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DR. WILEY QUITS THE PUBLIC SERVICE.

The wrong man left the department of agriculture yesterday, speaking after a human and fallible manner. Secretary Wilson is old. He has ren dered the country high and valuable services. His declining days should be highly honored by his fellow men But in the maze of fierce controversy about his department his merit is forgotten. His mistakes and the failure of his policy are magnified. Every day he hangs on makes his position less tenable. The infirmities of age seem apparent in his exercise of judgment. It is clear that a hopeless condition of friction exists.

The conscienceless vultures that prey upon the American people, foisting poisons and impurities as whole some food and drink and medicine, being driven to bay, are desperately trying to save what they can of their ancient privileges of exploiting human health for gain. Wiley, not Wilson, is the man the situation seems to re

However, while divested of official power and authority, Dr. Wiley is still the best equipped man for public service in his field, and lets it be known that he is still in the fight. Twenty nine years, Secretary Wilson says, Dr. Wiley has been in the department That is a long time. Yet he is comparatively young, and in full vigor He probably knows as much as one man can know about the food dopers and the quacks; the extent of the harm they have done, the magnitude of the lies by which they live, and the extent and nature of their power and influence. He has wrought mightily in the cause of simple honesty. He has performed wonders in an educational way, arousing the interest of is such a strange land. To the small ciety with a languid indifference, is notoriously indifferent and ignorant about

## THE UNDERWOOD CANDIDACY.

An entire section of today's Gazette News in devoted to the Presidential candidacy of Hon, Oscar W. Underwood. There is a good deal more Underwood talk just now amongst readers of The Gazette-News than there has been at any previous time, and therefore many will be glad of this opportunity to study a pretty full description of the brilliant Democratic viewpoint. His convictions on the most discussed political topics are exactly and succinctly stated.

It is perhaps needless to say that this matter is furnished and its publication paid for by the friends and admirers of the statesman who are working to present his candidacy in the most favorable light to their fellow Democrats throughout the United States. It is a matter which, however, we are glad to have the opportunity of presenting. It is all well prepared, it touches things that are vital, as concerning the whole body politic.

You might be for, or against, this or that candidate for the high office without being able to give a very clear and comprehensive summary of the reasons for your position. If you a queer feeling of d'aquiet; as if will peruse carefully this Underwood section of The Gazette-News you will matters of public policy.

Although Amundsen has been a famous man ever since he discovered the Northwest Passage, his name is still pronounced wrong as often as right, the Springfield Republican observes. The correct pronunciation is with a strong stress on the first syliable, which is made rather long—"Ah!-moond-sen." The "oo" is not quite so close and positive as in moon, and the "e" is somewhat alighted. The last two syllables, being cluttered up with consonants, take each about the same time as the long "ah," so that the rythm is much "ke that of "Edmonton," or "excellent" emphastically spoken. It is a resonant, spirit-ed name, worthy of a modern viking the strength of the wicked little hatpins that hide themselves in still pronounced wrong as often as

unce the name of the only livng ex-President, the discoverer of the south pole may expect to be gen- flurry before the curtain goes up. erally called out of his name for many keep mine on

Within a few days publication of eature of serial fiction, but on such days as there is an unusual pressure the ...... 4.00 of news and advertising matter an installment of the story may be deferrof news and advertising matter an ind. The next story has been chosen erowded with action and the move- birthplace. And, in passing, I ment is dramatic. If you enjoy that sort of reading "The Pool of Flame," by Louis Joseph Vance, will afford you great deal of pleasure; so do not verlook the opening chapter.

"It is announced that efforts are now making to bring the North Carolina Press association to Asheville for its next meeting. That's certaina move in the right direction, procided it be borne in mind that Waynesville will claim the honor of entertaining the press gang in 1913. Then there will be volumes to write," ays the Waynesville Courier. A majority of the boys would probably be glad to go to Waynesville this year, or anywhere else in the mountains that is accessible, and where they can find comfort, including plenty of fried chicken and biscult.

If the Greater Western North Caro ina association needs a rallying cry, what is the matter with "fried chicken, biscuit and uncanned tomatoes?"

In the morning-St. Patrick's day



A Letter from California

NDER this sign this evening there could be nothing more diverting than this, which from afar to the staff and eaders of The Gazette-News: From the golden state to the Lan of the Sky, greetings! Way out in California there is n

frost nor snow, And the "booster"-not the blizzards -are the only things that blow The sun shines every morning and shines some more at noon,

And only stops a-shining to accomme dute the moon; The air is soft but sparkling-like southern maiden's glance, sets your spirits soaring makes your pulses dance;

The grand old ocean's booming and O, of course it's great, But my heart somehow keeps turn ing to the

> North State!

