

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, the God of all wisdom, has removed from us by death our brother, T. H. H. Russell, we, the members of the Union Church, No. 284, Jr. O. W. A. M. hereby resolve: First, That while his death was not unexpected, we are pained to lose him from our midst, having at all times found him a ready supporter of our principles.

Respectfully submitted, C. C. HUBBARD, MARVIN KEARNS, C. C. HORNEY, Com.

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Whereas the great Creator has been pleased out of his infinite mercy to remove our brother, C. H. Welch, Sr., from the care and troubles of a transitory existence to a state of eternal duration, and from his serene grasp he has dropped the working tools of life forever, we are hereby reminded of the universal dominion of death; there be it received. 1. That in the death of Brother Welch, Deep River Lodge No. 164, loses a good and efficient member and one of its most loyal and enthusiastic members, and the society of Randolph a worthy citizen.

J. A. BROWN, J. W. MOON, R. L. GAVNESS, Com.

THE HISTORICAL CHRIST

(By Rev. Lester Lucas.) There is an historical Christ that many know of and believe in, George Washington. That historical Christ may be admired and his precepts followed to such an extent as to produce an admirable character. The same might be accomplished by belief in and following the precepts of many good and noble men. But the Christ that saves is more than a person that we believe in and admire and pattern after; he is in us and we are in him and he is in the Father. Jesus said: "No man cometh unto the Father but by me." Not by personal refinement and education; not by abstinance from evil but by and through the atonement of Christ. No goodness of our own can ever save us, but there is about this matter that which none can know and understand except those to whom it is revealed by the spirit. In John 14 we read our Lord's promise and explanation of it as follows: "And I will pray the father and he shall give you another comforter that he may abide with you forever, even the spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him, but ye know him, for he dwelleth with you and shall be in you."

HONOR ROLL FOR WHITE HALL SCHOOL

First Grade—Lora Johnson, Edith Alfred, Rosa Slack, Carl Vucannon, Paul Vucannon. 2nd Grade—Jewel Husey. 3rd Grade—Hazel Ingie, Myrtle Owen, Leona Slack. 4th Grade—Hazel Slack, Paul Owen. 5th Grade—Guy Hinson, Guy Belling. MAUDE L. HALL, Teacher.

HONOR ROLL JULIAN'S GROVE SCHOOL

First grade—Bertha York, Edith Walker, Frank Reuth, Robert McAden, Bright Reuth, Glenn Reuth. Second grade—Mevale Fugh, Ira Ward, Dale Reuth. Fourth grade—John Reuth. Sixth grade—Flora Fugh. Seventh grade—Violet Reuth. Teacher, Edna Bestick.

ENTERTAINMENT AT EVERETT ACADEMY

There will be an entertainment at Everett academy on Thursday night, December 23. The program will consist of songs, plays and recitations by the school. The public is invited.

STAR PERSONALS

Mrs. J. C. Hurley and Miss Grace Vickens, of Troy, were shopping in town Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Reynolds spent Friday in Troy. Mrs. George Scott visited friends at Aberdeen last week. Mrs. O. T. Smart, of Troy, spent Saturday with friends in town. Mrs. Z. T. Wright has been sick for the last few days. Miss Lillian Reece, of Biscoe, spent a few hours with friends in town Saturday. Miss Beliah Beates, of Troy, spent the week-end with Miss Mary Sturdivant. Mrs. B. Auman and daughter, Mrs. Hughes, of Asheboro, spent the week-end with friends in town. Rev. O. P. Campbell, of Mt. Gilend, was in town Saturday and Sunday. A number of the Biscoe and Troy people attended the Bazaar here Saturday.

ROAD MANAGEMENT

Where a county builds a good road and soon lets it become rutty, washed out, or uneven, who or what is principally to blame? As a result of a study of conditions in a number of counties, road specialists of the department are inclined to place the responsibility upon the following defects in road management, some or all of which are found in all counties where good roads are not properly repaired and maintained:

- 1. County boards, although having full administrative authority, appear not to attach to their official action in road matters the importance or legal effect which it should have. 2. County boards do not generally have sufficient accounting control of road funds to know what is available for any particular project, where funds have been or where existing balances are to be expended. 3. Lack of any systematic practice in handling road funds among most counties makes it very difficult to carry out over even a single year any permanent maintenance policy, because funds officially obligated for maintenance purposes are not protected against speculative and irregular drafts for miscellaneous purposes. The greatest likelihood consequently exists everywhere that there will be no balance in the maintenance fund in the last half or third of the year, although only a part of the fund allotted may have been spent. 4. Local labor available for maintenance work is made inefficient by the constant, unintelligent, and unfavorable criticism of those using the road. 5. Maintenance continuing over a period of years—the ultimate indispensable condition of effective maintenance—is jeopardized by the lack of accounting control that will prevent spending next year's current income in this year. 6. The lack of skilled supervision in construction and the effect of this in increasing the cost or in making effective maintenance impossibly expensive is everywhere seen. 7. The county authorities are commonly opposed to following suggestions for maintenance that involve tying up road funds in any way, such as purchasing materials in advance to store along the road for making repairs or maintaining the road surface.

PARKER, N. C., MAN GETS QUICK RELIEF

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TELEPHONE BOORISHNESS

The Person Who Says, "Who's That?" Is Now Put Down As One Having No Manners. Greenboro Daily News. Are you the person who starts a telephone conversation with "Who is that?" Are you? If so, can it be that you are laboring under the impression that you have a sufficient amount of courtesy, good breeding, culture, for all occasions? Well that is not the impression you give to people with whom you talk through the telephone. They will be generally found willing to admit the possibility, however, that you have never thought much about it. Suppose a stranger should come into your office, or your parlor, and demand of you insistently, "Who are you?" without presenting his card, or furnishing any information about himself? When you have put in a call and the person with whom you wish to speak advises you that he is ready and listening, it seems the most direct method to be the begin: "This is 1815, John Smith and Company, Smith speaking. I would like to speak to Mr. William Jones if I may." All is clear: William Jones' clerk, or William Jones, knows exactly what would be known of you had entered the Jones place of business and presented your card. On the other hand does it not reel you, or give you the impression of inscience or lack of manners, to pick up your instrument, after hearing the bell ring, and get an abrupt, staccato "Who is That?" hurled full and fair right into the midst of your thoughts? Many of the crudities and much of the coarse manners of telephone conversation are disappearing, by reason of our acceptance of the new device, and the improvements in the mechanism and the service. Few people now, we fancy, pour sarcasm or worse into the ear of the young woman at central. She has been regularly blamed for the imperfections of the device all through the period of its evolution, as these imperfections have been gradually worked out—often she has been treated as if she were personally responsible for these mechanical imperfections. Where as a matter of fact she hasn't had anything to do with them. She has had a terrible time of it; but surely there are new few persons who give vent to their own irritation by trying to be as disagreeable as possible to the operator. Some of the boorishness remains; but it must be approaching the vanishing point. The business has reached that stage now where we must be as gentlemanly, or as ladylike, in telephone conversation, as observant of the niceties, as in company, or personal visitation. Because, when we use the telephone, our manners are, one can hardly say on exhibition, but in evidence, for critical examination.

HOW TO SAVE TIME

In these days when everybody is using the telephone and the mail for business purposes, we notice that a large number of our subscribers are using the mails in renewing their subscriptions. We always like too your cheerful faces in our office, but we realize that you use the telephone or the postoffice for the same reason we do—to save steps, and we are perfectly willing to have you send us your order by post. But in renewing your subscription this year, we wish to inform you that you can, if you wish, secure four magazines by adding 18 cents—the regular price of our paper—make your check to include the great magazine club we have advertised elsewhere in this issue of the paper. Look over the remarkable club of high class magazines we offer you in connection with our own paper for only \$1.18 a year—not \$1.18 extra, as you may be inclined to think when you look over the advertisement and see the publications offered—but \$1.18 pays a year's subscription to our paper and to four magazines besides.

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A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

Politics during the coming year are going to be tremendously important. A great many States and city officials are to be elected in the various states, but the big fight is going to be for national control. Right now is a good time for you to resolve not to vote for the agitator, the demagogue and the revolutionist. The country is on the verge of great prosperity. We have a bumper crop; the Panama Canal, war orders aggregating millions of dollars; the South American republics are opening their doors to American manufactured goods and the American dollar is becoming the world's standard of exchange. The situation is unprecedented. It is not the time to try experiments in government. Any radical departure from the tried methods of government is apt to prove disastrous, and the country should stand solidly opposed to radical change. Business should be let alone. Adequate railroad legislation should be passed to enable the railroads to resume expansion. Capital should be allowed the same freedom that labor enjoys. There has been too much politics during the past few years. Let us resolve this year to let patriotism stand before all other considerations. Let the farmer join hands with the business man for mutual benefit, and serve notice on Congress that only legislation that means prosperity and progress will be acceptable to the country.

