

WHERE WE FIND SOME OF OUR DEPARTED FRIENDS

Those old paint buckets we used while painting up last spring.—Under the house on in the closet. (They are about right now to start a fire or make a fine incubator for mosquitoes, etc.)

The Christmas edition of a New York paper.—It's back behind the kitchen cabinet. (You never went back to read it the second time.)

The shavings and scraps the carpenters left when they remodeled the house.—They are stuck around in little piles under the house and around the yard. (Unightly and dangerous.)

The boxes in which the furniture was packed.—It's up in the attic. We are going to use it some time. (Said that last year.) You are going to use it some time, too, if you don't mind.

Those buckets we mixed the white-wash in last spring.—They are around on the north side of the house. Thought it was best to leave them there where the sun would never reach them.

The hat boxes and tissue paper which came around last Easter's hat and clothes.—They are up in the attic with those from Easter before last. They are doing no good—might do harm. Better clean up and get rid of them.

Take a look around your premises. Clean up. Get those fire breeders and germ breeders out of your house and out of your yard. They belong on the city dump heap, but will never get there until you start something. Start them on the road to the dump heap—that's your part.

All is trash which reason cannot reach. There is no reason for:

A back yard full of broken bits of goods boxes.

A basement full of old papers, hat boxes, and ashes.

An attic full of broken chairs, soft stuffing, and old carpet strips you will never use.

All the wrapping paper and old newspapers which have for years blown under the house.

"Rarely do things perish from my memory that are worth remembering—rubbish dies instantly."—DeQuincy.

You will find the rubbish which has perished from your memory stuck around in the basement, closets and attic of the home in which your wife and children sleep every night, in the same house in which you keep all the little things which are near and dear to you.

Have a Clean-up Week and clear your house and home of that rubbish.

Quit flirting with the fire department.

Clean up and be safe.
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DATE CIVILIZATION FROM YEAR 1700 B. C.

Presence of a civilization dating back to 1700 B. C. has been discovered at the site of Beisan, the Beth-Shan of the Bible, according to word received in Philadelphia from Dr. Clarence B. Fisher, head of the University of Pennsylvania archeologists, working in the Holy Land.

The reports stated that relics of this civilization were found in the seventh subceller of the hill of Beisan, and that on top of it were piled in distinct strata six other cities or civilizations. However, extensive digging thus far has proceeded only to the third level, uncovering the remains, first, of an Arab city; below it a Byzantine community, containing pretentious edifices, and below this ruins of Roman city.

The most important find was hieroglyphic stella of the fourteenth century, as yet undeciphered. Dr. Fisher reported he hoped to find one or more of the iron chariots from which the place was famous in Biblical history.

The University of Pennsylvania has engaged in this sort of work since 1889, when the university museum was founded as the department of archeology. This institution became the beneficiary of the results of four Babylonian expeditions which operated on the site of Nippur for extensive periods between 1888 and 1900.

The Temple of Bel, probably the oldest known edifice in the world, was brought to light in these investigations, and the collections of 20,000 clay tablets brought to this country made the university a shrine for delvers into ancient history. Portions of the code of laws of Hammurabi, King of Babylon about 200 B. C.; of the Sumerian account of the creation of the world, of the founding of the principal cities of Babylon and the deluge, deciphered from the sun-baked slabs of clay, have proved of value and intense interest to scholars.

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KNOW NORTH CAROLINA; WHAT CAROLINA NEEDS

North Carolina cannot live on its past. What are we willing to give toward its future? Within the boundaries of this commonwealth are all requisites for the building of a great state—soil, climate, natural resources, means of communication, and an inspiring people.

North Carolina needs faith in herself. To believe that the golden ages lies in the past rather than in the future is a denial of faith. When the backward look dominates a people it is already in the first stages of decay.

North Carolina needs a revision of its organic law. The present constitution must be made to square with the facts of modern times. A constitution which does not grow with a progressive people is destined in time to become a barrier to further progress.

North Carolina needs a country life commission. A state whose population is eighty per cent rural can never go far beyond the average standard of living of its farming people. The co-operative movement is an indication that farmer purposes to have a more distinct voice in his economic affairs. But, man does not live by bread alone—even though the bread be made from wheat scientifically grown and co-operatively marketed. The good things of life—education, recreation, health, culture—may all come to the residents of cities in their compact groups without additional stimulus from the state. A country life commission would interest itself in promoting a more equal distribution of these good things to the food-producers.

North Carolina needs an earnest, concentrated campaign to wipe out the blot of illiteracy. The level of a state's progress must always be gauged by the extent of the people's ability to share in the thoughts, hopes, aspirations, discoveries, and movements of humanity. So long as North Carolina has a white illiteracy rate higher than that of 46 other states in the Union, her level of progress will be lower than it ought to be.

"Great is our heritage of hope, and great

The obligation of our civic fate."
—E. C. Lindeman, Professor of Sociology, N. C. College for Women.

SELFISHNESS

Editor Herald: In attempting to discuss this great question I hardly know where to begin for there can be so much said upon this subject.

Well, did you ever see some of these real selfish, grouchy fellows, who are always walking around complaining of the taxes they have to pay for road building, for schools, well for everything—worrying everybody who they come in contact with? Cursing those who they vote to make our laws. Setting up their judgment against the folks of the state, and even the nation. I have known a few of these old guys; do you ever know these same fellows? They don't count for much in their communities or their county. I do really believe that a real selfish, narrow minded man is a menace to the progress of any community where he lives, because he will always have some one, who he will have some influence over, helping to keep up a stir. Several years ago there was a man who lived in Raleigh, N. C. by the name of John Pullen. This man died and the people of Raleigh turned out to his burial by the thousands to pay their last tribute of respect to one who had been a great friend to everybody and especially to the poor of the city. Mr. Pullen was a great banker and financier and regarded as a great Christian. The Lord prospered him in his business and this unselfish man gave thousands of dollars away in helping those who were down-trodden and financially depressed. Oh! If we could see ourselves as the Lord sees us.

I do believe one of the meanest sins of today is ingratitude and selfishness. We are affected in our church life by this terrible sin. Some members throw the burden of church expenses upon the few who have to carry the weight of expenses of the church for those unwilling to do their part. A real stingy, close, selfish person does not amount or count for much in the world.

Selfishness leads folks to be dishonest too, not willing to give the other fellow a square deal; taking advantage of ignorance, the fellow who can't help himself. Oh! If we would only apply the Golden Rule to ourselves. Treat the other fellow as we would have him treat us.

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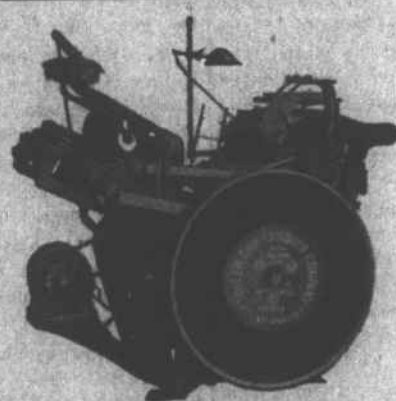
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