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**NEWSPAPER SCOOPS.**  
THE BANE AND THE NIGHTMARE OF A JOURNALIST'S LIFE.  
What a "beat" means to the man with a pen for a weapon. The peculiarities of newspaper life were described by Washington correspondents. They were all newspaper men, and they were all united on the proposition under consideration that they did not interrupt the man who was doing the talking.  
"Scoops" said the sharp nosed reporter to the others, "are the bane and the nightmare of a newspaper man's life, from the proprietor and managing editor down to the Maltese office cat. Many a man occupies a 'beat' today because of a good 'beat,' and many another man is engaged in a more humble occupation because he failed to see one. Scoops constitute the assessor of journalistic life.  
"A newspaper man is as touchy on this subject as a woman on her back hair; just so, because a standard is formed by which his journalistic talents are largely rated, and his salary in accordance. If the city editor asks him too often why he 'didn't get it,' he finally 'gets it' where the fowl gets the ax, and a new man appears on his former assignment.  
"Editors, however, are usually considerate with a good man, for the latter will scoop his rival as often as he himself is scooped—perhaps oftener—and it thus even itself up. Sometimes, however, the wielder of the blue pencil has an attack of acute indignation, like the rest of us, and things are apt to be unpleasant.  
"A good, big 'beat' fills the entire office with hilarious joy, and particularly the lucky reporter rejoices. It oftentimes means an increase in salary. The office of the chief rival contemporary is thrown into corresponding gloom.  
"The city editor is the adjunct general of the force. Usually he is as considerate as his duty to the proprietor permits. Nearly all are graduates from the ranks. Where the magazine 'newspaper story' writer finds the city editor he usually portrays has always been a deep, dull mystery to me. He may treat outsiders (to be kind to the magazine story writer) as the 'scorers' sometimes relate, but to his force he does not carry a drawn sword in his left hand and a pen dipped in red-hot caustic in his right. He knows that of the men under him many are big peers, capable of taking his desk at a moment's notice and running it as well as he.  
"The now you have it and now you haven't in our profession is well illustrated by a little occurrence that happened in Washington a few years ago, and it proves the element of luck in the matter of securing news.  
"It was undecided whether congress would pass a read a certain very important national measure. The New York papers were especially 'taxed' about it. The drift of opinion among the correspondents was that it would not pass. On Monday night, say, the correspondent of one of the metropolitan morning dailies wired his paper that it positively would not go through. This paper had been 'talking that end' of the bill all along.  
"The correspondent of a rival morning paper had drawn the same conclusions from his day's investigations at the capitol. He was on his way down the west marble steps when he met a member to whose opinion on the probable fate of the bill he attached great weight. The member declared that the bill would positively be passed, unamended and unchanged, at the opening of the session the following day.  
"The correspondent cast his own contrary opinion and those of the members he had interviewed to the winds. He wired that night that the bill would certainly pass the following day. It did. Its passage was a surprise to the country.  
"Before night the other correspondent was 'relieved' of his position by telegraph. One made a bold hazard against his own judgment, took that of another and won. The other conscientiously obeyed the dictates of his conclusions, based largely upon the opinions of men who were in a position to advise him correctly, and lost.  
"This case also illustrates the peculiarity of securing news by Washington correspondents. It is all guesswork. Rules which obtain in other cities are impracticable here. Most of the correspondents are picked men, who earn and command good salaries. But one of their most important functions is to make acquaintances with men in official and congressional life. It is an important element in his profession to know who to 'see' about a piece of news, and the little interview in question between the correspondent and the congressman on the west steps is but an example of everyday episodes in the life of a Washington correspondent."  
Washington Star.

**THE AMENDED AMENDMENT.**  
Changes Made in the Constitutional Amendment at the Recent Session of the Legislature.  
An Act Supplemental to an Act Entitled "An Act to Amend the Constitution of North Carolina," ratified February 21st, 1899, the same being Chapter Two Hundred and Eighteen of the Public Laws of 1899.  
