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COMING VEILED IN MYSTERY

Witty Reporter Interviews an Oldest Inhabitant Who Recalls a Similar Invasion Along About '18.

Raleigh.

Forty million hopping bugs! Raleigh, the capital city, invaded by the great green host. The visitors came unheralded and remained without receiving an invitation to stay. Millions upon millions of them were to be seen along the white way of Fayetteville street, and a billion or two turned into McDowell for a peep into the lighted windows of stores.

Where the visitors came from was not ascertained. Whither they were bound was likewise a mystery. The oldest citizen recalled that back in '18 there was a similar visitation, while another said it was a common thing for these visitors to drop in on Raleigh to give it the once over.

Bill McDevitt, of Kinston, who is an authority on bugs, says these hopping bugs are matured from the green clover worm, which has started such havoc recently. They came to Kinston last week and put things out of business for a while. Like some city folks, they seem to like the country in their youth, but in their maturity they hit for the towns.

Young Reserves Judgment.

Mr. P. W. Schenck was here from Greensboro as special agent for The Globe and Rutgers Fire Insurance Company, and conferred with the State Insurance Commissioner relative to violations of the North Carolina insurance laws by that company.

One of the special violations that the company promises to explain is the use of other than the Standard policy prescribed by the state law. Commissioner Young has reserved his judgment in the case against the company to allow time for officials from the home office of the company to appear and present their case fully from their viewpoint.

No Hitch in Webb Matter.

Washington (Special).—Many North Carolinians inquire about the status of the federal judgeship which Representative Webb is to have. There is a suspicion that a hitch somewhere is holding it up. But that is not true. The President is ready to act when the department of justice completes the preliminaries required by law. The Webb nomination is certain unless something most unexpected comes.

New State Epidemiologist.

Dr. F. M. Register, former physician at the State Prison, reported to the State Board of Health and immediately began his new duties as State Epidemiologist. Dr. Register succeeds Dr. A. McR. Crouch, who resigned August 1st to accept the position of health officer in New Hanover.

For the last two years, Dr. Register has been employed as whole-time health officer in Northampton county under the triple arrangement between the Rockefeller foundation, the state and the county.

Meeting of Superintendents.

The west central district of North Carolina county superintendents of education comprising superintendents of 20 counties in the western part of the state held a two day session in Charlotte last week. Following the address of welcome and response, several pertinent discussions on matters connected with education in its various phases in the state were held.

Requisition Honored.

Governor Bickett honored a requisition from the governor of Virginia for Jess Martin, wanted in Norfolk county, Virginia, on the charge of stealing an automobile.

Talk on Fire Neglect.

"We exercise too little care in building our homes to make them less liable to burn and even less to make them safe for ourselves and family in case of fire. How many of us give any attention to this or have our architects do so?"

Thus did North Carolina's insurance commissioner and fire marshal, James R. Young, stress a country-wide dereliction that entails appalling toll in lives and property in an address before the annual convention of fire marshals of North America.

Tare To Be Big Subject.

Commissioner of Agriculture W. A. Graham has been informed by officers of the cotton convention to be held at New Orleans October 13-15 that the subject of tare-bagging and ties for cotton bales, will be one of the live topics for the convention on which there is a determination to take action that will give cotton growers much needed relief. It is a subject which we will not fail to impress on the convention when the subject is broached. Action by the convention will be watched with keen interest.

Salvation Army Pledges.

Facing the immense task of home service reconstruction throughout Florida, Georgia, North and South Carolina, in the aftermath of the war, as it strips for action to befriend the poor through the coming winter, an urgent appeal has been issued by the Salvation Army that pledges due September first be met promptly.

"The Salvation Army kept faithfully its trust in the world war and stood the acid test," declared Brigadier A. W. Crawford, in charge of the Salvation Army work in the department of the southeast, with offices in Atlanta, in his appeal for payment of these pledges.

"And I believe the people who subscribed to our Home Service Campaign Fund last spring will keep faith with the Salvation Army," he added. "The work this fall and winter will be four-fold. The full quota of soldiers who went to war will be back. Thousands will need jobs and the helping hand of the Salvation Army. The Salvation Army stood by them to the last on the battle line—it will not desert them now."

Farmers Enter Protest.

Washington (Special).—North Carolina farmers are worked up over the efforts to reduce the cost of living by hitting the tiller of the soil. They are writing to their congressmen to see that they are not made the goats. Senators Simmons and Overman have received a number of protests.

On the other hand builders and manufacturers are urging that something be done to reduce the cost of materials so that they can continue in business. The cost of lumber has advanced to such an extent that it will be impossible for one to build a house.

A letter from a clothing man protested that it would not be right to make it illegal to exact more than 33 per cent on clothing. He has heard a report that the limit would be fixed at that figure.

