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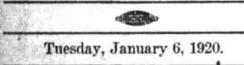
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Demand for Roads Should Be Met.

A feeling widespread throughout the state that more money is needed for road construction took definite form at Charlotte last week in the desession of the legislature to consider additional are springing up is not shedding any tears over road laws.

The conference met chiefly to consider the Asheville-Charlotte-Wilmington highway, but the needs of all sections, voiced by various delegates. brought out constructive criticism of the present facilities for road building. It was said, for instance, that in recent months various counties have voted over \$20,000,000 in road bonds, but that the available state aid is not sufficient to enable these counties to build hard surface nor to connect their lateral roads with the main high-To provide more state road money, the conference proposed a state bond issue of \$50,-000,000, to be spent during the pext five years.

That more road funds must be provided is plain if the awakened determination of the people for better transportation facilities is not to be allowed to dissipate itself without accomplishing what the people are now in mood to do. The people need not only the main lines of travel, but the links which will connect the thriving communities in every county with these trunk roads Lety the smoke commission be reappointed; "let and with their county seats.

There is involved in the proposition better marketing and therefore a stimulus otherwise imsuble to greater production, a production that will be more profitable to the farmer. There is prophesied in the movement a general upbuilding of country life which will keep some of the county's best talent on the soil.

And throughout Western North Carolina there will be made possible through adequate road exand the balanced development of all the resources

the dangers of the seas. The kind of service per formed by the American navy in the great war did not afford opportunity always for display of seamanship under fire and the ability to hold to the ship as long as she was afloat and capable P. M. BURDETTE......General Manager CHAS K. ROBINSON......Editor JOE L. BAKER......Managing Editor GRAY GORHAM......City Editor mander had only the chance left to demonstrate

courage, resourcefulness and judgment. And these are qualities, as Secretary Daniels says which gave glory to the navy in the world war

War on Reds and Blockaders.

Verily these are evil times for reds and block aders. Government agents are losing all respect for personal liberty; the man who from a soap box urges violent assaults on authority and he

son in Western North Carolina, 59 stills have been destroyed and 29 operators have been taken for trial before Judge E. Yates Webb. The federal officers are receiving valuable aid from state and county officers, and it is admitted by some of the most confirmed tipplers, those who were looking to the hills as a last hope for thirst assuaging fluid, that the days of blockading are just about numbered. Since the days of the whiskey rebellion, the mountaineer has looked upon interference with his booze manufacture as tyrannical infringement of primary rights. The villager and the city man, fearful of wood alcohol and potash mixtures, have winked at law violations which gave

him poison in what his fancy led him to believe was a beverage unadulterated and undefiled. But the good old days of blockading, with its picturesque and substantial appeal to the imagination and to the taste, are about gone. . The schoolhouse, the country church and the federal agents, augmenting the influence of the rural police power. are making fast work of the last strongholds of John Barleycorn. And, what is more significant, cision to ask Governor Bickett to call a special the generation in these new schoolhouses that the passing of the mountain still.

Let the Sunshine In.

It is to be hoped that the city commission ers, although engaged with many other civic problems of importance, will not allow themselves to look upon Asheville's smoke as a necessary evil, an evil marring an atmosphere and a sky line which as nature made them ideal.

Too much progress has been made on smoke elimination to say now that what has been for several years can as well as not hang over in for a few years more. More than a dozen smoke less boilers have been installed in various busi ness establishments and schools, beginning as was propér with the city hall. A smoke commission composed of energetic and practical business men aided by a competent engineer, have blazed a notable trail through the sooty pall that hangs low over the city all too often. This smoke curtain has done much harm to the fair name of Asheville

the blessed sunshine in."

Give Milk or Give Way.

The dairymen and the dairy division of the Board of Trade took another forward step yesterday in providing for regular testing of the dairy herds in Buncombe. The health of the milch stock has long ago been subjected to test, but the present enterprise will eliminate from herds those cow; that do not return value received in butter fat and dream, the establishment of summer camp schools milk for the feed introduced into their systems. more milk and cream from the same amount of

out there will invite the growth of the city in a beautiful territory between the present built-up part of West Asheville and Sulphur Springs. I suggest that the city commissioners develop this and worthiness of distinction by men who face park and then place another park out south or north of the city. We must have a play ground and recreation grounds for our visitors. Very truly yours, R. P. Walker

Asheville, January 5.

