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BETTER POLICE PROTECTION.

Every city in the south should follow the example of Asheville and Durham in providing better protection for its citizens through a more effective and better armed police force. The recent affair in the former city shows how futile it is for policemen armed only with revolvers to cope with even one man who has a repeating rifle in his hands.

The board of aldermen of that city has purchased thirty-five rifles of the latest Winchester model and ten riot shotguns for the use of the policemen in case of riot or serious disturbance, instead of forcing them to rely on their pistols, as heretofore. The Buncombe county commissioners have taken similar action and have ordered fifteen rifles and five riot guns for the use of the sheriff's posse in case of emergency.

In Durham there came near being a serious race conflict a day or so ago. It was avoided by the white men turning loose a negro they had arrested for cutting a white man, because a crowd of angry negroes had assembled and showed disposition to rescue the prisoner. A military company was recently organized in that city, and on applying for admission to the state guard was informed that it could not be accepted as the number of companies already reaches the limit provided by law. Recognizing the necessity of better police protection the board of aldermen is considering the proposition that it appropriate fifteen hundred dollars for arming with rifles a body of forty men to be known as the police reserve. There is little doubt that the aldermen will adopt this plan.

Take our own city. Consider how it is policed. In the first place the force is not large enough, and in the second place it is not supplied with proper arms. We doubt if the city owns a single rifle, riot gun or pistol. Each policeman supplies himself with some kind of a revolver and with these they are expected to quell any disturbance that may arise. It is true we have two military companies here which could be called out in case of serious rioting, and would do effective work in quelling the same, as they have done in the past; but the city should not be compelled to rely solely on the military. The police force should be looked to primarily for preserving order and suppressing incipient riots. As matters now stand, our policemen, armed only with revolvers and with no reserve of rifles or riot guns, are not equipped for effective work should such occasion arise. We had an illustration of the defective arming of our police last Saturday night. Had the squad which went to the Cape Fear mill yards to capture the murderer, Frank James, been armed with Winchesters or riot guns they would have captured those negroes who fired on them or have prevented their ever again having the desire, or it may be, the ability to fire upon officers of the law.

Our city should purchase and keep in a safe but convenient place a number of heavy arms for the use of the police; for there is no knowing when they will be needed, and it may be that on some occasion their timely use may prevent the necessity of

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calling out the state troops and avoid greater bloodshed by suppressing a disturbance of the peace before it had grown to proportions demanding more vigorous action to quell.

There is one more suggestion we would like to make to our city fathers, and we hope they will not consider us too officious in these remarks about our police force, and that is that our policemen should be exercised in squad drill and pistol and rifle firing. This would give them greater confidence in themselves individually and make them much more efficient when acting in a body when called on for hazardous duty.

TALKING IN RIDDLES.

There were two paragraphs in The Messenger's special dispatch from Greensboro yesterday which struck us as being rather peculiar. One was in reference to Mr. Joyner's refusal of the presidency of the Normal and Industrial college, which stated:

The refusal of Joyner is taken by many to mean an acute stage of political conditions at present and in future over the question of educational policies in the state.

We must confess that we are completely at sea as to what are the acute political conditions present or anticipated which prevent that man from accepting the position who is the choice of the entire board of trustees and, we believe, of a large majority of those people of the state who have given the matter any thought. Such conditions, if they exist, must be very peculiar and novel ones. The Industrial News in an editorial on the subject of Mr. Joyner's refusal of the position says:

The board of directors would have voted for him to a man, but he asked that his name be not considered. "My heart," said he "is with the Normal, but my duty lies along the lines of the work I am now doing." That was his decision, and from it he could not be moved.

Now, that is not so mystifying, and we can understand it. We recognize the force of Mr. Joyner's reasons and understand his position. No doubt he would personally prefer the presidency of the college, but feels that duty demands he should remain at the post to which he was called by the people of his state.

The other paragraph is in reference to the attendance on the McIver memorial exercises, held in Greensboro on Tuesday. On this subject the dispatch says:

One of the highest tributes to his worth and forceful life was the one paid inferentially by the emphatic absence of politicians, no state government official, judge on the bench, congressman or United States senator being present. But there was assembled at least five hundred out-of-town visitors, representing the leading educators among the men and women of the state to pay tribute to the memory and the worth of the departed.

Why none of the officers mentioned was present we do not know, but we suppose all had good reasons for being absent. We suppose the remark about the emphatic absence of the officials being one of the highest tributes paid inferentially to Dr. McIver's memory is intended for sarcasm. We can put no other construction on it. It is a pity that none of the officials were present and a still greater pity that their absence should cause such feelings on the part of the doctor's friends as the words above quoted indicate.

The result of the elections for members of the legislature in Delaware is cited to show how important it is that every man should vote. That election was an important one, as the legislature will elect a United States senator. That body will be composed of thirty-five republicans and sixteen democrats. If eighty-seven more democrats had voted in the different legislative districts the vote on joint ballot in the assembly would have been twenty-seven democratic to twenty-five republican, and the present republican senator would have been succeeded by a democrat. A man who stays away from the polls never knows what harm his failure to vote is going to do.