Most of the North Carolinians who write do not want the price fixed on foodstuffs.

William J. Bryan was here. Once more he denied the story that he is to be a candidate for the senate from North Carolina.

"I am not from North Carolina," he said. "I have a summer home there, and a winter home in Florida. I live in Nebraska."

State May Take Charge.

When Governor Bickett, who has been rummaging about in Old Joe Smith's kingdom, Frisco, Yellowstone park, Reno and the Great Divide, gets back to North Carolina, he is going to be advised to invite Buck and Ben Duke, particularly Buck, down to North Carolina to find out if those gentlemen wish to run their street cars any more.

Whether the governor has any such thought in his head—and it is said by men not hostile to his politics that he has—it is going to be put there by Democrats weary of what goes on in Charlotte and Winston-Salem. The governor has spoken his mind too many times on capital and labor to guarantee silence much longer.

Then, Bickett's counselors say, the governor will suggest that if Mr. Duke's policy is to go back to mediaeval times, the state will undertake to run the lines and will recognize the right of union men to organize.

North Carolina Oversubscribes.

Matthew Hale, president of the quasi-public South Atlantic Maritime corporation and general chairman of the sister company, the South Atlantic Export company, is on a tour of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida in the interests of the latter organization now being formed by the business men of the south Atlantic states for the purpose of stimulating trade with Latin America.

The export company, like its sister corporation, the South Atlantic Maritime corporation, is a quasi-public company controlled by directors representing both the stockholders and the four south Atlantic states.

At the offices of Mr. Hale it was announced that North Carolina had oversubscribed her share of the organization fund. The city of Wilmington alone had oversubscribed her allotment by 300 per cent. The organization committees in the three other states were reported as actively rounding up the bankers and other business men.

Other New Enterprises.

One new Raleigh company and one for Mount Airy filed incorporation papers with the Secretary of State.

Amusement Facilities Company, Raleigh; social clubs; authorized capital \$20,000, subscribed \$4,500; duration, 30 years; Fred C. Jones, William H. Wynne, H. H. Nowell, all of Raleigh, incorporators.

W. S. Wolfe Drug Company, Mount Airy; authorized capital \$25,000, subscribed \$6,000; W. S. Wolfe, F. G. Wolfe, both of Mount Airy; W. M. Taylor, Winston-Salem, incorporators.

Of Interest to Tourists.

It will be an announcement of distinct interest to hundreds of members of the Southern Presbyterian church, and to many others in the territory of and to many others in the territory of this church, to know plans are being formulated for extensive improvements at Montreat, the summer assembly of this church, before the opening of another conference season, which will be in the summer of 1920. Announcement has been made that the Mountain Retreat association confidently expects to erect another hotel at Montreat.

Afternoon Frock, New and Piquant



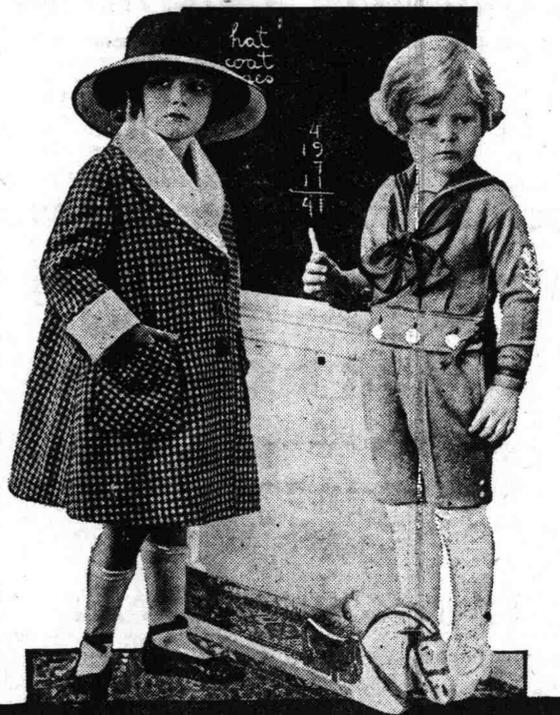
Among the experimental styles which have blossomed out for late summer wear and that hope to survive in fashions for winter, there are afternoon and evening frocks that show much draping of material about the figure. And so long as gowns or suits convey to us that they clothe a supple, youthful and corsetless figure, they are sure of attention. Not that figures are in reality corsetless, or always youthful. But these are the things that must be suggested if the garment is to prove a success. The task of conveying the fashionable outlines lies with the corset maker and the dressmaker, who are very much aided by the softness and limpliness of the fabrics used.

