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RALEIGH DID WELL

About five years ago Raleigh began waking up from a slumber that even natives of that good town will admit was pronounced. The first big public improvement was a municipal building and auditorium capable of seating 5,000 people—and frequently it is crowded. One improvement followed after another—good streets, municipal-owned waterworks, sewer extensions, sanitary improvements. Only recently the finest court house in the south was completed, but the city continued to lag in school facilities. An election or two were held, but the bonds were defeated. Tuesday another election was held as the result of a fire in one of the old wooden buildings, and the vote against the proposition was negligible. The sum of \$100,000 will be spent on fire-proof buildings. This is a good start for that city.

The progress that Raleigh is making is interesting from the fact that it is the capital of the state, the center of political and legislative activity, and a point to which practically all Tar Heels gravitate in the course of years.

TEACHING JOURNALISM

The Raleigh Times very properly admonishes a jester for attempting to belittle the various schools of journalism. Anything that causes a young man to form sentences is worth while, whether he follow the profession or not. The university, which Editor Gray had in mind, has had a very creditable course in journalism for several years, and as taught by such men as President Graham and Dr. James Royster has performed a good service. We notice that Wake Forest has established a course, and this is in line with other colleges throughout the country. It probably is true that a graduate has much to learn when he enters a newspaper office, but his work would be much harder without the advantages of the instruction of competent teachers. The University News Letter, as many readers will remark, is about the best bit of interpretative literature that is issued in North Carolina. Few newspaper men could do it half so well.

PROHIBITION SENTIMENT

The prohibition election in South Carolina Tuesday reminds us of the growing sentiment throughout the country in favor of temperance. Even where one happens to be addicted to the liquor habit, he is in most cases desirous of throwing protection around his children or friends. The consumption of liquor is diminishing as prohibition sentiment sweeps forward, and the time is not far distant when we will have national prohibition. North Carolina took a big step when the last general assembly passed the quart law, and we have yet to hear any complaint regarding it. On the other hand numerous citizens, both white and colored, have declared that it was a blessing. We may speak of personal liberty all we choose, but this fallacy cannot be stretched blanket-like to cover an evil that is admitted and that cannot be condoned.

Friends of the Record of course are aware that when a paper is misused, those who feel the worst are the men in the office. Any new institution is hard to get started, and the Record is no exception. Delays and mistakes occur, but with every day these are being eliminated as much as possible.

It seems to be only a question of time until the Mexican boll weevil, now reported in Georgia, will invade the Carolinas, and those farmers who have been planting other crops than cotton will have least to worry about.

One enthusiastic correspondent writes that she cannot see any difference between the Record and a well known state paper. Well, there is a difference—in the payroll.

"Cubans won't have anything but American money soon," we are informed by a headline. And yet they might possess a lot of worse things.

The esteemed Charlotte News was one of the first papers placed on the Record's exchange list and if Joe Patton has not been getting the sheet, it is not the fault of this office. We want the News.

Hickory merchants are preparing in earnest for Dollar Day on Thursday, October 7. There is no reason why it should not be a big success here, and the Record believes it will.

The dog and pony show is one institution against which there is not the slightest objection from any parent, and the chances are that it will show to a packed tent here tomorrow.

The paragraphs elected to hold their banquet in Columbia before January 1, Colonel Bob Gonzales of the State having tipped them off to what would happen September 14.

About the time some Englishmen avers that the Germans have shot their last bolt, it thunders again on one of the battle fronts.

PRESS COMMENT

The Mother of Invention.
Norfolk Virginian Pilot.
Some several months ago a mild and momentary sensation was created by the announcement that an expert connected with the bureau of chemistry at Washington had discovered a new process for deriving aniline dyes from coal tar products, which would so cheapen the cost of production as to revolutionize the industry. It is then nothing has been heard of the reported discovery, though there is reason to believe that the work of development has not been neglected. Only a day or two ago Dr. Norton, who has been conducting in New York a dyestuff and chemical investigation for a bureau in the department of commerce, took occasion to recall that attention has been directed to "a new process of dyestuffs making which is revolutionary in its nature, something entirely different from anything heretofore attempted in America." In his opinion, the new process, which is entirely novel, constitutes a discovery of "far-reaching importance" and will "solve the dyestuff problem now confronting the country." Colors produced by this process are, he is quoted as saying, expected to be "turned out commercially within a few weeks."

