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TOP OF THE MORNING

There is such a thing as a worldly spirit, and there is such a thing as an unworshipful spirit; and according as we partake of one or the other, the favor of the spirits of our lives is ordinary, commonplace, poor and base, or elevating, invigorating, useful, noble, and holy.

Why is Senator Reed, anyhow?

Time to turn over that new leaf and start afresh.

One of the best ways to keep out of trouble is not to hunt for it.

There's nothing new about bolshevism except its name and its size.

Things to worry about—trouble at Berlin.

This is the very last W. S. S. day of the old year. Tomorrow a new series begins.

It is better to make New Year resolutions and break 'em than not to make any at all.

Now that the world has got peace a lot of people don't seem to know what to do with it.

Let's pin a decoration, now, on General Prosperity and go over the top with him every day this year.

"Munich experiences most gloomy Christmas." Evidently the famous beer wasn't on the job as usual.

A poker man may not know a thing about poker except when his wife takes one and starts towards him.

President Wilson had to have a food card just like anybody else. English law is no respecter of persons.

We venture to bet that Herbert Hoover wouldn't have taken a million for the chance to tell that pair of Germans to "go to."

The east wind appears to have some values after all. They can't float the Greek ship Elin off Currituck inlet until it blows.

Human nature loves cash, but then it loves credit, too, and not only that, but it demands credit every time it does any little thing.

One of the dividend-bearing assets of Wilmington is her commercial salesmen who can be found everywhere and all the time boosting for the old town.

A poor highwayman out west is said to have made the deplorable blunder of holding up a profiteer, losing his overcoat, boots and six dollars in cash.

After all the peace problem is nothing more than getting everybody to do the right thing. What it takes to get them to do it President Wilson has got it.

A great potter is being made about "reconstruction" but if everybody goes to work and sticks to it, there won't be anything left for the wisecracks to pother over.

One resolution that won't hurt anybody would be to swear off from got putting a little in the savings bank every Saturday and from buying stuff on credit during 1919.

Whatever else may be "short" in North Carolina from now on, it is certain there will be no shortage of gubernatorial candidates. And some gubernatorial politics will be in evidence, too.

One of the things to be made plain by the coming legislature is how much the constitutional amendment regarding local legislation will relieve the general assembly of squirrel and saw dust bills.

The Hun sailor who wants English and American but no French troops to maintain order at Berlin exercises the usual Hun judgment in not wanting anybody around who has suffered a Hun invasion.

Wilson's audacity never was more audacious not to say audacious than when he told John Bull face to face that smashing precedents was good exercise. It is not recorded that the Old Beef Eater shouted "Hear! hear!"

If a stranger had inquired of a fair sample of Cape Fear climate we would have handed him yesterday—glorious December day with just enough zip in the air to make a man breathe deep and say "Good morning!" to his fellow citizens.

When all the facts are in it will likely be found that whatever of criticism has been made of the Y. M. C. A. in France or in the camps at home was based on the conduct of individuals, by whom the entire organization was judged. No organization is free from unfortunates.

LOOKING BACKWARD AND FORWARD.

On this last day of 1918 Wilmington can look back over the year with satisfaction. Tomorrow the city can turn to the future and view the New Year with confidence soundly based.

At one time, it will be recalled, we were so sadly situated with reference to employment for our people that we caused the city government to spend thousands of dollars in order that working people might have employment.

Looking back over the last four years, one is moved to wonder how we as a city of people got along as well as we did. Somehow or other the wheels kept turning and we progressed.

Last spring, these same business men finally won for Wilmington the location of shipyards and ever since then we have been going full speed.

The New Year holds a lot for Wilmington. We confidently expect to see the most decided maritime development that has yet come to the port.

It is felt that the port should handle during the year at least half a million bales of cotton. During the past year the most modern compressing equipment to be found anywhere has been added to the compressing plants.

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ONE OPPORTUNITY OF THE NEW YEAR.

The New Year brings to Eastern Carolina the greatest opportunity it has ever had to do something with an empire of idle lands.

