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### HOTELS, BOARDING HOUSES.

Hotels and boarding houses are advised to have information in the hands of the secretary of the G. H. club as to location, rates, accommodations, etc., for the new booklet, by March 20.

### V. E. GRANT ELECTED HEAD ADVISER OF STATE WOODMEN.

V. E. Grant was unanimously elected Head Adviser of the Woodmen of the World of North Carolina at the convention held in Durham according to a telegram received by the Democrat from Jno. T. Wilkins Tuesday. This office carries the second highest honor that can be conferred by the Woodmen in the State and it automatically promotes that of Head Consul of the Woodmen of North Carolina, which position Mr. Grant will very likely fill two years hence.

### MEANS OF TERMS "NITROGEN," "AMMONIA," "PROTEIN."

(Progressive Farmer.) A reader sends us tags taken from cottonseed meal, which he says was sold him as "8 per cent meal," and asks if cottonseed meal with such a tag on it is "the best meal?" The tag contains in plain terms, "guaranteed analysis: nitrogen 6.18 per cent."

When meal is described at 8 per cent meal the meaning is that it contains 8 per cent of ammonia. The term "ammonia" should no longer be used, but since the mill men and many others still continue the use of the term, the buyer must learn what it means. If our reader had known that to find out whether this meal contained 8 per cent of ammonia he only had to multiply the guaranteed per cent of nitrogen by 17 and divide the product by 14, he could easily have found out that the meal sold him was not "8 per cent meal," but only 7 1-2 per cent meal. That is, meal guaranteed to contain 6.18 per cent of nitrogen only contains as much nitrogen as there is in meal containing 7 1-2 per cent ammonia. When meal containing 6.18 per cent of nitrogen, equivalent to 7.5 per cent of ammonia, equivalent to 38.6 per cent of protein, sells for \$24 a ton of nitrogen, equivalent to 8 p per cent of ammonia, is worth about \$25.50 a ton.

Meal guaranteed to contain 6.18 per cent of nitrogen, equivalent to 7.5 per cent of ammonia is not the best meal, for there is meal on the market containing more nitrogen, which is the basis on which cottonseed meal should be bought and sold. To change nitrogen to an equivalent of ammonia, multiply by 17 and divide by 14. To change ammonia to an equivalent of nitrogen multiply by 14 and divide by 17. To change nitrogen to an equivalent of protein, multiply by 6.25 or 6 1-4 and of course, to change protein to an equivalent of nitrogen divide by 6.25.

### CHARGED WITH BURGLARY.

A daring burglary was committed at the home of Captain J. W. Wofford Tuesday night of last week. Two negroes, John Williams and Elsie Lathan captured by the police are said to have confessed to the deed. Captain and Mrs. Wofford were both at home when the robbery took place but did not hear the intruders. Later it was found that a quantity of provisions from the pantry was missing. Investigation by the police resulted in suspicion against two negroes, who, when arrested and tried before B. F. Hood, Monday, are said to have confessed. They were found over to court under heavy cash bonds.

### PASTORS EXCHANGE PULPITS.

The pastors of four of Hendersonville's churches exchanged pulpits Sunday morning without previous announcement. The visiting pastors arrived at the places of worship just prior to church services and until announcements were made from the pulpits the congregations were not aware of the innovation. Rev. W. F. Womble occupied the pulpit of the First Baptist, Rev. K. W. Cawthon visiting the Presbyterian, Rev. G. F. Wright filling the Methodist and Rev. J. M. Shive the East Baptist.

### THE LETTER "E."

(Fourth Estate.) Some one has advanced the opinion that the letter "e" is the most unfortunate letter in the English alphabet, because it is always out of cash, forever in debt, never out of danger and in hell all the time. For some reason he overlooked the fortunate of the fact that "e" is never in war and always in peace. It is the beginning of existence, the commencement of ease and the end of trouble. Without it there would be no meat, no life and no heaven. It is the center of honesty, makes love perfect and without it there would be no editors, devils or news.

### EDITOR RECOGNIZES LACK OF SUPPORT AND MAKES COMPLAINT.

(Shelby Highlander.) Our contemporary, Brother Page of the King's Mountain Herald, last week gave vent to his long standing and but partially pent-up feelings, resulting from a pitifully inadequate support from his home merchants. His case is more typical than that of his fellow-journalists, wherever they may be located.

He opens his editorial column with the following choice bit: "How come?" "The Herald to have only four pages this week?" "Simply because the business men of King's Mountain didn't help us to make it bigger."