The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:  
Section 1. That chapter 218, public laws of 1899, entitled, "An Act to amend the Constitution of North Carolina," be amended so as to make said act read as follows:  
"That article 6 of the constitution of North Carolina be, and the same is hereby abrogated, and in lieu thereof shall be substituted the following article of said constitution as an entire and indivisible plan of suffrage."  
ARTICLE VI.  
Suffrage and Eligibility to Office.  
Section 1. Every male person born in the United States, and every male person who has been naturalized, twenty-one years of age, and possessing the qualifications set out in this article, shall be entitled to vote at any election by the people in the State, except as herein otherwise provided.  
Section 2. He shall have resided in the State of North Carolina for two years, in the county six months, and in the precinct, ward or other election district in which he offers to vote four months next preceding the election: Provided, that removal from one precinct ward or other election district to another in the same county, shall not operate to deprive any person of the right to vote in the precinct, ward or other election district from which he has been removed until four months after such removal. No person who has been convicted, or who has confessed his guilt in open court, upon indictment, of any crime, the punishment of which now is, or may hereafter be, imprisonment in the State's prison, shall be permitted to vote unless the said person shall be first restored to citizenship in the manner prescribed by law.  
Section 3. Every person offering to vote shall be at the time a legally registered voter as hereinafter prescribed by law, and the General Assembly of North Carolina shall enact general registration laws to carry into effect the provisions of this article.  
Section 4. Every person presenting himself for registration shall be able to read and write any section of the constitution in the English language; and, before he shall be entitled to vote, he shall have paid on or before the first day of May of the year in which he proposes to vote, his poll tax for the previous year as prescribed by article 5, section 1, of the constitution. But no male person who was, on January 1st, 1867, or at any time prior thereto, entitled to vote under the laws of any State in the United States wherein he then resided, and no lineal descendant of any such person shall be denied the right to register and vote at any election in this State by reason of his failure to possess the educational qualification herein described: Provided, he shall have registered in accordance with the terms of this section prior to December 1, 1908.  
The General Assembly shall provide for the registration of all persons entitled to vote without the educational qualifications herein prescribed, and shall, on or before November 1st, 1908, provide for the making of a permanent record of such registration, and all persons so registered, shall forever thereafter have the right to vote in all elections by the people in this State, unless disqualified under section 3 of this article: Provided, such person shall have his poll tax as above required.  
Section 5. That this amendment to the constitution is presented and adopted as one indivisible plan for the regulation of the suffrage, and the intent and purpose to so connect the different parts, and to make them so dependent upon each other, that the whole shall stand or fall together.  
Section 6. All elections by the people shall be by ballot, and all elections by the General Assembly shall be viva voce.  
Section 7. Every voter in North Carolina, except as in this article disqualified, shall be eligible to office, but before entering upon the duties of the office he shall take and subscribe the following oath: "I, \_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I will support and maintain the constitution and laws of the United States and the constitution of North Carolina, not inconsistent therewith, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of my office as \_\_\_\_\_, so help me God."  
Section 8. The following classes of persons shall be disqualified for office: First, all persons who shall deny the being of Almighty God. Second, all persons who shall have been convicted, or confessed their guilt on indictment pending, and whether sentenced or not, or under judgment suspended, of any treason or felony, or any other crime for which the punishment may be imprisonment in the penitentiary, state reformatory or any other institution, or of corruption or malfeasance in office, unless such person shall be restored to the rights of citizenship in a manner prescribed by law.  
Section 9. That this amendment to the constitution shall go into effect on the first day of July, 1901, if a majority of the votes cast at the next general election shall be in favor of this amendment.  
Section 10. This amendment to the constitution shall be submitted in the year 1900, at the next general election, and shall be subject to the ratification of the people of North Carolina.

