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Charlie Iceman Is the Henry Ford of the Piedmont Section

HE IS A BUSINESS MAN WITH AN IMAGINATION

Predicts That Just As Likely As Not He'll Turn Creamery Back to Owners After Putting It on Its Feet

WHEN A COTTON MILL GOES LAME THEY SEND FOR ICEMAN

Reared in a Cotton Mill, He knows All Ends of the Game, Production, Buying, Selling and Everything Else; Loves to Dash in and Do Something That Is Hard.

BY R. F. BEASLEY

Goldsboro, Oct. 22.—Charles Iceman, the wizzard cotton mill man of North and South Carolina, living at Monroe, is going to run a creamery. He is already running three or four cotton and knitting mills, and is the Henry Ford of that section. When a cotton mill goes lame they send for Iceman to come and put it on its feet.

Will he succeed with a creamery? You bet he will. He succeeds with anything. Henry Ford does not know more about making Fords than Chas. Iceman knows about cotton mills. And if Henry could pick up a decrepit railroad and make it pay we'll gamble that Iceman can make a creamery pay after everybody else has failed.

Running a creamery in a cotton county is no child's play and no business man accustomed to act in a large way would bother with it except a man like Iceman. Iceman is a business man with an imagination. He came up in the mill business from the spindles and there is not a detail of machinery, of spinning and knitting, of selling the products or buying the raw material, that he does not know to a gnat's heel. But he has more than knowledge and business experience; he has the salt of life, imagination. It keeps business from getting monotonous and success stale. He loves to dash in and do something that is hard, that requires variety, that drives away dullness, that brings out latent talent.

He is going to run a creamery, mark that. The other day at Monroe the stockholders of the creamery which has been limping along for many years, met in the chamber of commerce and sent for Iceman—they just love to send for Iceman down there—and told him that something had to be done about the creamery. It couldn't stop, for the boll weevil was there; and it couldn't go on because it was in debt and was about to be shut down by creditors. Ten thousand dollars was necessary to meet bills and then some operating money was necessary. The stockholders had been nursing it along for many years as a kind of public enterprise and had come to the end of their row. Somebody had to do something about the creamery.

"All right, boys," said Iceman in that quick, snappy way of his, after the matter had been laid before him. "If I am to pay the debts and guarantee to run the creamery right on, what are you going to let me have your stock for?"

"Twenty-five per cent of face value," they said, and when Iceman agreed to take it and pay the money one can fancy that there was a quick divestment of all the stock held by those present.

So Iceman has the creamery and is going to run it and make it pay. He is going to do what the stockholders were never able to do—get a man who knows the business, pay him a real salary if he earns it and ship him if he doesn't, and put enough capital in to operate on.

And that is the way one large business man is going to do his bit with the boll weevil situation, for Iceman doesn't care a hang about the money he is going to make with the creamery, he just loves to turn a trick like that. It will be just like him to let the old stockholders have that creamery back at the same twenty-five cents on the dollar after he has changed it from a white elephant into a dividend paying concern.

Sheriff Gets Big Liquor Haul

A tip, and the "intervention of the Lord," to use the picturesque language of Sheriff Clifford Fowler, landed Emsley Gurley and his eleven-year-old son, George Gurley, into the toils of the law Saturday evening. They were caught just this side of Rocky River with eleven gallons of Stanley corn.

Sheriff Fowler has been suspecting Gurley of handling liquor for some time and had "spotters" out for him on both sides of the river. Late Saturday he received a long-distance call from Stanley stating that Gurley was en route to Monroe with a load of booze. The Sheriff, with Deputy Sheriff Paul Griffith and Mr. Grady Green of Stanley, started down the Morgan Mill road in quest of their man, but on account of the delay in getting their telephone message, feared that Gurley had managed to get home. Here it was that the Lord, said Mr. Fowler, intervened. Gurley's car had broken down at the river, and the officers found father and son walking towards Monroe in search of some one, it was said, to transport their load the rest of the distance to Monroe. They were promptly placed under arrest. Search revealed the 11 gallons hid in the vicinity of the stalled car.



