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Mrs. "Stonewall" Jackson Dead

Mrs. Mary Ann Jackson, better known as Mrs. "Stonewall" Jackson, widow of the great Southern statesman and the woman whose name is a household word throughout the South land—the lady in North Carolina and cherished of all those who in Charlotte for their home—died away at her residence in Charlotte at 4:20 o'clock Thursday morning, 25th, after an illness that had been serious for the last several months. She was 75 years old. The following tribute to her memory is taken from the Charlotte Observer:

Time takes them home that loved, fair names and faces, and this day the heart of the South is bowed in sorrow at a vanished face that was so a benediction in the land, a presence that was for so many years a consolation; for Mrs. Stonewall Jackson moved among them, reverence and courage of a people had inspiration. She was loved not so much for her associations which clustered around her name as for the beauty of her character, her strength and the ennobling influence of her words and actions. She herself, gave to the world the truest picture of her heart in the Memoirs of Stonewall Jackson. Her unassuming modesty was in manifestation in the manner in which she made history to the deeds of the South's greatest warrior, and in the background the words of praise which would have been expected of any other writer suppressing any manifestation of pride in the soldier in whose name she held so great a name. A woman of heroic fortitude and unconquerable courage Mrs. Jackson gave appreciation to the respect and admiration of her people, and loaned her presence to the annual meetings of the Confederate veterans, to public gatherings in any connection with the cause so dear to Southern hearts—loaned her strength and her gentle manner, kindly spoken and without display. The heart of the Confederate veteran never beat more proudly than Mrs. Jackson was pinning the medal of honor upon the lapel of the coat, and the performance of labor of love had become the joy of her declining years. Homage was paid Mrs. Jackson wherever she went, for her turnings often carried her to the borders of her loved land, and in the North, as in the South, it was considered a coveted honor to have her hand and to have her greeting.

It was but poor honor at best that South could give her, but she had none higher than the love of her people, and this she had abundantly, tenderly and reverently. How truly it may be said that the representative of Southern sentiment in farewell to her—our hearts, our hopes, are all with her, our hearts, our prayers, our tears, with, triumphant over our fears, all with thee,—are all with thee!"

Even insane by British artillery which mowed down their ranks, 800 German infantry were removed to an asylum at Aix-la-Chapelle after the fall of Nueve Chappelle, according to an Amsterdam dispatch in the Exchange Telegraph. An unnamed German officer is quoted as saying that the casualty list of those of Waterloo.

Veterans to Meet in June

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 53
Headquarters North Carolina Division United Confederate Veterans
Durham, N. C., Mar. 15, 1915.

Paragraph 1. The Twenty-fifth Annual Reunion of the United Confederate Veterans will be held in Richmond, Va., June 1st, 2nd and 3rd, 1915, the last named date being the anniversary of the birth of President Jefferson Davis, and it is hoped that there will be a large attendance of the comrades of this division. This will probably be the last opportunity that the veterans from this State will have of attending a reunion so near to them and the cost of attendance be so small.

Paragraph 2. The soil of Virginia is made sacred to all Southerners by the blood and bones of many thousand Confederate heroes, and a visit to that State will be a pious pilgrimage to do them reverence. North Carolina sent her thousands to defend Richmond from hostile armies, and among all of those brave defenders, none did more valiant service or suffered more than the gallant Tar Heels, and it is hoped many of their survivors will again go to Richmond and meet with their old comrades. The patriotic and public spirited citizens of Richmond are preparing for the comfort and pleasure of the veterans in every way possible, and a warm welcome awaits all who attend. All veterans who desire free entertainment must write to D. A. Brown, Jr., chairman, at Richmond, who will secure quarters for them.

Paragraph 3. All camps of this division are earnestly urged to remit at once, if they have not already done so their annual dues to Gen. W. E. Mickle, 824 Common street, New Orleans. No camp that is in arrears for its annual dues is allowed a vote or voice in the meetings at our annual reunions. Of the 61 camps in this division only 39 had paid their dues and were entitled to representation at the reunion last year at Jacksonville, and it is hoped that there will be a fuller representation at Richmond. So pay your dues without delay and let our State have a large attendance this year.

Paragraph 4. The railroad companies will give the usual low rate of one cent a mile to all persons attending the reunion, whether veterans or visitors, and the exact fare from any station can be ascertained from the local agent.

