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The appointment by President Taft of Governor Charles E. Hughes, of New York, to fill the vacancy on the Supreme Court bench caused by the death of Justice Brewer, gives great satisfaction all over the country. Governor Hughes is a Republican in politics but since he has been chief executive of the Empire State he has demonstrated time and again that he is the toe of graft of every description and the steadfast promoter of honest government.

The sudden death, Tuesday, at his home in Fremont, of Corporation Commissioner B. F. Aycock, will be greatly regretted throughout the State. Mr. Aycock, who was a brother of ex-Governor Charles B. Aycock, until incapacitated by poor health, was making a fine record as a conscientious and painstaking officer, and had he lived he would doubtless have become a great force for good as a member of the Corporation Commission. His death was due to heart disease.

Attorney General Bickett has given it as his opinion that as May first falls on Sunday this year persons who pay their poll tax on Monday, the 2nd day of the month, will be entitled to vote. This decision gives persons whose disposition it is to put off things until the last minute one more day to procrastinate in, and they will likely take advantage of it. However, those who like to be on time should not postpone this important duty later than Saturday, as sickness or some accident may interfere and prevent the payment of the tax on Monday.

LOCAL TAXATION IN POLKTON.

Next Saturday, our people will have the opportunity to place themselves in line with the people of these sections of our great country where equal and adequate educational facilities are in reach of every child of school age. For many years North Carolina, intellectually, ranked with the lowest in the sisterhood of States. Within the last decade, almost a revolution in intellectual development has been effected. The growth of educational sentiment has been remarkable. "Rip Van Winkle" no longer sleeps. Thousands of special tax districts have been established. Thousands more will fall into line before the year ends. Will Polkton still sleep even after "Rip" has aroused himself and is striding on?

The New England Puritans, driven from the old world by relentless persecutions, built a public school house almost before their first log cabin was finished. From the New England public schools came men like Daniel Webster, Horace Mann and Dr. Charles E. Elliot. The pioneers to the great west carried with them the same broad educational ideas. These ideas are today embedded in the constitutions of nearly every state north of the Ohio and west of the Mississippi. The material and intellectual development of these states is unparalleled in the world's history. Their people are educational enthusiasts. From their public schools come leaders and statesmen like Gov. John A. Johnson, of Minnesota, and Senator R. M. LaFollette, of Wisconsin. Their voters ring true at every crisis. They go to the polls, "unawed by power, unbought by gain." The rural districts are dotted with homes that are gems of loveliness and beauty. Betterment associations, with out organization, exist every where. The hand and brain of educated men and women have wrought so skillfully, until mountains and plains, deserts and prairies, like the garden of Eden, are made to send back an answering smile to the twinkling stars. Ask those people if they believe in public schools and special taxation, and they will be amazed at the question. Their history is sufficient answer.

The educational amendment in our State constitution has not yet been rigidly enforced. A change in political conditions may be a calamity to many a young man. It is impossible for the majority of our boys to meet the strict requirements of the amendment in the crowded condition of our schools and our annual term of less than four months. Do we love dollars more than men? Oh! I should not be taxed for the benefit of some body else's children, cries the man void of public spirit and humanity. My friend, our ancestors talked not thus in the centuries that have passed into history. Young men in their teens, fathers in the prime of life, old men bowed with their three score years and ten, took their places on the "iring line" and bared their breasts to the storm of battle that human liberty might be something more than a dream. We have responsibilities resting on us. One of them is to help the children of the present generation equip themselves for the duties of life. We can at least keep open the way up which they must go. The crisis is upon us. Saturday's result will bring us either honor or humiliation.

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SOMETHING ABOUT THE MANAGEMENT OF SOIL.

Dr. S. A. Knapp, of the U. S. Department of Agriculture makes valuable suggestions to farmers of the South.

Washington, D. C., April 15.—The most important item in agricultural improvement is the deep and thorough preparation of the soil in time to become settled by the winter rains, then there should be a cultivation occasionally with disk or harrow, during the winter to give the soil air and prepare it for future rapid production. This winter cultivation, of course, is omitted if there is a winter cover crop.

