ANNUAL REPORT IS RENDERED BY GRAND JURY

The grand jury for the February term of Superior court, with G. Y. Thompson acting as foreman, has completed its work. With the exception of a few minor repairs about the court house and community building and the finding of the county jail in bad condition, the report showed the county institutions to be in good shape.

The grand jury visited the state prison camp and found there 50 white prisoners and 51 colored, all males. The prisoners stated that they were well cared for and had no complaint to make. The grounds and outbuildings, with the exception of one toilet, were found to be in sanitary condition.

Conditions existing around the county home were not so commendable. Owing to the recent heavy rains an unsanitary condition was found to exist at the dairy barn. White inmates numbered 28, colored 12. Several cases among the TB patients were so bad that the grand jury recommended the employing of a full time nurse to assist Mrs. Edminston.

At the county workhouse the grand jury found one white and one colored girl, four white and four colored boys. All of these stated that they were well cared for and had no cause for complaint. All work and dairy stock was found to be in good condition.

All offices of the county were found to be in need of repainting. Several awnings were found to be in such a bad condition that either their replacement or removal was recommended. The Community building was reported in fair condition; however, the interior was found to be badly in need of repainting.

The report on the county jail showed this institution to be n an unsanitary condition, and very much in need of new beds. All prisoners reported that they were well taken care of. A new and larger kitchen stove was suggested.

GOLD HILL ITEMS

Quite a number of the farmers in our section are seeding lespedeza down on their land for improving their farm land. The rainy weather delayed many farmers in seeding their land, as it is difficult to get in on low land which is wet.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wyatt near Corinth Baptist church held their Golden Wedding anniversary last Friday. Quite a number of relatives and friends gathered to help them celebrate their fiftieth married year. Rev. Hewitt of St. Matthew and Rev. Wade Dutton of St. Stephens Lutheran churches were present to help partake of this celebration.

Rev. Sprinkle of Salisbury was present Sunday at Zion M. E. church and heard Rev. J. N. Wise preach. Bro. Wise's text from the Holy Bible was "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." Dr. Sprinkle held a conference meeting at Richfield M. E. church Sunday night.

Rev. Wise was requested Sunday at Zion church to announce that there would be a big meeting to begin at St. Paul's Holiness church next Friday night, and it would run over two Sabbath days.

P. H. Wagoner and wife visited his brothers A. A. and R. L. Wagoner of Salisbury, one day last week.

Ten thousand troops crush Barcelona strike after hot fighting.

North Carolina,
Rowan County.

In the Superior Court.
MRS. J. H. OWENS, Plaintiff,
Vs.
J. H. OWENS, Defendant.
NOTICE OF SUMMONS.

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Rowan County for the purpose of obtaining an absolute divorce from him upon Statutory grounds as now provided by law; and that said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of said County at his office in the Court house in Salisbury, North Carolina, on the

24TH DAY OF MARCH, 1932,

or thirty days thereafter, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This the 23rd day of February, 1932.

B. D. McCUBBINS,
Clerk Superior Court.

WILLIAM V. HARRIS,
Attorney for Plaintiff. Fb.26-Mch.18.

First Barrymore Plays Important Film Character

Lionel, Prize-Winner of Great Family, Is Stern Parent in "Broken Lullaby"

It is the first time that Barrymore has ever portrayed such a role in the talkies and he carries the delineation of the hard-headed, but lovable old patriot with a full measure of his accustomed skill.

Lionel Barrymore last year received first prize for acting honors from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. He is the eldest member of America's most famous stage family. John is the youngest; Ethel's between.

The Way of Life
By BRUCE BARTON

BLESSED ARE THE COMPETENT

An important New Yorker called me up to ask about two doctors who run a clinic in a little town in Canada. He knew that I had visited them some years ago and that they did me much good.

I described them to him in the words of one of their patients. "They are human ferrets," I said. "They seem to be able to discover and correct conditions where even specialists have failed."

The man went up to the clinic and stayed three weeks. Yesterday he telephoned me to say that he had not felt so well in years. He was so enthusiastic that I could hardly get him off the phone.

I sent another man up to Bill Brown's health farm opposite West Point. The man is vice president of a business that has had plenty of problems. He was nervous and discouraged. He came back from Bill's on the top of the world.

I referred a friend to an architect who has done some very clever work for us on our country house. My friend was delighted.

The doctors write me letters of thanks. So does Bill. So does the architect. They think I have done them a friendly service. I reply that, on the contrary, the obligation is entirely on my part. They have given me one of the best pleasures in life, the pleasure of recommending someone who is really competent.

How seldom we have that pleasure. What a discouraging lot of applications we receive from men who want to do something but have never done anything really well.

It is time for someone to reprint and redistribute Elbert Hubbard's Message to Garcia. It tells, you remember, how President McKinley, when the Spanish War broke out, needed to get immediate word to the leader of the Cuban insurgents, General Garcia.

Some one told the President that there was a man named Major A. S. Rowan who could find Garcia.

Major Rowan took the letter, asked no questions, sought no directions or advice, but quietly and promptly set sail for Cuba, made his way through the wilderness and delivered the letter.

Hubbard sang his praises. "Civilization is one long anxious search for just such individuals," he exclaimed. "Anything such a man asks shall be granted. He is wanted in every city, town and village—in every office, shop, store and factory. The world cries out for such: he is needed and needed badly—the man who can 'Carry a Message to Garcia.'"

