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Isn't it about time for the Turks to go to killing the Armenians again?

Now that they ride in automobiles, why do army officers wear spurs?

When Greek meets Greek, it is time for the Turks to make themselves scarce.

Babe Ruth may be the home run king, but Judge Landis is the baseball czar.

Why not let China have something to say about the open door. It's her door.

Congress is still talking about reducing government expenses. Yes, still talking.

An exchange says Herbert Hoover is an idealist. No; he says he is a republican.

As it appears now, the rail labor has assumed a fatherly attitude toward the brotherhoods.

The average senator's plan for settling a serious problem seems to be to talk it to death.

Our descendants may thank us for winning the world war, if they ever get through paying for it.

Senator Tom Watson seems to believe all that is told him, whether he believes all he says or not.

A dispatch says Lenin fears that soviet rule will fail. And the rest of the world hopes it will.

The Philadelphia man who was awarded \$60,000 for the loss of a foot probably envies a centipede.

Some women think that as soon as they acquire a husband and a girl opener they are equipped for life.

Washington is our seat of government, and Congress has been sitting on it so that it is almost worn out.

But even at that, Senator Tom Watson remained quiet for a good while longer than most people thought he would.

Many Arabian women spend \$1,000 a year for perfumes. No wonder the men fold their tents and silently steal away.

Railroad brotherhood leaders are poor judges of psychology, or they never would have talked of a strike in times like these.

A foresighted man is one who doesn't have to get up and hunt for another quilt when the temperature drops during the night.

The man or woman who doesn't feel more kindly toward the world at the approach of Christmas deserves to be forgotten by Santa Claus.

Do you suppose Germany is getting even with her late enemies by depreciating the value of her currency until it isn't worth anything?

A Baltimore man claims to have discovered a weed that will cure the tobacco habit. But the weed habit may be worse than the tobacco habit.

The arms conference has agreed that China shall operate her own postal system, and not one paragraph has suggested Burleson for the job.

It is curious how quiet we are when a millionaire endows a hospital, observe the Columbia Record, and how excited we become when he endows a chorus girl.

An Iowa woman who was in an auto accident has sued for \$20,000 for the loss of her beauty. One of those thoughtful women, possibly, who has saved the bills to prove it.

Early imports show the overblouse visible below the jacket. The English top coat, which is very pronounced in design, and many hair coats are being worn.

Everything will come out all right at the disarmament conference, the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot thinks, if the yellow races act white and the white races don't act yellow.

Senator Watson and Congressman Blanton have been furnishing some interesting reading matter to the Congressional Record even if they have been doing nothing else.

We would never suspect some men of doing good deeds if they didn't come around and sell about them.

OLD WELDON.

Things That Happened 33 Years Ago in Town and Vicinity.

December 13, 1888.—Rev. G. T. Simmons, who joined the N. C. Conference at its recent meeting was assigned to Ekin station, in the mountains. There is no better man than he and we wish him well.

Mr. A. J. Joyner, a native of this county, is here visiting his many friends who are always glad to see him.

Tuesday a rabid dog ran a muck at Halifax, fighting every dog he met in the streets. He finally entered Mr. J. J. Wood's yard and attacked his dog. While attempting to separate them Mr. Wood was bitten by the mad dog on the leg. He went immediately to Dr. Furgerson who applied the necessary remedies. The dog was killed.

Miss Pattie Lou Lewis, daughter of Ex-Sheriff R. J. Lewis, was run over and killed by a train at Alexander, Buncombe county, last Tuesday. For several months past she has been teaching school at that place. She was in the habit of walking along the railroad and across a trestle in the afternoon and on this particular day she was on the trestle when a special train which was unexpected came along and ran over her. She was about sixteen years of age.

On Thursday night of last week as the sexton was putting out the lights at the Methodist church after service was over, a tramp came in and asked permission to warm himself, was accorded him. The next day it was discovered that the trimmings of the pulpit and about two yards of the aisle carpet had been cut off and stolen.

