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## OUR RETIRING PRESIDENT.

There sits in the White House today the most tragic figure in the world. He came to the Presidency at a time when the civilized world was almost falling to pieces. Confronted by issues which the wisest statesmen could not have foreseen, forced into the maelstrom of world events from which our traditional policy required us to stand aloof, faced by such herculean tasks as never statesmen faced before, he has never for one moment lost sight of the star of his Christian idealism. He has preached the gospel of the brotherhood of nations with a clearness and power that have gripped the imagination of the world.

Even his worst enemies have to admit that he is a man of lofty ideals, great force, and far-seeing vision. Perhaps he is a hundred years ahead of his own generation. Probably he has made mistakes—What human being has not? Probably he has been too idealistic for this selfish age. But his administration carried the country through the greatest undertaking that ever fell to the lot of this nation without the suspicion of dishonesty or dishonor; it cared for some four millions of new soldiers as no army has ever been cared for in the history of the world; it carried two millions of men across the seas in the face of murderous and unseen foes with scarcely the loss of a man; it forced to their knees the proudest and haughtiest ruler and nation of modern times.

At the peace table Mr. Wilson pleaded the cause of the weak and defenseless nations until he could plead no more. He bound forty nations of the world together in a league and forced them to desist from fighting to prevent war. Having done all this, he came home to face political opposition that never for one moment had cowed his lion heart, but that wrecked his already overworked physique just when victory seemed within his grasp. His critics say his work was faulty, and they propose to mend it. They can now have the chance to do so if they can agree among themselves as to what the faults are and how they can be corrected. But for his courageous manliness, for his refusal to compromise his firm convictions of national duty, for his pure Christian idealism in affairs of government, Woodrow Wilson will shine as a star of the first magnitude in the galaxy of the world's greatest and best long after the memory of his critics has been buried in the dust of oblivion. In fact, some men's names will live in history only because they criticized Woodrow Wilson.—Dr. E. B. Chapel, in Twin City Times.

## THE CHASE

(Henry E. Warner)

The longer you live,  
The less you know;  
The farther you travel,  
You've farther to go;  
The more you know,  
The more you've to learn,  
To the end of the lane  
And its last long turn.

The richer you get,  
The poorer you are;  
The end of ambition's  
A never-reached star;  
And the higher the power,  
The harder 'twill fall,  
And a bump on the bean  
Is awaiting us all.

And what I would say  
In this trivial verse;  
The worst that can happen  
Might well have been worse.  
So why should we worry  
With useless regret?  
Let's get all we can and  
Keep a lid that we get.

## FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING.

We, the executive committee of the Three Forks Association, realizing the need of reviving our fifth Sunday meetings have arranged to hold such a meeting with the Baptist Church at Blowing Rock on the fifth Sunday in this month and the Saturday before, being January 29 and 30th. The following program has been prepared:

### SATURDAY MORNING

11:00 a. m. Devotional, Rev. E. D. Robbins.  
Duty of Pastor to the Church  
11:15 a. m. (1) As an Executive—Rev. A. J. Greene.  
11:45 a. m. (2) As a Preacher—Rev. R. H. Shore.  
12:15 p. m. (3) As a Pastor—Rev. E. M. Gragg and Rev. E. C. Hodges.  
12:45 p. m. Adjournment for dinner.

### SATURDAY AFTERNOON

2:00 p. m. Devotional—J. D. Brown.  
Duty of Church to the Pastor  
2:15 p. m. (1) Moral and Spiritual Support—J. H. Farthing, Rev. Mr. Wilcox.  
2:45 p. m. (2) Financial Support—Rev. D. M. Wheeler, G. P. Hagaman.  
3:15 p. m. (3) Duty of Church to the Young Convert—Rev. L. A. Wilson, Smith Hagaman.  
3:45 p. m. Miscellaneous.  
3:30 p. m. Adjournment.

### SATURDAY NIGHT

7:00 p. m. Song and praise service.  
7:30 p. m. Doctrinal Sermon. Rev. M. A. Adams.

### SUNDAY MORNING

10:00 a. m. Sunday School.  
11:00 a. m. Standard of Excellence for a Sunday School—Prof. I. G. Greer.  
11:30 p. m. Normal Training for Teachers—Rev. A. J. Greene and Joe Winkler.  
12:00 m. How I got my Normal Diploma—Mrs. J. D. Brown.  
12:15 p. m. Adjournment.

### SUNDAY AFTERNOON

2:00 p. m. Devotional—Mr. Johnson.  
2:15 p. m. Stewardship—Rev. R. C. Eggers, D. J. Cottrell.  
2:45 p. m. Tithing—Scriptures and testimony—Prof. J. C. T. Wright.  
3:15 p. m. Co-operative work—Rev. F. M. Huggins, E. S. Coffey.  
3:45 p. m. Miscellaneous.  
4:00 p. m. Adjournment.

