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COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE

LOCUST.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Smith on Monday, March 8th, a daughter, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Turner are both on the sick list, and have been for several days.

Mrs. Temple Jenkins left early Saturday morning for her home in Baltimore.

Frank Moore, colored, was placed in the county jail last week for liquor making. Officers found the pool poured out in the back room of his house.

Mrs. G. H. Tucker has hundreds of tomato plants ready for setting, but the weather man says "not yet."

The heaviest snow of the season came last Thursday, but owing to the rain which preceded and followed, it neither was very deep nor remained long.

Again Saturday a regular blizzard

came down and gave us the coldest night of the whole winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Boone announce the birth of a son, Sunday, March 14th.

Miss Ora Lee Honeycutt is critically ill at this writing from over wrought nerves, following the death Saturday of her grandmother.

Mr. D. W. Turner sustained a right painful injury Saturday night as he was leaving his store when he slipped and fell, striking his head against the door.

We enjoyed and appreciated the story in the Times, "The Wife Who Wasn't Wanted."

The service station here was broken into again last Tuesday night, entrance being made through a rear window. Knives, cigarettes, candy, chewing gum and a small amount of cash were taken. This is the fourth time the station has been robbed.

MIDLAND.
Mrs. C. E. Tucker has returned from Concord, where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. F. A. Pounds.

Miss Ida Mae Widenhouse, of Kannapolis, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Widenhouse.

Mrs. Bain Green has returned after visiting her father, Mr. T. W. Mann, in Mint Hill.

Mr. Tom Liltaker spent Saturday in Concord.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Widenhouse and Mrs. W. H. Tucker attended the funeral of Mr. Hamilton's brother, Mr. Jackson Hamilton, near Pineville.

Mrs. F. A. Pounds is visiting her mother, Mrs. C. E. Tucker.

Messrs. W. H. and Hugh Tucker spent Tuesday in Charlotte.

Miss Ida Mae Widenhouse had as her guests for the week-end Misses Margaret Gibson, of Huntersville, and Virginia Parks, of Enochville.

Mrs. W. H. Tucker spent Tuesday in Monroe.

Misses Laura Mae Shinn and Faye Black attended teachers' meeting in Concord Saturday.

Miss Faye Black spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Green.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Page and children spent Sunday with Mrs. Page's father, Mr. Peizon Hagler, in Union county.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Garmon and children spent Friday in Charlotte.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Hayward have moved to Montgomery county.

NOBODY FLIES OVER TOKIO.
Dearborn Weekly.

The Man From Japan came into The Office: "Nobody flies over Tokio," said he, "because the Emperor lives there and it is permitted no human being to look down on the Emperor. When the American flyers came they had to circle the city. Our great summer resort is at a much higher altitude than Tokio, yet in speech we 'go down' from Tokio to the higher place, and 'go up' from the higher place to lower Tokio, because it is the seat of the Emperor. Japan is one of the saddest places on earth, once you know it. The pressure of population and the terrible poverty are most depressing. Population pressure forces the people out of the Empire, or farther up the stony mountains. Easing the population pressure is something the world has got to deal with sooner or later.

The Japanese government is now paying heads of families to get out and go to Brazil, to relieve the burden on space and food. Living at what Americans would call a working-class standard, is prohibitive in cost. After living in Japan, all the manufactured fear which we have in this country is worse than foolish. The Japanese seem to be secretive with us,

but I have found that most of it arises from their shame over their poverty. They don't like other people to see how bare their country is in every way. They are proud, but poor, and their poverty has much to do with their dishonesty. Japan does not count for much in trade today because she does not know that honesty is something that can be put into materials. When Japan had a large lead pencil trade, her manufacturers conceived the brilliant idea of putting an inch of lead in each end of the pencil, never dreaming apparently that it would hurt their business. It was the same way with silk. When she had a trade in that article, she began to make the center of the bolt bad, then a little more, and a little more, until half of it was bad. And now no silk will be purchased there, that does not bear the stamp of American inspection. That is the great trouble with Japan—she imitates, and what she imitates is our worst faults. The principle of honor in goods has yet to be planted there. During the war Japan acquired an immense trade, but she has lost it all since, due to under-standard goods. Japan is not an enemy to be suspected, but a hard-up nation to be pitied. I like the Japanese people, yet I would not advise that they come to the United States in numbers. I think, however, they should come in on the basis of other people—this would make about 146 a year.

