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LOUIS G. DANIELS GETS NEW BERN POSTOFFICE JOB

Washington, Dec. 18--Louis G. Daniels of New Bern will be Postmaster at that place. John Thomas, Jr. will be Field Deputy in the collection of the Income Tax, which pays a salary of \$1600 per year with an expense allowance of \$1,200 per year, Stephen H. Lane will be the Assistant Postmaster if Senator F. M. Simmons can get the age limit waived and he can stand the civil service examination.

Well, the suspense is over. The above information was received by the Journal shortly after midnight last night from Raleigh where it had arrived a few minutes previous from Washington.

Louis G. Daniels will be the postmaster in New Bern to fill the office recently made vacant by the dismissal of Jesse S. Basnight. The fight has been a hard one from the very start and until the final moment no one could tell who would be the fortunate candidate.

Many thought at first that each of the four candidates, L. G. Daniels, S. H. Lane, Frank Weathersbee and John Thomas, Jr., had an equal chance. Then the choice narrowed down to Daniels and Thomas and for the past few days it has been the general opinion of those who were familiar with the existing conditions that Mr. Daniels would be appointed to the office and this was done.

Senator Simmons' selection of Mr. Daniels as postmaster will meet with general approval. Mr. Daniels has done much hard work for the Democratic party in this section. He is a personal friend of Senator Simmons and stands high in the estimation of the community at large. Stephen H. Lane, who will be the assistant postmaster if the age limit can be waived and he can stand the civil service examination, is another man who has done much for the party. For years he has been chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee and has been an untiring worker both in and for the party. The office given Mr. Thomas is that of collector of the income tax which carries with it a good salary and an expense allowance of more than a thousand dollars a year.

Senator Simmons stated last week that he would make the appointments in New Bern this week and it was expected that this would be done by Wednesday, but after that day had passed and no word had come from the capital city, it was believed that he would hold over until Saturday.

THIS IS A BUSY SEASON AT THE POSTOFFICE

CLERK AND CARRIERS HAVING MUCH WORK TO DO.

With the holiday fast season nearing its zenith, the rush at the local postoffice is becoming somewhat alarming to the many clerks and carriers. Thousands of letters, packages and Christmas cards are being received each day and the number increases as the "big day" approaches.

The regular force of clerks and carriers are attending to this increased business and they are having just all to do that they can possibly take care of. Being aware of this fact the public is urged to assist them as much as possible by seeing that all packages and letters are properly addressed and sealed before being mailed.

Another thing that is of importance is to see that the street address on packages is correct. In delivering packages during the rush of the holiday season, the carriers in other cities as well as this place, are likely to be delayed if the street address is not legible.

Sometimes whenever army and navy officers get funny they make trouble. Article and advice seem to be the mainstay of a Washington banquet.

SOCIAL ACTIVITY AT FARM LIFE SCHOOL

RECEPTION—AMATEUR PLAYS AND OTHER EVENTS.

Craven county's Farm Life School, which is located at Vanceboro and which began its first term a few weeks ago, is going rapidly ahead and much progress is being made in all the work.

The social side of the school is one of the features which appeal to the teachers and pupils. Tuesday evening in the Library a reception was given the faculty by Prof. Marshall and Prof. Joslyn. An hour or more was spent in pleasant social intercourse after which delicious refreshments were served. Among those present were: Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Turlington, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sears, Miss Elizabeth Moore, Miss Eunice Stewart, Miss Annie Neal Clark, Miss Reva Newman, Miss Florence Wetherington, Miss Maria Smith.

The Girls Friendly society held a bazaar in the auditorium last night and this was a complete success in every way.

Today will be observed as North Carolina Day in the school and an elaborate program has been prepared for the occasion. There will be races by the boys. There will be a corn exhibit and also an exhibit from the Domestic Science Class. Prizes will be awarded to the growers of the best corn by the county demonstrator, J. W. Sears. A play "King Winter's Throne" will be given in the auditorium tonight and this will close the term until after the Christmas holidays and the majority of the teachers will leave tomorrow for their homes and will be absent until December 30.

MACK AND HASTINGS

An All Star Company Presenting High Class Tabloid Musical Comedies

Will make a complete change of program today, appearing in a roaring comedy act entitled

"The Mad Inventress." Everything in this act is new and different. Come and enjoy a good hearty Christmas laugh. Everybody is thoroughly enjoying this musical comedy, and pronounce it the cleanest and best one for a long time.