The other nine hundred and ninety nine verses of the above I find express exactly the same sentiments with a different arrangement words. Therefore they are withheld It is true California is great for the comfort of the body-but North Carolina is greater to live in for the con solution and uplift of the spirit. This public and public journals; for this points of difference one soon gets acstomed. To have all one's money silver and gold is strange at first. But soon the very infrequent paper lollar or five dollar bill, looks like a lost sheep, scared and lonely, and not as if it could really "pay the price." Five and ten dollar gold pieces weight down one's purse, but the strong arm is the rule in California; only one must have a care not to pass five dollar gold pieces for nickels, ten dollar pieces for quarters, or "two bits" as they always say here. To the newcomer, who goes calling, it is a novel-ty to have her friends doors opened by yellow-faced Japs or Chinamen, and to the tourist it is strange to see the street gangs made up of typical, sombreroed and legginged Mexicans. For a time the liquid Spanish speech, floor leader, written from a friendly that one hears every day, mingling with the high pitched western dialect that fairly shivers with slang phrases arouses interest, but soon that, too, is an old story, and exiled Ashevilleians begin to get homesick. There is a remedy: to write to all one's friends at once, a letter to The Gazette-News, and then wait for indi-vidual replies!

But the larger differences to which it is almost impossible to accuston oneself, are in the very atmosphere one breathes. The most insistent is the mensation of unrest. Society, re-ligion, ethics, music, literature and the drama in California seem, from the writer's viewpoint, as tumultuously restless as the great ocean, and that is not, from my six months' experience, as Pacific as the Atlantic To an old fashioned body the count less isms-vegetarianism. nilitant suffragetteism, theosophy, half dozen new religious sectseager to take one by the hand-give were picking oneself up, out of the debris of a sociological earthquake Then if one gets on the inside of any know exactly to what extent you agree thing its component parts appear to with him or differ from him in large be changing, too. I have met Presbyterians who are "going into Catho icism." Methodists who are "goin into science," and many, many for-mer orthodox folds who are staying out of all established religions and believe they are building better, new

as about nine persons out of ten mis- take off their hats and look about for some place to put the troublesom things, pat and arrange their hair-reminds one miserable sinner of th

They Lack Humor. Another lion in the path of the recently arrived is the extraordinary mother serial story will begin. It has lack of humor that, it seems to me been decided to make a permanent Is a part of the westerner's make-up to recognize the most gently, in gratiating little joke. There isn't any joker in their pack, and life is such a dull game. western novels with fun in them; a or a number of characteristics. It the moment I recall the "Virginian" is cleverly written. It is clean. It is -the title tells the hero's southern met the man who planned and took part in "mixing those bables up" in Owen Wister's novel-and he was southerner! I recall another excellent California novel, "The Winning of Barbara Worth." The "San Felipe of the story is San Diego, the "King's Basin," Imperial valley. man in the tale with a sense of hu-mor-he's from Texas. Evidently these novelists draw from life. It has occurred to me that the reason Californians do from one to six moving picture shows a night and flock to comedies in droves, is because they do not know how to amuse Jollity." Conversation is such a dead level of monotony. The writer been asked, occasionally, to speak on the "Mountaineers of the South," certain missionary societies, begin-ning with her own. I had been attending the missionary meetings, and felt that there must be some hidden nuse for sorrow. I determined to make those women laugh. I didn't quite do it-but they smiled; the na-tive wit of Mrs. Berry White, Rachel

Stewart and other real human beings in the mountain coves near Asheville won the unaccustomed smile, humorisms of the speaker's. Of ourse there are many charming people here from the south-Kentucks sems to lead-the far east and mid dle west, but so far they haven' leavened the heavy lump of serious ness, evidently a western coast char

Mild and Balmy. People in the arctic city of Asheills who struggled with bursting wa er pipes through January and Feb-

uary and burned coal enough to make a payment on a home lot in San Diego, may be interested to San Diego, may know that our winter has been mild and balmy; the old residents say it has been one of unprecedented cold The greater part of the time a small fire is comfortable in the early morn ngs and evenings; we have burned \$4 worth of wood in a small heater in the living room, our only fire; the windows have never been closed, night or day, in the sleeping rooms We have had six cloudy days during the last six months and about as many rains. The experienced say it ecasionally rains at night with such gentle courtesy that even light sleeprs are not aroused. Every one is clamoring for rain, and hoping we shall soon have what the old black preacher called "a gully washer and

