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William Hohenzollern always said that he received his crown from the Lord. "The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord!"—Little Rock Arkansas Gazette.

America sits at the head of the parade and her marchers lead in winning the admiration of the world. But this is not surprising. We knew he would.

It is the same old story. The Legislature spends a whole month in getting ready for business, talks two weeks more and then rushes measures through without due consideration. Half the session is gone and little or importance, so far as the public has been able to judge, has been accomplished. But while there's life there's hope.

The Stevens-Scales highway bill, or some similar measure, is needed in North Carolina if the State hopes to keep step with the progress of the times. The Government requirement must be met and the Legislature should evolve a feasible plan by which the State may be enabled to grasp this opportunity to construct highways on an extensive scale. Other states are falling in line. Why not North Carolina?

It has taken a long time to get around to it, but the congressional committee on Privileges and Elections has at last reported its findings in the Britt-Weaver contest case. Weaver wins, of course, and Mr. Britt must content himself with the expense allowance. The ex-Congressman doubtless shares the opinion once expressed by John G. Grant after meeting his Waterloo on the field of politics.

A favorable report has been made on the nomination of Hon. Thos. D. Warren for the Eastern District Attorneyship and this indicates an early confirmation by the Senate. Marion Butler is not there now to talk until the session of Congress expires, as he did in the Ewart case years ago, and Mr. Warren may rest assured that his good friend Furnifold M. Simmons will "put him across" all right. We congratulate Mr. Warren on his good fortune. It is a distinction well earned.

"Hendersonville, clean, restful and hospitable" says the Morganton News-Herald. "Good luck to you, neighbor" says the Polk County News apropos of the Georgia Military Academy. "We must hand it to the Kentucky Home Management" says the Waynesville Carolina Mountaineer. Thanks, brothers (and sisters). Your visit was appreciated not only by local representatives of the Fourth Estate, but by Hendersonville business men and the people generally. Some day, in the good old summer time when this damned epidemic goes where it can join the "good" Germans, the editors of the Hendersonville papers hope to have you here again, and with you a member of the W. N. C. Association, and to let you see what Hendersonville and the Board of Trade can do when they want to be nice to somebody, and are not hampered by influenza epidemics and muddy roads.

**THE TAX AMENDMENT**

The Revenue Bill adopted by the conference committee of the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States Congress includes a provision imposing a special tax on the products of individuals, partnerships, or corporations employing children. The child labor amendment is destined to put an end to the practice of working small children long hours in industry. It would levy a special additional tax of 10 per cent of the entire net profit of the previous taxable year upon every person, firm or corporation operating (a) any mine or quarry in which children under the age of sixteen years have been employed or permitted to work during any portion of the taxable year; or (b) any mill, cannery, workshop, or manufacturing establishment in which children under the age of fourteen years

have been employed or permitted to work; or children between the age of fourteen and sixteen have been employed or permitted to work more than eight hours in each day, or more than six days in any week, or after the hour of seven o'clock p. m., or before the hour of six o'clock a. m.

The first taxable year for the purpose of this provision of the War Revenue Bill will be the period between sixty days after the passage of the act and December 31, 1919. This means that North Carolina concerns are soon to be visited by Federal Inspectors unless the present General Assembly places the State in a position to attend to its own affairs. The Federal bill provides that in any State, designated by the Government board having been entrusted with the enforcement of the act, employment certificate or any other similar paper as to the age of a child, issued under the laws of that State, and not inconsistent with the Government regulations, shall have the same force and effect. Let us get ready in North Carolina.

**PROPOSED TAX LEGISLATION.**

"The General Assembly now in session seems determined to deal with the tax question in a thorough and fundamental way. One of the most important measures before it is a bill recommended by the Corporation Commission, the Special Tax Commission and the Governor, proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to authorize the taxing of income from property by the State as well as income from wages, salaries and fees, which are already taxed. There can be no justification for taxing wage and salary incomes and exempting the income from property. Such a discrimination as this is not made in any other State or country, and this discrimination should be removed at the first opportunity.