The Rev. J. D. Arnold, of Henderson, preached in the Methodist church Sunday morning to a large congregation.

The Rev. Gilbert Higgs preached at the Episcopal church Friday night.

The U. D. C. met with Mrs. C. W. Gregory on Wednesday afternoon. Quite a number of members were present and responded to roll call. The president, Mrs. Charles E. Williamson, opened the meeting with prayer and Scripture reading in concert by the members. The president appointed two committees, Mrs. R. S. Travis and Mrs. Alice Hudson for the Musical Department and Mrs. D. R. Anderson as chairman of the Literary Committee. The president requested the members, and any one interested in this worthy cause, to bring a contribution to the hero fund. This fund is applied to the education and maintenance of the children of soldiers of the world war. Any one, whether a member of the U. D. C. or not can contribute. Send money to Mrs. Charles E. Williamson, president. The president also brought to the notice of the members, the book, "Women of the South," that should be in every Southern woman's library, for herself and her children. We are familiar with the heroes, now let us learn some thing of the heroines of the war. After the routine of business Mrs. Gregory, assisted by Mrs. J. S. Turner, and Mrs. S. J. Dixon, served sandwiches and coffee. The members were urged to be in attendance at the January meeting and bring their dues.

OF INTEREST TO PARENTS.

The County Health Department has made arrangements with the Hospital authorities at Roanoke Rapids whereby school children in Halifax county can have their tonsils, adenoids removed for \$15.00 provided they go in a club of several at a time and that the children are between the ages of 6 and 13 years. The above is an expense charge and not a fee—it is a great saving for the people in the county. One clinic has already been held and 11 children have had their tonsils and adenoids removed on this plan.

Parents who are interested in the above should see the County Health Officer.

There will be unemployment so long as two-dollar men insist on four-dollar jobs or none at all.

J. T. FLYTHE

Dies in Norfolk Last Thursday—Clerk of the Superior Court of Northampton County for Thirty-two Years—Leader in Political and Religious Fields

Jesse Thomas Flythe, Clerk of the Northampton Superior Court, died in a Norfolk hospital on Thursday day of last week, where he had been taken for an operation. He was 56 years of age and had held the position of Clerk of the Court of Northampton county for thirty-two years.

Mr. Flythe was among the most prominent men in Eastern Carolina in politics, in banking and in religious work. He had on several occasions been mentioned as a possible candidate for Congress, though he did not seek the office.

He organized, and until recently was head of the Bank of Northampton, and he promoted and was the principal owner of the Jackson electric light plant.

A member of the Methodist church and a Sunday school superintendent, he was for several years the treasurer of the board of missions of the North Carolina Conference.

Besides his widow, Mr. Flythe is survived by five sons: J. A. Flythe, editor of the Northampton Progress; Dr. Allen G. Flythe, of Philadelphia, and Arthur B., Julian T., and S. S. Flythe, of Jackson.

The funeral took place at Jackson last Saturday afternoon, and it is said there were over two thousand friends in attendance, a former pastor, Rev. J. M. Wright, conducting the funeral services, assisted by ten other ministers, including the Presiding Elder, of the District. The floral designs were beautiful and elaborate.

The News and Observer in speaking of his death, says:

"For nearly a third of a century, Mr. J. T. Flythe, who died a few days ago, served as Clerk of the Superior Court of Northampton county, latterly by the unanimous vote of the people of his county. He was a model citizen and public official, without guile and with large contribution of good works. He had served his church with the same fidelity which marked him as a public official, and at the session of the Methodist Conference was chosen as delegate to the General Conference of his church.

It is due to quiet, unobtrusive, public spirited Christian men like J. T. Flythe that the State rests securely. The passing of such a citizen is a public loss."

ENDORSES HEALTH WORK.

