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Evangelist Attacking Cigarettes in Durham.

Durham Special to Charlotte Observer.

Rev. Abe Mulkey broke all evangelistic precedents here tonight when he gave the tobacco interests a terrific drubbing and shouted stentoriously: "Wherever I see a cigarette I feel like I have met a young devil fresh from hell." He had started his sermon against dancing, but during the day he had visited the tobacco manufacturers. He was depicting the scene of Aaron's followers dancing about the Golden Calf, when he burst into this charge: "And the Golden Calf in this town are these great tobacco factories. There are 10,000 people hobnobbing with them and bowing every time they meet one of the crowd. Did you get that? Whiskey first and tobacco next. Have you got any sense? I visited a factory today and saw a machine turning out 600 every minute. I do believe I hate a cigarette worse than anything on this earth. I would rather meet a young devil fresh from hell than one of these things. You preachers may be afraid to preach against these things, but when Abe Mulkey comes to a place where he can't cry aloud and spare not, then he'll hang up the receiver. He will ask God to take him to heaven and stop this thing here. But if you are afraid to preach my doctrine you can say amen. A preacher generally preaches about as high as he lives. Ain't that a good time to say amen? The trouble is some of us have got wealthy too quick. We buy an automobile or two, build a big house, put a great sunburst and a great necklace upon our wives."

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TRYING TO WORK THE FARMERS.

Stateville Landmark.

WITHIN the past year the Bell Telephone Company has been making great efforts to secure rural connections in this part of the State. The newspapers that are under obligations to the Bell, either by receiving free service or service at greatly reduced rates, and other papers which have been innocently worked on the idea that they were helping the farmer, have been liberally used to exploit the advantages of the telephone in rural communities. As a part of this plan for the promotion and advancement of the Bell in rural communities, an "Agricultural Conference" has been called to meet in Charlotte in the near future. Speakers have been secured from the Agricultural Department at Washington for this conference and "The Rural Telephone" is one of the topics to be discussed along with "Soil Renovation," "Growing Small Grains," etc. While ostensibly an agricultural conference, it is apparent that this conference is in reality for the exploitation of the Bell telephone. It was promoted by a Bell man whose custom it is to work for his company after this manner.

The advantages of telephones in rural communities are apparent. There is no argument on that point. They are not only a luxury and convenience to rural dwellers, but they have become a necessity, and the Landmark urges the establishment of telephone lines in every neighborhood.

But the public should remember an important fact right here. Who gave the rural communities this great convenience? The Bell company? Not at all. Before the expiration of certain telephone patents, a few years ago, there were no rural telephone lines in the State; there were no telephones in the small towns and villages and the rural communities and telephone lines were stretched all over the State, the service being put at a price in the reach of all.

All this, mind you, was independent of the Bell. When that monopoly saw the spread of the service, saw that the telephone had become not only a luxury but a necessity almost everywhere, it set about to get possession of the whole field. Independent companies were bought or crushed, put out of business wherever possible; and it is always the case that wherever the Bell gains full control rates are raised, often when the service is no better and in some instances not as good. This is the case in towns and it will be so in the country if the rural dwellers don't have a care. Those who fall into the trap so skillfully laid by the smooth-tongued gentry employed by the Bell, will suffer in the end. The history of the past shows that.

The counties in the State that have the most rural telephones, where the service is best developed and of most benefit to the farmers, are those where independent companies prevail. Union and Iredell counties show this. The farmers should organize, control and operate their own lines and keep them free from any entangling alliances with the Bell company. In cases like Charlotte and Salisbury, where the Bell controls, rural lines will of course have to make arrangement for connection to get into the towns, but they should make these contracts with care or they will find themselves bound hand and foot.

It is only recently, we repeat, that the Bell company has begun to give attention to rural lines. It is doing that now because the independent companies have developed the field and given the farmer service at small cost. Now great interest is manifested in the welfare of the farmer. That interest, as the facts show, is self-interest. In some cases, for purposes of its own, the Bell will offer the farmers fairly liberal terms to get them enlisted. But if they get where they can't help themselves, look out for

the squeeze. That has been the case in urban communities; it follows that it will be so in rural. In an adjoining county, where the Bell controls, the Landmark is advised that country people who have "phones have to pay toll to get into the county town. In the case cited the distance was only 12 miles. At the same time free connection was given to Stateville and other points where there are independent companies. Almost any concession is made to destroy a rival, but once competition is destroyed the monopoly recaptures by excessive charges.

Last week the Bell company was given permission to raise its rates in Wilmington and Asheville. Its rates were already as high—\$2.50 and \$3 per month—as the average man can afford, but they were raised 50 cents in each instance. The company offered figures to show that it was making nothing from its investment in Wilmington and Asheville. It is easy to do that—if one accepts the figures of the company. In a recent issue of the *Baltimore Sun*, stock of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company (the parent of the Southern Bell) was offered for sale as an investment. In this advertisement it was stated that for 25 years stock in the company had not paid less than 7 1/2 per cent, and that for the past three years it had paid 8 per cent. In addition, says the advertisement, there is always a surplus. "For the five months of the present year, ended May 31, the company had a balance, after payment of interest and dividends out of earnings of that period, of \$6,229,684, or nearly \$1,000,000 greater than for the corresponding period of 1908."

This statement is quoted from the advertisement of the company and it means that it earned enough money in five months to pay all expenses, interest and dividends for the period and to put aside about six and a half millions as a surplus. If the company admits it is making that much money, it can easily be imagined that its real earnings are more. How does it make so much money? By charges for its service such as are made at Wilmington, Asheville and elsewhere.

