bear out our statement that it is better to have a few too many than to be shy just a little. Mrs. Tyer has our thanks for the val-

ant service she has rendered, among others, for the Enterprise, in the help of increasing our circulation.

The prizes have all been bestowed as they were awarded by the judges; and while some were keenly disappointed at not winning one of the grand prizes they all are now happy with what they have gotten, and we are proud to bestow them.

This is the happy Yule-Eve, when our hearts are filled with joy, thankfulness and good cheer—and no one feels more grateful for what has been done in the past eight weeks than the editor of The Enterprise. It shows him that he has many friends in Pitt and adjoining counties who appreciate his efforts in giving them a good paper and are willing to stand by him and help him to attain his desires. He hopes to make good and not disappoint them.

Now, on the eve of a New Year, he wishes to thank you for the liberal support given him, to thank every one for the noble work in behalf of the paper, and to again compliment the contestants and wish them, most sincerely, a merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

In the language of Old Rip Van Winkle, "may you all live long and prosper."

The standing of the contestants, as figured by the judges, is as follows, and the prizes were awarded accordingly:

Mrs. T. H. Smith	7,545,125
\$650 Player Piano	
Miss Pauline Eason	7,180,450
Ford Touring Car	
R. A. Joyner	5,366,000
\$50 Diamond Ring	
Miss Sallie H. Smith	3,685,025
Leather Rocker	
Etta L. Gay	2,728,100
Chest of Silver	
Mrs. Helen Watkins	2,236,925
Gold Watch	
The vote of the other active contestants is as follows:	
Mrs. R. B. Tyer	2,149,225
Miss Neva Owens	342,000
Kate Allen	390,150
Martha Fields	376,025
Emily Langley	155,400
Ruby Baker	79,300
Dorothy Myers	74,000
Addie Bynum	68,100
Hazel Williams	30,800

Teachers, Misses Cannady and Johnson announce a Christmas Carnival to be held at the Jonas-Williams school house Wednesday night, December 20th. The public cordially invited.

### ANNOUNCEMENT

I wish to announce to the public that I have installed an old fashion Grist Mill at my saw mill at the junction and will grind every Saturday. Your patronage solicited.

T. M. DAVENPORT.

## Rural Schools Raising Large Sums of Money

The Winterville public school teachers, aided by the ladies of the community, conducted a very successful bazaar and oyster supper Friday night. A good crowd was present and spent a very enjoyable evening. Numerous articles of fancy work were sold and a festive spirit, indicative of the approaching holiday season was in evidence.

This is the second function that the Winterville school has had this fall. The teachers and friends of the school have been active in raising money for school improvements. The teachers and children have had two or three "cotton pickings" to raise money for the school.

The Winterville school has been handicapped by the lack of a local tax for schools. The rapid growth of the school has necessitated the addition of a fourth teacher, and the term is only that provided by county funds, supplemented by community effort, such as entertainments and private subscriptions. Winterville is the only incorporated town in the county without a local school tax except Shelmerdine, and the latter district has an election pending for a tax. The Winterville people are discussing the matter, and will probably take action during the spring.

The Hartsville school in Swift Creek township, turned in the handsome sum of \$51.30 Saturday as the proceeds of an entertainment.

The school in Hartsville, Cross county, will be added to the district school funds.

The school in district No. 7, in Winterville township, turned over to the County Treasurer Monday, the sum of \$54.50, as the proceeds of a very successful school entertainment held Friday night, December 8th. The money will be used for school purposes.

The school in district number 6, Swift Creek township, raised \$24.00 at a basket party recently. The money will be used for a Community Christmas tree, to be held on the night of December 23d. The children of this school have given the money for minor repairs, and the patrons are planning to raise money to lengthen the term and to paint the interior of the house.

### CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Services next Sunday, morning and evening. Morning subject, "Mission of the Christian Life." Health service at the evening hour. The local physicians will have charge of the service at which time they will give talks and papers on the prevention, symptoms, treatment and cure of tuberculosis. Dr. P. E. Jones will also give a short talk on the "care of the teeth." All are invited to be with us at both services. W. P. Jordan.

