

NORTH CAROLINA EVENTS.

News in Concise Form For The Busy Reader.

Out of six men arrested in Hickory last week for drunkenness, five of them had been drinking denatured alcohol out of a bottle labeled poison.

Five tons of dynamite was used in a blast near Statesville one day last week.

A movement is on foot for the erection of a cotton mill on the Godwin Johnson lands, one mile west of Dunn, and on the State highway leading to Duke from Dunn.

Unless President Harding interferes with the expenditure of the \$56,000,000 provided for river and harbor improvement North Carolina will get a large sum of money for various projects and surveys. An interesting feature of the work planned is the survey of the French Broad river.

The Supreme court of North Carolina will be called on to pass upon the constitutionality of the act of the 1923 General Assembly exempting from taxation in foreign corporations held by citizens of North Carolina.

Dr. J. B. Hunley, pastor of the Hanover Avenue Christian Church, of Richmond, Va., will begin a series of evangelistic services at the Hillsboro Street Christian (Disciples) Church in Raleigh on Easter Monday.

The ground has been broken for the new administration building, to be known as "Alamance Hall," the first of the group of buildings to be erected in the "Greater Elon" program, at Elon College.

Five thousand men in addition to the regular garrison are expected at Fort Bragg during the coming summer, according to an official statement from the post.

Mrs. Nannie G. Lee and her daughter, Mrs. Lena Cox, of Raleigh, have just received payment from the United States government on cotton seized by federal troops in Perry county, Alabama, during the Civil War.

George Jimison, colored, of Matthews, 99 years old, died last Friday. He leaves a widow who is 100 years old.

One of the most disastrous fires in the history of Wadesboro destroyed the brickbuilding owned by Hardison Brothers Friday. The building and its contents were a total loss. Twenty automobiles were destroyed and the garage operated by Huntley and Baker.

Under the direction of their county agent, C. E. Littlejohn, the farmers around Scotland Neck are shipping car loads of hogs to Richmond markets. They are receiving 1 cent a pound more for those fed as directed by the county agent.

A Chamber of Commerce has been organized in Graham with the following officers:

President, Col. Don E. Scott; vice-president, Sam J. Johnson, secretary and treasurer, W. L. Ward; with the following board of directors, John M. Crawford, Allen R. Tate, W. M. Eulless, Joseph H. Holt, J. E. King.

Mad dogs are on the rampage in North Carolina and several children have been bitten in addition to many dogs and valuable cattle. It is urged that owners of dogs keep them confined.

COLLEGE CONTEST AWARD.

High Schools Again Prepare to Submit Essays in Good Roads Competition

Washington, D. C., March 26.—For the fourth successive year, high school students of the nation are to be given opportunity to win the largest single educational award offered in the United States, according to a statement by the highway education board today.

The award is the H. S. Firestone Four Years University Scholarship, providing not only tuition, but room, board, books and special fees for the student writing the best essay in the annual good roads essay contest. The assigned subject of the essays to be written is "The Influence of Highway Transport Upon the Religious Life of My Community."

Announcement of the contest is being made to superintendents of schools, high school principals, and students as rapidly as possible, and all available literature is being listed and tabulated for the information of the prospective contestants. The board announces its willingness to answer any inquiry students and teachers may desire to make, but it points out that all that is necessary is compliance with the simple rules of the contest, and the preparation of a 700 word essay on the subject. Essays should be submitted to the high school principal by May 1.

The contest, known to thousands of students throughout the United States and territorial possessions as the "annual good roads essay contest," is the most sustained competition of its kind. Inaugurated in 1920, it has provided a college education for three students, one boy and two girls, and its maintenance from year to year is assured by the donor of the scholarship, Harvey S. Firestone, Akron, O.

This year the subject is regarded as unique and unusual, bringing up for discussion the relation of improved transportation to the moral tone or the religious life of the community. Leading churches have expressed their approval of the discussion the essays are to bring about, while distinguished educators have given their approval to the contest itself. In past years the subjects have been broader and more general, the subject for 1922 dealing with the improved transportation and the growth of the community as a whole.

Previous winners have been Miss Katherine F. Butterfield, Weiser, Idaho, 1920; Miss Garland Johnson, Bridgeport, W. Va., 1921; and in 1922

STRANGE CONDUCT OF SON.

Months and Months of Anxiety Caused a Fond Parent.

Down in Anniston, Ala., in 1919, or about July, to be exact, there was discharged from the military training camp a boy who was reared in Chatham county. He was a second lieutenant and had a splendid record both according to his training and deportment during his sojourn with the boys of Uncle Sam.

After his discharge he was constantly expected at home by his old father. The weeks passed, they ran into months. The months passed and have run into years. There came not a word from the boy. His brothers and father could not realize any cause for the strange action at all. He had always been a true, upright lad and was honored by all those who knew him. He had several brothers and a father; his mother had died some years before. He was devoted to loved ones and his home.

