

NEWS FROM RICHMOND AND OTHER PARTS OF VIRGINIA.

RICHMOND NEWS AND GOSSIP

People at Want Voice in Selecting U. S. Senators.

MAY MEETING AT CAPITAL

Mr. Martin Declines to Discuss the Matter, but Will Do Nothing in Opposition to the Movement—Admiral Schley Receiving Many Contesters—Rev. Dr. Sweeney Resigns—News Notes of Interest.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

Richmond, Va., March 27.—The subject of the approaching conference here in May for the purpose of considering methods whereby the people may have a voice in the selection of United States Senators, is creating more comment than any which has arisen in Virginia in some time.

The call for the conference, which was published in the Sunday papers, has been analyzed and discussed, and every sentence interpreted, and from their deductions and inferences drawn until the subject would seem to be meeting threadbare. The fact that fifty such prominent men of the State signed the call for the conference caused comment, as illustrating the strength of the movement.

However, the fact that among those who signed the call were several gentlemen who are warm supporters of Senator Martin, created greatest comment.

For there is a very decided and very general tendency to recognize the conference as a manifestation of opposition to the re-election of Senator Martin. Whatever be the grounds for such opinion, or whether there are any good grounds for it, the fact remains that it exists, and the public is therefore puzzled to know the reasons which friends of Senator Martin had for signing the call.

The real attitude of Senator Martin towards the movement cannot be learned from Senator Martin himself. He refuses to discuss it.

But a man who is very close to the Junior Senator to-day expressed views which are believed to reflect those of Senator Martin, and his supporters.

"We will do nothing in opposition to the movement," said the gentleman referred to. "As for myself, and I presume the same is true of many, if not all the friends of Senator Martin, I do not regard such a conference as aimed at Senator Martin. I think Senator Martin would not oppose the conference were it not that he cannot now afford to have the advocates of such a movement say he has been whipped into line. You know, he and his friends, as well

as Senator Daniel, opposed a Senatorial primary at the Roanoke convention. I do not think Senator Martin has changed his mind. I am sure the majority of his friends have not. But we are taking no steps to oppose the conference. So far as I know, none will be taken."

"Surely I should be the last man in Virginia to oppose anything looking to giving to the people opportunity to express their choice of candidates for any position," said Governor Tyler when questioned by the Virginian-Pilot correspondent to-day. "I have found the people excellent judges of candidates," the Governor continued, and he smiled in a quizzical way. "However, I am not taking an active part in politics. I am devoting my time endeavoring to discharge, to the best of my ability, the duties of my office. That consumes my time very fully. Yet I think," concluded the Governor, "that the recent and present performances in Legislature of several of the States have accentuated the wisdom of the movement for the election of United States Senators by the people."

ADMIRAL SCHLEY STILL HERE.

Rear Admiral Schley and Mrs. Schley are still at the Jefferson, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Eno, of New York. The Admiral is receiving many courtesies in a quiet way, and says he is thoroughly enjoying his visit to Richmond. He and Mrs. Schley attended services at St. James' Episcopal Church yesterday morning, and in the evening went out for a walk. To-day the Admiral and wife, and General Bradley T. Johnson took a drive about the city, visiting the various points of interest. Admiral Schley and wife will return to Washington in a day or two. An old naval soldier, who was on the ship commanded by Captain Schley many years ago, came over from Petersburg to see the Admiral this morning. They had not met for more than twenty years. As soon as he saw him Admiral Schley at once recognized him and extended his hand in greeting. They talked over old times and spent a pleasant time together.

DR. SWEENEY RESIGNS.

Rev. Dr. Z. T. Sweeney, pastor of the Seventh Street Christian Church, created something of a sensation last night by tendering his resignation. He takes this step because of the illness of the mother of Mrs. Sweeney, at Columbus, Ind. His wife has had to be with her mother for about three months, and Dr. Sweeney finds he will be forced to go there to reside. He will supply churches in that section.

FORMED A NEW CHURCH.

