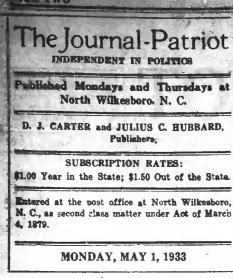
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seek to free the noted prisoner

from his conviction of 16 years



"More than anything else, this country needs the services of optimists," declares a government official at Washington. Why not draft the moviead writers?---Atlanta Journal.

Two things are certain about the Wilkesboro election tomorrow. One is that Ed will be elected mayor and that the next mayor will be a Republican.

Wilkes-Ashe Road

Time and time again Ashe citizens have pleaded for the improvement, construction or what have you for the section of Highway 16 between Glendale Springs and Millers Creek. Wilkes citizens have echoed that plea. Yet day by day the road becomes less suited for travel.

Highway appropriations have been cut and there is little likelihood of new construction work being started during the next several months. And in spite of our desire to see something done about the condition of this road, we appeal not for immediate attention, but for attention when road construction is started again.

We do not know of two counties in the state which are connected with such a makeshift as a highway. The road is an outlet for Ashe county people, and the shortest route for Tennesseeans to Piedmont North Carolina, and as such deserves better treatment than has been accorded it.

While the road is entirely on the Wilkes side, Ashe is even more anxious to get something done than we have been. The greater benefit, we are convinced, would come to us and it is up to us, since it is a Wilkes proposition, to appeal for early consideration-and construction.

Property Revaluation

The Wilkes county board of commissioners have in mind a reduction of 15 per Garcia was leading the Cuban insurgents. cent as the average to be maintained by He was hid in the mountain fastnesses of the assessors who begin their reassessment Cuba. He could not be reached by wire work next week.

vergent views expressed regarding any McKinley communicate with him. So a proposal to limit the reduction of the man by the name of Rowan was ushered value of property for the purpose of tax- into the office of the president, handed a pected both favorable and unfavorable Without a question, he took the letter and criticism of their action on this point.

tion is needed is a point upon which all complishing his task are not important. of us can agree. The extent of the reduc- One thing stood out above all others-he tion is apparently the only point upon delivered the message to Garcia. which a different view can be taken.

To the Graduates What new avenues are opened! What a broad and undiscovered future lies

ahead! In years past you've stood outside, were one of the audience as some orator spoke words of advice to those dignified seniors. You envied them as diplomas signifying that they had reached a milestone in their educational development were handed out.' It mattered not from what grade-from elementary, high

school or college-they were graduating and you wished you were one of them. But now you are one of them, walking

away with a diploma. Somehow there is a void. You feel that you are parting from a friend. You would linger, but time impels you onward. You can't go back. You find yourself with a scrap of paper and the future stares you in the to fairness.

face. You have come to the end of the road. Now there are other paths to take and you only by card. must choose one. Destiny! One step and perhaps the entire course of your career may be changed. How much hinges upon your decision! The magnitude of your responsibility awes you.

As someone has said, the graduates from the elementary grade has prepared himself for high school, the high school graduate for the college and university, but through it all the intention is to pre- Mooney preclude giving him juspare one for the greater university of life. Out in this university the stuff within you will reveal itself.

Perhaps, this message can best be addressed to the splendid group of young men and young women who are now graduating from our Wilkes county high schools. There is no iron-clad sugestion or advice to offer. Individual adaptabilities and circumstances compose the equation. Go on to college? Yes, if you are adequately equipped for the college career. Many men have succeeded without a college education and many men have succeeded with a college education. But success in the case of the latter was not due to a college degree, the chances were only increased. Statistics show that a far greater percentage of college graduates than high school graduates succeed. Whether you go on to college is a question which you must decide for yourself. It is up to you.

Whatever course you take, you must keep in mind an eternal truth. You have read Elbert Hubbard's immortal preachment, "A Message To Garcia." You recall the story. It was during the Spanish-American war. A man by the name of or telephone. No one knew where to find It is natural that there be widely di- him. Yet it was imperative that President The commissioners doubtless ex- letter and told to deliver it to Garcia. walked away. How the letter was car-That a readjustment of property valua- ried, what dangers Rowan faced in ac-

