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Reading Is To The Mind What Exercise Is To The Body

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## Enlarging Machine Shop

Work on the addition to Barbour Brothers machine shop on Front street is going ahead rapidly and the building will soon be ready for occupancy. The new building which more than doubles the capacity of the shop will be used for an automobile repair shop.

## Postmaster Examination

Civil Service examination for postmaster is to be held in Morehead City on the 16th day of June. Those who formerly stood the examination and any others who are eligible may try it this time.

## Memorial Exercises

In accordance with a custom of some years standing, exercises in memory of the dead were held Sunday afternoon in Live Oak cemetery. As the day was "Mothers Day" the exercises included a tribute to mothers both living and dead. The services consisted of two excellent addresses by Reverends R. F. Bumpas and H. A. Day, and songs by a quartette composed of M. Leslie Davis, U. E. Swann, Grayden Paul and Reverend H. A. Day. There were several songs by a special choir and the Beaufort Graded School band rendered several very pretty selections. A good sized crowd was present for the occasion and all seemed to enjoy it. T. C. Wade of Morehead City presided over the meeting. Just before the conclusion a collection was taken the proceeds of which will be used in keeping up the grounds.

## Commissioner Suggested

Editor of The News:  
It is very plain that in selecting our next Board of County Commissioners, we should choose men who know the needs of the County at large. They should know the condition of the roads in each section, and of the various bridges which must be looked after by them; also they should have a good general idea as to the best and most economical way to keep these roads and bridges in good condition. Possessing such knowledge they would be able to save the taxpayers many dollars, and at the same time give the people good lines of communication. In short a commissioner should be a practical man. I believe Mr. Frank Small, of Sea Level, to be such a man. His business, a timberman, has made him fully acquainted with all parts of the county, and he knows the value of good roads, and also knows the worth of a dollar. Believing that he would make an efficient commissioner, I and many others would be pleased if he should be nominated by the Republican party for that position.

Citizen.

Beaufort, May 10th.

## Foot Squares and Square Feet.

A mathematician says there is no difference in area or quantity of surface between a foot square and a square foot, but there may be a difference in shape. A foot square must be a rectangular surface having four equal sides, measuring one foot long each. A square foot may also be a foot square, but it may be irregular in shape, say six inches wide and two feet long, or any shape so long as the area is equal to 144 square inches.

## Self-made and Homemade.

Our observation is that most girls would rather go out with a self-made man than a home-made hat.—Dallas News.

## Special Offer

Any persons whose subscription to the News expires this month or in June may renew until January the first for 75 cents. Any new subscribers who wish may also take advantage of this offer. A national election is on this year, besides the State and county elections. For the small sum of 75 cents you can keep posted on political matters as well as the county news from now till New Year. This offer may be withdrawn at any time so you had better take advantage of it now. The Beaufort News,

## Eastern Star Sale

The members of the Eastern Star will have a sale of good things to eat Friday afternoon and night at the Mesonic Hall. All are cordially invited to attend.

## Kills Bear With An Axe

A large black bear was brought to town last Thursday and hanging in front of a grocery store on Front street attracted quite a bit of attention. Messrs Brickhouse and Gillikin of Carteret Lumber Company while out on a timber inspection trip ran across the bear and Mr. Brickhouse slew him with an axe. There is a rumor going around that the animal was fast in a trap but as to the correctness of this the News is not prepared to say.

## Marriage Licenses

The Register of Deeds has issued marriage license recently to the following couple:  
M. P. Marshall and Elizabeth Brucher, Beaufort  
Eugene Wade and Clara Fulford, Morehead  
Charlie Lewis and Abedia Willis, Beaufort  
W. B. Robinson and Gladys Nelson, Atlantic  
Eric Anderson and Carrie V. Willis of Beaufort

## District Elector

W. B. Rouse of New Bern having resigned as the Republican nominee for district elector it became necessary to put some one in his place. The Congressional executive committee has filled this vacancy by appointing N. H. Russell of Beaufort who accepted the nomination.

