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TOP OF THE MORNING.

**It never pays to sin, for while sin
all the time grows stronger, we all
the time grow weaker.**
—CHAPMAN.

Major General Bliss reports excel-
lent conditions in the camps of the
State troops along the border. His
name naturally suggests such a favor-
able report.

The Democratic administration has
given us the war tax, but we've got
the money to pay it. After all, a tax on
luxuries, which we used to leave off
of our list back upon the farm, beats
a panic which has been averted by
the Federal banking system.

Just as Wilson had settled the Ger-
man crisis and had gotten the Mexican
situation in a fair way to restore it
to normal, here he comes with unpre-
cedented floods and the heavy destruc-
tion of life and property in North Car-
olina. (Republican campaign logic).

Judging from the efforts being made
to look after the families of men who
follow the flag of their country, the
people are not too proud to fight but
too poor to fight. Those who are finan-
cially able to fight are too proud to
fight. However, they will follow the
flag to the last ditch that has to be
crossed by a preparedness parade.

China is always able to raise a pro-
test but what she really prefers is to
raise a loan. China has no reserve
bank system such as President Wilson
and a Democratic Congress gave to
this country at a time when it was
badly needed, contrary to the former
plans of Wall Street.

There was nothing personal in this
remark by Sir Walter Raleigh: "Speak-
ing much is a sign of vanity, for he
that is lavish in words is niggardly in
deed." George Eliot made a few re-
marks in these words: "Blessed is the
man who, having nothing to say, ab-
stains from giving us wordy evidence
of the fact." Even so, Candidate
Hughes has spoken much and said
nothing yet.

The man who can bring about co-
operation between the best elements
in Mexico and America for the recon-
struction and pacification of the sis-
ter republic ought to be our next Pres-
ident. That could not possibly be ac-
complished by a fight between the best
elements because of what the worst
elements may do. Hostilities between
two countries on account of a com-
paratively small group of disturbers in
either country would indicate that
what one or both sides needs is enough
brains to dominate a situation that
would only aggravate. It doesn't take
long to get into war but it takes a
long time to get out of it and get over
it. Europe won't get over her fool's
war for fifty years and by that time
she will be ready for another. Whole
nations are dragged into war because a
few fools happen to be invested with
authority.

The first copy of the Asheville Citi-
zen to put in its welcome appearance
since the flood in the mountains came
to The Star yesterday. It was dated
Tuesday, however, and was prevented
from coming through earlier because
of the disorganized transportation and
mail facilities in the flooded district.
The Citizen, customarily a ten-page
paper, came out in eight-page form,
but it didn't lack the splendid features
so characteristic of that esteemed con-
temporary, even though the difficul-
ties contended with were of a hercu-
lean character. We learn from the
Citizen that in the midst of calamity
and distress, the citizens of Asheville
at a mass-meeting on Monday night
promptly raised \$10,000 for those made
destitute by the flood. Nothing could
give more praiseworthy emphasis to the
generosity of the people of Asheville nor
more impressively indicate the re-
sourcefulness of North Carolina's love-
ly mountain metropolis.

LICENSING CHAUFFEURS

A multiplicity of minor accidents
that were not more serious because of
the element of mere chance, has em-
phasized to our way of thinking the
need of more stringent regulations in
this city with reference to the licen-
sing of chauffeurs. The licensing of
chauffeurs in practically all other
cities is done specifically for the pro-
tection of the general public, and be-
fore a license is issued the applicant
must show those in authority that he
or she is capable of managing a car,
knows the traffic regulations of the
city and also the country highways.
In Wilmington, it seems, the question
of capability of the driver never enters
into consideration. He simply walks
into the office of the city clerk and
treasurer, lays down the necessary one
dollar and walks out a full-fledged
land locomotive engineer.

That is all very well from a revenue
standpoint, but how are the officials
"higher up" going to feel some fine
day when they read in the papers that
a child has been killed as a result of
the ignorance or incapability of an au-
tomobile driver. It will then be too
late to get busy and have drafted an
ordinance making some semblance of
an examination necessary for those
who expect to step in control of a high-
powered motor and an engine of death
except in the hands of experienced, ca-
pable drivers.

It appears to us that the chief of
police should be invested with the au-
thority of passing upon the qualifi-
cations of all drivers only after a suit-
able examination. It would not be dif-
ficult to get a system in working or-
der along this line, or if the city
council doesn't care to take the time,
ordinances and regulations that have
worked very satisfactorily in other
cities could be borrowed.

Under the present system it would
appear that the only interest the city
had in the matter was the one dollar
fee with never a thought for human
life and limb. A good law along this
line and a stricter enforcement of the
traffic laws now on the books on the
part of the police, might look the sta-
ble before the horse is gone.

PARTY PLATFORM PALAVER.

