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Out in Los Angeles, applicants for liquor licenses whisper their requests. That is what a 13-year habit does to us.—Buffalo.

It seems immaterial whether the customers stand up for beer and sit down for whiskey, so long as nobody is carried out.—Indianapolis Star.

The utter futility of war is brought home by the fact that elimination of the kaiser gave the world Hitler.—Acron Beacon-Journal.

This really is much like a war. All the profits are made by selling stuff to the government.—Los Angeles Times.

Only five more days in which to do your Christmas shopping. Be sure to visit North Wilkesboro stores now.

Don't forget to put one of those Christmas Seals on every letter and several on the packages.

## Wilkes Scores Again

The success of Wilkes corn at the international grain and hay show at Chicago and Wilkes poultry at the Southern Poultry association show reminds us again of the brighter side of civilization in the "State of Wilkes."

The fact that our own corn won places in the international show and that our chickens took good first and second places in their lines is worthy of commendation. We congratulate those who entered these products and cite their examples as worthy of emulation.

Tom Bost or who may so desire may write all the disparaging articles about Wilkes that they desire, but as long as such evidences of progress are continually presented, there is no danger of decay. Greater emphasis upon education and the development of high moral character will eventually remove the curse of our all too frequent homicides, a cancerous growth upon our civilization.

## Changes

Time changes things. Reminiscing, we remember when the Smoot tannery whistle, the loudest of them all in North Wilkesboro, could be heard when the atmosphere was right way out in the country and it was the time-piece by which we corrected our erring clocks and watches.

It was 5:30, 12:00, 1:00 or 6:00 and it was not difficult to approximate the time when the whistle sounded. But times have changed that. One week we may hear a whistle calling men to work at 7:00 a. m., and another time it may be 7:30 a. m. And instead of that whistle which the man hoeing corn or twisting a cultivator plow through roots and stumps in "new ground" used to quit by at 6 o'clock, we hear one blowing at 4:00 or 4:30 in the afternoon.

All of which means absolutely nothing. It is recalled merely as a child of memory. We hope the farmers have or will soon be able to adopt NRA hours and still tune their ears for the good old whistles which sounded so good years ago.

## The Story Comes Out

Breaking a silence which has been ominous since the memorable 1928 campaign when he refused to support Governor Alfred E. Smith for the presidency, Senator Simmons lets his reasons for opposing the New York governor out in the article, which Carl Goerch is carrying in his excellent publication, "The State."

Contrary to popular belief, it was not Governor Smith's religious or his prohibition views, although the North Carolina senator was disgusted with the latter, but Al's connection with Tammany Hall, Wall Street and former Republicans which turned Senator Simmons against him.

The State's article, explaining why Senator Simmons declined to follow the Democratic nominee of 1928 is intensely interesting. Besides answering a question in the minds of the public, it seals the lips of the Greensboro Daily News which challenged Mr. Goerch to explain the senator's 1928 stand. As much as anything else, the series of articles on the life of Senator Simmons reveals the energetic and dynamic editor of The State who is giving his readers something really worthwhile as a man who should go far in his profession.

## "Unhappy Warrior"

Frequent and critical have been the comments upon the change of Alfred E. Smith from the "Happy Warrior" of 1924 and 1928 to what even his most ardent admirers must admit is the "Unhappy Warrior" of 1932 and 1933.

Not a little disappointed were even the staunchest supporters of the former New York governor at the attitude taken by him at the Chicago convention when Al slipped out of Chicago following the nomination of the man who gave him the sobriquet of the "Happy Warrior." Here was a chance for Al to have proven himself a good sport, still the "Happy Warrior" in defeat. But instead of congratulating a friend in victory, Mr. Smith sulked out of town and even his belated efforts for the Roosevelt candidacy failed to heal the wounds of his friends who had a higher opinion of him than his attitude at Chicago had shown him worthy.

Perhaps Al may be right. He was four years ahead of his time when he championed the cause of the repealists in 1928. He may be four years ahead of time in his present stand on the money question. Time may prove that he was right. But no longer is he known as the "Happy Warrior."