The next important item is the use of the section harrow. Harrow land just before planting and again immediately after planting, then after the plants are up, and some farmers continue harrowing until the cotton or corn is six inches high. The harrow is generally run diagonally across the rows.

The principal things that are accomplished by harrowing are:

- 1. The breaking of the crust which is formed by allowing the soil to be undisturbed. The crust shuts out the air from the roots and tends to stunt the young plants.
2. Harrowing aers the soil and no soil can prepare plant food and do its work unless air is admitted.
3. It breaks the pores of the soil so that it conserves moisture and prevents too rapid evaporation.
4. Where the plants are too thick for the final stand as is the case where a bushel of seed is used to plant an acre, by going across the rows it thins the plants to a certain extent, not quite enough, but if properly done it reduces the work of chopping about two-thirds.
5. It prunes the roots of the plants. Under the ordinary method of cultivation the roots of young corn and cotton plants are only pruned on the sides, but this cross harrowing makes a complete pruning of the roots, and the tendency of complete pruning is to make a lower and thicker plant stem, and throw fruit limbs, in case of cotton, nearer the earth. Possibly no single suggestion made by us to the Southern farmers is more important than the use of the section harrow.

As soon as we dispense with the harrow, then cultivate lengthwise of the rows, running the implement first time rather deep so as to give a side pruning to the roots, also at this time work the middles as deep as convenient. After this first deep cultivation all future cultivation should be very shallow, not more than one and one-half inches so as to give the roots a large space for development as possible, so as not to cut off the little feeders which come close to the surface. This shallow cultivation can be done most rapidly by the use of a weeder, but if the farmer has no weeder a sweep is much better than a sparp-tooth cultivator. Plowing three inches deep and cultivating about the same depth has been the cause of a loss to Southern farmers amounting to billions of dollars. It is unnecessary to enter into any discussion on this point because it is so easy for each farmer to test it on a small scale and prove its value to his own satisfaction. Finally, in the case of cotton, continue cultivation just as long as possible under boll weevil conditions. It is well to continue the cultivation until some of the bolls begin to open, and where there are no weevils it will increase the crop quite a little because the plants will continue to put on forms more rapidly under frequent cultivation. Cultivation should be from seven to ten days apart, depending upon the weather. I prefer seven days if possible.

Last year in the states of Louisiana and Mississippi very little cotton was made up to the first of July because there was so much rain that the farmers could not get into their fields to cultivate their crops, and in boll weevil territory the weevil practically punctured everything up to that time, but thousands of farmers made a fair crop by continuing their cultivation during July and part of August. In some cases they made as high as 3/4 of a bale per acre, utterly disproving the statement that we should lay by the crop early in July because the boll weevil will take all the bloom after that time. Let it be distinctly understood that late cultivation applies also to corn. We are in too great haste to lay corn by. Cultivation should be continued as late as possible. This late cultivation will increase the fruitage. These plans have been so thoroughly tested and under such a variety of conditions that we unhesitatingly ask the farmers of the South to give them a trial and you will be largely benefited if you adopt them at once.

Sincerely yours, S. A. KNAPP, Special Agent in Charge. Bryan Ordained as Elder. Lincoln, Neb., April 25.—W. J. Bryan was ordained as an elder in the Westminster Presbyterian Church yesterday and subsequently selected as a delegate at large to the Ecumenical Council of the Presbyterian Church, to be held at Edinburgh, Scotland, in June. The ceremony of installing Mr. Bryan as an elder occupied the entire service. He made an extended address, accepting the place in which he had been promoted by the church trustees while away in South America.

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ELEPHANTS ON RAMPAGE.

Ten Elephants Terrorize Illinois City, Carrying Disaster in Their Path—Several Persons Are Injured and Property Damaged.

