

ROOSEVELT may force the Republican national convention to nominate him for President next June, or at least dictate the nomination, by threatening to run again as he did four years ago, and thus make certain the reelection of President Wilson.

PROHIBITION has become so popular with our neighbors on the north, in the Dominion of Canada, that it will prevail throughout all that vast country by the first of January, except in the one Province of Quebec, and even in all of that except the large cities.

COUNTY school commencements were held last week in quite a number of counties in this state and all were quite a success and much enjoyed. Such occasions are not only a source of pleasure to all who participate therein but are a great stimulant to all engaged in the educational work of their counties.

We hope that the day is not far distant when such an occasion may be seen every year in every county in this state, even in old Chatham.

THE last volume (the 169th) of the North Carolina Supreme Court Reports shows that about one-third of the cases contained therein had been erroneously decided by the superior court judges who tried them. That volume contains 165 cases, and of that number there was error in 57.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Affirmed, Error. Lists names like Adams, Allen, Bond, Carter, Cline, Connor, Cooke, Daniels, Devin, Ferguson, Harding, Lane, Long, Lyon, Justice, Peebles, Rountree, Shaw, Webb, Whedbee with their respective counts.

The above represents only the cases that were appealed to the supreme court, but not by any means the total number tried in the superior court, from which there was no appeal, so that the above statement should not by any means be considered a proof of the ability and fairness of the judges. The only wonder is that our superior court judges do not make more mistakes in the trial of so many cases in the hurry of their courts, when they do not have the opportunity to consult the law books. Even after the supreme court judges may have heard learned arguments and have consulted many authorities, and have taken many days to consider a case, they frequently cannot agree and one or more dissenting opinions are filed, and many a case before them is decided by a vote of three to two.

THE Republican state executive committee met at Greensboro last Saturday and selected the candidates for the state offices for whom the Republicans should vote at the primary election on the 3rd of June. This is in accordance with the custom of the bosses of the Republican party in this state dictating to the voters. This is very different from the policy of the Democrats, who on the 3rd of June will be at liberty to vote for whomsoever may ask for their votes without any dictation from anybody. The following are the candidates endorsed by the Republican bosses to be voted for at the primary election:

- Governor, Frank A. Linney, of Watauga county.
Lieutenant-Governor, L. L. Jenkins, of Asheville.
Commissioner of Agriculture, A. L. French, of Rockingham county.
Attorney-General, Zeb Vance Walsor, of Davidson county.
State Auditor, J. Q. A. Wood, of Pasquotank county.

Of course it does not matter at all what Republicans are voted for at the primary because none of them will be elected, and their nomination is a mere empty honor (?).

A Request for Restitution.

Special to the Charlotte Observer. Richmond, Va., April 10.—Women of the South, especially members of the Confederate Southern Memorial Association, are seeking to keep before Congress the claim of Confederate veterans and their widows on the large fund in the United States Treasury accumulated from captured and abandoned property, confiscated property and the collection of the cotton tax from 1863 to 1868 in the states of the Confederacy.

Their champion in the nation's law-making body is Senator Tillman, of South Carolina, who has introduced a bill embodying their wishes. Those who believe in its justice have faith in its passage; but there are around Washington those who, inclined to leave sentiment out, issue a "warning against the emotional women of the South."

Mrs. J. Enders Robinson, corresponding secretary general C. S. M. A., has explained in letters to the press the position of the memorial association, which is that this property taken from the Confederates does not belong to any one else and that instead of being analogous to pension measures, the Tillman bill is simply a just demand for restitution.

Effect of Radium Rays.

Charles Vaillant, head of the radiographs laboratory of the Lariboisiere hospital in Paris, has announced a successful means of replacing the present costly process of X-ray photographing on a glass negative with printing directly on to paper.

Vaillant's new process uses ordinary sensitized paper for taking radiograph photographs. The cost of the paper is only a twentieth of that of the glass negative, and there is also a saving in weight and space.

Coffee Like Gold.

Pershing's Camp at the Front in Mexico, April 10.—Gold is the word which has been adopted along this front to describe coffee. A teaspoonful of coffee will buy more than gold coin, and the rich color, enhanced by its scarcity, has fixed the nickname firmly for this campaign.

