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### An Anti-Harmony Year

The cost of carelessness is too great. Saturday morning a young woman, only 17, poured kerosene from a can into a cook stove; the can bursted, the house was burned; and the woman burned so badly that she can not recover.

On Monday another young woman poured kerosene in her cook stove; the can bursted, burned her beyond hope of recovery, burned her 5-months-old baby badly, burned the house, and her 18-months-old baby was consumed in the flames. All this happened right here in Martin County.

What tragedy. All because they were in a hurry and did not take a moment to think.

One of the very first things to teach a child is to guard against fire. Teachers should teach the horrible danger in fire in the schools.

But teaching the danger is not the important thing. After all, the real thing to do is to teach ourselves and all others to observe the rules of caution, of which there are many. Among them, three are outstanding: Never let children have matches; never pour kerosene on a fire; it has burned too many houses and too many people already; don't smoke around gasoline.

Fire makes no return for its destruction. When you burn a building, there is no value left. When a person is burned to death, there is nothing but sorrow in exchange for a life.

### The Toll of Carelessness

Is the race of men moving backward? Many people seem to fear that it is. Yet we can hardly think

it is true, with one million young men and women in America attending the 965 colleges and universities in the United States. As long as this holds true, there is very little danger of decadence. With one person out of each 100 getting college training, the race is, certainly going forward.

No nation or people in any age of the world's history has had so many people educated as we now have. Education has heretofore been restricted to the classes, and it has fallen to our lot to educate the masses.

As long as we educate the masses sanely and soberly, we need not fear any grave danger of going down hill.

### The Race Goes Forward

This is a hard year for politicians to get together. In fact, it is about the hardest year we have had since the war for real harmony and love. Yet it is not hard to find the trouble if you will just watch the politicians. They are all trying hard to stand at the head of the class. They have actually stamped on each others' feet and trampled each other underfoot in trying to get in positions of leadership.

Al Smith's popularity and slick campaign methods have called many immature politicians out on the firing line. His campaign has also aroused lots of discord and they have stuck their necks in the yoke and are pulling just like sound mules for Al.

It apparently looks like an opportunity to land a pay-roll job somewhere, from the cabinet to a village postmaster. Taking the folks on an average, they seem to look at political affairs as mere bargains for official favors.

### The Farm Relief Ghost

Those farmers who are going to march on the Republican convention next week with hope of any favors from that body of gentlemen will be wiser afterwards as to the meaning of the Scripture, which says they asked bread and received a stone.

The policy of that party in its dealing with the farmer has always been to give him just enough to keep him in good working order and to enable him to pay taxes. They have also succeeded so far in making him enough promises to keep him following on, hoping some good fortune will open to him.

The farmers who are going to do the marching will not disturb those old musty politicians, because they will have plenty of pacifiers in their pockets to stick in the mouths of every one of them. But the thing that is troubling the bosses is who is going to handle the farm relief thunder. Coolidge and Dawes have been in the storm area for some time, each one seeking to make the other burst the bubble. They batted the ball back and forth several times, Coolidge trying to make Dawes choke it to death in the Senate, but Dawes shot it through the line and landed it straight on Coolidge's desk, forcing him to put his cold hand to the bill and veto it.

Now, the old ghost threatens to rise up and scare the convention.

and infancy work, and is supported by State and County funds.

Five midwives' classes were organized and more than 1,300 midwives completed a six-lesson course. The bureau reports that the number of midwives practicing has diminished about one-fourth and that the type of midwife has improved.

North Carolina accepted the provisions of the Sheppard-Towner act, through the governor's acceptance on March 16, 1922, and through legislative action on March 5, 1923.

The Federal act expires June 30, 1929.

### New York City Schools Bar Secret Societies

Ban on secret societies in high schools of New York City will be strictly enforced under the provisions of by-laws adopted by the board of education, which took effect February 1. These specify that high-school students who are members of secret societies shall be debarred from participation in school elections, from receiving honors, and from representing school groups in any capacity whatever. Diplomas will be withheld from students who are proved to be members of secret societies after having voted or accepted any post closed to fraternity or sorority members.

### School of Religion At State University

A school of religion in the State University of Iowa was inaugurated in 1927. It is a regular department in the college of liberal arts. Control is vested in a board of trustees on which Catholics, Jews, Protestants, and the university are represented. Registration in the new school was slightly less than 100 students. Courses are elective. Undergraduate studies include the Old and the New Testament,

ethics, and educational use of the Bible. In the graduate field, causes are given in comparative religion and the history of religion.—School Life.

### Only 225 Out of 2,000 Boys Without Physical Defects

In a recent health examination of 2,000 working boys 15 to 17 years of age, attending East Side Continuation School, New York City, it was found that only 225 boys were without serious physical defects. About half were reported to have diseased tonsils or decayed teeth, or both, and a fourth had defective vision, in a few cases corrected by glasses. Other defects were malnutrition, nasal troubles, and heart defects, and 74 showed indications of active or incipient tuberculosis.

### NOTICE

Having this day qualified as executrix of the estate of W. M. Perry, deceased, late of Martin County, all persons holding claims against said estate are hereby notified to present same to me for payment on or before the 4th day of April, 1929, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please come forward and make immediate payment of the same.

