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ISSUED TUESDAYS AND FRIDAYS.

MAJ. WATLINGTON IN RACE FOR SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.

Maj. W. H. Watlington, of Caswell, a self-described "follower of Lee," yesterday made formal announcement of his candidacy for the position of sergeant-at-arms of the North Carolina Senate. Maj. Watlington bases his claim upon the fact that "he has voted the Democratic ticket for 50 years and has never had anything from the State."

Maj. Watlington declared that his determination to ask this reward of the incoming Assembly was reached after mature deliberation and at the urgent suggestion of a host of friends throughout this section. The major declared that his campaign interests would be looked after by Col. John A. Barringer, whom he described as "the greatest of the great lawyers of this generation and a man who was always willing to turn a hand in helping a good soldier."—Greensboro News.

This appeared in the News a day later.

Maj. W. H. Watlington, who on Thursday announced his candidacy for the position of sergeant-at-arms of the State Senate, yesterday asked the reporter of the Daily News to make certain corrections. Maj. Watlington said it was erroneously reported that Col. John A. Barringer would be in charge of his candidacy. Instead he says he has placed his fortunes in the hands of Senator F. P. Hobgood, of Guilford. The major also gave denial to the statement that he was from "Caswell." "My home is right here in Guilford, where I voted in November for the full Democratic ticket," he declared. He said he had heard there would be other candidates in the field but that he saw no reason why he should not be rewarded after 50 years of service to the party without receiving one thing from the State.

DIALECTIC LITERARY SOCIETY ELECTS NEW OFFICERS.

The Society met in its regular business and literary session last Friday night, with the following new officers for the second quarter: John Richardson, President. Rucker Womack, Vice-President. Zeb Blackwell, Secretary and Treas. Chas. Oliver, First Censor. Wm. Young, Sentinel. The boys, after a few preliminary selections, debated the Woman Suffrage question. Best speaker on the affirmative, Wm. Young; best speaker on the negative, Edward Brewer. Best oratorically, Chas. Bennett. The question was won by the negative. The next meeting will be held on January 3, 1913.

Famous Stage Beauties

look with horror on skin eruptions, blotches, sores or pimples. They don't have them, nor will any one, who uses Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It glorifies the face. Eczema or salt rheum vanishes before it. It cures sore lips, chapped hands, chilblains; heals burns, cuts and bruises. Unequaled for piles. Only 25c. at Fetzner & Tucker's and Gardner Drug Company's. (Adv.)

Knew It Was Safe.

Gibbs—That's a pretty rocky looking umbrella you have there, old man. I wouldn't carry one like that. Gibbs—I know you wouldn't; that's the reason I carry it when you're around.—Boston Transcript.

The Language.

"I'm going to whip that child." "No, you're not! It's my child. Now, beat it!"—Baltimore American.

THE LEGISLATURE MAY REDISTRICT THE STATE.

The next North Carolina Legislature may redistrict the State so as to give a more equal distribution of population in the Congressional districts.

Representative Stedman has more than 300,000 inhabitants in the Fifth. Representatives Small, Kitchin and Faison have the smallest districts.

A number of changes could be made that would help the Democrats and at the same time make better districts.

It is suggested that the Legislature will give Union and, perhaps, Anson and Wilkes to Representative Doughton, and add Robeson and Forsyth to Mr. Page's district.

To Mr. Small's district Northampton and Bertie would be added, and to Mr. Faison's, Greene and Lenoir.

To Mr. Kitchin's district would be added Vance, Granville, Person and Caswell.

In the shakeup Mr. Pou, of the Fourth district, would get Lee.

If the plan suggested is carried out no one of the Congressmen now in would be redistricted out of his nomination next time unless the people decided to make a change. There are great possibilities in the proposed change.

A BRIDEGROOM OF 34; NOT YEARS, BUT POUNDS.

A special to the New York World from St. Louis says:

A romance of the circus sideshow reached its climax in St. Louis today when Jack W. C. Barnett, of Roxboro, N. C., 21 years old, 3 1/2 inches high and weighing 34 pounds, got a license to marry Miss Dorothy David Worfield, 19 years old, about 5 feet 8 inches in height, and weighing 130 pounds.

Mrs. H. L. Morris, 7 feet 4 inches tall and weighing 126 pounds, was to be matron of honor, the couple announced, and her husband, a man of ordinary size, was selected as best man.

Barnett had to be lifted from a high stool when he was called upon to sign the application for a license at the city hall. With the stool beneath him, he stood with his head about on a level with that of his bride-to-be.