In the early part of 1922 there came a report to the heart-broken old father that his son had met a tragic death in the mad waters of a stream near Norfolk, Va. Every effort was made to ascertain the truth of the report, but without avail. The statistical record of Norfolk and the county was searched; the vital statistician in Richmond, Va., was appealed to and after an exhaustive search was made, no record could be found of any such occurrence.

Then came the lapse of time—that indefinite period when an anxious father could well afford to know that an offspring was dead, instead of the painful suspense that stabbed him on every side. The months rolled by but no word came and the sorrow increased. Hope against hope was mustered into force and the father often visited the editor of this paper. We used our every effort to help the good man locate some information that would be soothing.

The boy never wrote home, he never let his whereabouts become known and the mystery deepened. It could not be appreciated that so good a boy, so loyal and true, would so suddenly drop out of sight and never let his location be known. He had sought employment with a mining company when last heard from in Alabama and here the trace of him ended.

The boyhood chums of the community in which he was reared did not hear from him. The sweetheart he had, has married and his associations had become dull to those who loved him. The neighbors sorrowed with the mournful and every comfort known to human ingenuity was offered the father and brothers, but this did not suffice.

A short while after March of this year came into existence there came to the father a faint clue as to the location of his son. He had been heard from indirectly. A trace of the track led to the discovery of the State in which he was located, then the county was found and later the name of the little town was learned. He has been found and the problem of it all is that he is in the best of health, doing well and no cause can be assigned for the strange conduct, but it will be ferreted out before many moons and perhaps there may be a revelation.

The story has an unlimited amount of caution to the erstwhile and careless. If the boy could only realize and appreciate the agony of the father's heart in the hour of his dilemma, not knowing whether the lad were living or dead, he would surely have taken an entirely different course.

Boys and girls should profit by the experience of this young man and determine never to cause loved ones such anguish of heart or panic fear during their lives. It is useless, it is cruel and life is altogether too short to deny ourselves of the privileges of paternal love and the sanction of the blessings of home and those who are dear to us at all times. Be cautious, be brave and be true.

Minter M. Burns is now living in Quinton, Ala.

THE FARMER NEEDS—PROFITS.

Winston-Salem Journal.

Henry Ford's newspaper doesn't like the way Congress has handled the rural credits problem. It accuses Congress of having done something the leaders know will be worth nothing to the farmer, in order to mollify a rising spirit of protest and says the farmer will meet the same delays he has met before and obtain no relief, after all. Mr. Ford is very certain that the farmer needs something. But that something is not credit.

"The farmer does not want credit," he says. "Credit means debt. Debt has been the farmer's hell. What the farmer needs is not debt-making, but debt-paying legislation. Credit will do the farmer no good until he has a prospect of meeting his obligations as they mature. The man who pays a debt by renewal does not get ahead. Ultimately he must pay."

"There is no need for a bureau of credits to aid the man who has credit of his own. With banks in every locality whose officials are acquainted with the needs and responsibility of the people, the matter of credit is safe, if those banks are permitted to function. But so long as these banks themselves are subject to the whims of a central monopoly, a free exercise of judgment on their part is impossible."

In other words, what the farmer really needs is not credit, but profits. Given profits, credit will take care of itself.

FAMOUS LAST WORDS.

Oh, I'll get across the track long before the train gets here. My car never stalls.

I've used kerosene to hurry up the kitchen fire for nearly twenty years. I'll keep chopping till the tree begins to fall.

This is all foolishness about having to use a staff to lead a bull. Why, I've always used a rope.

I'll stop here under this big tree until the thunder-storm passes.

I don't very often get in front of the cutter-bar when the mower is in gear, but this team is gentle.

I know it's safer to untie the hame-string when riding a horse or mule.

ON SUBJECT OF RELIGION.

Olive Writes a Letter for Us From Benson.

Dear Editor:—As the Lord has provided I will try to write a little on the subject of religion which, I suppose, is the sweetest thing that ever entered man's heart and the only thing that will take man to Heaven and yet behold man is so rebellious against it here in a country claiming to know God's will and doing it not, as we see people professing to have religion but by their actions they deny it. They join the church, or think they do, but in the sight of God they are far from it, in reality they have to have religion before they can be a Christian, see Rev. 3:9: "Behold! I will make them of the synagogue of Satan which says they are Jews and are not but do lie! Behold! I will make them to come and worship before they fast and to know that I have loved thee." In this we find what God will do for those who have religion and against those who say they have it and have it not. Now they are like unto a pot or water, that is, those who have it. You may take a pot and fill it with water to the brim and it will hold the quantity until you put fire around it, then it will get hot and boil over. Now so it is with a man who has religion. His heart is full and at peace until you begin to sing and pray around him. Then his cup runs over and if one half of our people who have joined the church had religion there would be more love shown that there is, for saints are as a light upon a hill that cannot be hidden. There would not be so many disobedient children as there are now. Parents would hold them under their discipline and they would live better lives themselves.

You may tell me of church members but I have no confidence in them unless they have been born of God. There is no religion in them.

