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Asheboro is the first county in North Carolina for the veterans of the World War to have their discharges copied in a special book in the office of the clerk of the superior court of the county.

Dr. Louis I. Harris, Director of Bureau of Preventable Diseases of New York City, states that the public health authorities now regard sleeping sickness as highly infectious and communicable, but is not readily communicable. Therefore this disease has not been considered communicable, and it has been contended that two cases were seldom found in the same house.

The Courier last week devoted four and a half columns of space to Dr. W. C. Smith's splendid address before the North Carolina Parent-Teacher's association which met in Greensboro recently. One of the members of the Asheboro Parent-Teacher's association and an ex-teacher of the Asheboro graded school called up to thank us for giving the school for such a wonderful address which she felt would be of great benefit to many of the Courier's readers. We are grateful to this progressive woman who believes and knows that the Courier tries to be of service to the things which will be of benefit to the greatest joy in life is the satisfaction that one's friends understand and know that efforts were put forth to help some body. Because the motive from a beneficial standpoint it might be of interest to some of the readers to know that the space contributed amounted to \$22.50. This could have been sold for advertising space. We call attention to this to prove to our friends and neighbors that we want to serve our community faithfully, conscientiously and well.

The Country Gentleman has an interesting article on the development of the muscadine by Wm. Harper Dean at Willard, N. C.

The work at the Willard vineyard has been so successful that muscadine varieties are raised now which are bigger than the old stock with the fruit in clusters and hanging firmly to the bunch. More than that the muscadine has been crossed with the other varieties of grapes and several new types have been produced which are of the highest excellence.

It appears that a new fruit has been brought out of the old-fashioned muscadine. The objectionable features of the old type have been pretty well bred of the new muscadines.

Alcoholic liquors have been replaced with grape products and these products will include jellies and other things besides the juice. Few people realize the vast importance of grape culture in the old world and this country.

A New Yorker who has planted a grape vineyard in the sandhills predicts that the scuppernon will become one of the staple crops of North Carolina because it comes nearer being an available food product than anything else raised in the state. The scuppernon is rich in grape sugar. Grape sugar requires practically no digestion to be ready for absorption in the circulation. Most other similar foods must be converted into grape sugar before they are of use to the human system.

There are wonderful possibilities for the scuppernon not only in the sandhills but almost throughout eastern North Carolina. This grape grows almost to perfection in this section.

LABOR PAPER CONDEMNS REPUBLICAN LAW

Labor, the organ of sixteen railroad organizations has much to say concerning the unnecessary high freight rates brought about by the Cummins-Roch bill which guarantees dividends to the railroads.

We quote from it: "Today railway managers, through manipulation of contracts and the payment of excessive charges for fuel and materials, are further increasing the heavy burdens that have been heaped on the nation."

The Iowa Homestead strongly upholds the amendment when the present Republican Congress in its first session changed the law. The Homestead declares that the banking interests which own the railroads have been able to exert a great influence in the industrial and transportation life of the country.

FEDERAL JUDGE IMPEACHED

Representative Welty, of Ohio, has introduced in the House of Representatives articles of impeachment against United States District Judge Kennesaw Mountain Landis, charging him with being guilty of "high crimes and misdemeanors," in that he accepted an extra judicial position as baseball arbitrator at a salary of something like \$42,500 a year.

While Mr. Welty, a Democrat, is the author of the articles of impeachment, yet Democratic Attorney General Palmer gives the judge a clean bill of health and most people agree that while it might be better for the judge not to have messed up in this matter, yet there was no law against his doing so.

Senator Dial, of South Carolina, wants Judge Landis impeached because he was too lenient with a 19-year-old bank clerk who stole \$96,000, and refunded the money.

When Judge Landis let the young man go on his own recognition, excusing the boy and condemning the bank officials for entrusting so much money to a young employe receiving a salary of \$90 a month.

There will probably nothing come of the impeachment proceedings, although Judge Landis, a most useful man in many respects, he is by temperament not admirably fitted for a judge. While he in a way compromised his reputation when he undertook to serve both as a judge and baseball arbitrator, and his action and language in dealing with the 19-year-old bank clerk may have not been prudent or entirely proper, yet his rugged honesty and courage in dealing with "big business" on the bench has mostly commended him to a large part of the American people.