BRIEF IS ENTHUSIASTIC OVER ITS SCHOOL TRUCK

In the Main, Students and Patrons Are Overjoyed at the Bigger Opportunities School Offers

Brief, Oct. 23.—Most of the patrons were present at the meeting held Friday at the school house for the purpose of lining up for the opening today. Much interest in the school—a good sign right from the beginning. The truck has been purchased and will be put in use this week. It is not known just how many students will start with this new opportunity, but it is believed there will be a big load within the first few weeks.

So greatly appreciative are we of the opportunities the school truck is going to bring to our children, that expression is powerless. Our children are so highly elated over it that we hear the small boys and girls saying among themselves, "I am going to study harder than ever, make my grade as quick as possible—I know now that I have a chance to get a high school education."

How wonderful to hear ambitious youth express for itself such a spirit of appreciation and enthusiasm.

As in all other things, the patrons are naturally divided in opinion as to the practicability of the new plan, but every new thing, when introduced into a community, is accorded this kind of reception. The stock law, for instance, is a great benefit to the farmer. It was hotly opposed, being put over under great difficulty. Now who would question its value to the farmer? It is also very evident that those who are opposed to this truck are always highly in favor of doing their bit toward getting for the children of their community better educational advantages, but the difference in opinion is largely a matter as to what methods.

Generally speaking, the patrons are more enthusiastic over the plan now, though, than ever before. It is believed that all will become truly appreciative when the good results, of which we are so confident, will show.

Mr. Roy Long of Concord was home to spend the week-end with his parents.

Mr. J. P. Canup of Mt. Holly visited friends and relatives here recently.

Messrs. J. A. and D. M. Long are visiting relatives and friends in Concord this week.

Mrs. M. A. Clontz and children spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. J. C. Austin of Monroe route two.

The News of Goose Creek

Indian Trail, R. F. D. No. 1, Oct. 24.—Mr. M. F. Helms, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Dixon and Miss Bertie Helms, all of Charlotte, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Dixon Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Fink, a former pastor of this charge, and Messrs. Taylor and Walters, of Mooresville, were the guests of Mr. J. C. Foard Friday and Saturday.

Lights have been installed in the Union Grove Methodist church.

Mr. T. L. Blackmon has bought a tractor.

Eq. H. M. Furr received a telegram Saturday from West Virginia stating that his brother, Mr. Ransom Furr, was at the point of death. Mr. Furr left immediately to be with his sick brother.

Mrs. D. L. Furr injured her left side the other day when she fell across a sill. She was critically ill for a time, but medical aid soon restored her. Mrs. Furr was unconscious for a time.

Mrs. G. W. Rowell will conduct prayer-meeting next Sunday at 7 p. m. at Union Grove.

Mr. Ray Horton and Misses Wilma Horton and Ruth Horton motored to Monroe today.

Messrs. W. B. Foard and Reese Simpson are on the jury this week.

Mr. Buren Ford was in Charlotte Saturday.

CHARLOTTE LUCKS GAME FROM MONROE HIGH TEAM

Teams Were More Evenly Matched Than 19 to 7 Score Indicates.—Wiggs Plays Good Ball

The Monroe high school football team journeyed over to Charlotte last Friday to play their ancient rivals, the Charlotte high school. Charlotte won 19 to 7. But the game was much better and the teams were more evenly matched than the score indicates. The people who witnessed the game will admit that the Monroe team was as good and sometimes showed even better form than the Charlotte team. Before the first quarter of the game had ended the score was 7 to 6 in favor of the local team. It was then that Charlotte began to receive the breaks of the game. For when Monroe tried a forward pass it was unexpectedly intercepted by Norris, a Charlotte back, who ran 35 yards or to within 10 yards of Monroe's own goal line. After several attempts Schlitz finally succeeded in crossing the line. They missed the "try for point" when an attempted dropkick was grounded. And so instead of 7 to 6 in favor of the wearers of the purple and gold, the half ended 12 to 7 with the Monroe team on the small end of the score.

At the beginning of the last half the Monroe team went in determined to win. They received the kick-off and steadily moved the ball toward Charlotte's goal. It was Monroe's ball on Charlotte's 30 yard line. Mack Fairley was called back. Everyone knew that a drop kick was to be attempted. But there was no luck with the local team. And, although the kicker got off a beautiful kick, it missed the crossbars by barely a foot.

