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Z. V. Walser, of Lexington, having refused to accept the progressive nomination for governor, Iredell Meares, has been handed the job.

Some sap-headed sentimentalists are now making an effort to have the McManara dynamiters pardoned. Why not change the jails and penitentiaries into palaces and give the inmates pensions, the grater the crime the grater the pension?

The Democratic officials of Rowan having ignored the fundamentals of Democracy in the needless building of a court house would feel like thirty cents lost in the Pacific should the Republicans be the first to occupy it. Such would be a just rebuke indeed.

Ex. Vice-president Fairbanks seems to have forgotten his experience in Rome and is now joining with that crowd to help along Taft's candidacy for the presidency. But the people are awakening on this subject and Taft is now serving his first and last term.

The Republicans have carried Maine in this week's election leaving the Democrats only two representatives. This also means a Republican senator. The progressives and Republicans combined against the Democrats and will probably reverse themselves in November.

It is a common thing these days to read of the indictments of city and county officials on charges of graft and malfeasance in office. It is said the conditions existing in Salisbury and Rowan County are needing attention. The usual city report seems to have again been overlooked.

Spain is now threatening to sever her relations with the temporal power of the Catholic church. Thus all nations that have borne the yoke of Rome and know what it means are freeing themselves from its burdens, exactions and slavery, while Americans, forgetful of the blessings of their freedom, are hiding their heads in the sand vainly hoping the inevitable storm will blow over.

The English newspapers seem somewhat alarmed because of the large tracts of land there lying in idleness. They claim that farmers are not encouraged and that the scarcity of food is becoming a matter of grave concern. No wonder, farming land in England is almost entirely owned by the nobility and the price is such that no farmer can buy it and stand any chance whatever to make a living on it. This is the blessing of high priced farm land and boosting, enhanced values as we like to put it. This country is headed in the same direction and it will soon reach the point where the ordinary farmer cannot possibly produce enough to pay the interest on his investment.

THE WATCHMAN has not so far taken a position on the Senatorial question, being largely uninterested in the matter. Kitchin's method of campaign is such as to disgust all save the depraved, even though Mr. Simmons is guilty of all with which he is charged. If Mr. Kitchin has ever done anything of value to the State, the writer's persistant reading of the newspapers for the past thirty years has failed to learn of it. He is good on promising and in keeping a public job which does not mean much if not indicative of a time-server. On the other hand Senator Simmons' career has been re-plete with valuable services well performed. He has probably made some mistakes but the good performed outweigh these and the good he can do is almost infinite in comparison should Kitchin be made Senator. Simmons will most likely succeed Simmons, however if the peoples' friend and the man who would most nearly harmonize with the spirit of the times and be of greatest benefit to the Wilson administration were presented with the toga that man's name would be Clark.

Postal Service Curtailed.

A booster is one of those folks who don't know when it is best to let well enough alone. Recently some folks got it into their heads that Salisbury's city delivery was inefficient and induced Postmaster Ramsay, who is always accommodating and willing to make any improvement in his power, to make application for an extension of the service. The department sent an inspector here, who after making a thorough examination of the situation, recommended a considerable curtailment of the service we have been getting. Acting first assistant postmaster general gave orders accordingly and the service in East Spencer, Vance Mill and Melrose Heights sections will be discontinued after the 15th instant. But of course this will not settle the matter. As Senator Overman has gotten so much for Salisbury and the community, it is believed he can get more and, therefore, he will be asked to take a hand for the improvements desired, or at least hold what we have.

EIGHT POSTAL ZONES.

Postmaster General Hitchcock Busy Formulating Plans To Put Law In Operation

Washington, September 8.—The postoffice appropriation bill passed by the last session of Congress provides: "That hereafter fourth-class mail matter shall embrace all other matter, including farm and factory products, not now embraced by law in either the first, second or third class, not exceeding eleven pounds in weight, nor greater in size than 72 inches in length and girth combined, nor in form or kind likely to injure the person of any postal employe or damage the mail equipment or other mail matter and not of a character perishable within a period of reasonably required for transportation and delivery."

That, in a nut shell, is the new postal express or parcels post law.

A person can post anything from a hen egg to a half grown pig if there is no danger of it injuring the postal employes who handle it and it does not weigh more than 11 pounds and is not greater in size than 72 inches in length and girth combined.

The farmer can send eggs, chickens, ducks, kittens, hounds, dogs, puppies, butter, honey, bees, 'possum, young foxes, or anything else just so it is not too heavy or too large and is not dangerous.

The fisherman can post his fish, frogs, tad poles, oysters, crabs, terrapins, crawfish, fishing worms, or what not if he observes the regulations as to weight and size and character of the animal.

The manufacturer can send suits of clothes, pajamas, bats, cloth, and every other sort of product provided it is not too long, too large or dangerous.

To carry out the provisions of the parcels post law, eight postal zones will be established. The first will extend 50 miles from the center of a given unit of area; second, 150 miles; third, 300; fourth, 600; fifth 1,000; sixth, 1,400; seventh, 1,800; eight, all units of area outside of the seventh zone.

The rates will be, on fourth-class matter weighing not more than four ounces, one cent for each ounce or fraction of an ounce. On all matter mailed at the postoffice, to be delivered by rural or city carrier, or to be called for, five cents for the first pound or fraction of a pound and one cent for each additional pound. In the first zone, five cents for the first pound and three cents for each additional pound; second, six and four; third, seven and five; fourth, eight and six; fifth, nine and seven; sixth, ten and nine; seventh, eleven and ten; eighth, twelve and twelve.

