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**MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 1934**

Vice President Garner has returned to Washington to announce or confirm a policy of silence.—New York Sun.

The cost of the league of nations last year was \$9,750,000. Quite an expensive debating club.—Charleston (W. Va.) Mail.

The Roosevelt dollar is feeding more people so maybe Al meant bologna instead of boloney.—Richmond News Leader.

"Husband Sues Company."—New York Times. Perhaps a better way than pulling out your watch and yawning.—Chicago Daily News.

Friend of Mr. Hoover is to write a book in his defense. It's a noble experiment.—Greensboro (Ga.) Herald-Journal.

There is one thing in favor of the younger set nowadays. One seldom finds chewing gum parked under a church pew.—Odessa Democrat.

A New York young man has just finished a trip around the world on a motorcycle. Now we know why the world has been so upset the past year.—New York Sun.

**The Meanest Man**

The man who cut down approximately 34 small American elm trees set out by CWA workers in Hollywood cemetery at Elkin is entitled to the sobriquet of the "meanest man."

It is not difficult to find a motive for the cowardly act. Someone opposed to planting the trees there or who was dissatisfied with the civil works program as it is administered was responsible.

For one to vent his spleen in such a manner is indefensible. We could understand it if the guilty party had walked up to somebody and handed out a black eye or so. A he-man might prod the head of the one responsible for setting out the trees, but no he-man would invade a cemetery and cut down trees that are intended to beautify the place of the dead.

Word that the culprit or culprits have been caught would be good news.

**Should Be Approved**

It is earnestly hoped that the application of the Wilkes & Western Railway company for permission to rehabilitate and operate the old Watauga and Yadkin Valley railroad will be approved and that negotiations for the necessary loans from the RFC will be successful.

Not only would the rebuilding of the road provide considerable employment for a large number of those now out of work, but it would also provide a means of transporting millions of feet of lumber and other forest and farm products out of a territory that is rich in these resources.

The project is one that meets the requirements, we feel confident, of the intention of the public works administration and we hope that the Interstate Commerce Commission will find it advisable to approve the application of the local company.

**Dry Yancey**

The Greensboro Daily News is moved to comment on the aridity of Yancey county, banner North Carolina dry county in the repeal election November 7 last year. It comments as follows:

News item out of Burnsville, seat of the sahara, relates how Robert Freenell, high sheriff of North Carolina's driest county—Yancey—captured 47 stills and made 300 arrests, 60 per cent for public drunkenness, in 1933.

This comes from the county which November 7 cast a 92 per cent dry vote, the ratio being approximately 3,900 dry ballots to 300 wet. Similar sentiment was registered in 1906 and 1881 prohibition elections.

Assuming that Sheriff Freenell arrested all the drunks and captured all the stills, the sheriff's enlightening statistics on the wetness of this area of political asidity move to remark: "How dry they are!"

Well, Yancey may not be a sahara, but vigorous enforcement of the law as Sheriff Freenell is giving is calculated to keep the number thirsty. Maybe, after all, the agencies of the state should be looking for the Yancey sheriff.

**"Birthday Ball"**

Decision of local civic and fraternal organizations to sponsor one of the Roosevelt "Birthday Balls" is one upon which they are to be congratulated.

As we pointed out in our last issue, the Warm Springs Foundation is a worthy enterprise. The effects of infantile paralysis are not such that they cannot, in a measure, be overcome. President Roosevelt is an example of what the proper treatment and a never-say-die spirit will do to prevent this affliction from ruining a career.

If through a charity ball, we can aid others so afflicted who are less fortunate in a financial way that the man who is now our Chief Executive, we should be glad to give our full co-operation. The readiness of communities all over the nation to join in such a movement is ample evidence that the heart of America is still sound and that materialism has not advanced beyond the embryo stage. Fear that the American people are thinking too much of the dollar and too little of human needs banishes in the light of such a manifestation of willingness to help when called upon to do so.

**Where To Begin**

The way to end crime waves is through education. The way to develop a higher civilization is through proper training in the home.

An acquaintance of Socrates is said to have asked the Greek philosopher the age when child training should be started. This reply is attributed to Socrates: "About 20 years before he is born."

The statement is full of wisdom. Children are not born criminals. Their home training and their environment make them so. Many a well meaning parent is responsible, but more often the trouble lies in the indifference of the parents.

The place to begin making good citizens is the home. The prevalence of crime in the land suggests that home training today is not what it ought to be. There is an obvious need for more attention to the matter of bringing children up with better home training.

