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THE COUNTRY PAPER.

(Humbly submitted for Home Town Paper Week).

I am the Country Paper. I am not much. That is what everybody says. And they make fun of me something awful.

But I notice— That I am always read, re-read, borrowed, quoted, cussed, called upon as a witness in neighborhood disputes and family rows, and in what I consider as proof of my amiable and indispensable qualities it is of frequent occurrence that I am given to the baby as a certain and immediate pacifier when all other remedies and attractions have failed.

I am not much, and so would not boast of the trite and sundry things I do.

For example: I light the kerosene lamp or the candle; I ston the cracks in the floor and the ceiling;

I replace the broken window pane, and as wall-paper I am a hum-dinger;

I wrap up the butter, honey or the baby with equal security and smartness; I gossip about the weather, the crops and the prevailing diseases; I report the chronic grievances of the community pessimists, and boast of the performances of the local hustlers and boosters; I announce the births, deaths, accidents and marriages of my community with equal impartiality and due punctuality, seasoning each bit of news with just enough of that home-made wit and flavor as to cause each party in interest to feel that the current week's paper is a special edition put out purposely to feature THE PARTICULAR ITEM of important local news. I am not much.

But with some of my readers I have a regular "stand-in."

I think I'll name a few now: The fond father and mother;

The radiant bride and bridegroom; These are my pets and "darlings." Then, in order, the mortgagor and mortgagee, the tax-delinquent, the money lender, the borrower, the loser, the finder, the man with property or goods to unload, the man without property and goods looking for a "regular" bargain, the man out of work, the man with THE job; and such like.

What else? Oh, yes:

I act as a local clearing house for conceits, remedies, suggestions, advice, admonitions, quack theories, pet illusions, daring experimentations, and good and evil report; and as a repository for kicks, complaints, freak discoveries and near-poetry. I am a bill-board; a court calendar; a judgment docket; a real estate bulletin; the lawyer's guide; the doctor's record; the minister's directory; the tradesman's catalogue; the house-keeper's sketch-book; society's diary; the editor's plaything or worry; and everybody's business.

I am not much. Everybody says so. But, honest-to-goodness, what would my town and community be without me!

(Note—In printing the above The News-Herald is breaking an established rule not to print anything that does not carry the author's signature. However, this appeals to us as being decidedly worth the breaking of the rule. Besides we could guess the authorship in less than three guesses—a modest, brilliant Morganton man who would always prefer to remain in the background. It is a literary gem and we hope he will give us the privilege of giving our readers his name in connection with it.)

The news of the death of the beloved poet-emeritus of the North Carolina Press Association, Dr. William Laurie Hill, of Maxton, was a source of grief to hundreds of admiring friends throughout the State. He was a man of rare gifts, his poetry of decided merit, but more than that was the big, generous heart of the man that held so much sympathy and loving kindness for all mankind. Dr. Hill's life left an impression for good on the State whose praises he delighted to sing.

It is reported to The News-Herald that the floors of some of the bridges of Burke county are in much need of repair. The lower bridge on the Catawba is said to be in bad shape, one good lady telling us that her horse fell through it and miraculously escaped injury. We respectfully refer the matter to the county commissioners.

Anent a reference made last week Dan Tompkins in the Jackson County Journal gives us this information:

"A ruckus, Miss Cobb, is a ruckus. We presume that it is derived from ruck or rucion; but we are not sure and respectfully refer you to the American Etymological Society, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass. Horace Kephart says that it should be spelled rookus."

GRACE HOSPITAL.

Comparatively few people realize the great asset Morganton possesses in Grace Hospital. Like many other things it has become natural to take it for granted and unintentionally perhaps we fail to appreciate it as we should. Our appreciation should frequently take the form of substantial gifts to an institution that is doing such a wonderful work in the community. Much of this work is of necessity for charity cases and in order to do it the hospital must receive gifts from those who are able to help keep the work going.

Some of the good ladies of the town have arranged for a gift day for the hospital—next Tuesday. A silver tea will be held at the Methodist church but the announcement is made that produce and other gifts will be acceptable. We trust that the response will be very generous.

THAT MYSTERIOUS LIGHT ON THE BROWN MOUNTAIN

Another Creditable Witness Has Observed and Tells About Strange Phenomenon.