At a regular meeting of the County Medical Society held in Halifax Wednesday, December 7, a resolution made by Dr. Long and seconded by Dr. Thigpen was passed unanimously, endorsing the County Health Department and all the physicians present authorized the publication of their names as signed to the resolution, which is as follows:

Motion: "That the County Health Department of Halifax county be endorsed and that the same be authorized as now organized. That a county nurse be authorized and that if possible a native be employed, and that she be entirely under the direction of the county health officer and responsible for duty only to him."

(Signed) H. B. FURGERSON, Pres. T. W. M. LONG, Vice-Pres. W. L. FLEMING, H. G. LASSITER, V. W. LEGGETT, J. W. MARTIN, B. M. NICHOLSON, O. F. SMITH, W. G. SUTHER, H. G. THIGPEN, F. C. WHITAKER.

A resolution was also passed authorizing the use of the black list system beginning January 1, 1922. This was suspended in the summer of 1921 on account of the general financial depression in the country.

BIDS TOO LOW.

According to reports, the differential bids for the municipal bonds at Littleton for \$150,000 for water works and other city improvements were opened for inspection last week, but all found to be too low to be accepted by the board of commissioners, and hence higher bids will have to be made to the satisfaction of the board before they can be disposed of.

MAKE OTHERS HAPPY.

Best Way to Celebrate Christmas is to Do Something in Memory of Childhood Days.

It seems that when one has grown a little old, the best and the happiest way to celebrate Christmas is to do something for remembrance—in remembrance of one's own childhood, for Christmas is really for the little children, after all.

It is for children more than for others because it is a day that commemorates the birth of a child—that wondrous Christ child that was born in a manger of a stable in the little town of Bethlehem 2,000 years ago.

Now, there will be scarcely a child in all the world who will not await the dawn of Christmas morning with a wondering soul. It is the dawn of that day when the morning stars sang together, and with peace on earth and good will toward men were proclaimed from the high heavens. But, there will be many a child to whom Christmas will not bring its dearly longed-for happiness.

The children of the rich will not be disappointed, nor will the children of the very poor be disappointed. It is the child who has not rich or well-to-do folks, but who, at the same time, is not subject for charity, who will be unhappy when Christmas comes.

And it is this child that you should seek out and make happy—for remembrances.

You see, it is a fact that we can make a happy Christmas for ourselves only by making some one else happy. Do not think that you can make a happy Christmas for yourself any other way, because you cannot do so.

Try the way here pointed out. The child is easily found, when you have found that one and have made it happy, the very angels of God will envy you the gladness that you will feel.

HONOR ROLL—THIRD MONTH.

1st Grade—Martha Hawkins, Reva Moore, Alma Dickens, Mary Alice Powell, William Hazelwood, Frederick Gore, Melville Zollicoffer, Mary Drake, Ethel McGee, Ida Knox, Alice Birdsong, Mary Hartsoe, Virginia Rittenhouse, William Hawkins.

Advanced First Grade—John Crew, Isaac Medlin, Arline Barnett, Marvel Cullom, Jimmie Wallace, Mollie Knox.

Second Grade—Lillian Mae Carter, Mary Cook Green, Selma Whitehead, Frances House, Callie Grant, Eleanor Chittenden, Walter Marks, Gerline Keeter, Gordon Draper, Raymond Moore, Austin Dickens, Ben Wyche, Margaret Lewis, Mabel Howell, Gladys Cook, Katie Currie, Talmage Williamson.

Third Grade—Phil Ivey, Madison Armstead, Mary Jane Zollicoffer, Mary Letha Barnes, Neta Shearin.

Fourth Grade—Lillian P. Williams, Mabel Whiteakers, Ola Belle Whitehead, Annie Sue Howell, Clide Green Fulgham, Decima Dudash.

Fifth Grade—Mary Whiteley, Chester Draper, Ovid Pierce, Maxine Drake.

Sixth Grade—Ruby Worrel, Hadley Lewis, Anna Olivia Drake, Elizabeth Chittenden, Virginia Turner, Elizabeth Allen.

Seventh Grade—David Jackson Ward, Walter Lee Scott, Mattie Jones, Eugenia Hudson.

