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MRS. C. B. WILL'S HOME BURNED

The home of Mrs. C. B. Wills, on North street, was destroyed by fire Tuesday morning about 8:30. The fire originated from a defective flue in the kitchen, as that part of the house was falling in when discovered. Most of the household furnishings was gotten out, with the exception of one front room and the kitchen. The firemen were handicapped on account of there being no hydrant in that locality, but the fire had gained such headway before it was discovered it would have been impossible to have saved it had water been plentiful. After getting out all the furnishings they could the firemen, students and citizens turned their attention to Mr. W. L. Tankersley's residence, close by. All of his household goods were carried out, and by hard work among the fire fighters, using fire extinguishers and water which had to be carried from a nearby spring, the building was saved. We can always see the need of things after the horse is stolen. Of course, there should be a hydrant in that section, or else buy enough hose to reach from the postoffice to North street, a distance of only a few hundred yards, and by carrying the hose through back lots, the distance could be lessened considerably. The town seems to be growing faster than the municipality can provide. In all sections there is valuable property, just like the north side, with no water, no fire protection. A dozen costly fire trucks without any means of getting water is no good in time of fire.

Community Christmas Tree Festival on Christmas Eve at 5 P. M. at the School Auditorium. The Play: "Why The Chimes Rang" will be given. Do not forget your gifts for the Community Christmas Tree.

Meeting of the citizens at the school house 8:00 P. M., Thursday, Dec. 22, for the discussion of municipal finances, bonds and taxes.

FOR SALE: 1 good single barrel shot gun and one repeating rifle 22 calibre in good condition. P. O. Box No. 228

WHITE BIRTH RATE IN THE STATE LAST YEAR HIGHEST IN THE UNION

Washington, Dec. —North Carolina has the highest birth rate for the white population of all the states in the union. This was disclosed tonight in figures published by the federal bureau of the census. North Carolina also led in the birth rate among the colored races, being exceeded only by Washington and California.

In effect, the Tar Heel state leads all in both the white and colored birth rates because there are few negroes in California and Washington, and the comparison is hardly worth while.

Census bureau figures show that in 1920 there were 81,407 births in North Carolina, as compared with 73,854 in the year 1919. The rate of births per thousand of population was 31.6 per cent in 1920; 29.1 per cent in 1919; 30.2 in 1918, and 30.0 in 1917.

The rate of births per thousand of population in nearby states for the year 1920 is given as follows:

South Carolina, 28.2 per cent; Virginia 28.3; Maryland 24.8 per cent.

The birth registration area for which figures are given includes 23 states and the District of Columbia. Birth statistics have not yet been extended to all the states, but of the commonwealths enumerated North Carolina showed the highest rate and Tar Heels appear to be obeying the injunction to multiply and replenish the earth.

A New York paper prints a photo of girl who has made a pet of a skunk. In the explanatory matter under the cut we are told that he is very unfriendly to strangers but likes his mistress, who "plays with him for hours, chiefly in the open air." With out having given the matter much thought, we should say, oh handed, that "chiefly in the open air" was the proper method for playing with a pole cat, and the opener the better.

Dear Santa:
I want you to bring me a great big doll and some candy and other things. Bring some cakes and a little toy machine and some oranges and apples Christmas night, from RUBIE DODSON.

RED JOHNSON FINALLY GETS HIS AUTO BACK It Was Stolen From Football Player's Father Soon After Carolina- Virginia Game.

A joint sanitary board of the University and the town of Chapel Hill with Dr. Eric Abernathy at the head of it, has been organized for the purpose of making this community the equal of the best governed city anywhere in the inspection of dairies and water supply and food stuffs and of the places where food is served.

Dr. S. A. Nathan, a graduate of the State College and a veterinary surgeon of long experience, has been retained for one year to direct the joint board's activities. He has spent four years doing the same kind of work for New Hanover and Craven counties. Complete testing apparatus, owned by the university and installed in Phillips hall, is at his disposal for the analysis of specimens of milk and other substances entering into the daily diet. He will arrive here about the first of January.

