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SHALL WANT NO GOOD THING:-For the Lord God is a sun and shield: the Lond will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.—Psalm 84:11.

PRAYER: -O God. our Heavenly Father, Thou hast given us Thine only begotten and well-beloved Son. ing element of the population is and with Him thou will freely give not spending much money now. us all things.

SMITH'S NOMINATION **ALMOST CERTAIN**

The withdrawal of Governor Aibert C. Ritchie of Maryland from the race for nomination by the Democratic convention at Houston for the Presidency, and his whole-hearted support of Governor Alfred E. Smith of New York, makes almost certain the naming of Smilit as the Democratic standard-bearer.

fact, the entire country. State by State, has been declaring for Smith, and, with the possible exception of North Carolina, whose delegation goes uninstructed, it might be said that the Democracy of the United States has centered on Smith. North Carolina will, of course, abide by the decision of the majority.

in North Carolina, as is the case in affects one affects all. other States, who do not like Smith as the choice of the Democracy for President. But, for that matter, EIGHT MONTHS neither do the Republicans, for they have grave fears of his election. But, whatever may be the liking or disliking of a Democrat, he will the seven districts Tuesday, Harnett again later, these loyal friends, to attention locally to his peculiar apstand by the choice of his party. If County now has eight months plant the crop, to cutivate the Smith should be able to take from schools within easy reach of practi- growing corn and even to husk it if the Republicans a goodly number cally all children in the county, that proves necessary. They have served with absorbing interest by of their votes he will be the next Those few small corners where six no thought of pay. They are just President of the United States.

We repeat, there are thousands of Democrats who do not like Smith. The cause is given as this or thatmainly religion and liquor. A queer combination, isn't it? But what The News is wondering about is, chance has a President of the United States of forcing anybody to em- quired in order that they may have brace the religion fo his choice?

It takes some mighty plain talk to get the people of the country to thinking for themselves. Is it not

PUBLIC UTILITIES DOING GREAT GOOD

wiping out the integrity of public ters not at all to their liking have standing, as some people might be of their wishes. against the public utility companies. are over, Harnett may well be Fascist propaganda. these concerns are doing great good. proud of its school system. This Not only are they furnishing ample county has made such rapid strides facilities for bigger and better bus- in the development and progress of the fact that various sections of the iness, but they are helping to stif- its school system in the past few city in which Italians are strongly fen the business morale by their years that probably it might take entrenched, give the observer the eternal optimism. One of the great- first rank in the State in that re- impression of being anything but est drawbacks to business is the spect. Harnett may not now have American, the Mussolini tower foltype of humans who go about tell- the most up-to-date school system lows in logical sequence. It must ing the world that it is headed for in the State, but probably no other not be thought, however, that this peprcent of the entire United States the demnition bowwows and it will county has made more marked proposition will be permitted to soon land there unless-etc., etc., progress in recent years than has continue its fruition without some until some really good people al- this county. most reach the point where they are It is predicted by close observers those real Americans who see in of the United States crop). ready to believe such stuff.

companies, by conducting informa- months term, which will lift the tax ways, seek to enlighten the gen-net will be able to complete its dressed a letter to the editor of the peanuts, Georgia is a formidable tion bureaus, and in various other off of land to such extent that Hareral public to the fact that right school system so that no county in New York World in which she said: here in the home land is where the North Carolina can boast of a betgreatest prosperity and happiness ter system. The News hopes that may be found if only we can be in- this change may be made at the Times Square? Furthermore, why duced to 'dig in." And this 'dig- next session of the Legislature. ging in" is what the utility companies are doing. They are practicing what they preach. Take, for instance, the opening of the big DEWBERRY power plant at Norwood. Instead of keeping the matter secret, o" for is bringing joy to the hearts of lobby of Mussolini Tower, with its that matter levting it go by for the lovers of this luscious fruit. The frowning statue, bust or oil painting period 1928-27 has been: tobacco public to find it out whenever it strawberry, the huckleberry, the of Il Duce glaring down on all the \$95,757,000, peanuts \$9,610,000 may, the Carolina Power & Light cherry, the Mayslower peach and all Italian bankers, diplomats and busi-Company invited representative cit- other fruits that come in spring and ness men, forever reminding them izens from all over the State to come early summer may have precedence that they are 'always Italiane!' and see what a valuable develop- in the choice of some people. But, Mussolini, the despoiler of civil it is time to remove the male bird: ment has been brought about right folks alive! Have you ever placed rights, the persecutor of Freemas fro mthe fock. Fertile eggs wil here at home. And for what pur- yourself squarely beface a big bowl ons, the vain-glorious "Caesar," has not keep so well in hot weather. pose? Why, the Carolina Power & of real dewberries covered with trampled democracy underfoot, op-Light Company built the plant in sugar and cream? If not, here's enly boasting of this unworthy acorder to sell more electricity to pity for you. May you soon know complishment. To erect a tower more industries to give more em- what's what. ployment to more people to furth- When we say real dewherries, we city would be a grave insult to the er develop this grand old State. mean the kind that Friend Bill memory of those great men who es- intermittent, Remittent and