**Borrowed Comment**

WHERE THE MEETING STOPPED SHORT (Charlotte Observer)

There is no mistaking the demand of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County for a reduction in the cost of automobile license plates, the standard price of \$3 being fixed upon. This is destined to be the first matter the next Legislature will get out of the way and it is an assured prospect that after next year, North Carolina will be known as a State of reasonable license tariff and also of something like an equitable tax on gasoline. The fate of the legislative candidate who might be against lower tariff on license plates is sealed in advance. The protest meeting should have gone further and made demand that a driver's license law be provide for the State, for that is an outstanding need. It has been frequently pointed out that in North Carolina any sort of a driver in any sort of a car, can take to the streets and roads and it is this circumstance that largely accounts for the massacre of over 100 people during the single month of November. The American Automobile Association reports that 28 States and the District of Columbia are protected by laws requiring all operators of motor cars to be licensed—and before a license is granted, the driver must undergo a test which develops his ability to safely handle a car or truck. The lower priced tag saves money; the licensed driver law saves property and lives. The Mecklenburg meeting stopped a little short, but the licensed driver law is coming, all the same.

SAVED BY COCA COLA (From Charlotte Observer)

They have had a hard time in Atlanta, as in all other cities. People have been unable to pay taxes promptly and homes had been advertised for sale, to raise money which to pay the expenses of municipal government. It was a bad situation, but Atlanta happens to have an appreciative commercial and industrial organization doing business in shape of the Coca Cola corporation. What did this corporation do but voluntarily advance the city \$300,000 with which to meet its emergency? Atlanta has reason to be proud of the Coca Cola company. Many cities have prosperous industrial organizations, but mighty few of these concerns develop the patriotic spirit put into evidence by the Coca Cola people.

Maybe teachild children with moving pictures would be a success if they could get Mickey Mouse started in arithmetic.—Greensboro (Ga.) Herald-Journal.

Observers think that Charley Dawes has returned to the upside down pipe. The alternate theory is that the world is now right side up.—Des Moines Register.

The head of what is described as "a \$35,000,000 defunct corporation" may himself be described as the corporation's chief defunctory.—Little Rock Gazette.

Gold valued at \$2.50 found in the gizzard of a duck shot at Aberdeen, Md., makes that bird, if memory serves, a quarter eagle.—Philadelphia Evening Bulletin.

**Dr. J. H. McNeill Addresses P. T. A.**

Large Crowd Attends Meeting Held Thursday Afternoon At Auditorium

The program of the North Wilkesboro Parent-Teacher Association meeting Thursday afternoon in the city school auditorium was featured by the excellent address of Dr. J. H. McNeill, who spoke to the association on the physical phase of citizenship.

The undernourished child and the nervous child were cited and suggestions for overcoming these handicaps were given. Dr. McNeill was presented by Mrs. Palmer Horton, program chairman. A record crowd was present at the meeting and heard Dr. McNeill's address.

Mrs. E. G. Finley, president, presided, and read a New Year poem to open the meeting. The usual routine of business was transacted and reports from committee chairmen were heard.

It was announced that Mrs. J. L. Henderson, of Hickory, president of the State Parent-Teacher Association, would be present for the February meeting at which "Founder's Day" will be observed. Copies of the "Child Welfare Magazine" were distributed among the teachers of the primary grades for use of both parents and teachers.

The attendance count resulted in prizes being awarded to Miss Sallie Outlaw's section of the first grade and Miss Mabel Topping's section of the eighth grade.

**TRAPHILL NEWS**

Professor D. R. Wright made a trip to North Wilkesboro Monday of last week in the interest of the school at this place.

Messrs. W. M. DeBerry and L. S. Parks, plumbers of Wilkesboro, have been increasing the heating capacity by adding extra attachments to the radiators in all the rooms of Traphill high school building. They have also cleaned out the boiler which seems to have improved conditions considerably. These men seem to be well up on their job.

At chapel Tuesday morning of last week, Mrs. Lena Billings gave a very interesting lecture on the formations of habits.

Mrs. Hattie Pruitt Brown conducted prayer meeting at the Baptist church Wednesday night.

Mr. C. D. Holbrook, who has been indisposed with a cold for the past few days, is better.

Mr. C. M. Dickson spent the week-end with home folks in Ashe. A double-header basketball game was played on the court at this place January 4 between our students and those of Mount Pleasant High school. The Traphill boys lost by 13 to 26, while the girls won by a score of 8 to 32.

Miss Rosa Lee Pruitt is visiting her sister, Mrs. R. D. Kearney, of Franklinton, N. C., at the present time.

Mr. Charlie Miles, who has been confined to his room with measles for the past three weeks, is right much better, we are glad to say. A very fortunate thing in regard to his case is that, so far, no one else has taken the disease.