All dairies, restaurants and boarding houses are to be licensed. They will be inspected regularly and will be made to conform to strict regulations. Already one dairy has been overhauled and outfitted with concrete stalls and other features deemed essential under the most modern practice, and two other dairies will soon undergo the same transformation.

Two members of the Carolina Varsity football team, "Bill" Blount and "Red" Johnson, have come back from Charleston, S. C., in an automobile stolen from Johnson a few days ago in Durham.

Johnson's father came here to see the Carolina-Virginia football game on Thanksgiving day, and when he departed he left the car with his son. A few days later, while the red-headed half back, with Blount and "Runt" Lowe, were dining in the Maibourne Hotel in Durham, leaving the car parked outside, somebody hopped in and drove off.

Nothing was heard of the car for a few days. It was about given up as a total loss. The owner did not yield himself to despair, however, since the loss was fully covered by theft insurance. Then came a telegram from the Charleston police saying a stranger had attempted to pawn a car there and had been arrested. Under a seat was found a letter to the younger Johnson and this gave a clue to the ownership.

Johnson, taking Blount with him, went to Charleston at once with the Durham police sergeant. Sure enough the automobile was his. One mud fender was badly dented, but no serious damage had been done. The two athletes drove back home, stopping one night at Columbia, and the next at Fayetteville. The prisoner, by name Terry, was brought back to Durham by the police sergeant.

One of the best treats the University has had in a long time, in the way of lectures, was the recent series of talks by Tom Pete Cross. Dr. Cross was formerly a professor of English here and is now at the University of Chicago. He is an authority on dialects, particularly those prevalent in the out of the way corners of the South. He was brought back to Chapel Hill, for this brief visit, by the English Department.

Los Angeles, Cal., girl, after a courtship by mail, married a man she had never seen. Both wore masks when they met for the first time in front of the license clerk. Judging by his published photo, he'll never take any prizes in a beauty show, but at that, we don't know but what she did just as well as some women who saw what they were getting beforehand.

The Methodists are going to build a church in Chicago twenty two stories high. Do they think this will enable them to reach nearer Heaven? Are they like the carpenter, repairing a church steeple, who sung—
"Nearer my God to thee,
Nearer than I've been before,
Nearer my God to thee,
Nearer than I'll get any more?"
—News & Observer

The old-fashioned hen who laid ten cent eggs, now had a great-great granddaughter who produces enough wealth in a week to have paid the others' feed bills for a year.
Mary had a little powder;
It was on her nose you know;
And when she told a boy 'Good night'
On his coat it was sure to show.

TAR HEELS TAKE A LOOK AT GEORGIA CONDITIONS

Pitiful tales of hunger and suffering, says the Shelby Star, are brought back by Cleveland county farmers, who have been making pilgrimages to the boll weevil sections of Georgia to import white and colored farm help to this county. Mr. Peter Grigg who has just returned from Bishop, Ga., near Athens, says he found hundreds anxious to come to Cleveland farms or go anywhere just to get enough for food and clothes. He wandered into a grocery store and found a landlord with 30 tenants on his farm who expressed a willingness out of sympathy for them to pay their way to Cleveland in order to help them out. Mr. Grigg selected a white tenant who will come with his family. On the streets of the town the laboring class stop the men and beg for work of any kind at any price they wish to offer. Never has Mr. Grigg in all his life seen people in such destitute circumstances. Many are without shoes and clad in rags. Landlords who bought high priced land are in destitute financial circumstances. Time merchants and banks have failed and the condition of the country is impossible to describe. Landlords are unable to feed their tenants during the winter months and are anxious to see them get out on somebody else's hands who can carry them thru the winter.

Mr. Grigg states that trains were crowded with whites and colored going somewhere looking for work. They would have their worldly belongings crammed in a tow sack or tied in a sheet, some of the men leaving their wives and children in quest of work.

