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good will of all our advertisers and
readers and wish for all of you the
many blessings of life.

Owing to next week being Christ-
mas week, we will not issue the Dis-
patch. This will give our help a
much-needed rest and give us time to
clean up and get in better position
to get out a very much better paper
next year. We trust our readers will
not be disappointed, as we feel that
they will not want to take much time
in reading during the holidays, any-
way. The next issue of The Dispatch
will appear Jan. 4th, and until then
we wish for our and yours every
blessing that the good Lord in his
mercy sees fit to bestow.

BASS GETS A PARDON

Banks Bass, a former Burlington
boy who got into some trouble and
was sent to the pen., has been par-
doned. Bass is said to have made a
model prisoner and has a family, this
fact operated to help get him the par-
don. Bass is the son of Mr. Henry
Bass here and if he has truly repented
and intends to lead a new life we are
glad he has been liberated. Following
is an account of action of Governor
Craigh in granting the pardon as
given by The Morning Herald of
Durham:

The pardon of Banks Bass, Ala-
mance county, is a case that has a
number of remarkable features. The
prisoner, a young white man, was sen-
tenced in 1911 to two years on the
Alamance roads for breaking into a
store. He served two months and es-
caped, going to South Carolina, where
he led an exemplary life and married,
having now several children. About
four months ago he was located in
South Carolina and he and his wife
and children came voluntarily to this
State, surrendering to the Alamance
authorities and being sent to the
chain-gang, where he has served four
months. The Governor says: "He
professes repentance and I think that
he has brought forth fruits meet for
repentance. His pardon is recom-
mended by Solicitor Gattis, who pro-
secuted, endorsed by Judge Daniels,
who tried the case, by A. L. Baker,
whose goods were stolen, by a large
number of representative citizens of
Alamance county. It seems that he
was induced to commit the larceny
by an older and experienced criminal."

Now President Wilson wants men
of successful business experience to
come in and help him get the Admin-
istration out of the difficulties in
which it has drifted. But why didn't
he put into his cabinet the men whose
aid he desires? Why take nearly
three years to find out that the ad-
vice of successful business men is
worth considering?

OLD CITIZEN DEAD

Wesley Coble, Aged 83, Dies in This
County.

Wesley Lucus Coble of Alamance
county, died today from the infirmities
of old age. Mr. Coble was in his
83rd year and died in his home in
which he was born and lived his whole
life.

Mr. Coble was a well known and
highly respected farmer. He was
postmaster at his home, Hartsborn,
for more than 60 years and was
greatly esteemed by his friends and
neighbors for his just and honorable
dealings, his modesty, candor, and
cheerful contentment under all cir-
cumstances. He is survived by three
children, Judge Albert L. Coble of
Statesville; John W. Coble and Mrs.
Fannie I. Reitzel of Alamance, and
by three grandchildren, Albert Em-
mett Reitzel of Washington; Cameron
MacRae Coble of Greenville, S. C.,
and Mrs. William Harrison Bennett
of Alamance. All of his children were
present at his deathbed. The funeral
services were held Sunday at the
Lutheran church, of which Mr. Coble
has been a member many years.

The Dispatch extends sympathy to
the bereaved ones in this sad hour of
their bereavement.

JURORS FOR JANUARY TERM OF SUPERIOR COURT

For one week only and for the
trial of civil cases.

The following is a list of the jurors
drawn for the January term of the
Superior Court, which convenes on
January 24th, 1918.

- Green A. Nicholson, No. 2; J. T.
Gibson, No. 10; E. A. Wyrick, No. 3;
Geo. F. Thompson, No. 7; W. J.
Horne, No. 12; N. W. Baker, No. 5;
Joel J. Sharpe, No. 2; Cicero Andrews,
No. 12; Geo. W. Loy, No. 12; Lon.
G. Turner, No. 6; J. A. Dickey, Jr.,
No. 11; Jas. A. Freshwater, No. 10;
E. W. Wilkins, No. 5; W. A.
Stout, No. 1; J. A. Aldridge, No. 13;
J. G. Clarke, No. 8; John M. Ba-
ker, No. 13; W. F. Dodson, No. 8;
J. G. Rascoe, No. 5; A. N. Thomas,
No. 13; D. M. Cheek, No. 9; J. R.
Aldridge, No. 13; J. H. Jones, No. 5;
R. H. Rogers, No. 8; M. A. Line-
berry, No. 1; Wm. A. Andrews, No. 3;
T. E. Faucett, No. 12; Joseph A.
Nicholson, No. 8.

