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SERVING US MUDDY WATER

This town is running short of ice and drinking muddy water. Both ice plants are over-run with business and one plant is delivering ice to its customers shipped here from other cities.

It is highly commendable in the local ice companies that they are using their every effort, without regard to expense, to meet the demands of the people when hot weather comes and their force is taxed almost beyond its capacity.

Something should be done to meet the water situation. Today as we write, the water is so muddy that any man who thinks of his stomach should be afraid to swallow a drop of it. Just what the remedy is we leave to the authorities, but certainly the people should not be served with filthy looking water. It is poor consolation to tell us that the water is muddy but good. There may be good mud, but hardly any of it is good to drink.

There is no need to advise a saving of water. All of us are guilty of wasting it. If the people of this town would use water economically as they should, the problem might be solved. Plenty of citizens allow their water spigots to get out of condition and run up their water bill several thousand gallons and pay it and think no more about it, but the old worn-out spigot keeps right on the job. The folks of this town need a lesson in the economical use of water. Because the town is selling water is no reason why the water should be wasted. The town is in position to furnish only a limited amount of water at any price, and this limit has been reached. We suggest that a thorough system of inspection of every man's premises be made and see that all waste is remedied. We recall going into a business place some years ago and the merchant had his spigot running wide open and boasted that he allowed it to run that way all the time to keep the water cool. We recall how a citizen who used but little water neglected his spigot some years ago and for months paid a bill of several dollars and seemed to think nothing of it. If the town will find some way to correct all this neglect on the part of citizens and stop the balance of us from watering our truck and lawns excessively and educate us all to the proper use of water it will be well worth while.

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RESPECT FOR THE RECORDER'S COURT

Just why the magistrates of the country have never put more interest in their courts it might be hard to say. Some few men who serve the people as magistrates are able to exert a wide and uplifting influence among the people who come to them for aid in legal matters, but while this is true of some of these lower courts, most of them are conducted in such a way as to be out of the class of the higher courts in the influence they hold on the people.

For a long time after our local Recorder's court was established here in this city the people seemed to not class it with the Superior courts, but rather with the magistrate's courts. No one man or set of men were to be blamed for this idea that the people held of the local court and it took time to remedy it. The court is now in high esteem among the people of the town and township.

Somehow we give Judge H. H. Lewellyn much credit for placing this court in a class along with the Superior courts. Two years ago when he was just beginning the practice of the law, his friends thought they saw in him a man of judicial temperament who would make a good recorder. We believe that the law-abiding citizens of the township are well pleased with the way he has filled this office. It is no small matter to sit in judgment on one's neighbor and but few men have the tact or the ability to place high fines when they are deserving and heavy road sentences on men who need them, when these same men are his neighbors. But Judge Lewellyn has done this, seemingly without fear or favor, and in a way to impress the people with his fairness in disposing of the cases, and in justice to those who were brought before his court for trial.

W. E. Ball of California spent Sunday in this city with his father Col. J. S. Ball. Mr. Ball has been in New York for two weeks in the interest of the candidacy of W. G. McAduf for president. He returned to New York Monday in order to be on hand when the convention assembles.

ALLURING PROMISES

The Democratic party will meet this week in New York City and nominate a national ticket. By the time this is read the ticket will be named. The interesting part of the subject is the effort of the national liquor organization to capture the convention. This organization made a determined effort to control the recent Republican convention that named Mr. Coolidge for president, but utterly failed. Now they are making just as determined an effort to control the Democrats.

Captain W. H. Staydon is the manager of the liquor organization and here is what he is said to have pledged to the Democrats if they will put a wet plank in their platform:

"With a modification plank, the Democrats would, no doubt, carry New York, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Ohio, Illinois, Missouri, Maryland and California, the majority of which are normally Republican states. There is also reason to believe the Democrats would carry Michigan, Montana and Washington. If Democratic leaders will take advantage of the almost nation-wide popular demand for modification of the Volstead law there will be another landslide in November, and it won't be for the elephant."