NORTH CAROLINA SHOULD DEVELOP THE STATE'S WATER POWER

North Carolina has many thousands of horsepower in falling water going to waste because it is undeveloped.

Here is a summary of what has been accomplished in the Province of Ontario, Canada:

Ontario hydro-electric system established in 1910, when it supplied power to six municipalities.

In 1920, 250 municipalities were supplied with power at cost.

Private company in Toronto, Ontario, before the advent of the public commission, charged 12 cents per kilowatt hour for commercial lighting.

The rate now under the hydro-electric plan is 2 cents per kilowatt hour.

For electricity used by manufacturers the price has been reduced to \$14.50 per horse power.

In New York State the price for the same power is from \$50 to \$75.

The saving to users of electricity for household purposes alone has been \$2,380,000 a year.

Cheap electric power has reduced the consumption of bituminous coal in the Province of Ontario from five to six million tons per year.

It has reduced the freight haul on all this coal, and eliminated obnoxious smoke to that degree.

It has made electricity available to the farmers by taking the place of gas engines and other power and is used by the farmers' wives for household purposes.

Provides that the municipalities shall pay in the power-rate bonds in thirty years, and at the end of that time own the hydro-electric plant.

Instead of doing something with our vast water power for the people of the state we content ourselves by permitting private enterprises in the form of giant corporations to gobble up all our water power, and no hope of its being rescued from the predatory interests.

If North Carolina could through its governor get some reduction in its prices for electricity, there would be more people joining in acclaiming him a real progressive than could get within the gates of the capital city.

ANDREW W. MELLON.

Andrew W. Mellon, Pittsburgh capitalist and typical representative of the big interests, is slated for President Harding's cabinet. Among the big business interests he is connected with are the following:

He is one of the principal owners of one of the largest distilleries in the country, Old Overholt, having on hand now many thousands of barrels of whiskey in bonded warehouses.

He is head of a family conservative, estimated to be worth \$500,000,000.

He is director in banks and corporations worth \$1,000,000,000, and in times of financial strain and stress these financial institutions would have a friend at court or at least the proclivities would so consider it.

The big holdings in the United States Steel Corporation and in the Pennsylvania Railroad, and Mr. Mellon would as Secretary of the Treasury be able to exert a great influence in the industrial and transportation life of the country.

When Mr. Mellon's dress suit was taken to the tailor's through the

the following session, after it had served its purpose, it was designed to serve. Sometimes divorce cases are inescapable, and no business man, especially a multi-millionaire banker, wants his private affairs paraded before an unfeeling public. And when a man is rich and a Republican to boot, it is nothing unusual in Pennsylvania to have a special law passed in his interest.

WHAT UNCLE SAM IS DOING FOR DISABLED SOLDIERS

The Government has appropriated \$90,000,000 to help all those who have been incapacitated by the war to fit themselves for jobs.

Every week hundreds of service men are discharged as cured from the government hospitals, and at the same time returned to civilian status, but these men in many cases are not physically and mentally able to take up their former vocation. The Federal Board for Vocational Education has \$90,000,000 at its disposal and is prepared to give training to any disabled ex-service man honorably discharged since April 7, 1917, who is unable to carry on at his former work without a real handicap and whose condition makes such training feasible.

The government now pays men from \$80 to \$170 per month, according to a man's dependents and the cost of living in the locality in which he is trained. These men are trained at many of the best professional and trade schools in the country; others are trained on the job with some practical firm; still others prefer to keep their present positions and study in night courses without training pay in order to advance themselves.

If a man's eligibility can be established, he can be almost immediately enrolled in a school or placed in training for a trade with some firm.

Men from out of town will be furnished free railroad transportation upon request and given meals and lodging where necessary.

Lack of schooling does not make a man ineligible. The board will endeavor to train the most illiterate foreigners. Many men think it is necessary for them to leave home towns in order to get training of any sort. As the board places a great many men in "placement training on the job," it is quite possible that a man can live at home while taking training.

If any man has a reason why he cannot accept vocational training at the hands of the Federal board, he is urged to bring that reason to the attention of the board. If he is right, his case will be referred to the board's inactive files until he wishes to open it again. If he has been misinformed, the board will set him right. The board states it is continually running into men who do not know that they may be entitled, for instance, to compensation from the war risk insurance bureau and also training under the federal board.