Danville, Ill., April 27.—Several persons were injured and much property was damaged today by nine elephants that stampeded, just after they had been unloaded from a car after several hours ride from Chicago. A large bull elephant made a break for liberty, bowling over the keeper and escaping. The animal was followed by seven other bulls which ran following through the streets and across fields. Later, while the entire force of trainers and keepers was engaged in the unusual sport of hunting elephants in automobiles, a female elephant escaped.

For several hours the elephants were at large, hunted by all the attaches of the circus, the city policemen and the more venturesome citizens. The elephants at first moved in a bunch, then separated. They stopped for nothing except brick and stone buildings. Such small frame structures as coal sheds, fences and trees as came in their path were pushed over, trodden down, uprooted and thrown to one side.

At the home of William Miller, 3 elephants found insufficient room to pass between the summer kitchen and house so they pushed the kitchen aside, frightening the persons therein from the table but injuring no one. At the home of Joseph Peebles, after overturning a shed and killing a horse, one of the animals attacked Peebles and hurled him against the side of his house. Peebles is in a critical condition. Barney O'Neal, liv- eryman, was thrown from his wagon by the elephants as they dashed down a side street in front of his team. F. Krabbe, one of the keepers, while assisting in stabling three of the bulls after their capture, was hurled against the side of a barn and injured. Several other persons were slightly injured, mostly because of horses frightened by the pachyderms through their own fright during the stampede.

More than one hundred homes were damaged to some extent by the elephants but the total loss will probably not exceed \$10,000.

Several truck gardens and oehards were partly ruined in the outskirts of the city while many shade trees were broken or uprooted.

One elephant was still at large to-night.

Ansonian Marries in Texas.

Humble, Texas, Oil News.

Mr. J. R. Mask and Miss Grady Brown were united in the holy bonds of wedlock Thursday, 14, in the Baptist Parsonage, Rev. P. C. Schilling officiating. Mr. Mask and Miss Grady intended to surprise their many friends and well-wishers and have a very quiet wedding. But it was destined to be otherwise. Somehow it got abroad and the happy couple were greeted by a full grown and royal surprise. Immediately after the ceremony had made good until cupid's victims had made good their escape. Mr. Mask is an efficient employer of the Higgins Co. He is a noble, lighted, christian gentleman. He is in every way worthy of the responsible place that he so eminently fills. Miss Grady is the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brown. She possesses those sterling qualities and christian virtues that make her more "precious than rubies." She is gifted with natural good sense and homely graces, besides she is cultured, refined and eminently fitted to reign as the Queen of J. R. Mask. We congratulate Miss Grady on getting one of nature's noblemen for a husband and Mr. Mask on beating himself "all to smash." Blessings on them. Their many friends wish them bon voyage.

[Mr. J. R. Mask is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mask, of the vicinity of Polkton—The M. & L.]

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Notice. North Carolina, Anson County. In the Superior Court. Phoebe Ingram, vs. Jupiter Ingram. NOTICE. The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Anson county to obtain divorce from him, the said Jupiter Ingram, from the bonds of matrimony existing between them, and the said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the term of the Superior Court of said county to be held on the 14th Monday after the 1st Monday in March, 1910, at the court house of said county in Wadesboro, N. C., and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint. This, 9th day of April, 1910. THOMAS C. ROBINSON, Clerk of Superior Court.

NEAR BEER DEALER FINED.

Mr. G. S. Fort Is Fined, in the Mayor Recorder's Court, for Permitting a Minor to Enter His Place of Business—(Special dispatch to the M. & L.)

Monroe, N. C., April 27th, 1910.—G. S. Fort was tried before a jury in the recorder's court here today, and was found guilty of permitting a minor to enter his near beer saloon. He was fined \$25 and appealed to the Superior Court. Another case against Mr. Fort, for the same offence, will come up for trial next Monday. It is reported that the facts in the case which will be tried Monday are much stronger than in the case in which Fort was today convicted.

Almon Davis will be tried on Monday for violating the prohibition law.

LILESVILLE AND WALLTOWN.