Since Barnett was 16 years old he has traveled with the sideshows of circuses, he told a reporter. In the same circus Miss Warfield, until last April a high school girl, of Baltimore, does a "mystery act." She is placed in a cabinet, but when the curtains are pulled back, Barnett explained, she is not there, &c., &c. Then flowers begin growing from a vase, also &c.

Barnett said the rivalry for Miss Warfield's favor was very keen, several freaks, such as the human ostrich, the ossified man and the wild man being in the race.

How He Managed It.

They were entertaining the minister at dinner, and after the dessert had been eaten little Johnny said, "Won't you have another piece of pie, Mr. Hobbs?"

The minister laughed. "Well, Johnny," he said, "since you are so polite I believe I will have another slice."

"Good!" said Johnny. "Now, ma, remember your promise. You said if it was necessary to cut into the second pie I could have another piece."—Ladies' Home Journal.

Old papers 20c. 100 at this office.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

What Has Taken Place Since Our Last Issue.

There are 810 convicts in the penitentiary at Raleigh.

The testimony on which the House managers hope to secure the conviction of Judge Archbold has been concluded.

The farm crop of the State's prison this year will bring one hundred and ten thousand dollars, according to estimates of the superintendent.

The first Mexican Congress under the Madero administration closed its three months' session Saturday with a record of little business transacted.

Whitelaw Reid, the American Ambassador to Great Britain since 1905, died at his London residence Sunday afternoon from pulmonary oedema.

More than 2,000,000 eggs were retailed at 24 cents a dozen by the Housekeepers League in one day in the campaign to reduce the price of living started in Philadelphia.

Congressman Stedman has been notified by Chairman Clark that the committee has recommended an appropriation of \$70,000 for the new postoffice building at Burlington.

Asheville, Raleigh, Durham, Greensboro, Winston-Salem and Charlotte form the North Carolina association of professional baseball clubs which was organized in Charlotte the past week.

Pellagra is spreading in the United States and in the six years it has been known to medical authorities, has claimed not less than 30,000 victims with a fatality rate in excess of 40 per cent.

Jefferson H. Levy refuses to sell Monticello, the home of Thomas Jefferson, to the buyer at a price of \$750,000 who through Mrs. Martin W. Littleton, offered to deed it to the State of Virginia.

The Balkan allies have agreed on a programme at the peace conference and are in complete accord. The principal demands they will make will be the surrender of Scutari, Adrianople and Janina.

The German government is watching closely the alleged attempts of the American Tobacco Company to invade the German cigarette market, according to the imperial chancellor, Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg.

The postoffice appropriation bill, aggregating \$278,489,781, including \$750,000 for parcels post equipment and \$25,000 for the parcels post commission, has been reported to the House. The total is a decrease of nearly three and a half million dollars from last year.

The enactment of the parcels post law has brought the express companies into a competition that they have decided to meet. All express company rates will be revised before January 1 to meet the parcels post rates and arrangements are already under way to extend the express service everywhere.

The country's cotton crop this year will amount to 6,612,335,000 pounds of lint, exclusive of linters, the Department of Agriculture estimates in its annual report. This is equivalent to 13,820,000 bales of 500 pounds, gross weight, and makes the crop this year, in point of quantity, second only to the great record crop grown last year. It is probable that this year's crop may rank as the most valuable ever produced.

BIG ATTRACTION AT THE GROTTO THIS WEEK.

The Kennedy & Vincent Musical Comedy Co., which is to be seen here all of this week, promises to be the best attraction of the season.

The Newbern Sunday Journal has the following to say in its behalf:

"The Kennedy & Vincent Musical Comedy Co. closed a week's engagement at the Athens Theatre last night, giving two performances before crowded houses. This company is one of the best musical comedy companies that ever visited this city. The performances given by them were clean in every detail and every person who saw and heard them was well pleased. Messrs. Lovick and Taylor, managers of the Athens, are doing all in their power to give the theatre-going public of Newbern a good show regardless of the price, and in this attraction their efforts were crowned with success."

The company will present this week "The New Office Girl," "The \$50,000 Bride," and "Lost on an Island," each piece running two nights.

Foils a Foul Plot.

When a shameful plot exists between liver and bowels to cause distress by refusing to act, take Dr. King's New Life Pills, and end such abuse of your system. They gently compel right action of stomach, liver and bowels, and restore your health and all good feelings. 25c. at Fetzner & Tucker's and Gardner Drug Co's. (Adv.)

TYPICAL SCENES IN NORFOLK POLICE COURT.

(By FRANK WING.)