A political party is lucky when its
national convention meets and adjourns
without selling out the whole party for
30 cents. A party convention also is
to be congratulated if only a plank
or so of its platform is left over till
all the important business is attended
to. Failure to carry out a national
convention platform plank really is
small business compared with what
can be done to a national con-
vention in the way of selling out
the whole thing over the long distance
telephone. At Chicago the G. O. P. con-
vention sat tight and closed a deal for
the whole Progressive party after the
latter party's convention had been per-
mitted to yell, without knowing that
it was making a noise at its own funeral.

Ignoring the plank of a party plat-
form simply indicates that a delibera-
tive body like Congress is responsible
to all the people and is in possession of
more time and ability than a national
convention which yells a lot, sleeps but
little, and jadedly instead of delibera-
tely adopts a platform constructed by
a few men whose recommendations in-
volve a whole nation instead of a party
only. Outside of the principles declar-
ed, a party platform is only a recom-
mendation to the people and their rep-
resentatives in Congress. It isn't worth
while to make a fetish of a party plat-
form, if we will only recollect that
Congress is a constitutional body acting
for all the people of a nation and,
therefore, may or may not see fit to
heed all the recommendations of national
convention which meet with a whoop
and hurrah and wind up in two or
three days with the sore throat and a
platform that has to stand on its merits
for the wise and the unwise planks
that may have been placed in it, prob-
ably by one man.

A party ought to be satisfied and
even flattered when a deliberative, con-
stitutional body like Congress looks
with favor upon most of the planks in
a platform. Party platforms may be
adopted in good faith, but Congress has
the call on the doings of a convention
and does its work according to delib-
erate judgment instead of faith, hope
and charity. There is reason why we
should be both gratified and reconciled
when Congress sees proper to enact
into law the best part of the platform
of the national convention of the Dem-
ocratic party. We can't expect national
conventions to hustle and bustle around
some two or three days and take calm,
inquisitorial and statesman-
like action like Congress. We look
more to an able Democratic President
and Congress to do the wisest and best
things possible for the American people
than we do to a national convention
which we respect and love for being
honest and as near right as possible.

The national conventions of the po-
litical parties are only entitled to re-
spect for what they do for the people.
When conventions simply try to do
each other the people are fully justifi-
ed in giving them their well merited
condemnation. Within the past couple
of months four national conventions
have been held and they have nominat-
ed four candidates for president. Now
we have to judge those conventions by
what they did. We can pass over the
well behaved and highly respected con-
ventions held by the Democrats and the
Prohibitionists, which met and trans-
acted business without scandalizing
themselves.
At Chicago in June, however, the Re-
publican and Progressive conventions
met close together at the same time
for the purpose of doing each other.
The Progressive convention met and
hitched up by telephone to the Bull

MOOSE AWAY OFF AT OYSTER BAY.

The
Progressives had an idea that they con-
stituted a party with a mission and
some destiny to it, but they found out
later that it had a string tied to it
and that Colonel Roosevelt held the
business end of the string. He let the
convention yell so as to scare the big
elephant, but the G. O. P. stood pat
against long distance telephone bluff
that had nothing but cold feet to back
it. The Progressives finally went into
action and nominated the Bull Moose,
but he declined and wired a bill of sale
to the standpaters for the whole Pro-
gressive outfit. The elephant played
off solemn and raked in the pot con-
taining what had been the Progressive
party. The Progressives actually
thought they were attending a national
convention of their party, but when
they woke up they realized that they
had been unwittingly yelling at the
poor thing's funeral.

This shows us whether or not it is
worth while to waste any respect on
such national conventions as those
which met at Chicago and traded on
the destiny of the Progressive party
and the national interests of the Amer-
ican people. Real Progressives are
hardly to be expected to approve the
doings of a convention which laid
down its hand to an under-the-table
deal from Oyster Bay. Anyhow, it
should be carefully noted that a na-
tional convention can sell out the whole
party.

THE NORTH CAROLINA MILL MEN.

It has been the appreciated privilege
of Wilmington and Wrightsville Beach
to entertain during the last two days
many of the enterprising cotton man-
ufacturers of North Carolina. The
tenth annual convention of the North
Carolina Cotton Manufacturers' Assoc-
iation was held at the Beach on Fri-
day and Saturday, and while the recent
flood conditions in Western North Car-
olina prevented a larger attendance,
the convention proved quite interesting
and profitable to the goodly number of
mill men who were able to be here on
this occasion. A hundred or more
manufacturers were fortunate enough
to get together and discuss North Car-
olina's greatest manufacturing indus-
try.