There is music in the air. It is the music of the trowel, hammer and saw. Handsome brick buildings are rising up as if by magic. The business men of the town, brave, confident, with indomitable energy and enterprise, have gone to work to build up their stricken town. Mr. H. J. Wall's two brick stores and the bank building are about completed. The Bank of Lilesville will probably be able to move into its new building before the month is out. It is a nice structure. The walls of Dr. Kerr's handsome two-story, pressed brick, glass front building, 30x70, are rapidly going up and there will be no delay in its construction. Messrs. E. P. Liles, T. A. Horne, D. A. Seago, J. T. Saunders, A. P. Liles and A. G. Wall will erect nice brick stores at once.

Mr. D. A. Seago purchased a lot in the business centre of the town from Mr. E. P. Liles. Mr. B. R. Wall and Mr. E. P. Liles have purchased the Wyatt and Kerr lots from Mr. T. Tomlinson. Mr. J. F. Alexander and Dr. J. E. Kerr have purchased lots from Mr. E. P. Liles. Mr. J. T. Saunders has purchased a lot from Mr. B. L. Wall and Mr. E. P. Liles. The town of Lilesville is in the midst of an era of fine farming country large enough to foster a city, and Lilesville will rise from her ashes a growing and prosperous town. The election of Prof. J. A. McArthur and his capable assistants, Misses Howerton and Delaney, our citizens endorsing heartily, with congratulations for the school board, which is composed of Dr. J. E. Kerr, Mr. J. A. Dabbs and Mr. Geo. Ingram. Mr. McArthur, however, has not yet accepted.

We're glad to note that H. J. Wall, who has been quite ill, is better.

Miss Nell Ratliff, of Morven, is spending several days in Lilesville.

Mrs. James Nichols, of Richmond county, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Wall.

We are glad to note Mr. A. G. Wall is improving and will return home in a few days.

The Walltown school, under the management of Miss Janie McAllister, closed Tuesday.

MORE ANON.

Resolutions Adopted.

Whereas, We believe that the sale of such products as are commonly called "Near beer" is wrong and injurious, therefore, be it resolved:

- 1. That this church will not permit any of its members to engage in the sale of any such products, and if a member shall engage in this business it shall be the duty of the deacons to bring the matter to the church for action.
2. That this resolution be published in The Messenger and Intelligencer and Ansonian and be spread on the records of the church.

Adopted by the church in conference, this April 27, 1910.

T. W. CHAMBERS, Pastor and Moderator.

W. M. MORTON, Church Clerk.

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JOHN T. BENNETT ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. All legal business will receive prompt attention. Office in the last room on the right in the court house for the present, it being the room heretofore occupied by Bennett & Bennett, Attorneys.

Notice.

By virtue of the authority vested in the undersigned commissioner under an order of the court in a certain ex parte proceeding before the clerk of the superior court of Anson county, entitled Parks Home-back, Bettle Ponds, and others, ex parte, the undersigned commissioner will expose to re-sale, for cash, at the court house door in the town of Wadesboro, on Monday the 2nd day of May, 1910, at the hour of 12 o'clock M., the following tract of land situate in Lanesboro township, about one-half miles from Peachland and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a red oak, Preslar's corner, and runs with his line S 70 1/2 E., 39 chs., crossing Lanes creek twice to a stake red oak pier, then with Horne line S. 30 W., 17 chs., to his corner stake three red oak and post oak piers, then with his other line S. 64 E., 15 chs., and 50 links to his other corner stake in Shepherd's line; then S. 81 1/2 W., 29 chs., to stake, pine, S. O., and red oak piers, then N. 36 1/2 W., 8.75 chs., to stake by Hickory; then a new line due N. 10 20 chs., to stone in down line; then with said line N. 45 E., 20.63 chs., to the beginning, containing seventy eight three-fourths acres (78 3/4) more or less. This is the second sale of said property and the bidding will commence at four hundred dollars.

