

PAVE ELLENBORO STREETS SOON

Town to Spend Approximately \$8,000 in Paving Streets Will Begin Work at An Early Date.

Ellenboro, Dec. 23.—At a recent meeting of the town council it was decided to spend approximately \$8,000 in paving the streets of the town. It is understood the contract has been let and that work will begin as soon as the weather will permit of concrete construction. It is thought likely that late in February or the beginning of March the paving will be under way. The name of the contractor who secured the job

has not been made public, nor the number of streets to be paved. The funds for the work of construction are the profits derived from the sale of Ellenboro electric light plant. It will be remembered that the cost of building the light and power plant was close to \$10,000 and the price realized from the sale was \$18,500—a sum sufficient to retire the bonds issued to defray the cost of the plant and to leave a handsome sum. Incidentally Ellenboro enjoys low light and power rates.

A NEW INDUSTRY

"What our town needs is a few new factories employing skilled labor and having large payrolls."

We all agree to this, but it rarely occurs to many of our citizens that we have the equivalent of an industry here that can be developed through the exercises of a little spirit and community initiative.

Many cities of three and four thousand population exist without a single industry—the entire population being supported through trade with the farmers of the surrounding territory. These communities are, incidentally, almost always prosperous and steady.

This points to opportunity here. To gain what means as much or more than a new industry it is merely necessary to develop more effective trade possibilities with the people of the surrounding area.

To accomplish this our merchants and other business people must work in harmony. They must seek at every opportunity to find ways of making our city known as a good shopping center. A reasonable amount of friendly competition is essential for good business, to be sure, but with it must be the willingness to work together for the common good.

Not only our business people are needed for such enterprise. All citizens may well contribute their part to the city's business future—by keeping trade here at home whenever possible—by supporting the men who are doing most for the upbuilding of the city.

To accomplish all this it is necessary to have an active cooperation that overlooks no opportunity to develop the city's resources.

HOME AND CHURCH BLAMED FOR CRIME

Governor Gardner Says Better Understanding Of Youth is Needed Today.

The following appeared in The Asheville Citizen and was written by governor O. Max Gardner.

Since I have been governor of North Carolina. I have been impressed more and more by the necessity for a better understanding on the part of our people and religious leaders of the spiritual life and needs of the youth of our state.

I am not one of those who believe that the young people of this day and generation are headed for perdition.

For one thing, they face life and its problems with an open minded sincerity that is, I think, wholly commendable. They hate hypocrisy and are intolerant only of intolerance. And they make an honest attempt to think and reason about questions that the youth of my generation accepted, if they accepted them at all, upon the somewhat doubtful and insecure basis of authority.

The youth of today are haunted by a thousand doubts and misgivings. But the earnestness and utter sincerity with which they seek answers to their questions indicate a yearning for the truth and spiritual assurance as poignant as it is sometimes futile.

But there is something wrong somewhere. And at present I am inclined to lay the responsibility squarely at the doors of the home and the church.

We have had an enormous increase in crime and delinquency in this state during the past five years and from the statistics gathered as to this condition, two facts stand out with an emphasis that cannot but challenge attention.

In the first place 65 per cent of the increase in the population of our state penal and correctional institutions is made up of young white men and boys, there being

noted over the same period of falling off in the number of colored youthful offenders.

In the second place, the vast majority of these young men—George Ross Pou, superintendent of the state's prison, places the estimate at 80 per cent—have never finished the sixth grade and have never regularly attended any church or Sunday school.

In other words our prisons are being overrun by a class of criminals hitherto comparatively rare in this state and who, so far as their home and religious training is concerned, have been permitted to approach maturity almost as pagans.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Doll and Tea Set.

Forest City, Dec. 20.—Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl five years old. My name is Reba Street. Please bring me a doll and a tea set, doll bed, nuts, apples, candy and don't forget the poor little girls and boys.

Good bye Santa,
REBA STREET.

Horse and Wagon.

Forest City, Dec. 20.—Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy three years old my name is Hix Street. Please bring me a little white horse and a wagon and a gun that will shoot, nuts, apples, candy and mother will make me a cake.

Good bye Santa,
HIX STREET.

Shot for Air Gun.

Forest City, Dec. 16.—Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy ten years old, my name is Paul Street. Please bring me a watch and some shot and nuts, apples, candy and mother will make me a cake. Don't forget me.

Good bye Santa,
PAUL STREET.

Received No Whippings.

Spindale, Dec. 20.—Dear Santa Claus: I am a boy six years old and going to school. My teacher is so

good. Her name is Miss Wilkins. She hasn't even whipped me a time. Pretty good for a boy, but any way, Santa, I want you to bring me a car, a real nice one. Please bring apples and oranges and candy and don't forget my little sister. I live on Church street, at Spindale. Best wishes for a merry, merry Christmas.