This is plain speaking, to say the least. But he reserved for his leading editorial his hottest shot, as follows: "The Herald goes to about sixty different towns in North Carolina and to as many in other States and to the Philippines Islands. Suppose a man who has never visited here picks it up, what impression does he get of the town? No grocery store, no drug store, no hardware store, no flour mill, no hotel, no dry goods store, no blacksmith shop, no lawyers, no doctors, no justices of the peace, no notary, no candy, no fruit—nothing, but one bank and one newspaper. Do you think he would be liable to come here to invest? See the point?"

Now it so happens that Page has a real grievance. He has given King's Mountain the best paper it has ever had—by far. Also he has built up a respectable circulation. King's Mountain, our splendid sister town, is really a good town, in normal times,—but like so many other towns in the United States, it got hit by the war and I suspect that it has merchants who are as hard up as Editor Page and have as big a grievance against fate.

If times were good, Page would have more ads than he could handle. Our advice to Brother Page is to hunt a bigger town. When King's Mountain gets in better shape, it will send for Page to come back and be one of the boosters.

### THE EDUCATED PERSON.

A professor in the University of Chicago declares that to be educated a man must be able to truthfully answer in the affirmative the following list of questions: Has education made you public spirited? Have you learned how to make friends and keep them? Do you know what it is to be a friend yourself? Can you look an honest man or a pure woman in the eye? Do you see anything to love in a little child? Will a lonely dog follow you in the street? Can you be high-minded and happy in the meanest drudgeries of life? Do you think washing dishes and hoeing corn just as compatible with high thinking as piano playing and golf?

Are you good for anything yourself? Can you be happy alone? Can you look out on the world and see anything except dollars and cents? Can you look into a mud puddle by the wayside and see a clear sky? Can you see anything in the puddle but mud? Can you look into the sky at night and see beyond the stars? Do you measure up to the test? Try the formula on yourself and see whether or not you are educated, forgetting for the time being that you may never have seen the inside of a college building. All is not education that you learn from books. The world is a great teacher; the world is a strict disciplinarian, and there are many men who never saw inside of a college who are thorough graduates, according to the above list of qualities.

### MARTIAL MUSIC.

Aeroplanes, Submarines, Gory stains, Smithereens! Zeppelins, Bombs to drop, Horrid dins, Wish 'twould stop! Shot and shell, Noise galore! War is hell, Nothing more, Shape your views For the press, Call it news, What a mess! How they shoot 'Tother ones, Dumdum shoot From their guns, Uncle Sam With the stuff They'd flim-flam, But he's tough; So they'll find Spite of fizz He'll just mind His own biz. —New York Sun.

Read the Democrat and trade with its advertisers for they help improve the community.

## Financial Destruction

The merchants of this town deserve the patronage of the people of this community. They are a part, and a very important part, of the community. They pay a very considerable portion of the taxes of the town and of the county. They contribute to the support of the churches and other social institutions, and make possible many things the community would not have if they were not here.

The mail-order houses of the cities are spending thousands of dollars for the purpose of putting the country merchants of this town, and other towns, out of business, and every man who spends a dollar with them assists in the accomplishment of their selfish aims.

The ultimate end of the mail-order method will be the centralizing of all the business of the country in the large cities and the financial destruction of the smaller cities and towns.

Are you willing to be a party to the financial destruction of this town?

### Merchants Association of Hendersonville

DUTY EVERY BUSINESS MAN OWES TO HIS ORGANIZATION.

Instead of Going Adrift Merchants Should Pull Together for Success of Their Organization.

"The value of organization" is a subject which never can be worn out, notwithstanding that progressive merchants in every line have become so imbued with the necessity for getting together and holding together that extensive missionary work is happily not so imperative as it used to be. But so long as one eligible and desirable individual firm or corporation remains outside the pale of his local and national trade association, so long will it be timely to preach organization, and it is noticeable from the secretaries' reports of the various stationers' associations and clubs that there are some stray sheep who should be safely herded into the fold.

A vast amount of good has been done for the stationery industry by its various associations, in the past, in vital matters from a municipal ordinance and a trade custom to a Congressional legislation for the regulation of national business. It is safe to say that had it not been for a close watch kept upon commercial progression or retrogression, as affected by civic, state and national politics, by the various stationers' organizations, the individual stationer would not enjoy the same measure of rights that he holds today. He may not realize what he has gained by the persistent efforts of his association, because, in some instances, the difficulties, which otherwise would have beset his path have been met and dissipated before they overtook him, and in others his path was made easier for him while he slept. But if he were cast adrift to shift hereafter for himself, he would soon awaken to the stern reality of what it means to be an orphan in business dependent upon his single and puny efforts to protect himself from oppression within and without his own trade.