I do not think that humanity is inherently selfish or hardboiled. I think there are many business men who would like to help their fellows to better jobs and more business. But so few of those who want help have ever delivered anything.

Now and then comes one who does deliver. And what a joy it is to recommend him!

Speaking of the depression—well, there just seem to be some things you can't say with flowers.

Hints for the Home
by Nancy Hart

MEATLESS MINCE MEAT

2 pounds apples.
1 cup seeded raisins.
1-2 cup seedless raisins.
1-2 cup currants.
1 package candied citron.
1 cup brown sugar.
2 cups granulated sugar.
1 tablespoon salt.
3 cups sweet cider.
1-4 cup butter.
1 cup cranberry sauce.
Juice and rind of 1 lemon and 1 orange.
2 tablespoons cinnamon.
2 tablespoons mace.
1 tablespoon nutmeg.
1 tablespoon cloves.
1 cup almonds.

Place apples, dried fruits, citron, sugar, salt, cider and butter in a deep kettle. Simmer for about 30 minutes. Add remaining ingredients (except nut meats) and cook slowly until thick. Add chopped almonds last. Store in a covered jar in a cold place or seal in sterilized glass jars. Two quarts (filling for three pies).

TOMATO COCKTAIL

One pint tomato juice, one tablespoon onion juice, one teaspoon minced parsley, one half teaspoon sugar.

One cup and a half tomato juice, one half cup canned pineapple juice.

One pint tomato juice, one tablespoon onion juice, grating of fresh black pepper, one tablespoon pineapple juice.

How to play Bridge AUCTION and CONTRACT
by Wynne Ferguson
Author of "PRACTICAL AUCTION BRIDGE"

ARTICLE No. 6

There is no Auction player in the world who always wins or who always loses, and yet some players, deservedly or otherwise, get that reputation. It is very useful to have a reputation for good luck. It not only gives your partner confidence in you, but also worries your opponents. Card players as a class are superstitious, even though they will not admit it and, when a player has the reputation of "always" winning, he generally does. He has a happy air of success that imparts itself to his partner and opponents alike. "I love to play with you, partner. You always make me feel that we are going to win." Such remarks to a winning player are often heard and show the influence that his reputation exerts.

On the other hand, consider the player who "always" loses. He takes his place at the table with a sad and mournful expression as if Fate has already marked him out as the loser of the rubber. He generally starts out with a remark like this: "Well, partner, I haven't been able to hold a face card in weeks so watch your step." He takes a queer sort of pride in his bad luck and seems to enjoy talking about it. Needless to say, such a player has a bad influence on his partner and an encouraging one on his opponents. He probably doesn't always lose, but he certainly deserves to always lose. He is his own most formidable opponent and, by his dismal complaints and talk about hard luck, discourages his partner as well as himself.

There is a lot of psychology in Auction and Contract and the winning player is generally the one who comes to the card table not only with the will to win but with the sure belief that he is going to win. Tell your friends of your good luck, but keep your bad luck to yourself. Don't get the reputation of being a "Jonah." All the world loves a winner, but the loser must always weep alone. Practice Coue's auto-suggestion and keep repeating to yourself: "I am getting luckier and luckier day by day." You will be surprised at the results both in your luck and also in your popularity at the card table.

The following hands are interesting and instructive:

Hand No. 1

Y
A B
Z

Hearts — 7
Clubs — 9, 5
Diamonds — A, K, Q, 8
Spades — A, Q, 10, 6, 5, 2

AUCTION BIDDING:

No score, rubber game. Z dealt and bid one spade, A two hearts, Y pass, B pass, Z two spades, A pass, Y pass and B three hearts. What should Z now do with the foregoing hand? Z should bid three spades. The only other possible bid is four diamonds and that is a bad bid because partner may leave it in. At a void score, there is a much better chance for game in spades than in diamonds, so the three-spade bid is preferable.

CONTRACT BIDDING:

At Contract the bidding would be the same.

Hand No. 2

Hearts — Q, 8, 4, 2
Clubs — 10, 7, 3
Diamonds — J, 7, 2
Spades — J, 8, 4

Y
A B
Z

No score, rubber game. Either at Auction or at Contract, if Y's partner had first bid spades and rebid them and on the third round of bidding, bid four diamonds, what should Y now bid if A passed four diamonds? Y should bid four spades. His partner has showed a good spade hand by his rebid and only a fair diamond hand. Y's hand has practically the same strength in both suits and therefore the same chance to make four in either suit. As four spades score game, it is the preferable bid. Hand No. 2 was the one held by Z's partner in Hand No. 1. In the actual play, Z bid four diamonds and Y passed. The hand was submitted to the writer for criticism and from the analysis it is evident that both players made bad bids. Y's error, however, was inexcusable. When your partner has bid two suits and you have better support for one, always take him back to that suit. If you have equal support as in Hand No. 2, take him back to the major suit. Play for game all the time.

Hand No. 3

Y
A B
Z

Hearts — A, K, Q, 10, 7, 6, 5, 2
Clubs — K, 7
Diamonds — K, 3
Spades — 7

No score, first game. At either Auction or Contract, what should Z, as dealer, bid with the foregoing hand? The only proper bid in this case is four hearts to shut out, if possible, a four-spade bid by opponents. It is a perfect example of a shut-out bid.

BUD 'n' BUB

BUD IS WELL REPRESENTED

By Ed Kressy