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THE COOPER MURDER

The murder of Robin J. Cooper, whose pistol killed Senator Edwin W. Carmack in the most sensational murder ever known in Tennessee, was himself murdered last week and his body thrown into a stream near his home at Nashville, Tenn.

The Carmack murder shocked the country. Carmack, a brilliant man and a prohibitionist, attacked Patterson and Cooper in a Nashville paper. They deserved what he said about them of course, as events proved, and he was murdered because he stood for prohibition.

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.

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.

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 \$50,000.

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

Schools are opening in all parts of the state and next Monday the schools here will start.

Billy Borne nails the profiteer rumor in Asheville with a cartoon. With a swatter labeled "The Truth, an indignant citizen is laying on 'Scandal Mongers' buzzing around town. Several Asheville stores have been damaged by a senseless rumor. Well, the rumor was mighty slow in getting to Asheville.

The brotherhoods having pointed the way, it is hoped that their good example will be followed. What this country needs is an opportunity to settle down to something like normal conditions.

The school bond election undoubtedly was carried today, those people registering of course being for it. One-third of the voters of Hickory, however, went to the trouble of enrolling for the election.

Western cattle and hog raisers will now raise a howl over the drop in meat prices. Somebody must bear the loss, but everybody hopes it will be the other fellow.

AM I MY BROTHER'S KEEPER?

Manufacturers Record
Above all else this country needs a nation-wide revival of the old-fashioned prayer meeting religion.

A religion that makes men realize that if there is a Heaven, there must also of necessity be a Hell.

A religion that makes a man realize that every act is recorded on his own conscience, and that though that may slumber, it can never die.

A religion that makes the employer understand that if he is unfair to his employees and pays them less than fair wages, measured by his ability and their efficiency and zeal he is a robber.

A religion that makes an employee know that if he does not give full and efficient service, he too is a robber.

A religion that makes the farmer, who packs his fruit at the bottom and deceives the buyer by the good fruit on the top, realize that he is a thief just as much as the one who robs a hen roost at night.

A religion that makes a man who robs a railroad of its fare, or its freight bill, know that he robs himself of all right to feel that he is an honest man.

A religion that makes a man realize that by driving too hard a bargain with his servant, his employee, or his merchant, he can be just as much a profiteer as the seller or producer who swindles by false weight, false packing or false charges.

A religion that will teach church members who fail to contribute to the extent of their ability to the support of religion, and that compels

them to recognize that if they are paying pastors less than a living salary, they are robbing God and man alike.

A religion that will make the laboring man, who by threats or by actual violence against the non-union man, strives to keep out of employment, realize that he is at heart a murderer and is murdering his fellow-man, an is displaying hatred which, if it has the proper opportunity, will commit physical murder.

A religion that will make the politician who yields principle for the sake of party, who worships at the feet of any class and sells his soul for political preferment know that he is not only a coward and a poltroon, and unworthy of the respect of any decent man, but which will also make him see that he is helping to murder human liberty, as great a crime as murdering the individual man.

In short, we need a revival which will make every man and woman strive in every act of life to do that which, on the great Judgment Day, they will wish they had done, as with soul uncovered they stand before the Judgment Seat of the Eternal.

Until the people of this nation accept and live this religion there will be strife where there should be peace, there will be lockouts and murder where there should be co-

operation and harmony; there will be hatred where there should be friendship and love.

In the Golden Rule, followed in the fullness of the spirit of this kind of religion, there would be found a solution for every business trouble, there would be created friendship between employer and employee; capital and labor work in harmony and with efficiency, efficiency for the capital and efficiency for the labor, with profit to both.

Religion of this kind is not measured by the hope of a Heaven hereafter, but by the full fruition now of "Peace on earth to men good will."

It is not merely the chanting of hymns here or in the world to come, but it is in the recognition and full application by rich and poor, by learned and unlearned, that each one is indeed his brother's keeper, and that we can bring this country and the world back to safety.

A nation-wide acceptance of this, the only true religion in action, would bring business peace and world peace where there is now turmoil, and men would then cease to seek to gain their aims by lawless acts of immorality, but would in spirit and in deed follow the Divine command, "All things whatsoever ye would that men do to you, do ye even so to them."

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