One of the new draped frocks for late summer is shown in the picture above, made of silk with a satin stripe. Whether or not it is an import, it has a French flavor, with its rather short, split underskirt and bouffant over-

drapery. In the underskirt and overskirt the satin stripe in the fabric runs horizontally, but in the bodice and sleeves the stripes are vertical. All the interest in this frock centers in the management of the fabric, for nothing else is used. The long overdress is caught up in two very deep plaits to form the suggestion of panniers at the sides and a short tunic at the back, and it is considerably lengthened at the left side, where it ends over the split in the underskirt.

The quaint bodice is extended into a basque and joined to the skirt. A square neck and elbow sleeves are finished with full, soft puffs of the silk. A lace chemisette with a falling frill of lace across the front closes the story of this piquant frock which is so unlike its contemporaries. It has a quaint and sprightly style and many of the fibre-silk materials are especially well suited to it.

In the Kindergarten Class



A small boy, newly arrived at the dignity of pants, and a little girl in her new fall coat for school wear, invite the attention of interested mothers. These are children in the kindergarten stage and they are well clothed in the simple and good-looking things that are pictured here.

There is hardly a season which enters lacking light woolen coats in black-and-white checks for girls and misses. This one, for a little lady of four years or so, is cut to flare and is knee length. It has large patch pockets, with pointed flaps, that support handsome buttons, and a shawl collar of the checked material. The buttons are the special pride and glory of this coat and three of them serve to fasten it at the front. They are black with a ring of white, to match them to the coat. The over collar and straight cuffs of white pique which lend so much snowy freshness to this smart little coat are, of course, detachable, so that they may be kept clean, and several sets of them take their turn at service while their fellows go to the tub.

The entire suit worn by the little lad is washable. The waist and pants are designed with an eye to easy laundering, made of strong cotton materials and put together to last. In

clothes for small boys these are the first essentials after the choice of fabric is made. After these matters are disposed of, design is considered, and it would be hard to find anything more engaging than this snappy little outfit. The short pants turn under at the bottom and fasten with elastic at the knee. The plain blouse is plaited into a wide belt in which long, vertical buttonholes are worked. It has long shoulders and long sleeves and a regulation sailor collar, trimmed with the usual three rows of braid. There are two rows on the sleeves, and on the left arm a very grand and impressive looking insignia. But the crowning glory of this suit, as of the little girl's coat, are the very large and handsome buttons that look more than equal to holding the pants and waist together. The belt laces together at the left side, and a wide silk tie completes the splendor of an outfit which shows its wearer to be a person of considerable consequence in a world of his own.

Julia Bottomley

Hand embroideries are once more seen on lingerie gowns.

REACHING RENT PROFITEERS

Property Will Be Revalued Whose Owners Are Proved to be Charging An Outrageous Rental

Wilmington.—City council is planning through its profiteering committee to reopen the tax valuations on real estate and wherever they find a property owner seeking outrageous rentals, they expect to raise his valuation accordingly. It is also planned to look into the rents exacted by sub-letters of property, and where they discover rooms renting for almost as much as the whole house costs, they will slap a special tax on the sub-lettor. It is strongly intimated the city government is going to make Jordan a hard road to travel for rent profiteers.

Federal agents are continuing their investigations here and day by day assert that Wilmington retail prices are higher than in any other North Carolina community so far investigated. As compared with Danville, Va., they declare local prices are from 50 to 100 per cent higher and are from 25 to 50 per cent higher than in Raleigh, Greensboro, Charlotte and other North Carolina cities investigated.

Kinston.—Sale of 75,000,000 to 100,000,000 feet of timber in Duplin county by the Deal interests, until recently operating here, has assured that county increased railroad facilities.

Parkton.—At a big mass meeting of the citizens of Parkton and community including progressive representatives of St. Paul, Lumber Bridge and Hope Mills, a board of trade was organized with 107 members.

Charlotte.—Representatives of organized labor in Charlotte have formed the "Charlotte Labor Executive Board," a separate and distinct labor organization, for the announced purpose of prosecuting those to blame for the tragedy at the car barns.

Asheville.—The National Tubercular association, in response to an invitation extended on the part of the city officials and others interested some time ago, will hold the annual meeting for 1920 in Asheville, convening here October 24 and 25.

Hendersonville.—Hendersonville, by the beginning of the tourist season next year, can boast of one of the best golf courses in the south. Dr. A. C. Tebeau, treasurer of the Hendersonville golf club, reports that the course is now about two-thirds completed.

Red Springs.—One of the largest crowds ever seen here gathered to honor Robeson's veterans of three wars. Broad Ridge, Burnt Island, Blackankle and Scuffletown, which make up Robeson county according to the older inhabitants, were all represented.

Rockingham.—Two murders came to light with the alleged confession by W. Foster Parsons, now in Richmond county jail, that he killed during the past three weeks two negro jitney drivers from Hamlet, threw their bodies in the woods and stole the cars.

