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Turkey and Bulgaria are forced into the roles of "me toos."

When a fellow wets his whistle he soon thinks he is a bird.

Down in Mexico it appears to be just one rebel leader after another.

The kind and wise housewife beats biscuits instead of her husband.

Here, here! Is the weather fixing to make a bad start on New Year's?

Some men practice law—and believe us, they need practice and plenty of it.

Exchange of Christmas presents comes under the head of Yulelog-rolling.

Well, Columbia has an appropriate name for a bank that bears the name of America.

If Germany wouldn't appear so eager for peace, why the entente would appear more willing for it.

It may be so that old Carranza is simply trying to prove the fallacy of the old saw that "delay is dangerous."

Aside from the manufacturers of munitions of war, who on this side of the Atlantic doesn't want the war to end?

"Nevada In Darkness," goes a headline. This hardly feazed Reno, however. They are used to dark ways there.

When Congressman Sheppard tackles the liquor folks he finds that he is not up against the lambs, but the wolves.

Mr. Hill's thinks the Reppublican party needs new leaders. Poor Mr. Hughes. How they do kick a man when he is down.

Perhaps, the warring countries may decide among themselves that Turkey should relinquish Constantinople for the good of the order.

If booze is barred from the District of Columbia there will probably be more dry speeches than ever in the Congressional Record.

Sherman, Texas, reports a big robbery in today's press dispatches, but what else can a state like Texas expect out of a town named Sherman?

The most remarkable part about the bonuses granted by big corporations is that they come when the election is over. Sure, the world is growing better.

"Right around the corner is prohibition," shouted an orator in New York. Right around the corner in New York there is always a saloon, too.

General Carranza continues to scowl and yowl. But may be he has reached the conclusion that he has seen enough of this world, anyway.

If there are any fortune-tellers in Rumania the army should stop running long enough to burn them in oil for not telling what was going to happen.

Associated Press Haddock reports that the "spirited fire" the Kentuckians indulged in on the border was probably caused by Kentucky spirits. We plead ignorance, not being an authority on hair oil, and pass the puzzle to Editor Ed Britton, of the Raleigh News and Observer, who not only is in proximity to Associated Press Haddock, but is well versed in cloves as a chaser.

NOT A PIKER.

Raleigh is a game loser. While taking failure to land a farm loan bank, philosophically, at the same time it rejoices that Columbia has it, though, of course, the city's second choice was Charlotte, the other Tar Heel town that made such a strong and close race for the location. So close, in fact, that many people within the past week had commenced to think that the Queen City's claim was secure and some Charlotte folks were preparing to congratulate themselves. But the thing missed fire and Columbia, considered the most central location for the district, received the award. With North Carolina at one of the ends of the district and Florida at the other it was hardly likely that the farm board would place the bank in either state. Had North Carolina been in a district with Virginia the tale would, no doubt, have been different, especially as Richmond was rooting for Raleigh.

But the Raleigh folks showed enterprise, plenty of energy and much ability in going after the bank and in the campaign waged. As a Raleigh correspondent well argues, the city got big advertising out of it, or words to that effect. Then the philosophical view is to the front, when the same correspondent sets forth: "But Raleigh has both judge and solicitor of this district, the secretary of the navy and expects to get the new interstate commerce commissioner; likewise the next corporation commissioner under Bickett."

We fear this proud boast will rather do more to make other spots cite why Raleigh should not have more positions, and to have the claim sustained, ability of the other contestants being equal, of course.

Evidently Raleigh is counting on landing E. L. Travis on the interstate commerce commission and filling the vacancy caused by his resignation from the corporation commission with A. J. Maxwell, and it must be admitted that each would eminently qualify.

Raleigh might go further and claim the next member of the United States supreme court, for surely the friends of Judge W. R. Allen will never allow chance to slip whenever a vacancy occurs in that tribunal. However, perhaps Judge Allen still adheres to Goldsboro as his home.

MULCTING THE PEOPLE.

No wonder Asheville is clamoring for the commission form of government to apply to Buncombe county, as well as to the city, where the form has been such a big success. The county commissioners have just floated what is termed a secret bond issue, as the bonds, while authorized, were sold without publicity at home and very little abroad and The Citizen, of Asheville, claims that thereby were the people mulcted, as the bonds sold for 100.4, when those who purchased them turned around and sold them for 106, so it is related. A comparison is drawn right there, too, in the different forms of government, as the commissioners of Asheville a year ago, when bond-money was not so free, sold an issue at 106.37, against the present sale at 100.4.