Since the liquor people are so determined to have their way and get the saloon back into business, it would, no doubt, be a valuable aid to prohibition for the saloon to again be back long enough to show for all time that liquor and modern business will not mix. The liquor folks seem to not have learned this lesson yet. It is interesting to contemplate just what would happen in a town like Mount Airy if every silly chap could tank up on light wine or beer and then get in his flivver and burn up the road. It would not take more than a week to put the saloon to silence for all time to come. A half-drunken man can get along very well with a wheelbarrow or a pick and shovel but a buzz saw or a high-powered machine or an elevator or any complicated machine demands a sober man at the helm.

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JAPAN COMES ACROSS

About two weeks ago the prominent men of this country were seriously thinking about how to avert a war with Japan. The Japanese started boycotts against all imported goods that came from the United States; some of their more boisterous element broke up an evening dance at the Consul's home; circulars and many other demonstrations of hatred for the United States were widely distributed among the people. All of this came about due to the exclusion clause of the immigration bill passed by Congress.

Now, however, Japan is exerting every possible means to again obtain the friendship of our country. Why she is doing this is very obvious. When demonstrations of war were started the financiers of this country immediately refused credit to the Japanese traders. The government bonds of Japan dropped on the New York bond market five cents on the dollar. The Japs also recalled the fact that we consume 50 per cent of their exports and that we could easily boycott their goods.

It seems that Japan is in too precarious a financial condition to start a war with the United States for the next decade, at least.

NEW PASTOR PLEASES

Those who have expressed themselves about the new pastor of the First Baptist Church in this city, Rev. E. Gibson Davis are delighted with their selection of a man to fill this important position. He is a man of pleasing address, speaks well in the pulpit and shows to be a man of wide learning and tact, and possessed with all those qualities of mind and body that go to make a successful minister.

In the Recorder's Court

The following cases were disposed of in the Recorder's court Monday morning:

- J. B. Southern paid the cost for not observing the traffic laws of the city.
Roy Greenwood, Carl Easter and Zeb Easter were before the court for engaging in a fight at an ice cream supper near Laurel Bluff. Greenwood and Carl Easter were fined \$15 each and Zeb was let off with the cost.
Key Bennett, Sam Sprinkle and Earl Binge paid the cost for boisterous conduct in the presence of ladies.
Theatre Gammons paid the cost for speeding.
Asbury Myers was taxed with the cost for operating a truck with no muffler on the engine.
J. T. Hatcher has returned to Matewan, W. Va., after spending some time with his mother near Brim.

DEVELOPING THE CHURCH

The work of Rev. Charles D. Crouch, Moravian minister of this city, is such that it will be well for all Christian people to keep track of what he is doing. Many years ago the Moravians established points of worship in the country along the foot of the mountains north of this city. Two organized churches have long been in that section, but like most other country churches, they have existed as organizations, and but little more. Now the plan of the Moravian church is to develop these places of worship and make them of influence in that part of the country. With this in mind Rev. Mr. Crouch is sent here and is giving his entire time to the work. It is no small undertaking to lead a country district out of its old ways and customs and get them to see that a church organization is something more than a name. Part of the work of the Moravians is to make a home for the minister who will later work on that field. To make this home, a farm, which the church has long owned, but which has never been improved, will be developed and made to help support the pastor in charge.

Mr. Crouch is not only going among the people as a minister and looking after their needs at home, but when those of that section come here to the hospital we notice that he gives them special attention, making frequent visits to their room and ministering to their needs. He is having work done on the farm that will add to its productiveness and make it valuable in the work of the church in the way of helping to meet expenses of the pastor in charge. In a few years it is hoped that this work can be placed on its feet so that a man can be located on the Moravian farm and give his entire time to that work.

For the present Mr. Crouch lives here in this city, but he spends much of his time among the people he serves and looks after the farm work in progress.