Messrs Whisnant, Falls, Palmer, Elliott, DePriest, Crowder, and several others have been to Georgia and brought colored help from the boll weevil section, finding them anxious to come and the landlord willing to give them up. One of these men is reported to have seen poor people wearing their old automobile casings cut up and sewed together for shoes.

The cause of it all was low cotton last year and a poor crop this year. It is learned that in the boll weevil section a bale to the mule is about all the yield will be, against ten to fifteen bales to the mule in better days. There is no mistake about the boll weevil ravaging the fields for Mr. Grigg says one can walk thru fields and they will cover one's entire clothing.

ERLAND NEWS

Well, the past two weeks have been "hog killing weeks around here. Several that were butchered weighed four and five hundred pounds. So far no one in this section has lost any meat.

Uncle Josh, gave an entertainment at the School House last Friday evening.

Misses Browns entertained a number of young people last Saturday evening in honor of their guests Misses Kathern Noah and Maggie Maddox, of Burlington.

Dan Frank Taylor, who is a student at Staunton Military School, has come home to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Taylor.

Mrs. J. J. Brown and children and Miss Vester Allen spent Saturday in Mebane shopping.

Miss Carrie Porter of Hillsboro was here last Friday on business.

The Juniors had an Oyster Supper last Thursday night.

Rev. Powell conducted Services at M. P. Church Sunday A. M. and Rev. Charles Whitley preached at the Presbyterian Church on Sunday evening.

Messrs D. E. Forrest, E. C. Thompson, W. Band, Geo. Strayhorn, Mrs. C. P. Forrest, Misses Elizabeth Strayhorn and Annie Jordan went to Hawfields the 10th to attend the funeral of their kinsman Henry Freshwater.

Miss Myrtle Smith and Edward Taylor were married here at the home of the bride Sunday P. M., 18th Rev. Oldham pastor of the bride performed the ceremony. Mrs. Taylor is the popular and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Smith and Mr. Taylor is a promising young farmer, and is a veteran of the world war. Immediately after the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Taylor left on an extended bridal tour.

There will be a Christmas tree and entertainment at the School House Wednesday evening.

Well Christmas and Santa Claus is not far off and "Ted" wishes the

CHO CHO, THE HEALTH CLOWN HERE LAST WEEK

Cho Cho, the health clown sent out over the land by the Child Health Organization of America preaching sanitation and proper care of oneself to preserve good health, visited the Chapel Hill High School, one day last week, and entertained the school children of the third, fourth, fifth, and sixth grades of the grammar schools in the school auditorium.

Cho Cho, in an artistic clown's suit won his audience of little folks from the start and they listened with rapt attention to every word he said and paid strict attention to all demonstrations made. The clown suit first attracted them and then the natural ability of the man to entertain held them. Every stunt he did to the amusement of the children had an object lesson in it. Upon entering the stage he asked the children if they could smile. They promptly showed him that they could. He then told them that they should take excellent care of their teeth, remarking that some of the teeth he saw before him were pearls in whiteness while others needed attention. He declared his faith in water, telling his listeners they should always drink the proper amount each day, as well as eat the proper amount of food. He stressed the good to be derived from drinking milk and cocoa. He performed many stunts for the entertainment and the amusement of the little folks and impressed his lessons upon them by demonstrating his meaning. He then showed to them the proper kinds of food they should eat, and told them that they must get enough sleep, cautioning them to go to bed at 8 o'clock each night. A basket of food and other articles was placed upon the table and he showed them the right kinds of food and the wrong kind, throwing the wrong kind into the trash can. At the conclusion of the entertainment and period of instruction, he tested the memory of the children by asking them various questions as to what they should and should not do and the children showed remarkable memory in remembering every detail.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
Department of State
Certificate of Dissolution.
To all to whom these presents may come, Greetings:

WHEREAS, It appears to my satisfaction by duly authenticated record for the voluntary dissolution thereof by the unanimous consent of all the Stockholders, deposited in my office, that the Surgeon Building Company, a corporation of this State whose principal office is situated at No.— Street, in the town of Hillsboro County of Orange, State of North Carolina (S. Strudwick being the agent therein and in charge thereof upon whom process may be served) has complied with the requirements of Chapter 22, Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Corporations" preliminary to the issuing of this Certificate of Dissolution:

Now, Therefore, I, J. Bryan Grimes Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina do hereby certify that the said corporation did, on the 15th day of December, 1921, file in my office a duly executed and attested consent in writing to the dissolution of said corporation, executed by all the stockholders thereof, which said consent and the record of the proceeding aforesaid are now on file in my said office as provided by law.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and affixed my official seal at Raleigh, this 15th day of December A. D. 1921.

J. BRYAN GRIMES, Secty State

people a merry Christmas. "TED"
500 persons are under arrest in Chicago as the results of raids by police, charged with violation of the Prohibition laws.
J. W. Cannon, one of the most prominent cotton mill men of the entire South, died at his home in Concord Monday of heart trouble.
Buffalo, New York, was struck by a 95 miles an hour gale Sunday, uprooting trees, tearing down chimneys, smashing plate glass windows and piling up the water in the harbor to unprecedented stage. Several persons were killed and the property loss will run into hundreds of thousands of dollars.

SOME FINE PORKERS (Sent in From the Orange Grove Section.)

Manly Snipes, champion hog raiser in Orange Grove Section. The hog weighed 596 pounds. He had another weighing 340. Although Manly is a good hog raiser others follow very closely in his footsteps:
T. D. Lloyd had two hogs that weighed 530 and 482 pounds respectively.
Julius Andrews had two hogs that weighed 526 and 433 pounds respectively.
John Crawford had two hogs that weighed 450 and 495 pounds respectively.
L. W. Crawford had two hogs that weighed 470 and 435 pounds respectively.
J. H. Wagoner raised two hogs that weighed 445 and 400 pounds respectively.
Edward Snipes raised three hogs that weighed 410, 392 and 306 pounds respectively.
M. C. Garrett raised three hogs that together weighed 875 pounds.
The average for each hog is 422 pounds. There are still some nice hogs to be killed in this section.

DEATH OF FEDERATE VETERANS

Mr. G. P. Cheek, a galant Confederate Veteran, who resided near Orange Grove, who had been in very feeble health for several months, died Tuesday night, aged 82 years. He was the father of Mr. June Cheek, Mrs. J. F. McDuffie and Mrs. J. F. Pickard, of this place. The remains were buried at Cain Creek cemetery to-day. At the same time another old land mark and galant Confederate Veteran, was laid to rest in the same cemetery, Uncle Dennis Catse, aged 83 years, died Tuesday night at his home in the White Cross section. He had been in very feeble health for several years. Both were highly esteemed and good citizens. Peace to their ashes.

PITTSBORO BOY WINS HIGH HARVARD HONOR

North Carolina friends will be interested in the following from the Norfolk Ledger-Dispatch announcing a distinction that has come to William J. Calvert, Jr., who is a nephew of Judge Thomas J. Calvert, of Raleigh, and who was born and reared in Pittsboro.

"William J. Calvert, Jr., of this city, has been awarded the highest scholarship in Harvard University. Announcement to this effect was received today from Boston.

"William J. Calvert, Jr., is the son of W. J. Calvert, who is cashier of the Seaboard Air Line Railway and who resides at 221 Washington St. He is 20 years old and is in his second year at Harvard. He is after the M. A. degree and is specializing in English.

"William Calvert graduated from the High School of this city five years ago and for three years attended the Virginia Military Institute, where he graduated in 1920. He was fourth in the class at V. M. I. He entered Harvard at the beginning of the 1920 session and will finish in June with the highest honors"

THE WAY TO CLEAN UP.