By order of:
MAJ. GEN. J. S. CARR,
H. A. LONDON, Adjutant-General and Chief of Staff.

War Damage in Poland and Galicia

War damage in Poland and Galicia is estimated at a billion and a quarter dollars. In Galicia a hundred cities and market places and 3,000 villages have been more or less damaged, while 250 villages have been destroyed. Horses to the number of 800,000 and a like number of cattle with all grains and other provisions have been taken by the Russians. In Poland over 200 cities and 9,000 villages have been destroyed or damaged. If there were only some way to show the men who are responsible for war how terrible war is. But inflamed by anger and animated by a vaulting ambition they look upon the horrors of war as only a necessary evil and accordingly permit them to proceed as a mere matter of course. But there is comfort in the thought that one day, democracy will be in control all over the world and wars will then be unknown.—News and Observer.

Fees for Solicitors

A State-wide measure for the systematizing of the fees of the solicitors of the counties of the State was passed at the recent session of the Legislature.

The schedule of fees provides a fee of \$25.00 for the solicitor in the case of a capital crime, whether it be by plea or by judgment.

For the crimes of perjury, counterfeiting, passing forged or counterfeit paper or evidence of debts, malicious injury to railroads or to persons riding on a railroad, stealing or obliterating records, stealing, concealing, destroying or obliterating any will, maliciously burning or attempting to burn houses or bridges, seduction, slander of an innocent woman, embezzlement, breaking into a house otherwise than burglariously, misdemeanors or accessories after the fact to felonies, the fee of \$15 is allowed.

For larceny, receiving stolen goods, frauds, etc., \$8 is allowed. For all other offences \$5 is allowed.

For appointment of a receiver for the estate of a minor a fee of \$10 is allowed.

To pass on retirement of receivers in estate not exceeding \$500, \$5 is allowed.—News and Observer.

The Inconspicuous Girl

There is one advantage about an extravagant style of dress for women. This advantage is always overlooked in the discussion of the subject, and yet most people are instinctively aware of it. It is the advantage of proud pre-eminence in modesty and beauty which it gives to the women who are not extravagantly or conspicuously dressed.

Here they come—the girls who, in the midst of fashionable excesses or horrors and exposures, are modestly and prettily dressed. Everybody notices them with admiration except those whose opinion is not worth having. Avoiding conspicuousness, these nice girls become conspicuous by their modesty and grace. "That is the sort of girl that I would like to know," is the thought of every young man who sees them.

All that is good in the world belongs to these girls who stop short of the line of ostentation when they go out; who would rather pass quite unobserved than startle the community. They do not pass unobserved. They are supreme. It is their hands, not those of their ornate sisters, that will rule the world. Their estimation is not confined to people of their own sort. Even the flabbily dressed woman envies their quiet power and "wishes that she could dress that way." The trouble with her (so thinks the woman with the startling gown) is that she does not know how to achieve that effect of simplicity and grace. She looks upon it as an art that she has never learned, and never can learn. To the world it looks easy, since it is in restraint.

The more extravagant the fashions get, the more pre-eminence, the more triumphant, the modest girl appears. Every new freak of fashion puts her a peg higher up. As Kungfut-Tze learned politeness from the impolite, so we learn to find the most perfect adornment in those who are not erratically adorned.—New York Mail.

"I understand you are press agent for the college girls' play." "Yes, I'm getting out some of the stuff." "What are you working on—the cast of characters?" "Cast of characters? No, no! Nobody cares for that. This is the list of patronesses."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Wilkes Sprayed and Unsprayed Apples

Wilkes apples shows that spraying pays. Here in North Wilkesboro and from individual shipments sprayed apples are bringing this week as much as 80 cents and \$1.00 per bushel. Apples not sprayed bring from 20 to 40 cents per bushel. We don't know positively what the average cost is for spraying but we do know that it has been done for 10 cents per bushel. There has been such a large crop of apples this year for shipment not only in this part of North Carolina but throughout the northern States that the average winter and spring price has not reached the customary price of one dollar per bushel. Some people think it will yet while many who have kept much of or entirely their crop have been putting them on the market this and really for the past three or more weeks. A jobber in North Wilkesboro, of the Messick company in Winston is here this week and said he would be in the county this week and till next to buy as cheap as he can. They paid 75 cents per bushel for a carload in Caldwell at Lenoir two weeks ago. He doesn't count on the price increasing. We would advise people who can get 85 cents per bushel to sell nice apples at that. Of course the finest grade is bringing over a dollar. And one grade of sprayed apples was netting just 48 cents through the fruit growers' association here Tuesday, it is learned from Manager E. P. Robinson.