But while the work done by trade organization has been vast and important, there still remains much to be done. There will always be work to do which none but organized trade can accomplish so long as the wheels of commerce continue to turn, and it behooves every man and woman who makes his or her livelihood out of an industry to see to it that he or she lends all the support possible to his or her trade organization. It is a duty none the less imperative than is the duty to vote on election day. If we are too indifferent to support the candidate who represents our views, we have no right to complain of misgovernment.


If, therefore, we do not loyally support our trade organization, we have no right to grumble at unfair trade customs, bad business practice, or unjust laws. It is questionable taste on the part of the man who lives on free lunch to upbraid the cook. It is very easy for the busiest of busy men to help his association. He need not take an active part in its affairs, he may not even serve upon its committees, but it is his plain duty to encourage those who do. He should join the organization in the first place and pay his dues freely and promptly for the sake of others, but for his own sake. He may not be a speaking member; in fact it is often better to remain dumb when we have nothing particular to say. But he can do a whole lot by attending meetings regularly, by a handshake or an encouraging word or two spoken on the side to the executive members who are doing the work. The encouragement of well attended meetings and dinners has much to do with the success of an organization, and it costs so little effort that absence without cause should be a disgrace.—American Stationer.

### SIX MONTHS PIG WEIGHED 202.

F. M. Nichols was in the city Tuesday from Horse Shoe feeling good over a six months Poland Chian pig which when dressed weighed 202 pounds, which was much above the average.

### TUXEDO PICTURE AT THE VISTA.

The Vista theatre next week will show a two reel picture made at Tuxedo by the Edison company, entitled "Across the burning trestle." The picture shows scenes around Tuxedo and the spectacular burning of a trestle.



**CHARLESTON HOTEL MAN BUYS THE WHEELER.**

The Wheeler hotel has been sold to C. R. Fogus, owner of the St. John hotel of Charleston, according to a letter received by Postmaster S. Y. Bryson.

Mr. Fogus, writes that he has closed the deal with the Wheeler estate, at Columbia, for the entire property and will begin improvements at once with a thorough renovation and some remodeling.

Mr. Fogus is proprietor of one of the leading hotels of South Carolina and has had considerable experience in the business.

The Wheeler hotel is one of Hendersonville's leading summer hostleries.

### PREPARE FOR DEAR EGGS.

If the farmer wishes to benefit by the high prices that eggs are certain to bring next fall and winter, he should begin to get ready for them at once, say the poultry specialists in the department. The way to have eggs late in the year is to hatch pullets early. It is the early hatches from which the pullets are derived that are the largest money makers for the poultry producer. The early hatched cockerels can be marketed in America when they attain a weight of three-fourths of a pound to a pound and a half each, which they should reach at about 6 to 10 weeks of age, respectively, at a greater profit to the producer than at any other time of their lives. The early pullets, if properly grown, should begin to lay in the fall at the time when eggs are scarce and high in price.

### A Few Facts to Remember.

Pullets must be well matured before they will lay many eggs. Pullets that start to lay in the fall before cold weather sets in will, as a rule, lay all winter. It is the early hatched pullets that produce eggs in the fall and early winter, when prices are high. February, March, and April are the months to do your hatching in order to secure early hatched pullets. Yearling and 2-year-old hens do not lay many eggs in the fall, as they are molting at that time, and the feed they consume goes not only to keep up the energy and life of the birds but also to put on or grow a new coat of feathers. In properly matured pullets all surplus energy beyond that needed to meet the requirements of the body is available for the production of eggs.

### WORD "DAMNABLE PROFANE."

At a recent Pastors' Conference in Greenville, South Carolina, one of the brethren read a paper in which he referred to something in the city's life as "damnable." In the frank and friendly comments on the paper that followed its reading an eminent minister gently suggested that the word "damnable" is near-profanity if not profane outright, and therefore should not be considered eligible for pulpit use. The ensuing discussion, however, showed the weight of opinion in favor of the continued use of the militant Saxon word. But the Baptist Courier in reporting the incident under the caption of "Near Profanity" agrees with the critic of the word and cites the following definition of "damnable" in the Century Dictionary: "Odious; detestable; abominable; outrageous. (Regarded as Profane.)" So, brethren, be particular with your language!—Biblical Recorder.

### VERY YOUNG S. S. SUPT.

(Statesville Landmark.) An incident of the recent Missionary Institute at Broad Street Methodist church, Statesville, which by some means escaped the newspaper reports made at the time, deserves wide publicity. It is mentioned in the secretary's report of the institute printed in the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and is as follows: "This report would not be complete without reference to Miss Gertrude Allen, who was introduced by the presiding elder as probably the youngest Sunday school superintendent in Southern Methodism. This is an honor for which Statesville district feels proud. Miss Allen is a mere slip of a girl, 14 years old, who lives on the Alexander circuit, and has been regularly elected to the superintendency of their local school. In answer to my question she said very modestly: 'We began with four children, besides my own brothers and sisters, in an old house, which I had swept and prepared. Now we have 39 scholars. I love the work very much, and I would like to give my life as a foreign missionary if they will have me.'