A BIG COMET IS COMING.

Washington Special to Baltimore Sun.

A Celestial Visitor that Appears Each Seventy-Five Years About Due—It Will Be Bright Next Spring.

"If you live until next spring you are going to witness one of the most magnificent sights the heavens have ever disclosed before your eyes," said a well known member of the astronomical force at the United States Naval Observatory this afternoon to the correspondent of the *Sun*. "Halley's comet comes only once in a lifetime, and many persons are born, live and die without ever catching a glimpse of its marvelous dash of fire across the skies. It was last seen in 1835, and few persons now alive can say they have ever witnessed it."

The astronomical world is now on the watch, and huge refracting and reflecting telescopes are trained upon the heavens from many points on the earth in a common effort to locate the comet, which is approaching the earth at a terrific rate. There is a friendly rivalry to see which will be the first to pick up the comet with their mirrors.

The comet in its full refulgence is not due until 1910, but by spring it will probably be near enough to be visible by naked eye. In the past it has spanned the heavens almost from horizon to horizon, covering as much as 100 degrees of celestial territory, and standing out like a great living thing of fire. It is now somewhere out in space, but not yet visible to astronomers. They confidently expect some one to pick it up before the end of 1909, and after that it will increase in splendor and size until it reaches its nearest approach to the earth, some time next spring, after which it will disappear, not to be seen again in 75 years.

"Halley's comet has been visiting the vicinity of the earth ever since 500 or 600 years before Christ," said the astronomer. "Halley was an Englishman, whose name was given to the comet because he was the first to announce that this particular comet came near the earth at regular periods, once every 75 years. He went over the records, and by a series of computations found that what had previously been regarded as a series of different comets was nothing more than the same comet, and that this, the most magnificent of them all, came around regularly once every 75 years. That was during the latter part of the eighteenth century, and Halley announced that this comet would next appear in 1835. He never lived to see it come, but his successors found that his prediction came true."

"The comet's 75-year journey will bring it toward us near enough for it to be seen early in 1910. It has never been photographed, because photography was invented after 1835. Neither has the spectroscopic been used upon this comet, this being another new invention. The telescope is another facility not available in 1835, and there was at that time nothing like the great telescopic lenses of today or the great 40-inch refractive telescope at Yerkes Observatory, sixty miles northwest of Chicago."

"With all these facilities astronomers will this time work in harmony. A series of telescopic photographs will be taken at the Lick, Yerkes, Naval and other observatories in this country and all the large observatories abroad, including those at Berlin, Vienna, Paris and Greenwich. We want to get a long series of actual telescopic photographs of this comet on its coming cruise through the heavens. The comet will first be picked up somewhere off in space by some photographic telescope. We think we know just about where the comet will make its debut, but can't yet see it. The moment it is found the news will be flashed around the world."

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CLUTCH OF THE BABY HAND.

Baltimore Sun.

The Depth of Mother Love—It Goes to Those Who Can Give Least.

The tiny hands of her little baby clutch a mother's heart. There is no appeal like theirs, no call so strong to motherhood.

Flushed with the hope of a new and happier life in the New World, Mrs. Ita Burialow packed up her goods in Russia, turned her back on the old home in which poverty had continually dwelt, and sailed for America, where her robust sons had found a domicile and a chance for success. She took with her her four younger children, the oldest 14 and the youngest only 4. She had little money and, to the officials enforcing the immigration laws, seemed unable to bear the burden of supporting her flock. The sons were waiting, but they, too, were poor. So the immigration officers decided that if admitted some of the children were likely to become public charges. Therefore they turned her back at the very threshold of the new land. They would allow her to enter with the two older children, who could soon be self-supporting, but if she stayed in America she must send the little ones back to Russia.

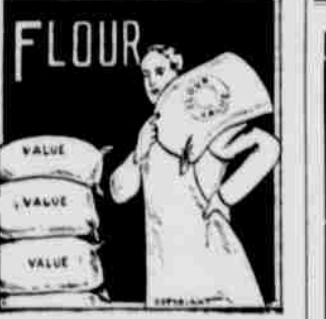
It must have been a great temptation to remain in the fair new land of promise with her stalwart sons and share their future. But when she chose she could not resist the appeal of the younger ones. "They need me more," she said, and wiping away her tears, she decided to return to Russia, to take up the old life there with her babies.

The mother seeks to serve and does not hesitate to spend herself for the good of her children. And the smaller and weaker they are, the more her heart is touched. Their very weakness is the strongest appeal to that well of sympathy in woman that goes out to the weak, the crippled, the blind, the ill, the distressed. It is that which makes her the ministering angel who stands beside the sick bed and fights for life to the very gates of Death. It is that which arouses in every good woman that spirit of sacrifice that has made the world's martyrs. It is that which inspired Florence Nightingale and Grace Darling, which gives the Red Cross nurse the courage to brave the battlefield, which fills the staffs of our hospitals with these gentle saints of the sick room, which results in a thousand acts of charity, which has given rise to the many organizations to relieve distress and help the needy. It is this spirit in man and woman which has removed the shadow of starvation from the lives of the poor, has provided humane treatment for the insane, has given a home to the outcast and friends to the erring, has helped the deaf to hear and the blind to see.

The humble Russian mother without a moment of hesitation turns not to those who can give her most, but to those who need her most. Her instincts are as true as those of the woman who with all the aids of civilization and education has been developed into the most refined and sensitive product of the age. For, after all, there is nothing in the life of woman so helpful to humanity as this simple mother love which is poured out with the fragrance of its blessing upon the children of all the world.

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