Rocky Mount.—Flat refusal was given the request of the Home Telephone and Telegraph Company for an increase in telephone rates for this city at the meeting of the joint alderman-chamber of commerce committee. Throughout the lengthy session the government was made the scapegoat and Burleson heralded as its rider.

Morganton.—The North Carolina School for the Deaf was the scene of a great home-coming reunion of the former students of that school which lasted through the rest of the week. Over 150 were present to partake in the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the opening of the school.

Shelby.—The convention of the Ninth district letter carriers was held here with the largest attendance that has ever been present, there being 45 representatives from the counties of Mecklenburg, Gaston, Lincoln, Catawba, Burke and Cleveland.

True Bill Found.

Charlotte.—John Wilson, whose argument with Chief of Police Walter B. Orr is alleged to have started the riot that caused five deaths, was indicted by the Mecklenburg county grand jury on the charge of inciting a riot. A true bill was returned against Wilson after the facts in the case had been carefully investigated.

Wilson is the brother of Clem Wilson, who was knocked in the head by a policeman when he crowded the policeman "too close."

Feathers Constitute Evidence.

Kinston.—George Barwick, of Falling Rock, is awaiting trial here on a charge of wrecking furniture valued at \$800 or more in the home of Helen Smith. Feathers constitute the strongest evidence against Mr. Barwick, who denies the allegation.

Mr. Barwick is said to have been a frequent visitor at Helen Smith's house. The alleged feathers upon his person when he was arrested were not bed feathers, he declared, but "feathers" from broom straw, in a field of which he had been rambling.

KITCHIN FURNISHED LIST OF ELIGIBLES

PROSPECT OF SPEEDY ACTION IN MATTER OF THE WILSON. POSTMASTERSHIP.

CONTEST NARROWED TO THREE

The Office Has Second-Class Rating, and Carries With It an Attractive Salary for Its Incumbent.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—After a lapse of many months, the postoffice department furnished Representative Claude Kitchin with the list of eligibles for appointments as postmaster at Wilson. The vacancy being created by the resignation of S. W. Smith, who will devote his entire time to private interests. James Griffin heads the eligible list, according to the rating of the civil service commission, having stood the best examination.

Robert H. Fulghum and O. P. Dickinson, in the order named, are the other two candidates whose names appear on the eligible list announced by the postoffice department. The Wilson office has a second-class rating and carries with it an attractive salary for the postmaster.

Wilmington.—George F. Cochran, for the past two years managing editor of the Morning Star, has retired for the time being from the newspaper game.

Winston-Salem.—Mrs. R. J. Reynolds announces that the plan for the new school building to be erected at Reynolds as a memorial to her husband, have been completed and the work on it will begin at an early date.

Wilmington.—An aerial ferry to connect the Wilmington and Brunswick sides of the Cape Fear river is the latest suggestion to the New Hanover county commissioners to solve the transportation problem across the stream.

Boone.—Two new banks opened for business in Boone. The People Bank & Trust Company and the Bank of Boone, the former with a paid in capital of \$20,000; the latter the capital stock not yet announced.

Greensboro.—Thomas Hardman, of Winston-Salem, manager of the employment agencies for former service men in this district, is here for a conference with local officials relative to the future status of the agency here. There is some likelihood that the office will be discontinued.

Spencer.—Mayor Robert J. Goode's authority for the statement that a proposition has been made by the town of Spencer to furnish the necessary stone and let the Rowan county commissioners do the work in building an asphalt road from the Salisbury limits through to the eastern boundary of Spencer.

Winston-Salem.—Labor day was almost unanimously observed in Winston-Salem, all of the manufacturing plants and most of the stores being closed. The parade in the morning was more than a mile in length and most of the union men wore overalls. It was estimated that the crowd numbered 6,000 or more.

Fayetteville.—In obedience to an order issued by Judge T. H. Calvert in superior court here, as the result of a settlement by agreement, no more "jazz" dances will be held in the hall of the Pemberton building, rented by the Moose Club, until such times of season as to admit of the windows of the hall being closed so as not to disturb the patients of the Cumberland general hospital nearby.

Durham Masonic Temple.

Durham.—Durham is to have a Masonic Temple—one of the handsomest in the South. Arrangements for financing the proposed new building have been completed by the finance committee recently appointed for this purpose. The canvass among the members of the order here assures the erection of this new addition to Durham's growth and the report of the committee to the lodge is a most satisfactory one. The building will be located on the corner of Main and Roxboro streets.

Ferry for Wilmington.

Wilmington.—The New Hanover county commissioners will open bids for the construction of a large ferry boat to ply between Wilmington and the Brunswick side of the Cape Fear. Plans for the craft have been drawn by Kindlund and Drake, prominent marine engineers of New York. A number of contractors and shipbuilders have requested the specifications and many bids are expected. The commissioners estimate the cost of the craft at about \$40,000. It would be constructed of wood.