Being an acknowledged expert in the employ of the government, it is not likely that Dr. Norton would speak so confidently if he did not know of results actually accomplished sufficient to warrant the optimistic view which he voices. And if, as the New York Journal of Commerce remarks, "scientific knowledge and skill and American enterprise can solve this problem, when stimulated to it by an emergency it will be much better than putting a heavier duty on foreign dyes to enable Americans to compete with inferior processes and without special incentive for improvement." Right here our contemporary touches upon not the least of the many evil effects of the policy of tariff protection. The comparative freedom from outside competition afforded any industry by protective duties naturally and inevitably robs it in greater or less degree, of that incentive to exhaust ingenuity and effort in the constant search for improved methods and appliances which are absolutely essential to maximum efficiency. Had American industries generally been made to stand on their own resources during the last 50 years, instead of being given a practical monopoly of the domestic markets, while handicapped in competing in the neutral markets of the world, it is a reasonable safe assumption that our manufacturing development would be today doubtless what it is. To hold otherwise is to discredit the American skill, enterprise and ingenuity which never fail to measure up to the requirements of an emergency occasion. Certainly, considering the abundance in which we are supplied with the crude material, Americans need no assistance in the shape of protective duties to enable them to produce for themselves whatever they may require in the way of coal tar products.

Let Business Awake!
Columbia State.
While the cotton crop is far below normal in quantity, it is to be remembered that other crops have been raised in the south in abnormal quantities—that the quantity of food-stuffs in South Carolina, for example is greater than perhaps in any former year. Besides the cotton crop has been produced at uncommonly small cost. These things being taken into the account, cotton sold at the present prices should put the south into a condition as strong as it would have been had a fifteen million-bale crop been raised at the 1914 cost of production, for which an average selling price of ten cents a pound was obtained. This seems to be at least a fair estimate of the situation.

To be sure, there is on the other side of the question the fact that many of the farmers have not settled their indebtedness incurred in 1914 when cotton prices slumped.

Business in the south should be not less active than usual during the approaching fall and winter. We should have comparatively easy going. Merchants should not be afraid to buy goods as people need not be afraid to buy them. There is no reason for any man to hoard his money in a stocking against "hard times," leaving the preacher, the doctor and even the newspaper man to wait for theirs.

The man who can and doesn't pay his debts or part of his debts during the coming months is a believer in living but not in letting others live. Last year "times were hard." This year times are as good as they usually are—even if there are no "rush" times.

WON'T APPOINT MEMBERS

Raleigh, Sept. 16.—Declining to appoint members of the National Security League, Governor Craig in a letter to Joseph H. Choate, its president, says he does not believe the country is in any danger from attack. He says he believes the president and his advisers have a proper conception of the situation and are ready to urge congress to do all things necessary to provide for the national defense.

SPEAKING OF THE Record

The talent of success is nothing more than doing what you can do well, and doing well whatever you do.—Longfellow.

We must be as courteous to a man as to a picture, which we are willing to give the benefit of a good light.—Emerson.

Indicates Appreciation.
Charlotte Observer.
The Observer has received No. 2 of the Daily Record, the new afternoon paper at Hickory edited by Mr. Sam Farabee and published by the Clay Printing Company. It makes a very good display for a youngster and carries a list of advertisements that indicates appreciation on the part of the business men of Hickory.

"We've Just Begun to Fight."
Winston-Salem Journal.
If Editor Sam Farabee keeps up the pace he has set with his new paper, the Hickory Daily Record, it won't be long until the woods are full of Record readers in Western North Carolina. Although less than a week old, the Record has already taken a prominent place on the exchange table in this office. It richly deserves what it seems to have—the hearty support of the people of Hickory and the surrounding country. Better newspaper men than Sam Farabee are few and far between in North Carolina, and we confidently expect him to make a success of his venture in Hickory.

Thinks It O. K.
This from John A. Park, Publisher of the Raleigh Times:
"I've just seen the first copy of the Record. Congratulations! I don't see how you could improve it."

