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# TODAY

WASTED VALUES. SWEARING OFF. CHURCHES SHOULD BE BIG LIONS AND SHEEP.

By ARTHUR BRISBANE

The greatest of all waste goes on inside the human brain, of which 999 one-thousands remain idle and unused, even in well-managed brains. Millions of brains do not work at all, only remember and repeat, never create.

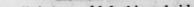
But that will change. Consider what ants and other insects accomplish, having been here many million years ahead of us. We are only 12,000 years from the late Stone Age, which is the most encouraging fact in history. Give men ten to fifty million more years, with deepening convolutions and inherited knowledge, and see what they will do.

A mud wasp, as Fabre shows, is born knowing how to perform a most delicate surgical operation, difficult for a skilled man. New born human babies, 50,000,000 years hence, will know more of mathematics than Newton knew when he died, more of music than Beethoven and Bach combined.

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., who understands human nature, encourages, understands human nature, en-courages the building of Dr. Reisner's skyscraper church in New York. says "churches must be big enough to dominate skyscrapers. Material as well as spiritual dominance is needed.'

Notre Dame and others.

To control men you must control their IMAGINATION.





Malcolm D. Almack, 15 year old Palo Alto, Cal., high school boy, won \$1,000 for himself, \$4,000 for 'his school by writing the best stu-dents' Essay on the Solution of the Prohibition Problem in the contest conducted by W C Durant

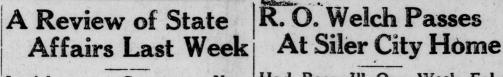
## **Court In Session**

Solicitor.

for a week's term for the trial of the constitution. However, this is criminal cases. Judge Midyette is not the first slight it has ever had. presiding. Solicitor Williams was absent because of illness, as was among friends? absent because of illness, as was Clerk Hatch. The following grand jury was empannaled: H. F. Dur-ham, foreman, Charlie Page, W. A. Buckner, C. P. Hackney, George Mann, J. A. Eubanks, James Knight, O. D. Fields, J. T. Gilliland, N. J. Thrailkill, G. W. Meyers, C. R. El-kins, A. A. Marks, Frank R. Hend-erson, W. T. Hamlet, R. H. Mills, Isaac Brooks. Isaac Brooks.

their specific duties, asked for the and the licensing and other regulacooperation of all persons concerned tions growing out of the developwith court business. He asked even ment of the automobile made it That sound idea inspired builders of the old cathedrals. When the Pope ordered Michel Angelo to build be decreed in any case to cooperate Nash, in addition to assistant. be decreed in any case to cooperate Nash, who is a sine-quo-non, or in St Peter's in Rome, dominance was in behalf of justice and the good English an indispensable. The conthe idea as it was in the building of of the state. He confessed that he stitution forbids raising an officer's the cathedrals of Cologne, Milan, would be more or less influenced in salary after the beginning of his imposing penalties by the solicita-tion of those whom he assumes to be good citizens; that, for instance, if Mr. Brummitt would have had to

a man should be convicted of a crime work another term on the basis of rook at one.



Legislature Convenes-New Governor Inaugurated-Important Matters to Come Before Legislature.

Last week saw the convening of the Legislature at Kale.gn on Tuesday and the inauguration of the new governor on Friday. The am-enament to the constitution added two years ago fixed the mauguration for January 1, but it seemed to suit the new governor better to is not much of a matter between | friends, the governor-elect was accomodated, and the inauguration of him and the other state officers occurred after the legislative ball had begun to roll, and when the fellows were on the ground to see it well done and add their cheer to the occasion. If the inauguration had occurred January 1, the solons would Judge Midgette Presiding— Solicitor Williams and Clerk Hatch III—D, L. Bell Acting cipation in the affair. Evidently, the sponsors of the amendment hadn't thought of that, and the only way Court convened promtply Monday to avoid the difficulty was to ignore

great increase of legal business in Judge Midgette, in addition to in-structing the jury upon the law and structing the jury upon the law and



R. O. Welch, well-known citizen of this community died at his home here tonight. Death followed an illness of one week that resulted from a stroke of paralysis.