IS MR. SAUMENIG A "NATURE FAKER?"

Editor of the Citizen While reading one of the "Na-ture" magazines I found an article written by ex-pastor H. Fields Saumenig of the Trinity Episcopal church of Asheyille about a snake and a rabbit. Thinking his many friends about Asheville would enjoy reading it I attach it herewith:

"Editor, Field and Stream:

At the risk of being accused of attempting to qualify as a member of the Auaniai club, I venture to send the following story to your very valuable magazine with the hope that someone learned in the habits of snakes and secretary and trustee of the World's

incident, an account of which follows: During the last open season, (August,) for doves in this state, while driving in an automobile one afternoon toward a distant hunting ground, we were surprised to see a large black snake cross the road ahead of our car. The snake, fully five feet long was travelling at a road arts and five feet long, was traveling at a rapid rate and was hotly pursued by a rabbit; the rabbit all the while biting at the snake's tail, and attempting to put up a fight. When the snake disappeared on the other side of the road, the rabbit gave up the pursuit and re-crossed the road and was last seen in the underbrush. The only explanation that occurred to those of us who watched this strange performance was that the snake had at tacked the rabbit's young and the rabbit was act ing with the natural instict of the mother in pro tecting her off-spring. Two things are quite cer-tain-the snake was plainly being beaten and the rabbit was putting up a fight. I assure yo, sir that the party witnessing this extraordinary inci-dent in animal life was composed of sober and reputable citizens-a wholesale druggist, a wholesale

Respectfully submitted

THE SCISSORS ROUTE

ABUSE OF PARDONING POWER

While everyone with a humane spirit is con-trained to sympathize somewhat with the motive hat prompted Governor Bickett of North Caro-

lina in setting free the life-term prisoners in the penitentiary of his state, there will be a large number who will doubt the wisdom of his act and question the soundness of his judgement. The laws of North Carolina prescribe life im

The laws of North Carolina prescribe life inte-prisonment as a penalty for certain crimes. Those laws were written and are executed for the pur-pose of protecting the people of the state from criminals. It is to be supposed that no one fs undergoing such severe punishment unless guilty of some serious crime. If there are such, there is doubless means of bringing their cases before an investigating heard.

is doubtess means of bringing their cases before in investigating board. What right, then, has one man, even though he be temporarily the chief executive of the state, to set aside the verdicts of courts and liberate the minimum from the state. criminals from the state's prisons, who were sup-posed to have been the most desperate? The gov-ernor's excuse that he does not believe in "eternai punishment." is hardly sufficient to justify the

unusual action. It is extremely doubtful of the same, sober people of North Carolina, those not ruled by maudlin sentimen, will approve the course of their govern or in this respect.

or in this respect. But there is no doubt at all about what the effects of this act will be. It is certain to en-courage crime, and to discourage officers of the law and juries in their work of detecting and convicting criminals. If this is to be a precedent. convicting criminals. If this is to be a precedent North Carolina may look for an area of loos en-

forcement of her criminal laws. It is regrettable that now and then s gov-ernor appears, who allows good intentions to warp

his judgement, and who altempts acts of mercy in impractical ways. Indiscriminately releasing herds of men convicted of desperate crimes can under no circumstances be the best for the state

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS-GOD'S NEW YEAR GIFT TO THE WORLD (By JOHN TROTWOOD MOORE) (Nashville Tennessean.)

It is older

is no new thing. is older than Moses, reborn with Socrats, resurected with Christ, fought for by Washington, fied for by Lincoln and glorified by Woodrow Wilson.



"IN THE DAY'S NEWS"

Dr. William Shaw, who has retired from the position of general secretary of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, has been connected with the society for nearly forty years and is looked upon as the ablest administrator the Christian Endeavor movement has turned out. He is a native of Ballardville, Mass., and a product of the public schools and of experience

In 1883 he became a worker in the society of Christian Endeavor founded by Dr. Francis E. Clark, joined its office staff, from 1886 to 1906 served as treasurer, and in 1906 was elected as secretary and trustee of the World's Christian Endeavor union and as pub-lisher of Christian Endeavor World. Dr. Shaw is an ardent prohibitioniat and several years ago was the pro-hibition party candidate for governor of Massachusetts.