High School—Elizabeth Green, Ruth Rutenhouse, Ellice Bounds, Elsie Crew, Margaret Jordan, Winfield Crew, Gladys Jones, Frances Scott, Margaret Hudson, Louise Hayward, Bessie Jones, Charles Vincent, Grainger Pierce, Sadie Sylvester, Walter Daniel, Helen Rowell, Lucile Wallace, Hazel Grant, William Pierce.

DRY AMERICA.

Dr. L. J. Picot, of Littleton, who has been attending a business meeting of surgeons of the Seaboard Air Line Railroad Company at Havana, Cuba, for the past two weeks, returned home last week. Dr. Picot is an exceptionally close observer, and he gives quite an elaborate and interesting account of his delightful sojourn. Thereupon being interrogated as to sobriety between "bone dry" America and abundantly "wet" Cuba, he replied that he did not see during his entire sojourn in Havana, but two seemingly intoxicated men or people, and they were from "dry" America.

GOODS ROADS.

Halifax County Maintenance System a Success.

The North Carolina Highway Bulletin for November, contains quite an extensive article by our townsman, Mr. C. F. Gore, on the roads of Halifax and Northampton counties, giving several beautiful illustrations of the roads and bridges in the two counties. In speaking of the Halifax county roads and bridges, Mr. Gore says:

"Since the organization of our system, we have reclaimed 76 miles of road, reconstructed 43 miles, and made passable 65 miles of secondary roads. This work was done by the maintenance camps and it is in addition to 35 miles which have received constant maintenance.

There is just one other thought in connection with Halifax county that I would like to mention, that is, her bridge activities. No highway is stronger than its bridges, and bridge maintenance is just as important as highway maintenance.

As stated above in August 1919 Halifax county had 157 wooden bridges, 90 of which were in dangerous condition. Realizing that with so many bridges it would be impossible to use concrete, and also realizing the necessity of prompt action, we decided to use creosoted pile structures, driving cypress piles and using unbled long leaf Florida pine timber. Since this time, we have built 28 pile bridges have a total span of 1340 feet. We have constructed 7 concrete, and 36 wooden bent bridges, and have repaired and refloored 117 bridges."

AN APPRECIATION.

Whereas, Our beloved sister, and co-worker, Mrs. J. G. Blalock, has moved from us to another field of service, we the members of the W. M. Society of the Weldon Baptist Church desire to express our sincere appreciation of her faithful work among us.

Therefore, be it resolved, 1. That the W. M. Society has lost one of its most consecrated and efficient members.

2. That we deeply appreciate the constructive and faithful work of our sister, both in the W. M. S., and the Ladies Aid Society.

3. That we pray that God's choicest blessings may abide upon her and her family.

4. That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our Society's minutes, that a copy be sent to the ROANOKE NEWS for publication, and that a copy be sent to Mrs. J. G. Blalock.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. A. S. ALLEN, MRS. M. M. DRAKE, MRS. J. A. JOHNSTON, Com.

IN HONOR OF MISS MUSGROVE

On Tuesday afternoon Miss Carolyn Rowe was hostess at a Novelty Shower given in honor of Miss Willie Black Musgrove. The house was beautifully decorated in flowers and potted plants.

When all of the guests had assembled, Miss Rowe distributed cards on which each one wrote some recipe for cooking to the bride-to-be, and no doubt but what these will be of great use to Miss Willie Black.

A huge tray of packages were presented to Miss Musgrove and upon opening these, there were found many beautiful and useful things.

A most delicious ice course was served, followed by nuts and minis. Miss Rowe was assisted in serving by Mesdames J. T. Tyree and R. C. Cornwall.

The guests after spending a most delightful afternoon departed, declaring Miss Rowe a charming hostess.

WE THANK YOU.

