THE REPUBLICAN PIE-EATERS OF NORTH CAROLINA

(From Durham Sun, Republican.)

As has already been stated by the North Carolina press, Mrs. Lindsay Patterson, of Winston-Salem, is the first woman of this state to be nominated for congress. Hers is the distinction, to the Republican party of the fifth district, is the honor. The Sun printed the proceedings of the convention on the day the convention was held. Necessarily the report was not as full as the proceedings printed in the morning papers.

The Sun was unable to print the statement of Mr. John A. Smith, of High Point, an outstanding figure in the progressive contingent of the Republican party of North Carolina. Mrs. Patterson was placed in nomination as the result of the speech by Mr. Charles A Reynolds. After a few seconds by other delegates Mrs. Patterson was nominated by acclimation.

For more reasons than one, The Sun reproduces Mr. Smith's statement, for its sentiment is the pivot on which the fate of the Republican party in North Carolina must turn. The Sun has no apology to make for bringingit out in its entirety. It follows:

So far as Mrs. Patterson is concerned, she is as fine as silk, all wool and a yard wide, but the methods by which her nomination was brought about are rather, in my opinion, the reason her nomination was made, but simply because my name had been mentioned and the old reactionaries, the hungry horde of the old gang of federal office-holders, couldn't bear the thought of a Roosevelt Republican running for congress, although there are ten of us to one pie-eater, and so far as I am concerned, I promised my family, the two remaining members I have left, upon their begging me and pleading with me not, at least at this time, on account of recent deaths, and the afflictions we have had in almost wiping out our family, to meddle or intermeddle with politics in any manner; but, on the contrary, devote my time at least for some time to come to catching a second breath and looking after our own household. So, before I went to the convention, it was agreed between me and my friends that they would not put my name before the convention. Mean those friends who were to have done it in case it had been offered to me unanimously, and I could have seen my way clear to have taken it.

"And for the good of the Republican party and for its future upbuilding I make a prophecy now that this is the last convention (I mean the Winston-Salem convention, the other day) that will ever be controlled in North Carolina by a set of so-called Republicans, the old office-holding horde who want to keep the party just big enough to furnish them the officers and not let them get scattered. A certain pie-eater, a native of Greensboro, told me this morning, that a certain other ancient, if not honorable pie-eater, from Winston-Salem, was down here yesterday and started the ball for Mrs. Patterson, and this same Winston ex-pie-eater, of long standing and high order, I am reliably informed, said the other day he had rather have Os Watts for Republican state chairman than our live wire, W. G. Bramham, and Bramham tackled him with it at Winston the other day, and he said the reason he said it was, he was from the American Tobacco Company's town (Durham), but this is not the reason. It is the same old reason which I illustrated to Eugene Holton, the ancient pie-eater, on one occasion. In fact, I published it in the paper that this same gang of the ancient order of pie-eaters were, by the Republican party, like a certain family group of v0 or 40 families who lived in our neighborhood once, and married and intermarried, never getting further off than first cousins, until the intellectuality of that name was about to peter out, and be it said that these families were all red-headed and freckled-faced, but one of them did have sense enough left to ask another why it was they married among each other and the second man replied, "I used to wonder at this myself, and I have just figured it out. They do not want the freckles scattered.'

"And just so with our brigade, they don't want any scattering of offices, and hence they are fighting every man who shows signs of success in carrying the party for the congressional district or state.

"I say this not as a disappointed office-seeker, for I have never been one, don't want and would not accept any office in the gift of Mr. Harding. I am happy and satisfied with my lot in life and have no grouch against anyone on earth.

"I believe the salvation of this country and the safety of the state, and above all its substantial progress, depends upon the success of a live, virile and aggressive organization and my prophecy is, the old slate will be wiped clean and we will have such an organization two years from now and I hope I will not be feeling so blue, and can get out and shout for them. I was not in the convention when Mrs. Patterson was nominated, but heard Charley Reynolds, the most ancient pie-eater, nominate her, which is running true to form. I also heard Gene Holton was nominated for solicitor in the 11th district, which spells 'death in the pot' for the young, virile and enthusiastic Republicans.

