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WASHINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA, JAN. 15, 1916.

We are evidently in the "grip" of another cold spell.

Carranza announces that he will punish the bandits who slew Americans. He'll have to catch them first.

A woman in Illinois killed her husband because he was "too ugly for him to look at." If the women as a whole considered the looks of their husbands as sufficient cause for murder, it is safe to say that the slaughter in Europe wouldn't begin to compare with that over here.

THE BEAUFORT COUNTY FAIR.

Last year there was considerable talk concerning a county fair for Beaufort. Nothing definite was done regarding the project, although a number of the prominent business men of the city expressed themselves as being in favor of it.

If we are planning to have a fair in Washington this year, it is time that some action was taken. There is considerable preliminary work to be done and it will need several months of time in which to do it.

The Chamber of Commerce, at the next meeting of the organization, would do well to discuss the matter and see whether it could not be launched.

A county fair, held in Washington, would be a big asset to both the city and the county as a whole. Beaufort is one of the few counties in the State—and we might say in the United States—that does not have an annual fair.

The Chamber of Commerce successfully launched the good roads campaign and carried it out. There are enough progressive members in the organization who, if they get down behind the project, will also see that a success is made of the fair.

REPEAL THE WAR TAX.

The Democratic members of the ways and means committee are working upon a plan for the repeal of the war revenue law, which has been upon the statute books since October 22, 1914.

In its stead, and for the purpose of making up the deficit in revenue, which would occur if the tax were repealed, they are considering imposing a heavier tax upon incomes of the wealthy residents of the country.

If their plan is carried out, it will put the burden of taxation where it belongs—upon the shoulders of those who can afford to bear it. The war tax has served its purpose and it should be repealed.

The poor of the country already have sufficient taxes to carry. If more revenue is needed, a tax should be levied—not upon those who already have more than they can do to support themselves—but upon either our wealthy citizens or upon those luxuries of life which we can do without.

LOOKING FOR A POINT OF ATTACK.

When the news of the slaughter of American citizen in Mexico was received this week, there was an immediate uproar in Congress. Stirring speeches were made, urging the United States to intervene and "protect American lives and property."

It will be noticed, however, that all this agitation, for the most part, came from the Republican side of the fence and that they were the ones who were most insistent that we intervene in the affairs of the country across the Rio Grande.

The Republicans are beginning to get desperate. They evidently realize that they will have a strenuous fight to make any kind of showing against the Democrats in this year's election. Their time is limited and they are therefore ready to resort to practically any means in order to cast some smirch upon the party now in power.

Should President Wilson and the cabinet decide to intervene and send troops into Mexico, the Republicans would use it as one of their strong cards in their fight during the coming presidential race. They have been unsuccessful in finding a strong point of attack in the affairs of the administration so far and they are doing their utmost to locate one.

THE SHIPPING OF AMMUNITION.

According to a table compiled by the department of commerce, ammunition to the value of \$121,743,947 has been shipped to Europe from the United States in the fifteen months ended last October.

From those figures, is it any wonder that there is such a strong sentiment in this country against an embargo on arms? Certainly not. Let the war go on indefinitely; we will be well satisfied. Let us do everything in our power to egg on the various nations, so that there will be no danger of an early peace.

It is true that we are supposed to be strictly neutral, but with such a large sum of revenue pouring into the pockets of our millionaires, we can afford to take some chances.

No wonder we scoffed and ridiculed Ford and his party for attempting to bring about peace. Who wants peace if it is going to deprive us of this large sum of money every year?

HELP YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD.

The Progressive Farmer, in its last issue, sets forth five excellent rules to follow in bringing about better conditions in a community.

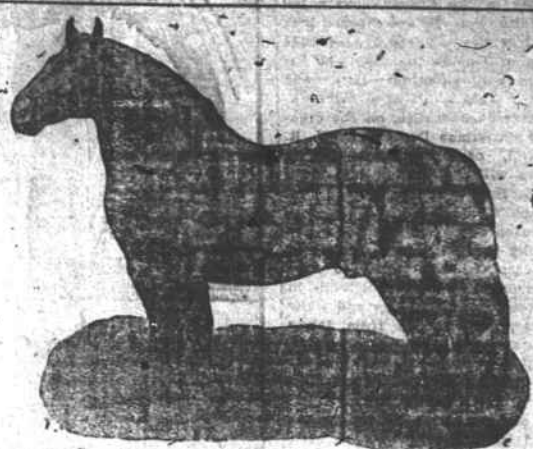
- 1. Help get a better school. 2. Help get better roads. 3. Join the local Farmers' Union or other farmers' clubs. 4. Encourage your wife to join a club of farm women; and enroll your boys and girls in corn club, canning club, pig club, etc. 5. Resolve to have some neighborhood picnics, baseball games, and a community fair in the fall.

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