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SOME THINGS THE SCOUT WOULD LIKE TO SEE IN MURPHY AND CHEROKEE COUNTY

- In Murphy**
1. An active Board of Trade or Chamber of Commerce.
 2. More Manufacturing Industries.
 3. New Passenger Stations—A Union Station.
 4. More Improved Streets.
 5. Regular Library Hours.
 6. A Reading Club.
- In Cherokee County**
1. A System of County Roads Supplementing the State Highways.
 2. More and Better Cattle Raising and Dairying.
 3. More Fruit Growing.
 4. Scientific Poultry Raising.

Mother's Day

NEXT Sunday, May 11th, is "Mother's Day," a day set apart in honor of "the best mother that ever lived—your mother." The setting apart of one day in the year in honor of the mothers of the land was first suggested by Miss Anna Jarvis, of Philadelphia. Now it has come to be recognized all over the country by the holding of special church services, family reunions, etc.

Our mothers are our best friends. No matter to what degradation a wayward son may sink, his mother's love follows him there. In her child, a mother can see no wrong. She never withholds her love and sympathy from one of her own. Sinking into the very valley of the shadow of death to give us life, our mothers are always ready to make every sacrifice for us, even to the giving of her life.

We are often prone to accept our mother's sacrifices as a matter of course. Every day should be mother's day, but on this coming Sunday especially should we show our appreciation and love for our mothers by remembering them in some special way. No matter how much we may try, we can never repay our mothers for their many sacrifices for us. All hail to the mothers of America, the anchor and mainstay of civilization!

Child Employment In the State

ACCORDING to the report of the child welfare commission just made public the condition with reference to the employment of children in North Carolina has greatly improved during the last few years and this State now ranks among the highest in this particular. This commission has been working on this report for months. Data were gathered from more than six thousand industrial plants for this report, which showed a total of 10,425 children between the ages of 12 and 16 employed. Only one per cent of these were illegally employed.

The child labor question has given child welfare organizations and industrial plants considerable worry during the past ten years but gradually the problem is being solved. North Carolina has made much progress in her social legislation and every few years sees additional protective measures written into law. Federal child labor laws have thus far been declared unconstitutional. Another is now before the national congress. The North Carolina law, however, goes about as far as any national law thus far proposed has gone. It combines with its mandatory sections public school attendance. It furnishes a common ground upon which the citizens of the state may combine to advance the education, health and public welfare of its children. The child welfare commission is charged with the administra-

tion of this law. Children under sixteen may be employed in industrial plants under certain conditions if a certificate is first procured.

North Carolinians should be proud of the record this state is making in recent years in child employment. There is always the danger that as a state becomes industrialized as this one is fast becoming, that there is a tendency to lower social and health standards. The fact that the opposite is true in North Carolina should be all the more gratifying.

General Carr

WITH the passing of Genral Julian S. Carr, of Durham, a few days ago, North Carolina lost one of her most loyal sons, the Confederate veterans their commander-in-chief, and the South one of her most patriotic citizens. General Carr began his career at the very bottom of the ladder and climbed to a position of prominence in the political, social, and economic life of his native state. Banker, manufacturer, active in politics, religious and civic organizations, it was hard to find a progressive movement with which he was not identified in an active way. He contributed liberally to the cause of education, church buildings, etc., and and gave his time and money to advance the cause of conservation of our natural resources and to further the movement for good roads, etc.

In his going the State has lost a most valuable citizen.

The Australian Balloting System

TUESDAY the people of Murphy tried for the first time the Australian system of balloting and everyone seemed to be pleased with the way it operated. The tickets were given to the elector folded, and were returned the same way and placed in the ballot box by the Judge of the election. Thus, no one knew how anyone else voted unless that person chose to make it public himself. One's preference in matters of this kind is personal and many people object to having their choice of candidates known. It is the surest way of discovering the will of the majority; it insures privacy in voting; keeps down discussion and argument at the polls; and encourages all electors to vote.

"The Builder"

THE May number of "The Builder," the monthly publication of the Baptist Church, has made its appearance in Murphy. It is a twelve-page magazine, attractively printed and well arranged. It contains much interesting data and information and many spicy comments calculated to increase interest in church work among the people it reaches.

Through this magazine, Mr. Sasser is reaching many people who do not go to church regularly and no doubt it will be the means of greatly increasing church attendance in Murphy.



THE following editorial appeared in the Payette Lake Star, of March 14: "Our waste basket is full of importunities to join the National Highways Association and boost for paved highways anywhere and everywhere. Of course, we've been called all kinds of names because we didn't. Down in Arkansas the other day 500 small farms were sold at a Federal receiver's sale to satisfy the tax assessments levied to build automobile highways. That's one reason why we are not carrying the free cut of the National Highways Association at the head of our editorial column. Automobiles are good—when you can afford them. Paved highways are good—when you can afford them. But to break every small farmer in the country in order to build a road that the autoist can go over on high is not good anywhere, anytime. So we are not a member of the National Highways Association."