Dear reader, are you a Christian? If you tell me you hope so I have no confidence in your answer for that is not according to the Bible and you know it for the Bible tells us we shall know it because we shall love our brothers. Now how about that. Is it simply because they are good folks? No, but because we know that we are numbered with them in the Lord. Now there are a few words of the poet which are as follows:

Oh! Father aren't you happy,
Don't you want to go
To leave this world of trials
And troubles here below.

Now I believe the reason folks don't have more religion is because they don't pray enough. Some so-called church members seem to think it a shame to pray in public and I am afraid they don't pray in private either. I notice a great many church homes where I go at bed time they have no mention of prayer to give God thanks for His blessings, not knowing when they will have the opportunity to offer a prayer again.

Our Lord says watch and pray without ceasing and he says also that by these actions He shall know them. How a man can love God and still be ashamed to pray to Him is more than I can understand. In the 10th chapter of St. John Jesus says: "My sheep know my voice but they know not the voice of a stranger." Any man who has religion is not ashamed of his God. Mark this, he will love his God with all his heart and soul and neither can we love God and the world too. If any man loves the world the love of the Father is not in him, the Bible says. It also says that pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction and keep thyself unspotted from the world.

How many church members trade on Sunday, ride out on pleasure trips carrying people for money's sake. The Lord truly said: "The love or money is the root of all evil."

And so by their deeds we know those who claim to know God but by their deeds they deny Him.

Dear reader, dear people, I ask you in Jesus' dear name to let all love God more and serve Him better that we may have more religion to help us on, to God. If you want to know more read more and pray more and God will give it to you.

May God's blessing rest upon you all is the prayer of your humble servant.

Benson, R-3. J. T. OLIVE.

The Higher the Fewer.

Husband: "I'm tired of this eternal nagging. I wish you would let me alone. Thank the Lord there are no marriages in heaven!"

Wife: "Well, there's a good reason. There aren't any men there."

CERTIFICATE OF DISSOLUTION.

State of North Carolina, Department of State.

To all to whom these presents may come—Greeting:

Whereas, It appears to my satisfaction, by duly authenticated record of the proceedings for the voluntary dissolution thereof by the unanimous consent of all the stockholders, deposited in my office, that the M. J. Boling Lumber Company, a corporation of this State, whose principal office is situated near Greensboro in the town of Siler City, county of Chatham, State of North Carolina, C. B. Thomas being the agent therein and in charge thereof, upon whom process may be served, has complied with the requirements of Chapter 22, Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Corporations," preliminary to the issuing of this certificate of dissolution:

Now, therefore, I, W. N. Everett, Secretary of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that the said corporation did, on the 21st day of February 1923, file in my office a duly executed and attested consent in writing to the dissolution of said corporation, executed by all the stockholders thereof, which said consent and the record of the proceedings aforesaid are now on file in my said office as provided by law.

In testimony whereof, I have here to set by hand and affixed my official seal at Raleigh, this 21st day of February, A. D., 1923.

W. N. EVERETT,
Secretary of State.

Apr. 5-R-C.

Profit by reading the ads in this

GINNED IN NORTH CAROLINA.

The Department of Commerce, through the Bureau of the Census, announces the preliminary report on cotton ginned by counties, in North Carolina, for the crops of 1921 and 1922. The total for the State was made public on Tuesday, March 20.

For the year 1921 there were ginned in the State 803,620 bales and in 1922 there were 878,997.

The report gives Chatham 9,270 bales; Lee 8,426; Wake 31,698; Alamance 937; Orange 1,655 and Randolph 1,133. All for the year 1922. There was a big increase in every county in the number of bales ginned.

Lost All Her Children.

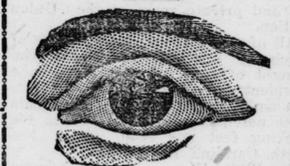
Henri Tremblay and his wife, of Newport Point, Quebec, tearfully led their three children to bed last night, leaving in a coffin surrounded by candles their fourth child, for whom funeral services had been held during the evening.

During the night one of the candles at the dead child's bier ignited a curtain and the small wooden house blazed up like tinder. The flames spread so quickly that two of the children were burned to death before they could leave their bed chamber. The third, three weeks old, was killed when the mother, herself perhaps fatally injured, tried to save it by jumping from a window.

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NOTICE.

North Carolina, Chatham County. IN THE SUPERIOR COURT. H. L. Stone, Administrator of Patsy Dowdy,

vs. Edgar Stone, Alvas Stone, Phoebe Elmore and others.

The defendants, Alvas Stone and Phoebe Elmore, above named, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Chatham County, to sell the lands of the late Patsy Dowdy, deceased, for the purpose of making personal assets for the said estate; and the said defendant will further take notice that they are required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court on the 9th day of April, 1923, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, which said complaint is now on file in the said Clerk's office, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This 5th day of March, 1923. J. DEWEY DORSETT, SILER & BARBER Clk. Superior Ct. Apr. 5. R-P



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