JACK HARRILL.

GARDNER'S GREAT GOAL

Gov. Max Gardner has been tremendously in earnest about the program for bringing agriculture along in North Carolina. In promotion of the farming interests he had been fortunate in experience of particular value, as has been demonstrated in the way his native county has profited by his leadership and it is evidently his determination to make the State profit, as Cleveland County has profited. His developed concern is over the enormous amount of money the State farmers and people are sending out for supplies that could be raised at home, and which he is determined shall be raised here. He has converted the State Farm into a model which the farmers might copy, for it is cotton, to be sure, but along with it abundant supplies of food and feed stuffs.

Governor Gardner in directing the minds of the people to the advantage of "living at home," has designated the period from December 15 to 21 as "Live-at-Home Week," and is to give an example in inspiration by staging an "all-North Carolina-dinner" at the Executive Mansion toward the shank end of the week. His goal is to establish a situation of all-home production in the State—and North Carolina can do it.

In promoting this idea—and a practical one it is—Governor Gardner is rendering his State a service whose ultimate benefits are beyond calculation. Succeeding in even small degree, he will have made himself a greater Governor than had been promised the people, for he will have started a movement that will eventually make of North Carolina an entirely independent State, so far as living on its own products is concerned. When the farmers are doing what Gardner wants to see them do-

ing, they will save, for general circulation at home, as much as \$250,000,000 which they have been sending out of the State every year for supplies that they could grow on their own lands.—Charlotte Observer.

JUNIOR ORDER WILL GIVE OYSTER SUPPER

Ellenboro, Dec. 18.—The Junior Order of American Mechanics Lodge will give an oyster supper Monday night at the K. of P. hall to the members and visitors. The Junior lodge numbers around 125. Much interest is being shown by the members in the Lodge work which is progressing nicely. Fifteen new members were installed at the last meeting.



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WEAK SPELLS

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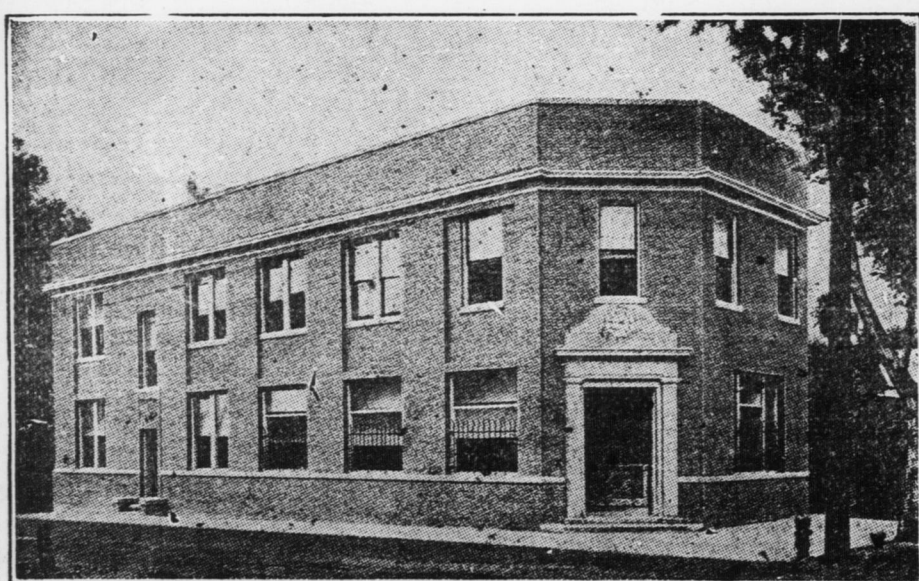
"I read of Cardui. I sent for a bottle and began taking it. My case was stubborn, and at times I almost lost hope, but I could see a little improvement. At last I began to feel much better. Then I improved rapidly. For the last year I have been in better health than I ever have been before."

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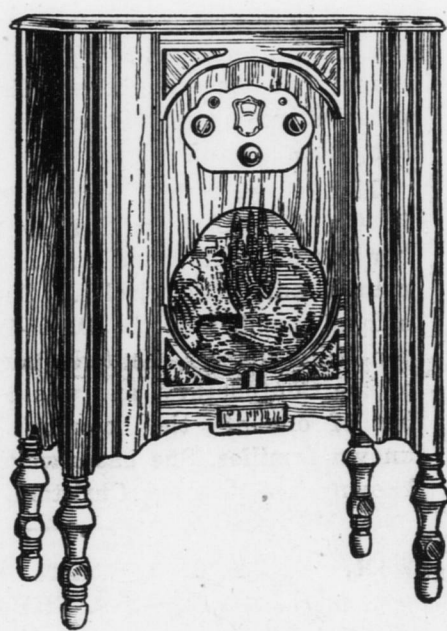
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