TODAY'S ANNIVERSARIES.

-Charlotte Stein, the intimate friend of Goethe, died at Weim-ar. Born there, Dec. 25, 1742. -British army in Cabul began its retirement of 3849 soldiers and 12,000 camp followers only Dr. Brydone and a few na-tives escaped assassination. Congressmen Clingman of North Carolina and Yancey of Alabama fought a bloodless duel at Beltsville, Md. -Gen. Mariana Arista resigned the office of President of Mex-1853-

1861—U. S. Arsenal at Appalachioco-la, Fla., seized by state troops.
1870—Indiana State Normal School opened at Terre Haute.
1885 — Royalite undiana for the state of the sta

Royalist uprising in Hawaii for the purpose of overthrowing the government. 1895

1900-British repulsed a flerce attack by the Boers on Wagon Hill, at Ladysmith. 1919--Theodore Roosevelt twenty

sixth President of the United States, died at Oyster Bay, N. Y. Born in New York city, Oct. 27, 1538.

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY IN THE WAR.

President Wilson departed from Italy on his return to Paris.

Uprisings of radicals reported from Poland and many parts of Germany. TODAY'S BIRTHDAY'S.

Duncan U. Fletcher, senior United

States senator from Florida, born in Sumter county, Ga., 61 years ago today Ole Hanson, former mayor of Seat-

tle, known for his aggressive Americanism, born in Racine county, Wis. 46 years ago today. Henry E. Dixey, one of the best

known actors of the American stage, born in Boston, 61 years ago today, Adeline Gence, world-famous daner, born in Aarrhuus, Denmark, 44

years ago today. Samuel Rayburn, representative in

congress of the Fourth Texas dis-trict, born in Roane county, Tenn., 38 years ago today. Woodbridge N. Ferris, former gov-

ernor of Michigan, born at Spencer, N. Y., 67 years ago today.

TODAY'S EVENTS

The first anniversary of the death of Theodore Roosevelt will be ob-nerved today with memorial meetings throughout the United States. Many educators are to gather dt Terre Haute today for a celebration of the semi-centennial of the opening of the Indiana State Normal School. The furty-first annual convention of The forty-first annual convention of the United States Potters' association will open in New York city today and continue in session over tomor-

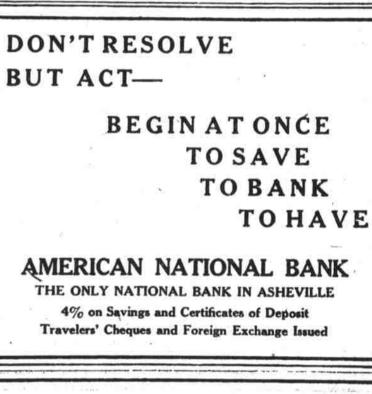
A convention to revise the consti-tion of Illinois, the first held in

The Time to Save

is now, while money is plentiful and wages are high. At no time in the history of this Nation has a finer opportunity been presented to save money than the present. But extravagance must be guarded against. We need to study our expenditures carefully, and to realize the fact that we can't spend our substance and have it, too. We shall be well on the way to becoming a thrifty people when we learn that our savings-not our pay checks-are our profits, and that the process of accumulating savings is substantially the same as getting profits out of business.

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groeer, a railroad man, and a clergyman. Very truly yours, II. Fields Saumenig, Pastor of St. Peter's Church, Rome, Ga." If any reader of the citizen know of any similar adventure in the animal world, I don't believe the John Baker Rumbough

Asheville, January 3.

of this

A bond issue may be the only feasible method of raising the money, when it is most needed. But why not follow the example of urban road taxation, and levy in the rural districts a tax on all property adjoining the improved highways? against monetary loss. Such a tax would decrease the size of the bond the bonds go farther.

At any rate, the state is determined to have more roads than are possible under the present law. Let a special session deliberate over such plans as may be laid before it.

Daniels Calls for a Vote.

Secretary Daniels is willing to rest his side of lege of expressing his opinion on the work of the Knight board and on the secretary's action on the board's report.