THE LIQUOR INTEREST AND VOTES FOR WOMEN

The wife of Philadelphia's reform
mayor, Mrs. Lucretia Blankenburg,
for many years head of the State
Suffrage Association for Pennsylvania,
was asked just before the elec-
tions whether woman suffrage was
likely to carry any of the Eastern
campaign States. "We might do it,"
she said, "if it weren't for the pesky
liquor dealers." Mida's Criterion,
speaking just after the elections, said:
"There was fear on the part of the
advocates of personal liberty that
woman suffrage would be used for
the curtailment of personal liberty
and therefore we thought it the safe-
plan to vote against conceding the
privilege of franchise to women."

Liquor dealers of Iowa are orga-
nizing to defeat the suffrage amend-
ment to be voted on in that State
next June. In one wet city a fund
of more than \$5,000 is said to have
been raised within a few hours' time
to finance a joint campaign against
prohibition and equal suffrage. In
Missouri the Woman's Christian Tem-
perance Union, convinced that the
next step in the battle with the liquor
forces is to obtain the ballot for wom-
en, has allied itself with the Equal
Suffrage Association in a movement
to call another election upon woman
suffrage in 1916 by means of the ini-
tiative.

DEMOCRATIC TAXES

It should be with a deep sense of
shame and humiliation that at the
very opening of the present Congress
the Democrats bring forward the sub-
ject of additional revenue for the
Government. Hardly have the mem-
bers of the House of Representatives
taken their seats, when there is pre-
sented a bill to continue the special
taxes which the Democrats are pleas-
ed to term "war" taxes in the vain
hope that by so doing they will hide
from view the real reason for their
necessity. Hardly had the Speaker's
gavel fallen at the first session when
the Democrats, in caucus assembled,
declared for a bill to continue the
collecting of this additional revenue,
taxes which, when first put upon the
country, it was declared, would dwell
among us for a year only and would
come to an end.

So there is again in full view of the
national audience this "war" tax of
the Democratic party. Of course, it
is nothing of that kind. A war tax
is an emergency tax. Protective tar-
iff always collected revenue enough
to run the Government, that is one
argument for it, and the revenue tax
has never collected money enough to
run the Government without issuing
bonds. During Republican Adminis-
tration of national affairs we built the
Panama Canal almost entirely out of
current funds, when we had the au-
thority to issue four hundred mil-
lions of bonds. We only issued a hun-
dred and thirty-two millions, because
we did not need to issue any more.
The Republican system of tariff tax-
ation took care of our Government
expenses.

On the subject of internal taxation
the Democratic party has changed its
mind, as it has upon most other sub-
jects. There was a contest in the
House of Representatives over the
war tax legislation of 1898. At that
time this country was at war with
Spain, and it was a real war tax
that was being discussed, not one to
hide the deficiency in revenue caused
by Democratic tariff legislation. Our
troops were in Cuba and money was
needed to carry on our military and
naval activities. In the House at
that time there were one hundred and
thirty-two Democrats. When the in-
ternal revenue tax was brought before
the House, one hundred and twenty-
nine of these Democrats voted against
it. Among them were Champ Clark,
new Speaker of the House, that passed
a "war" tax in time of peace, and
Oscar Underwood, the author of the
law that it is now sought to extend.

Today and to-morrow have, indeed,
changed since Democracy came into
power at Washington. The policy of
that party is revenue only, not protec-
tion and that means the direct tax in-
stead of the indirect. It means the
taxation of the American citizen, in-
stead of taxing the foreigner who
wishes the privilege of selling his
goods in the American market. Does
the country realize that seventy per
cent of our tax today is direct, un-
der Democratic administration? Such
is the fact. Does it appreciate the
further fact that sixty-five per cent
of all the imports that come into the
country are on the free list and so
afford no revenue to this Government?
If this were not the case there would
be no necessity for the "war" tax
that the Democrats are to reimpose
as their first act of the new Con-
gress.