Funeral rites will be held at a o'clock Sunday afternoon at First Baptist church, of which Mr. Welch was a member. The services will suit the new governor better to wait till after the assembling of the Legislature, and as the constitution member. The services will be conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. C. Canipe. The local Masonic order, of which Mr. Welch was a member, will have charge of the service at the grave. Interment will be made in Oakwood cemetery. Mr. Welch was a traveling salesman, having been conected with the W. S. Donnon Hardware company, of Richmond, Va., for the past 25 or 30 years. The deceased was 62 years old

and he was one of the best known and most highly esteemed of the community's residents.

Surviving are the widow; two sis-ters, Miss Ida Welch and Mrs. Fannie Smith, both of this city; and two brothers, P. G. Welch, of Greensboro, and O. H. Welch, of Pittsboro.

#### ENTERTAINS IN HONOR OF MRS. NOOE

Pittsboro, N. C., Dec. 6 .- One of the most distinctive and charming social affairs of the post-holiday season was the bridge luncheon and shower given on Tuesday morning by Mesdames Victor R. Johnson and E. R. Hinton at the lovely colonial home of Mrs. Johnson on Hillsboro St., honoring Mrs. David B. Nooe, since the state dues have to be paid

The lower floor of the home was most artistically decorated in blooming house plants, palms and ferns, while open fires added to the attractiveness of the interior.

Lovely place cards expressing a "Happy New Year" marked the seating arrangement of the guests. Promptly at 12:30 a delicious four course luncheon was served by the hostesses. Following the luncheon bridge was played at five tables and says that she believes in the P. T. At a signal from the hostesses



Eleanor Holm of New York has been rated as the best all-round girl swimmer in 1928. She is 15 and weighs 101 pounds. Despite her youth she has broken many records.

### **Parent-Teacher** Meeting

The Pittsboro P. T. A. wil hold its regular meeting Friday night, Jan. 18th, at 7:00.

In addition to having important business to transact there will be a program given by the school children.

The Association is very anxious for all members to pay their dues by Feb. 1st.

At 8:00 th Pittsboro basketball team will play Roxboro in the auditorium. Our boys need your sup-port Friday night. Roxboro has a splendid team, having defeated Pittsboro on the Roxboro court by a small score. A good game is expected as our boys are determined to have revenge for the defeat landed them.

Mrs. Cordon, our next president, A. backing the boys.

# **FRED A. HOUSTON COMMITS SUICDE**

One of Chatham's Best Citizens Slashes Throat With **Razor at Mt. Vernon Springs** 

Mr. Fred A. Houston, of Mt. Vernon Springs, committed suicide Tuesday morning by slashing his throat with a razor. Mr. Houston was one of the most prominent and useful citizens of his community. He was treasurer of his church and teacher of an adult Sunday school class. He and his brother, Luther, lived together and were prosperous farm -. ers. He leaves a wife and one small son and a mother who is 84 years of age.

The family has had influenza and Mr. Houston, who had a seige of mental trouble many years ago, seemed to be troubled greatly by the disease. A gentleman who spent the night at the Houston home recently stated that the deceased paced the floor of his room throughout the night.

The burial was in the church yard of Mt. Vernon Springs church and the funeral services were in charge of Rev. Jonas Barclay.

#### **News Notes From** Chatham Farms

Thomas and Webster Recom-mend Lespedeza—Two Ex-tension Experts in County This Week—Tobacco Seed Cleaner—Two Fine Heifers.

#### **2 CREAT COTTON RECORDS**

Mr. R. H. Thomas, Siler City, R. F. D., writes that he is very enthusiastic over Lespedeza or Japan Clover as a soil improver and pasture crop for this county. Mr. Thomas has been seeding Lespedza during the past few years, and has greatly increased his corn yield through turning under Lespedeza, and following in corn. He also seeds red clover, and in fact, he always makes an effort to turn clover land

for corn the following year. Mr. C. M. Webster of Siler City R. F. D. is also well satisfied with

Mussolini has old-fashioned ideas and several of his neighbors should the \$4,000 salary. But the postand good ones. The new twenty-lira appeal to him and make statements ponement gave a chance to remedy piece, worth \$1, bears an inscription worth many dollars:

"Meglio vivere un giorno da leone, che cento anni da pecora," meaning, "It is better to live one day like a lion than one hundred years like a sheep."

It's hard to make a sheep believe it.