Harsh criticism has been hurled at him and his political future seems at an end. As a sample of the biting criticism that Mr. Smith is receiving, we quote the following editorial from the Caldwell Record, published at Lenoir:

As a sincere admired and ardent supporter of Al Smith for the last eight years, we are terribly disappointed. The recent attack he made on the president was not only vicious and ill-timed; it was rotten sportsmanship. It is tragic, in that it shows one of the few remaining risen-from-the-ranks statesmen in America who has sold out to the moneyed interests. "Just for a handful of gold he left us," and substituted a passion for personal gain and traffic with the House of Morgan for a love for and belief in, the ultimate destiny of mankind.

A disappointed office seeker—a highly gifted man who was the idol of thousands of Americans who couldn't stand the loss of the office he sought. A poor sport. The brown derby, a symbol once as sacred as the white plume of Navarre, is now as sullen as when Henry of Navarre said, "A mass is a small thing to say for so fair a city."

When Al Smith sold out to the Morgans, and let his keen mind be used to help the efforts being made by big business interests to stop the aid that Roosevelt is giving the forgotten man: the souls of Jefferson, Rousseau and the old thinkers whose name Smith has borne, were saddened. No longer does he believe in the rights of the people. Rather, he sits enthroned in the heights of his Empire State building and listens to the siren call of Wall Street and the money barons. It is a sad spectacle.

The saddest thing about it is that he is so poor a sport. No "Happy Warrior" when he loses the battle—instead a cowardly, skulking fighter who can not accept the odds of the fight, and who turns against his friend because the friend is successful.

## THE BOOK

... the first line of which reads, "The Holy Bible" and which contains Four Great Treasures ...

By BRUCE BARTON

### GENESIS AND GEOLOGY

The higher animals are evolved or created, whichever term suits you better. And last of all, man. His place at the top of the pyramid of creation is the same in both Genesis and geology, the difference being that Genesis compresses into six hundred words what science expands into hundreds of volumes, and Genesis has a reason for man's creation and a goal for his life, while science throws up its hands with the blank admission, "We do not know."

So we have man and woman launched forth upon a brand new planet. Science locates the beginnings of human life in the fertile and fragrant valley of the Euphrates. Genesis is more specific, naming the beautiful spot the "Garden of Eden," and identifying the first couple as Adam and Eve. Let us take a running look at these two interesting people and the more important of their descendants, for in the Old Testament, as in all other historical records, the history of peoples is principally the lives of a few outstanding individuals.

A lecturer on woman suffrage once challenged her audience with the oratorical question, "Where, I ask you, where would man be today if it were not for woman?" To which a rather thick voice from the rear benches answered, "In the Garden of Eden eating strawberries." Adam, our first ancestor, does not make a very brave showing. He and Eve were given the run of the garden, with permission to eat any fruit except that one particular tree. They ate the forbidden fruit and when God discovered them in their transgression Adam took refuge behind Eve. "The woman whom thou gavest to be with me," he complained, "she gave me of the tree and I did eat." A cowardly excuse which profited him nothing. For their sin they were cast out, and the garden was closed to them. No longer could they have food without effort.

Cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life; Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; ... In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken; for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return. Eve had two sons, Cain and Abel. As a shepherd Abel had nothing to do but sit on the side of a green hill and watch his flocks grow fat, making money for him the while. Cain was a farmer, and any one who has ever worked on a farm understands why farmers in all ages have been discontented and will realize how Cain felt. In his jealousy over Abel's easy life and calm demeanor Cain slew him. "Am I my brother's keeper?" he demanded in surly tones when God made inquiry for Abel. The question has come down through the generations as a text for a million sermons.

## PUBLIC PULSE

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### Wants To Know How Candidates Voted On Wet and Dry Question

Editor Journal-Patriot: It is about time for the candidates to start offering themselves for the 1934 election. We would like for them to tell the people how they stood on the 18th amendment, whether they voted for or against repeal. We have a dry law and we don't want to weaken it by electing men who are not in sympathy with it. E. R. MINTON. Purlear, N. C.