Recorder, P. C. Graham a few mornings ago commended the citizens of a Durham county community, who appeared in court against a man charged with dealing in whiskey, for their desire to improve moral conditions in their neighborhood. The recorder was right in his praise for the spirit shown by those citizens. Those citizens are shining examples of an earnest desire to clean out objectionables, and they have established precedent worthy of emulation by every community in the county where infests the trafficker in whiskey. The one great obstacle in enforcing the prohibition or any other law, is the sympathetic attitude of the people toward violators. So long as the moonshiner and blind-tiger know that they have either the active or passive support of the people in the neighborhood in which they operate, they have little fear of and no respect of the law of the land. But when a community arouses itself to the danger of harboring law-breakers in their midst and decides to clean up, it soon becomes entirely too hot for the objectionable person, and he either has to hunt other pastures or will find himself where Governor Morrison says he will see they don't bother good citizens for some time.—Durham Herald.

Meeting of the Citizens at the School House Thursday, December 22, for the purpose of discussing of municipal finances and bonds and taxes.

TWO LINES

Hon. William Jennings Bryan, not only one of the brainiest statesmen of America, but one of the most loyal supporters of the Christian religion has just recently carried the following signed editorial in his paper, The Commoner

"An Iowa City Democrat has written me, in his opinion, seventy five per cent of the students of the Iowa State University, and ninety per cent of the faculty are free thinkers members of orthodox churches, but far from orthodox. If this be true, is it not worth while to inquire what cause is at work at universities to undermine faith in Christianity. It cannot be that intelligence, generally speaking, is contrary to religion. Investigation shows that it is the business press called evolution, that Darwin applied to all life upon this planet. A tree is known by its fruit and this tree has been bearing long enough so that its character can be determined with accuracy. The tendency of evolution is to create first skepticism, then agnosticism, then atheism, not every evolutionist becomes an agnostic, an atheist, or skeptic for some professing evolutionists do not take evolution any more seriously than some professing Christians take Christianity. But as a consistent Christian applies his Christianity to everything and becomes a

Christian and a believer in God the Bible and Christ, so the consistent Evolutionist when he applies his first, the creation of man by separate act, then to miracles of the Old Testament, then the miracle of the birth of Christ, and then the miracle of Christ's resurrection. And after that the Bible is like any other book not an authority but an interesting piece of literature to which the reader is to give such weight as he thinks the book deserves. The passages that suit him will be accepted as good, the passages that rebuke him, and, therefore, displease him, will be discarded as objectionable.

"There are two lines that are being drawn with more distinctness among those who profess to be Christians, and all will find it necessary ultimately to take a position on either one side or the other. First, has man in him the Breath of the Almighty, or the Blood of the Brute? Moses says breath, Darwin says blood. What do you say? Second, was Christ conceived by the Holy Ghost and born of a virgin? or was He an illegitimate son of an immoral woman? Mathew in his writings says the former, the infidel says the latter. What do you say?

One need go no further than some of our own state institutions or talk with some of the students to learn that this same doctrine is getting into our educational system to an appalling degree. In fact, it has not only found its way into many of our state institutions of higher learning but it can even be found in some of our denominational colleges. This is a question that should concern every citizen of North Carolina who is interested in future generations and in the attainment of what we are all supposed to be striving for, a higher and nobler civilization.

TWO MEN INSTANTLY KILLED WHEN BOILER BURST

The three men riding in the cab of the engine were hurled 100 yards, two of them being instantly killed and the other fatally injured, when the boiler of the locomotive on Seaboard Air Line northbound freight train No. 83 exploded one mile south of Youngsville Saturday night from causes unknown. Two hoboes who were riding on the train were saved through the providence that is supposed to guard their kind.

Many Tourists in Florida (Sandford Express)

Some few tourists who went to Florida since the season opened, are returning to their northern homes. They pass here about every week, but more tourists are going South than North. These people who quit Florida in disgust failed to find things as pictured to them. They found the resorts running over with people and everything selling at high prices. A returning tourists stated here the other day that there were 50,000 tourists in Florida from the State of Ohio alone. They are there in unprecedented numbers from many of the other northern states.