

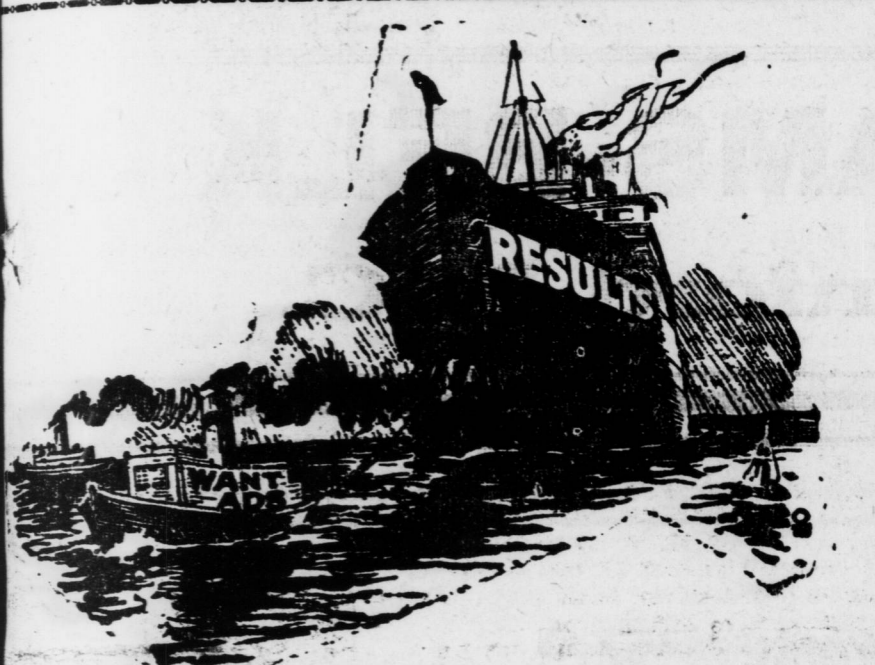
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### BRIEF, INTERESTING FACTS NORTH CAROLINA BRIEFS.

#### Figures and Historical Mention Of Interest.

Dearborn Independent.  
Germany is buying American mules to replace oxen in agriculture work.  
California has made the study of the United States Constitution compulsory in all its public schools.

Great Britain has finished the fiscal year with a surplus of nearly \$250,000,000, and her unemployed are decreasing in number.

The building of the Great Wall of China was begun 214 B.C. Its length is 1,400 miles and the height varies from 15 to 30 feet.

The world's railroads, if placed in a straight line, would reach to the moon and back and encircle the globe nearly eleven times.

It costs from fifty to one hundred and fifty thousand dollars to drill an oil well, and by no means is every well an oil producer.

The fish crop of the world costs the consumer a billion dollars yearly, of which seven hundred eighty million goes to those who harvest the crop.

"Home Brewing" in France of an imitation of the forbidden absinthe, made from an aniseed base, is causing much trouble to the authorities.

American investments in the Philippines increased slightly during the year 1923 compared with 1922, and the Chinese more than doubled theirs.

Human hair exports from Hong-kong during 1923 amounted to approximately 99 tons. The principal markets were in Japan, France and the United States.

"If the people of other lands are unwilling to become subject to you, improve your culture, perfect your institutions, and thus win their hearts and judgment."—Confucius.

The Department of Agriculture says that the United States can support a population of 300,000,000 with no greater demand upon outside food sources than that which exists today.

The Japanese Government has decided to pay all the traveling expenses of Japanese natives who emigrate to Brazil, and to make a grant to each of two hundred yen or one hundred dollars.

It was formerly the custom in France when the president spoke at public banquets for the audience to remain standing during the speeches. This has been abolished by the new president.

The French have always been accustomed to the "accolade," or kiss on both cheeks, but the fact that the new premier kisses his party leaders and all the members of his cabinet on the mouth has aroused public opinion.

Two thirds of the aggregate population of the ten leading cities of the United States is of foreign stock. Approximately one-fifth of the population of Chicago and New York and only about a third of the population of Boston are of native white ancestry.

In Japan nothing is easier than divorce, which takes place by the mutual consent of the man and woman. Even though the law gives every wife the right to oppose her husband's divorce suit her consent is easily secured. The only formalities required consist of informing the magistrate that such a step is contemplated.

#### STRANGE AND CURIOUS.

##### Peculiarities That Will Astonish Almost Anyone.

Busses are to be made in New York with six wheels.

Last year 19 persons died in Manila over 100 years old.

A piano with a quarter tone has been made in Germany.

Georgia's first bale of cotton was sold at 60 cents a pound. It weighed 450 pounds.

Ornaments of gold, more than 3,000 years old, have been found in a Greek tomb.

