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It's better to be up and doing than to be down and done.

Lazy people usually work overtime when it comes to giving advice.

But the income of every married man is already taxed to the limit.

If some men had never been born, some others might have to work for a living.

The more polite some women are when they meet, the more they hate each other, when they part.

Between Billy Sunday and Banker Munday, Philadelphia is in a fair way to become famous.

However, the next generation will have a citizenry trained not only to arms but to camp life and discipline, thanks to the Boy Scouts.

With the supply normal and his appetite the same, it is difficult for the consumer to understand the continual fluctuations in the prices of wheat.

Oklahoma has just had its fourteenth bank robbery within twelve months. That extensive Oklahoma constitution evidently left something out.

Those new fenders for automobiles make the front of the car look like a safety razor, and, indeed they are supposed to save the pedestrian by a close shave.

The heavy rains of the past week or so have caused the rivers to rise to an unusually high mark. The only damage that has been reported was done by the Neuse near Kinston when a section of the railroad was washed away. Tar river is very high but is still within high water bounds and no damage has been reported.

The recent feat of talking across the continent over the telephone shows the great strides which have been made since the telephone became a success. At first a conversation over a few miles of wire was a great achievement but now a conversation over 4,000 miles of wire has been successfully carried out.

Rocky Mount has secured a franchise in the Virginia league and expects to open the season in April on regular schedule. We should like to see a determined move started to revive the former league which was in this part of the state or to organize another league including the principal cities of the Eastern part of the State. Baseball has been talked already but so far nothing definite has been decided upon.

The recent letter as it was called prepared by the administration to explain their actions in regard to observing our neutrality is an admirable answer to those who have been criticizing them for their stand on this question. Most of this criticism comes from people who came from Germany or Austria and they think our country is acting in an unneutral manner in not stopping the shipment of certain goods to the European countries.

FOR A BETTER COMMUNITY.

The success of a community does not depend on any one person in that community it depends more or less on every individual in the community. Of course one man who has the proper spirit can work wonders, but if he is working by himself he is seriously handicapped. That community which wants to succeed must have a lot of citizens who are all working toward a common end, and that end must be to make their community the best one of its kind. Perhaps many, or you might say all places have citizens who at heart want to see their community improved, but they do not know how to go about it; here is where your one man gets in his work as leader. Alone he can't do much but with help he can do things and this is just what we want and need, a leader and then everybody helping him with all their might.

The bird law question has been raised again and those who have started the talk say that this state needs a law forbidding any quail hunting for a period of five years. It is said that unless such a law is soon passed it will be no use to pass it because all of the birds will have been killed. Some counties have already adopted such laws but there is a need for a State-wide law. Unless something is done it will not be long until the cotton weevils will begin to make themselves felt for it is claimed that birds are one of the best things ever known to keep the weevils down. It seems to be a question as to which we want birds or weevils?

Billy Sunday comes in for a lot of criticism because of his methods of preaching but it cannot be denied that he is doing a great deal of good. He causes thousands of people to attend church who would never do so except under such circumstances, and for many of them this is the first step toward a better life. Encourage him, rather than criticize.

The House devoted a large part of one day last week to the discussion of the fish question. A heading in one of our exchanges very aptly put it this way referring to the debates and discussions: "Someone said fish in the House and the floodgates opened."

The question regarding making the present session of the Legislature last only forty days has not yet been settled. A good deal of discussion has been given to this proposal and while many want the regular sixty day session a large number favor the proposed short term.

The Atlantic Coast Line has recently announced that during the past year not a single passenger lost his life on their system because of a wreck, run-off or collision. This is a splendid record, one that not many systems with as much mileage as this road has, can show.

Fountain, a town in this county, is one of the most progressive places in the county. Besides other things the town has its own electric lighting plant. This place has a lot of boosters in it who are doing a great deal to make their town better.

North Carolina has been cut into or divided into two sections in regard to the judicial system. We now have the Eastern and Western judicial districts.

Chicago may have a Mayoress, some day. By the way what is the feminine form of "carter"?