With the exception of the fact that there are no jury trials held there, the police court at Norfolk, Va., is very similar to the recorder's court here in Reidsville. The court takes cognizance only of minor offenses, the felonies being sent on to the grand jury for indictment and trial in the corporation court.

Norfolk being an important seaport town, it follows that the court is extremely cosmopolitan in character. There is constant need of an interpreter, and the writer has heard trials held in nine different languages during a single morning. One plaintiff was a Syrian woman who accused a Greek of having stolen her washboard.

Negroes form the bulk of the defendants, and the list of charges is both varied and picturesque. One man, charged with drunkenness, explained that he had become dizzy painting the stripes around a barber's pole. In another instance, a negro was brought up on a charge of assaulting his wife. The negro stated that he had merely slapped her, and, as the woman looked like she had been leaning up against a streak of lightning, the justice was frankly incredulous.

"Merely slapped her?" he questioned. "What did you have in your hand when you slapped her?"

"Well, judge, sence ye' comes ter menshun et," replied the negro, "Ah b'lieves Hh had holt uv er flat'ion."

While there has never been any attempt on the part of the Norfolk police justices to make an opera bouffe out of their tribunal—as does the famous "Justice John," of Richmond—a bit of persiflage occasionally flits down from the throne. On one occasion, a negro, who gave the name of Delaware Higgins, was arraigned on a charge of vagrancy. He had on the raggedest sweater ever worn in the United States, bar none. It was nothing but a bunch of holes, all bound with a woolen string.

"Delaware," said the justice, gravely, "you need a new Jersey."

It remained for Justice C. C. Peed, of Norfolk county, to sentence a man to kiss his wife three times a day. The parties involved were colored, and the wife had brought a charge of desertion, alleging that the defendant had woefully neglected her. This was stoutly denied.

"Jestiss," said the prisoner, "dat 'oman is plum crazy. When de good Lawd wuz handin' out brains, she had bofe arms tied behind huh back. Why, she's so bughouse dat dey fired huh fum de last place kaze she dumped er skettle uv coal in Je gran' planny an' den tried ter play er tune on er red hot stove. Dere ain't er nigger 'oman twixt hyar an' Hatterus wot gits mo' ter eat—an' oats et. Look at dat new dress uv hern. Dat didn't grow an huh, did et?"

"I'm not here to answer questions," said the justice. "Do you neglect that woman?"

"Naw, suh."

"Do you kiss her?"

"Yes, suh."

"Wot er he," interjected the wife. "Dat man ain't—"

"Shut up," commanded the justice. "How often do you kiss this woman?"

"Most any time, suh."

"Do you kiss her nights when you come home from work?"

"Fore Gawd, boss," said the prisoner earnestly, and the courtroom shook, "ye' doan' spect a man ter stop an' kiss 'is wife when dere's sumfin ter eat on de table, does ye'?"

"I decline to answer, on advice of counsel," said the justice. "Now, you may make your choice between spending six months in the county jail or kissing your wife three times a day."

A comical look of despair came on the darkey's face, and he timidly asked:

"Bors, kin Ah have erbout er day ter think et over in?"

"Not one minute," thundered the justice.

Now if this were an attempt at chronicling comic fiction, the writer could easily state that the negro took the jail sentence in preference. As a matter of fact, he promised to perform the required oscillatory exercise, and left the courtroom with his wife.

A police court is a place of vivid contrasts, and the ludicrous incidents are far, far exceeded by those which are pitiful in the extreme; but the writer does not propose to detail any of the latter. There is enough sadness in this world anyway without his butting in, and, besides—It's too doggoned near Christmas.

Classified.

Visitor—So I belong to the animal kingdom, do I? That's right, my little dear. I see you know your lessons. Now, tell me what kind of an animal I am. Candid Child—Ma knows, and she say's you're a cat.—Houston Post. (Adv.)

REV. GEORGE M. TOLSON GOES TO BALTIMORE.

The relationship existing between Rev. George M. Tolson as rector of the St. Thomas Episcopal church and the congregation of said parish was dissolved Sunday night when the resignation of the former was read to the congregation and formally accepted. At the conclusion of the night's service there was a meeting of the congregation at which time the rector spoke feelingly of his sojourn in Reidsville and his work among the people of the city, and thanked the members of the congregation for their co-operation which had been given him during the past two and a half years. The vestry submitted resolutions adopted by that body and these were also unanimously adopted by the congregation. The church has made the best record in its history under the rectorship of Mr. Tolson and his departure from the city is universally regretted by the congregation and the citizens generally. He left last night for Elizabeth City to join Mrs. Tolson and then they will proceed to their new home in Baltimore where Mr. Tolson this week assumes the duties of rector of the Church of Our Saviour.