The factional differences in Grove Avenue Baptist Church, which forced the resignation of Rev. Dr. Hiden from the pastorate, have resulted in the formation of another church. Those members who severed their connection because of the dissensions in the church, at a meeting held yesterday afternoon at Monroe Hall, decided to organize another church, and appointed a committee to draw up the proper papers and recommend officers. The congregation assembled at Monroe Hall yesterday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, the large apartment being crowded. An eloquent sermon was preached by Rev. Dr. J. C. Hiden, after which all who were interested in the formation of a new congregation were requested to remain, and nearly all in the room did so. Dr. Hiden, however, on account of a previous engagement, was not present.

TOWN OF SUFFOLK

Dr. Wise Writes About His Contest.

Fire at Buckhorn - Poetry on Envelopes Passing Through the Mails - A Good Sized Cut in Salaries - Needs For Distribution.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

Suffolk, Va., March 27.—Congressman Richard A. Wise still thinks he has a show of beating out Congressman-Elect William A. Young in their contest for a seat in Congress. If Dr. Wise doesn't think he'll win he is putting up a bluff. In a letter to Captain H. P. Brooks he indignantly repudiates the published reports that his contest has been abandoned. Dr. Wise says in part: "Accept my warmest thanks for the valuable work you have done in my contest. I hope I may some day be able to repay you. My case is much better than my former one. Young has taken no depositions as yet, and I hear he will take none, or very few, in spite of all this certain papers (naming two) print that I have abandoned my case. I, on the contrary, feel sure of winning. . . . John Wise is absolutely certain of our success. No people have stood by me better than old Nansmond folks. I wish I could come up and see you all for a day."

FIRE AT BUCKHORN.

They had a right hot time out at Buckhorn early Sunday morning. A vacant store-house, dwelling and cooking room belonging to the Baines Brothers were burned, together with practically all their contents. The dwelling was occupied by William Pierce and family, who barely escaped with their lives and night clothes. All their belongings were lost save one mattress. Loss, \$1,000; insurance, \$500, in the Greenwich. It is not known just how the blaze started.

POSTOFFICE POETRY.

A letter was mailed at the Suffolk postoffice to-day with the envelope covered with a verse intended to be sentimental. The writing is good, and bears marks of the feminine gender. The little missive was started to Bosley, N. C. Leaving out names, which it wouldn't be fair to publish, here is the superscription: "Go, little messenger, quick and straight, To Bosley, N. C. State; And in the postoffice you may stay Till ——— takes you away." But this is not the first poem which the vernal months of 1899 are guilty of inflicting on the patient postal people. A few days ago a letter was mailed with the following burden, all of which had to be carried by a two-cent stamp: "Over the hill and over the level, Let this letter go like the devil; At Suffolk, Va., you may leave it, Where ——— may receive it."

A GOOD-SIZED CUT.

The Town Council at a special meeting to-night made a deep slash into the

green grocer's license. It was cut from \$250 to 10 per annum. Present: Mayor R. L. Brewer, Jr., and Councilmen W. N. McAnge, B. L. Saunders, J. Walter Hosier, H. R. Culley, John C. Smith, R. R. Allen and G. W. Truitt. Mr. B. B. Dumville, who led the movement for a reduction of the license tax, which was practically prohibitory, made a long speech, and a petition carrying 229 signatures was presented. It was first moved to have the license \$12.50. This was followed by amendments fixing it at \$12 and \$10. HAD FOR THE ASKING. Captain Harry P. Brooks, Republican county chairman, to-day received a lot of garden and farm seeds from Washington for free distribution. Any one living in Nansmond county who wants seeds should see Captain Brooks and get them. Those outside of Nansmond should send him their address and have the seeds sent direct from Washington. He will have some flower seeds to give away also, but the supply of these is more limited than that of the garden seeds. There are a hundred or so packages of assorted seeds at this office which can be had for the asking while they last.

TRANSFERS IN REALTY.