If this proves to be a success, which it no doubt will, it will be an object lesson to other rural sections to go and do likewise. In many sections of the country rural churches are forming pastorates and cooperating in their efforts to keep a man on the work who has ability and is able to lead the people in a helpful way. In all city churches a home is furnished for the pastor in charge, but in the country districts of this part of the state this feature of the work has never developed. Why should not country churches look forward to the day when each pastorate shall own its own preacher's home and have a small farm connected with it, and let the farm help to meet the expenses of the preacher? This is just what the Moravians are doing and it will be an object lesson to other churches.

Contract to be Let For Pilot Mountain Road

The State Highway Commission this week called for bids on a number of projects to be let on July 15th. One of these projects is the hard-surfacing of the road from this city to Pilot Mountain. For some months contractors have been grading this road and getting everything in readiness for the concrete workers. Most of the bridges have been completed and Commissioner Haynes is now calling for bids on the concrete. The road as graded is about 10 1-2 miles between the two towns.

Off For National Convention

Old Surry Democracy is being represented in the Democratic National Convention in New York this week. R. C. Freeman, of Dobson, left for the metropolis Sunday and was on hand when the convention assembled and perfected its organization. Tuesday afternoon J. H. Folger and Sheriff C. H. Haynes boarded the train at Greensboro and arrived in time to take part in the actual work of selecting a Democratic nominee for President. The North Carolina delegation is divided between McAduf and Underwood. Surry's representatives are also divided in their choice. Sheriff Haynes goes to New York fighting for McAduf, so does R. C. Freeman, while Mr. Folger is an admirer of John W. Davis. When they left they would give no idea just when they could be expected to return as everything pointed to a long drawn out fight between the McAduf and Smith supporters.

Bealey Chandler Leaves Hospital

Bealey Chandler, victim of an auto accident several weeks ago in which his back was broken, has sufficiently recovered to leave Martin Memorial hospital and return to his home. For nearly two months his body was encased in a plaster cast to allow the broken spine to knit together. This cast was removed last week and the young man found that he had good use of his body and the doctors see no reason why he should not completely recover.

CEMETERY CLEAN UP WEEK

All Interested Parties Asked to Help in Cleaning up Oakdale Cemetery Next Week

Those who have visited Oakdale Cemetery within the past four or five weeks have been surprised at the improved appearance of this resting place for the dead. The Cemetery Commission has had a force of men on the grounds for some time getting the driveways in good condition and putting the vacant lots in better shape. There still remains much work to be done and the Commission has set aside the week beginning June 30th, as "Cemetery Clean Up Week." They are asking everyone who has not already cleaned up their lot this spring to please join in the movement and come out sometime during the week and help make the cemetery a real credit to the city.

The commission especially requests that when trash or rubbish is moved off the individual plots that it not be thrown on adjoining lots or in the driveways. In the hollow in the lower section of the cemetery all this rubbish is placed and will be burned from time to time as it seasons out.

Remember the week—next week—and everyone interested in the burying place of our dead is earnestly requested to make a thorough clean up of their lots.

Hatcher-Swanson

The country home of Mrs. E. F. Hatcher, across the Virginia line in the Brim section, was the scene of a very quiet marriage Wednesday, June 18, when her daughter Miss Angie Hatcher became the bride of V. S. Swanson, of Pilot Mountain.

The ring ceremony which was performed by Rev. Roy Smith and witnessed only by relatives, took place at 9 a. m. before a simple improvised altar of forest greens.

Immediately after the ceremony they motored to Greensboro where they took the train for a trip to Atlantic City and New York.

E. L. Lundy of Independence Passes

Mr. Ellis L. Lundy a highly respected and influential citizen of Independence, Va., aged about 60 years, died at his home last Wednesday and was laid to rest on Thursday beside his wife who died about two years ago.

Mr. Lundy was easily one of the leading citizens of Grayson county and a man whose loss will be felt in church, town and county even though his influence for good and the up-building of the community lives on.