The weather man is to be congratulated on keeping unusually fine set of resolutions.

At least one phase of foreign trade seems to have resolved itself into "all cry and no wool."

Since a contingent of 60 Fiji Islanders has joined, the allies will doubtless proceed to eat 'em alive.

From the quantity of water so far it might be said the new year is swimming along.

A grape-juice dinner maketh glad the heart of the paragoner, but it cutteth no figure in the divorce courts.

It is said that the state-wide primary bill will probably be adopted or defeated this week. We hope it will be passed and made a law. It seems to be a good plan, one that will enable the people to get the man they want as a candidate and then to elect him to office.

Alabama has been added to the dry states by a recent bill passed over the governor's veto which will stop the sale of liquor in that state after June 1st. The number of dry states continues to grow and to grow rapidly, too. The dry sentiment is growing, too, very rapidly.

The price of cotton is steadily going up and we firmly believe that it is just a question of time until a fair price will be received for it. To those who can we would say hold your cotton and when the price does get up to the point where a satisfactory sale can be made sell slowly and don't glut the market.

Quite a number of writers suggest that farmers name their farms and have stationary printed with this name on it. This is a good suggestion and one that our farmers will do well to follow. An attractive letter head gives a letter added force and makes a favorable impression on the recipient. It advertises a farm and gives it a certain air of distinction that is missing without the name.

Harry Thaw has at last been brought back to New York. He will now begin his fight against being put back in Mattewan. Harry did not have a pull like that fellow Cleary who last year killed his son-in-law in, what nearly every body thought except the jury, cold-blood and was acquitted. It is rather peculiar that New York state would expend so much money to secure Thaw when such a miscarriage of justice was being pulled off at Haverstraw.

The British navy has, so to speak, evened things up with the Germans in winning their victory over the squadron which was attempting a raid on English coast towns. This war has been rather peculiar in that no naval battles have occurred between evenly matched fleets, that is if we listen to reports. The reports of this battle says the speedier British ships overtook and sank and damaged part of the German fleet. Evidently they were unevenly matched.

Name Your Farm.
Many advocated for a number of years the naming of every farm in the County and in looking over our exchanges this week we were struck by the following timely article in the Standard-Laconic:

"Giving a farm a name is a good thing and the practice should be extended. A name gives a distinctiveness to a farm that is most desirable in that it promotes loyalty to the place, fosters a pride in it, and helps to hold the family together. How much better to give the farm an appropriate name than to speak of it as the old so-and-so place, as the third of some other farm on some concession road. And appropriate names are easily found. Historic associations, especially in the older parts of the country may often determine the choice. Geographical location, landscapes, water, or some distinctive feature on the farm all suggest good names. By all means name the farm and also keep to the farm."—Norlina Headlight.

Hard Times.
A northern editor turns loose the following: Yes, these times are hard, we throw away ashes and buy soap, we raise dogs and buy hogs; we grow weeds and buy vegetables; we catch fish with a four dollar rod; we build school houses and send children away to be educated; and last but not least, we send our boys out with a \$40 gun and a \$20 dog to hunt ten-cent game. Yes, these are hard times, but whose fault is it? Don't place all the blame on the president and the trusts.

HEALTH BILL KILLED

North Carolina to be Recognized as Second-Class Registration State
The second most important health bill to come before the present health Assembly was killed in the House recently.

The story is as follows: The last General Assembly passed what is known as the Model Law for registering births and deaths with addition of what appeared to be an insignificant amendment. To this amendment the federal authorities take strong exception and refuse to recognize North Carolina as a registration state along with some twenty-five or more other states in the Union.

At the present session, a bill was introduced to repeal this amendment largely because the significance of this amendment was not understood, the House declined to repeal it, fearing that it might possibly work some hardship in rural districts. Experience in twenty-seven other registration states, however, does not indicate that such amendment is necessary or that its absence works hardship with any one. This means that while North Carolina has a registration law on her books which costs the state \$10,000 a year, her results will not be recognized by the government. In the eyes of the world outside of North Carolina, she will be recognized as a second rate state, with and yet without a Vital Statistics law.

