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**NOTIFIES CRAIG HE WILL ACCEPT**

George Rountree Will Be Judge of New Eighth Judicial District.

**TWO NEW BANKS CHARTERED**

Number of Changes Made by Recently Enacted Automobile Law.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
 Raleigh, N. C., March 30.—It was learned last night that a letter had been received at the executive office, in Raleigh, from George Rountree, Esq., of Wilmington, notifying Governor Craig of his acceptance of the appointment as judge in the new Eighth Judicial District. The news will be of interest to friends of Mr. Rountree throughout the State, for although they knew that if he accepted the offer of the judgeship, it would entail large financial loss, yet they were very much inclined toward the hope that he would accept.

Mr. Rountree has had the appointment under consideration for some time, and there has been a great deal of public interest manifested in his final decision. The press of the State has spoken very highly of him, and has commended Governor Craig for his discrimination in selecting Mr. Rountree and the other very able lawyers whom he has picked out to fill the new judgeships created by the last Legislature.

The appointment takes effect July 1, and the term of office extends until the next general election in 1914. It is not known just where Judge Rountree's first court will be held, but of course, it will be in his home district. July 1 all the judges begin rotating again from their home districts. The four new judges will also begin their term of office July 1.

The Wilmington, or Eighth, District, comprises New Hanover, Brunswick, Columbus and Bladen Counties. New Hanover will have nineteen judges, eleven of whom will be for the trial of civil actions, and two for criminal cases, while six weeks will be for the trial of both criminal and civil cases.

Two new banks were among the charters issued yesterday for two corporations. The Citizens' Bank of Warsaw, Dublin County, capital \$25,000 authorized and \$12,000 subscribed by W. H. Hill, C. E. D. Parker, A. F. Williams and A. B. T. Abbott; and Bank of Fletcher, Henderson County, capital \$15,000 authorized and \$10,000 subscribed by A. H. Miller, E. A. Wood, and others. Other charters are for the Safety Ink Company, of Wilmington, capital \$20,000 authorized and \$10,000 subscribed by C. J. Roberts, F. M. Pittman and others; the Chears Jewelry Company, of Aberdeen, capital \$50,000 authorized and \$12,000 subscribed by W. E. Chears, J. B. Carter, Jr., and others; and the Granite City Orchard Company, of Mount Airy, capital \$25,000 authorized and \$10,000 subscribed by A. V. West, J. M. Hill and others.

Continued improvement is reported in the condition of J. L. Seawell, Clerk of the Supreme Court, and there seems to be no doubt about his recovery. His condition was very critical for several days.

The new automobile law passed by the recent Legislature, goes into effect today, and makes a number of changes in the regulations applying to automobile owners. The license tax changes from \$5 initial tax and \$1 for annual renewals, to a flat license tax of \$5 and \$10 annual, according to the weight of the machine. Owners must furnish the number of State plates, and the number of State plates, instead of the owner having to purchase a placard after his machine is licensed. Dealers in automobiles will be furnished with a distinctive license number to be used on demonstration cars, and any number of duplicates required at \$1 each. No person under sixteen years old shall operate a car on the public highway. The act requires drivers of horse-drawn vehicles to turn to the right from the center of the road, as well as the driver of the automobile. Heretofore, all the advances of accidents has been made a barrier to the driver to put glass or other sharp cutting substance on the public highways.

**SCHOLARSHIP RECORD MADE BY A. R. NEWSOM**

Burning His First Term in College He Attains Grade of 100 on All Studies.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
 Chapel Hill, March 30.—The high scholarship record of the freshman class during its first term in college, September-January, 1911-12, and 1912-13, includes one member of the class that averaged 100 on all grades, Marshall, Union County, gaining this distinction, and individual credit in due to A. R. Newsom. The high schools of Greensboro and Charlotte led all high schools represented at the university in the scholarship exhibit, each school contributing four students each to attain the record of not less than 90 on all studies. Raleigh, Winston, Marshall and Wake schools furnished two students each in the high scholarship record.

"What Happened to Jones," the successful comedy staged by the Dramatic Club of the University of North Carolina, is booked to make a tour of a number of North Carolina towns during the next two weeks. Visits to the following eastern towns have been planned: Fayetteville, Wilmington, Winston, Smithfield, Wilson and Wendell.