Like a man half-heartedly swearing off in the morning, the world is trying to give up war. And this country, which never started a war fore he hopes that citizens will be against Europe, is expected to do sincere in their pleas. most the reforming. It's like asking Moody and Sankey to sign the pledge first, or entreating the Rev. Dr. Straton not to believe in Darwin.

The individual must solve his own problems, with the use of will power. "The heart knoweth his own bitterness." Each of us knows what he ought to do. Few of us do week. it. Nations know what they ought to do. None of them does it. Europe ought to stop fighting, and can't. We ought to mind our own business, and can't.

#### **KIMBALTON NEWS**

Nettie and Nellie Bowers came home for the wek-end. They have a position in Burlington.

12-year-old Jeana Ferguson, daughter of Hamp Ferguson, is not improving an expected. She had an operation at St. Leo Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Welster ar imeproving after an attack of flu. Troy Ferguson was at home one

day last week. Dewey Harris has returned to his

work in Virginia.

'Squire Lysander Johnson represented the local Masonic Lodge at the meeting of the Grand Lodge at Raleigh Tuesday.

Mr. S. C. Beal of the firm of Beal Bros., here Monday, informed the Record that the firm is now building a top-soil road from Zebulon to Selma. They had been located at Fayetteville.

Induana's Chief

Harry G Leslie, tormer star toot ball player, is the new Governor of Indiana, on whose broad shoulders falls the responsibility for reforming the Republican party in Indiana

to the effect that the convicted man this matter, and a bill was hastily had maintained a good character prepared raising his salary to up to the time of his accusation in \$7,500; but the legislature is sup-

F. C. Mann Suffers

the hub of the Mann car, and turned

it squarely over and off the highway.

The miscreant backed out and kept

going, leaving it for another to res-

The car was seriously injured, but

fortunately Mr. Mann escaped with

less injury than seemed probable.

He spent two or three days in a Dur-

ham hospital and is now at home re-

cuperating from his dangerous ex-

church cemetery. The deceased is

survived by her husband, J. J. Rey-

Jan. 8.

cue Mr. Mann.

perience.

Raleigh.

monia.

the case in question and that he was posed to be bent toward economy this and that and the other, and that and a justification was necessary. It they hoped he would be as light up-on the delinquent as possible, he general to devote all his time to would almost assuredly lighten the the office and the further requirepenalty, and if his action should be ment that one of the \$4,500 assistmistaken, it would not be his fault ants be disposed of. That looked but that of the citizens who pleaded like hitting Chatham right off the for leniency. He must be guided by bat, as Walter Siler was the last the best information at hand; there- assistant chosen by Mr. Brummitt, in whose hands the selection of assistants rests. But it is turning out A large part of Monday was spent that Charlie Ross is the man to go. in hearing the cases against Doctor However, it is understood that he West for running into Mr. Kirkman's car at Ore Hill last July, and as we

will be provided for otherwise.

Mr. Ross has been assigned as le go to press on Tuesday evening, it gal advisor to the highway commisis impossible to get enough of the sion and has for several years been hand-in-hand with Frank Page in the development of the highway. Mr. Page has resigned to accept a vice-presidency of the Wachovia Bank, and it is thought at this writing that Mr. Ross will be given a secretaryship to the highway com-Serious Accident mission, which, with part time at-tention of Mr. Page, will avoid the necessity of a high-priced chairman Mr. F. C. Mann was sent to a to fill Mr. Page's shoes, for Mr. Durham hospital with fractured ribs Page was getting the biggest salary and painful bruises as a result of in the state, the magnificent sum the crash of a hit and run automoof \$15,000 a year. The advancebile driver with his car on the highment of the highway work and the way near Chapel Hill, Tuesday n ght, decision not to issue any more highway bonds, justify a cut in the over-Mr. Mann was on his way to Durhead expenses of the department, ham to see Mrs. Mann who had had and thus it can be made, and Mr. a tonsilectomy when as he was on Ross maintained in state employthe curve near Sparrow's filling stament, while Mr. Siler will continue tion a car came tilting round the as assistant attorney general, a curve on his side of the road, hit place he is filling with great credit

