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ON RAISING RATES.

The Statesville Landmark has announced that its subscription price will be raised to \$3 a year beginning May 1. The Landmark is published twice a week and, like other small papers, has felt the pinch of the warprint situation. The Landmark, by the way, will be worth the price. The Record will not increase its subscription price for some time at least. It will limit the size of its editions, running four and six pages most of the time. It expects to carry all the news it can and will give its readers the most possible for their money.

The mistake the Record made was not in advancing its rates in all departments to a point where it could publish a better paper and make some money too. We realize that we have not shared in the general prosperity, but we have made a little and hope that conditions will improve.

The News-Enterprise of Newton makes the point that Clerk of Court Setzer violated the proprieties in accepting the chairmanship of the Republican party while retaining his office. There is no law against it and Mr. Setzer wants to be chairman, that is his right, though the duties of chairman necessarily will give to his office more of a political atmosphere. Every person has a right to his own tastes, as the old lady remarked when she kissed the cow. If Mr. Setzer felt that he could hold two offices, one of a strictly public nature and the other of a strictly partisan nature, and do justice to both, then it is a matter for his conscience. The Record does not object.

The "outlaw" railroad unions were wrong in striking and the public has suffered much damage, but the men waited nearly ten months for a reply to their demands for more wages. That is their side. The government is the worst sort of procrastinator and one of the lessons to be learned from the strike is that a decision should be made promptly on all matters affecting the public. If we are to have trouble, we had just as well get it over with and be done with it, rather than wait a year.

The United States and Mexico are the countries on this hemisphere that are afraid of the league of nations. That is for the information of those who prate about Americanism and sovereignty.

The railroad brotherhoods are given until tomorrow at noon to break the strike. Then the railroad managers will try their hand. The fight may be to the finish and in the scrap innocent bystanders will also get hurt.

Wake Forest students have joined the overall club. All right, boys, if you will wear 'em from June 15 to September 10, we will act as a free bureau for certain farmers and manufacturers who like to see overalls in use.

The party platforms just now being published show that only one political party is able to give satisfaction. It is sad, but true, if we believe the platforms, and yet this old world has been moving along for some thousands of years with first one set and then another in control.

Those persons who wondered what the newspapers would print after the war—where are they now?

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Mr. Cameron Morrison took the trouble to answer the questionnaire sent out by the labor and farmers' unions as to where he stood on certain matters advocated by them and the public may know where he stands. Mr. Morrison, as those who read his replies in the Record yesterday noted, did not hedge.

We see by the papers that the students of the University of North Carolina are overall supporters. There will be good jobs open for those boys during vacation if they will forward their names to head quarters. This country needs men who are willing to put overalls to good usage.

The various war-time acts which were passed by congress during the war could have been repealed long ago, and nobody with intelligence will be deceived at this late day. A few scoundrels and feeble-minded persons have been persecuted in the name of patriotism, but it required little pressure to make some folks behave themselves.

Mr. Hoover has informed Massachusetts Democrats that he would not accept the Democratic nomination if tendered him. Our idea of Mr. Hoover had been that he was willing to serve the country regardless of party considerations, but the call for him must come from the Republicans, he says. He has about destroyed every chance he had of getting the nomination from either party.

DOCILITY ON ROLLING PIN.

New York Times.
The unhappy observations of Blasco Ibanez about the use of the rolling pin, were widely read because they represent a general conviction. In Europe, where a husband generally is more honored in all directions but one than in this country, the legend of the subject submissiveness of the American male and unchecked dominance of the "fiere, athletic girl" is universally believed; and we are inclined to believe anything that foreign writers say about us. Our novelists and playwrights have helped the cause along by portraying not necessarily what they regarded as characteristic of American life but what they knew their audiences had been educated to regard as characteristic of American life.

Now comes a voice crying in the wilderness, and to none other than those very persons who had been pictured as autoeratic empresses of the American home. President William Allen Nelson of Smith college, observing that "one main defect of our education today is the too exclusive cultivation of the receptive attitude," goes on to apply his observations to the fair sex: "In a woman's college especially it is necessary to guard against excessive docility; to avoid ex cathedra pronouncements; to seek to arouse doubt, objection, resistance."

Into the American household, hitherto more or less quiescent, Dr. Nelson brings not peace but a sword. Those whom foreigners regard as tyrannical rulers of the household are to avoid "excessive docility." Doubt, objection, resistance must be encouraged. It may be a good thing for the race but it is hard on the husband. With the arrival of prohibition many persons have begun to spend at home those evenings which were dissipated in ardent conversation down at the corner rum palace.

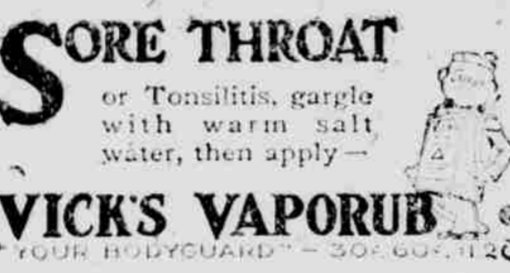
CLERK WHO SAVED \$100,000,000

New York Evening Post.
It is to the credit of the House of Representatives that its vote for paying \$10,000 to John Q. Pugh for "extra and expert services" which have saved the nation \$100,000,000 was overwhelming—275 to 23. Mr. Pugh was formerly a clerk to the committee on naval affairs, but left it for a better paid position with the committee on appropriations. The naval committee, lacking experienced clerical assistance, made use of Mr. Pugh's overtime. On occasion he worked all night, going over the naval bill, and, according to the chairman, was responsible for eliminating duplicate and useless items aggregating \$100,000,000.

Sarcastic democrats asked if the chairman and his colleagues were "sitting around like knots on a box" while, and expressed opinion that Mr. Pugh might save a billion in the appropriation committee. If one expert clerk on one bill could save so vast a sum, what might not be saved by a proper system of preparing estimates and appropriation measures at Washington?



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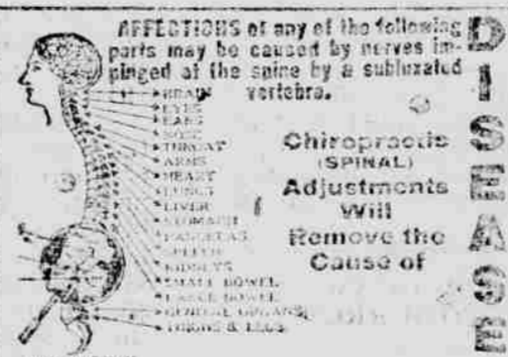
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