## Snowstorms Form in Warm Climates.

Potentially snow storms form in general region of warmth, strange as it may seem. The area of low barometric pressure, or storm sea, comes whirling eastward across the Gulf states and then generally takes a westerly northward along the Atlantic seaboard. When sufficiently far north these warm air currents are chilled and the moisture becomes snow, very often being borne to the earth by the back draft of east wind.

## Remarkable Flight of Pigeon.

A homing pigeon bearing the name of Ben Bolt was announced as having established a new long-distance flight record of 2,200 miles in the summer of 1915, from Norwalk, Ohio, to Los Angeles, Cal. The bird made the trip in five days nine hours and thirty-one minutes, arriving at Los Angeles August 30.

## Tribute to Beethoven.

It has been said that in the works of Ludwig van Beethoven absolute instrumental music has reached its culminating point—a point which further progress seems impossible, not even conceivable. He began where his great predecessors left off. He dies March 26, 1827.

## The Pity of It.

First lady—"Why, didn't you know my husband was a great optimist?"  
Second lady—"No. What a pity! He could have had the order I gave for a pair of spectacles for my husband only last week!"

## 17,500,000 WOMEN WILL CAST VOTE FOR PRESIDENT THIS YEAR

### REGARDLESS OF RATIFICATION

Only 4,000,000 Voted in 1916.  
Women's Votes Gave Election to the Democrats in 1916.  
What About 1920?

How can a Democratic state refuse to help women to vote for President this year? asks former State Senator Frank P. Hobgood of Greensboro, N. C. In 1916 it was frequently said that it was the women voters of the west who re-elected Woodrow Wilson. At that time there were less than 4,000,000 women of voting age living in the states which had enfranchised women. Now there are 17,500,000.

Even if the Federal Suffrage Amendment to the United States Constitution is not passed by 36 states, all these women can vote for President because they have gained either complete suffrage or presidential suffrage, or, in the case of Arkansas and Texas, full primary suffrage. If one looks on the suffrage ratification map, he will see that except for two little states, Vermont and Connecticut, all the states of the north, northeast, northwest and southwest have already ratified. The only states standing out against ratification are those of the southeast.

It is the men of the south who are blocking women's freedom. And what are they doing? They cannot keep the women of Wyoming, Colorado, Idaho, Utah, Washington, California, Arizona, Kansas, Oregon, Montana, Nevada, New York, Oklahoma, Michigan, South Dakota, Illinois, North Dakota, Nebraska, Rhode Island, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maine, Minnesota, Missouri, Tennessee, Wisconsin, Ohio, Arkansas and Texas from voting for President.

They are holding back the vote from Democratic North Carolina women and letting the Republican women of Maine walk away with it. Is this good politics?

The states where women vote control 330 of the total 531 electoral votes. This means that North Carolina's twelve might be wiped out by California's 15. If the California women should this year feel that the Republican party, which has given the suffrage amendment 29 ratifications, is a better party for women than the Democratic party, which has rejected the amendment in six states.

The refusal of southern men to give a thirty-sixth ratification to the women of the country will not defeat woman suffrage; it will only defeat the loyal women of the Democratic south, and a few women in the smaller states of the north.

## MOST POPULAR AMENDMENT IN THE HISTORY OF THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTION.

Nine states had ratified the Federal Suffrage Amendment within three weeks from the date it was signed in June, 1919. That was one-fourth of the total number required. Of those nine states seven were already in session and could make quick work of ratification. After that it was a question of calling special sessions for the special purpose of ratifying, as all the other 34 legislative sessions of 1919 had closed. Yet so widespread was the sentiment for ratification that within three months, in spite of expense, in spite of summer heat, in spite of everything, eight states had called special sessions. Before the end of 1919 five more had called special sessions and ratified. January, 1920, was ushered in by ratification in two states that held regular sessions. Another state, New Jersey, took advantage of its regular session to ratify in February.