Sugar cane was cultivated in India before the Christian era, for Alexander the Great's soldiers brought back the "honey-bearing reed" from the banks of the Indus.

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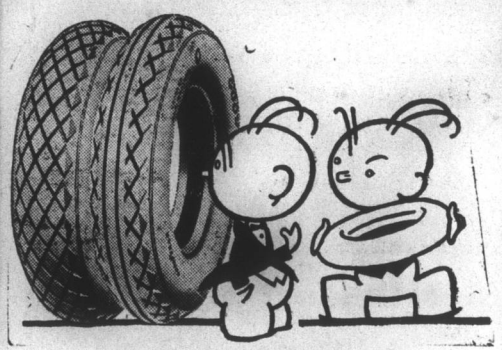
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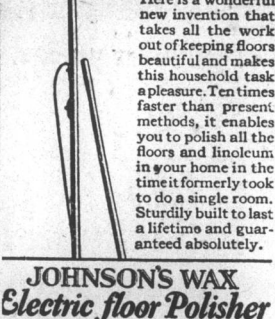
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WHITE HALL.
Our first baseball game was played Friday evening. And my! my! What was the score? 20 and 2, wasn't it? We had hoped to put them in under our wing for the first win, but instead Winecoff conquered us. The game opened with Winecoff scoring run after run until our team could not overcome the lead. Wait, baseball fans. We are going to Winecoff next Friday and you had better come and see the game. Mr. Lloyd Garmon, our pitcher, pitched his first game Friday. He held the visiting team down until the last inning. We hope to strengthen our team by next Friday. It seems like everyone from Winecoff knows Carolina Kid.

Listen, correspondents! Let's have our picnic at the Cabarrus Fair grounds, as it is the best place I know of. All the writers know where the Cabarrus Fair Ground is. Does that place suit all you correspondents? Let me know.

Mr. John T. Howell, our teacher last year, was a visitor at the ball game Friday evening. He is teaching at Roberta this year.

Hip Hi! Meet us at Winecoff next Friday evening. Help us win if you can. Come one, come all.

The debate for our last meeting was as follows: Resolved that indoor games are more enjoyable than outdoor games. The affirmative was upheld by Elroy Crooks and Rosellin White, while the negative was upheld by Elmer Early Christenbury and Estell Bost. The debate resulted in a tie.

Speed onward correspondents. Give us same baseball sports.

CAROLINA KID.

ENOCHVILLE.
We regret to learn that Unity schoolhouse was destroyed by fire this week. It is supposed to have caught from a defective flue.

We are glad to see Miss Turner again in charge of her school.

Little Lawson, son of Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Bolden, is still very sick.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Upright, of Kannapolis, spent awhile Thursday at the home of his mother, Mrs. L. D. Upright.

Mrs. George Moore, of near Mt. Ulla, has been very sick with flu and threatened with pneumonia.

Mrs. Tom Rodgers and baby are in the Concord Hospital in a critical condition as a result of the child falling into the fire, getting severely burned, and its mother was also badly burned while trying to extinguish the flames. Mr. and Mrs. Rodgers live near Kannapolis, and Mr. Rogers was in Norfolk, Va., in a sanatorium taking treatment before undertaking an operation for appendicitis when he received a telegram telling of this painful accident and immediately returned home.

R. O. Upright has purchased two Ford "squeeters."

G. W. Wright has had one of his tenant houses recovered this week.

We are more than sorry to note the illness again of Mrs. E. B. Brown, who has been out at her work again after a severe attack of influenza and was taken sick very suddenly last week while preparing dinner.

A. D. Correll made a business trip to China Grove Wednesday night.

We have several cases of French measles and mumps in our neighborhood.

Mrs. L. D. Upright and daughter, Flora May, spent Wednesday night in Enochville, with Mrs. George Triplett.

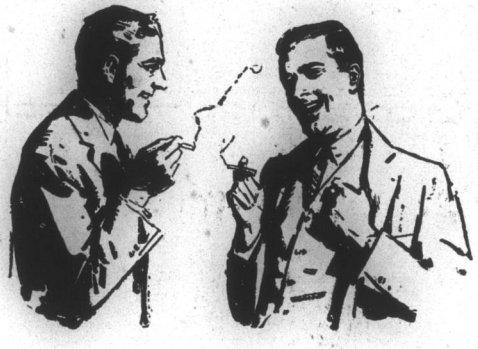
Little Frances Upright, of Kannapolis, was sick last week.

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GEORGEVILLE.
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