The resolutions follow:

"Whereas, the vestry of St. Thomas Episcopal parish of Reidsville has been tendered the resignation of the Rev. George Meredith Tolson, who after having served this church as rector the past two and a half years, desires to accept a call to become rector of the Church of Our Saviour in Baltimore, and

Whereas, after due consideration of the matter in all its phases, we feel that it is for the best that our said rector be permitted to go into this larger field of usefulness; therefore be it resolved:

First. That the vestry and congregation of St. Thomas Episcopal parish of Reidsville accept the resignation with regret and commend the Rev. George M. Tolson to the love and kindly consideration of the new people whom he will henceforth serve.

Second. That under his rectorship St. Thomas Episcopal church has been served faithfully by a devout minister, who has labored zealously for the salvation of souls, for the harmonizing of our church membership, and for the furtherance of the church's usefulness in this community.

Third. That with a membership weak in numbers there have been under his rectorship evidences of material progress all along the line and that every church organization is now working splendidly for the upbuilding of the church's interests in this community.

Fourth. That our financial obligations have all been met during the past two and a half years, and during this period there has been more money paid for the up-keep of the church work than under any like period in the church's history.

Fifth. That in accepting the resignation of the Rev. George M. Tolson we do so with assurance to him that our love and good wishes follow him and his family to their new field of labor, and that we shall ever hold them dear in our memory, and wish them a still greater sphere of usefulness in their new home.

Sixth. That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this parish, and that copies be tendered our local papers for publication and that a copy be sent to the vestry of the Church of Our Saviour in Baltimore.

ROCKINGHAM TOOK THE FIRST PRIZE AT THE RALEIGH FAIR.

The letter printed below from Mr. C. R. Hudson, State Agent in charge of the Farmers Co-Operative Demonstration Work in North Carolina, shows that the farmers engaged in the demonstration work took nine out of the ten special cash prizes in the seed corn contest at the State Fair, while our own Rockingham county was awarded first prize for the best collective exhibit from any county. The letter which was to Mr. J. M. Jones, our agent in charge of the demonstration work in Rockingham county, reads as follows:

"In the recent corn contest held at the State Fair here, the Agricultural Society offered ten cash premiums ranging in value from \$50 down to \$5. We are pleased to announce that farmers engaged in demonstration work won the first eight and the tenth premiums, carrying off all these premiums except the ninth, which was one of \$5.

"In addition to the above premiums the State Agent in charge of Demonstration work, offered first and second premiums to the county having the best exhibit of corn and to the two best individual exhibits from each county. In the county contest the result was as follows: "Rockingham county, J. M. Jones, agent in charge, first prize; Wilkes county, A. G. Hendren in charge, second; and Moore county, Z. V. Blue in charge, third, Rockingham county Mr. W. A. Pritchett, of Reidsville, won first premium, and Mr. J. T. Amos, of Reidsville, won second premium. The premiums are being forwarded with this letter.

"We desire to thank heartily all agents and other farmers who contributed so largely to the success of the exhibit. We congratulate not only those who won premiums, but others who showed so much skill and judgment in the selection of their corn. The exhibit was highly complimented by numbers of good corn judges and proved to be one of the best features of the Fair. This work is also valuable in other ways. It not only teaches how to select and breed good types of corn, but stimulates corn growing and better method of farming generally.

"We expect to have more premiums next year and a more interesting contest every way. The farmers of North Carolina are learning more about growing larger and cheaper crops of corn, thus making possible next year the greatest corn show ever seen in the State. We hope that all who made exhibits this year will do so again and also induce their neighbors to enter into this friendly and beneficial rivalry in growing and showing corn."

Our citizens of Rockingham may be justly proud of this splendid showing made at the State Fair, which was undoubtedly due to the influence of the demonstration work, and special credit is due to our efficient county agent, Mr. J. M. Jones, to whose zealous efforts and painstaking care in assisting the exhibitors the general excellence of the county display was principally due.

The Review congratulates all of those who entered into the contest in helping to win the award for Rockingham, and of course we especially congratulate the winners of the first and second premiums, Mr. W. A. Pritchett and Mr. J. T. Amos.

Two Sides of a Word.

Miss Sharpe—I've paid this bill once. Baker—Indeed, ma'am, I'm very sorry that I didn't collect it. Miss Sharpe—I dare say that you are sorry that you didn't re-collect it, but I'll take care of that.

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