The government during president Wilson's administration has provided not to cast the soldiers aside after hostilities have ceased without showing that it cared for their welfare.

You will not have to go to New York or Washington for you can go to the nearest branch office of the Federal Board for Vocational Education for examination there being a branch office in almost every state. Write the editor of The Courier for information or address your letter to your representative in Congress.

Hotel and Restaurant Rates Regulated

A bill to regulate the rates of hotels and restaurants in the state was introduced in the legislature last week. The bill provides that no hotel operated on the American plan shall be allowed to charge for "the room alone more than one-fourth of the rate per day for that room with all meals and no hotel so operated shall charge for such room with one or more additional meals more than one-fourth of said published rate plus one-fourth of said rate for each meal taken by the guest occupying said room."

"That no hotel, restaurant cafe or lunch counter in this state shall charge for any article of food or dish of food served and sold to a patron, a price which shall be greater than twice the retail price of such raw article of food or the ingredients of such dish when purchased on the local market from grocers, bakers, butchers or other local dealers in such raw articles of food or such ingredient."

CENTRAL FALLS NEWS

Mrs. W. E. Hall, who is very ill is not improving.

Mrs. I. N. Cox was in Greensboro on business Saturday.

The new roller mill here is running after many delays in getting started.

Mr. Frank and Miss Mamie Davis were in Greensboro Saturday afternoon shopping.

Mrs. W. C. York is visiting relatives in Danville, Va.

Rev. G. A. Piyler filled his regular appointment here Sunday at eleven o'clock.

Mrs. W. S. Thurber was a visitor in Greensboro and High Point Saturday and Sunday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Hamilton a son.

Mr. Thomas Moore, who has not been at home for about twenty years is visiting his mother, Mrs. W. E. Hall.

Mrs. Vickie Jarrett and daughter, Orlean, of Salisbury, have been visiting here the past week.

Misses Virgie and Essie Allred and Ruth Yow, who are attending school at Pleasant Garden spent the week end with homefolks.

The continued rains of last week raised the river considerably. Several people from here were at Asheboro Thursday, were water bound about eight hours on account of the water being over the temporary bridge at the creek.

Mr. Lewallen Discusses Culverts Seagrove, Rt. 2, N. C., Feb. 14, 1921

I promised to write an article for The Courier showing where there is being hundreds of dollars wasted on the public roads of Randolph county through neglect or inefficiency. In this article I shall only deal with the culvert question. Now we understand that a culvert is a drain, and it is those metal culverts or drains that have replaced the old wooden trunks and terracotta drains that I wish to call your attention to. Now I believe those metal culverts are an improvement over the old wooden trunks, if they are properly placed. But here is where the waste comes in. You will find a great many of these culverts exposed to the wheels of the many kinds of vehicles that pass over them and they are soon battered all out of shape and are no longer serviceable. These culverts should be placed at least six inches below the surface of the road and those who have charge of the upkeep of the roads should see to it that there is plenty of surface kept over the tops of them. If any one doubts what I have said, all I ask is that you make a tour over the roads of the county and take a notebook and pencil and make a note of all culverts you find in the condition I have stated. Now when you have made a list of all these culverts take the price of each one and add them together and you will be surprised at the enormous waste on this one item. This waste

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The people suffer no ills that could not be corrected by a vigilant, conscientious press. The dissemination of correct information would establish the popular consciousness that is essential to the maintenance of justice and righteousness.—Labor. It may avail nothing, but there's no harm wishing a man a Happy New Year.—Lexington Leader. Mr. O. G. Cox is spending some time with his brother, Mr. W. A. Cox.

Back to Normalcy!

We think prices have about reached the low point and our buyer, is now in the Northern markets, New York City and Baltimore, carefully selecting the Spring Line which will be ready for your approval within the next ten days. We promise that we will sell you anything in our line which consists of Dry Goods, Shoes—"The famous Craddock Line" which is guaranteed to cost less and wear longer than others. This includes Oxfords and Pumps, which are now now on display. Millinery, Notions, Hats, Caps, Trunks, Bags, Art Squares, Rugs, China and Glassware, and the "BETTER CLASS OF GROCERIES" cheaper than others, quality considered. Clothing, Ladies' Suits and Coats. WE SAVE YOU MONEY ON ALL YOUR PURCHASES. GIVE US A LOOK AND BE CONVINCED.



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