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TODAY

THE GREATEST NEWS
FIFTEEN BILLIONS OVER
RELIGIOUS IDEALISM
ENGLISH JUSTICE

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The most important news in the world has nothing to do with the election, or the intelligence of the modern "flapper" highly prized by educational authorities. The year's important news tells of a giant telescope, with a 200-inch mirror that will reveal to the eyes of men hundreds of millions of new stars and distant "universes."

Appalling to man's feeble intellect is a thin instrument that will bring within reach of our eyes the light of nebulae in a far off universe, light that has been traveling through space one billion years, at a speed of 186,000 miles a second.

Mr. Raskob, a brilliantly able business man, and probably out of politeness to please political associates, that our prosperity is not genuine. The General Motors company, for which he has done good work, seems not to share his opinion, judging by the price of its stock and the size of its earnings.

Mr. Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury, thinks our prosperity is sound enough and so do others of financial ability.

Mr. Frederick Ecker, vice-president of the Metropolitan Life Insurance company, says the main element in prosperity is the wage earner's "back log."

Workers in this country earn one hundred billion dollars a year.

There is a good deal of extravagance and waste, but in spite of that, not more than 85 per cent of the earnings is spent. This means that the people earn each year fifteen billions more than they spend.

Every year, after paying their living expenses, the people have left over fifteen thousand million dollars, 50 per cent more than the gigantic sum lent to Europe in the war by this country.

This "social surplus" comes in every year.

That is a substantial "back log" to keep the prosperity fires burning.

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., in memory of his mother gives to the University of Chicago \$1,000,000 "to promote the religious idealism of students of the university."

Those, unfortunately numerous, that do exist without religious idealism, never lifting their eyes from the ground to contemplate and question the heavens and the glory that they declare, are like the men living in Plato's cave, their backs to the light, knowing only shadows on the walls.

Young Mr. Chung Ji-maino, Chinese law student, married Wai Jung Sui, daughter of a rich merchant, took her to England and there murdered her.

Mr. Chung made his mistake when he went to England. They will hang him in a few days, in spite of his ingenious story, about mysterious Oriental assassins committing the crime.

In England when you kill anybody, they hang you without loss of time, excuses and explanations are not accepted. It is in this country that murderers in great numbers go free, and even those caught and convicted have two or three years to think it over.

In the big war, when airplanes raided London and Paris, the inhabitants were warned by the noise of the engines. They will not be warned in the next war, for a device is shown making an airplane engine absolutely noiseless.

THE VOTE IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT

Congressman Pou won in all the counties of the 4th District except in his native county, Johnston, where our Mr. Wrenn beat him 1150. The vote for the various counties of the district follow:

County	Pou	Wrenn
Chatham	2,378	1,938
Franklin	3,064	381
Johnston	6,024	7,174
Nash	4,378	1,273
Vance	2,634	711
Wake	11,526	3,794
Totals, complete	30,364	15,272

Citizen—What do you want? Money?

Outcast—If yer got a plate of hot soup in yer pocket, it'll do as well!

U. D. C. MEETING

The regular meeting of the Winnie Davis chapter of the U. D. C. will be held at the home of Mrs. Ernest Farrell, with Mesdames Jas. L. Griffin and W. I. Farrell as additional hostesses, on Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

This will be the last regular meeting before the bazaar which will be held Dec. 8th. All members are urged to bring in their articles for the bazaar.

There is much important business to be transacted.

CARS WRECKED

What came near being a very serious accident occurred Monday morning at the junction of the road from the silk mill with highway 75. Mr. Percy Gunter was driving out from the mill. The mill road has embankments on each side. He stopped to look for approaching cars but saw none and started his car again and saw a truck approaching. He stopped, the only thing he could do, leaving enough room for the truck to pass upon the left, he says. But Mr. Campbell, the driver of the truck, threw on brakes and failed to make the passage to the left. He hit the Gunter car amidstships, but didn't turn it over. But the truck rolled over, throwing out Mr. Campbell and the two of the three men with him, and turning over with the fourth man under it.

Mr. Gunter was not hurt at all. The other men were scratched up some, but not seriously hurt. The Gunter car had about \$50 damage done to it, while the truck's repair cost is estimated at \$150. Sheriff Blair visited the scene and told Mr. Gunter that he seemed to be the blame, and Mr. Gunter was expecting to have to pay the repair bills.

Abernethy Wants No Reorganization

Congressman Charles L. Abernethy on the Election Results in North Carolina.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 10th.—Chas. L. Abernethy of the third North Carolina district, who has just been received by the usual democratic majority lives in the same city with Senator Simmons.