VIRGINIA PERRY,  
Executrix of estate of W. M. Perry,  
deceased.

### NOTICE

North Carolina, Martin County. In superior court.  
Anthony Skiles, Jr., vs. Molly Skiles. The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the superior court of Martin County, North Carolina, to obtain an absolute divorce on the grounds of separation, and the defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear at the office of the superior court of Martin County at Williamston, N. C., on the 14th day of June, 1928, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said action.  
This 14th day of May, 1928.  
R. J. PEEL,  
my18 4tw Clerk Superior Court.

### RESIGNATION

Williamston, N. C., June 4, 1928.  
To the honorable board of county commissioners of Martin County:

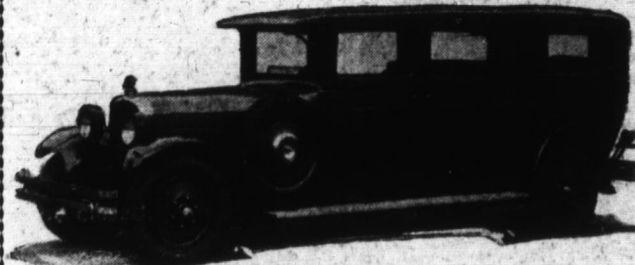
After serious thought and deliberation, and not until a candidate for the office of prosecuting attorney of the recorder's court of Martin County had sought for and been nominated for the office, thereby making sure that the honorable board of county commissioners would have no trouble or delay in getting an attorney to fill the office of prosecuting attorney of the recorder's court, upon my resignation, the office being an appointive and not an elective office, anyway, I hereby respectfully tender my resignation, to take effect at once, and immediately upon being notified by you that the resignation has been acted upon, I

desire to vacate the office and turn it over to my successor, and I will assist him in getting started and cooperate with him if you desire me to do so. I feel constrained to do this in view of the demand of my private general practice upon my time, in justice to myself, and for no other purpose, as my private practice is demanding all the time that I can give it, and I feel that I should put my time to it, and tender my resignation after serving you for the past year and one-half as best I could and after trying to give honest, upright, and conscientious service only to devote my time to my general practice.

The resignation is respectfully submitted, this 4th day of June, 1928.

HUGH G. HORTON,  
Prosecuting Attorney  
Of Recorder's Court.

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## NOTICE

I am deeply grateful to  
the voters who supported me  
in my campaign for the legis-  
lature.

Julius S. Peel

## An Appreciation

I wish to express my earnest appreciation for the generous support given me in the primary Saturday. It is my sincere wish to be deserving of the confidence expressed, and I now renew and repeat my pledge to serve the interests of the county to the best of my ability.

Jos. W. Bailey

### COUNTIES HAVE MATERNITY AND INFANCY WORK

#### Nearly Half Counties in N. C. Have Benefited Since Passage of Act

Forty-six out of the 100 counties in North Carolina have had maternity and infancy work since the State began cooperation under the Federal maternity and infancy act, according to a statement to be issued by the children's bureau of the United States Department of Labor in its annual report on the administration of the maternity and infancy act.

The average infant death rate was 80.8 per 1000 live births during the period of cooperation under the ma-

ternity and infancy act, as compared with 85.5 for a corresponding period prior to cooperation (1917-1921), exclusive of the year 1918, when the rate may have been influenced by the influenza epidemic.

Lower rates are also shown for both white and colored infants during the period of cooperation, the rate for white infants being 74.1 for the period before cooperation and 96.4 during the period of cooperation, and that for colored infants 111.7 and 105.9, respectively, for the two periods. The decline was greater in the urban than in the rural areas, the white rate being 12 per cent lower during the latter period in urban areas and 6.3 per cent lower in rural areas. The rate for colored infants was 9 per cent lower in urban areas and 7.7 per cent lower in rural areas.

Maternity mortality rates show practically the same differences in urban

and rural areas. During the period of cooperation the average urban rate was 8.3 per cent lower, the white rate 10 per cent lower, and the colored rate 4.7 per cent lower than during the period prior to cooperation. In the rural areas the average rate was 8.4 per cent lower; the white rate 10.4 per cent lower, and the colored rate 6.4 per cent lower.

During the fiscal year 1927 North Carolina's bureau of maternity and infancy reached more than 15,700 infants under one year of age, nearly 3,000 pre-school children, and more than 8,300 prospective mothers.

Physicians conducted 386 combined prenatal and child-health conferences and nurses made more than 32,000 visits to homes to give instruction in maternal, infant, and child care.

One new permanent combined prenatal and child-health center was established as a result of the maternity

## To The Citizens of Martin County

I feel it is my duty, as well as a very pleasant privilege to publicly express my thanks for the confidence imposed in me by their expression through the silent—but sacred—voice of the ballot at the primary election on Saturday, June 2nd.

I also feel that I am under obligation to the people of the county to perform every duty in my power in their behalf as their representative in the General Assembly of North Carolina if elected at the General Election in November.

J. Alphonso Everett



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