"The ox knoweth his owner and the ass his master's crib.

"Alas, poor Yorie, I knew him well!"

Maj. Stedman at Home.

Maj. C. M. Stedman, representative of the fifth district in congress, is spending a few days at his home in Greensboro.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS AND COMMENT BY FIELD CORRESPONDENT

Clean up, paint up and keep it up. Gentle reader, make up your mind that you will attend the Democratic county convention in Asheboro on May 13.

Subscribe to The Courier and thereby boost Randolph county. Randolph is the best county in the state and all it needs is just a little boosting.

Mr. W. W. Redding and family have moved to South Asheboro.

Mr. Alex Hedrick and family spent Saturday and Sunday in Thomasville.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Redding, of Back Creek township, were in town Saturday.

Farmers throughout this section are encouraged by the prospects for a banner wheat crop this year. The wheat crop is looking fine. We fear the farmers will hardly realize as much for their wheat as they did under the Wilson administration.

Come to Asheboro Saturday and help to make the Democratic county convention a great success. A large crowd will be here and you must join the procession.

Mr. Jack Mason, the Charlotte Observer's subscription man, was in town one day last week.

Mr. Claude Winslow, who lived about 10 miles west of Asheboro, has sold his farm and moved to Florida.

Mr. Carl Cox, the genial and popular rural carrier on Asheboro route 1, has been feeling the people as to his possible candidacy for office, and we believe that he is good material and is made of the right kind of stuff and should he be the choice of the Democratic county convention we believe he will be our next sheriff.

House cleaning and general cleanup around the home and yard seems to be the order of the day in Asheboro.

Asheboro has few loafers. In fact with half dozen notable exceptions she has none. Our people are pursuing the dollar with all their might.

Who remembers when every well regulated home had a rain barrel back of the kitchen?

One of the secrets of Asheboro's success is in what the building and loan associations are doing. They are a great factor in the marvelous growth and progress of the town.

A dollar may only be worth fifty cents, as some financiers contend, but we notice the scramble for them in Asheboro is just as great as it used to be.

Mr. D. C. Lane, of High Point, was in town Sunday.

We have heard quite a number of prominent men who voted the Republican ticket in Randolph county in the last election say that the Democrats would carry the county in the coming election.

The town commissioners recently repealed the tax on meat dealers, and now allows anybody to come in town and sell beef or any meats any time, in any quantity and at any price they please without paying a tax. It's an open town in the meat line.

It is now time for gardening and he who does not have a garden well cared for, with plants and vegetables, and properly cultivated, looses considerably of the happiness that there is in human life.