By irrigation millions of acres in the west can be reclaimed and we have no quarrel with that development, but we do not want to see stress laid on irrigation to the neglect of reclamation by drainage in the southeast.

It has been quite fully demonstrated by various individual and corporate undertakings what East Carolina lands will do when properly handled, and there is no uncertainty about it.

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CURRENT COMMENT.

Something Artificial About It. There are many people, for whom Senator Lodge and Colonel Roosevelt are standard bearers, one taking it up when the others rest awhile, who are very much surprised over all this talk of a navy as large as Great Britain's.

Perhaps all the talk is in the nature of propaganda sort of hint to the British to be reasonable about the freedom of the seas program and the league of nations; not exactly a threat but a sort of reminder that it will pay the price of any such program.

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RUSSIA IS GRANTED A RESPECTFUL HEARING

Bakhmeteff Is Hopeful That the Russian Cause Will Be Regarded At the Peace Congress.

Paris, Dec. 30.—"Russia has been granted a respectful hearing by the allies in her request for representation at the peace congress and I am hopeful that the sentiment of a majority of the Russian nation will be listened to and regarded by the congress," Boris A. Bakhmeteff, ambassador to the United States, said to the Associated Press today.

"The ambassadors and other prominent Russians in Paris," he added, "feel that Russia comes to the congress as a co-partner in victory. Without Russia the war could not have been won. Unfortunately, Russia collapsed before the war ended and as there is no government recognized at present by the allies, it is naturally impossible for any Russians to sign a peace treaty, unless recognition should come before the signing. But we feel sure that Russian affairs will not be disposed of by the conference without hearing Russian public sentiment."

"Russia exists in spite of her misfortunes. The spirit of united Russia lives and is being fostered at Omsk, Archangel, Ekaterinburg and other centers. Russia will eventually right herself even without allied assistance, but she can recover more rapidly with aid from her allies."

Ambassador Bakhmeteff and other Russians in Paris are delighted over the reports of the Russian victory over the bolsheviks at Perm. Russia must eventually have a government dominated by the farmers, in the opinion of M. Bakhmeteff and his associates, as 80 per cent of the population is agricultural.

AMERICAN WOUNDED LEFT BY HUNS CHEER RED CROSS NURSES. Metz, Nov. 20.—(Correspondence.)—Thirty-three American wounded soldiers in a ward of a hospital here who were left behind by the Germans when they evacuated Metz cheered and shouted when two American Red Cross nurses arrived here to care for them.

SPORTSMEN BELIEVE WINTER WON'T BE SO BAD, AFTER ALL. Kinston, Dec. 30.—Weather pessimists are taking heart. It isn't going to be such a bad winter, after all. Sportsmen returning from the eastern rivers are reporting poor luck, which is taken by the prognosticators to indicate that the birds haven't come south, and when there aren't millions of geese, brandt and the like in the rivers at this season it is a sure sign, say the weather prophets, that the feathered things knew in time that December and January would be mild months.

SAW THE OPS COMING SO HE POURED OUT BOOZE. Kinston, Dec. 30.—Forty-eight jags were prevented, the police estimate, when two officers raided the house of "Tonnie" Clark, that being his "official" name, in South Kinston. When the officers found the house Clark, who had seen them, was pouring out six gallons of whiskey. It was "home made" and 110 proof. The policemen were in time to capture one gallon of the heady beverage and Clark, prospective consumers, any one of whom would have been capable of "unlimited disorder" upon imbibing a pint of Clark's alleged stock in trade, were loitering in knots in the vicinity when the cops arrived.

JUNIPER TAR. The Dependable Remedy for All COUGHS COLDS Sore Throat 60 Doses, 30c AT DRUGGISTS. Keep Juniper Tar in the medicine chest for emergencies.

THREE WARSHIPS ARE BRINGING TROOPS HOME

Battleships Kansas and Georgia and the Cruiser North Carolina Sail From France.

Washington, Dec. 30.—Two battleships, the Kansas and the Georgia, and the armored cruiser North Carolina are among the 11 vessels which the war department announced today had sailed from France between December 25 and 27 with returning soldiers. The last of this fleet of troops ships is due either at New York or Newport News January 13.