A valued subscriber in remitting his subscription, says: "Another year is rapidly drawing to a close. Another Christmas is near at hand, and every soul that is behind on sending his subscription to the good, patient editor of THE NEWS, should remember him and help make the lights of Christmas eve spell joy. With continued success and warmest regards."

MUSIC CLUB TO MEET.

The Music Club will meet with Mrs. L. D. Hayman on Wednesday, Dec. 21st, at 3:30 o'clock. All members are requested to be present. Mrs. H. B. HARRELL, JR., Sec.

FASHION FANCIES.

Something to Please and Interest Our Lady Readers.

Long black gloves are in greater demand than the long white kid glove.

Flowers and fruit are being shown more and more on winter hats. In many instances one or two large flowers appear on either side of the brim, giving a wide side effect.

Red heels are reported as the newest thing from Paris, while velvet slippers in high colors are worn for evening.

Medallions of diamonds or rhinestones mounted on bands of maline matching the hair and arranged so that the jewels have the effect of being plastered on the forehead since the maline fastening is practically invisible, are popular for evening wear.

The all black coat is being worn whether it is black fur or caracul, monkey, wolf, fox or lynx, on black cloths.

SPEAK UP.

Since our last issue, several people have expressed a willingness to contribute towards helping Mr. W. H. Carroll out. It will be remembered he lost by fire, in one night, 8 bales of cotton, all his corn and fodder together with his team, which leaves him without anything. Five dollars will neither make you nor break you, but if one hundred will contribute \$5.00 it will mean a great deal to Mr. Carroll. Don't put it off, the winter is coming on, and this brother is left without anything with a wife and a large family of children to support.

"A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead."

And then the narrative is that by chance there came down a certain priest that way, but he "passing on the other side," and likewise a Levite—he, too, passed by on the other side.

Praise God, a certain Samaritan journeyed that way, and he had oil and wine, and he ministered to the stranger—had compassion on him, bound up his wounds."

Are you willing to pass by on the other side and not contribute towards helping this brother? The matter is with YOU.

THE RIMING GAME.

Each player receives two slips of paper. On one she must write a question, on the other a noun. All the question slips are then dropped into one bag or basket and all the nouns into another. Shake the baskets so as to mix the slips thoroughly, then allow each player to draw a question and a noun without looking at them.

The players have paper and pencils and in five or ten minutes must compose a stanza or two that answer the question and bring in the noun in rime.

Before beginning, each player should write the noun and the question at the top of the page, thus:

Question: Why does grandma like sugar?
Noun: Gunpowder.

When grandma was a girl, my dear, In days now long gone by, The civil war was raging still; She heard the bullets fly!

Good things to eat were very scarce And sugar, too, you see; And so she always asks for more In her gunpowder tea.

LITTLETON AND WELDON.

On Friday afternoon Weldon High School boys met Littleton on the local basket ball arena. This was the strongest team we had met this year. From the first sound of the referee's whistle, the teams showed that they were equally matched. Our boys got down to their old form and were winning the game when our star center, Walter Daniel, was stooping for the ball and broke his collar bone by hitting his shoulder on the hip bone of his opponent.

This accident happened with just a minute more to play to finish the first half of the game. John Wyche was put in to finish the remaining time of the first half, when the final score stood 22 to 16 in favor of Weldon. This, however, cannot be called a game for but half of the game was played.

PERSONALS

And Other Items Told In Brief Form.

1921 will soon be gone. Only ten days to Christmas.

All the cotton has been picked out.

The shortest day will soon be here.

Superior Court adjourned last Thursday.

And you can't keep a good price down, either.

Mrs. C. P. Rodwell visited Richmond last week.

Mrs. L. C. Draper visited Richmond last week.

Mrs. H. D. Allen visited Richmond last week.

Mrs. W. G. Sutter visited Richmond last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Grant visited Richmond last week.

Many a girl is beautiful, but no other girl ever told her so.

The store windows are beginning to look like Christmas.

Mrs. C. J. Owen spent a few days in Richmond last week.

Old Santa Claus is getting ready to fill the children's stockings.