But 1920 is not a "legislature year." Very few states are in regular session this year. So the main hope for a ratification came right back to the special session. Six governors in all

Mrs. and Mrs. E. H. Graham and two children of Goldsboro arrived here Sunday and registered at the Davis house. Mr. Graham returned to Goldsboro Monday but Mrs. Graham and the children will be here for some time.

called special sessions during the brief month of February. Three more called special sessions in March. Of the three legislatures called in March, Delaware's is still in session, having not yet taken final action on ratification. Thirty-five states acted between June 5, 1919, and March 22, 1920.

Not one of the eighteen preceding amendments to the Federal Constitution has made such a time record in view of the number of ratifications needed in each case. A federal amendment today needs three times as many ratifications as were needed to ratify the twelfth, for instance, which has held the speed record up to now.

Not one of the preceding amendments has commanded such huge majorities in state legislatures as has the nineteenth.

GERTRUDE WEIL.



MISS GERTRUDE WEIL,  
President N. C. Equal Suffrage League.

## WOMAN SUFFRAGE STRENGTHENS WHITE VOTE

### White Population Shows Greater Increase Than Black.

"When the men of North Carolina make the excuse of keeping the vote from white women of the south, because they fear the negro women's vote," says Dr. Della Carroll Dixon of Raleigh, N. C., "do they think what they are doing?"

"Here is some arithmetic for them: "In the fifteen states south of the Mason and Dixon line are:

10,961,926 white women  
4,354,089 negro women

6,607,837 more white than negro women.

10,601,926 white women  
5,643,640 total negro population

2,918,286 more white women than total negro population.

"These fifteen states are: Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas, Missouri, West Virginia.

"In four southern states, Texas, Tennessee, Virginia and Kentucky, the number of white women exceeds the whole colored population. In Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, North Carolina, and Louisiana, woman suffrage would tremendously increase the preponderance of white votes. In Mississippi and South Carolina, where the colored population exceeds the white, equal suffrage would double the intelligent electorate, since in both these states there are educational qualifications limiting the franchise to those who can read.

"Equal suffrage in southern states would:

"1. Increase vastly the white vote.

"2. Raise the educational and moral standard of the elect state.

"Not only would woman suffrage give white control in those states a more permanent footing than now, but white supremacy will continue to grow, as the increase of white population is more rapid than the increase of colored population."

## All of the Sterner Sex.

Johnny has three sisters, but no brothers, which is a constant source of regret to the little man. When new neighbors, with two boys, moved in next door he was delighted and rubbed in to his mother with, "Oh, mother, there's two brothers and even their girl's a boy, 'cause they call him Billy."

## GEORGE S. SPEER DEAD

### Head Of Big Development Company Here Passes Away

Word was received here last Friday that George S. Speer of Chicago had died suddenly the night before. The news came by telegraph to Julius F. Duncan who is the attorney of the Virginia-Carolina Farms Company of which Mr. Speer was the organizer and promoter.

About three weeks ago Mr. Speer was here on a business trip with some Chicago and Memphis capitalists and appeared to be in good health and spirits. The announcement of his death was a great surprise and shock to his friends here. Mr. Speer was about forty years of age and was a tall and robust looking man. He had the intellect of a keen financier and had the courage to stick to any thing that he undertook.

Some four or five years ago Mr. Speer and his associates bought a large tract of land from the State known locally as the "open grounds". There were nearly thirty thousand acres in the tract. Since that time the company has been busily engaged in the effort to drain the lands and develop and sell them. In the face of many discouragements Mr. Speer has gone ahead with his plans and recently he seemed to be nearing the end of his goal. The end has come but not in the way he and his friends expected it.

Nothing is known here yet as to what the company will do with the development which it has started. The impression is that too much money has been invested there to allow the thing to fall through and that some one else will probably take it in hand.