PICTURES. We have a good picture program today, leading off with a two-reel Kaleid.

SPECIAL FEATURE "Trooper Billy"

A stirring story adapted from Frederick Paulding's great drama. It shows how the heroism of a twin sister saved an army post from destruction. 'Tis a military drama, thrilling beyond description.

"Aunts too Many." A Biograph farce comedy. "McGavin and His Octette." Another farce comedy.

We have booked for all next week the Majestic Musical Comedy Co. consisting of 10 players. This week they

LOCAL LADIES ORGANIZE A NEW SOCIETY

TO PREVENT AND CURE TUBERCULOSIS ITS OBJECT.

An enthusiastic meeting was held in the Elks' Lodge room yesterday afternoon in answer to the call of the ladies of the Red Cross Christmas Seals sales.

The purpose of the meeting was the organization of the "Society for the Prevention and Cure of Tuberculosis." William Dunn, Jr., presided over the meeting.

Dr. R. N. Duffy read an interesting and valuable paper on "Tuberculosis" which was followed by short and helpful talks from Dr. R. S. Primrose, R. A. Nunn, J. B. Blades, Clyde Eby and T. G. Hyman, who pledged their hearty approval of forming the society and suggested plans.

The following officers were then elected: President, Rev. B. F. Huske; 1st vice-president, Mrs. William Dunn, Sr.; 2nd vice-president, R. A. Nunn; Treasurer, Mrs. H. B. Marks; Secretary, Mrs. A. J. Mitchell; Directors, J. B. Blades, T. A. Green, Clyde Eby, Wade Meadows, William Dunn, Jr., A. D. Ward, Mrs. Charles Thomas, Mrs. T. G. Hyman, Mrs. Frank Hyman, Mrs. Charles Ives, Mrs. R. N. Duffy and Miss May Hendren.

Several important committees were formed also.

Fifty (50) cents was decided upon as the annual dues of the society.

It was also decided that the first work of the society would be to engage the services of a visiting trained nurse to go into the homes of the needy tubercular patients, teaching them how to live and the prevention of this dreadful disease.

The Charter membership includes:

Mesdames Richard Duffy, D. E. Henderson, Frank Feldman, George Green, Charles Hollister, Clyde Eby, T. G. Hyman, H. B. Marks, Frank Hyman, R. A. Nunn, Charles Pettit, T. D. Warren, Jesse Claypoole, George Stratton, John Aberley, C. R. Thomas, E. K. Bishop, A. J. Mitchell, O. Marks, M. M. Marks, Bayard Wooten, George Moulton, Walter Burrus, William Dunn Mary Drake, J. M. Spencer, C. D. Bradham, Edward Clark, B. E. Moore, Charles Ellison, L. H. Cutler, Jr., Charles Ives, W. K. Baxter, Samuel Brinson.

Misses Mannie Baxter, Jane Stewart, Esther Marks, Emma and Lenora Greenbaum, Mary Nixon, Harriette Marks, Eulalia Willis, Rev. B. F. Huske, Dr. Carter, Dr. R. N. Duffy, T. G. Hyman, Wm. Dunn, Jr., O. Marks, M. M. Marks, Dr. Bonner, Clyde Eby, Dr. R. S. Primrose, J. B. Blades, R. A. Nunn, Wade Meadows, T. A. Green and A. D. Ward.

This weather must be especially ordered for the shoppers.

are filling an engagement at the Grand theatre, Raleigh, and are playing to two capacity houses nightly.

Matinee daily at 3:45, 2 shows at night, 1st starts at 7:30, 2d about 9:15. No advance in prices for our big, long shows.

ASHEVILLE DRUG-GIST IN COURT

Prosecution Wants D. M. McKay Sent To The County Roads.

ALLEGED LIQUOR DEALER

Judge Adams Is Reticent In Complying With Request.

Asheville, Dec. 18.—Police Justice Julius C. Adams returned to the city last night from the east and when asked if he had any statement to make regarding the letter published a few days ago by P. H. Thrash, in which, among other things, it was charged that his firm had represented certain liquor houses in the collection of bills for liquor sold to the Battery Park hotel, he said that he had nothing whatever to say although he admitted that he had read the letter.