All the children are good now. Christmas is near, you know.

Mrs. J. T. Tyree and children, left last week for Rocky Mount.

And in the old days we used to judge a girl's beauty by her face.

It is all right to have a grouch, provided you keep it to yourself.

Miss Willie Musgrove spent a few days in Richmond last week.

Mrs. M. S. Mounicastle spent a few days in Richmond last week.

Mr. E. B. Emory, of Atlanta, Ga., spent the week end in town.

Mr. Sidney Allen, of Greensboro, visited relatives here last week.

The turkey that escaped Thanksgiving will adorn the Christmas table.

There would not be so much unrest if so many people were not resting.

Miss Agnes Stainback, of Norfolk, spent several days in town last week.

You can send a boy to college, but you can't always make him profit by it.

Mrs. J. G. Pugh and children, of Portsmouth, are visiting relatives in town.

Yes, we suppose a man may charge the upkeep of his auto running expenses.

A man has to hustle these days in order to keep up with his running expenses.

Mrs. George D. Hawks and Mrs. Alice B. Hudson visited Richmond last week.

While we are having a little taste of winter, the season does not begin until the 21st.

And sometimes a man is a conservative because he is too lazy to be anything else.

Some people always seem surprised when we have a little cold weather in winter.

"Money Doesn't Make Fools," says a headline. No; but a lot of fools make money.

The world would be happier if people were as ready to share their joys as their troubles.

William Holoman went to Richmond Sunday to see his father, returning Monday night.

The woman ought to be regarded as the head of the house if she foots the bills, don't you think?

You can find all the handsomest goods for the holiday gifts at Mrs. P. A. Lewis'. Remember that.

What do you suppose the people who used to manufacture corkscrews are doing for a living now?

Mrs. W. A. Pierce, Master William and Miss Martha Pierce spent several days in Richmond last week.

When you find a man who is a good husband you will also find, close by, the woman who deserves credit for it.

Christmas cards will be sold and subscriptions to all magazines will be taken at the bazaar Thursday, December 15th.

Mr. Ashley S. Hudson, who has been visiting relatives in Weldon, left for his home in Roddy, Tenn., last Thursday.

Misses Florence Allen and Katherine Ward, who have been visiting friends in Greensboro, have returned home.

Mrs. E. L. Whitehead, of Lynchburg, Va., who has been visiting relatives and friends in Weldon, has returned home.

Mrs. W. T. Whitehead was taken to the Roanoke Rapids Hospital last Monday evening where she underwent a very successful operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. J. P. Holoman left for Richmond Tuesday to accompany Mr. Holoman home from Johnston-Willis Hospital where he has been a patient for over ten days. He expects to come home the last of the week.

THE MUSIC CLUB.

The Weldon Music Club will have a community sing some time during Christmas. This will be combined with a musical shower. Any one having records which they are tired of, or duplicate records, musical magazines, pictures, etc., are requested to donate them. The club will then turn them over to the school. Every one is invited. The time and place will be announced later.

The music memory contest will soon be in full swing at the school and it is hoped the community at large will become interested in this move for more and better music.

THE DIFFERENCE.

All Optimistic Husbands and Fathers (on December 26, with sighs of relief, they view their pocketbooks): "Christmas is past!"

All Pessimistic Husbands and Fathers (on the same date, as, with groans of dread, they view the same): "Christmas is coming!"

FIRE AT ROSEMARY.

On Tuesday morning about one o'clock fire was discovered in Johnson's Cafe. Before the flames could be gotten under control it had destroyed Smith's garage and Mr. Rabl's store. The loss is estimated at several thousand dollars.

Administrator's Notice.

The undersigned having qualified in the Superior Court of Halifax county on the 8th day of December, 1921, as administrator of the estate of G. R. Shearin, deceased, hereby notifies all persons holding claims against said estate to present them to him duly verified at his office in Weldon, N. C., on or before twelve months from the date of this notice or the same will be paid in bar of their recovery.