A Lenoir correspondent writes that the Brown mountain light promises to be an added attraction to Blowing Rock. The past summer it was seen on numerous occasions by visitors there. Among those who had the pleasure of seeing this phenomenon from Blowing Rock was Rev. Edgar Tufts, superintendent of Lees-McRae Institute, Banner Elk. In a recent issue of The Pinnacle, a monthly magazine published by the school, Mr. Tufts had the following to say: "For several years we have heard the people who live in certain localities in the Grandfather mountain region speak of a mysterious light that would occasionally rise from a certain locality on or near Brown mountain. For a long time we did not have much faith in the light. But on Sunday night, July 24, sitting on Mr. R. C. Carson's porch at Blowing Rock, in the presence of four other persons, we had the privilege of seeing this strange light slowly and mysteriously rise and gradually fade out of sight. The distance looked to be about 15 miles, after its appearance. Suddenly, without any warning, it rose out of the dark rim of the mountains, until it reached what looked to be altitude of several feet. This was about 9:30 p. m. In something like half an hour it appeared again."

FAR SIGHTED

Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

A railway employee was in the witness box, and was being cross-examined by a very self-important young lawyer about a case which had resulted in a damage suit as the consequences of an accident on the railroad.

"You said that you saw this man fall from the train?" said the lawyer.

"I saw him fall, yes," replied the railway man. "Yet it was night time," insisted the lawyer. "And you were at one end of the train and the man was at the other. Do you expect any intelligent jury to believe such a yarn? How far can you see at night?" "About a million miles, I think," replied the railway man. "I can see the moon. How far is that." The lawyer retired.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO LIBRARY

To the Editor of The News-Herald: Will you allow me to submit with thanks to the patrons to the patrons of our school the following who contributed to the Amherst Library association:

Messrs. H. H. Tilley, \$2.00; A. H. Smith, \$1.00; Mrs. D. B. Moore, \$1.00; Mrs. A. T. Fishel, 50c.; W. O. Johnson, \$1.00; Mrs. W. O. Johnson, \$1.00; L. O. Bean, 50c.; T. A. Bean, 50c.; R. N. Setzer, \$1.00; Chas. Eller, 50c.; Miss Lola Bradshaw, \$1.00; Mrs. C. W. Annas, 25c.; H. S. Benfield, \$1.00; Mr. John Kaylor, \$1.00; Mr. R. B. Beach, 25c.; Prof. R. L. Moore, \$1.00; Messrs. W. J. Benfield, 50c.; L. G. Barber, \$1.00; D. A. Baker, \$1.00; L. W. Brotherton, 50c.; R. T. Crofts, \$1.00; Mrs. Rilda Setzer, 25c.; Ira Benfield, 50c.; by box supper, \$8.00.

We are going to have the books put in the library as soon as the county and State up their equal amount. C. A. LEDFORD.

Some of the women who essay political leadership among the women seem determined not only to shame their friends but to do their best to prove true what their enemies said of them—that they wouldn't know what to do with the ballot if they had it and are therefore unfit to use it. The women we have in mind are calling on Washington for another constitutional amendment to compel the States to give them equal rights of citizenship with men. They say they have asked for equal rights legislation in Alabama and Louisiana, and the men, the mean things, just won't give it to 'em. Well, of all the—what's that ballot in their hands for? If the poor, helpless sisters could only see that they have in their hands a weapon that will give them what they want in any State, if they will but use it effectively, they wouldn't need to ask for anything; they wouldn't simply reach out and take it. But if they go along and vote for men who opposed giving them suffrage and who would keep them by law in the class with infants and idiots—why, they of course qualify for that class.—Statesville Landmark.

THE WRONG CROSS

"How did it come about," a friend of the family asked, "that old Goldberg's daughter refused Lord?" "Well, you see," another friend of the family answered, "Jane Goldberg is slightly deaf, and when the Earl proposed to her she thought he was soliciting for the Red Cross and so she told him she was sorry, but she had promised her money in another direction."

MORRISON ISSUES CALL FOR SPECIAL SESSION

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however, that efforts will be made to hold the legislation down as nearly as possible to the two matters referred to by the Governor in his call for a special session.