A million and a half dollars worth of jewelry has been stolen by thieves in this country within the last six months.

Ford's employees at Detroit are not allowed to drink liquor. If the odor of liquor is found on one's breath he is discharged.

While trying to save each other from drowning in a lake near a Louisiana town, four sisters, aged 10 to 17, were drowned.

Nearly 1800 cases of imported liquor, deposited on Rockaway Beach, N. Y., one night, were stolen by people living at the beach.

While being arrested in Raleigh, a woman bit a policeman so badly that he had to be treated by a physician. The woman got 60 days in jail.

##### NOT SATISFACTION AT ALL

Sandy and Donald sat smoking and saying little, until Sandy, sighing ventured:

"There's nae muckle pleasure in smokin'."

"Hoo dae ye mak' thot oot?" inquired Donald.

"Weel, ye kin, if ye're smokin' yer ain tobaccy ye're aye thinkin' 'o the dreadful expense and if ye're smokin' some other body's tobaccy, yer pipe is jammed sae fu' it dinna draw."

LOOK AT THE LABE ON PAPER.

#### Short Items of State News That Will Interest Busy Reader.

Colored people are to build a \$50,000 hotel in Durham.

Burlington license bureau has issued 4,900 auto tags.

The state board has granted 109 young men to practice medicine.

Durham tax rate has been reduced to \$1.00. Chatham's tax rate is \$1.22

John Beaumont, of Burlington, a drug addict, is in jail for stealing cocaine.

Rt Rev. Leo Haird, Catholic bishop of North Carolina, is dead at the abbey in Belmont.

The Vanderbilt hotel at Asheville, costing \$1,000,000, has been thrown open to the public.

The University summer school opened its session Saturday and will continue six weeks.

The second session of the Trinity summer school has begun and 220 pupils are attending.

The democratic state executive committee has been called to meet in Raleigh August 7th.

L. Ernest Williams, a former constable in Craven county, and two negroes are in jail charged with burning buildings.

North Carolina will get over \$20,000 from the Duke estate. Angier Duke died some time ago in New York. His estate was valued at \$11,123,000.

In an auto wreck two children of Mrs. Julian Price, of Liberty, one 10 years old and the other 10 months, had their legs broken. Both are in the hospital at Greensboro.

The Alamance railway, park of 23 acres, barns and cars running from Burlington to Graham, have been sold. The price paid was \$13,600. It was bought by the Hendrix Construction company.

One day recently the corpse of May Bradshaw, who died at the home for the feeble minded at Kinston and buried near the home, was stolen from the grave. A day or two later it was found hidden in a clump of bushes within 100 feet of the grave.

W. T. Cole, a former Chathamite died in Durham last week, aged 65 years. He went from Chatham to Durham in 1898 and was engaged in the manufacture of hosiery. He was the last of a family of five, his brother, John E. Cole, preceding him to the grave in February. He leaves a wife and five children.

Between the first and second primaries for Commissioner of Labor and Printing, M. L. Shipman, who led in the first primary lost 44,164 votes and his opponent, F. D. Grist, gained 234 votes, giving him a majority of 32,535, according to unofficial tabulation of the official count in one hundred counties completed in the offices of the State Board of Elections in Raleigh last week.

The fourth annual Carolinas Sandhill Peach Show will be held at Hamlet on Wednesday and Thursday, July 30 and 31, and promises many surprises for those who are not familiar with the peach industry. Plans for the show are materializing rapidly. The mammoth horseshoe frame which is to be covered with thousands and thousands of peaches, has been built and is now being decorated. Decorators are also at work on the whole exhibition building, and on the streets for blocks around. All of the public buildings of the city as well as many private business houses and homes will be gaily decorated in festive colors for the occasion.

#### QUERY DEPARTMENT.

Answers by John

Who were the three wise men? Sadie, Pittsboro. Answer—Stop, Look and Listen.

Why do people like doctors? Mary, Apex. Answer—They are so jolly and take life so easy.

In looking for a wife what do some men do nowadays? George, Camp Bragg. Answer—Well, they used to go to some big city to get a wife; now they go to Reno to get rid of her.

Suppose there got to be so many automobiles that the roads will not hold them, what will have to be done? Maurice, Chapel Hill. Answer—That's easy. Dig the ditches deeper.

Of the many things a man should learn, what two things ought he never to forget? A Married Woman, Gum Springs. Answer—Well, one thing a man should know is to shut the door. Another is that he should keep his mouth shut.

What is the difference in playing rook for money or playing cards? Julia, Hamlet. Answer—None; rook is an innocent game of cards and is played mostly by the ladies, while cards are played by men and boys. You can bet on either, but rook does not sound quite so bad. That's the only difference.

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