If, as is assumed here, the establishment of national highways would "break every small farmer in the country," their building would be a national crime. If, as is assumed here, the only end and aim of hard roads was to enable the autoist to speed, their

TARHEEL TATTLE

By Carl William Bailey

A Rose For Mother.

Let me wear a rose for mother
Upon this day in May,
A big red rose for the best friend
That ever came my way.

Though the miles stretch away to the South
That separate you from me,
I board the limited—Retrospect—
And soon I'm again with thee.
Quite distinctly do I remember
Through the vista of the years,
How you used to guide my wayward steps,
And dispel my childish fears.

How you used to tuck me into bed
With a mother's skill and care,
And fondly kiss me, with "Good-night, son."
After I had said my prayer.
Oh, that I could turn back the Curtains
And be just a child once more,
And let you tuck me away in bed
As you did in days of yore!

How you bore, with great love and patience,
All my childish wayward wrongs;
And how I loved to sit and listen
To your softly crooning songs.
Though I would search the wide world over,
In northern clime, or souther,
I could not find a friend so noble,
Not one like you, my mother!

So, here's a rose for you, mother,
And one for every day,
A big red rose for the best friend
That ever came my way.

Crowding the Day's Events.

With a robbery here early Sunday morning, a homicide at Lake Junaluska Sunday morning, an automobile crash in the afternoon, and a fire early Sunday evening, life in Waynesville is getting strenuous and much like city life.—Carolina Mountaineer.

Too Many!

Just stroll along the river,
In the month of May,
Looking for a place to cast
Where the fishes play,
Anglers are so plentiful,
No place to be found—
Too many river dreamers
For the fishing ground!

The river banks are crowded
All along each side,
Every soul is feeding bait
To the finny tribe;
And big ones in deep water
Where they're safe and sound—
Too many merry anglers
For the fishing ground!

A "Happy Combination."

Mountain forests amply attired in every shade of green now make a picture admired by all Nature lovers and the praises of the softly beneficent airs of Spring are sung by the poets. The moon-hiner likewise carols his approval of the season whose abundant foliage screens him from prying eyes and its warm air which stimulates the working of his mash. The beautiful and the useful form a happy combination.—Asheville Times.

The Grateful One.

We fret and nudge our muse
And sometimes vent abuse
Trying to write this column gaily;
We are a weakly Go-at;
More than a weekly poet;
But thank the Lord it isn't daily!

building would be an economic absurdity. The facts are so well known that they hardly need reiteration, yet it may serve to emphasize the mistaken viewpoint quoted above, to say again (1) hard roads pay for themselves in decreased hauling costs of the farmers who use them. (2) Hard roads pay for themselves in the increased value of land along them, owned largely by the farmers. (3) The "autoist" is very often a farmer. The great majority of farmers own cars, and have more interests in good roads than either tourists or city dwellers. It takes all sorts of people to make a world, and it wouldn't be nearly so interesting if they all thought alike! Luckily for the nation, which is eventually to have a mileage of good roads, expressed not in thousands but in millions, the ideas and standpoint of the editor of the Payette Lake Star are not held by the vast majority of the progressive farmers of the nation. In their continual approval of bond issues, their participation in Federal aid, and their enthusiastic boosting of good roads everywhere, they are slowly but surely lifting this great nation out of the mud and getting for themselves the transportation which they must have if they are to get the best from their farms and from life.

The Sunday School Lesson For May 11, 1924

THE first thing in the preparation of a Sunday School lesson is to find out just how much of the Bible is to be studied. The lesson material gives only a few verses in the 11th chapter of Second Kings. You will not be satisfied with such a little bit, will you? So first of all be sure to read the whole of the 11th chapter. Feel the thrill of the events of seven years as they pass quickly before you. (Do not forget to read the whole chapter.)

You have finished the chapter? Good! Now with the thrill of this chapter still in mind go to the first book of Kings and read the 14th and 15th chapters. (Do not forget this.) You have read it—fine.

Now come back to the 11th chapter. Forget that you have a quarterly for a few minutes and look at the Bible before you. Forget that many of the verses are left out in the quarterly and divide the verses just as it seems good to you. Now you have your own division. That is good. Here is mine:

Division 1, verses 1-3, The saving of Joash.

Division 2, verses 4-10, Jehoiada plans with his captains.

Division 3, verses 11-12, Crowning the King.

Division 4, verses 13-16, The murder of the Queen.

Division 5, verses 17-18, The destruction of Baal.

How does your division compare with mine? With your Bible before you ponder over this and tell your friends what you have found.

1—The Saving of Joash.