An officer at this camp today, dealing out the day's coffee ration to a soldier, advised him to save his coffee grounds for second boiling in case of delay in the arrival of new supply trains. "I save mine," said the officer. "How many times do you use the same grounds?" he was asked.

"One set of grounds I used 11 times," he replied. "The last few times I was just drinking a suggestion, but it kept me happy."

Another officer offered one dollar in gold for a cup of well used coffee grounds, and his bid was refused. Tobacco is the only article which has approached coffee in the exaggerated value which this campaign has placed on a few ordinarily commonplace commodities.

Dogs a Nuisance.

From Charity and Children. As we advance in intelligence it really seems that the superstition that attaches to dogs ought to disappear. Dogs are the most dangerous animals in the state. No wild beast (if there be any) that roams the mountain forests or the wide swamps of the east country is such a menace to the lives and peace of mind of our people as the half starved and many curs that wander about without a habitation or a name. A good dog may be worth his keep but his owner is perfectly willing to pay a tax for the privilege of owning him. But the well fed dogs are not a menace to society. It is the lean and hungry curs that do not get a living from their masters and who must make it some other way that do the damage. They kill sheep and chickens and suck eggs for a living and occasionally go mad and set whole neighborhoods in a tumult. They are the dread of the summer time. The public are exposed constantly to these vagrant dogs that do everybody harm and nobody any particular good. Why are legislators so mortally afraid to furnish the protection to which the public are entitled from these nameless canines? If we could only get enough men in Raleigh at one time who would rather do right than be re-elected, there would be many wholesome laws enacted that the solons are afraid to tackle. We hoped against hope that some time some legislature would summon manhood enough to tax the worthless dogs out of existence. Killing sheep is about the only charge that has been brought against them but this a minor charge. They are a general nuisance and a perpetual peril to our peace and happiness.

Prizes to Farmers of Mexico.

Mexico City, April 9.—In a manifesto to Mexican farmers issued last night, Gen. Gonzalez offers a prize of \$1,000 to the planter in each township under his jurisdiction which includes the states of Mexico, Puebla, Morel, Taxcala, Hidalgo and Oaxaca, for the best planted field. Farmers are warned that the nation faces a serious crisis because of crop shortage resulting from untilled lands, and tells them that only their patriotic industry can forestall the misery of a cereal shortage.

"Today we face the danger of public misery," says the manifesto, "because of the scarcity or failure of the coming crops. To cultivate the soil in the present predicament is a work of the highest patriotism incumbent on all good Mexicans."

Dangers of Draft.

Drafts feel best when we are hot and perspiring, just when they are most dangerous and the result is neuralgia, stiff neck, sore muscles or sometimes an attack of rheumatism. In such cases apply Sloan's Liniment. It stimulates circulation to the sore and painful part. The blood flows freely and in a short time the stiffness and pain leaves. Those suffering from neuralgia or neuritic headache will find relief in two applications of Sloan's Liniment will give grateful relief. The agonizing pain gives way to a tingling sensation of comfort and war with quiet rest and sleep is possible. Good for neuritis too. Price 25c at your drug. adv

The retail druggists all over the United States have been informed by circulars from the wholesalers and through the trade papers that if the war in Europe continues until July 1st the price of almost all drugs will advance from 200 to 300 per cent over the present prices. Already the prices have advanced from 200 to 300 per cent over prices before the war. Even at the enormous prices quoted some of the drugs commonly used are obtained only with difficulty.

Spring.

Spring is looked upon by many as the most delightful season of the year, but this cannot be said of the rheumatic. The cold and damp weather brings on rheumatic pains which are anything but pleasant. They can be relieved, however, by applying Chamberlain's Liniment. Obtainable everywhere. adv

The German federal council has passed a measure providing that on May 1 all clocks shall be set ahead one hour. The measure was proposed for hygienic and economic reasons as lengthening working time during daylight and decreasing the necessity for artificial light.