Evidently the people of Asheville who desire a commission form of government for county, as well as city, have found good argument, though it looks to us as if what is needed now, so far as the county is concerned, is the recall.

Undoubtedly a bond issue is the public's business. Therefore the public should be informed of all details. This, not only because it is right, but because failure in this respect will act against proposed bond issues in the future. Bond issues are not to be dreaded, as investment is necessary to expand any business, whether private or public. Yet the people cannot submit to indiscriminate bond issues and simply because a bond issue is proposed does not invoke the moral obligation of support for it. These questions always enter:

What is the bond issue for? Is a bond issue needed, and if so is the amount too much? Who will spend it and what assurances that it will be spent judiciously?

The answers to these questions are the contributing factors in determining individual support or opposition to any proposed bond issue.

Representative-elect Grant daily shows more and more that he wants to do what the people wish, and if he will mix this with analysis of what the people want, thinking what those who can't be heard or are unable to send representatives to Raleigh, are entitled to, he will truly represent the people. On all questions involving extra expenditures of money the people should pass upon them. We believe Mr. Grant is in tune with such position. He shows every indication of it, and if he will only adhere to it—as we believe he is going to do—he will not only make a splendid representative, but will be assured of the people's support in the future.

THE SPIRIT THAT COUNTS.

Greensboro is to have another hotel. A big modern structure is to be reared in the Gate City in the near future, coming as the sequel to months, perhaps, years of agitation, and as the climax of a few days of active campaigning. As we deduct, from afar, the hotel stands backed not only by community interest and moral support, but by community financial support, the citizens of Greensboro subscribing the stock in the hotel, looking upon it as a necessity and therefore an asset to the progress of Greensboro.

That is the right spirit. Too often it is lacking in some communities, however. Too many folks who have money decline to loosen-up unless they can see direct returns. They fail to appreciate that what helps the community helps their own business, or advances the value of their property. A dollar invested in some public enterprise might not yield one penny revenue from that enterprise, but if the enterprise brings more business to the city it, indirectly, makes returns upon the investment.

As this result applies to streets it can apply to enterprises that taxpayers, as a municipality, cannot back. There are no tolls for walking or riding on streets. Therefore money invested in streets does not yield a profit, but good streets, like good roads, do. It comes in the progress the town makes, in the advertising it gets, in the advancement of property values. The same can apply to public enterprises, even should they fail to make direct returns upon the investment. Evidently the Greensboro people appreciate this, though we do not mean to say that a new hotel in Greensboro will not prove profitable. It probably will. This is only our conception of the Greensboro spirit, of investments and the example is indeed worth thinking of and merits emulation.

THE FUTURE OF CRAIG.

It begins to appear as if Governor Craig will ease out of politics. This is predicated upon the ex-Governor getting a Federal judgeship, as per the expectancy of his friends, and he has a large and strong number of influential ones at court. So if there is a vacancy on the bench hereabouts during the next four years, as there probably will be, even if rumor doesn't succeed in separating Judge Boyd from the emine, on the ground of right to retire, it looks as if Locke Craig will fill the gap. In which event it likely means that he will be out of politics; not simply because a Federal judge cannot participate in the game in behalf of others, but because precedent has shown that ex-judges have a difficult time getting elected, especially if they step down to accept a nomination. The record is full of cases that can be cited to this effect, starting from the highest tribunal of the land and going down. Meantime, Governor Craig will go back to Asheville, to practice law and play the Wilsonian game of "watchful waiting."

BEAR IT IN MIND.

"You are right," remarked a citizen to us this morning. "If the government decides to erect a paper mill, this is the section for it." Undoubtedly. This vicinity can produce the raw material and the transportation facilities for such a plant and the government must be told about it. We trust the Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club will make a memorandum of it, so that in case the government decides upon such a plant that Wilmington's claims will be fully put forward—and on time.

As a neutral, we are hoping that peace will come. However, it begins look as if there are lots of folks who are not neutral who are longing for it. Does any one pretend to believe that the millions of human beings in the trenches do not want peace? Not that their patriotism has dimmed in the slightest and they are not ready to go forward, charging the cannon's mouth, to do or die, but simply because they must realize the uselessness of the entire awful tragedy, and must be sickened by the slaughter of human beings.

EAT LESS MEAT IF BACK HURTS

Take a Glass of Salts to Flush Kidneys if Bladder Bothers You.