Barring the devastation spread in a
portion of the milling district by the
recent Appalachian floods, the cotton
milling industry in North Carolina
has experienced a satisfactory year.
In his annual address President Alf. A.
Thompson, of Raleigh, spoke very
hopefully of the manufacturing pros-
pects and discussed several matters of
vital interest to the industry. The one
note of complaint raised was voiced
by Mr. W. A. Erwin, of Durham, who
denounced the Keating Child Labor
law as inimicable to the cotton milling
industry of the South. Nevertheless,
the North Carolina manufacturers will
adjust themselves to the situation and
proceed with the great development
that they are creating in North Car-
olina.

The expanding milling industry in
the State and the good prospects for
developing export business constitute
the most significant feature of the
manufacturing situation at this time.
The Star's accounts of the proceedings
of the Association show that it has lis-
tened to several addresses of extraor-
dinary scope, and altogether the impor-
tance of the meeting here has been
magnified by the able speakers who
have discussed topics not only of
State-wide but of national and inter-
national import. A larger view can
be taken of the present and future of
the industry.

AN AMERICANISM RESOLUTION

Citizens who profess real American-
ism are asked to consider and ap-
prove this resolution:
"Resolved, unanimously, that the
President of the United States merits
the everlasting gratitude of the people
that his profound wisdom in coun-
cil, his wise and steady admin-
istration of the general government,
his firmness in defeating improper
exertions of foreign influence and per-
severance in the system of neutrality
have continued to us those advantages
which result from a stable and free
government and have crowned us with
the blessings of peace, liberty and pros-
perity, while Europe and the Indies
have convulsed with the horrors of a
dreadful and devastating war."

Of course, some Americans will ob-
ject to this resolution, but that does
not make any difference, as it was
adopted by the Maryland legislature.
It is only a copy of the resolution
adopted by the Maryland body in De-
cember, 1796, and it was in recogni-
tion of the great services rendered to
this country by its first president—
George Washington.
Washington had done his country a
service similar to that which President
Wilson has rendered at a time when
conditions are vastly more stupendous
in their proportions and consequences
than then. When Americans adopted
that resolution in 1796 they represented
and translated Americanism into ac-
tion, and we wonder if present day
Americans possess that much Ameri-
canism now.

The American people ought to feel
like adopting precisely that resolution
in honor of their President now. He
is entitled to it, and moreover, de-
serves to be re-elected because of
his four years of great achievements
under the most trying circumstances
with which any administration ever
contended.

We can't blame those senators for
defeating LaFollette's proposed amend-
ment to the Naval bill after having to
listen to that seven hours' speech. Of
course, people who got tired listening
to him will refer to it as a "har-
rangue."

Women like a melodrama but men
like a mellow dram or two.

CURRENT COMMENT.

It has always been a mystery to us
why the editors chose Durham as a
meeting place for mid-summer, when
Wrightsville Beach is so convenient
and so cool.—Pender Chronicle, Burgaw.

Columbus county farmers may feel
safe in going into the livestock busi-
ness. The signs of the times are such
that this business has greater opportuni-
ties than ever before. With such a vast
area of our county suited for pasture
for stock, and with the prospects sure
of the packing houses in Wilmington,
we need not fear an over production of
cattle, sheep and hogs.—Whiteville
News-Reporter.

We are not personally acquainted
with Mr. James O. Cobby, the Wilming-
ton man who will likely be appointed
district attorney, but we think of him
as being a man who could not be
bought with the office, and would not
sulk in his teeth if failed to get it.
There are so many men these days
who, for the sake of a slice of Federal
pie, will promise allegiance to any
lower rank farmer who has come along,
but Mr. Carr is not one of that
kind.—Lumberton Tribune.

Much loss has come to two particu-
lar classes of people as a result of the
recent floods, whose interests are closely
allied and whose misfortune at this
time should be another bond of sym-
pathy. They are the mill owners and
the farmers. Hundreds of thousands of
dollars worth of mill property, includ-
ing buildings and machinery have been
destroyed and damaged, and thousands
of bales of cotton carried away by the
high waters have swelled the loss. To
the river bank farmers have come losses
in buildings destroyed and growing
crops swept away and many acres of
fertile bottom land, heretofore tillable
now lie beneath wastes of barren sand.
Yet these two classes, who are so
co-operating interests—the mill owners
and the farmers—brings opportunity
for one to become the guardian of
a large part of the property of the other.
If the mill owners, who have been
merely in the warehouses of the mills,
now on the banks of the Catawba farm-
ers. The mills are trying to identify
and recover their cotton and the farm-
ers, in whose possession this cotton has
been placed by the receding floods have
opportunity to not only be magnani-
mous but to evidence a spirit of friend-
liness and fairness that they will never
regret. In the redemption of the cotton
the mill owners should not be sub-
jected to any form of extortion.—Char-
lotte Observer.