D. McN. MacKay, one of the druggists who was a defendant before Judge Frank Carter in the liquor investigation held here recently, was called before Judge Adams in police court this morning on a capias, the charge against him being that he had broken faith with the agreement in which he had agreed to surrender his stock of liquor and his license to sell on prescription, pleading guilty to a charge of selling liquor illegally, prayer for judgment in which was continued for three years. Evidence was introduced from police officers showing that his business had shown a shortage of about 375 gallons between November 8 and December 4, two days after the judgment was entered. No evidence in explanation of the shortage was offered in rebuttal.

During the argument by the prosecution, J. W. Haynes, stated that he had asked for a search and seizure warrant for the place of the defendant about the time the capias was issued but this had been refused by Judge Adams. After the hearing of evidence and arguments today, Judge Adams stated that he might have interfered with the State in producing sufficient evidence and thereupon ordered from the bench that search and seizure warrants be issued for the place of business and residence of the defendant. As a result of the ensuing raids, the officers found three gallons of whiskey and six gallons of champagne at Mackay's place of business but nothing in his house.

Following Judge Adams' order that these warrants be issued, judgment in the case was reserved until tomorrow morning. The prosecution asked that a road sentence be imposed in order that the law may be upheld in Asheville. Much interest attaches here to the final judgment of Judge Adams, since there can be no appeal on the part of the defendant.

ANOTHER BIG LAND SALE TO BE HELD TOMORROW

COLORED PEOPLE WILL HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE REAL ESTATE.

This is the period of land sales and, during the past few weeks, a large quantity of real estate has been disposed of in this section at public auction.

Land is always in demand. It is something on which money can easily and quickly be realized and that is one of the main reasons that everyone should own some real estate. Land is also rapidly increasing in value in this section and those who buy today can reap a handsome profit tomorrow. Tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock another sale will be held. This time the colored people will be given an opportunity to purchase valuable real estate at "Hendersonville." This property is located on the portion of the Tisdale farm next to Pavie Town and West End and the colored citizens could desire no more valuable property. A number of valuable prizes will be given away and a large crowd is expected to attend.

WORK ON COUNTY BRIDGE PROGRESSING RAPIDLY.

That part of the draw which has delayed the opening of the county bridge over Neuse river has arrived and the workmen who are engaged in rebuilding the structure, are making all possible haste in getting it placed in position. It is hoped that the bridge will be in readiness for opening by Christmas, if not sooner.

KENNETH BEASLEY REPORTED SEEN

Boy Who Disappeared Eight Years Ago, Said To Be Alive.

HIS MOTHER IS SKEPTICAL

Mystery Which Stirred Eastern North Carolina Is Reviewed.

Is Kenneth Beasley alive? Has the boy whose strange disappearance eight years ago set all Currituck county, N. C., by the ears and caused the man accused and convicted of kidnapping him to commit suicide in an East Main street hotel, come back to unfold the mystery long ago given up.

Mrs. S. M. Beasley, the boy's mother when seen at her residence, 1722 Brown avenue last night by a Virginian-Pilot man, says her son is as unaccounted for as ever. But, from Elizabeth City, N. C., came reports yesterday that Kenneth Beasley has been seen in Currituck county. It was a series of reports that drifted into Elizabeth City, according to the Virginian-Pilot's correspondent there.

When he disappeared that February morning in 1905 Kenneth Beasley was a bright-faced lad of eight years, the youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Beasley, a prosperous and happy couple. If he were living now he would be 16 years old, but his widowed mother does not believe he is living. She still thinks he was killed in some manner by the man who was sentenced to life imprisonment and who took his own life when the Supreme Court of North Carolina refused to grant him a new trial.

One morning Kenneth Beasley went to school a short distance from his home. That day Joshua Harrison, a farmer neighbor of the Beasleys, whose daughter Nina was little Kenneth's teacher, called and took Kenneth away from the school house for a ride. That was the last seen of the lad, though Harrison claimed to have put the boy down in the road near his own home.

After many days of weary searching the boy was given up and Harrison indicted for kidnapping. No trace of the boy was ever found and after a hard fought trial Harrison was found guilty. He was given a life sentence in the penitentiary.