Until the Houston convention both Senator Simmons and Congressman Abernethy were opposing the nomination of Governor Smith for the Presidency. When Governor Smith was nominated Senator Simmons continued his fight against him, but Mr. Abernethy decided to support him and he spoke and worked for the entire democratic ticket. Senator Simmons' home precinct went for Smith by a majority of 67. Craven county, the county of both of them, went for Smith by a majority of 257. Mr. Abernethy issued the following statement to the press today:

"The political situation in North Carolina brought about by the recent election demands the most serious attention of the democrats of the State for the future. The members of the North Carolina delegation in the House with the exception of one, followed Senator Simmons in his opposition to Gov. Smith until his nomination at Houston and then Senator Overman and the entire delegation in the House supported the straight democratic ticket.

"It now turns out that the electoral vote from North Carolina was not needed to defeat Smith. It now appears that it was not necessary for the North Carolina leaders of the anti-Smith forces to have joined hands with the opposition and to have waged the strenuous campaign they did to have insured Mr. Hoover's election.

"Now, a calm survey of the results of this strenuous anti-Smith campaign in North Carolina shows:

"1. That the majority of the State democratic ticket was greatly reduced.

"2. That Congressman Zeb Weaver, a democrat, and a strong anti-Smith man before the Houston convention was defeated.

"3. That Congressman A. L. Bulwinkle, a democrat, and a strong anti-Smith man before the convention, and a gallant soldier and officer in the World war, was defeated.

"4. That the democratic congressman of the 5th district, that grand old Confederate soldier, Major Chas. M. Stedman, was only elected by about 500 majority when he had been elected by great democratic majorities in previous elections.



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"5. That the democratic congressmen of the 7th and 9th districts were in the balance for a long time and were elected by greatly reduced majorities, and both of these men were anti-Smith men before the Houston convention.

"6. That as a result of this strenuous anti-Smith campaign in North Carolina, every congressman's election was endangered, and each had to fight for his political life as never before.

"7. That the legislature heretofore overwhelmingly democratic is now very close between the democrats and republicans, the democrats having a reduced majority.

"8. That great democratic counties like Mecklenburg, Buncombe, Rowan, Guilford, New Hanover and many others strongly democratic went republican.

"9. In the 3rd district the counties of Sampson and Carteret went republican. These counties were democratic two years ago.

"10. Johnston county in the 4th district, while it went democratic two years ago, this year went republican and as a result thereof two state democratic senators were defeated.

"11. And then our State was carried by a majority for the republican national ticket for the first time since the Civil war.

"I seriously contend that it was never necessary to have brought on such destruction and disaster to the democratic party in North Carolina even in the interest of 'saving the democracy from that Body of Death' as it has been termed.

"Now comes the serious suggestion from Senator Simmons in an interview, that to save the party further it must be re-organized.

"With all due deference, it seems to me that it is much better and will do more to bring about a rehabilitation of the democratic party for democrats to stand by the reg-

DURHAM COUNTY SAVES ITS LOCAL TICKET

Contrary to first reports, Durham county went democratic except in the case of Smith. Orange elected as Chief of Police, Sloan of Chapel Hill sheriff, with a big majority, Chapel Hill voting almost unanimously for him. Alamance and Randolph went republican throughout.

MRS. HAYES HONORED

Mrs. R. H. Hayes was elected vice president of the 6th district of the state Parent-Teacher association at the meeting at Durham Monday. This is quite an honor, and when this is taken in connection with the vice presidency of Mrs. Shannonhouse of the State organization, gives Pittsboro quite a distinguished position in the P.T.A.

TRAIN KILLS NEGRO

Coroner G. H. Brooks was called to Gulf to hold an inquest over the body of Will Seigers, colored, who was killed Sunday afternoon by the A. & Y. southbound train Sunday afternoon when the deceased drove his car in front of the train. It was found that the train had failed to give proper crossing signals.

ular democratic organization that has made the splendid fight for the straight democratic ticket. I believe the safety of our party in the future lies in strengthening our present democratic organization, rather than undertaking a reorganization under a leadership which has brought about so much discord, disaster and destruction in our ranks. "Speaking for myself, I shall abide with the regular democratic organization of the State."

TERRACING ASSISTANCE FOR CHATHAM FARMERS

Mr. N. C. Shiver, county agricultural agent announces that two terracing schools and demonstrations will be held in Chatham county, on Nov. 19, 20, 21. All farmers are invited to attend these meetings. On the morning of Nov. 19 at 10 o'clock the meeting will be held in the Baptist ladies' hall above the Siler City hardware store. At this meeting, methods of locating terraces, the fall to be given between stations on the terrace lines, the fall to be given between terraces, methods of constructing and finishing terraces, etc. will be discussed. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon, a practical demonstration will be given on the farm of Mr. J. R. Ward, two miles east of Staley on No. 60 highway. The meeting and demonstration will be continued throughout the next day. At 10 a. m. on the 21st the meeting will be held in the courtroom of the courthouse at Pittsboro. During the afternoon, the demonstration will be given on the farm of county commissioner, R. J. Johnson near Bynum. Mr. A. T. Holman and Mr. T. Sturdivant, agricultural engineers will conduct these meetings and demonstrations.