Baltimore medical men are puzzled over the case of a man who has stopped breathing, but still lives. The action of his heart is natural, but there is not the least respiration discernible. He was found in this condition in bed and the police, thinking he was dead, were about to take him to the morgue, when a coroner discovered his heart was still beating. He was taken to a hospital where, he lies in an unconscious condition, apparently dead except for the normal pulse. He is fed through a tube inserted into the stomach.

President Roosevelt did not "scare worth a cent" at that denunciation by the republican committee of New York county of his order discharging the negro troops. His reply was positive and to the point—just what it should have been. We pin our faith to Mr. Roosevelt's doing the right thing in this case, though on some former occasions he has acted mightily shabbily toward the white people of the south on the negro question.

New York state's treasurer-elect is a man who has made a fortune as a baker. Evidently he knows how to take care of the dough.

SUNDAY CLOSING IN RUSSIA.

That is a peculiar piece of news which comes from Russia in this Twentieth century of the Christian era. The government will soon promulgate a law providing for Sunday closing, and what is more peculiar is that it is a political move on the part of the government to secure votes for its party in the coming elections. The proposition was made by the minister of commerce and has been a subject of discussion by the cabinet. Up to two years ago Sunday closing was unheard of in Russia; but within that time a strong movement in its favor has sprung up, and there have been strikes in its behalf. The administration desires to take advantage politically of this growing sentiment. It is not acting from a sense of duty or from Christian motives.

Railroading in the mountains is not the safest occupation in the world. An Asheville dispatch gives an account of the wreck of a freight train on the Western North Carolina railroad the other day. The engineer lost control of the train and it rushed down the mountains at a speed of sixty or seventy miles an hour for eight miles before it left the track when all the crew were killed or injured and fifteen cars were demolished.

The chances are that the Asheville papers could put their fingers on the man who sent out those sensational stories and they should call his name out in meeting and tell him what he is.—Durham Herald.

We do not intend to defend any man who sends out false or sensational reports about occurrences in his community; but we must say that some of the dispatches above referred to impress us with the idea that they were written in the offices of the papers in which they were published.

A laborer at the Baltimore Manufacturing Company's plant falls into a vat of boiling molasses. After being extricated he walks home, but dies after seven hours of intense suffering. We wonder if the company threw away that vat full of molasses or if some of the consumers of its products will have to eat it?

Our congratulations to Brother Reese and his excellent paper, the Greensboro Record. The latter has reached its sixteenth year. We are glad to know that it is in first rate health, as its outward appearance indicates, and we hope it will continue to grow and to prosper as the years go by.

So, Mr. Carnegie denies the report that he has promised to give a million dollars to be used in promoting universal and perpetual peace between nations. He is not quite that anxious to die a pauper.

Now it's the Philadelphia ice men's turn. Four of them are on trial on charge of conspiracy to raise the price of ice. Let the good work go on.

A Kansas man, aged 94 years, takes unto himself a bride of 65. This is his fourth wife. She, no doubt, thinks she has a better chance than any of her predecessors of becoming a blooming widow.

A Maryland legislator favors a law imposing a fine of ten dollars on every registered voter who fails to vote unless he can show a valid excuse.

That codfish trust they are forming up in Maine is welcome to all it can make out of it so far as we are concerned. We hope it will scoop in the small too.

Harry Thaw has ordered three new suits of clothes for his trial. He must expect it to last a long time, or, perhaps, he does not wish to have to purchase another for the electrocution.

We have not heard of Mr. Roosevelt's trying his hand at shoveling dirt in the Cuba cut; but he has done a little of everything else since he has been down there.



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At Wilmington, in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business November 12, 1906.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts	\$506,735 15
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	97 15
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	200,000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. deposits	50,000 00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	9,224 38
Furniture and fixtures	5,430 20
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	284,947 41
Due from State Banks and Bankers	221,539 00
Due from approved reserve agents	67,829 44
Checks and other cash items	1,670 69
Notes of other National Banks	19,800 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	686 12
Lawful money reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	25,168 00
Legal-tender notes	5,480 00
Redemption Fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation)	6,206 25
Total	\$1,397,947 41

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	\$200,000 00
Surplus fund	100,000 00
Unpaid notes, less expenses and taxes paid	15,827 06
National Bank notes outstanding	2,900 00
Due to other National Banks	101,318 42
Due to State Banks and Bankers	333,326 42
Due to Trust Companies and Savings Banks	25,623 40
Due to approved reserve agents	60,475 13
Individual deposits subject to check	216,637 66
Certified checks	32 90
U. S. deposits	50,000 00
Total	\$1,397,947 41

State of North Carolina, County of New Hanover, ss.
I, C. N. Evans, Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
C. N. EVANS, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of November, 1906.
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STATEMENT CONDITION

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OF WILMINGTON, N. C.

At the close of business November 12th, 1906.

RESOURCES:

Loans and Discounts	\$4,331,917 44
U. S. Bonds (at par)	250,000 00
Bank Building	25,000 00
Cash	676,383 33
Total	\$2,488,212 77

LIABILITIES:

Capital	\$ 304,200 00
Surplus and Net Profits	179,250 00
Circulation	300,000 00
Deposits	1,704,762 74
Total	\$2,488,212 77

DEPOSITS:

November, 1905, \$1,147,556.49. November, 1906, \$1,704,762.74.



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