Has Their Support.
Gastonia Gazette.
The Gazette welcomes to its exchange desk the Hickory Daily Record, the first number of which was issued Saturday, September 11. The new afternoon daily is under the editorial management of Mr. S. H. Farabee, formerly editor of the Raleigh Evening Times, and Mr. J. C. Miller, of the Clay Printing Company, is business manager. The first issue consisted of six pages, seven columns each, and it is well filled with live news matter and readable advertisements. The Record has membership in the Associated Press and its telegraphic news is well handled. There is every indication that Mr. Farabee and his associates have the enthusiastic support of the progressive business men of Hickory and this should insure the success of their venture.

From an Old Friend.
Raleigh Times.
Sam Farabee's Hickory Daily Record is an institution of which the town should and will be proud. The editor says that he is going to fight shy of politics from a partisan slant, and that for the present he is not going to meddle in local differences—least of all until he has lived long enough in the town to "satiate with the Hickory atmosphere." The paper already seems to be filling up with the "ads" which give an editor atmosphere more quickly than anything else, and we expect before long to hear a clarion note or two from a growing Farabee saturated satisfaction as well as the clear air of the hills. At which all the many who know him, and the members of the Times staff in particular, will be exceeding glad.

Cordial and Friendly.
Hickory Democrat.
Hickory now boasts of an afternoon paper, the Hickory Daily Record having made its appearance here Saturday evening. It is a four page paper, seven columns to the page, neat typographically and well edited. The paper is a member of the Associated Press and is published by the Clay Printing Company. Mr. Sam H. Farabee, formerly editor of the Raleigh Times, is editor of the Record, and Mr. R. C. Minich, lately with the New Bern Star, is advertising manager. We gladly welcome these gentlemen and their families to Hickory and hope our relation as competitors will always be most cordial and friendly.

The Hickory Record.
High Point Enterprise.
The Hickory Record is the latest entry into the afternoon newspaper field of North Carolina. The paper is seven columns, four pages, carries Associated Press dispatches and from the advertising matter on the start promises to be a popular and successful venture. S. H. Farabee, formerly with the Raleigh Times, is editor, which insures a newsy, well-edited paper, and Hickory should maintain its reputation for progressiveness by giving the Record its loyal support.

A Good Friend's Opinion.
Statesville Landmark.
The first issue of the Hickory Daily Record, Hickory's new daily, which is published by the Clay Printing Company and edited by Mr. Sam H. Farabee, appeared Saturday. It is an afternoon paper, seven columns to the page, and the first issue of six pages made a fine showing. Mr. Farabee is an experienced and very capable newspaper man and the Landmark wishes him the greatest success in the new venture.

Proving the Pudding in Catawba
University News Letter.
A thousand co-operating farmers in Catawba did a \$245,505 business in cream, butter, poultry and eggs during the year ending the first of last June.

The year's sale of eggs was 228,700 dozen, and the business amounted to nearly 600,000 pounds. They started this business five years ago with a capital of only \$1,500. Last season 150 farmers in Catawba sold 25 car loads of sweet potatoes and received therefor \$2.67 per crate clear of all expenses.

The association charged its members \$1.00 membership fee and 10 cents per crate, plus 10 cents more per 100 pounds for handling. The unorganized are always at the mercy of organized big business. If farmers will not pull together here on earth, neither shall they dwell together in Heaven, according to Timothy ten-sixteen.

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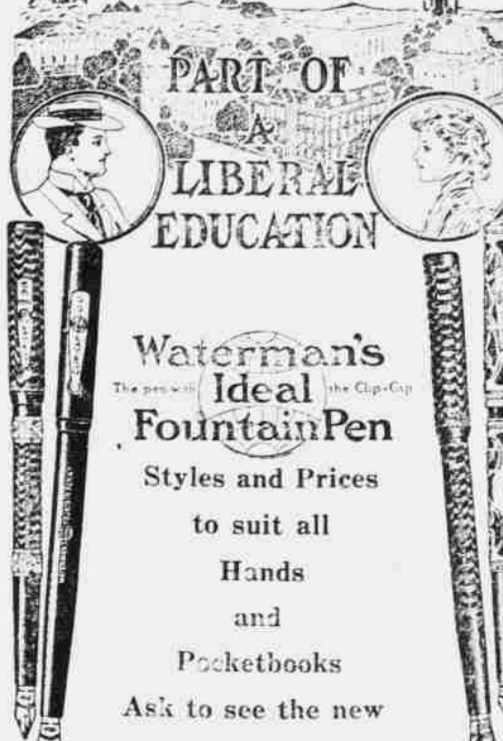
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