### SUNDAY NIGHT

7:00 p. m. Song and praise service.  
7:30 p. m. Evangelistic sermon—Rev. N. L. Hampton.

Smith Hagaman,  
G. P. Hagaman,  
I. G. Greer,  
Newton Howell,  
W. Y. Perry,  
D. C. Mast, Ex. Committee.

## PRISONERS WAGES REDUCED.

The wages of prisoners confined to the State prison will be cut from \$3.25 per day to \$2.50 per day, in accordance with an order issued by the State Prison Board in its monthly session. The reduction was determined upon after the board had agreed that the trend of labor prices is toward lower levels. The wage of guards was reduced from \$65 to \$50 per month.

The State has about 500 prisoners at work in twelve camps, all of them engaged on road construction for counties or the State Highway Commission. The counties or the commission pay the state \$3.25 per day, the State housing, feeding guarding and tending policy. He's got to get out and scratch and keep his eyes

## "LOVE LIFTED ME."

J. S. Robinson, in the Durham Herald.

At the Gypsy Smith tent meeting at Lenoir last September the most effective song sung was "Love Lifted Me." It was sung seriously by school children, grown-ups and colored people, and then seriatim, in a volume of dramatic harmony. Its tune played in your feelings. Its melody was like mother love. It was a surging symphony of sympathy. It affected the big audience more than all others.

Love is a lifter. It will lift anything. It is the fulcrum that lifts the soul to God, and the heart to the Christian harmonies in the brotherhood of man. It is like the rose, whose fragrance spills its rich delight upon the air we breathe, and with a kindred rapture fills hearts with rapture everywhere. The man, or woman, in love with their church and its work is a better Christian. The man in love with his job and work is a better workman. The man or woman in love with their family and children are better husbands and wives.

Love lifts the shadow and life sees the golden rays of blessings and goes on its way with a smile and a song. It stills the tempest of passion and discord, and life smiles again beneath the sweet sunshine that glows over mankind. Love lifts the storm, and the rainbow overhead leads the hosts of the world in the ways of pleasantness and peace.

Love lifts the spirit and hearts of those wearing out and are weary and growing despondent, and takes up the song "the angels sing." It lights the beacon of beauty and bliss, and lips long neglected and yearning lean again to warm lips for an affectionate kiss. Love plants the roses all over the land, for fascinating April to come along with a bloom in her hand.

Love lifts the clouds of sorrow from the earth and sets joy and laughter free, to slay peep with the bubbles of sunshine and mingle with the melodies of nature. Love lifts you out of the miasma of selfishness, envy, hatred and malice, and gives you the sweet, pure air of life worth living, and the peace of God which "passeth all understanding."

Love lifts the banners of commerce and industries, and men take up the hills and mountains of difficulties, and through the valleys of trials and doubt, and march with the rhythm of the rills, swinging through the deserts and mastering the plains, in making life worth while, and causes love to bloom in the world more abundantly.

"Love Lifted Me" is an impressive, heart-reaching song. It is an impressive, heart-reaching song. It is inspiring. It should be sung more. Love will lift you if you cultivate it, practice it and cherish it as you would a rose whose petals bring perfume. Kiss to the sun's last rays, then beautifully nestle beneath the drooping wing of dying day, to revive more beautiful in its welcome to the coming morn and begin a new day with an added charm and loveliness.

clothing the prisoners. The remainder of the 700 inmates of the State Prison are left at the central prison or at the State farm.

Chairman Frank Page of the Highway commission, who has several hundred of the prisoners under his charge, informed the board that he was now able to hire a good grade of common labor at \$2.25 per day, and upon this statement, the prison board agreed that a reduction in the scale charged for prison labor was in order.

## HOW TO GET DESCENT PICTURES.

We are sorry to see that the State Federation of women's clubs is backing a bill proposing a state censorship of moving pictures. We are sorry to see it because we believe that the federation will not get what it wants in that way. It can force the bill thru the legislature, perhaps, and have a board of censors established; but things it will censor will not be the vicious things. There has never been a state board of censors established yet that did not prove in the end utterly asinine. We will back the picture shows of North Carolina any day against the moving picture shows of Pennsylvania for cleanliness. All the board of censors in Pennsylvania has accomplished is the prohibition of films that ridicule the police.

In Kansas no picture can be shown that exhibits a revolver, or other death-dealing instrument. You can devote your first reel to killing all the actors, and your second to pumping blood out of the basement without any objection from the censors, just so you do not show the weapons with which all the butchery is accomplished. Could anything be more utterly silly?

North Carolina will have the same story to tell, and the reason for it is very simple. If the board is established the salaries attached will be so small that no body will serve for them except people with third-rate brains; and if you get a board that serves for any other reason than the salary you will have a board of fanatics—worse than stupid.