tinual harping at the heels of every- fetch us in a few days. These ber- his policies have no place in the body who undertakes to accomplish ries of Mister Bill's are so nice and United States. It would behoove anything! What in the world would juicy that very liftle masticating is American citizens to awaken to a we do in this State. anyway, if it necessary. Just place them in your realization of this sinister Fascist were not for the people who have mouth, give a few glad smiles with menace and take immediate and efthe nerve, grit, determination and your eyes and your throat takes fective steps to remove all traces of all else that it takes to make things charge of the berries before you it from our national life. go-what would the State be, we hardly know it. That's the truth .40 ask, if these energetic and far- We've experienced the joy. sighted people did not point the way for us? We are a g-r-e-a-t people! Yessir! And who told us so? Dol- taken up dewberry culture. Mister lar, to doughnuts we would never Bill tells us there's "pretty good" ask that the name of the correspond- have believed that we were great if

the weak grow strong and the body, and would be hard to sell. strong grow great. And let's give Mister Bill calls that kind briar berour moral support to all who show an inclination to help us.

Over in the thickly settled cotton mill country-Gaston, Mecklenburg and adjoining territory-merchants told this writer last week that "businces is dull." We were somewhat surprised at the statement after we had watched the people milling through the streets and into stores like so many ants. We asked what they called "good business." In

reply they said that mills are run-

ning short time and that the farm-

We wondered what those merchants would think if they should come over into our country where the section is almost entirely agricultural and very little money is section of the country is hit by dull to take care of the farm. business periods without the same

The query uppermost in the minds of practically everyone now is, when will business be better? The answer, it seems to us, may be answered, when the people begin spending money.

Everyone knows the country is not "broke." But everyone can see that very little money is being spent. The "economy habit" has taken such a firm hold on the people that the merchants are having ; hard time making a "go" of their business. And the same is true of There are thousands of people every other business, because what

SCHOOL IN HARNETT

With the successful elections in months schools are left will soon neighbors. be supplied with the same advantages as are afforded by the districts such friendliness and good will in which voted the special levies Tuesday, and Harnett will become a 100 per cent high school county.

what sort of choice can be taken the elections which carried by sub- Sometimes other fields look greener United tSates Department of Agristantial majorities Tuesday lies in merely because they are quite a dis- culture, North Carolina has stood in the fact that the people have volun- tance away. But no matter what each of the last five years among tarily taken upon themselves the the farmer's financial standing may the five states leading in the producligion? And another thing, what responsibility of operating the be, he is rich ni on eof the greatest tion of thre important crops—toschools for the extra two months re- things life has to offer-friendship, bacco, peanuts and sweet potatoes. up-to-date high schools. The News has always believed, strongly, that the people may be trusted to take care of their interests. We have never believed they will go wrong when trusted with their own affairs. This may sound, to some people, a trange. Everyone knows that the people's affairs are not always en-Instead of ruining the country by trusted to them. Sometimes mat-

that the State will soon take over this audacious undertaking the On the other hand, the utility the burden of operating the six crushing hand of the opportunist,

Right now the dewberry season

The News doesn't understand why the farmers near Lillington have not money in it. But of course it's all some smart fellows had not told us in knowing how to grow the good kind. The little, hard, knotty, sour Let the developers develop. Let kind will not be relished by anyries, not dewberries. By which you Farm Equipment amnufacturers, may see there's a difference in berries, as in most everything else.

Mister Bill accuses us of "drink-"ing" the berries he brings us. Blest if he isn't just about right about it. They're so soft, sweet, juicy and intoxicatingly good.

NEIGHBORS

"Neighbors of John Jones gathered on John's farm Monday and did his spring plowing for his. John has been ill for several weeks." .

Such news stems, says the Recearch Department of the National Association of Farm Equipment Manufacturers, are quite common in weekly newspapers representing our rural sections. Perhaps John has been injured or he may have been stricken with a serious dliness. His passing through the channels of wife has spent all her time at the record is that of David A. Hoag of trade. But it goes to show that no hospital and there has been no one Canadolgua, N. Y., against two Syr-

But thoughtful and friendly neigh- each, on a charge of libel. effect being felt in other parts of bors come to a timeyl rescue. They set a day to do John's work and that morning they come from every caricature of himself and has causdirection with tractors, teams, disce plows and harrows. A fine proces- brought him into disgrace, through sion it makes as they go 'round and its publication in the newspapers 'round the field swiftly cutting un-named. plowed lands smaller and smaller. It is a sort of fild day for the community, good fellowship prevails and everyone enjoys himself.