The Law as to Yeggmen

The Oxford Ledger warns yeggmen that the North Carolina Legislature "so amended the law as to provide life sentence for the yegg class of criminals." A bill was introduced in the Legislature to provide a penalty of 25 to 40 years imprisonment in case of burglary by explosives. This measure, or one similar to it, passed the House, but some of the newspaper legislative reports announced that it was tabled in the Senate. Some of the lawyers looked at the measure askance. It created a new offence, they said; and many lawyers view with disfavor any change in the law which creates more trouble for the violator thereof, seeing that it is a part of the business of the legal profession to make smooth the path of the wayward. But the Landmark hopes the law passed, as the Ledger thinks. The folks who carry explosives around and set them off that they may break in and steal, are dangerous. They are of the class that will commit murder or arson if it suits their purpose; and as the scope of their activities has largely increased in North Carolina, it is just as well to make the offence more serious, so that when any one of them is caught he may get what is coming to him.—Statesville Landmark.

Horse Futures

The Department of Agriculture is authority for the statement that during the last four months of 1914, only 75,000 horses were shipped from the United States for Europe, and by the horse census, this country has a population of 24,000,000. There are 25,000,000 in Russia and 100,000,000 in the whole world, so that these two countries own almost half of all the horses of the world's stock. The real demand for horses is going to come after the war is over and the Government is expecting the American stock owners to realize the finest prices yet known. As this demand will last through many years, it should make stock raising even more attractive for the Southern farmers. During the next few years the horse drover is likely to find business lively and profitable.

Packed in Egg Crates

The Oxford Ledger hears that whiskey is being transported from Virginia into North Carolina by automobiles and horse-drawn vehicles; and that whiskey bottles are packed in egg crates. The devices of illegal dealers in the ardent seem to be unlimited and new ways and means to cheat the law will doubtless be devised after the "quart-law" becomes effective April 1. But the blockaders had better be careful about using automobiles and horse-drawn vehicles of value. The new law provides that vehicles used in the illegal transportation of liquor may be seized and confiscated.—Statesville Landmark.

Change in Machinery Act

To meet the demands existing, called for by natural changes in methods, the machinery act was so modernized as to provide for the appointment of one county tax assessor by the State Tax Commission, and one township assessor and lister for each township, to be appointed by the county commissioners. It will be the duty of the township assessors to assess and list all property in their respective territory and instead of visiting each taxpayer, as in the past, they will advertise a time and place for such listing and the taxpayers will meet them. The duties of the county assessors will be to equalize values between individuals and the townships where occasion arises for such, and in the event of their failure to agree, the entire matter is referred to the county commissioners for their action in the premises. The county assessor is appointed for a term of one year. The tax levy remains the same as for 1914. The county commissioners have authority to limit the county assessors as to time in completing his work.—Alleghany Star.

Letter No Doubt Cheating

A Newton special to the Charlotte Observer of the 29d says: To a man in jail because of the lack of \$5.80 to satisfy court costs, a letter containing a stamped envelope, 20 cents in cash and "32 kisses," may not be of very substantial benefit, but that is what a prisoner here received today from his wife at Winston-Salem and it probably represented the maximum of her ability to help him.

He is the man whose uninvited presence aboard a Southern freight train caused five officers to foregather at the station to make his arrest, although he was unarmed, inoffensive and surprised as much as the official army called out by a conductor's telegram. Wires for help from his father have brought no money, and he will have to serve 20 days in jail before he can otherwise get out. The wisdom of arresting gentlemen riding freight trains and boarding them 20 days at the expense of the county is questioned; and the man is not a hobo at all, but a workingman out of a job and hunting a payroll.

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"If I could get some one to invest a thousand pounds in that scheme of mine I could make some money." "How much would you make?" "Why, a thousand pounds."—Boston American.

A water power method for breaking down rock in masses instead of crumbling it has been invented by a German engineer.

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