On Thursday, January 11th, the Traphill girls and boys played the Ronda basketball teams on the latter's court. The score stood 13 and 26, and 4 and 41 in favor of the Ronda girls and boys, respectively.

**Lenoir Mar Director of National Bond Clinic**

Lenoir.—Capt. James C. Harper, director of the Lenoir high school band, was elected a director of the National Bond clinic at a recent meeting of that organization held in Chicago. Captain Harper is the only southern man on the board.

**NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed executed by J. E. Felts and wife, Della Felts, dated the 13th day of November 1925 and recorded in Book 137, page 229, in the office of the Register of Deeds of Wilkes county, North Carolina, default having been made in the payment in the indebtedness thereby secured, and demand having been made for the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured, and demand having been made for sale, the undersigned mortgagee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the Court House door in Wilkesboro, N. C. at one o'clock p. m. on Thursday the 15th day of February, 1934 the following described property, to-wit:

Beginning on a stake at the wagon road running with Coy Absher's line to F. P. Taylor line; then with said Taylor line to J. G. Taylor line; then with said Taylor line to L. G. Hayes line; then with said Hayes line to I. S. McGrady line; then with said McGrady line to R. G. Shumate line; then with said Shumate line to L. M. Absher line; then with said Absher line to Roy Absher line; then with said Absher line to the beginning at the road, Coy Absher's corner, containing 65 acres more or less.

This 13th day of Jan., 1934. AMERICA JOHNSON, 2-12-5t. Mortgagee. By Jones and Brown, Attys.

**John Lovette Kills Big Hog**

John Lovette, who resides in the east end of the city, killed one of the largest hogs reported this season Thursday. The hog, after being "dressed," had a net weight of 170 pounds.

**Checker Contests To Be Staged Soon**

Checker contests on an elaborate scale, commencing in local fertilizer stores and finishing with a play-off of sectional winners at the state capital, have just been announced by The Barrett Company, distributor of Arcadian, the American-made nitrate of soda. Valuable medals and fertilizer will be awarded as prizes.

The play is open to farmers and agricultural folks only, it was disclosed. Elimination games will be conducted in local fertilizer stores during January, store winners to qualify as contestants in the county play-offs which will be held soon. Sectional and state tournaments will follow.

"There are no obligations or strings attached to these contests," it was stated by a Barrett representative. "This is merely the company's way of encouraging farmers to become further acquainted with the high quality American product which Arcadian nitrate of soda has proven itself to be."

Here is a real opportunity for players with local reputations to sharpen up their game and go out after bigger things. There should be plenty of good fun and excitement in store for those who like the game.

Further details can be obtained by calling at any of the local fertilizer stores.

**Arrested On Charge of Trying To Rob Preacher**

Winston-Salem.—J. M. Adams, 66, of Savannah, Ga., was in jail here today in default of \$200 bond charged with robbing the Rev. J. B. Needham of Danbury at the close of an evangelistic service last night.

Mr. Needham said he felt someone picking his pocket as he left the church and gave chase to Adams with friends. Needham said Adams dropped the purse containing currency and checks before he was captured. A companion escaped.

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**Old Plow And Pick Being Exhibited**

An old plow and pick, believed to be between 125 and 150 years old, are on display at the Bumgarner & Tomlinson Blacksmith Shop in this city.

The plow and pick were both made by S. A. Bumgarner, great grandfather of Mr. Carl Bumgarner, of this city, proprietor of the local blacksmith shop, when he operated a blacksmith shop near Deep Ford Hill. Mr. Bumgarner was 90 years of age when he moved to Ashe county.

In view of their age, the plow and pick are of unusual interest and many people are taking advantage of the opportunity to see them.

**Officers Probe Efforts At Elkin To Wreck Train**

Elkin.—Local police officers and railway detectives are making concerted efforts to establish the identity of the parties who on repeated occasions have attempted to derail the Southern railway trains passing through Elkin.

The first obstruction noted on the tracks was a cross tie at a point west of Elkin which was knocked from the right of way by the engine before the train could be brought to a standstill.

Afterward several heavy bolts and a large stone was placed on the tracks just east of the town limits. The bolts were knocked from the rails by the eastbound train while the rock was crushed by the wheels.

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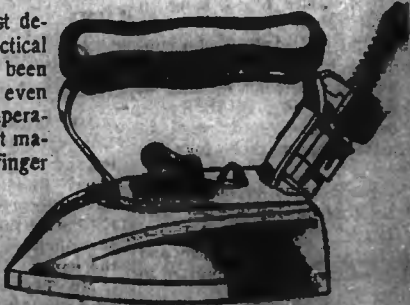
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