> to himself. But the economy legislature voted immediately an expenditure of \$2200 for inauguration expenses, another little thing that hadn't been provided for when the amendment went into force, and a big time was had by all when the throng gathered Friday and the stage was set for the inauguration of the man who decided when he was a student at State college that he would be gov-

ernor of the state. DEATH OR MRS. REYNOLDS

championed a secret ballot, favored recommended the strengthening of another cent tax on gasoline for the

Governor Gardner starts out under

nolds, one daughter, Mrs. Beulah The House of Representatives King, Wilmington, N. C., and three sons, Tom and Leamond Reynolds, chose A. H. Graham of Orange as Merry Oaks, and Van Reynolds,

Mr. H. R. Harward, who was reported as improving from a stroke of paralysis last week, was later very near the point of death from pneuthere was no contest among Demo- candidates.

cards were laid aside and all gathered around the table where the guest of honor, Mrs. Nooe, was seated. An exciting half hour followed, while the gifts, which were presented to the honoree by Mrs. Victor R. Johnson in her usual pleasing manner, were unwrapped and admired.

Among those present we're: Mrs. Fisher Makepeace of Sanford; Mrs. W. H. Jones of Greensboro; Mrs. Cicero Groome of Groometown; Mrs. D. B. Nooe, Mrs. A. H. London, Mrs. Jas. L. Griffin, Mrs. J. W. Hunt, Mrs. R. C. Shannonhouse, Mrs. J. M. Gregory, Mrs. L. N. Womble, Mrs. G. W. Blair, Mrs. Ernest A. Farrell, Mrs. H. D. Gunter, Mrs. Wade Barber, Mrs. C. E. Bryan, Mrs. Walter C. Johnson, Mrs. Matthews, Miss Cordie Harmon, Mrs. Will F. Bland, Mrs. R. M. Farrell, Mrs. E. B. Hatch, Miss Pauline Tay-

lor and Mrs. W. R. Tatum.

Mr. Lee Durham of Burlington is spending a few days with his brother Mr. I. A. Durham on route 2.

Mrs. W. M. Lindsey came in from Winston-Salem to visit home folk in the Brown Chapel community.

cratic candidates for this honor, and though the Republican force in the House is much stronger than in many years, they could not hope successfully to oppose the Democratic nominee. Senator T. L. Johnson of Lumberton was chosen president-protem of the senate, whose duty is to preside in the absence of the lieutenant governor. Elmer Long presided till after the inauguration, when he turned over the gavel to the new lieutenant governor, Mr. Fountain. On this occasion many fine things were said of the service of Mr. Long as lieutenant governor for the last four years. Alex. Lassiter was chosen for the tenth time as chief clerk of the senate. Needham Mangum, who was reading clerk in the house during the recent sition in the senate. Mr. Martin terms, was promoted to the same pois again chief clerk of the house.

The adoption of new rules limited the number of clerks to be em-The big item in the inauguration was Mr. Garner's speech. In it he and also forbade the giving of bonusses at the close of the session. the continuance of the primary but But it will be well to watch and see just how well that rule is ob-

The legislators are apparently care of all public roads now taken determined to cut expenses, but as the teacher pay for it. the legislators themselves from \$4 Governor McLean retires after a to \$10 a day, the session will be paid in exchange for the old ones. most successful administration and the most costly held, despite any I know an occasion when only four enconomies observed. Hitherto the cents was allowed for the old books members scarcely got encugh to in exchange, while the parent was pay their expenses. But from this out 37 cents in addition for text on day they are drawing ten dollars a the same subject. Parents who have speaker. His prospective opponents day, and membership in the body large families, six or seven in school, for the honor had been left out in has become more desirable. The can hardly afford to make these salary bill of the state is increased books changes, and I think it is time en by the combinaiotn of Republi- about \$60,000, or \$360 for each of for our legislators to be waking up cans and anti-Smith Democrats in 170 members. And this comes to to the conditions, and considering the November election. Consequent- the fellows when they were not what the parent has to bear. ly, for the first time in many years counting upon it when they became

SCHOOLS AND TAXATION

(By A Subscriber)

As our General Assembly is in session, the question is being asked by our people, What about an eight-

months school term? And people are wondering how much taxes will be raised. Now, do not misjudge me and think I am opposed to education, for I am a firm believer in education and advocate of it. But with regards to an eight-months school term, I am concerned as to whether it means having better educated children or merely a longer term for athletics, etc.