trash mover.' A little more about the climate, is not in the least enervating and lowing described piece and parcel of there is no malaria. Everyone seems astoundingly healthy; the children count, North Carolina, Black Mouncian stalwart stalwart of the count, North Carolina, Black Mouncian Stalwart of the country of th A little more about the climate; it and rosy. The equable temperature seems ideal for the weaker sex, but apparently lacks the strenuousness to develop the best physical condition in what Walter Pritchard Eaton in the ast "Everybody's" called, "the brute male." So far ambition and energy are not dead in the Asheville colony. but older residents declare they fine it almost impossible to work. are greatly inclined, for the most part, to take housekeeping, culture and se speak of the women; the men o have an open eye for business, and there is evidently plenty doing. I recently had an interesting convers tion with ont of San Diego's leading physicians; people sometimes need a doctor and do die here, of old age. This doctor has a theory that he says has never been exploited. It is his purpose to demonstrate and develop his idea and write a thesis upon the subject to win some more letters to write after his M. D. from a college in the middle west. He believes the vast kelp beds that lie off our imme diate coast exude or disseminate bromide and lodine, properties obtained from kelp. This, he thinks, makes breathe, both sedative and nutritive. Everybody sleeps here-even the most confirmed insomniacs who come little hope of wooing favor from Morpheus-kelp bromide! Then almost everyone increases rapidly in weight. The really fat men and women in Asheville could be counted on one's fingers-the thin ones in San Diego But what is the great advantage! add to one's avordupois, does not give one as much mental and physica snap and agility as five in your city maturely the great physician's kelp-bromide-lodine theory; if there is any

hours slumber here, while it may I hope I have not given away prething in it, it certainly should be used to advertise San Diego as a sanitarium for nervous patients and those tha Kipling writes of Who go back with Policeman Day, Back from the city of Sleep."

We have, all winter, enjoyed an abundance of fresh vegetables and he delicious California fruits, brough to our doors by our Chinaman, How Lo. That is his name, not the price though all the things he carries—th auch cheaper than in Asheville. It aundryman is Sing Hi—and that in the and price, both. The product of the dairy and the chicken rance tiso sing high: eggs, butter, milk ans chicken, fried and fricassed, are for the multi-millionaires, in their lux urious suburban homes at Coronade and Point Loma: Lyman Gage, John Vance Cheney and their associates.

Mr. Lassiter and family of Ashe ville, who arrived in San Diego a few

weeks ago, have gone back to Lo Angeles, being utterly unable to fine Angeles, being utterly unable to find a roof to cover their heads, other than the hotela. That tells the tale of San Diego as a tourist city. There will be plenty of spartments and bungalows in the spring and summer when the easterness turn backwards in their flight. This rituation is in spite of an amazing amount of building going on constantly. There is

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money to be made here in real estate one has a little capital to begin with, but of unskilled laborers there are too many, over 500 unemployed in the city, many lured thither, doubt-less, by the haleyon climate and the reports of projected harbor improve-ment and work at the exposition

It has been interesting to read in things Asheville has been having at the Auditorium—quite metropolitan; ilso, the accounts of the Civic Better league are eagerly Progress is marching with you; from a comparative viewpoint, I have more faith in the future of the greater south than of the great southwest! MARY C. ROBINSON.

San Diego, Cal.

How Tyrus Cobb Visits Murphy.

Ty Cobb, the famous center fielder of the Detroit, Mich., baseball team, was here Monday on his way to visit nis uncle, Taylor Cobb, at Ivy Log, Ty Cobb is perhaps better known than any young man in the United States. Years ago, when but a kid. he played short for Murphy in several cames and was a wonder even then.-Murphy Scout.

By virtue of the power and author ty conferred upon the undersigned Allen T. Morrison, by a certain deed in trust executed on the 4th day of September, 1911, and recorded in the Register's office of Buncombbe cour y, N. C., in Deed in Trust book No 85, at page 221, to which reference is hereby had, default having been made in the payment of the debt secured by said deed in trust, and request having been made by the owner and holder of said debt that the undersigned do execute the powers of sale contained in said deed of trust, I Allen T. Morrison, trustee, will, on Tuesday, the 9th day of April, 1912, at twelve o'clock M., in front of the Court side's line on a ridge; thence west 90 House door in the City of Asheville, poles to the BEGINNING, containing offer for sale at public auction, for ing known as the Crips tract; except-lowing described upon the following two acres thereof beautiful and person of the bighest bidder, the following two acres thereof beautiful and the same acres to the BEGINNING, containing the same acres to the same acres to

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