We in North Carolina feel absolutely confident that the death rate in a number of counties, as for instance Robeson, Nash, Buncombe, and many other mountain counties is far below the average in the United States and, if our figures were accepted by the federal authorities, it would be a splendid advertisement for North Carolina and be the means of bringing here many desirable people not only from northern states but from European countries. However, without the sanction of the federal authorities, our figures will of necessity be looked upon with suspicion, no matter how accurate they might be or what healthful localities they might indicate.

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CHANGE OF DATE OF GOOD ROADS INSTITUTE

Owing to certain conflicts with other conventions, it has been deemed wise to change the date of the Good Roads Institute, which is to be held at the University of North Carolina, to February 23-27. Everything looks very favorable for a splendid attendance at the Institute, and it is expected that the results this year will surpass the splendid results obtained last year.

Engineers and commissioners have been requested to bring samples of sand-clay and topsoil roads, these samples to be taken from those portions of the roads which have stood up during the bad weather of the present winter, and also those portions of the roads which have gone to pieces during this time. These samples will be tested during the Institute and it is believed that definite reasons can be worked out why one road went to pieces and another stood up as a hard surface.

Already considerable progress has been made in regard to working out a practical scheme for the maintenance of our highways, and this will be thoroughly discussed at the Institute, and it is expected that as a result a satisfactory method will be worked out which can be recommended to the county road officials.

JOSEPH HYDE PRATT,
January 25, 1915. State Geologist.

Life Insurance Refused.
Ever notice how closely life insurance examiners look for symptoms of kidney diseases? They do so because weakened kidneys lead to many forms of dreadful life-shortening afflictions. If you have any symptoms like pain in the back, frequent, scanty or painful action, tired feeling, aches and pains, get Foley Kidney Pills today. For sale by all druggists.

The Letter "E."
Some one has advanced the opinion that the letter "e" is the most misfortunate letter in the English alphabet, because it is always out of cash, forever in debt, never out of danger and in hell all the time. For some reason, he overlooked the fortunate of the letter, as we call his attention to the fact that "e" is never in war and always in peace. It is the beginning of existence, the commencement of ease and the end of trouble. Without it there would be no meat, no life and no heaven. It is the center of honesty, makes love perfect and without it there would be no editors, devils or news.—Fourth estate.

DRUNKEN WIFE BEATER HELD AT ROCKY MOUNT

Rocky Mount, Jan. 26—While under the influence of whiskey, the police declare J. K. Kelley, a white employee of the Atlantic Coast Line, is alleged to have beaten his wife in a insensibility, and according to the police, the woman was severely choked and beaten until two spasms resulted. Her condition today, while not considered serious, has been such as to demand the attention of a physician during much of the day. Kelley was arrested this morning following the complaint of the neighbors and an investigation by the police and is being held in the local police station awaiting trial tomorrow morning.

There are two small children besides the mother and father, who make up the family circle. According to the neighbors, the man is alleged to have beaten his wife, severely last night judging from the general disturbance caused at the home, while today it is stated he renewed his activities along this line. The police declare that they will produce as witnesses tomorrow morning residents of that section who saw the man slap the woman down in the street today. The man is an old offender on this charge and has appeared in the city court several times before on this count, though previously his wife has not been treated so severely.

Want Better Government.

Why do we have to put up with muddy streets and almost impassable roads? Here's the answer in a nutshell: We spend too much money for government. The salary list of the county officials of Cherokee has been about doubled since the county was formed, and we can't see that we are getting any better service today than we did sixteen years ago. It costs a great deal more to run Gaffney today than it did twenty years ago and yet we cannot see that we are getting any better service. The whole trouble lies in the fact that too many people are milking the cow. The only remedy is fewer officers. It would be much better to employ one or two competent men to run the municipality and pay them a respectable wage than to employ a score or more and pay each of them a small wage. A movement should be put on foot to have the commission form of government applied to Gaffney.—Gaffney Ledger.

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