The Governor's formal call follows: "To the Honorable, the General Assembly of North Carolina: "Believing that an extraordinary occasion for a special session of the General Assembly, such as is referred to in Article III of Section 9, of the Constitution of our State, has arisen and now exists, as hereinafter set forth; and my own belief being strengthened by the advice of the Council of State, duly given me in a resolution adopted by the Council at a meeting on the 11th day of October, 1921;

"Now, therefore, I Cameron Morrison, Governor of North Carolina, do hereby issue this proclamation calling your honorable body to meet in extraordinary session on Tuesday December 6th, at 11 o'clock a. m., in the State Capitol at Raleigh, and I respectfully request that the Senate and members of the House of Representatives assemble in their respective halls on the day and hour mentioned, for the purpose of meeting the emergencies which have arisen by reason of the fact: That the State levy of thirteen cents on the one hundred dollars on property in the year 1920 proved inadequate to provide a sufficient State school fund to pay for three months of the school term in the various counties, as the law for the year 1920 obligated the State to do, in order that the common schools of the State might be run for the six months term required by the Constitution, thereby creating a deficit of about \$700,000, which, under existing law, cannot be provided for either by taxation or the exercise of the credit of the State;

And for the further reason: That the Municipal Finance Act enacted by your honorable body at your regular session in 1921, was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court of the State, whereby many of the towns and cities of the State have been wholly unable, under existing laws, to meet such current expenses as they deemed wise, or to market securities which they deemed necessary for the proper administration of their government.

"My judgment is that the difficulties referred to cannot be met through any powers in the executive officers of your State, and being duly authorized by the advice of the council of State, I make this proclamation in order that you may assemble and enact such legislation as you may think expedient and necessary to relieve the situations referred to, and for such other purposes as may in your judgment merit your attention."

RED CROSS ROLL CALL BEGINNING NOV. 11TH

Appeal to Citizens of Burke to Contribute to Worthy Cause; Our Quota 1000 Members

To the Citizens of Burke County:

The annual Red Cross Roll Call begins November 11th and continues to November 24th. This is a campaign for membership in the American Red Cross to obtain money to further the great work done by the Red Cross in their efforts to alleviate the sufferings of mankind in all parts of the world. All of us and especially the ex-service man remembers the Red Cross and its unparalleled work in the World War. Quite a few of us think that now the war is over and that we are again enjoying blessings of peace, that the work of the Red Cross has been completed; but that is far from the truth of the case. The Red Cross is still and shall ever be an active organization, always rendering aid to the weak, sick, and distressed wherever they be found.

Last year alone, the Red Cross spent \$10,000,000 in its great effort to strengthen and aid the poor ex-soldier who had been left in a helpless condition from service that he had rendered democracy in its struggle with autocracy. The Red Cross is always found administering relief in time for peace as well as in time of war by mitigating the sufferings caused by famine, fire, flood pestilence, or any calamity that might befall mankind.

The membership fee is only \$1.00. Your joining will strengthen the organization, and help Burke county obtain her quota of 1000 members. We are too proud of our Grand Old County to have her fall short of what has been asked of her in this great work. Your membership dollar will help keep Burke county always ready to do her traditional duty.

Respectfully yours,
W. E. GILLAM,
Chm. Amer. Red Cross Roll Call.

A Timely Suggestion.

This is the season of the year when the prudent and careful housewife replenishes her supply of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is almost certain to be needed before the winter is over and results are much more prompt and satisfactory when it is kept at hand and given as soon as the first indication of a cold appears and before it has become settled in the system. There is no danger in giving it to children as it contains no opium or other harmful drug.—Adv.

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AUTUMN.

By Ralph Rankin.
The vim in the air of autumn,
The blue in the vapor dome,
The laden hive in the orchard,
The honey and bursting comb;
The staining sides of the presses,
The wine and the woodland breath,
And some people call it autumn
And some people call it death.
The silver mist in the lowland,
The bronzed hill and the glade;
The squirrels storing their harvest—
The time when the migrants trade,
The star in the crimson twilight,
The vales in their gayest clad,
And some people call it autumn
And some call the autumn sad.
The leaves that carpet the woodland,
The great brown oaks overhead,
The open burrs and the acorns,
The gold and blotches of red;
And all on the fields and roadsides,
The aster and goldenrod,
And some people call it autumn
And some people call it God.

STATE SELLS FIVE MILLIONS IN BONDS

Bearing Five Per Cent and Draw a Small Premium; For Road Work.

The best bond deal negotiated by any Southern State since the recent war was perfected by the governor and council of state when they sold \$5,000,000 worth of forty-year, five per cent North Carolina bonds for a premium of five thousand and twenty-one dollars.