### BY THE WAYSIDE

Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Holman made a very gracious gesture when they donated to the Wilkesboro Woman's Club the thousand dollar lot on which to build a very greatly needed community house.

It is too bad that the civil works administration turned the project down; but I presume they had sufficiently good reasons for doing so. Here's hoping that before they have completed their work, they will reconsider the community house project and help us out with it to some extent, at any rate.

We need that house for our young people—that is the main object in having it. Now, our young people are not a bit worse than the young folks in any other place—they are just normal young folks, wanting to have a good time; but they have no common meeting place, or place for recreation, and we just must put that building through some way.

Mr. and Mrs. Holman have so graciously given the Woman's Club the lot—now, if some one would make an even more generous gesture, and give the club one thousand dollars, or several people turn "good fairies" and each give fifty or one hundred dollars, we might be able to get the remaining amount by dint of good hard work.

Christmas is drawing very near. Would it not be a great Christmas gift for the town as well as the Woman's Club, if some one would make the club treasurer a subscription for the community house as a starter? Indeed! And think what it would mean to the giver. This community house is no "passing fad" just to be "doing something." It is something we need very greatly. Christmas being a "time for remembrance and for memories," why not remember our living young people, and honor the memory of those of our young people that have passed into the "Great Beyond" by starting a subscription fund for this building?

What we need is more spizzierintum. Now that is not a new name for a "fad" of some kind. That word is as old as the hills. It means many things: but chief among its definitions is this one, "The determination to overcome all obstacles, no matter how difficult." Spizzierintum has kept many person's head above water when it seemed there was nothing to do but "sink." If we work hard enough, and search minutely enough for ways in which to raise money to get to work on, and then keep right on working hard, we can in time get our community house. And perhaps, somewhere on the way, the civil works administration will come to the rescue, and help us out. There is nothing like working for what we want in this world.

Did someone say, "Oh, it is alright for you to blow your horn—that is all you can do." A horn, even a little "tin horn" will in time, bring results if it is blown persistently enough, and sweetly enough—but unfortunately, I cannot blow, even a "little tin horn." Like the prisoners in "death row"

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is "hope" and "pray." But even hope and prayer do not get very far unless backed up with works in some way. Well, in some way, I shall be working!

Here's hoping that when another Christmas Eve comes to us, we will be singing Christmas carols at our community house!

### PRUNE BUSH ROSES IN EARLY SPRING

The best time to prune bush roses in North Carolina is after the winter freezes are over and before growth starts in early spring.

"This recommendation will apply to all the common bush roses and such as the Teas, Hybrid Teas and Hybrid Perpetuals," says G. O. Randall, floriculturist at State College. "One of the most common errors committed in pruning roses is that they are not pruned severely enough. This is true particularly for the Teas and Hybrid Teas. Varieties in these classes should be pruned to from 2 to 6 buds with the exact number of buds depending on the vigor of the variety. The most vigorous varieties should be pruned less severely. Pruning stimulates plant growth and if the weaker bushes are more severely pruned, within reasonable limits, the resulting growth will be better."

Randall points out that many persons prune their roses in the fall and sometimes heavy freezes occur to kill back the plants after have been pruned. It is better, he says, to wait until after all freezing weather is over and then to do the pruning. All weak and diseased canes should be removed completely and only 2 to 4 canes left. These are then pruned back to the number of buds recommended.

Pruning roses properly has much to do with the vigor of the plants, the size of the blooms and the length of the stems.

**New License Agent**  
Isaac R. Vannoy, of Daylo, has been appointed as agent for hunting and fishing licenses in Union township, County Warden H. G. Minton announced last week.

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Port-of-Spain, Trinidad, Dec. 12.—The homeward trail of Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh took them today on an 1,100 mile flight from Manaus, Brazil, to this old capital city of Trinidad.

Their route lay over wide expanses of tropical country where few airmen have flown before—up the river Negro, along the coast of Trinidad.

Their total elapsed flying time today was nine hours, 39 minutes.

It was expected the Lindberghs would resume their journey tomorrow although the colonel did not indicate definitely what their immediate plans were.

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