The wives come to, a little later in the morning and make preparations for one of those bountiful dinenrs typical of the farm. Perhaps they will clean house and do the washing for John's wife. If his gasoline engine is out of order they will graced and dishonored him." borrow a tractor from one of the husbands to run the washing ma-

Out in the field all John's corn ground will be made ready for caused they are published near the planting in a day. They will come plaintiff's home and therefore call

Ca nanyone cite an example of our large cities? There are differences of opinion about the advantages of farm life, even among those The most gratifying feature of who themselves live in the country.

THE MUSSOLINI TOWER

There is a movement on foot the objective of which is to rear a thirty-story building, on Times Square first). in New York City, dedicated to and queer statement, but it is not at all bearing the name of Mussolini. Probably, from the Fascist standpiont, New York City would be quite suitable and proper, not only because of the large Italian populaofficials and men of influence and been thrust upon them, regardless tion resident there but by reason of the fact that the Island of Manhatled to believe from the tirades made But now that the special elections tan has proven a fertile ground for

Now that New York Observes "Columbus Day", and considering objection being made on the part of Mussolini. A courageous woman, years, our runner-up, Kentucky, has Miss Winifred Carr, recently ad-

"As a plain citizen I would like to know why a Mussolini Tower for bas also forged ahead with sweet should a 'complete description of the project' be submitted to Mussolini for his approval? What possible concern can Mussolini have with a building erected in Times Square, New York, U. S. A.?

"It is not difficult to imagine the

bearing his name in our leading Stewart of Johnsonville grows and tablished our democratic form of Blinus Fever due to Malaria. Oh, it gives us a pain! This con- a crate of which he has promised to government. Italy's dictator and

BEWARE OF THE BUG IN SPARKLING WATER!

Sickness, ill health, and death often lurk in the colorless water which comes in a sparkling stream from a wayside well or spring to quench the thirst of the dusty traveler, warns the Research Department of the National Association of Water from a strange well should never be used unless it is boiled especlally if the well platform is open and cracked, allowing surface water to run in. Many states now analyze the water from wells along highgood that they just slip along down ways annually, erecting "safe drinklike a nice drink. Yessir, they're dng water" signs near those which contain water safe for the traveler. If necessary to use water from unmanked wells, be sure that a modern pump with a tight head which keeps out contaminating dirt adn dust. and a properly constructed concrete platform and curb protect the water inside. It is ale oimportant from a health standpoint that the traveler patronize only thos eroadside stands and markets which are clean and

"ANDY GUMP" SUES

One of the strangest lawsuits on NEILL McK. SALMON acuse newspapers for \$1,000,000

Hoag claims that the popular comic strip, "Andy Gump," is a ed him much distress of mind and

He asserts that in 1915 he was forced to have a part of his lower, cerous growth, and that Sidney Smith took advantage of the ridiculous appearance of his face to create the character of "Andy Gump." Agency for Best Old Line Companies thus exposing the said David A. Hoag "to hatred, contempt, ridicula and obloquy, and has caused him great distress of mind and has dis-

While the comic strip has been published all over the country, it is against the Syracuse newspapers bepearance.

The trial of the cases will be obthe publishers and others on account of the unique character of the complaint.

CROPS IN WHICH WE LEAD

According to the estimates of the Taking the average production for the five years 1923-1927, the state's rank has been first in tobacco (with) Kentucky second), first in peanuts (with Georgia second), and second in sweet potatoes (with Georgia

In the five year period 1923-27 Nort hCarolina pproduced 28.9 percent of the entire tobacco crop of the United tSates, and 36.3 percent of the amount raised in the five Every first Friday in each month. leading states (which produced ful to the eyes. Headaches relieved four-fifths of the total crop of the when caused by eyestrain. Cross United States). Of the peanut crop eyes straightened without the knife. North aCroling produced in the five- Weak eyes of children and young year period 25.7 percent of the en- people a specialty. Consultation free tire United States crop, and 29.4 of the amount raised in the five leading states (producing nine-tenths of the United tSates crop). Of sweet potatoes, whose production is more widespread, North Carolina produced in the five-year period only 10.9 raised in the leading five states (which produced a little over half;

While North Carolina has gained in production of tobacco in recent steadily declined. As a producer of peanut crop surpassed that of North otatoes, in which crop it now leads; and Texas also is gaining steadily in sweet potatoes, in which it has had a larger pproduction than North Carolina in each of the last two

The average value of these crops in North Carolina for the-five-year sweet potatoes \$8,414,000.

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I wish to thank the voters of Harnett County for their very liberal support of my candidacy for Judge of the Recorder's Court to which position I was

renominated in the primaries June 2. I shall endeavor to further express my appreciation by using my best efforts in the performance of my duties, as I have done in the past.

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