The triangular debate between the universities of Virginia, John Hopkins and North Carolina, that has been neutral ground, is scheduled for April 19. The query to be discussed by the three institutions is: "Resolved, That the United States should be a party to the treaty, the tolls of the Panama Canal should be the same to the merchant ships of all nations." This is the fourth debate between the universities of Virginia and North Carolina in the past few years, and each institution has won two.

Professor P. H. Boynton, of the University of Chicago, delivered the second of the series of lectures by eminent Americans under the auspices of the University faculty Friday night. His subject was "The London of Dickens." Maintaining a high record as a lecturer, as well as a writer and teacher, his lecture was in keeping with the high standard aimed at in these lectures by scholars from all sections of the country.

The award of the contract for the design of the \$50,000 dining hall of the University was made this week by the Milburn-Heister Company, of Washington. The contract was awarded to the firm by the University. Plans were submitted by various architects.

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**Short News Stories From All Over Virginia**

**POSSUM HUNTERS FREED.**  
 Minister Charged Young Men With Felonious Assaults.

Independence, Va., March 30.—A very unusual legal proceeding against a party of students from the Elk Creek Training School terminated in court here recently, when three students, John and James Buchanan and James Pyle, were acquitted on the charge of felonious assault with intent to maim, kill, and otherwise mutilate a Methodist minister, Rev. Steve Hale, of Elk Creek.

Professor Jordan, his wife, a young woman teacher, and three young men planned a "possum hunt" some time during last November. A negro in the community had promised the loan of his dog for the occasion, but at a late hour on the night appointed had failed to deliver the "goods," so, not to be outdone, the party proceeded to the home of the minister, whose sporting proclivities were well developed, and who owned a reliable "possum" dog, with a view to secure him. It was 9 o'clock, and the minister had retired. The young men called from the gate, but failing to get a response, one of them cast a small block against the door to arouse the minister. It produced the desired result, and he emerged from the door clad only in his night shirt, and without waiting for explanation jumped one of the young men and proceeded to fog him. The others tried to explain, but he would not listen, so his companions came to the rescue, and there was a strenuous tussle in the moonlight.

The young men were indicted and charged with doing all kinds of violence to the minister, such as striking him with a revolver, etc. After the minister had finished his testimony the young men called on the defense promptly produced witnesses who repudiated it.

**GETS FIRST ATTENTION.**  
 Lynchburg Post-Office Work Put Ahead of All Other in Virginia.

Lynchburg, Va., March 30.—Information comes from Washington that the supervising architect's office of the Treasury Department will give the Lynchburg post-office building first consideration, putting it ahead of other projects with doing all kinds of violence to the minister, such as striking him with a revolver, etc. After the minister had finished his testimony the young men called on the defense promptly produced witnesses who repudiated it.

**W. C. T. U. TO ERECT FOUNTAIN.**  
 Duplicate of One Selected Stands in Front of White House.

Luray, Va., March 29.—At the meeting of the W. C. T. U. at the home of Mrs. Mary E. Grayson on Monday evening it was decided to buy the drinking fountain at once. The one selected is of iron, enameled white. It is about five or six feet high and will cost \$200. This is a very beautiful fountain and measures up to all sanitary requirements. A duplicate of it stands in front of the White House in Washington.

It will be located at the Methodist Church corner in East Luray. The expense of its purchase will be borne by the W. C. T. U. and the cost of installing and furnishing water for it will be borne by the town. The fountain is intended for persons only, but the union proposes putting in another fountain for horses in the near future. This will be of about equal cost, and will be located near the corner of Court and Main Streets in West Luray. After paying for the fountain in East Luray the union will have a balance of \$100 in the treasury, which will be used in the purchase of the other fountain.

The W. C. T. U. will place in the post-office at Luray a literature rack, which will be supplied with tracts and circulars bearing upon the work of the organization. The rack for this purpose has been made and contributed by A. E. Fling, and the same has been beautifully decorated with burnt work by Mrs. R. L. Printz.

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**NEW BUILDING IS READY.**  
 Portsmouth's Fine Municipal Structure Soon Will Be Occupied.

Portsmouth, Va., March 30.—The new municipal building is now ready for occupancy, and already the city officials are busy about their present quarters preparing for the removal of the office fixtures to the new structure.

On the first floor of the building will be located the office of the Judge of the Hustings Court, City Engineer, clerk of the court and Mayor's office. On the second floor will be located the office to be occupied by the city auditor and plumbing inspector, clerk of the council, Council chamber and Board of Health.