In the third quarter both teams exchanged punts. But in the final period Charlotte clinched the game when Schlitz received the ball on a delayed forward pass from Wilson and ran 65 yards for a touchdown.

Graded School Auditorium Thursday Night

On Thursday, October 26th, the Redpath Lyceum Bureau will present the Grasjean Marimba-Xylophone Company, the second number of the Lyceum course book ed by the local Chautauqua Company.

The musical talents of three gifted sisters, The Misses Grasjean, form the nucleus of the Grasjean Marimba-Xylophone Company. Each of these three sisters is a vocalist and instrumentalist, and Miss Floss Grasjean, in addition, a thoroughly amusing character interpreter.

Completing the perfect ensemble of the company are Henry Jensen, Baritone, and Chester Painter, tenor, both being also instrumentalists. Their addition to the organization makes it a vocal and orchestral novelty company of interest to every type of audience.

A particularly entertaining and unusual feature of the Grasjean program is the use of the Marimba-Xylophone for purely instrumental selections and also for vocal ensemble accompaniment. This instrument combines the best qualities of both the marimba-xylophone and xylophone and is capable of rendering every type of orchestral music from overtures to popular songs and ballads. Saxophone, drums, and piano contribute delightfully to the program.

Miss Floss Grasjean, feature artist of the company, is one of the most amusing impersonative entertainers before the public. Her character sketches range from a young girl with oratorical ambitions to a trembling old lady. Her delineation of many varied characters has built for Miss Grasjean an ever-growing popularity with her audiences.

The entire personnel of the Grasjean Company is thoroughly experienced in the musical entertainment field. For the last few seasons the company has pleased audiences in every part of the country. Their program has proved to be universally popular in communities of every size.

The extremely low prices of tickets for the Lyceum Course brings this form of entertainment within the means of everyone and the Monroe Chautauqua Company who booked this course deserve great credit in bringing these attractions to our city.

All the numbers of the course will be presented at the High School auditorium which seats seven hundred people and officials of the Chautauqua Company are expecting to hang out the "standing room only" sign on next Thursday night.

Tickets for this and other numbers of the course may be obtained at the Union Drug Store, The W. J. Rudge Co., or from any High School student. Single admissions for this attraction will be 75c for adults and 35c for children and tickets for the balance of the course will be priced accordingly.

Serious Accident on Charlotte Road

Mr. W. L. Simpson and his son, Mr. Bunyan Simpson, of West Monroe township, had a narrow escape from serious injury on the Charlotte road Sunday night when a Ford ran into their buggy. Mr. Simpson had started to Monroe to attend church services. When he saw the lights of the approaching car he turned out to the side of the road, but the driver of the car, it seems, didn't pull to the other side far enough with the result that he crashed into Mr. Simpson's buggy. The two occupants were thrown out of the vehicle, and young Bunyan got tangled in the lines and was dragged some distance before the mule could be stopped. Both were badly cut and bruised. The driver failed to stop, speeding up his car after it had righted itself. The buggy was almost completely demolished.

READING APPOINTMENTS CLOSES M. E. CONFERENCE

Methodist to Raise \$50,000 as Memorial to Late Bishop Kilgo; Shaver of Japan Admitted

REV. E. K. McLARTY GOES TO THE HIGH POINT CHARGE

Rev. R. E. Hinshaw, Superintendent of Industrial Institute at Weddington, Is Sent Back to the Ministry to Assume Pastorship of the Matthews Charge.

By T. A. Sikes
The Western North Carolina conference of the M. E. church, South, which has been in session in Central Methodist church since last Wednesday morning, came to a close at 12:30 yesterday. Bishop Denny called minute question No. 21. "Where are the preachers stationed this year" and answered the question by reading the appointments of the ministers for the new year.