## One Day Late

By reason of an unusually heavy rush of advertising and job work this week the News is a day late in coming out. We are glad to have the business but regret the delay.

## To The Republican Voters of Carteret County

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of County Commissioner subject to the action of the June primaries.

Respectfully yours,  
E. F. Carraway  
Merrimon, N. C.

## Bank Statements

This issue of the News carries the quarterly statements of the Bank of Beaufort and the Beaufort Banking and Trust Company. These are two very important institutions in the business life of this community and a perusal of these statements should be of interest to citizens.

## For Congress Third District

This is to announce myself a candidate for the Republican nomination for congress from the third North Carolina District, subject to the will of the voters expressed in the primary on the 5th day of June. If nominated and elected I pledge myself wholly to the true fundamental principles of the Nation. I shall not be an instrument of the classes, but the agent of the masses. I earnestly solicit the support of every voter interested in these fundamental needs. W. B. Rouse, New Bern, N. C. June 3rd



Determined to prevent a repetition of a grade-crossing disaster that cost a life, the citizens of Topsham, Me., have posted near the tracks this advertising sign.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

## Work Before Community.

At a Boston chamber of commerce luncheon, the secretary, besides presenting a list of thirty-four projects, including that for the erection of a Liberty memorial, which are being considered by committees or special representatives of the chamber, offered five suggestions for what the organization calls its "One Big Job."

"A city," he said, "is not made by location or by natural resources; it is made by the thought of the community. Our community should think and act as one. Our list of thirty-four tasks makes up a sane, progressive, constructive program, but is there one of the thirty-four that is big enough to challenge the attention of the community? Is there one fine enough to be the least common denominator of the community—big enough that all the organizations of the city may join with us in its handling—big enough to characterize the dignity of the organization—big enough to require a point of contact established with every family, if not every soul, in the community?"

"What is our one big job? Is it to build a new library? Is it to promote better industrial relations? Is it to build a new high school? Is it to urge commission government? Is it to attack anarchy and bolshevism in our community?"

## Laying Out Grounds.

When laying out grounds, planting plans should be made first showing the location of every tree and shrub on the place. Decide whether the method of planting is to be formal or natural. In the city or town lots where space is limited the formal plan is perhaps the best, while with the large suburban homes and country places there is a splendid opportunity for the development of the natural style. Where the area is large it is possible to have a small body of water, groves of trees, and large groups of shrubbery. For small lots, where more care can be given to the plants, an elaborate plan may be advisable. In some cases home makers are able to devote a great deal of time to the upkeep of the landscape. Some trim their hedges in such shapes and fashions that green statues of all the animals and fowls of the barnyard are left posing on the lawn.

## For Better School Sanitation.

School sanitation is one of the things which the community needs to investigate in many cases. Results from many counties show that the elementary schools have a harmful effect on the health of the children. It has been found that for a period of twenty years the gain in weight is much greater during vacation than during the school year. It is estimated that the factors causing this are sanitation, air, water, and light, physical exercise, over strain and fatigue and insufficient food.

## Mite of Radium a Mass of Material.

A tube of radium generally made use of by physicians is about a shade under an inch in length and about an eighth in diameter. It contains 100 milligrams of radium bromide. This minute quantity is the product of twelve tons of ore, three tons of hydrochloric acid, five tons of carbonate of soda, one ton of sulphuric acid, ten tons of coal, burned in the operation of reduction, more than a month of work and five hundred successive crystallizations.

## Amber Beads Long Popular.

The superstition which clings to the wearing of beads is of ancient origin. The custom of wearing an amber necklace was immensely common, and is not yet extinct among old women in England. The amber, when heated sends forth an agreeable perfume. In olden times it was the present made by a mother to her daughter on her wedding eve.

## Not to Be Its Own Master.

Never let yourself worry as to whether those you help will be sufficiently grateful. Think of helpfulness as its own great reward.