A feature of this proposal that is of great interest and importance is that if this amendment is ratified, as it surely will be if it is submitted, a very moderate rate of income tax on income from property as well as from wages and salaries and fees will yield sufficient revenue to take the place of the property tax now levied by the State for the support of the State Government and its institutions, and will leave all of the property tax from all classes of property to the counties and municipalities. We believe that this will be very popular with the people of the State, and the knowledge that this will be done will make it a great deal easier to make a complete success of the other undertaking that this General Assembly seems determined to make, that of having all of the property of the State listed and valued according to its actual value as required by the Constitution. If the General Assembly makes positive provision to have every tax rate in the State cut as near as possible in proportion to the total increase in property values, under the new assessment and then provides by the submission of the income tax amendment for all of the taxes from the increased property values to be used by the counties and the municipalities and the public schools, we believe it will meet with the highest public approval.

It is the purpose of the Legislature to continue the old assessment of real estate for the year 1919 so as to give plenty of time to have the reassessment made in the most thorough way to assure a just and accurate result, and the new assessment will not be used until 1920, and then only after all tax rates have been made to conform to the increased assessments.

As before stated this General Assembly is dealing with these fundamental questions in the most thorough way, but the public may be well assured that it is not going to levy burdensome tax rates. In the revenue bill introduced in the House this week the State tax levy for public schools is increased to 32 cents, in the interest of providing for the six months of school, but the amount of the increase in this levy by the State for the schools is taken from the State's levy for its own use in maintaining the State Government and its institutions, and this tax for the use of the State is reduced to 11 2-3 cents. This reduction is made possible by the increased revenue the State is now receiving from inheritance, franchise, privilege and license taxes.

**Fjord and Farewell.**

The word "fjord" comes from the old Norse, survives in the modern words "firth" and "frith," is connected with the English "fare," meaning to travel, and used in the word "farewell," and meant, most probably, in the first instance, says the author of "Norwegian Pictures," water safe for navigation on account of its sheltered position.

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**TAXIS, RECENTLY INTRODUCED INTO JAPAN ARE HANDLED BY FAIR SEX OF NIPPON**



CHAUFFERETTE IS GREETED IN JAPAN.

The woman of Japan, although the war has made but little ingress into her man power, has realized that she has her bit to do as her sisters of the other allied countries. This woman has chosen chauffering as her pursuit. Many taxis, which have but recently found a place in the everyday affairs of Japan, are being handled by the fair sex of Nippon.

**CRANKCASE ILLS OF MOTOR CARS**

Distillation Tests of Lubricant Made by Engineer of National Reputation.

**GASOLINE HAD LEAKED OUT**

Figures Given Should Form Illuminating Comment on Troubles Motorists Are Having—Difficulty Solved in Two Ways.

An engineer of national reputation, who has been making distillation tests of lubricant taken from the crankcases of motorcars, reports in one typical case that 45 per cent of the supposed oil in the crankcase was nothing more nor less than gasoline which had not been consumed and had leaked down past the pistons. Only 37 1/2 per cent of good lubricating oil was found—oil that is really suited for lubrication of the cylinder walls and piston rings. Nor was this a neglected car. The oil had been in the crankcase only nine days and a grade of gasoline testing 58 Baume had been used.

The test figures were checked by a government chemist and are incontrovertible. They should form an illuminating comment on the trouble motorists are having in these days of low-gravity fuels.

**Solving Difficulty.**

The difficulty, say the experts, is to be solved only in two ways—more frequent changing of the oil in the crankcase and greater care in the purchase and use of low grade or "stale" gasoline.

"It is not uncommon," says the editor of Motor Age, "for a car to start on a tour with the gasoline tank filled with a good grade of gasoline and run beautifully for the first two days, perhaps, or until a fresh supply of gasoline is taken on at some small out-of-town garage or country store. Then, before long, a noticeable loss of power manifests itself in the engine.

"There is nothing more distressing than the gloom of impending engine trouble. So, think of the gasoline first and you may find the source of that power loss. The trouble caused by poor gasoline is an illusive one and generally gives the inexperienced operator no end of perplexity in laying his hands on the difficulty.

**Facilitate Starting.**

"In trouble of this kind, to facilitate starting, one should drain a half to a cupful of gasoline from the float chamber of the carburetor. This will remove water and dirt if it is that which is giving trouble.