The new list of appointments shows that many changes were made in the pastoral charges of the conference. Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, who has served Centenary, Greensboro, for the past two years as its pastor, is made presiding elder of the Asheville district. Rev. R. G. Tuttle taking his place at Centenary. Rev. W. A. Lambeth, who had been pastor at Wesley Memorial, High Point, for the past four years, is sent to Main street, Gastonia, and succeeded at High Point by Rev. E. K. McLarty, of Central, Asheville. Rev. A. L. Stanford who had completed his quadrennium at Main street, Gastonia, becomes preacher in charge at Central, Shelby, and Rev. W. E. Poovey goes from Shelby to Marion, and Rev. J. P. Hipps from Marion to Andrews. Rev. W. H. Willis, who has served the Asheville district for the past four years returns to the pastorate and is stationed at Ashboro, Rev. A. C. Gibbs going from Ashboro to Thomasville.

New Minister for Asheville.

Central church at Asheville, one of the strongest and most influential churches of the conference, is left to be supplied. Rev. Dr. McLarty being sent to High Point. It is understood that Rev. Dr. Chappell of the Oklahoma conference, will a little later be transferred to the Western North Carolina conference and assigned to the pastorate at Central church. Dr. Chappell is understood to be a very able preacher and one of the leading ministers in the Oklahoma conference.

The morning session of the conference was principally devoted to reports of boards and committees.

Rev. I. L. Shaver, of Japan, was admitted into the conference on trial. Van B. Harrison was received by transfer from the North Georgia conference and Rev. J. H. Lanning was transferred to the North Carolina conference.

To Raise \$50,000 for Memorial
The conference board of education report was presented and read by Rev. C. M. Pickens. The sum \$50,000 is to be raised by the conference for the purpose of meeting a like amount from the North Carolina conference, these two to meet the requirements of Mr. J. B. Duke in a recent gift for the purpose of erecting a religious education building at Trinity college, which will be a memorial to the late Bishop John Carlisle Kilgo.

The Bishop called minute question 21. "Are all the preachers blameless in their lives and official administration," and the names of all the preachers in active service were called and their characters passed.

At 12 o'clock Rev. R. M. Hoyle led the conference in prayer; and after a short address Bishop Denny read the appointments for the Charlotte charge are as follows:

Charlotte District
Presiding Elder, J. B. Craven.
Ansonville, D. S. Richardson, Bethel, R. E. Hunt; Belmont Park, W. B. Davis; Bervard street, L. F. Higgins; Calvary, C. M. Short; Chadwick, A. R. Surratt, Dilworth, W. B. West; Duncan Memorial, J. A. Smith, supply; Hawthorn Lane, L. D. Thompson with W. L. Nicholson supernumerary; Sevierville, C. L. McCain; Spencer Memorial, J. H. Amburst; Trinity, J. E. Abernethy; Tryon street, H. G. Hardin; Hickory Grove, Edenezer Myers, Lilesville, D. F. Carver; Marshville, J. J. Edwards; Matthews, R. E. Hinshaw; Monroe, Central, C. C. Weaver; North Monroe and Icomoree, J. B. Warren; Morven, Seymour Taylor; Peachland, W. R. Harris; Pineville, T. J. Houck; Polkton, D. C. Ballard; Prospect, W. S. Cherry; Rural Trinity, B. F. Hargett; Thrift, L. H. Griffin; Unionville, J. W. Strider; Wadesboro, W. R. Shelton; Waxhaw, E. N. Growder; Weddington, T. J. Higgins; missionaries to Japan, S. A. Stewart, N. S. Ogburn, Professor Candler; school of theology, P. T. Durham; president southern industrial institute, J. A. Baldwin.

125 Bolls on Stalk of Cotton

Mr. John D. Medlin has a mammoth stalk of cotton with 125 bolls on it on display in T. P. Dillon & Sons window. The stalk is seven feet high and the circumference, tip to tip, is fully twenty-five feet. Nothing like its size has ever been seen before here, it was freely stated by farmers as they viewed the big stalk.

Pastime Reopens.

The Pastime Theatre, which has been running on Saturday only during the summer, will reopen on Friday of this week, running two days for the present, and other days later on.

AIRPLANE FLIES OVER WINGATE, THEN LANDS

Big Audience Hears Rev. J. W. Moore—Mr. McIntyre Has On Exhibit Potato Like Human Head

Wingate, Oct. 23.—There were no services at the Baptist church Sunday night, the Baptist going over to the Methodist church to hear Rev. J. W. Moore of Statesville, who preached to possibly the largest congregation ever assembled in the Methodist church for a service of this kind.

