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DAVIDSON COUNTY FARMER SLAYS OVER THIRTY SNAKES

There Were Thirty-Nine Little Ones in Big Copperhead—A Big Rattlesnake Killed.

(From the Lexington Dispatch.)

Thirty-nine little snakes in one big snake is the strange snake story that comes out of Arcadia township, and is vouched for by some of the most reputable citizens of the county.

A few days ago, The Dispatch informed, Felix Kinzel, a prominent farmer of near Friedberg, killed a very large copperhead snake in his barn lot, near a strawstack. After he had slain the big reptile his curiosity was attracted by its unusual girth and he further noticed that there appeared to be something moving inside. He cut open the parent snake and was surprised to find that it was packed with little snakes—copperheads—about eight inches long. He began slaying and when he had finished he counted thirty-nine little ones and the mother snake—forty in all.

Mr. Kinzel has the reputation of being a man of sobriety and temperance, but he couldn't hardly believe the evidence before him, and was afraid to say anything about it without corroboration, lest his word be seriously questioned. So he went to John C. Crouch, another good citizen and neighboring farmer, to come and view the spectacle. Mr. Crouch carefully counted them and can vouch for the story. Several other neighbors also came by to take a look at the unusual sight.

About a month ago Mr. Kinzel had a good horse bitten by a snake about the barn and he believes the one he slew, or its mate, did the deed. The horse is still suffering from the effects of the bite.

It is said by those acquainted with snake habits that poisonous snakes do not lay eggs but their eggs are like those of four-legged animals and humans. Some who have observed copperheads say that the little snakes at first are kept around the mother snake and that upon hearing any noise of alarming nature the old snake opens her mouth and the little ones run into her for protection. There was a nest made in the side of a nearby straw stack, it is said, and it is considered entirely probable that the large snake family had already been born and run into the mother snake for protection. The number is thought to be unusually large for one family.

This seems to be a good week for snake stories, for yesterday The Dispatch received a letter from L. J. Smith, of Wilmington, superintendent of the Southern Box and Lumber Company, who is a subscriber to the paper, telling of the killing of a giant rattlesnake. Mr. Smith writes that on Monday he was going out on a trip about twenty miles from Wilmington, known as E. Springs. He noticed a large snake crossing the road and having a pistol in his car, he shot the reptile. Upon investigation he found that it had killed a rattler, six feet long with ten rattles and a hollow and unusually large even for that great length. Mr. Smith writes that he took the snake back to Wilmington and showed it to several old men who had killed many snakes and they all said it was the champion. Mr. Smith says he went to buy logs, but after killing the rattlesnake he didn't have any desire to walk about in the woods.

Let's drop the word "bargain" from the business dictionary—there can be no permanent profit in transactions where one or the other loses.

PARKER TAKES A RAP AT SIMMONS AND "AUS" WATTS

Republican Nominee Says This Pair Will Try to Do For Him What They Did to O. Max Gardner.

Speaking in Shelby Friday night, Mr. J. J. Parker, republican nominee for governor, said his prediction about the effect of the Revaluation act had been verified by the report of the state tax commission.

He contended that under the Revaluation act the railroads would pay less tax. The banks would pay less. The owners of personal property would pay less while real estate would pay more. "This shows," said he, "that the effect of the Revaluation act is to throw a greater burden on the farmer. He will pay between 50 and 60 per cent more taxes." But probably the most interesting part of Mr. Parker's speech was that part of which dealt with the treatment of O. Max Gardner by one of the machine.

"One of the great issues of this campaign is political freedom. The question which presents itself to every man who loves his state is whether the Simmons-Watts machine shall be allowed to stifle not only the democratic party, but the state of North Carolina. The political history of this country shows that whenever a party holds power for a long number of years it develops a machine which stifles the progress of the party, and uses the government of the state not for bettering the condition of the people, but for serving the purpose of the machine.

"This is what has happened in North Carolina. The reason that we have done so little for agriculture, for roads, for schools and for labor is because the reactionary Simmons-Watts machine has its grip upon the throat of the democratic party and of the state. The progressive and forward looking men of the state will not crawl in the dust before the machine, and the machine grinds them to powder.

"The only way to get rid of the machine is to defeat the democratic party at the polls. As soon as the machine loses the state officers it will go to pieces and the progressive element of the democratic party will have a chance to get control of that party and make it a power for good in the state. But you cannot beat the machine by fighting with the party. The reason is that no man is strong enough by himself to overcome a machine whose ramifications extend into every precinct of the state. Roosevelt was the most popular republican who ever lived, but he could not break the power of the republican machine in 1912. Kitchin was probably the most popular man in North Carolina but he dashed himself to pieces against the Simmons-Watts machine in the same year, and his friends say he never recovered from the machine ever since.

"One of the great evils of the machine rule is that it deprives the state of the services of its best men. The machine never forgives and never forgets. The man who fights it is consigned to eternal oblivion and his friends who supported him are led to guillotine whenever they offer themselves for public office. Max Gardner is a case in point. He supported Kitchin in 1912. In the eyes of the machine that was an unpardonable sin. Now, Max is a salaried fellow. He is a man of character and ability. He is personally one of the most popular men in the state. He applied to the governorship and, if the machine had left hands off, he would have beaten Morrison by thousands of votes. But eight years ago he had fought the machine and years ago the machine had "grabbed" the governorship to Morrison. The word went down the line that Gardner was to be slaughtered at all cost, and not over 95 great ability and popularity could stand against the machine. I shall not tell you the methods that were used, methods which cause the blush of every loyal son of North Carolina to blush with shame and righteous indignation.

"A man asked me the other day if Gardner could come back. That depends upon the outcome of this election. The machine will use the same methods against me that they used against Gardner. If they succeed they will do for Gardner and his friends what they did for Kitchin and his friends. There is no hope for the progressive young man of the democratic party as long as the machine is in control. If, on the other hand, I am elected, the machine will go to pieces, and Gardner and the progressive younger element of the democratic party will take charge of that party and will make it stand for something other than an office holding machine.

"Nothing better ever happened to the republican party than its defeat in 1912. The defeat killed the Barnes machine and the men in the republican party who stand for something have come to the front. Nothing better could happen to the democratic party than for the Simmons-Watts machine to be beaten at this election.

"I ask every forward looking North Carolinian to join with me in this election and help me beat the machine. I pledge myself not to be the governor of a faction or a party, but of the whole people. I pledge my administration to a program of constructive reforms to which every progressive citizen of North Carolina can and will subscribe. Let us lay aside partisan prejudice and vote for political freedom and for the good of North Carolina."

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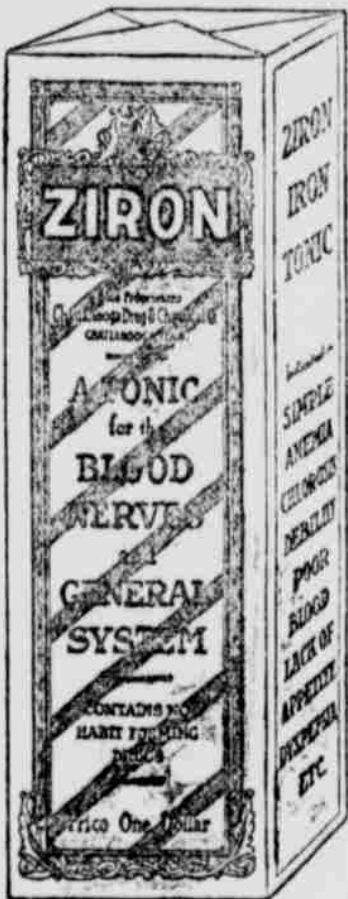
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