Of this amount four and a half millions will go toward the carrying on of the road program and the remaining half million to schools and hospitals.

"Pull the throttle wide open and let the road program go through with a whoop, is my message to those in charge of the construction of highways in North Carolina," said the governor at the conclusion of the meeting.

The governor was elated over the deal. So were the members of the council of state, who sat with him while the deal was being closed. The bonds were brought by a syndicate of New York bankers.

Governor Morrison declared that North Carolina's credit is gilt-edged. The sum of fifteen millions could have been sold as easily as the five millions were disposed of, he said.

As a matter of fact, in the opinion of the governor, there is absolutely no need for any pessimism. It has been proven that North Carolina asks no quarters of anybody and is on a basis that is sound as Gibraltar.

REV. W. O. GOODE LOSES HIS AUTO AND CLOTHING

The following dispatch from Greensboro will be of interest to the many friends of the interested parties in Morganton their former home: The automobile and many articles of clothing belonging to Rev. W. O. Goode were stolen Friday night by thieves, the car being stolen from in front of the residence of B. B. Tatum, on Schenck street, while Mr. and Mrs. Goode were dinner guests at the Tatum home.

Mr. Goode, former pastor of the Park Place Methodist church, was appointed educational secretary of the Western North Carolina conference at the conference held at High Point and had planned to leave Greensboro this morning for Hickory, where his headquarters will be made. He had already shipped his furniture to Hickory and had planned to carry most of the clothing belonging to himself and to Mrs. Goode in his automobile. He had loaded this into his car last night preparatory to leaving the city this morning.

While he and Mrs. Goode were at the Tatum home he left the car, containing several suit cases full of clothes, on the street. The thieves made away with both car and the clothing. The loss, besides the car, will amount to several hundred dollars.

Bet Rats Can Bite Through Metal

"I had feed bins lined with zinc last year, rats got through pretty soon. Was out \$18. A \$1.25 package of RAT-SNAP killed so many rats that I've never been without it since. Our collie dog never touched RAT-SNAP." You try it. Three sizes, 35c., 65c., \$1.25. Sold and guaranteed by Davis Drug Co. and Morganton Hardware Co.—Adv.

New Theatre
Home of PARAMOUNT and AIRCRAFT Pictures

Program for Week Nov. 14th.

MONDAY—William S. Hart, in "Three Word Brand," a story of the early days in the West.

TUESDAY—Wanda Hawley, in "Her Face Value," a story of humor and pathos.

WEDNESDAY—Edith Roberts, in "Luring Lips," wife's sacrifice releases husband from prison.

THURSDAY—Madge Kennedy, in "The Biggest Bidder," a comedy drama.

FRIDAY—"The Bonne Brier Bush," from the story by Ian MacLaren.

SATURDAY—"Do Or Die" and a Comedy.

NEXT WEEK—On Thanksgiving Day "The Affairs of Anatole" one of the biggest of the year, with a cast including Wallace Reid, Gloria Swanson, Elliott Dexter, Bebe Daniels, Monte Blue, Wanda Hawley, Theodore Roberts, Agnes Ayres and Theodore Kosloff.

How Much Money Do You Squander?

Count the nickels, dimes and quarters that slip through your fingers every day.

Do you waste 25 cents a day? That much put aside in an Interest Bearing account would in five years grow to nearly \$500.00.

You can start an account today.

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"The Bank of Courtesy and Service"

Grace Episcopal Church
REV. NORVIN C. DUNCAN, Rector

This caption, "What's Underneath," caught our attention. We may well ask, what's underneath our national and social structures? And indeed, it comes closer home—what's underneath our personal lives? We can not incorporate into our national and social structures any more of character than we have. And fine character is essential in building.

"Other foundations can no man lay than that as laid, which is Jesus Christ."

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES:

1st. Sundays—Holy Communion and Sermon 11 a. m.

Other Sundays—Celebration of the Holy Communion 7:30 a. m. Morning Prayer and Sermon 11 a. m.

Week Days—Every Friday 5:00 p. m., Evening Prayer or Litany.

Other days as announced.

Everybody Cordially invited to Attend the Services

Winter Millinery Reduction



In keeping with the trend of the time, we are reducing all our winter hats.

New arrivals at very low cost enables us to make these sudden reductions on entire line.

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