An aeroplane took the people here by surprise today by flying over Wingate and then landing in a field of Mr. Jim Chaney's on the outside of the town. Just how long the aeroplane will be here is not known, although it is said it will be here a day or two.

Mr. J. C. McIntyre, who lives about a mile from Wingate, had on exhibit here a few days ago a "human face" potato. The eyes and mouth can be seen very distinctly.

The graded school opened today with a large enrollment.

Miss Lillian Cathey of Charlotte spent the week-end with relatives here.

Mr. Chatham and Miss Selma Chaney attended the state fair at Raleigh. Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Stewart spent Sunday with relatives in Cheraw, S. C.

A series of revival meetings will begin at the high school tonight. Dr. W. R. Burrell of Monroe, pastor of the First Baptist church, will do the preaching. The public is invited to attend.

Miss Thelma Humphrey of Charlotte visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Humphrey, Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Perry had as their guest Sunday Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Gaddy of Polkton. Mr. Gaddy, better known as Mr. Sandy Gaddy, who was so dangerously ill, is again able to be out. Mrs. C. W. Thomas, son and little daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Caple, son and daughter of Wadesboro, were also visitors at Mr. and Mrs. Perry's.

\$30,000 SUIT AGAINST HEATH BEING HEARD

Bank of Union Is Seeking to Force Executors of B. D. Heath Estate to Settle Large Claim

The Bank of Union, through its attorneys, Messrs. Stack, Parker & Craig, J. C. Sikes and W. B. Love, yesterday began action in the Superior court to force the executors of the will of the late B. D. Heath to pay claims aggregating about \$30,000 against Messrs. W. J. Heath and Gilbert Heath, two of the beneficiaries. A big array of counsel, including Messrs. E. T. Cansler of Charlotte and H. B. Adams of Waxhaw is appearing for the executors of the estate and Messrs. W. J. and Gilbert Heath and the case promises to be one of the hardest-fought actions that has appeared in the Union county Superior court in years. A appeal to the Supreme court is certain.

The claim is against the Heath Cotton Company, of which Messrs. W. J. and Gilbert Heath were the chief backers. Under the will of the late B. D. Heath these gentlemen, who are brothers, inherit around \$100,000 each, and the Bank of Union is seeking to force the executors, Messrs. W. H. Twitty, H. B. Heath, W. F. Johnson and others to turn over to the Heath Brothers the balance of their inheritance, roughly estimated at about \$160,000 for the two, so they can collect their claim. The executors contend that under the will they are not required to turn over the money to the heirs unless their judgment dictates, while the plaintiff contends that if such a section of the will gives them this power it is invalid because of conflict with corporation statutes.

At present Judge Long is hearing various motions on the case, and after placing an interpretation on the will, will probably allow the jury to pass upon the facts.

The jury for this term of court is composed of the following:

W. M. Howie, Route 4, Waxhaw; W. C. Crowell, Monroe; J. J. Harkey, Route 2, Waxhaw; J. Albert Medlin, Route 7, Monroe; W. J. Austin, Route 1, Wingate; C. C. Griffin, Route 1, Marshville; R. J. Simpson, Indian Trail; Green Whitley, Monroe; S. B. Braswell, Route 2, Unionville; J. C. Allen, Route 5, Marshville; V. S. Hunter, Route 18, Matthews; F. B. Mosser, Route 1, Mineral Springs; W. B. Ford, Indian Trail; T. G. Meggs, Route 4, Marshville; J. B. Tomberlin, Route 6, Marshville; and J. H. Trull, Route 3, Monroe.

Here From Georgia.

Many Union county people have settled in Coffee county, Ga. Mr. W. B. McRorie of Jackson township, who went there six years ago, is visiting with his entire family in this section. He spent Monday night with his brother, Mr. J. W. McRorie, in Monroe. He is in the boll weevil section and tells some of the experiences of the farmers there. He says that they have learned to make plenty of other things beside cotton but are having some difficulty in marketing other products. About half a crop of cotton was made this year. There was the usual financial crash when the boll weevil came, but they are slowly getting over this and will eventually be in a better position than when they got accustomed to changed farming and changed conditions. He says there are just worlds of food products in Georgia now.

Mrs. Estridge is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Estridge of Jackson township.