The Bible tells us that Athaliah became furious upon the death of her son by the hand of Jehu and spent her anger upon her own household. She thought she had put to death all the seed royal. But God was standing within the shadows keeping watch above his own and caused Jehoshaba an aunt of Joash (who was then a babe) to save the life of this little boy. Truly on "Mother's Day" we have reason to say "The hand that rocks the cradle rules the world." Very quietly she stood by her husband Jehoiada and made it possible for him to overthrow the worship of Baal. It is often that man can say: "Whatever greatness I have attained I attribute to my wife!" Certainly Jehoiada had reason to say as much.

2—Jehoiada Plans With His Captains.

Jehoiada had the help of dependable captains who felt the sacredness of their trust. With these he made a covenant and an oath that Joash would be crowned King. He told the captains the exact thing that each should do. So dependable were these men that the thing was accomplished exactly as commanded.

3—The Crowning of the King.

On the day planned the captains and their men executed the plans formed by Jehoiada. The temple was well guarded as well as the house of the king where the wicked Queen was. Little did she dream of the coming events. No doubt her conceit caused her to feel that quite some homage was being paid to her. She was unaware that at that moment the boy was being crowned king and receiving the testimony. He received the constitution and was made head of the land. The ceremony was concluded with shouts of "Long live the king!" This was accompanied with much noise and clapping of hands.

4—The Murder of the Queen.

When the Queen heard the noise she came to the house of God to inquire as to its meaning. When she saw the whole assembly including the king, the priests, the captains and trumpeters, she cried, "Treason! Treason!" But her cries aroused no sympathy and the result was the total destruction of the Queen and all who followed her. She was not murdered in the House of God, but in the road made for the horses near the house in which she had carried on her wicked rulings for six or seven years.

5—The Destruction of Baal.

Immediately after the death of the queen a covenant was entered into between Jehoiada, the king and the people. Having this agreement they proceeded to the house of Baal and completely demolished it; his altars were broken; his images broken in pieces and the priests of Baal slain.

Jehoiada was the principal figure in the establishing of a better day in Judah. The call is clear for the breaking down of the worshipping of material things in our own day for the establishing of a spirit of true

Letters From The People

To All Who Are Interested in Sabbath School Work in Cherokee County:

As most of our people know, a county Sabbath school association was organized at Murphy, in the summer of 1922. At that time the statement was made, and it was undoubtedly true, that sixty percent of our young people did not attend any school of this kind. Under the impulse of this shocking statement, the organization went to work to try to bring about some improvement in this situation, and at the annual meeting, held last summer, it appeared that some improvement had taken place, though conditions were still far short of what they should be. The next annual meeting will be held during the coming summer at Andrews and the date yet to be fixed, of which due notice will be given, and we believe that all who are interested in this great work are anxious that we make a better showing this year.

Someone has said that the church which neglects its young people, destroys its own future, and there is more than a modicum of truth in this statement. These young people are truly the hope of the church and of the nation as well, and it has also been said that "the church and the nation of tomorrow, walk in the boys and girls of today." We will not take time to argue the great importance of Sabbath school work for we believe that this will be admitted by all, but shall come to the point at once.

With the coming of the Spring and the consequent improvement in our roads, over their state in winter, we desire to urge all persons, who are interested in Sabbath school work, without regard to denominational preference, for the work of this Association is non-denominational, to get busy, and let us see what we can accomplish between now and the time of our next county meeting. There are doubtless neighborhoods in different sections of our county where there are no Sabbath schools at all, and it is perhaps also true that in other sections that had Sabbath schools, they have been allowed to lapse during the Winter months. May we not urge all persons who love their country and have a zeal for the Kingdom, to interest themselves at once in this great work? In those neighborhoods where there are now no such schools let them get together and organize without delay. Where others have been allowed to lapse, either in whole or in part, let them do all they can to revive the proper interest, and so let us see if we cannot change the situation within the borders of our county.

The forces of evil are never inactive. The hitherto unrestricted influx of foreigners into our country, many of them alien to our ideals, and without proper understanding of our institutions, have well nigh destroyed the old-fashioned Christian Sabbath in some sections of our own land, and their pernicious influence is beginning to affect us of the South. As we have kept our stock pure, having here, in North Carolina, less than one percent of foreign blood, let us see to it that the institutions inherited from the fathers be kept pure. The best way to guard against contamination is by teaching the children "that good and right way." We fear that the old-fashioned home, where the head of the house gathered its family around the family altar, ministered daily to a priest of the living God, and where the children were taught the essential truths of God's plan for the salvation of the lives of souls of men, has become a thing of the past, and that to the Sabbath school in large part, and that to the Sabbath school in large part, has been left the task of teaching these things. Let us not fail them.

We hope that if those who feel interested in this matter put forth any efforts and especially if they be able to accomplish anything they will not fail to write us fully at the end that we may make report of the coming meeting of our county association.

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Health hint to motorists: A tail light is about the only one that can get away just a tail light.

Famous last words: "Watch out for me at the next corner."