Think of a 14-year-old girl taking charge of a Sunday school! And the fact that the attendance has grown from four to 39 shows that good work is being done.

### IT ISN'T YOUR TOWN, IT'S YOU.

If you want to live in the kind of a town Like the kind of a town you like, You needn't slip your clothes in a grip And start on a long, long hike. You'll only find what you left behind, For there's nothing that's really new. It's a knock at yourself when you knock your town. It isn't your town—it's you.

### Real towns are not made by men afraid

Lest somebody else gets ahead. When everyone work and nobody shirks You can raise a town from the dead. And if while you make your personal stake, Your neighbor can make one, too. Your town will be what you want to see. It isn't your town—it's YOU! —From Columbus (Miss.) Newspaper

### G. H. CLUB MEETING.

The Greater Hendersonville club will meet at the library Friday night at eight o'clock, when a good attendance is desired.

### DEMOCRAT READER KEEPS UP WITH AFFAIRS BY BORROWING.

A certain well known citizen of this community has persistently recognized the value of this paper as a disseminator of local news, and has paid us a peer of all compliments in a manner which speaks volumes for his knowledge of the good things of life. He is not destitute of this world's goods, and he possesses the rare faculty of holding onto that which he gets, lest the pangs of poverty overtake him in his declining years.

He possesses a wide knowledge of local affairs, because he is a constant reader of this paper, and the knowledge extracted therefrom is turned to good account in his own behalf.

If an important event is soon to occur he knows of it in advance, because he has read of it in this paper. If there is a bargain to be had anywhere in the community he is promptly apprised of the fact, because that, too, he has read in this paper.

And if an acquaintance is sick, or death has overtaken some member of a family, or the stork has paid a visit to the home of some friend, he is among the first to extend his condolences or congratulations—because of these, also, he has read in this paper.

He is a man of wisdom—a pillar of strength—with a brain which absorbs to the utmost of the essence of life. Few things escape his notice—he is ever on the alert.

But the ONE THING which he NEVER OVERLOOKS is THIS PAPER, and therein lies the compliment which he like unto himself. It gives us a feeling that we are something more than a mere human worm, that we are even a whole cog in the community wheel.

True, he is NOT A SUBSCRIBER to the paper—his dollar never reaches this office—but he READS THE PAPER JUST THE SAME.

His neighbor is a subscriber, and pays in advance, and in his generosity he lends the paper to the "pillar of strength"—by request.

But it may not always be so. In time we have hopes that the "pillar" will pay us the super-compliment of permitting us to humbly add his own distinguished name to our subscription list.

### HE DIDN'T TAKE THE PAPER.

A farmer in this community once had a horse he wanted to sell. It was a valuable horse and should have brought a good price. For months he tried to sell the animal, but could not find a buyer at his figure. He finally sold it for about \$25 less than its value, rather than carry it through the winter.

Now it happened that just across the line in another county there was another farmer who was looking for just such a horse, but was unable to find it. Then he inserted a little ad in the home paper, which brought him a number of offers, one of which he reluctantly accepted. The first farmer did not take the home paper, and of course did not see the little ad of the man who wanted a horse, and who would have purchased his animal at a good price.

By not taking the paper he saved the subscription price of \$1, and likewise lost \$24 by not seeing the other fellow's ad. Such occurrences are happening every week right here in this community, in which people actually lose good money because they do not take their home paper, and hence do not know of many of the opportunities that are placed before them.

The man who takes the paper and reads it carefully each week not only knows what is going on, but he is in fact money ahead at the end of the year by knowing what, when and where to buy. "Penny wise and pound foolish" is exemplified in many ways.

### SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT TO BE HELD AT BALFOUR MARCH 19.

The Balfour school commencement will be held at the Balfour graded school house on the morning and night of March 19. The declamation and recitation contests will be conducted in the forenoon, beginning at 10 o'clock. At 12 o'clock an address will be delivered either by Prof. N. A. Melton of Fruitland or Noah M. Hollowell of Hendersonville. It has not been decided which will speak during the morning exercises, but announcement of this will be made in next week's Democrat. Beginning at 7:30 o'clock Friday night the annual entertainment, consisting of plays, drills, recitations, music and the awarding of prizes, will be held.