Tribute to J. A. Narron.

At a meeting of the Johnston County Bar held Wednesday after the adjournment of court, pursuant to a call made at a meeting held on Tuesday of last week, tributes of respect were paid the memory of the late John A. Narron whose tragic death occurred on March 4th.

Judge W. R. Stevens presided over the meeting and made a short talk. Others made remarks and the resolutions printed herewith were unanimously passed. Judge Brooks made a talk, and among other things, spoke as follows:

John Arthur Narron was a son of Riley Narron and Gilley Elizabeth Narron, and was born in Oneals township, on March 16, 1865. He was reared on the farm of his father in Oneals township, and after attending the public schools of the county attended Bingham's School, which was then located at Mebane, N. C. After completing his course at Bingham, Mr. Narron taught school in Johnston County, and also in Richmond County. It was while teaching school in Richmond County that Mr. Narron met Miss Hattie Shaw, daughter of Dr. Daniel Shaw and Mary Eliza Shaw, who on February 18, 1897, became his wife, to which union there was born one son, John Arthur Narron, Jr. Mr. Narron quit teaching school and entered the law class of the University of North Carolina in the year 1892, and received his license at the September term, 1895, of the Supreme Court of North Carolina. He was sworn in and entered the practice at Smithfield in the year 1896, forming a co-partnership with the late P. T. Massey, and later alone. He at once took a high stand as a man of character and a lawyer of ability, and distinguished himself especially in the settling of estates and in the real estate branch of the law. He was as fine an abstractor of titles as ever lived in Johnston County, and when he had passed a title the owner of the land might rest assured his title was as perfect as the laws could make it. He was a painstaking lawyer, and what he did was done in a thorough and careful manner, even at the risk of being tedious. There are many instruments now on record in this county that will be a lasting monument to his ability as a draughtsman. In preparing a deed he would always go into the minutest details to describe the property conveyed, and give a short history of the title, so that in future it could be easily traced. I think his experience in abstracting deeds, an exceeding good trait, and which it would be well for the profession to emulate.

When the Recorder's Court of Johnston County was established by the Legislature of 1911, Mr. Narron was County Attorney, and was made prosecuting officer of the Recorder's Court. By the Legislature of 1913 the office of Solicitor of Recorder's Court was created and Mr. Narron was a candidate in the election in 1914 for this office, appearing in joint debate with his opponent on the Republican ticket, Mr. James D. Parker, and was elected Solicitor by a good safe majority Mr. Narron, prior to the time of taking up the duties of Prosecuting officer in the Recorder's Court had not paid very much attention to the Criminal Law, but he immediately began a deep study of the criminal law, and had become an efficient and fearless prosecuting officer. He was a hard fighter, but when he had secured a conviction, his heart would soften, and he would frequently ask for mercy for the defendant. He was one who believed in the certainty of punishment, rather than in the severity of punishment, as a means of retarding crime. He was not a hard-hearted man. He possessed the milk of human kindness to a large degree. It hurt him to see his fellow-man suffer, and receive punishment, although it might have been merited. Many is the time that he has plead with the Court to enter a fine instead of corporal punishment.

He was a lawyer who regarded the practice of law as a public service, and every attorney as an officer of the court and literally in the service of the county. He felt the cause of his clients as deeply as any lawyer I ever saw prosecute or defend an action. He put his whole soul in his work. If he had no faith in a prospective client, or his cause, he would not undertake to represent them. He was a wise and safe counsellor, and not a lawyer who advised frivolous litigation for the hope of a fee.

It can be said without fear of contradiction that John Narron was an honest man. He attended to his business with a fidelity that was admired by all who knew him. No tainted money entered his hands. No client's money stuck to his fingers. His record is clean.

In the last few years of his life Mr. Narron had taken to the sport of racing horses, and bought the famous "Raywood," and with him had won many races at the County Fair and at other places. Mr. Narron was much attached to "Raywood," and it gave him a good deal of pleasure to see him poke his head under the wire first at the game. He was ever thoughtful that it was the few dollars in the purse won that gave Mr. Narron the real pleasure, but the true sport of horse racing. He loved the sport. It was the same "Raywood," that brought Mr. Narron to his untimely death.