How The Counties Voted Last Week

The East Except a Batch of Counties Surrounding Republican Sampson Gave Al Smith Majorities.

Generally speaking the eastern counties of North Carolina gave Al Smith majorities and the western, Hoover majorities. Run a line from South Carolina separating Union and Mecklenburg, Cabarrus, Stanly, Montgomery, Moore, Chatham, Orange, Durham, Alamance and to the west and Caswell to the east, and you have the two great divisions. No county west of that line seems to have voted for Smith, though Haywood, the strongest of the western democratic counties, ran strong for Smith. On the other hand, there are a number of Hoover counties east of the line. Sampson is the center of a Hoover area composed of that generally Republican county, Harnett, Wayne, Johnston, Bladen, Columbus, Brunswick, New Hanover, Onslow, Pender.

Not only did Harnett, Johnston, Bladen, Brunswick vote for Hoover, but they went the whole hog and voted in the republican county candidates, and gave a majority for Seawell.

In the western section, Rowan and several other formerly democratic counties went republican. Moore also gave a majority to its native son, Herbert Seawell for governor.

MR. WRENN CLAIMS RECORD HAS MISREPRESENTED HIM

While in Pittsboro last evening your statement with reference to me, appearing in this week's issue of The Chatham Record, was called to my attention. I at once tried to get in touch with you over phone but failed.

The statement to which I refer appears in your report of the republican meeting held in the courthouse on Friday night and in your editorial in which you charge that I made the statement, "That no man who voted for Al Smith is worthy of the support of the people for any office." I here and now enter my emphatic denial of having made this statement. You misunderstood me or you have deliberately misrepresented me, and I do not believe you would do that.

In my talk I recall having said about as follows: "No candidate in this campaign who is afraid to state his position upon the issues, or who refuses to say whether or not he will vote for Al Smith is worthy of the support of the voters of Chatham county. I am standing by this statement now."

Mr. Peterson there is no excuse for you to have made such a sweeping charge against me. You have done me a great injustice and without cause. If you had refrained from conversation during the speaking and listened to what was said, you would not have fallen into this error. I recall that while Mr. Giles was speaking you talked so loud in conversation with someone at your side that you disturbed those near you, and if I am not mistaken while I was speaking you left your seat and came over to the bar railing and spoke to Mr. Giles. Under the circumstances I am not surprised that you misunderstood what I said. It has been my experience and observation that few men are endowed with sufficient mentality to engage in conversation and listen to a speaker at the same time and understand the speaker correctly.

Mr. Peterson, you have charged through your paper that I uttered a "sweeping slander" against 15,000-000 voters which I deny, and I must insist that you retract the false charge and make full correction through your paper. You have done me a grave wrong and held me up before your readers as a "slanderer" and as a man with "mighty little sense." I have a right to expect you to make proper amends for the base slander you have heaped upon me. I know you will do it.

Yours truly,
L. L. WRENN.

IMPORTANT REAL ESTATE TRANSFER

Bruce Stroud Sells Building Occupied by Weeks Motor Company to Messrs. Thompson, Williams and Fields.

One of the most important sales of real estate in the county in recent months was that of the building occupied by the Weeks Motor Company, to Messrs. W. E. Thompson of Hillsboro, W. G. Fields, of Chapel Hill, and Seaton Williams of Chapel Hill.

For several weeks Mr. J. B. Atwater, of Durham, has been seeking a buyer for this property, which belonged to Mr. Bruce Stroud, of Chapel Hill, and was formerly occupied by his Ford agency and is now occupied under a lease for a term of years by the Weeks Motor Co. The property has been universally considered a valuable one, but the scarcity of money has made securing a fair price for it very difficult, and, in fact, it was sold at a sacrifice price. The present rental is paying ten-percent upon a \$12,000 valuation, but the building went to the gentlemen named for about two thirds of that sum.

The transaction was completed Saturday. The reader should bear in mind that the transfer of the property does not at all affect the status of the Weeks Motor company which occupies the building.

Meatless Menu
Cheesed Rice Escalloped Cabbage
Tomato Salad
Apple Cake
Non-Stimulating Drink

HOME HINTS

The holidays are approaching and it is time to think of Christmas and New Year's Greeting Cards—new designs are on display now and it pays to make selections early, while the variety is good and orders for engraving can be comfortably filled before the grand rush.