His son C. E. Lundy, of Raleigh, accompanied by Mrs. Lundy and two sons Edgar and Ellis spent Saturday night here en route to their home from Independence.

Residence Furnished by O. B. Webb

O. B. Webb, of this city, has been given the contract to do extensive plumbing and heating work on the residence of Geo. L. Carter, of Hillsville, Va. For several years Mr. Carter lived in West Virginia where he was interested in the coal business, his deals often running into the millions of dollars and during which time he is said to have gathered together a fortune of several million dollars. Several months ago Mr. Carter returned to Hillsville, his old home town, where he purchased the old Earley homeplace and is now converting it into one of the most modern homes in the land. Mr. Webb will install in it a complete lighting and heating plant, also sewerage and baths.

Large Family Reunion

More than 50 descendants and relatives of John Martin met at the home of his daughter, Mrs. L. Lineberry, near Gladesboro, Va., last Sunday. All brought baskets laden with good things to eat and a long table was placed out in the spacious lawn where the many children and grown ups enjoyed the noon-day meal. Some of those from a distance who attended were: Geo. Martin and family of Poplar Camp, Va.; Walter Martin and son of Roanoke; T. H. Osborne and family of Galax; and the families of Luther Martin, W. M. Johnson, E. M. Martin and Luther Lergen of this city.

Radio Fine in High Altitude

Welch Bowman, a youthful local radio enthusiast, recently installed an outfit on top of the pinnacle of Pilot Mountain and, with his friend Joe Jackson, spent the night there just for the experiment of testing out the radio at high altitude. They found the high altitude favorable for the radio transmission as they were able to get unusually clear and distinct messages.

This young radio fan is able to make and assemble his own outfit and has fitted up a sending station in his own home which he is applying for government license to operate.

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BANK OF NEW YORK BUYS STATE BONDS
Bank Buys Bonds and State Borrow \$2,000,000—Gov. Morrison Says Good Investment
Raleigh, June 18.—Another good sale of North Carolina securities was effected Monday when two millions were borrowed for sixty days and ten millions of Highway bonds were sold. The purchaser of both notes and bonds was the First National Bank of New York, and associates. The notes were placed at an interest rate not to exceed 2 1-2 per cent and the bonds at four and a half per cent at par with a premium of \$5,000.

Brim Route 2 Items
We had a much needed rain Sunday afternoon. The farmers are now busy replanting tobacco.
Rev. Roy Smith and family have recently moved to Blue Ridge, Va.
Mrs. Rolin King, who has been ill with pneumonia for several days, is slowly improving.
The small child of C. Goin died Wednesday June 18.
Mrs. Ellis Smith of Mount Airy, visited her father, Tony Anderson Saturday.
Mr. and Mrs. Edgar and C. J. Ring motored to Lanesburg Va. Sunday.
C. H. Jessup and family of Peters Creek, Va., spent Saturday with his mother Mrs. H. T. Jessup.
Mr. and Mrs. Lee Cook, Mrs. N. B. Lawson, Mrs. P. S. Smith and daughter Lena, spent the day at H. T. Jessup's Sunday.

At the former sale, the best offer on bonds was 4 3-4 per cent and the money was finally borrowed at the very low rate of 3 7-8 for nine months. The trade drew comment from New York financial journals. The bond sale justifies the faith of State Treasurer Lacy and Governor Morrison that the market would improve, while the rate of interest on the loan sets a new low record for State financing in North Carolina.

Hathaway-Avery
Invitations reading as follows have been received here.
Mrs. Burton Walker Hathaway requests the honor of your presence at the marriage of her daughter, Arnette Preet, to Mr. Lenoir Thomas Avery, on Saturday afternoon, June 28th, at half after one o'clock, Holy Trinity Church, Hertford, North Carolina.
The bridegroom-elect is a native of Charlotte, the bride-elect was a member of the high school faculty here last school term.

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