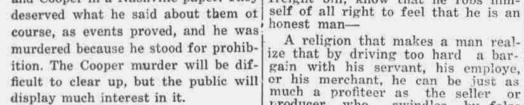
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MONDAY EVENING





Gen. Louis Botha, the South African Boer whose military genius made it necessary for the British government to send overwhelming forces into that country 20 years ago, has just died at an advanced age. He looms as large as General Smuts, though the latter was more prominent in the news dispatches during the great war. Botha conquered German Southwest Africa, while Smuts sat at the conference board of the allies. The world owes much to Botha and Smuts, two rebels who accepted the turn of fortune's wheel in good faith and who did their part in saving the allies from defeat. No finer tribute could be paid to British statesmanship than their dearings with the defeated Boers, who shouldered guns 20 years after they had been defeated and won another empire.

Various and sundry Irishmen have appeared before a congressional committee and with impassioned rhetoric urged the defeat of the peace treaty because, in their opinion, it would bind Ireland to England for all time. Chief objection to the treaty is that it would prevent another nation-Germany, for example -from going to the aid of Ireland. If that is the principal objection, then the treaty should be ratified at once. Irishmen who would plunge the world into war deserve no consideration. The Record tries not to be anti-anything, but the Sinn Feiners, led by their Catholic priests, have just about caused most Americans to avocate anything they are against.

A Massachusetts man, Oliver D. Hovey, died the other day at the age of 80 years and left buried treasure estimated at between \$25,000 and \$50,-He was known to have pur-000. chased bonds amounting to \$23,000, but nobody knows where they were hidden. A chart indicating the spot on a farm where the treasure was hidden was left by the man and persons in his neighborhood will have a feverish time deciphering it and digging for bonds and gold. It reminds one of the tales of Captain Kidd or the stories of Edgar Allen Poe.

The Record home guard correspondent had the pleasure of running across several old friends in Charlotte last week. One of them

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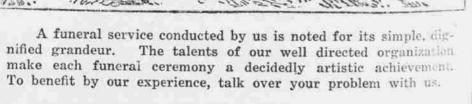
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was Frank Spruill of Lexington. who toted a rifle much of the time, and another was Dorman Thompson of Statesville, who must have reduced his weight during the few days he pounded the pavement. These two are as fine men as can be found in the state.

Schools are opening in all parts of the state and next Monday the schools here will start. Children should be ready to start on the first day.



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