Following is a partial honor roll of new subscriptions for this week: A. C. Jackson, J. G. Brown, J. A. Dean, John Stagg, Dr. C. E. Wilkerson, Dr. D. L. Fox, Miss Mattie Julian, John York, Broadway Theatre, A. W. Brown, T. F. Jordan, W. J. Moore, Hallie Allred, K. E. Hare, D. B. Keith, D. C. Bulla, A. H. Foster, Mrs. T. J. Hoover, J. W. Maxwell, B. F. Hilliard, N. G. Rich, A. R. Johnson, C. O. Moore, Alex Hunsucker, B. M. Parrish, L. J. Holland, Hanly Robbins, W. A. Bean, R. M. Cagle, W. A. Gregory, T. T. Pierce, G. L. Fry, Mrs. T. B. Tyson, A. S. Frick, Ray Edmondson, J. D. Hoover, C. C. Rollins, J. E. Hinshaw, J. M. Brown, Jr., E. P. Spoon, Henry Cox, Z. Franks, M. J. Presnell, J. S. Vuncannon, W. E. Merritt, J. G. Luther, J. C. Harris, Mrs. Louise Lamb, W. N. Steed, W. E. Boling, A. C. Pugh, G. W. Hayworth, R. C. Craven, J. W. Spivey, K. D. Cox, R. H. Moore, J. M. Davis, S. D. Lowe, Mrs. J. H. Johnson, J. H. Free, E. L. McDowell, A. A. York, D. T. Poole, Joe E. Dicks, O. C. Marsh, Dr. W. F. Matthews, M. S. Sherwood, R. B. Kirkmanfi F. E. Cross, O. C. Redding, Mrs. Claudie Reid, Mrs. E. P. Steele, S. N. Bowman, Hilliard Hill, J. L. Strider, W. D. Hannon, W. E. Garner, R. A. McGinnis, J. O. Gray, Mrs. Velna Presnell, J. W. Cross, Willard Kivett, B. F. Hardin, W. C. Siler, J. A. Craven, Dr. N. F. Marsh, W. I. Campbell, C. R. Frazier, D. A. Burgess, Lester Kivett, D. L. Burgess, W. J. McNeill, C. L. Stuart, Frank Williamson, J. F. Hancock, E. S. Thomas, J. C. Yow, H. G. Pugh, Sam Hooker, L. B. Strayhorn, T. V. Bulla, O. M. Routh, W. L. Davis, Alex Hedrick.

Lord Astor on "Wives."

According to Lord Astor, a political wife is to be preferred to a society wife. The following from an exchange sets forth his views:

Viscount Astor, speaking before the Women's League, proved even more of a sensation than his distinguished "fellow-husband." He hadn't intended to make an address when he took his place at the head table, where his wife was scheduled to be the star performer, and he only consented to talk after the audience had shouted his name.

What he said brought forth riotous applause. For a full five minutes after he had concluded the place was in turmoil.

There were many wives not in politics who spend so much time in bridge and gossip that they have a very hazy notion about their husbands and don't seem to be very well acquainted with their children.

INTERESTING HISTORICAL SKETCH OF THE COUNTY OF DAVIDSON

The following article is a sketch of Davidson county written by Susie Sexton of the Denton high school. This is a good article and we commend the writer and the teacher, or parent who has county pride sufficient to instill this in the minds of school children. How can we be proud of our county if we do not know of her merits, achievements, and resources? Histories and sketches of Randolph have been written by the school children of Asheboro and various schools in the county, but we have had none for publication for a long time. Let's have a sketch of our county!

Davidson county was formed from a part of Rowan county in 1822 while Gabriel Holmes was governor of the state, and was named in honor of General William Lee Davidson, a hero in the American Revolution.

Davidson county is still situated in central North Carolina in the Piedmont section. It is bounded on the north by Forsyth; on the east by Randolph; on the south by Montgomery; and on the west by the Yadkin river. Davidson county is among the largest counties in North Carolina. It contains 563 square miles with a population of 35,201 people. As to climate and soil, it is most favorably located, being geographically near the center of the great Piedmont section. Its extensive area, being at its greatest length about forty miles and greatest width about twenty-five miles, gives scope for a great diversity of soil. The soil of the eastern part of the county is very fertile. It consists chiefly of clay and sandy loam. The middle and western part are generally sandy. The bottom land along the Yadkin river is exceedingly fertile and very productive when intelligently cultivated. Farming land of the county is well drained and somewhat rolling, yielding large crops of wheat, corn, tobacco, hay, cotton, fruits and grasses —natural and cultivated. Clover grows naturally. It is therefore natural that stock raising should be a profitable and important industry. There has been great improvement in the past few years in the quality of cattle. Many fine herds of registered Short Horn, Herefords, and Angus have been introduced in the county. The dairy industry is increasing rapidly. There are two creamerys in the county which afford a ready market for either milk or butter fat. Every farm has its wood lot which constitutes a natural resource of tremendoos value to the people of the county. The production of lumber in this county is about equally divided between yellow pine and various hardwoods among which the oak is most important. In spite of the great amount of timber that has been, and is being cut from the forests of this county, there still remains a very large quantity of valuable standing timber.