Here are the bargain and sale deeds put on record in the County Clerk's office to-day: James I. Wyatt et ux. to T. G. Daugherty, ten acres on Holy Neck district; \$200. William Foreman et ux. to Henry Skeeter, 38 1/2 acres in Cypress district; \$167.50. Henry Skeeter to Lafayette Skeeter, twenty-three acres in Cypress district; \$100.

YOUNG GIRL'S DEATH.

May, the 9-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dol Baker, died Sunday at her home, near Savage Crossing. The funeral happened to-day at 2 o'clock and was conducted by the Rev. H. H. Butler, of Suffolk. The deceased was a niece of Mrs. C. L. Williams and Willie Baker, of Suffolk.

LOCAL CHRONICLES.

Mr. L. M. Woodworth, representing the Norfolk New Light Company, was in Suffolk to-day looking after the new oil lamps which some of the citizens are putting in. Rev. D. P. McGeachy, of Richmond, who preached Sunday morning and evening at the Suffolk Presbyterian Church, was the guest here of former Mayor John B. Pinner. Rev. D. B. Austin, of Crittenden, Va., came to-day for a visit to Suffolk friends. Mr. Austin used to be pastor of the Beech Street Methodist Church and chaplain of the Tom Smith Camp, Confederate Veterans. At the Christian Church Sunday evening Miss Florence Harvey gave a pretty solo rendition of "Ashamed of Christ."

Mr. L. W. Jordan has been ill for two days at his home, on Main street. There will be no mid-week services at the Christian Church Wednesday evening.

Miss Virginia Jordan, at St. Paul's P. E. Church Sunday evening, sang a lovely solo.

A pine tree was recently cut down on the Burrow's tract belonging to Mr. B. M. Bruce, of Suffolk, which contained nearly 6,000 feet of timber.

Captain H. P. Brooks left to-day for a business trip to Baltimore. He will return Thursday.

Rev. J. F. Love preached a good sermon at the Baptist Church Sunday evening.

GENERAL WALKER SUED.

MR. HAMILTON WANTS MONEY FOR BEING SHOT.

Bristol, Tenn., March 27.—The warrant sworn out Thursday by General Walker for the arrest of George E. Davis, Judge Ithor's secretary, charging him with having shot Walker twice on the night of March 11th, has been served by Chief of Police Kilgore. Davis waived preliminary trial and was recognized for his appearance at the next grand jury term of Bristol, Va., Corporation Court, which will be in July. Davis' bond was fixed at \$2,500. His bondsmen are William F. Rhea, A. S. McNeill, J. H. Winston, H. W. Sutherland and Lindsay Bunting. He was released after filing his bond, which is only half as large as the one required of General Walker.

Commonwealth's Attorney Ashworth states that he will ask the court at the April term for a special grand jury to indict both Walker and Davis.

Mr. Hamilton was out on the street Friday and brought suit in the City Court against Major Walker for \$10,000 damages from the shot he received from him on March 11th.

ROANOKE.

MISS GAMBILL WEDS MR. SCHOOLFIELD.

Roanoke, Va., March 27.—At the residence of J. M. Gambill, at noon Saturday, Miss Anna Bloomfield Gambill, daughter of Mr. James M. Gambill, was married to O. L. Schoolfield, a son of Evangelist James E. Schoolfield, of Danville, Va. The wedding was a quiet affair, although fashionable in every particular. Rev. J. C. Jones, of Trinity M. E. Church, officiated. The couple left on the South-bound train for a trip to Florida, where they will reside for several months.

Gloucester Democratic Nomination

Gloucester Courthouse, Va., March 27.—The Democratic convention of Gloucester county, Va., met at the Courthouse and placed in nomination the following ticket: County Clerk—H. L. Bridges. Sheriff—Robert H. Farinholt. Treasurer—H. L. Carr. Commissioner of the Revenue—J. D. Stubbs. Commonwealth's Attorney—Marcus Jones. Supervisors—From Abingdon district, W. W. Williams; Ware district, A. M. Pointer; Petersburg district, R. P. Gray.

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