There is a moral for the graduates. Find The commissioners, it seems to us, your message, whether it be practicing the Golden Rule in the business world, healquestion. Where property is on the tax ing the sick as a doctor, singing a song books at a figure far beyond its value, the of truth in the ditches or preaching the idea is to reduce that value for the pur- Gospel of Christ from the pulpit, and poses of taxation in line with the value on carry it with you. Don't count the pleasother properties. And when property is ures you miss or the score you make, but ly low valuation, as doubtless some is, A tiny stream of water finds its way out of a mountain rock in the Blue Ridge. The whole idea is to rectify inequali- It gurgles over the rocks as it finds its way ties and to limit the reduction to the aver- into the valley, there furnishing water for age of 15 per cent. If this can be done the the cattle in the pastures and moisture for commissioners believe they can maintain a thirsty earth. It grows bigger as it is joined by other little streams. Then the There is nothing to be gained through stream is used to generate power. Ever revaluation except the righting of injus- onward it goes until it becomes a part of tices to property owners. If there should the great Mississippi and it is a highway be a reduction of, say 30 cents on all prop- for steamships to carry on the commerce to increase the tax rate. Revaluation will There is a moral in this story which is not lower thee cost of county government, taken from that famous little book, "Goreduce the payments on bonded indebted- ing South."" If you graduates wish to sucness or the interest payments on indebted- ceed in life you must do two things. First, you must render service all along the On the other hand, if the value of the way and second, you must grow bigger,

Demonstration For Mooney Causes Postponement of Trial Until May 22

San Francisco.-The shout of |yeas and cries of the Mooney aderents come into this court crowd-"we want Mooney!"even with the windows closed. I into the cars of Superior Judge will not bring Mr. Moomey into this court as long as these dem-Louis H. Ward as he approached the hall of justice moved the onstrations continue." jurist today to continue the new-

Frank P. Walsh, veteran de ly granted Lurder trial of Thomfense attorney, was on his feet as J. Mooney, convicted prepared ness day parade hombar, "until this feeling dies down." instantly to deplore the demonstrations and point out that statement had been issued in While proclaiming his willing-Mooney's behalf two days previness to give Mooney "a trial upously requesting his sympathizon the facts and merits of the ers to restrain themselves lest case," Judge Ward warned the they injure his cause. defense he would not be a party to the raising of constitutional

In San Quentin, where he is a life prisoner, Mooney said he was grounds upon which it might "keenly disappointed" over the continuance.

ago. He decreed that the cheers Effort Being Made To Get Appointment For Simmons New Bern, April 28.-- A moveand howls of the crowd, penetrating even into the courtroom as ment started here some time ago he spoke, would be prejudicial by friends to obtain a federal ap-The case was continued until pointment for former Senator F. May 22. The courtroom was M. Simmons is reported to be packed with persons admitted making satisfactory headway. Several high offices are being "As I approached the hall of considered, it is said.

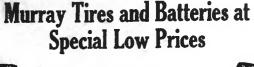
justice," said the jurist,• "the streets were lined with men Senator Josiah W. Bailey is reorted to be actively interested in some of them practically shoutthe matter, and is being assisted ing in my ear, 'We want Mooby local friends and supporters ney!' I believe they were aware of the New Bernian, who for 30 of my identity, and if they would years was a member of the sendo that within my hearing they ate, being defeated for renominawould do that before a jury. "No trial could be had on its tion by Senator Bailey.

George Laxton, of Caldwell merits under these circumstances. The acts of the friends of Mr. county, made a net profit of \$118 last year from the sale of tice under such conditions. The honey from 12 hives of bees.





et us put your car in first class condition for the long drives you are going to make this spring and summer ... You want to feel like the car is going to perform correctly and that's our specialty to see that it does. Put the responsibility on us. We appreciate your business.







found to be on the books at a ridiculous- carry the message. there will be a readjustment upward.

the present tax rate.

erty on the tax books, the effect would be of the world.

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property is held up, the county's wealth, more capable of rendering service. which is expressed theoretically on the erty offered as secuurity.

The interest of the people can best be to go on to college. served, it seems to us, by limiting the retate an increase in the tax levy.

That is our message to those who are tax books, will not show such a huge de- graduating. Catch the vision of service cline. The tax books are used to some and move onward toward the goal. The extent at least in determining the amount route is immaterial. If you can best serve of a loan, should one be sought, on prop- humanity by first acquiring a college education, by all means sacrifice to the limit

The guiding star is service—service to duction to a point which will not necessi- fellowman and to God-and you are the traveler.

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Just a Little Message-

You know, good old Farmer Friends, that this is just the time of year that you need to put in every hour you can getting your land in the proper state of cultivation, and it is important that you have your stock and farming implements in first-class condition, too. It means money and time to you as you know.

Look around your farm. No doubt you have some tool that needs repairing right now. 'Maybe the wagon needs retiring or the body rebuilt-the horses and mules probably need to be re-shod so that they may pull the plow just a little deeper, or pull just a little bigger load on your wagon.

Here's where we come in the picture. You know we operate the best (we think it is the best) Llacksmith Shop in Wilkes county. We carry a complete stock of materials at all times and our customers find our prices reasonable.

We want to help you keep your farming implements, wagons, and tools in the best of condition and your stock well shod. Make our shop your headquarters for all kinds of repair work. Every job that you give us is greatly appreciated.

City Blacksmith Shop - CARL BUMGARNER, Manager Near Depot North Wilkesboro, N. C.