Few counties have better railway transportation—the Southern from east to west straight through the center of the county, the Winston-Salem Southbound from north to south, intersecting the former at Thomasville and the latter at High Rock, afford by their competing lines the cheapest access for freight and passenger traffic in every available market. Lexington, the county seat, situated near the center of the county with a population of about 6,000 inhabitants has superior advantage as a manufacturing center. The famous Erlanger model cotton mills are located here. There are three large cotton goods manufacturers located in this city besides a great number of various other manufacturers of which furniture is the most important. Thomasville, the largest city (within corporate limits) is situated in the eastern part of the county and has the distinction of manufacturing more chairs annually than any other city in the world.

Davidson county being one of the best counties in North Carolina, we as citizens should press forward to the utmost to develop her natural resources. This being done our future wealth seems assured. The great problem of our future is not how to secure materially prosperity; this seems already assured. The new and robust life upon which through the last few years the county has entered inspires our hearts with the most buoyant hopes of the future. The hard surface roads will radiate from the centers of population to all parts of the county, over which the products of the factories and farms can be cheaply and quickly moved. The introduction of the tractor and truck will transform the farms of the county into one great manufactor of prosperity. The many creeks and the river could be harnessed and put to work to produce an abundance of cheap electrical power for every farm home in the county, thus transforming the rural life into the suburban life of the great cities with all its modern conveniences without the inconveniences of crowded living. In another decade the roar of her great forges, the hum of her many factories and the thunder of her water power on the Yadkin river and its tributaries, driving their millions of spindles, will prove the century's marvel of prosperity and industrial progress.

JURORS DRAW NFOR FEDERAL COURT IN GREENSBORO

The following list of jurors for the June term of federal court has been announced by R. L. Blaylock, clerk of federal court in Guilford, Randolph and Montgomery counties:

E. B. Leonard, Ramseur; L. G. Cable, Guilford College; A. O. Wooley, Troy; R. R. Wallace, Troy; C. W. Staley, Ramseur; Henry Newman, Pleasant Garden; P. E. Cole, Liberty; T. B. Fuller, Fullers; J. O. Kearns, Farmer; W. E. Smith, Asheboro; S. H. Phillips, Greensboro; C. O. Stevens, Guilford College; R. L. [illegible]

TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT WAS HELD LAST WEEK

Trinity high school was brought to a successful close on May 3. A series of commencement exercises marked the closing days of the school year, beginning on Friday evening April 28 and continuing daily until Wednesday evening when the high school play, "The Captain of Plymouth," was given. The programs of Friday and Saturday evenings were given by the grades in the school. They were featured by plays, drills and operettas which were well given and enjoyed by large audiences.

The annual sermon was preached in the new Trinity church at 11 a. m. Sunday by Rev. F. L. Conrad, of High Point. He preached from the text: "Why people are destroyed for the lack of knowledge," and made a powerful appeal to the young people to prepare themselves for christian citizenship.

On Monday evening the eleventh grade gave their graduating exercises. Every member in the class had a part and rendered it well. The members of the class this year are: Hazel Coltrane, Ruby Leigh Millikan, Beatrice Lohr, Frankie Lohr, R. B. Downs, Lalah Hassell, Lola Farlow, Joe Welborn, Ina Bulla, Clara Marsh and Golda Farlow.

On Tuesday evening a spirited contest for medals was held by members of the various literary societies. The winners in these contests were: from the girls' society, Velna Welborn, with subject "How Rubenstein Played the old Piano." From the boys' societies, John Andrews, with subject, "The Southern Country Home."