A statement issued by the Treasury Department at Washington shows that on the 1st of this month the money in circulation in the United States was \$38.41 per capita; that is, there was enough for every man, woman and child to have that amount.

News and Observer: Twelve-year-old McClellan Walker, sheltering himself from a huge pine his father and workmen were cutting down, ran under a falling oak in Barton's Creek township Thursday and was crushed to death.

Fuel Briquet Industry.

From the U. S. Geological Bulletin. Over a million dollars worth of briquets were made out of waste coal dust in 1915, the exact production being 221,537 short tons, valued at \$1,035,716. This was the largest output in the United States for any year with the exception of 1914. The manufacture of this type of fuel is, however, still in its infancy, and according to C. E. Leshler, of the United States Geological Survey, a good many years will probably elapse before the briquet industry assumes very large proportions. The work of briquetting this low-grade material and converting it into fuel suitable for higher uses is, however, practicing conservation and as such deserves far more attention than it now receives in this country. European countries, more thrifty in their use of coal, have developed the briquetting industry to large proportions. Most of the mechanical difficulties of manufacture have been solved in this country and the future growth of the industry now depends upon the development of markets for the product.

For Your Child's Cough.

If your child has a cold, nose runs or coughs much get a small bottle of Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. It's a pleasant pine-tar-honey syrup, just what children like and just the medicine to soothe the cough and check the cold. After taking, children stop fretting, sleep good and are soon entirely well. Insist on Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. 25c at your druggist. adv

New Company at Colon.

From the Sanford Express. The Southern Structural Steel Company is the name of a new manufacturing concern that will be established at Colon. Mr. C. B. Cox, of Burlington, is actively engaged in getting up the stock and organizing the company to build and operate the proposed plant. The company will be capitalized at \$25,000 and will manufacture steel bridge material, steel tanks, steel building frames, etc.

It is proposed to begin work on the plant in about 60 days. The main building will be of steel 85x150 feet. The company will employ about sixty skilled laborers at good wages.

Why Constipation Injures.

The bowels are the natural sewerage system of the body. When they become obstructed by constipation a part of the poisonous matter which they should carry off is absorbed into the system, making you feel dull and stupid, and interfering with the digestion and assimilation of food. This condition is quickly relieved by Chamberlain's Tablets. Obtainable everywhere. adv

Sanford Express: Mr. Joe D. McIver tells the Express that not a single shad has been seen at Buckhorn this season, but the white round fish have been caught in large numbers. They are very fine fish. The reason why shad fail to come up the river this season is that they cannot pass the locks that have been built by the government below Fayetteville.

Insomnia.

Indigestion nearly always disturbs the sleep more or less, and is often the cause of insomnia. Eat a light supper with little if any meat, and no milk; also take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper and if you do not rest much better obtainable everywhere. adv

Senators and members of the House of Representatives used 38,664,367 envelopes in 1915 in banking letters to their constituents and others, through the postal service.

Safe Medicine for Children.

"Is it safe?" is the first question to be considered when buying cough medicine for children. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has long been a favorite with mothers of young children and it contains no opium or other narcotic and may be given to a child as confidently as to an adult. It is pleasant to take, too, which is of great importance when a medicine must be given to young children. This remedy is most effective in relieving coughs, colds and croup. Obtainable everywhere. adv

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RESALE OF LAND.

By virtue of an order of the superior court in the proceeding entitled Lula Dorsett et als versus C. L. Tysor et als, I will, at the courthouse door in Pittsboro, N. C., on Saturday, April 15th, 1916, again offer for sale to the highest bidder, that tract of land, described in said case, known as sh. E. L. Tysor home place, adjoining the lands of A. H. Oldham on the west, J. S. Dowdy heirs and the Joe Poe heirs on the south, Robert Bynum on the east and W. F. Douglass on the north, containing about 100 acres.

This land is sold again because of an increased bid. R. H. HAYES, Commissioner. March 29, 1916. R. H. Hayes, Attorney.

Strange, If True.

