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Advocates Reform

Walter Siler, prominent citizen of Siler City, and a former assistant attorney general, who is noted for his sarcastic wit, is advocating the following 6-point program in regard to reform of the absentee ballot law in North Carolina:

"1. No dead person shall be voted by the absentee method who does not have a tombstone at his grave.

"2. No soldier of the Revolutionary war, War of 1812, or the Mexican war shall be voted.

"3. The constitution should be amended so as to prevent any future registration

"4. Where it appears that a voter is registered in as many as six places, the absentee ballot should be cast for him in

"5. Where it appears that there is a great epidemic in a community, a physician's certificate should not be required. '6. The industrial commission shall make necessary rules and regulations as

to when epidemics exist." Of course these recommendations of Mr. Siler are written in a sarcastic vein, but it goes to show just how much the absentee ballot law is held in respect by many people. It is one sore question that doubtless will gain considerable attention by the general assembly this year.

Ambitions

There has been an adage going the rounds during the past few years to the effect that "you can do anything you want to if you concentrate on that one thing." Whether this is true in all cases is debatable, but the principle is a good thing to keep in mind.

. It is interesting to note the following editorial from the Twin-City Sentinel:

It sometimes takes a lot of time to gratify an ambition. Moreover, the workings of chance figure prominently in the developments. No better illustration of these facts could be cited than was seen in a copy of the Twin-City Daily Sentinel for July 26, 1904, which came to light this week.

A brief local item said: "The Sentinel is told that Josiah William Bailey of the Biblical Recorder, wants to be United States senator and that it would not be surprising to see him enter the race for Senator Simmons' place two years from now . .

It is a strange fact that it was just 26 years from that writing until Mr. Bailey did enter the race and, with the benefit of disturbed political winds, won election.

The most interesting question that could be asked is, "Just how badly did Bailey want the nomination in 1904?

This would indicate that Mr. Bailey longed for the senate seat for at least 26 years, but it is not reasonable to suppose that he concentrated his efforts for that period of time on his ambition. Yet it is a good thing for the individual to have a worthy ambition in order that his daily life may have a purpose.

North Carolina Banks

Placing your money on deposit in a bank in North Carolina is no longer a gamble. You have assurance that you can get every cent of it.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation took the risk out of using banks as a depository. Your deposits are guaranteed up to \$5,000 by a branch of the United States government, making your bank just as sound as the dollar you put in it. Incidentally both our local banks are number one rating members in the FDIC.

Reports, not only of the banks here and in North Carolina, but throughout the nation, indicate that 1934 was a banner year for the financial institutions. In only 13 of the large banks of the nation deposits increased over a billion dollars in

1934. A favorable aspect in the trend of increased bank deposits is the fact that a tremendous volume of credit exists for American business. Some are inclined to believe that the increase is partly due to a fear of people with cash to invest and

expand in business. Whatever the trend may be it is not mfavorable. What America has needed for ages was a sound banking system, and that need has been realized and met. Making the FDIC permanent should be the next step. Loosening up the purse strings will come as the world recovers economically.

Word comes out of Raleigh that every state bank in North Carolina has been rated number 1 by the FDIC and Tarheel financial institutions are leading the nation, a condition which speaks well for the state and its people. Recovery of two basic industries in agriculture, cotton and tobacco, has much to do with the improved conditions of banks while a decrease in unemployment is also a helpful factor.

A Sensible Attitude

"We will meet each legislative proposal with open minds" was the declaration of Bertrand Snell, Republican leader in the national house of representatives on the occasion of the opening of congress Tues-

This, it appears, is quite a sensible attitude for the Republicans, who are very much in the minority in the present congress. He introduced the Republican 20point program in this declaration, coupled with the statement that the minority party did not propose to oppose every measure introduced by the majority party.

The usual program in congress is for one party to stand united against what the other advocates, but it can be clearly seen that the Republican party would have nothing to gain by such a policy against an overwhelming number of Dem-

A comparison of Snell's 20-point program with what is expected to come from the administration shows only a few points in conflict. The Republicans are advocating unemployment insurance and old age pensions, abolition of child labor, loans to private business, insurance of bank deposits. These can be said to be favored in some form by the Democratic administration.

Some of the things on which Republicans and Democrats differ to some extent are the tariff, balanced budget, monetary policy and relief and legislative policy toward veterans.

There is just an indication that the liberal platform proposed by the minority floor leader will somewhat appease the more progressive element of the Republican party and a reconciliation of the two groups may be in order in time to shape a national campaign for 1936. However, the time is growing short and the minority party has a long way to go and much work to do before there can be anything like a close election eighteen months

The Book "The Hely Bible," and which contains four great treasures.

By BRUCE BARTON

A GARDEN EASTWARD IN EDEN

The first man had a brain over-arched by a skull of noble curvature, a tiny reproduction of the blue curve of the sky. It was this brain within this marvelous arch that pulled him up and gave him a sphere of vision unique in creation.

The eagle could see farther in its flight; the ape had a wider radius when he climbed, but he, the man, and he alone, could look forward and outward and up.

With some such vague but awe-inspiring strokes history sketches for us the portrait of our first ancestor and leaves him naked, unhonored, nameless. Genesis is much more definite. It gives us his name, Adam, and his dwelling place, "a garden eastward in Eden."

And out of the ground made the Lord God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil. We witness the creation of the first woman:

And the Lord caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead

And the rib, which the Lord God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man.

And Adam said. This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh, she shall be called Woman because she was taken out of

Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife; and they shall be one flesh.