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's  
The Old Standard Grove's Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well-known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Stomach and Intestine, Purifies the Blood and builds up the Whole System. It cures...

## OFFICERS GET STILL BUT FAIL TO GET THE OPERATORS

Large Still Destroyed Monday in Swift Creek Township by Deputy Sheriff Hyman and Patrick. No Liquor Found, But About Eight Barrels of Beer Was Poured Out.

Last Monday Sheriff Hyman and Constable Patrick paid a call in Swift Creek township and struck up an acquaintance with a "moonshine" still that had been reported as being in operation in that vicinity. The officers left Greenville about nine o'clock in the morning and returned about three in the afternoon with the spoils of the chase consisting of parts of the still.

There was no liquor captured; but about eight barrels of beer and two barrels of molasses, used in making "moonshine rum," were taken and destroyed on the premises. The still was also knocked to pieces so as to be useless for further manufacture of whiskey.

The officers made in connection with the raid, but the still gave evidence of having been used very recently.

The officers are our best wishes for a successful New Year.

### THANKS

I wish to thank those who were so kind to me and my family during the recent illness and death of my wife. "A friend in need is a friend indeed." You are indeed friends. Ivey Smith.

## See Our Advertisement In To-days Paper

For Particulars of Our Great



Starting Monday Morning Dec. 18th, at 8 o'clock

You'll want to join and enjoy the benefits of this popular idea—so will your friends. Tell them and be sure to read the ad. today.

**CITIZENS BANK**  
Farmville, N. C.

## METHODIST CONFERENCE HELD THIS YEAR IN DURHAM

Only Few Changes Made in This, The Washington District. Rev. S. T. Meyle, Pastor of Farmville Circuit, Returned for Another Year. The Conference Accepted Invitation to Meet Next Year in Greenville.

Reports coming from the Methodist Conference held in Durham last week show but very few changes as to this, the Washington District.

Members of Farmville circuit, and friends, are glad to note that Rev. S. T. Meyle, who for the past year, has labored so zealously and faithfully for the cause of Christianity in this community, has been returned to serve the charge another year.

An invitation was sent up from the Greenville church inviting the Conference to meet next year with them, which invitation was accepted.

The following is the appointment for the Washington District:

Presiding Elder, C. L. Read.  
Aurora circuit, W. E. Trotman;  
Ayden circuit, Daniel Lins, Jr.;  
Bark circuit, J. L. Lewis; Bethel circuit, H. E. Thompson; Elm City circuit, J. L. Lewis; Greenville circuit, J. L. Lewis; Hartsville circuit, J. L. Lewis; Kinston circuit, J. L. Lewis; Lenoir circuit, J. L. Lewis; Mount Pleasant circuit, G. B. Perry; Nashville circuit, L. B. Jones; Rocky Mount, First church, R. C. Craven; North Rocky Mount, O. E. Fitzgerald; South Rocky Mount and Clark street, B. B. Slaughter; Stentonburg circuit, C. O. Armstrong; Stokes circuit, to be supplied; Spring Hope circuit, W. T. Phipps; Swan Quarter circuit, R. R. Grant; Tarboro, H. I. Glass; Vanceboro circuit, W. J. Covington; Washington, E. M. Snipes; Wilson, W. A. Stanbury.

### CARD OF THANKS

The ladies of the Farmville Methodist Church wish to thank the merchants of Farmville (whose names we mention below) for contributing so liberally to the success of their Bazaar which was held Nov. 30th 1916.

Farmville Furniture Co.  
Mrs. J. Wells Smith.  
J. H. Harris.  
Hub Hardware Co.  
W. M. Lang Co.  
Smith Grocery Co.  
Rasberry & Thorne.  
W. A. Pollard.  
E. L. Barrett.  
Mr. Williams.