HAMMER SPEAKS TO THE DEMOCRATS OF WAXHAW

Seventh District Congressman Hammers the Republican Party For Many Extravagances

PROVES THAT JACKSON WAS BORN IN NORTH CAROLINA

Quoting From Col. Walpus's Manuscript and Other Authorities, He Ridicules the Contentions of Congressman Stevenson That Old Hickory Saw the First Light of Day in South Carolina

Waxhaw, Oct. 23.—Congressman W. C. Hammer hammered the Republicans for their extravagance, praised the state taxation system and proved to the satisfaction of the world generally that Andrew Jackson was born in North Carolina in a rousing speech delivered here tonight in the Rock theatre.

An unusually hard rain kept hundreds of folks away, including Esq. Henry McWhorter, the Jackson war-horse, but there was a good audience to hear the seventh district congressman in spite of the inclemency of the weather.

Mr. Hammer was introduced by Major W. C. Heath, one of the democratic candidates for the state senate. Major Heath went after the republicans in a way that brought smiles to the face of the 280-pound statesman from Randolph. Afterwards Mr. Hammer explained that Major Heath made the kind of democratic speech that he personally wasn't able to deliver on all occasions because the size of the republican vote in his part of the district demanded a little soft-soaping. "We have to plead with them to forsake the paths of unrighteousness," he said, "rather than use scolding language if we hope to gain converts."

The democratic district standard bearer divided his speech between ridiculing Congressman Stevenson's contention that Jackson was born in South Carolina and a discussion of state matters. Relative to the former, he quoted extensively from Col. Walpus's famous manuscript and the pages of famous historians, especially Parton. He exhibited a grasp of the question that showed the result of extensive investigation and study.

Among his many papers bearing on the controversy is a map drawn by Mr. T. W. Secrest, county surveyor. This map, Mr. Hammer stated, would be inserted in the Congressional Record when he secures the opportunity to reply to Mr. Stevenson on the floor of the senate.

Mr. Hammer came out flat-footedly in favor of leasing Muscle Shoals to Henry Ford. Major Heath, in his introduction, declared that Mr. Hammer's speech in congress on this question was the best of all those on Muscle Shoals that he had read. "I have assurances," the speaker said, "that Mr. Ford will manufacture nitrates at about half the prevailing price. This reason, if no other, is sufficient to secure my endorsement of the project."

The audience applauded when Mr. Hammer declared himself for the solidor bonds. "When the boys left for France," he said, "we shouted to the skies that nothing was too good for them when they got back. Now we refuse to compensate them to the extent Great Britain, France and the other allies, all of whom owe us billions of dollars, have reimbursed their fighters for financial losses sustained by reason of their services in the field."

Mr. Hammer went further. He declared his intention to use his influence to secure the appointment of ex-service men to government jobs regardless of their politics. Already at his instance a democratic applicant for postmastership withdrew from the race in favor of a republican applicant who had a war record, he said.

He closed his speech with a warning to Union county democrats. "You would kick yourself into South Carolina," he said, "if you awoke on the day after the election and found the republicans had carried the district because you stayed away from the polls. Of course it is highly improbable that the republicans can muster sufficient strength to do this but you can never tell."

Interesting Rotary Meeting.

The Rotary meeting at noon today in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce, where lunch was served in a most excellent manner by ladies of the Episcopal church, had two "features." One was an interesting talk by Mr. Ed L. Secrest of Mexico, and the other was the "stunt" pulled off by Rob Lancy and other members in presenting a goat to Rotarian Kemp Funderburk.

Mr. Secrest is in charge of a large work being done in Mexico City by the Y. M. C. A. He has been there a year and is up on a month's vacation now, a part of which time he is spending with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Secrest, and a part with his wife's parents in Atlanta. He told of conditions in Mexico and has a very intimate knowledge of what is going on in that country. Mexico City has a population of a million. The Y. M. C. A. membership runs to two thousand, most of whom are Catholics. His hobby is boy scout work and he is at the head of a local troupe of scouts, which is growing rapidly. The Y. M. C. A. building is a handsome structure and Mr. Secrest showed photographs of it and other scenes in Mexico. He also spoke of the live Rotary club of that city.