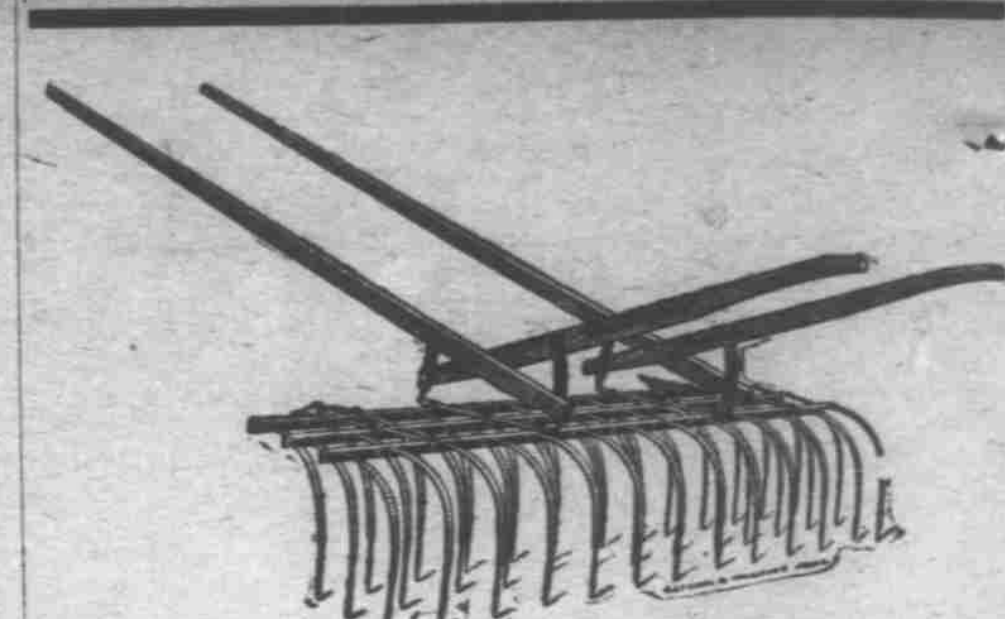
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T. L. CAUDLE, Commissioner.

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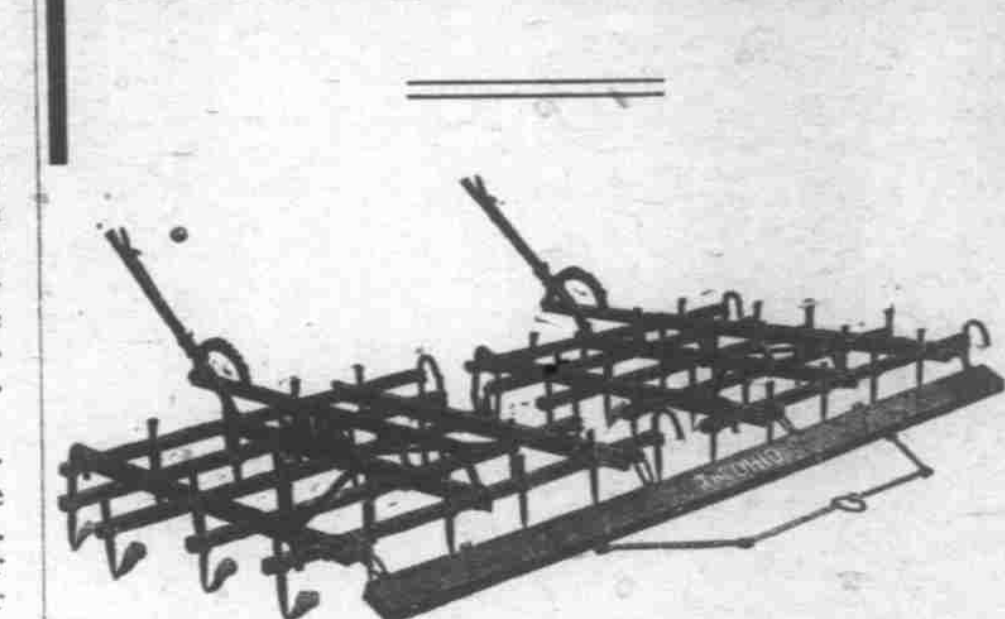
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