"The operation should be followed by priming the cylinders with gasoline and then holding a cloth saturated with gasoline over the air intake of the carburetor while the starter is operated. If the engine runs with power on the priming mixture and then dies down to less power when the tank gasoline is being used, it is well to assume that the trouble is within the gasoline itself, and the remedy is to replace the gasoline immediately. If this is not possible, change the carburetor mixture for more gas until a new supply is available."

**Dirt Causes Valve Leak.**

If dirt once makes its way into the valve stem a leak is almost certain to result.

**FILLING BATTERY TOO FULL**

As Bad as Not Putting in Any Water, as Overflow Runs into Bottom, Eating It Out.

Filling your battery too full is as bad as not putting any water into it at all.

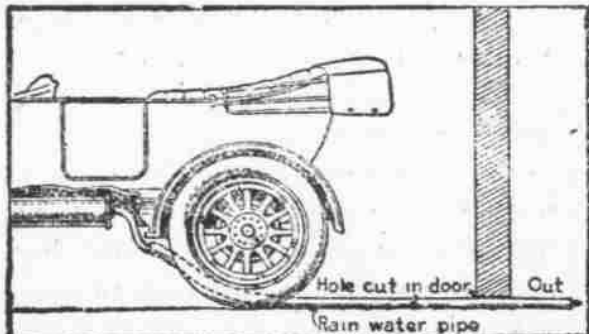
When the cells are too full, rough riding or a rapid charging of the battery due to long sustained or rapid driving forces the electrolyte to overflow and run down into the bottom of the battery box. It is only a short time until the acid fluid will eat the bottom out.

The motorist should keep in mind that while it is pure distilled water he puts into the cells, it is not water, but diluted acid that overflows. This acid will corrode both wood and steel. In filling the battery cover the plates with about a half inch of water. More than this is unnecessary. This depth will allow for the movement of electrolyte caused by rough driving or rapid charging.

**PIPE EXHAUST FROM GARAGE**

Old Drain Pipe is Used for Purpose of Carrying Off Unpleasant or Dangerous Fumes.

Asphyxia caused many deaths in garages before it became generally known that a garage must be well ventilated and the doors left open if the automobile engine is kept running any length of time, writes P. P. Avery in Popular Science Monthly. One owner



Old Drain Pipe on Garage Floor Carries Off Poisonous Gases From Automobile Engine.

of a private garage avoided the necessity of keeping the doors open by piping the exhaust outside, as shown in the illustration. An old drain pipe was used for the purpose. It was connected in such a way that when the automobile was backed into the garage the end of the exhaust pipe entered the end of the drain pipe. This led down to the floor, where a long piece ran through the wall to the outside and carried all unpleasant or dangerous fumes to the outside, leaving the interior free from the poisonous carbon monoxide gas.

**ONE WHEEL BECOMES LOCKED**

Trouble Is Due to Fact That There is Too Much Play in Brake Linkage—How to Remedy.

The owner who is not diligent and neglects the parts he does not see or which do not give trouble usually may find some time that upon starting one of the wheels becomes locked, even though the brake pedal and lever are free. This is due to the fact that there is so much play in the brake linkage that when the hand brake lever is released it merely takes up the play, leaving the unlubricated mechanism set in holding position. This happened recently, and a hammer had to be used to loosen the brake mechanism. If you should have fuel feed trouble which you cannot explain it may be caused by pieces of solder in the gas tank.

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**Program**

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FRIDAY, FEB. 14

Ama Reubens in "MADAME SPHINX" a baffling murder mystery of the latin quarter of Paris.

SATURDAY, FEB. 15

Joe Bennett and Peggy Pearce in "GOLDEN FLEECE" a picture that will please.

MONDAY, FEB. 17

Evelyn Greely and Carlyle Blackwell in "BY HOOK OR CROOK" Nuf Sed.

TUESDAY, FEB. 18

Ethel Barrymore in "OUR MRS. MCCHESENEY"

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 19

Wm. Fox presents the 1919 version of RAOUL A. WALSH'S first Fox picture "THE REGENERATION"

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