An English army officer was starting for the front last year and he called upon his London bank to settle up certain affairs before departing. "You'll be back soon with a wounded hand," said the bank manager. He was. His wound healed, the officer made ready to go back to the front. Meeting the bank manager, he inquired: "Any more predictions?" "You'll be gone longer this time," said the manager, "and when you do return it will be with quite a severe wound in the leg." This also happened. The officer was much surprised. Hunting up the banker, he inquired: "Since you know so much, why can't you tell me when the war will end?" "It will end," said the manager, "on June 17, 1916, but I shan't live to see it. I'll just about live until New Year's day and not much more." He died Jan. 2.

The London Financial News, a very sober, unimaginative newspaper, vouches for this story.

Colds Quickly Relieved.

Many people cough and croup, from the beginning of fall right through to spring. Others get cold after cold. Take Dr. King's New Discovery and you will get almost immediate relief. It checks your cold, stops the racking, rasping, tissue-tearing cough, heals the inflammation, soothes the raw tubes. Easy to take, antiseptic and healing. Get a 50c bottle of Dr. King's and keep it in the house. "It is certainly a great medicine and I keep a bottle of it continually on hand," writes W. C. Jessemann, Franconia N. H. Money back if not satisfied but it nearly always helps. adv

Died on Husband's Grave.

Wilson, April 5.—After the grave had been filled in over the remains of Mr. Sneed Boyett, who died at his home in Spring Hill township, of heart trouble, last Monday morning, his widow fell across the mound and was heard moaning. She remained in this condition for quite a while. A physician, who was at the burying, then attempted to assist her to her feet. He found that she was dead.

An Ideal Spring Laxative.

A good and time tried remedy is Dr. King's New Life Pills. The first dose will move the sluggish bowels, stimulate the liver and clear the system of waste and blood impurities. You owe it to yourself to clear the system of body poisons, accumulated during the winter. Dr. King's New Life Pills will do it. 25c at your druggist. adv

Charlie W. Johnson, a Swede, employed in the erection of Warrenton's big water tank, fell from the top to the ground, a distance of 130 feet, one day last week and was killed almost instantly.

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Notice of Election. Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in Haw River township on the 16th day of May, 1916, for the purpose of voting on the question whether said township shall issue \$10,000 in bonds for the permanent improvement of roads in said township. Those who favor the issuance of said bonds will vote a ballot on which shall be printed or written the words "For Road Bonds," and those opposed to the issuance of said bonds shall vote a ballot on which shall be printed or written the words "Against Road Bonds." Said bonds are to bear interest at the rate not to exceed five per cent, and to be serial bonds, maturing one thousand dollars annually, six to fifteen years from the date of said bonds. There will be a new registration of the voters of said township, and the registration books will be opened on the 14th day of April, 1916, and close on the 6th day of May, 1916. C. C. Poe has been appointed Registrar, and J. E. Bryan and Ivan B. Thomas have been appointed Judges for said election. This 3rd day of April, 1916. (Signed) C. D. MOORE, Chairman Board of Commissioners of Chatham County.

SALE OF LAND.—By virtue of a judgment of the superior court in the cause therein pending, entitled, "Louella Clarida et als vs R. G. Fox et als," we will again, on Saturday, April 22, 1916, at the courthouse door in Pittsboro, N. C., sell to the highest bidder for cash, the reversion after the falling in of the dower or life estate of Martha Fox, widow of Jas. P. Fox, deceased, in and to that tract of land in Albright township, Chatham county, N. C., which has been allotted to the said Martha Fox as her dower. Beginning at Jane Cooper's corner in Randolph county line, running with said county line 80 poles to a stake; thence S 87 degrees E 88 poles to a stake; thence N 3 degrees 78 1/2 poles to a stake in Jane Cooper's line; thence N 86 degrees W 88 poles to the beginning, containing 44 acres, more or less. This is the old home place of the late Jas. P. Fox and said to be valuable. This resale is made because of an increased bid. This April 5, 1916. H. A. LONDON, R. H. HAYES, Commissioners. CUT FLOWERS. WEDDING BOUQUETS. FUNERAL DESIGNS. PALMS, FERNS, BLOOMING PLANTS, CABBAGE AND TOMATO PLANTS. All orders given prompt attention. M. J. MCPHAIL, Florist. Sanford, N. C.

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