If the federation wants clean picture shows it can get them. In fact, in most of the larger towns—in all that we know anything about—it gets them now, without aid from legislature. The process is the simplest in the world; if a picture show exhibits an indecent film have the manager arrested. That is a better argument against the exhibition of the wrong sort of films than all the boards of censorship in the world.—Greensboro News.

## No Time to Lay Down.

The past six months has seen great changes in commercial activities. The "slump" as it has been called generally, has touched everybody, and has made a grouch of many. There is much talk about getting back to "normal conditions." The term "normal conditions" is vague. We do not believe that it means similar conditions as existed during the part two or three years, ending about July or August. That was more of an insane period. Such times could not last always. The reverse has been complete.

Now that there has been a complete change it is time to begin building over—and on a more sound basis. It is no time to lay down on the job. It is going to take real work to build back to the time when all wheels will be turned. All businesses have found it too easy to sell. During the past the buyer has accepted anything at any price. Now this same buyer is waiting for the rock bottom. When he is assured that the bottom has been reached he will begin to buy again. Not so freely as before, but there will be a gradual picking up until reasonable times have returned. There is lack of confidence in the buying public today. This must be cleared up by sound argument and facts. It is up to each individual business man to help in bringing about a restoration of confidence. It is no time to lay down or be a grouch now.—Lenoir News-Topic.

## NOTICE, DEMOCRATS.

Dr. J. I. Campbell has instituted a contest for the seat in Congress to which R. L. Doughton was elected. Among other things he alleges that the Democratic registrars have failed to enforce the law in regard to the reading and writing contest. Since the question has been raised by a republican and as the time for preparing an answer is very short, we would appreciate any information that would assist in preparing answer, giving the names of Republican men under the age of 33 years and Republican women of whatever age who were allowed to register and who actually voted and could not read or write. Also give the names of Republicans permitted to vote who were disqualified on grounds of residence, failure to pay poll tax, age, or any other reasons. Please convey any information with respect to the matter to the undersigned at as early a date as possible.

## DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

### Better Days Ahead for the South

A prominent business of North Wilkesboro, has received the following letter from an Atlanta business house giving their opinion as to the business in the South, that makes good reading:

"This is just a letter of good cheer. Somebody has said that the darkest hour is just before the dawn; and if that be so, day break is surely near—and a mighty bright, sunshiny day at that."

"Observers on the hill-tops tell us that they can now see the rosy-tipped fingers of the dawn drawing aside night's sable curtain and that ere long a great flood of brightness will awaken the drowsy world. They point to the starting up of the wheels of industry and of the quickened pulse of commerce as the first signs of the passing of the night. Soon will follow the busy stir and activity of the new day."

"After such a nightmare as most of us have had, few of us will feel like joining in with the roosters in crowing for the day; but there are always a lot of nice, juicy worms crawling around after such nights of depression as we have just had and it is usually the early bird that gets them. She bird that sits around all morning and mopes over the cutting off of his feed and the plucking out of his tail feathers is not getting anywhere by a waiskinned."

"This year is predicted by financial and business experts to be a year of wonderful progress and profit to the South. Next fall is slated to be a period of such business activity and agricultural prosperity that our present troubles will be entirely forgotten in the wealth we shall find in consequence of the world-wide demand for our products."

The Russian-Ukraine treaty is remarkable only because it has been supposed that they knew each other too well to do it.—Kansas City Star.

The naval airmen, after losing their way and finding it, inmedately lost their heads.—Washington Post.

The British are finding it difficult to convince the Irish that the partial Home Rule plan which they offer is impartial.—Norfolk, Virginia Pilot.

Holland is reported to have made liquor prohibitive for the poor. Strange how other countries ape the United States.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Mining coal at a cost of \$8.25 a ton, and selling it to the Government at \$9.25 leaves a profit only 184.6 per cent. Not so bad.—Boston Transcript.

Upon learning that Mr. Harding was in favor of a Jeffersonian inauguration, Hon. Cal Coolidge canceled his order for a new made-up necktie.—Chicago Tribune.



## CIGARETTE

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## Pains Were Terrific

Read how Mrs. Albert Gregory, of R. F. D. No. 1, Blufford, Ill., got rid of her ills. "During... I was awfully weak... My pains were terrific... I thought I would die... The bearing-down pains were actually so severe I could not stand the pressure of my hands on the lower part of my stomach... I simply felt as if life was for but a short time. My husband was worried... One evening, while reading the Birthday Almanac, he came across a case similar to mine, and went straight for some Cardui for me to try."

## TAKE

# CARDUI

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"I took it faithfully and the results were immediate," adds Mrs. Gregory. "I continued to get better, all my ills left me, and I went through... with no further trouble. My baby was fat and strong, and myself—thank God—am once more hale and hearty, can walk miles, do my work, though 45 years old, feel like a new person. All I owe to Cardui." For many years Cardui has been found helpful in building up the system when run down by disorders peculiar to women.

## Take Cardui