His attorneys appealed the case and while the appeal was before the Supreme Court Harrison was admitted to bail, which he put up himself by selling his farm and other property.

One day there flashed over the wires the news that the North Carolina Supreme Court had refused the appeal and there was nothing for Harrison to do but serve the sentence. When he heard it the convicted man was staying at a hotel on East Main street and rather than hear the prison doors clang behind him forever he blew his brains out.

Soon afterwards Mr. and Mrs. Beasley moved to Norfolk. Three years ago Mr. Beasley died in Norfolk and since then Mrs. Beasley and her 18-year-old daughter have been residing on Brown avenue. Mrs. Beasley has two brothers living in Currituck county, but she said last night they would have informed her if there was any truth in the report about her long lost son returning.—Virginian-Pilot.

THIS SALE WAS SUCCESSFUL.

Warren & Moore, the New Bern owners of the Rhodes Hill property in North Kinston, cleared a nice profit from the sale of the property Tuesday by Penny brothers, auctioneers. Divided into building lots which bought from \$150 to \$1,250 each, the aggregate sum realized was in the neighborhood of \$26,000. Some of the lots brought almost twice as much as was anticipated, and every one found a ready buyer.—Kinston Free Press.

IMPROVEMENTS BEING MADE ON KING STREET.

Among the other improvements being made around the city, it is noticed that the upper part of East Front street from King to Queen and also King street is being shelled.

The Baltimore mother who followed her eloping daughter and finally bought the license had no idea of having the affair a failure.

SECRET SERVICE MAN IS HERE

Special Agent Engaged In Running Down Gang Of Counterfeiters.

HAS TALK WITH PRISONER

Much Spurious Coin In Circulation In This Section Recently.

Several days ago Moses Dudley, colored, was placed under arrest in this city on a warrant charging him with passing counterfeit money. The alleged offender was given a preliminary hearing before United States Commissioner Charles B. Hill, and probable cause being found, was bound over to the next term of Federal court. In default of a bond in the sum of three hundred dollars Dudley was placed in the county jail for safe keeping.

During the past two months a number of spurious coins have been in circulation in this section and the government authorities are of the opinion that there is a gang of counterfeiters operating here and they are also of the opinion that Dudley is implicated in the making and passing of the bad coin.

Immediately after Dudley had been taken into custody and placed in jail, the Secret Service Department was notified of the affair and yesterday morning one of the special agents arrived in the city to make an investigation. This gentleman is Henry E. Thomas, whose headquarters are at Charlotte, and he is said to be one of the shrewdest men in the service.

Mr. Thomas, from what he has seen since arriving in the city is also of the opinion that counterfeit money is being made in or near the city. He visited Dudley yesterday at the county jail and from him gained such information that further strengthened this belief. Every effort will be made to apprehend the violators of the law and to bring them to justice.

COULDN'T ROAST SHOT GUN SHELLS IN OVEN

SOMEONE TRIED IT AND THE RESULTS WERE DISASTROUS.

The explosion of a number of shot gun shells which had been placed in a gas oven to dry out, caused considerable excitement on lower Middle street yesterday morning and originated a blaze which required the attention of three fire companies.

The shells were the property of Pugh and Brooks, wholesale merchants, and had recently come in contact with water. The firm had rented the second floor of the building occupied by M. L. Jacob's commission house and it was there that the trouble occurred.

While no one can definitely state just what caused the shells to explode, it is believed that the young man who was attending to the "roasting" of the shells went off and left them in the oven and as soon as the heat reached a proper temperature things began to happen.

It is estimated that the damage will not exceed one hundred dollars.

LAND SALE A SUCCESS.

Five Hundred People Were In Attendance.

The auction sale of land conducted yesterday at Vanceboro was well attended and proved to be a complete success in every way.

The property known as the White Place had been broken up into residence and business lots and several small farms and this was sold by Penny brothers, well known auctioneers who have recently disposed of much land in this section.

More than five hundred people were present and the occasion was a gala day in Vanceboro. Ample preparations had been made for feeding the visitors and no one who attended went away hungry. Every lot offered for sale was disposed of.

The Clyde Line Lost a new \$500,000 pier at Charleston by fire, there not being, probably, water enough there to put it out.

As fine presents as they would make eggs are not ideal things to put in a stocking.