The commissioner of the revenue, city collector and treasurer will remain in the ferry building, at the foot of High Street, until the south end of the courthouse is remodeled, making three offices to be occupied by those three officers. Work will be started on the building as soon as plans can be drawn, and will be pushed forward as rapidly as possible. That part of the courthouse is now used as the clerk's office of the Hustings Court and Council chamber.

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**BROWN ACQUITTED ON FIRST BALLOT**

Newport News Police Justice Vindicated in Every Way at Second Trial.

Newport News, Va., March 30.—After being out for long enough to take a ballot, the jury in the case of Police Justice J. D. G. Brown, who was on trial in the Corporation Court on a charge of misuse and misappropriation of public funds, late Saturday afternoon returned a verdict of not guilty. Such a verdict was generally expected, and there were but few people in the courtroom when the jury filed in and reported its finding.

This was the second acquittal for Justice Brown. His first trial was one of the hardest fought and most stubbornly contested legal battles witnessed in years. The trial that ended Saturday, although the same attorneys were involved, did not consume any time like the time consumed in the other, as many of the rulings of the court in the first were accepted or exceptions noted without argument.

After a long drawn-out investigation by the grand jury, seventeen indictments charging misuse and misappropriation of public funds were returned against Justice Brown. In each case it being alleged that he had failed to turn over to the State funds collected in each case cited.

Having been tried and acquitted on two of the indictments which the Commonwealth deemed were the strongest, Justice Brown Saturday afternoon left the courtroom vindicated in every way as immediately after the jury had returned its verdict Commonwealth's Attorney C. C. Berkeley entered a nolle prosequi in each of the remaining fifteen indictments.

The specific charge on which Justice Brown was tried in the case completed yesterday was that he had failed to turn over to the State a fine of \$40.50 imposed upon and collected from a negro, Charles Brown. The case was tried by Acting Justice R. A. T. Clement, and the fine was not paid until a day or so later.

Attorney E. S. Robinson testified that he had paid the money to Justice Brown. The defendant denied that the attorney had paid him the money and testified that he knew nothing of the fine having been paid to any one, as he would not have accepted it had it been offered to him, as Justice Clement had tried the case.

Two witnesses were put on by the defense. Patrolman S. W. Biddings and John Mitchell, a saloonkeeper, the last named of whom paid the negro's fine to Attorney Robinson, both of whom testified that Mr. Robinson had said that he paid the fine at the clerk's office.

With such conflicting evidence before them, it was expected that the negro would return a verdict of not guilty. Justice Brown was defended in both cases by Attorneys R. M. Lett and J. Winston Read.

**VOTE ON LIQUOR AT SUFFOLK TO-DAY**

"Wets" and "Drys" Both Confident of Victory in This (the Fourth) Election.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
 Suffolk, Va., March 30.—Suffolk will to-morrow hold another "wet" and "dry" election, this being the fourth election by the people on this question. The town has been dry four years this month. The campaign has been exceedingly quiet, the "wet" forces conducting strictly a "gunshot" campaign. The "drys" have been holding open-air meetings for the past three weeks, and union prayer meetings during the month. Both sides are confident of victory, but the majority will be very small. Four years ago the city went "dry" by nearly 300 majority; two years ago by 55. More than 900 votes are expected to be polled to-morrow.

**DANVILLE NEXT MEETING PLACE.**  
 Group Four of State Bankers in Annual Session at South Boston.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
 South Boston, Va., March 30.—Group 4, Virginia Bankers' Association, met at the Garland Hotel last night, with R. E. Jordan, chairman presiding. The session was opened by Joseph Stebbins, Sr., and was responded to by James Godwin, of the Bank of Fincastle. There were eighty members of the association present. J. J. Scott, cashier of the Lynchburg Trust and Savings Bank, of Bedford City, delivered an address on uniform banking rules. T. O. Sandy, of the Department of Agriculture, addressed the bankers along his line of agriculture. As usual, Mr. Sandy was heard with much pleasure.

Aubrey G. Weaver and Arthur L. Weather, both of Front Royal, addressed the convention at some length on the much-needed tax reforms.

The following officers were then elected for the next year: Chairman, B. L. Boothe, of Danville; secretary, H. C. Patton, Danville; advisory committee, J. J. Scott, Bedford City; J. C. Lawson, South Boston; W. S. Irby, Kenbridge.

Danville was selected as the next place of meeting. At the close of the business session a delightful banquet was tendered the members of the group by the bankers of South Boston.

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