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Trunk and Waver Not—Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.—Proverbs 3:5.

ENOUGH INVESTMENTS RIGHT AT HOME: We find ourselves ready to add an emphatic "amen" to a recent editorial in The Salisbury Post which advised caution in the purchase of war-ware real estate with the hope of making a fortune in the transaction.

The Post rightly says that the man with money to invest in dirt can get deals near home and in such case he can see what he is getting. Furthermore he is a part of the community, he understands conditions and the general price level of things.

When he buys at home he does not have to take the advice of some out-of-town man. He is on the ground and can see for himself. Says The Post: "In plain speaking, let's be sensible, safe, sound and practically minded. Getting a little foothold in the loveliest mountains of earth, or down where the placid waters run to the sea is desirable and not to be scorned or even discouraged, but there is wisdom in being sane and sensible.

The Salisbury paper then goes on to give the home real estate men some advice as to their own business, intimating that a little more activity on their part might result in more sales of home dirt.

The Post says: "If home dirt were given a comparatively small amount of kind words, intelligently and honestly placed, as the wonderful developments of the day there would be a deeper appreciation of the home lands and perhaps a degree less of regret to accumulate in the after years. The profound silence of the realtors of the home circle is impressive and may be held responsible in some measure at least for the strong appeal which the green fields far away make to those who are hungry and thirsty for some of mother earth."

IN JUSTICE TO REYNOLDS: The old charge, "he didn't enlist in the war" is being brought into the Overman-Reynolds fight by foes of the Asheville man. Some one started the talk and it has been passed on to all sections of the State.

In justice to Mr. Reynolds it seems right to say that he was registered for service in the United States Army on September 12, 1918 and had been notified that he would be called for service on November 14th, 1918. So far as the records show he claimed no exemption. Mr. Reynolds pursued the same course of millions of other men who, being too old for the first draft, stood by until the government saw a need for their services.

From Mr. Overman's headquarters comes the report that the attack on Mr. Reynolds was not started there. That is gratifying. We are of the opinion that the attack, regardless of its conception and administration, will serve to the advantage of the Asheville candidate for many persons give their sympathy to the man who is unjustly attacked.

MURDERS IN THE U. S.

"The economic loss to the nation from the 12,000 murders in the United States in 1925 was very serious." Thus spoke Frederick L. Hoffman, consulting statistician to the Prudential Life Insurance Company of America, last week; and further: "The evidence (after comparing the U. S. murder rate of 11.1 per 100,000 for 1925 with the 10.8 rate for 1924) extending over a long period of years is quite conclusive that the normal American rate is now approximately twice as high as the corresponding rate for Italy, often referred to as the classic land for murder."

Jacksonville, Florida, Mr. Hoffman said, ranked highest in rate last year—72.3 per 100,000 (58.8 in 1924); Memphis next with 50.0 (40.7 in 1924). Immediately in lower line came Birmingham, Savannah, and New Orleans. All these are Southern cities.

In number of homicides Chicago topped the list—563 (509 in 1924); rate 18.8 against 17.5). New York came next—374, a decrease from the 387 of 1924. Third was Detroit—243.

PATTERSON HEAD OF TEXTILE BODY

Charlotte Man Is Re-elected Secretary-Treasurer; Convention Closes. Atlanta, Ga., May 19.—Samuel Finley Patterson, of Roanoke Rapids, N. C., was elected president of the American Cotton Manufacturers' Association at the closing session of the annual convention here today.

James J. Gossett, of Williamston, N. C., was elected first vice-president; and George S. Harris, Atlanta, second vice-president.

Winston D. Adams, of Charlotte, N. C., was re-elected secretary-treasurer of the association.

Girls Who Flew From Industrial Home Caught. Charlotte Observer. The majority suffers from the wrongs of the minority, says an old proverb.

Such was the case Tuesday at the Mecklenburg industrial home for delinquent girls when for the first time in several moons the honor system was curtailed.

And all because two girls took advantage of the system and made good an escape only to be back at the industrial home yesterday and put under guard with the other inmates.

The two girls were Mary Elizabeth Deaton, 16, and Elizabeth Freeman, 18, who are believed to have crawled upon a truck that carried them to Willis Newell's service station where they were apprehended.

Miss Julia Alexander to Read Declaration. Washington, May 19.—Miss Julia Alexander, of Charlotte, has been selected to read the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence to the North Carolina Society here Thursday night. She is a descendant of a signer. Everybody is looking forward to her coming with great interest.

Spitzbergen is the one place in the world where it is possible to live in comfort without illness, for, owing to the arctic air, it has been found that no disease germs can exist there.

Norge Pilot



Col. Umberto Nobile, famous Italian flier, who piloted the Amundsen dirigible Norge from Rome, where it was built, all the way over the North Pole, followed the order of his government chief, Premier Mussolini, and dropped the Italian flag on the Pole, while Capt. Amundsen and Lieut. Ellsworth died the same ceremony with the Norwegian and American colors.

How Norge Looked Over Pole



This composite photograph is an artist's conception of how the dirigible Norge looked as it sailed over the North Pole. A photograph of the ship was superimposed on an authentic scene within the Arctic circle.

Will It Take Sales Tax to Finance Eight Months Schools?

Goldsboro, N. C., May 19.—(AP)—"It now appears that the educational forces will endeavor to finance the eight months school term through a sales tax or some other special tax to be collected from the merchants of the State, and the merchants may be put in the position of opposing an eight months school term if they oppose sales taxes."

Such was the declaration here today before the North Carolina Merchants Association of J. Paul Leonard, of Statesville, secretary of the association, in his annual report.

In this effort, the educational forces have the avowed support of at least one organization with many votes and much real or imaginary political strength," Mr. Leonard added.