Of all the trees in the garden they might eat the fruit, except one only, the tree of knowledge of good and evil. But lured on by the serpent, they did eat of the fruit of that. They were discovered and promptly punished.

And the Lord God said unto the serpent. Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life.

As for Adam and Eve, they were cast out of the garden. The ground was cursed with weeds and thistles; hard work and the sweat of their brows was to be their portion until they should return to the dust from which they came. So the Lord

drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

PUBLIC PULSE

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Minister Pleads for Zeal In Work of the Church

Editor Journal-Patriot: The passing of the old year leaves us many things for which we should be grateful. While sin is rampant it is gratifying to know that God is still blessing His people and many have turned from darkness to light in the year that as just passed.

During this time I have spent 16 weeks in revival meetings and have baptised 85 members into the churches of which I am pastor, besides having witnessed many conversions in meetings where I

have assisted other pastors.

Reports from other fields show that the gospel of Christ is still making good the claim to be the power of God unto salvation to veryone that believeth.

So let us face the duties of the new year with renewed zeal for the cause, and may God's rich grace attend all who are willing to labor in the fields white already to the harvest.

Sincerely, S. I. WATTS. Boomer, N. C.

VETS' BONUS MEASURE AT HEAD OF HOUSE BILLS

Washington, Jan. 3.-The controversial bonus bill headed 2,400 measures introduced in the new nouse of representatives today.

Sponsored by Representative Wright Patman, Democrat, of Texas, the bill won the prized po-sition of "H. R. 1" on the calendar despite the opposition of the Rosevelt administratin to immediate payment of the \$2,200,000. 000 soldiers' compensation certificates. It held the same position last year.

Chairman J. J. McSwain, Demorat, South Carolina, of the house military affairs committee, introduced a bill to prevent profiteering in war time and to equalize the burden of war to promote the national defense.

Representative Louis Ludlow. Democrat, Indiana, introduced two measures; one to restore the 2cent domestic postage rate and the dustry, cmmerce and agriculture.

A measure which would make it a crime to participate in any lynching was introduced by Representative J. A. Gavagan, Democrat, of

Lower taxes on liquor would be effected through a bill introduced by Representative John McCormick, Democrat, Massachusetts. Another measure which would affect taxes was introduced by Representative Ed A. Kenney, Democrat, New Jersey, seeking to raise

funds through a national lottery. Chairman Samuel Dickstein, Democrat, New York, introduced a measure which would cancel the citizenship of all naturalized Americans who returned to vote in the Saar plebiscite. He estimated it

would effect 5,000 persons. He also presented a measure which would pay \$15,000 to dependent families of department of justice agents killed "in line of

PENALTY SOON ON ALL UNPAID COUNTY TAXES

Those who have not as yet paid their taxes for the 1934 are being warned within the next few days a penalty will be added to the amount

1934 taxes are now past due and Sheriff W. B. Somers. who now has the tax books in his office, is giving notice that unless the tax is paid this month a penalty will be added after February 1st.

Sheriff Somers will be pleased to wait on you at any time. He is anxious for every taxpayer to save the penalty and urges an early payment.

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INORGANIC NITROGEN RETURNS BEST YIELDS

Years of experiment with nitrogen ferthisers nave shown abtained when most of the mitrogen is derived from morganic sources, says C. B. Williams, head of the State College agronomy department.

On Cecil clay loam in North Carolina, he says, when a 6-8-4 fertilizer was applied at the rate of 800 pounds to the acre, the best yield was secured with 90 percent of the nitrogen being derived from sodium nitrate and 10 per cent from cottonseed

Following this closely was the yield obtained by deriving the nitrogen from a mixture of 80 per cent sodium nitrate and 20 per cent cottonseed meal, he

When Leunsaltpeter and cottonseed meal were used, the best results were obtained with a 90-10 ratio of Leupsaltveter and cottonseed meal. A 65-35 ratio for ammonium sulphate-cottonseed meal gave the highest yield with this mixture.

These and many other details of results obtained in numerous experiments in North Carolina and other cotton States have been set forth in a bulletin, "Experiments with Nitrogen Fertilizers on Cotton Soils," recently published by the United States Department of Agriculture as technical bulletin No. 452.

C. B. Williams and Dr. H. 3. Mann, the latter an agronomist working with Williams, contri-buted to the bulletin considerable data obtained from their experiments.

As long as his supply lasts Williams will mail copies of the bulletin free of charge to North Carolina farmers who apply for it. Other copies may be obtained for five cents a piece from the Superintendent of Documents in Washington.

Banks Show Growth

New York, Jan. 3.-Banks the nation today reported sharp gains in deposits and corresponding advances in resources. The first 13 banks to report in New York city, which include the three largest banks in the United States, had aggregate deposits of \$7,321, 118,000 as of December 31. That was a gain of \$1,559,766,000 over other to create a commission to the deposits of these same instiaid in stablizing employment in in- tutions as of December 30, 1933.

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Pay Your 1934 Taxes

Now and Save the

PENALTY!

Within a few days a penalty will be added to the amount of all unpaid taxes for the year 1934 . . . as settlement has been made with the Board of County Commissioners for 1933, I now have the tax books in my office and will be pleased to wait on the taxpayers at any time.

I want every taxpayer to avail himself of the opportunity to save the penalty by paying his tax now, and I hope that you will make payment this month and thus avoid extra cost.

Pay Now! Help Yourself as Well as Your County

W. B. SOMERS

Sheriff of Wilkes County.