Mr. Narron will be missed by the members of the bar of Johnston County, by his many clients, and the people of the County generally. He had his likes and dislikes and he did not fail to let them be known. He was as true a friend, and as relentless foe, as I ever knew.

The mysteries of God are unsearchable, we cannot but stand in awe, as we think of the tragic death and untimely taking away of our friend, yet we are constrained to say of him, with Wordsworth:

"One adequate support
For the calamities of life
Exists—one only—an assured belief
That the procession of our fate, howe'er
Sad or disturbed, is ordered by a Being
Of infinite benevolence and power
Whose everlasting purposes embrace
All accidents, converting them to good."—Smithfield Herald.

FREAK NEWS ITEMS.

Odd and Curious Happenings Throughout the Country.

The "trial marriage" of Margaret Marshall Danow to Alfred E. Danow, of New York, must be annulled because the "trial" bride decided after 17 days of married life to return to her mother.

A cow got in front of a log train near Lake Charles, La., the other day and caused the death of both engineer and fireman. The men were crushed to death when the engine collided with the cow and overturned.

Two baths a year, one every six months, were the limit for George S. Laird, according to the testimony of his wife, Pansy E. Laird, in court in Akron, O. She was granted a divorce. Mrs. Laird said she pleaded with her husband to take a bath, but it was useless.

John Daniel Coleman, senior member of the firm of J. D. Coleman & Son., of Charleston, W. Va., claims to be 115 years of age. He asserts he was born in 1800 and that he is the oldest man in the world. He has smoked tobacco for 100 years and still enjoys his pipe.

Ray Biggs, an undertaker in Milwaukee, Wis., has placed a piano in his stable with which to soothe the horses when they return from a funeral in a highly nervous condition. He declares they become complacent when they hear the strains of a popular waltz.

Wilbert Freeman, of Danville, Ill., recently yawned and stretched himself. "Can't we discuss something but the tiresome European war?" he asked. Then he yawned again. But something snapped and he cried out in pain. A physician was called and it was found that Freeman was suffering from a broken jaw.

Tiemen Schopel, of Holland, Mich., has the unique distinction of being one year older than his grandmother. Schopel's grandfather, Thomas Vandenbosch, recently took out a license to wed Miss Gertrude Nyboer, and the ceremony was solemnized in Grand Haven. Vandenbosch is 72 years of age and his bride is only 19.

Edward Croker, once a New York racetrack plunger, has brought suit for divorce against his wife, Winifred R. Croker, alleging that when she is drinking Mrs. Croker will purchase 50 pairs of shoes. The wife alleges she was a teetotaler at marriage, but that her husband forced her to drink.

An engineer on the Wheeling and Lake Erie railroad, near St. Clairsville, O., opened his mouth to laugh and lost his false teeth as the engine was passing over a bridge. In his excitement he stopped the train suddenly, jolting the passengers severely. The train waited while he left his engine to search for his teeth, which had fallen into a creek. He found them.

Harsh words and a spanking was the lot of V. Cedano and Bernice Villa, of Redlands, Cal., after their recent elopement. When they went to the home of the bride's mother to tell her of their marriage and get her blessing Mrs. Villa spanked her 17-year-old daughter and slapped her new son-in-law, according to the police, who were called to quell the riot that followed.

Losses in the Russian army, killed, wounded and missing, for the year from January 1 to December 31, was 2,542,889, according to Boris S. Schumacher, a newspaper correspondent, who arrived a few days ago in New York city from Petrograd. He exhibited printed lists of names which he said were official Russian reports of casualties secretly obtained by him in Petrograd. Losses among Russian officers reached a total of 141,643, of whom 42,316 were killed