Some of our best educated men of today did not have advantage of even a four-months term. But they grasped the opportunity they did have and did not waste their time, as we are bound to see is being done today.

Now the people have stood for about all the taxation they can, and feel like asking that the slogan suggested by former Senator L. M. Blue of Scotland county and a member of the equalization board, "A dollar's worth of service for every dollar of tax money," adopted and en-

forced. For many feel that they are getting what they are supposed to be paying for. And we ask that some economy be used in order to secure funds for the lengthening of the school term if it must be lengthened. For instance, our county superintendent's salary is five or six times what that of J. L. Griffin's or R. P. Jonson's was, and they were two as good superintendents as the county

they has ever had. Besides, drove a horse and buggy and visited every school in the county, white and black, while it seems now that the high schools are the only ones that get that attention.

I know that our editor, who is a former teacher, will agree with me that many a teacher in the county now is getting two or three times as much salary as he and others got thirty or forty years ago, and yet they are not doing nearly as much work as was required of the teach-applied fertilizer intelligently applied fertilizer intelligently. ers of the earlier days. For the latter were in the school room at 8:30 and did not leave till 4:00 p. m., or later. And the teacher of that day required the work from the children, orally or on the blackboard, and did not accept, as sufficient, stuff ready-worked. Indeed, I know cases in which the parents have done the work, the child got credit for it, and

Again, the parents are heavily taxed because of change of school books, with scarcely anything being

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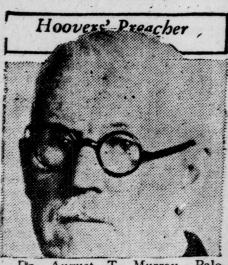
Lespedeza. Mr. Webster seeded his first Lespedeza last year, and has asked the Agent to order him 100 additional pounds of seed this week.

Two of the finest Jersey heifers seen in this section recently were bought by C. C. Poe from Mr. W. H. White of the Rocky River community. These heifers were out of a cow and her calf that Mr. White purchased from Ohio ten years ago. Both heifers are registered, one being 15 months old, and the other 18 months old.

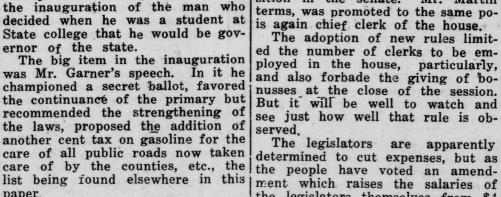
Mr. R. W. Graeber, Extension Forester, will visit this county the week of Jan. 14 for the purpose of conducting forestry meetings and dem-onstrations, and Mr. E. Y. Floyd, Extension tobacco Specialist, and Mr. G. W. Fant, Plant Disease specialist, will visit the county Jan. 24 and 25. At this time, tobacco meetings will be held in the New Hope sections, and also in the western part of the county. Tobacco fertilization, disease, seed treatment and marketing of tobacco will be discussed.

As announced in last week's issue of this paper, the Agent has secured a tobacco seed cleaner, and will clean tobacco seed, and treat them for all farmers who care to have their seed treated. This work will be done every saturday in the Agent's office, and also every first Monday.

The winners in the South Carolina five acre cotton contest as announced recently were R. L. Alverson of Spartanburg county, and A. B. Bowen of Oconee county. Mr. Alverson made a total yield of 5,700 lbs. lint cotton on five acres, while Mr. Bowen made a total yield of 5,408 lbs. on five acres. These men used of course, a large amount of fertilizer, but the secret of their success lies in the fact that they obtained the best seed possible, cul-



Dr. August T. Murray, Palo Ako, Cal., pastor, and Stanford University professor, has been given a leave of absence by the university to go East and serve at the "Friends Meeting" in Washington President-elect and Mrs. Laners Hoover will worship.



Mrs. J. J. Reynolds, aged 57, died unexpectedly Christmas night while returning home from an Xmas entertainment at Christian the laws, proposed the addition of Chapel. She was apparently in the

best of health when she started home but became ill and died immediately, while in sight of home. The funeral was held on Thursday morning, paper. Dec. 26, at eleven 'clock at Chris-tian Chapel. Burial followed in the

most favorable auspices.

the primary last June or were beat-