When Mr. Wilson signed the tariff
law with flourish alike of pen and
phrase and in the presence of the
Democratic leaders of Congress one of
the statements made by him was this:
"The new law will collect revenue
sufficient to run the Government." The
echoes of these words had hardly died
away before these same Democratic
leaders were hunting for means to in-

MOTHER DESERTS BABY ON TRAIN

Three Weeks Old Boy Found on
Southern Express With Bottle of
Milk by His Side.—Is Cared For at
Children's Home.

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 22.—A
bright-eyed baby boy, just three weeks
old, was deserted by his mother at
the Southern passenger station late
Sunday afternoon. He was placed on
the Winston-Salem train that was
about to pull out of the yards, and
deserted there with nothing but a
half-filled bottle of milk to represent
the fatherless wells of mother love
that should have been his portion. He
obvious, naturally, of the marked card
that had been dealt him by an unkind
fate, the hand of his own mother; and
when the conductor found him he
was lying on an empty seat, the bot-
tle of milk beside him, and no mark
of identification to give him a name
through life. He is now at the home
of the North Carolina Children's
Home society, the gentle hands of
strangers substituted for those of the
woman who bore him into a world
of trials and sorrows, administering
to his baby wants and needs.

The mother of the child disappeared
so suddenly that the earth might have
opened and engulfed her. She was
in the waiting-room of the passenger
station for some little time late in
the afternoon, and during this time
was in conversation with Miss Yopp,
the travelers' aid secretary. Miss
Yopp was in conversation with Miss
Yopp, the baby, and asked the mother a
few questions about her child. It
was in this brief conversation that
the age of the infant was learned.
Miss Yopp paid little attention to the
mother, declaring that she could not
be positive in her identification if she
should see the woman again.

The mother and baby disappeared
from the waiting-room a few min-
utes before the Winston train was to
leave the yards. A little later Miss
Yopp learned that the conductor had
found the child on his train. She
thought then that possibly the mother
had gone out without knowing that
the train was leaving so soon, and she
asked that she be given a little time
for a search. The train was held for
several minutes, and then it was re-
alized that the little fellow had been de-
serted. Miss Yopp took him in
charge and communicated with offi-
cials of the children's home. A lady
was sent for the baby and he was
carried to the home for care until
his mother can be located or another
home found for him.

Police officials and agents of the
Southern immediately began investi-
gations in an endeavor to find the
woman who had thus left her offspring
to its fate, but late last night they
had met with no success. They really
have few clues on which to work.
There is a possibility that she left on
No. 43 which pulled out of the yards
about the time the infant was found,
or she might have remained in the
city. The only description of her
available is—that she is slender, sup-
posedly young, and was dressed in
black.

If the Democrats have the same
luck with their next presidential nom-
ination at St. Louis as they had with
the three they have made there in the
past, it will be entirely satisfactory to
Republicans.

They hit upon the
"war" tax and announced that it
would be necessary to collect it for
but one year. Now they say it is
necessary to continue it, and to adopt
new methods of taxation as well.
Such is the penalty of Democratic
rule, the way of the taxpayer is hard
and ever harder.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, The Supreme Ruler of the
Universe, in His wisdom, has seen fit
to call from earth to reward Brother
T. R. Fowler; and
Whereas, This council has lost one
of its oldest and most loyal mem-
bers:

Therefore, be it resolved:
First. That we do very
openly our loss yet we bow in humble
admiration to His that death all
things well.
Second. That we extend the fam-
ily our sincere sympathy in this try-
ing hour.

That, This Council of the
Ladies be requested to prepare a
copy of this to be placed in the
copy to be sent to each of the
other branches of the publication.
J. P. FOSTER,
W. S. STUBBS,
M. D. WATKINS,
Clerks.

North State Council No. 24, S. C. U.
A. M. Dec. 22d. 1918.
Most of the born leaders of men
are women.
The woman who hesitates at an ac-
tion saves money.

Gifts That Are Good

GOOD FOR CHRISTMAS DAWN, AND GOOD AFTER CHRIST-
MAS IS GONE. GIFTS OF LASTING VALUE ARE BEING
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