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Lv. R. Mt. 1:00 9:55  
Lv. Tarboro 12:21 6:00  
Lv. R. Mt. 1:05 9:55 6:37 5:15 12:50  
Lv. Wilm. 1:58 10:25 7:10 5:57 2:40  
Lv. Selma. 2:55 11:10  
Lv. Fayetteville 4:30 12:25  
Lv. Florence 7:25 3:24  
P. M. A. M. P. M. A. M. P. M.  
Ar. Goldsboro 7:55  
Ar. Goldsboro 6:45 8:30  
Ar. Mag. 7:51 4:35  
Ar. Wilm. 9:20 6:00  
P. M. A. M. P. M.

**A. & N. C. R. R.**  
TIME TABLE No. 13  
In Effect From Sunday, June 10 at 7:05 A. M. at Morehead City.  
Going East | Schedule | Going West  
No. 3 Passenger Train No. 4  
Lv. p.m. STATIONS Ar. a.m.  
5:50 Goldsboro 11:05  
5:53 LaGrange 10:32  
6:23 Kinston 10:12  
7:30 Ar. New Bern, Lv. 9:00  
7:40 Lv. " Ar. 8:07  
9:05 Ar. Morehead City Lv. 8:35  
No. 5, No. 6, No. 7, No. 8  
M'd Pt. & Pass Tr. STATIONS M'd Pt. & Pass Tr. No. 5, No. 6, No. 7, No. 8  
DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.  
Lv. a. m. Ar. p. m.  
7:30 Goldsboro 7:14  
7:53 Best's 6:49  
8:10 LaGrange 6:34  
8:26 Falling Creek 6:11  
8:50 Kinston 6:40  
9:08 Onawell 5:15  
9:45 Dover 5:00  
10:02 Core Creek 4:37  
10:30 Tuscarora 4:20  
10:30 Clark's 4:11  
10:50 New Bern 3:50  
11:53 Newport 3:48  
12:25 Ar. Morehead City Lv. 2:10 A. M. P. M.  
No. 7, Passenger No. 8  
Lv. a. m. Sundays Only Ar. p. m.  
7:40 Goldsboro 8:00  
8:09 LaGrange 7:27  
8:30 Kinston 7:07  
8:55 Dover 6:47  
9:10 New Bern 6:05  
11:15 Ar. Morehead City Lv. 4:25 P. M.  
No. 1, M'd Pt. & Pass Tr. STATIONS No. 2, M'd Pt. & Pass Tr.  
Lv. a. m. Ar. p. m.  
7:00 Goldsboro 6:33  
7:33 Best's 5:58  
8:11 LaGrange 5:23  
8:27 Falling Creek 4:53  
9:14 Kinston 4:33  
9:25 Onawell 3:18  
9:40 Ar. Dover Lv. 3:00  
10:40 Core Creek 2:00  
11:15 Tuscarora 1:38  
11:31 Clark's 1:20  
12:05 Ar. New Bern, Lv. 12:50  
1:30 Lv. " Ar. 10:47  
2:12 Riverdale 10:10  
2:30 Croatan 10:00  
2:43 Havelock 9:40  
3:12 Newport, Lv. 9:06  
3:25 Wildwood 8:47  
3:31 Atlantic 8:38  
3:46 Ar. Morehead City, Lv. 8:30  
4:01 Ar. M. City Depot, Lv. 7:56 P. M. A. M.  
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No. 51, Passenger Train No. 50,  
Lv. a. m. STATIONS Ar. p. m.  
9:00 New Bern 5:40  
9:36 Pollockville 5:04  
9:51 Maysville 4:49  
10:02 Jacksonville 4:19  
10:08 Wilmington 3:28  
12:15 Ar. Wilmington, Lv. 2:56 P. M.  
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Lv. a. m. Ar. p. m.  
7:30 Lv. Wilmington, Ar. 1:45  
8:40 Scott's Hill 12:55  
9:30 Woodside 12:15  
10:05 Hollyridge 11:40  
10:51 Dixon 10:51  
11:30 Verona 10:30  
12:05 Jacksonville 9:45  
13:30 Northam 8:55  
14:55 White Oak 8:00  
1:30 Maysville 8:05  
2:15 Pollockville 7:20  
3:55 Debrah's 6:55  
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