The 11 ships carry in all approximately 16,375 officers and men. The navy craft, especially fitted for this work because of the shortage of tonnage to get the army home, carries the following quotas: Georgia, 967; Kansas, 1,428; and North Carolina, 1,283. Included in the units enroute home-ward are announced today are five complete field artillery regiments, the 125th, 127th, 145th, 301st and 338rd. Each has in the neighborhood of 1,500 men and more than 50 officers. There are enroute also two complete trench mortar battalions, the 6th and 7th, with about 40 officers and 700 men each.

EAST CAROLINA DELEGATES WANT BRUMMITT AS SPEAKER. (Special Star Correspondent.) Kinston, Dec. 30.—Eastern Carolina delegates to the general assembly will for Dennis G. Brummitt, of Granville county, for the speakership, according to John G. Dawson, Lenoir county's news representative. He asserts that the up-state man will have a walk-away.

ARRESTED FOR BURGLARY. JAP GIRL HANGS HERSELF. Tokio, Nov. 20.—(Correspondence.)—Chiyo Sugiyama, a 17-year-old Japanese girl who had been arrested for burglary, committed suicide in her cell by hanging. She made a noose with her obi, or sash, unwound from her kimono. Being in need of money the girl had armed herself with an axe and broken into a house, intimidating a woman occupant, and making off with some cash.

Deserter Is Arrested. Kinston, Dec. 30.—William Waters, white, was arrested at his home near Hookerton recently at the request of military authorities. Waters left his regiment at Camp Merritt September 2, just in time to escape going overseas. When J. E. Herring, sheriff of Green county, and a party surrounded the home of Waters' father the elder Waters, a prosperous farmer, denied having seen the youth. The officers heard a woman crying indoors, and stated that they would search the house. Waters then admitted his son's presence. The fugitive had grown a heavy beard. He had been concealed in his home several months.

CAPUDINE

ADOSE HICKS' CAPUDINE IN A LITTLE WATER RELIEVES HEADACHE Also, GRIPPE and "FLU"—Try Trial Bottle 10c; also larger sizes.

DEATH OF T. M. ARRINGTON. Special Attorney for A. C. L. Burial Rocky Mount Sunday. (Special Star Correspondent.) Rocky Mount, Dec. 30.—Thomas M. Arrington, one of the city's prominent citizens, and special attorney for the Atlantic Coast Line railroad, died at his home here after a prolonged illness. The funeral services were held yesterday afternoon, at the First Baptist church, the Masonic burial service being used. The services were conducted by the Rev. J. W. Kincheola, pastor of the Rev. Mr. Mercer, former pastor of the church. Mr. Arrington was 62 years of age and a native of Nash county. His life's service was in the public interest. He was postmaster of Rocky Mount for 13 years. He served several years as chief clerk at the penitentiary, at Raleigh, and was for long ago with the Atlantic Coast Line, being special attorney and agent for over three years. Because of ill health he retired from active duty several years ago.

Ends Stubborn Coughs in a Hurry. For real effectiveness, this old home-made remedy has no equal. It is cheaply prepared.

You'll never know how quickly a cough can be conquered, until you try this famous old home-made remedy. One who has coughed all day and all night, will say that the immediate relief is almost like magic. It is but a moment to prepare, and ready to use. It is a pleasant, refreshing remedy. It keeps perfectly and is pleasant—children like it.

You can feel this take hold instantly soothing and healing the membranes all the air passages. It promptly loosens a dry, tight cough, and soon you notice the mucus thin out, and disappear altogether. A day's use usually breaks up an ordinary throat, chest cold, and it is also splendid for bronchitis, croup, whooping cough, and all other ailments.

BIG AUCTION SALE NEW YEAR'S DAY JAN. 1st. 11 A.M. MARTINDALE FARM 550 ACRES. On Carolina Beach Boulevard, three miles south of Wilmington, cut up into small farms, from three acres to 75 acres. BEST TRUCK FARMS IN THE STATE. Free Barbecue Dinner, Band Concert, Free Prizes. Sale Conducted By CAROLINA REALTY CO., RALEIGH, N. C.

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