To illustrate the workings of the parcels post law take a pound of butter:

	First Pound	Each Additional	11 lbs
Rural route and city delivery	.05	.01	15
50 mile zone	.05	.03	.35
150 mile	.06	.04	.46
300 mile	.07	.05	.57
600 mile	.08	.06	.68
1,000 mile	.09	.07	.79
1,400 mile	.10	.09	1.00
1,800 mile	.11	.10	1.11
Over 1,800 mile	.12	.12	1.32

Eleven pounds of butter, provided it keeps, can be sent to any place in the United States from any farm for $1.32.

Fine Roofing in China Grove.

The Graham house in China Grove, has just been remodeled and greatly improved, including a new roof. This roof is certainly one of the prettiest in town and is the invention of Mr. Clemmer, of Dallas, N. C. W. J. Swink, the present owner of this cottage, has some samples of this splendid roofing on hand.

The Richmond boosters will send out a train load of the varmits next week arriving in Salisbury on Thursday morning, September 19th.

Barn Burned at Lexington.

Lexington, September 8.—While the people were at church this morning fire broke out in T. S. Eanes' barn on Center street. At the first sound of the fire whistle there was a stampede in one or two of the churches, and in others the congregations were decimated. Mr. Eanes was at church at the time and there were no men on the place. When discovered the fire had gained such headway that it was with the utmost difficulty that Mrs. Eanes liberated the live stock.

In the barn at the time were 14 head of horses and mules and Mrs. Eanes working with almost incredible swiftness, saved all but three. One of these she got clear of the barn but the maddened animal dashed back into the flames and was so badly burned that he had to be shot. A great quantity of feed stuff, several wagons, complete harness equipment and farming implements of all kinds were destroyed. The loss will probably reach $3,400, only partly covered by insurance.

WOODLEAF.

September 9.—Miss Nettie Spoon, our clever depot agent here, is taking her vacation at home this week.

Mrs. J. K. Culbertson, who has been visiting in Greensboro, has returned home.

Miss Sallie Wetmore, who works at the Empire store in Salisbury was at home Sunday.

Protracted meeting is going on at the Methodist church this week beginning Monday night.

Walter Owens has moved back to Woodleaf again.

Most all of the boys and girls are off for college or will soon be off. This is a partial list from our burg: Misses Mary Fleming, Edith Gilbert, Beulah Cranford, to Statesville Female College; Hugh Bailey, Malcolm Hoover, and Darr Wetmore, A. and M., Raleigh; Frank Bailey to King's College, Charlotte.

Woodleaf High School opens about the first of October with Mr Fox as principal. Miss Beulah Pinkston, intermediate and Miss Mary Bailey, primary. Owing to the larger ones going to college there will not be any music school this session.

T. V. Terrel has announced there will be a good roads meet held in the school house on September 21st. Let all who can attend this meeting. If we ever have any better roads up this way we will have to build them.

ONE OF THE BOYS.

Special Excursion to Jacksonville and Tampa Florida,

—VIA—

SOUTHERN RAILWAY,

Tuesday, September 17th, 1912.

Special train consisting of first class day coaches and standard Pullman sleeping cars will leave Charlotte at 10:30 p. m., Tuesday, September 17th, and arrive at Jacksonville, Florida, 9:45 a. m., following morning.

Following low round trip rates will apply from stations named:

FROM	TO JACKSONVILLE	TO TAMPA
Charlotte, N. C.	$7.50	$9.50
Concord, "	7.50	9.50
Salisbury, "	7.50	9.50
Lexington, "	7.50	9.50
High Point, "	7.50	9.50
Greensboro, "	7.50	9.50
Shelby, "	9.00	11.00
Blacksburg, S. C.	9.00	11.00
Rock Hill, "	7.50	9.50
Ft. Mill, "	7.50	9.50
Silver City, "	7.50	9.50
Cains Grove, "	7.50	9.50

Tickets will be sold on Tuesday, September 17th, 1912, good on regular trains to Charlotte and on special trains from Charlotte arriving in Jacksonville next morning, connect at Jacksonville for Tampa. Tickets will be good for seven days, returning on any regular train leaving Jacksonville until September 24th, 1912.

This is a rare opportunity to visit Florida at a small cost. Surf bathing and fishing at their best in the "Land of Flowers" during the month of September.

For Pullman reservation or any other information in connection with the trip, apply to any agent of the Southern Railway,

T. J. ANDERSON, ticket agent, Salisbury, N. C., or, R. H. DEBUTTS, DIVISION PASSENGER AGENT CHARLOTTE, N. C.

State Agricultural Exhibit Car to be Here.

The State is going to considerable expense to show off the products of the State test farms. Quite an exhibit has been gotten together and installed in a passenger car for transportation about the State. The exhibit is quite complete and is worth seeing. This car will be in Salisbury, located on a sidetrack near the passenger station on October 6th and 7th. There will be something of value for both men and women see.

Peach Seed Wan'ed.—All those who have gathered up peach seeds will bring them in and deliver them at Taylor & Co's., Woodson & Co's., and George Shaver's stores. The time is limited to four weeks as the peach seed buyers are getting well stocked. J. R. IDE.

Notice to Creditors.

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of A. F. Attaway, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against the said decedent to file an itemized verified statement of same with the undersigned on or before the 13th day of August 1913, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. Persons indebted to the said estate are notified to make prompt settlement.

This August 13th, 1912.

J. D. DORSETT, Admr.