The feature of the commencement was with out doubt the annual address to the graduating class by Dr. Elwood C. Perisho, of Guilford College. In the most pleasing manner he carried his audience, which was large despite the weather, at his will. His appeals for a school and on education that will prepare our young people to live happily at home in the country were matchless. He conertly brought to his avdimce the increased value that an education puts on a child or man. He said it had been proven by statistics that a seventh grade graduate made a man that was worth $20,000; a high school graduate, a man worth $40,000; and a college graduate, a man worth $80,000. But he concluded his argument, that this was the least consideration in the values that an education brings to a man or woman. Dr. Perisho is a speaker who brings out of his own rich experience a message that fires his audience to do his bidding.

In the afternoon a splendid address was made by Mr. Horace Hayworth, who presented the medals to the winning declaimers. It remained for Prof. T. Fletcher Bulla to bring the finishing touches to the addresses of the commencement day. He gave statistics showing the development of the school and brought the good news that the school is now voted as a standard high school. He suggested plans for further improvement. Due to the encouragement he gave a mass meeting of the citizens of Trinity township was called for May 19 at 8:00 p. m. to discuss future building plans.

U. S. SHIPS EN ROUTE TO CHINESE WATERS

They Are Carrying Reinforcements For The Guard Maintained At the Chinese Capital

Ships of the Asiatic fleet are en route to Chinese waters with reinforcements for the marine guard at the American legation in Pekin because of the war disturbance there, it was said today at the navy department.

Secretary Denby said that while no word had been received from the state department or Admiral Strauss requesting additional ships to be sent, the admiral had been given full authority to dispose the ships and men of his fleet as he thought best.

The cruiser Albany already is at Ching-Wanto and the report from Pekin of the arrival of more than 10 additional men for the legation guard undoubtedly, it was said, referred to marines and blue jackets sent from that vessel.

In addition to these two ships, Admiral Strauss has under his command the cruiser New Orleans, now at Vladivostok, 18 destroyers in Philippine waters, and six or eight gunboats on patrol duty in Chinese rivers. It is estimated that Admiral Strauss could in an emergency send 500 or 600 men to Pekin to supplement the marine guard of 375 men regularly maintained there.

ONE CHATHAM COUNTY NEIGHBOR KILLS ANOTHER

The preliminary hearing of R. C. Goodwin for the killing of his neighbor, Otis Ellis, was held in Pittsboro Monday.

It was brought in hearing that Goodwin and Ellis were not on best of terms and a dispute over a certain road through Ellis' premises was involved. It is alleged that Goodwin was hauling pine straw through Ellis' premises and Ellis and Goodwin became angry and a quarrel followed when Ellis made at Goodwin with his axe and Godwin struck him with the pitchfork he had, breaking his skull.

Goodwin was held to May term of court without bond.

Mrs. Russell Dies at Thomasville

The death of Mrs. A. T. Russell, of Star who died last week at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Jones, in Thomasville was a source of regret to her friends in this section. Mrs. Russell went to Thomasville more than a month ago on account of illness of her daughter, and suffered a stroke of paralysis. The second stroke came just week preceding her death. Mrs. Russell was 70 years old and a member of the Methodist church for many years. [illegible]

"UNTO HIM WHO HATH SHALL BE GIVEN" MOTTO OF ADMINISTRATION

(By Walace Bassford)
(Special News Correspondent.)