Eating meat regularly eventually produces kidney trouble in some form or other, says a well-known authority, because the uric acid in meat excites the kidneys, they become overworked; get sluggish; clog up and cause all sorts of distress, particularly backache and misery in the kidney region; rheumatic twinges, severe headaches, acid stomach, constipation, torpid liver, sleeplessness, bladder and urinary irritation.

The moment your back hurts or kidneys aren't acting right, or if bladder bothers you, get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any good pharmacy; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to normal activity; also to neutralize the acids in the urine so it no longer irritates, thus ending bladder disorders.

Jad Salts cannot injure anyone; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which millions of men and women take now and then to keep the kidneys and urinary organs clean, thus avoiding serious kidney disease.—Adv.

Fifty Years Ago Today. 1866—An imperial decree was published abolishing tonnage dues in French ports on and after January 1, 1867.

Twenty-five Years Ago Today. 1891—Remains of soldiers and sailors who died in Crimean War transferred from Baikos to the military cemetery at Scutari.

YEAR AGO TODAY IN WAR

December 29, 1915.—Russians captured important city of Kashan, Persia; Paris reported that French remained masters of trenches recently won in the Vosges; Swedish forts fired on German torpedo boats pursuing a steamer into Swedish waters; league to avert future wars by means of world court launched at New York.

SPORT CHATTER.

New York, Dec. 29.—In reviewing the season of 1916 the United States National Lawn Tennis Association has prepared data to show that the playing period of the past months was the most remarkable in the history of the court game in this country. The report states, in part: "The tournament sanctioned by the association showed an increase of 26 per cent in 1916 over 1915. In 1915 the Ranking Committee examined the records of 2,697 players, to determine who should go into the 'First Ten.' This year the figures were 4,506—an increase of 67 per cent. When it is considered that these refer only to players competing in tournaments officially sanctioned and therefore, take on account of thousands who enjoy the game, but who do not go in for tournament competition, the increase is noteworthy.

"In St. Louis, for instance, more than 20,000 permits were issued to users of municipal courts in the parks. Probably not 100 of these players appeared in sanctioned events. In Washington, D. C., more than 9,000 permits went to users of public courts and in Cleveland the number was about 12,000. Such reports, from cities so widely separated, show tennis players no longer are colonized. For years the game has reached its highest development on the Atlantic and Pacific Coasts, but now it is sweeping inland with rapidity.

"Although the European war prevented David Cup matches the presence of Ichiva Kumagee and Hachishiro of Tokio, Japan, gave an international flavor to many tournaments in this country. Kumagee's remarkable playing resulted in victories in Newport, New York State and Central States tournaments and ended by his being ranked No. 5. Mikami went into Class III of players from 31 to 40. Public interest in Far Eastern tennis has been further stimulated by the 15,000 mile trip undertaken by Harold Throckmorton and George M. Church, who left a short time ago to play for the championship of the Orient.

"The year was marked also by the passing of a remarkably popular figure, when Maurice E. McLoughlin, of Los Angeles, was not ranked, because he failed to compete in enough tournaments. This was the first year since he broke into the 'First Ten' in 1903 that he did not win a place. In 1909 he was No. 6, and subsequently No. 4, No. 2, No. 1 in 1912, 1913, 1914, and No. 3 in 1915. Although 'The Comet' probably will play tennis for years to come most followers of the game doubt that he will ever be able to regain the high rank that he has consistently held during the years in



(Senator Borah.) Washington, Dec. 29.—Opposition by Senator Borah, of Idaho, has blocked the effort made to have the Senate endorse the action of President Wilson in sending notes to the belligerent powers with regard to peace. Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, asked for immediate consideration of a resolution by which the Senate "strongly indorses and approves the action taken by the President." The resolution further stated that "this action represents the overwhelming sentiment and desire of the people of the United States." Senator Borah objected strenuously and the resolution was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. Senator Borah said he did not mean his action to be a criticism of the President, but stated that he did not believe in too hasty action, explaining that he had only read the President's note as published in the newspapers that morning.

which he has been the most spectacular figure in the tennis world.

"In the administrative work of the National Association the most important feature was the development of play for youngsters, culminating in the Junior and the Boys' championships. Competition for these titles was inaugurated on a sectional basis, about ninety tournaments being held in which some 1,700 players took part. Along the same line was the creation of a national championship for users of public courts, under the auspices of the National Municipal Recreation Federation. This provides tournaments on a sectional basis for players who use municipal courts, twelve cities entering in 1916. St. Louis defeated the New York team in the finals and holds for one year the trophy offered by the National Association.

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