Several handsome residences have been erected during the past few months, and these, and other improvements, add very much to the beauty of our town. We are proud of the record being made in the Fountain Graded School at present. We

## Death Claims Little Robert Bruce Joyner

The home of Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Joyner was saddened last Thursday by the visit of the death angel which came in wee small hours of the night and carried away to the great unknown their little six-months-old son Robert Bruce Joyner.

The little fellow taken rather suddenly, and all that the medical profession and loving hands could do was of no avail in keeping the little spark of life kindled.

The little body was placed in the family burial plot near town Friday to await the grand and glorious resurrection when it shall take its flight to the land from whence it came.

## FOUNTAIN NOTES

(Reported by A. F. Eason)

Her many friends will regret to learn that Miss Mary Ferrell, the efficient milliner of the Owens Millinery Co., will leave for her home Saturday. Miss Ferrell has been with the Owens Millinery Co. for the past two seasons and during her stay here has won many friends.

Rev. H. F. Morton, pastor of the Presbyterian church, held his regular services here Sunday a. m., a large crowd attending.

Prof. and Mrs. Hoke, of the faculty of the Macclesfield High School, spent the week-end here, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Smith.

Miss Belle Lewis, of Macclesfield, was in town a short while Sunday, accompanied by her brother, Mr. Rufus Lewis.

Miss Gladys Wallace, formerly principal of Eagles school, near here, but now a member of the faculty of the Kenly High School spent the week-end here the guest of Dr. and Mrs. E. D. Beasley. Of course "E. D." was in town also.

Mr. J. A. Metcalf and Miss Lillian Gardner spent Sunday p. m. out of town.

The reporter, after having spent the past six months in the western part of the state for his health, returned home Saturday night, and was surprised at the many improvements which have taken place during his absence.

The new road leading from the Wilson county line through town to Greenville, N. C., built by the Johnson, Porter and Peck Co., adds very much to the looks of our town.

Fountain & Co., under the able supervision of Mr. R. J. Proctor, contractor, of Nashville, N. C. are building a handsome store on the lot on which their old store stood, while R. A. Gardner & Co. are already making ready to have Mr. Proctor build them a handsome store also.

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## EARLY MAILING OF PARCELS BY PEOPLE

Information Given As to The Proper Way of Sending Christmas Parcels. Mail at Will Have Helped. The Post Office Authorities Issue This Statement to Patrons. Say "Wrap Securely, Address Plainly, and Mail Early."

There are now only ten days to Christmas and those who will use the mails to send parcels are reminded and advised to "Wrap securely, address plainly, mail early." In order to avoid congestion and possible delay in parcels reaching destination it is wise to do your mailing before the rush of the last few days. Send parcels early and put on them "Not to be opened until Christmas," if desired. Bear in mind to address plainly, using street address if possible, and put your own name preceded by the word "from" on the left upper corner. For parcels to be insured get the insurance tags in advance and fill them out before bringing the parcels to mail.

It is expected that the Christmas parcels mailed this season will reach very large numbers and the postoffice employees will use their best efforts for prompt service. The co-operation of the public is asked in this that delays and consequent disappointments may be avoided.

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## Christmas and New Year Excursion Fares

Between all points on the ATLANTIC COAST LINE

The Standard Railroad of the South

Also to practically every point in the Southeast, including Washington, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Memphis and New Orleans.

Tickets will be sold December 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25.

Limited returning to reach original starting point by or before Wednesday, January 10th, 1917.

For schedules, Pullman reservations and any further information desired call on H. L. SITTERSON, Ticket Agent, Wilson, N. C.

## Bargains! Bargains!

In Silverware, Pocket Knives, Safety Razors, Cut Glass & Hand Painted China

You will wonder if our price on these goods is not a cent advance

## Christmas Is Coming

And we are here with a Big Stock of Holiday Goods, not the cheap trashy kind but, something that you and your friend will keep.

## A Big Line Of

Cheap Glass, Crockery and Enamelware

Don't forget we are still headquarters for Doors, Windows, Mantels, Columns, Locks, Hinges and Nails

The Store

HUB HARDWARE COMPANY

The Big Store