Washington, D. C., May 8.—The people of Washington, some of whom have seen many years of Republican control, are used to seeing the high salaried attorneys of the corporations come to Washington and go away with what they came for, but surprise is growing over the face that under this administration they not only ask and receive, but, what's more, they get it all. Wearily the observers wait to see Harding do some one thing for the common good, rather than many things for the good of the heavy campaign contributors. Again the words of the Bible come home with forceful truth —"Unto him who hath it shall be given." The great corporations have been relieved of the excess profits taxes, the corporation taxes have been so re-adjusted that the big ones pay less and the small ones of lesser influence and ability pay more, the tariff is being so raised that the rich manufacturers will receive even more profit while the consumer must pay more for all he uses, the currency is being contracted at a rapid rate in order to make money, the merchandise of the rich, more powerful and far-reaching. Encouraged by the applause of the privileged classes, the administration even goes so far as to turn over to the Standard Oil Companies the great ground reserve of fuel oil which the Wilson administration set aside for the use of the navy in the years to come. The great Teapot Dome region in Wyoming, known to contain many millions of barrels of the precious oil, has been given to the Sinclair Consolidated Oil Company. The administration probably trusted to public ignorance to soften the shock, thinking the people are not aware that Standard Oil of Indiana now controls the Sinclair Company through stock ownership, obtained while Harry Sinclair was in Europe on business. When he got home he found that control of his company had passed to the Standard. So it is with the great California reserve; it is now in the hands of Pan-American Petroleum, controlled by Doheny, close ally and partner with the Standard of California.

When Harding won the election one of the demands made of him was that Senator Fall of New Mexico should be Secretary of the interior; the predatory corporations desired nothing more than this, so far as the public domain was concerned. They knew Fall and knew what he woud do. Certainly they are not being disappointed. With such a grab-fest proceeding right out in the public view, men are justified in wondering what is being done with the public properties in Alaska, where minerals of untold value are known to exist, and in which every citizen of the country has an interest, as in the public oil lands of Wyoming and California.

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And Fall is not alone; the public believes that other members of the cabinet are guilty of similar acts. In fact, the whole administration is pervaded with this intense friendship for the rich grabber of spoils. Secretary of War Weeks is alleged to have permitted the selling of surplus war supplies to business interests at ridiculously low prices. All these sales have been carefully engineered to prevent the public receiving any benefit or securing any relief from the high cost of living. Those corporations which furnished these supplies to the government at fancy prices have been permitted to buy back the surplus with a mere fraction of the money they received for the goods, to resell to the public at high prices, thus forcing the people to pay for them twice—one through their taxes and again when purchased for their personal use. Congressman Woodruff alleged that Weeks interferred to prevent the Attorney General prosecuting war profiteers, while Congressman Johnson of South Dakota said on the floor that Weeks had sent to Congress a report on surplus supplies "the most fraudulent, misleading and criminally deceitful."

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Woodruff charges that the Attorney General permits the big fellows who control bootleging operations to live prosperously in perfect freedom, while throwing the little fellows in jail. Woodruff and Johnson are both ex-service men. They are making war on the venality within their own party, and since it is their own party that they accuse, they may well be believed by other Republicans.

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Ol' Doc Fess, saying that men elected to Congress must be resigned to the duty of remaining in Washington on the job, departed for Ohio to campaign for a seat in the Senate, in which body he feels that he will have a better field "to impress my judgement on the Senate." If the people of Ohio see him as his colleagues in the house see him, he will not impress his judgement on the Senate this trip. Here he shines as having been able to procure more jobs for the members of his family than any other member, even more than E. Little of Kansas. The Fess family eats out of the public crib to the extent of between fifteen and twenty thousand dollars per year. Fess announced at Columbus the other day that his campaign will not be against anybody, but for himself. Judging from his record in the House as a salary grabber, it will be for himself—and family.

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The money-hund in control of the Ways and Means Committee of the House, the Committee which taxes the poor, untaxes the rich and fixes the tariff taxes for the country, received a body blow in the defeat of Copley of Illinois for renomination. Copley is a [illegible] member of this committee. Frank Reis, beat Copley, showing that the Ways and Means Committee [illegible] the interests of their class of citizens. He printed a list of the twelve Republicans on the Committee, one of whom has resigned to go as ambassador to Germany and is succeeded by another [illegible] Ogden Mills of New York, so that nine of the twelve members of the dominant majority on the Ways and Means Committee are [illegible]

HARDING'S POLITICS AND CHRISTIANITY IS DISCUSSED BY MINISTER

To the Editor: Can one who does not observe the golden rule be a christian? In dismissing J. L. Wilmeth from the bureau of printing and engraving without giving him a hearing or naming the charges, did President Harding observe the golden rule? Did he do by Mr. Wilmeth and all of those whom he so suddenly dismissed over night as he would have them do by him?