"His convention should not only go on record against sales taxes and their kind, but should immediately inaugurate an active campaign against such, and should get into politics to the extent of seeing that the right kind of men are sent to the next General Assembly."

The character of the personnel of the next Legislature is of more than usual importance because of the progress that has already been made toward putting the State's affairs on a business basis under the leadership of our present Chief Executive—Nothing should be allowed to retard or hinder this progress."

Mr. Leonard referred to "the defeat of the special merchants taxes and sales taxes proposed during the last General Assembly" as "the greatest service that your Association has rendered the merchants of the State," and pointed to the fact that "you were warned in your last convention by no less personage than the great Governor of the State of the danger of further attempts to place the burden of sales taxes and other special taxes upon you."

Mr. Leonard next referred to the so-called "bad check law" "passed through your efforts during the last Legislature," and pointed out that "two Superior court judges have declared" the law unconstitutional, but that, due to the way the cases have come before the Supreme court, that body has not yet passed upon the validity of the law. If there is real danger of the law being declared unconstitutional, it should be strengthened in the next General Assembly, Mr. Leonard recommended. He added that he had no fear of the law being declared unconstitutional "if the spirit of our constitution rather than the letter is considered by the Supreme Court."

The secretary recommended that the merchants should give hearty support to the proposal in Congress looking to the "endless chain selling system," and as emphatically recommended that House Bill 10, providing for the metric system of weights and measures, be opposed.

The report reviews the 10 years since Mr. Leonard assumed the post of secretary, and told of the association's growth from 10 local associations with a membership of 710, to 33 local associations today with a membership of more than 2,000. He also told of some of the accomplishments of the Association during the decade, and reviewed the reasons for the organization.

Mr. Leonard has assumed a "militant" attitude on a number of subjects during the year, he told the Association. "One tax fight made during the year is significant because the winning of that fight saved the merchants of the state handling electric fixtures between \$3,000 and \$50,000. "Your association was largely responsible for the securing of a new ruling from the Attorney General and the State Commissioner of Revenue which relieved stores not actually engaged in the electrical business from the payment of the license taxes imposed upon electricians. In another instance I challenged and condemned statements given national publicity by the head of a national credit organization which I considered unfair and unjust, and defamatory to the good name of the merchants of North Carolina."

The Governor is commended by the report for calling the survey of women in industry, and it is recommended that the agency making the survey be given through co-operation. Reference is also made to the opposition by the merchants during the last session of the Legislature to the proposal "to place stores and mercantile establishments under the provisions of the laws regulating the hours of employment of women." That action was due, the report says, to the fact that the complaints filed with the legislative committee "were against a class of stores which do not affiliate with local mercantile and commercial organizations."

The Merchants Mutual Fire Insurance Company of North Carolina, which it is expected will develop a hot controversy during the convention, was discussed by Mr. Leonard, who gave figures to show just what the organization has done since its creation.

Mr. Leonard concluded his report with an expression of thanks for the courtesy shown him during his ten years of service.

Chaingang Guards Strike. (By International News Service) Sparta, Ga., May 19.—Convicts on the Hancock county chaingang engaged in a holiday when a "strike" was staged by every guard in the camp. Enraged because one of the road machine men was dismissed, the guards, six in number, notified the warden they would work no longer. The warden locked all the convicts in portable steel cages and busied himself hunting more men.

With the exception of a few months of the year devoted to nesting, the albatross spends its life at sea, being on the wing practically all the time.

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VISIT OF SECRETARY DAVIS POSTPONED

Due to the illness of Mrs. Davis, Will Come as Soon as Possible. Raleigh, May 10.—The visit of Dwight F. Davis, secretary of war, that was to have been made to Raleigh and North Carolina today has been postponed due to the illness of

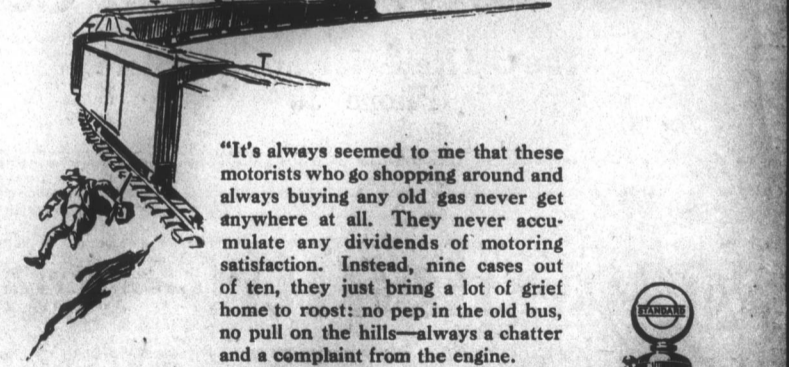
Mrs. Davis, according to a message received by Gov. A. W. McLean yesterday.

Secretary Davis had planned to arrive in Raleigh early this morning and from there motor with Governor McLean to Fort Bragg to inspect the military reservation there. The plan was to return that night to Raleigh from which point Secretary Davis could go back to Washington by train.

Regret was expressed by Secretary Davis at not being able to pay this visit to North Carolina at this time.

He stated, however, that as soon as conditions would permit, he would carry out the trip as planned. Mr. Davis has not yet paid an official visit to North Carolina and Fort Bragg since he became secretary of war and much interest was attached to his proposed visit.

"A rolling stone gathers no moss"



"It's always seemed to me that these motorists who go shopping around and always buying any old gas never get anywhere at all. They never accumulate any dividends of motoring satisfaction. Instead, nine cases out of ten, they just bring a lot of grief home to roost: no pep in the old bus, no pull on the hills—always a chatter and a complaint from the engine.

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