For the information of congress and the people, a"statistical report is being prepared, showing the recommendations of the commaning offairs committee.

provides that the highest honors shall be awarded think of "Adamzad, the bear that walks like a to men on shore duty who distinguished them- man."

selves "by exceptionally meritorious service in a duty of great responsibility." The secretary seems great responsibility.

In the case of men and officers on ships that business. were lost, Mr. Daniels runs up against the traditions of the navy which deny highest honors to commanders and crews of such craft. But the strike, but he will have a harded time quelling unsecretary will undoubtedly have the support of the rest in the republican national convention people in his contention that "the service worthy of the highest distinction is that redered afloat in the presence of the enemy. . . . I do not think that the American people can be persuaded to accept the idea that the distinguished service medal Editor of the Citizen: should not be given to the captain of a ship, who bears himself courageously in the supreme hour for which all other hours in his naval career were public. but preparatory, if his ship is lost by submarine or mine attack."

If the service traditions of the navy are against conferring the highest honors on men who lose their ships, such an ideal does not square well with the public thinking on what constitutes valor *

feed, fewer animals of better quality and a solu tion therefore for the high cost of feedings animais who consume cottonseed meal and forage without assuming any responsbility to the feeder

The dairy industry in Buncombe is one of the issue necessary and would make the proceeds of youngest and most progressive in the south. Its methods are helping to revolutionize stock raising in this section.

Mayor Roberts has wisely called upon the various civic organizations to pass judgment upon the proposal to purchase the Surphur Springs property for a city park. And when the Board of Trade takes action on the question it should be the controversy over decorations with the men easy to take a referendum of a considerable porin naval service, regardless of rank, and with the tion of the business interests represented in the public. He has issued instructions that every man membership. Instead of having a quorum of the in naval or marine service shall have the privi- board of directors speak for the whole member ship, why not call upon every member of the Board of Trade to vote by card? In a matter so important it would at least be well to have a vote from every director.

Although Norman Hapgood, former minuster to floers, what was done by the award board and the Denmark, has honest doubts whether the soviet final action of the secretary of the navy. This form of government would be bad for Russia, he data will be turned over to the senate naval af- does not appear to be the friend of the "bolshevik dictatorship" that Colonel Harvey would have us

The chief points in dispute involve the recog- believe. Hapgood says that the Russian masses nition that should be given officers and men whose are not only opposed to the Lenine rule, but that ships were lost in fight with the enemy or were the peasants as a class are opposed to all com destroyed by mines and what honors should be munism. That's hopeful. Perhaps nobedy, not given officers on shore duty. Secretary Daniels even Russia, knows what the country wants. But appears to have followed the act of congress which in thinking of the Russian peasant it is hard to

While the Supreme court divided five to four to have made the proper distinction between serv. in upholding the Volatead enforcement fact, the ice which was or was not rendered in positions of decision forces the unanimous conviction unon wholesalers and retailers that they are out of

Governor Collidge stopped the Boston police



I am glad to see that the mayor has an option on the Sulphur Springs property These famous springs ought to be owned by the public. When it becomes known throughout the South that these springs are owned by the city and there is a park around them, it will attract people from all over the Southern states

there is a park around them, it will attract people from all over the Southern states. The view from the old hotel site is one of the pretiest to be found anywhere in the world. This property would make an ideal recreation ground for our citizens, and the city will soon build ou that way. West Asheville is one of the pretiest sections of this country and the nuiting of a park that way. West Asheville is one of the prettiest sections of this country and the putting of a park

voice in Abel, Christ fou tution op Cramer, Robert Emmelt, Abraham Lincoln tution of Illinois, the first held in that state in half a century, will meet of Science and to be a set of the state o

It is the greatest vision from a loftier Sinai from which God has spoken to the world. For "where there is no vision the people perish."

Imperfect? Yes. But time's great sun alone makes perfect the dream of the stars, and time will prove its perfectness. Impossible? Sure. Impossible? Sure. Another name for coward's king-imposter. Visonary? Undoubtedly. Always a fool's view of the visiting angel, Rebellious? Great God, yes!

Rebel is the name that tyranny gives to patriotism.

Full of holes to the visionless and blind? To be sure. So were the Ten Commandments, 'he first great league of nations, how the moral law of all the world.