DURHAM MAN'S SKULL AND THIGH FRACTURED BY FALL

H. D. Cauble, Assistant Engineer,
Drops From Second Story.
(Special Star Telegram.)
Durham, N. C., July 22.—H. D. Cauble,
assistant engineer for the local
light and power company, is lying in
Watts hospital tonight with a fractured
skull and a broken thigh, the result
of a fall from the second floor of
the power company's plant on Vivian
and Blackwell streets. Very little hope
is entertained for his recovery.

The accident occurred before day-
break this morning and up until a late
hour tonight the patient had not re-
gained consciousness. Cauble is a mar-
ried man and has been in the employ
of the company for the past ten years
almost continuously. Unless Cauble re-
covers sufficiently to explain why he
fell from an open window of the power
plant, the investigation below the mat-
ter will always remain a secret. His
negro assistant missed him early this
morning and, failing to find him in the
building, began search outside when
he met with all his poverty, but
he had advised the white man against
sitting in the window as he was likely
to doze and fall, but Cauble laughed
at the other's fears.

MCCASKILL AT FAIRMONT.

Republican Candidate for Congress
Speaks—Crops Badly Damaged.
(Special Star Correspondence.)
Fairmont, N. C., July 22.—Mr. A. L.
McCaskill, the Republican nominee for
Congress in the eighth district, spoke
here in the town hall Wednesday night.
A fairly large crowd was in attend-
ance in spite of the hot weather. The
speaker was introduced by Mr. V. H.
Taylor, prominent lawyer of the place.
Mr. McCaskill discussed politics
for about two hours. He reviewed the
record of the Democratic party, espe-
cially in the State, and pointed out
the many failures in the country
ings. He also attacked Mr. Godwin's
record in Congress and the Mexican
policy of President Wilson. Mr. Mc-
Caskill is a good speaker and made a
favorable impression in this respect,
although very few agreed with his re-
marks.
The crops in this section were badly
damaged by the recent heavy rains.
Farmers coming in from the country
say that the cantaloupes and melons
that were not already ripe and gather-
ed will be practically ruined. Tobacco
also suffered severely.

CAPE FEAR-COLUMBUS BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

To be Held at Pleasant Plain Church,
Near Whiteville, July 28-30.
Whiteville, N. C., July 22.—Mr. E. L.
Middleton, of Raleigh, Sunday school
secretary of the Baptist State Conven-
tion and general secretary of the Bat-
tist Seaside Assembly, will be one of
the principal participants in the discus-

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CLEAN UP
The home and its surroundings is an
outward expression of the character of
its occupants. The back yard is a good
indication of what you will find in the
bed room. No matter how humble the
home, if it is clean and neat, it is at-
tractive, for the same reason that no
matter how poor a man's clothes may
be, if he is neat with all his poverty,
he will not be unbecoming.
As you go around the city you will
find little homes that typify all that is
desirable in home life. It may be only
a cottage, with its walks, its flower
beds and its garden, the vines carefully
trained, the trees pruned, the house
painted, the fence in good repair, the
gate with a latch and you conclude that
this man is a man of thrift, and he is.
You would naturally expect to find a
bank book somewhere in the house,
and the house as clean as the yard. And
you would, for bank books come out of
well kept houses.
On the contrary, if you find an air of
neglect and decay, the fence, falling
down, the walks full of weeds, the gar-
den unplanted, chickens running around
loose, and a general air of don't care
about the place, you conclude that this
is a home without thrift. And it is.
Inside such a home you will find dirt
and disorder holding forth from cellar
to garret, and you don't expect to find
a bank book therein, and the chances
are you won't.
Dirt accumulates. The winter indo-
lence finds expression in the ash pile,
the junk heap and the back yard. All
over the land cities have been having a
clean up week, when each citizen has
been urged to destroy all rubbish, re-
move all winter accumulations and
clean up generally. It is a most ex-
cellent idea, but homes and cities to
individuals need constant cleaning to
keep them sweet. The eyes needs con-
stant washing to keep it from injury.
The body needs constant attention to
keep it wholesome. The back yard
needs constant weeding, hoeing, dig-
ging, to keep it presentable. The front
lawn needs constant mowing to keep it
green and fresh. Life is one long battle
with dirt—an endless fight, but only
as the fight goes on continually can
we win out.
A city's outward appearance adver-
tises the character of the inhabitants
as effectively as the home surroundings
index the spirit of the individuals. In
the development of cities, and the
tearing up for betterments, there must
be minor disturbances to the orderly
arrangement, but there is no reason
why every town should not be a spot-
less town and every home the essence
of order and cleanliness. The home
that is neglected is the home that has
begun to decay. Your neighbors will
not see the inside of your house half
as often as they do the outside, and
they will judge the inside and you by
the looks of the outside. Therefore,
clean up, and keep cleaning up, for
thrift is applied good management; and
good management applied to little
things is thrift. You first, then your
home, then your city. Clean up!

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