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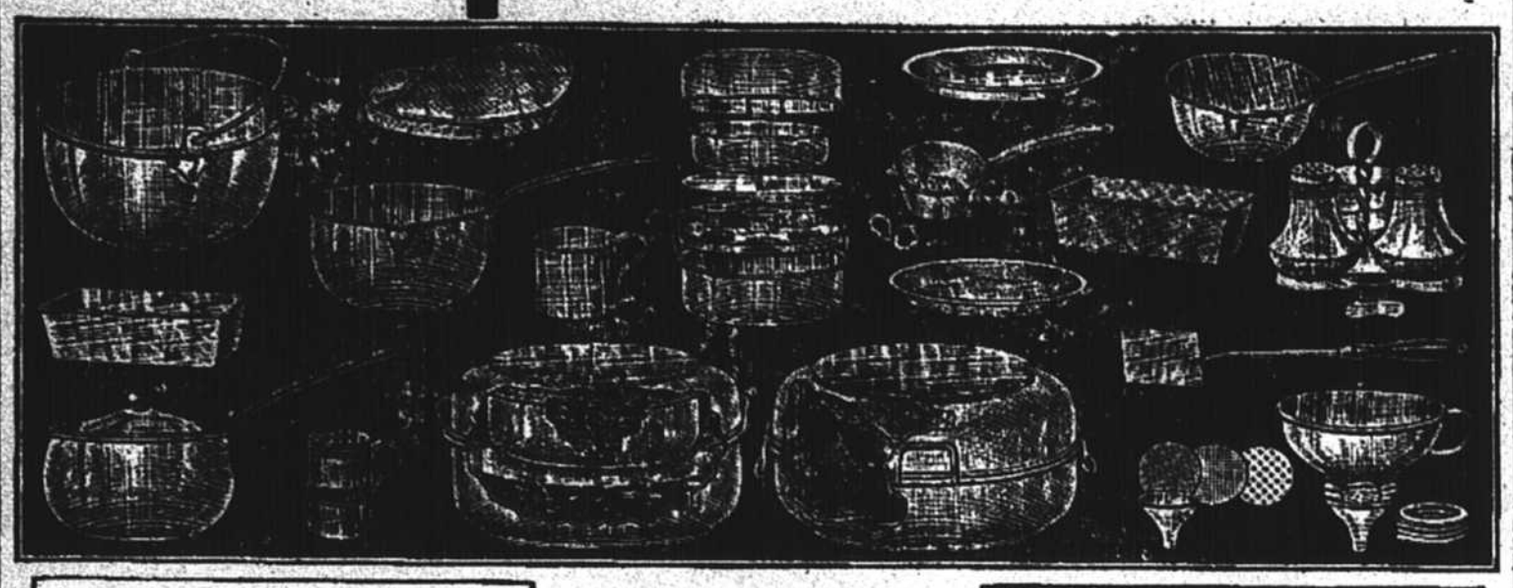

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BLUE'S DRUG STORE.

Half of the 850,000 ostriches in South Africa when the European war broke out have perished for lack of food and shelter, according to a statement by Lewis Richardson, who owned 54,000 acres of land and had a great flock of birds. He declares the feathered creatures have been turned loose because of the lack of market for feathers and the high prices commanded by alfalfa and corn.

New Yorkers pay $7,000,000 a year for a mixture of sand, gravel, meal, paste, and water which is stuffed in chickens' crops to increase the weight. Therefore an order has just gone into effect forbidding the sale of live poultry with food in the crop at the time of sale.

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Two neighbors—we'll call them John and Frank—own houses each containing 3,500 square feet of painting surface. Both decided to paint last season.

John used Lowe Brothers "High Standard" Liquid Paint, which cost him a little more per gallon than ordinary paint.

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The Mexican government, it is announced in Mexico City, is contemplating the seizure of all personal and realty holdings of the Catholic clergy throughout the republic. It is said that the appropriation of these by the government for their conversion into gold with which to swell the reserve would solve Mexico's present economic difficulties.

Steve Vronats recently received the lightest sentence ever imposed in a manslaughter case in Oklahoma when a District court jury found him guilty of manslaughter in the second degree and fixed his punishment at one day in jail. Vronats was working as a porter in a Tulsa hotel when he killed Roy Burrows, a guest, in self-defense.

An ordinance providing for the segregation of the white and negro races in Oklahoma City, Okla., was passed this week by the city commissioners and became effective immediately. It provides that if 75 per cent of the occupants of a block are one color no member of the other race will be permitted to buy or own property in that block.