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MANY OTHER IMPROVEMENTS FOLLOW GOOD ROADS

Some years ago the question of a bond issue was voted on by two townships in Catawba county, North Carolina. And although many of the elder people could not see the advantage of voting bonds to the value of \$60,000 in each township for building good roads, yet the measure carried by a safe majority. You can observe many improvements throughout the whole county and especially in the two main townships on account of the good roads that are already completed. Many people in the other six townships of the county were skeptical about the good roads lasting year after year and standing up to hard traffic during bad winter weather. But the improved sand-clay roads have stood the acid test of bad winter weather and have come through in fine condition, with the result that those who were once "kickers" have actually become good roads advocates. Just the other day a Catawba county farmer said: "If they'll build a good road out my way, I'll not only give them the right of way through my farm, but all the top soil they need and some cash besides." It is wonderful what influence such a stretch of good roads has on people who once vehemently opposed their construction. To such people you can argue good roads till blue in the face and it won't have near the effect that several drives over an improved road has after driving through 10 inches of mud on the old roads. The principal roads are improved first. They are first surveyed and if a four per cent. grade cannot easily be obtained, the road is relocated at places. When the grading is finished, a 15-inch layer of sand or top soil is placed in the center sloping gradually to the side ditches. In this simple way a hard surface is maintained, for during every rain all the water runs into the side ditches at once. During the worst weather of winter, these improved sand-clay roads remain firm and hard, making a most excellent highway at a very moderate cost. In traveling along these improved roads, it is astonishing to see how the people are seeking to improve their property. They are painting houses that never saw paint before, making a neat yard before the house containing grass, flowers and trees; in short, they are making great improvements. A writer in one of the papers says he is safe in saying that fully 90 per cent. of the people along these improved highways have installed a telephone, thus giving greater convenience and pleasure. There is also greater pride in keeping the branch or side roads in better condition with the split-log drag. Even the school houses have felt the impact of improvements, having been given a new coat of paint, and the premises are kept neat and clean. There are rapid advances in every direction and especially through cooperation of the farmers, through a large and successful co-operative creamery, a sweet potato growers' association, a rural credit association, an educational county fair, and in many other ways of mutual self help.

COMPENSATORY MAN

Scientists are predicting that the eugenic woman of the future is to be taller than the woman of today, plumper and well-rounded, but not fat, and her complexion will be ruddy or brown. But the scientific sharks are hungry about the eugenic man of the future. Why? Is he to be the compensatory? In woman's future progress to be paid for by the obsolete lords of creation? In the law of compensation to be observed by taking from man to give to woman? In our mind's eye we can picture the future man—a weakened, spine-bogged, pop-eyed, bewhiskered, oblique, pined and timorous creature, rearing about behind his magnificent wife like a Pomeranian pup behind a shrew beauty from Watson's Best Teat. Occasionally he will be allowed to exercise his muscles by acting as a truck horse and carting home about a ton and a half of dress goods, hats and shoes from the bargain counters. But ordinarily she'll just let him stand around, waiting her orders. As his eugenic partner expands, his leadership will contract until he becomes a non-rubbin—an excrescence on the body politic—a wart on the pimple. But what does man care? Not a rap! He's been paying bills for women ever since he settled Eve's first apple account. With a little coaxing from the fair sex, he'll put Bills for Women in any old platform, put her up as his candidate and go out and vote for her.

NINETEEN DRY STATES

When South Carolina voted "dry" she was the nineteenth state to enter the dry column. The other dry states are: Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma, Iowa, North Dakota, Tennessee, Arkansas, Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Maine, Mississippi. The total population of the dry states is 27,344,043. The population of the twenty-nine wet states is 64,628,223, according to the 1910 census. Ohio is the only state to vote this fall on state-wide prohibition. The state-wide prohibition amendment voted on in 1914 lost by a majority of nearly one hundred thousand, and the county option law was repealed by about twelve thousand majority. In addition to the state-wide prohibition amendment, the people of Ohio will vote on an amendment which will prevent a measure voted down twice in succession from being brought up again for six years.

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