The writer knows J. L. Wilmeth personally. He served with him on the official board of the Columbia Heights Christian church of Washington, D. C., for a number of years. There is not a better man in Washington than J. L. Wilmeth. He is a gentleman and a christian, pious, pure, spiritual, benevolent and a saint. He has been in the employ of the government for years and has proven himself worthy, honorable and honest. At the beginning of the great world war when so many Americans were stranded in Europe J. L. Wilmeth was chosen as the man to go to Europe with a large sum of money to enable the Americans who were then in Europe to defray their expenses home. He has served under Republicans and Democrats and proved himself worthy under both parties.

J. L. Wilmeth, like the man to whom his Lord gave five talents, improved them and was given more. Jesus, says, "He that hath to him shall be given, and he that hath not from him shall be taken that which he hath." President Harding has reversed the order of Jesus and has taken away from him who had and left him without any thing. In doing so, President Harding certainly did not carry out the idea of Jesus Christ, but reversed it. In dismissing J. L. Wilmeth, and others, as he did, he has run rough shod over every idea of justice, a square deal, broken the golden rule, set aside the teachings of Jesus Christ and introduced the spoils system instead of one of merit. It is no longer "to him that hath shall be given," to to him that hath not. Such a policy will destroy all sense of justice, merit and sap the very life out of those who deserve promotion because of merit.

A nation can never thrive with such a leader at the head. Look at America today! Fhat has the present administration done to make the world better? More people have been out of employment during President Harding's administration than any time during the history of America. Farm produce is lower than it has been for years, prices of groceries, dry goods, building material and most everything the farmer has to buy are high, and should the protective tariff now before the senate become a law and a tax is placed on everything one has to buy in order to pay the soldiers' bonus the consumer will have to pay more than ever for goods of all kinds and this world will become a rich man's paradise and a poor man's hell. The rich will be growing richer and the poor poorer. The present administration favors the big interests and works against the small interests and all laboring people.

With a czar upon the throne with the power to dismiss whom he pleases, regardless of merit, good service and honesty this country is doomed. May God deliver us from such a tyrant.—R. W. Stancill, Pastor of the Plymouth (N. C.) Christian church, in the News and Observer.

A Joke on Henry Ford.

Henry Ford tells this story on himself. He was in the habit of using a Ford car to drive to and from his factory in Detroit and his summer home just out of Detroit.

One evening, on his way home, he came across a man on the road who could not get his Ford started. Henry Ford got out of his machine, and in a few minutes managed to get the machine to move.

The man, very much pleased, offered Ford two dollars for his trouble, but it was promptly refused. The man, insisting, said that it would have cost five dollars to be towed back to town.

"Keep your money," said Ford, "I have more now than I can possibly spend."

"What?" said the man. "You mean to say that you have that much money and ride around in one of these things?"

Father of Triplets at 70.

Stokes Judd, a negro farmer living in the vicinity of Buckhorn, about 80 years of age, is the proud father of 20 children, 15 of whom are living. Only 10 years ago triplets came to increase the size of his already large family.

During the civil war "Uncle Stokes" served on the Confederate side. He has vivid recollections of the Ku Klux Klan of the Reconstruction days.

The old fellow is respected far and wide without reference to class or color, and belongs distinctly to the old school of negroes.

Dawkins Sentenced.

Roy E. Dawkins, young Randleman man, who plead guilty to the theft of an automobile, was sentenced by Judge Long, in Guilford superior court, last Friday to two years in the state penitentiary. Clyde Norman and A. M. Fritz, accused with Dawkins, were acquitted.

As Dawkins is an ex-service man, and suffering from tuberculosis, considerable sympathy is manifested for him.