"Thous shall have no other Gods before me." Only one God? To hell with it! What What shall we do with Isis and Osiris, our sacred bull

ind our stuffed cat. Thus the Pharraohs, the Egytian Senate and the meanly malicious and ignorant of Moses' day.

Shalt not steal, nor kill, nor commit adultery nor take from the weaker? God of our fathers, haven't we done it al

What a fool!

But the league of Moses won! And the Christ: All men are my brethren. They shalt love thine enemy and thy neighbor

as thyself-there is one God, Father of all. All men are brothers? God of Jacob, what blasphemy!

Love them as ourselves? No more killing? Shrines of our warrior gods, our Cyruses and our Jaesars!

Ho! for hell and a Roman holiday! They crucified Him but His league won, even as this league will win.

It will live because it is of God and God al-

s lives. Who lives today, Socrates or his judges

Whom will the centuries decorate, Lodge on drow Wilson?

It will win because it is for humanity and he who is on the side of humanity has God always on his side. Who has won today. Christ or Pontius Pilate?

For God and one have always been a greater majority than all of the councils of kings, all the closed chambers of statesman, all the obstructions

of senates, and all the intrigues of autocracy

Born in Eden, it has lived through a hunded centuries.

Through suffering, sacrifices and death it has SUNDAY SCHEDULE DIFFERS IN THE Greek Isles, Rome, and Europe under Tartar, priest, savage, Hun and the hell of the Hohen-

Journeyed through Egypt Assyria, Jerusalem, the Greek Isles. Rome, and Europe under Tartar, priest, savage, Hun and the hell of the Hohen zollerns. On its sieeve are are the service stripes of the Red sea. Thermopylae, the hemlock draught, Calvary, Joan at the stake. Tours, Magna Charta, July the Fourth, Valley Forge, the Bastille, Get-tysburg and the Hindenburg line. It is the signal fiame that lit up the hilltops above Runnymede. flared over Bunker Hill and King's Mountain, to become the torch of liberty enlightening the world. It has survived wars, massacres, famines, fires, assassins, slanders, lies, crucifixions, trait-ors' scorners, maniacs, butchers, devils and Huns, It has kept step with the stars, followed the sun, been the fist of God, the force of the universe, and the still small voice in the core science of men, that, through all ages and all times, has been the voice of God. It is the atonement of Ignorance, sin, hatred, and death: the redemption of love to live, peace to survive, truth to conquer and right to rule. It is God's Declaration of Independence to the human race! Dead? It is just born. Killed? It is eternal!

at Springfield today for organization. Ratification of the federal woman suffrage amendment is expected to be one of the first acts of the Rhode Island legislature, which meets today

for its annual session. Improved farm methods and the benefits of organization will be dis-cussed by the Georgia Federation of Farm Bureaus at a superstantial of the second sec Farm Bureaus at a convention to be opened today in Atlanta.

TODAY'S CALENDAR OF SPORTS.

Racing-Winter meeting of Cuba-American Jockey club, at Havana. Trotting—Annual meeting of stew-ards of the Bay Circuit, at Worcester, Automobile—Annual meeting of Soclety of Automotive Engineers, at New York.

Athletics-War Camp Community Service indoor meet, at Atlanta, Ga. Boxing-Marty Cross vs. Young Fisher, 10 rounds, at Syracuse.

STREET CAR SCHEDULE

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p. m. DEPOT VIA FRENCH BROAD AVE. AUE-6 a. m., and every 15 minutes until

MANOR-6 a. m. and every 15 minutes

MANON-S S. M. and every is minutes until 11 p. m. CHARLOTTE STREET TERMINUS-6 a. m. and every 15 minutes until 11 p. m.; 11:30 car runs through: returning leaves end of car line at 12. PATTON AVENUE-6 a. m. and every is minutes until 11 p.

15 minutes until 11 p. m. EAST STREET-6 a. m. and avery 15

alnutes until 11 p. m. GRACE, VIA MERRIMON AVENUE-a. m. then every 15 minutes until 11

9. m. BILTMORE-6 a. m., and ther overy 13 minutes until 11 p. m., ast exp. DEPOT AND WEST ASHEVILLE VIA SOUTHSIDE AVENUE-5:30 a. m. and every 16 minutes until 11 a. m.

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