Remembering past seasons when friends failed to receive the card you sent—be sure this time to write your name and address on the envelope flap. It will serve both for a return address and to notify the recipient of your latest address.

MONCURE SCHOOL NEWS

The honor roll system which has recently been devised for the encouragement of better scholastic work shows gratifying results. Beginning with the second month, those who have attended the first and second honor rolls respectively are as follows:

First Honors:
Edward Carr, William L. Craven, Julia Travis, Dorothy McCracken, J. W. Thomas, Mildred Hughes, J. C. Morrison, Preston Harward, Bob. J. Ray, Ruby Mims, Daisy Marshall, Kathryn Riddle, Ben Travis, Inez Andrews, Lucille Sawyer, Annie Upchurch, Sam Overby, Virginia Haight, Anita Broadnax, Clifford Strickland, Louise Broadnax, Corine Hipp, Annie Mae Wilkie, Christine Walden, Woodrow Marshell.

Second Honors:
Mozelle Cotton, Craig Harrington, Lucille Jones, Ben Mims, Margaret Holt, Lillian Thomas, Billy Harrington, William Marshall, Roy Mann, Emma Travis, Ruth Stedman, Thomas Womble, Rodney Johnson, Ruby Womble, Carol Sawyer, Lucille Goodwin, Mary H. Lambeth, George Womble, Emma Lee Mann, Frances Goodwin, Myrtle Burns, Fay Sawyer, Flora May Sawyer, Pearl Hackney, Hazel Upchurch.

Watch Is Found After Many Years

Sturgis E. Leavitt met me on the street and asked me if I had heard about Frank Graham's sensational watch recovery. I had not, and thereupon the following tale was unfolded:

Mr. Graham was in the reading room of the University of Chicago library six years ago. He gathered up his books and notes and went down to the basement to pursue his investigations in a document room. Later he discovered he had lost his gold watch.

A young man named Sprague, who worked in the library, came upon the watch and turned it in to the lost-and-found bureau. The people in the bureau, seeking to learn who the owner was, sent the watch to another man who had lost one of the same kind, an Elgin. This man wore it for some time and then one day opened it and found engraved on the inside the name of Frank P. Graham. So he sent it back, and the lost-and-found bureau, pursuant to its rules, turned it over to the finder, Mr. Sprague.

Years passed, and Mr. Sprague decided to come from the north to be a student in the University of North Carolina. When he had been here a week or so, he heard somebody talking about a professor by the name of Frank Graham, and he walked into the professor's office and said, "Mr. Graham, here is your watch." He told how he had got it, and this was the first time that Frank Graham knew that his name was inside. The watch had been given to him in 1922 by his freshman history class.

It is still in fine condition.

OFFICIAL VOTE OF CHATHAM COUNTY

Hoover Wins Over Smith by 638. But Other Democratic Candidates Win by Comfortable Majorities.

	Albrights	Baldwin	Bear Creek	Cape Fear	Center	Gulf	Hickory Mt.	Hadley	Haw River	Matthews	New Hope	Oakland	Williams	TOTAL
Hoover	225	180	518	187	173	389	176	189	76	645	243	90	127	3318
Smith	184	190	287	111	434	222	162	92	74	558	121	166	79	2680
Pou	209	258	380	150	477	283	208	133	95	625	196	178	100	3292
Wrenn	316	140	504	192	149	371	162	175	62	627	211	87	115	3111
Edwards	243	269	369	157	492	305	195	142	75	726	196	179	104	3452
Wilkie	292	140	491	186	154	385	165	171	84	526	211	84	118	3007
Blair	232	284	381	160	502	313	203	132	102	653	199	185	115	3461
Routh	301	125	508	179	145	381	169	174	59	597	209	77	107	3031
Poe	227	261	401	158	482	313	218	134	100	662	191	178	105	3430
Riddle	306	144	498	185	167	381	158	178	61	596	215	81	117	3177
Brooks	223	267	417	156	474	323	226	134	99	665	193	183	104	3464
Lindley	322	126	470	186	156	382	165	191	60	614	204	78	115	3069

The vote for the senatorial candidates, the other commissioners, coroner and surveyor was practically the same as for the county candidates tabulated above. The total county vote for Gardner was 3352 and for Seawell for Governor was 3081, showing that our neighbor Seawell got a lead over the county republican ticket.

The three townships, Oakland, Center, and Baldwin, all divided by the Jefferson Davis highway gave Smith majorities, as did Buckhorn precinct in Cape Fear township, while Merry Oaks precinct went as strongly for Hoover as Buckhorn did for Smith, but as Merry Oaks has a much larger vote, Cape Fear as a whole went for Hoover.