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San Francisco Moved Nearly Four Days' Travel Nearer New York City

400 POUNDS DELIVERED WHEN TRUCK BACKS UP

San Francisco, Aug. 22.—San Francisco moved nearly four days' travel nearer to New York today through the success of the air mail service's the success of the air mall service's first test of night flying westbound. Pilot Clair K. Vance brought more than 400 pounds of mail from eastern points to Crissy field here tonight at 6:24 o'clock, 24 hours and 23 minutes after the first batch of it had left Hampstead Field, Long Island yesterday morning.

This mail was delivered tonight so that within an hour official messages from Mayor Hylan of New York, to

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from Mayor Hylan of New York, to Mayor Rolph of San Francisco, or from eastern mail officials to those in charge of the service's affairs in the west, were being read.

The last rays of 'he setting sun, sweeping up through the Golden Gate toward the Berkeley hills, across San Francisco bay, gilded Vance's onrushing plane as it came out of the evening haze. Vance came on rapidly and settled down on the field, against and settled down on the field, against the wind, without circling. He made a quick, graceful landing, his plane touching the ground less than a minute after the roar was heard.

Mail Unloaded

effort to make speed on the field and in flight, today's effort was nothing unusual for him. He served as instructor in France for American ness.

it was a motion picture news reel showing the preliminaries of the start west. It was added to the start west. York package at Hempstead

field. Special attention was called by Mr. Black, of Chair officers to the rapidity with bern Stallings.

Which mail was changed from one A brilliant soci plane to another at the western fields today. Though 15 minutes were allowed for this in the official sche-dule, at no field was more than two required and on the last change, that at Reno, the transfer was made in one minute.

The Crowell Reunion

The thirty first annual reunion of the descendants of Michael and Jane Crowell was held on August 23rd, at the old Crowell homestead, now owned and occured by Henry M. Furr. On account of the inclement weather less than two hundred of the more than eight hundred members of the family were present. Tables had been provided under the wide spreading boughs of the old oaks of the lawn and at the noon hour the bounteous spread of good things to eat was thoroughly enjoyed by every one present. The hospitality of the good women of this family is widely known and the feast of good things to eat on this occa-sion was a splendid tribute to their hospitable spirit.

After dinner the family assembled

After dinner the family assembled on the lawn for reports of committees, etc. Dr. A. Johnson Crowell, president of the organization, sat in the chair used by Michael Crowell and McCoy Moretz, vice president, sat in the chair used by Jane Crowell These chairs are more than one hundred years old and are still in usable condition. Short talks were made by Dr. A. J. Crowell, McCoy Moretz of the family and several short talks were made by visitors present.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Dr. A. J. Crowell, president; McCoy Moretz, vice president; H. L. Crowell, secretary conditive of arrangements: J. M. Russell, W. M. Crowell and T. L. Crowell. The committe on the completion of the family tree and having it put in paraphlet form are to be appointed and notified later by the president.

ONE PRESENT.

"We can write and talk as much as Miggs. Of course, drunkedness is a we please about business and the disease. He ought to be treated by making of cities and all things like that; but when it comes to the business of inding contentment and comfort we always come back to the little things, the familiar things, the things right at hand."—Tom Dreier.

band has been drinking aguin, Mrs. Miggs. Of course, drunkedness is a physician."

Bless ye, 'e wouldn't mind that, air! When my 'usband's 'ad a drop 'e don't care 'oo treats 'im."

There are times when it is safer to be a fool than to fool with a bee.

BIG BROTHER MOVEMENT STARTED BY ROTARIANS

Mr. Beemer Harrell arrived a few

Mr. Beemer Harrell arrived a few days ago from New Bern where he has had charge of Y. M. C. A. work, to take up the same work in Monroe. Headquarters have been fitted up in a room over the Union Drug Company's store and a survey of the town is being made.

The first big job is a "go to high school—go to college" campaign. At the regular weekly meeting of the Rotary Club last Tuesday/night, a "big brother" movement was launched in which the Rotarian will cooperate with the Y. M. C. A. work in offering help and encouragement to offering help and encouragement to

offering help and encouragement to boys to stay in school until after their education is completed.

The names of eighty-two boys in the city were furnished members of the club and the two Rotarians ap-pointed as pals for their respective youths. Practically all of these boys have problems of some kind to solve have problems of some kind to solve—financial problems, work problems at home. It is understood that the Kiwanis Club is also considering joining in with the Rotarians and Y. M. C. A. in the work, and good results are expected. sults are expected.

Bill Moser's German Police Dog Quits This Mundane Sphere

By Deane Ritch Stouts, August 23.—The writer is back at home after a stay of two

weeks in Charlotte.
Mrs. M. J. Ritch of Charlotte visited in the home of her brother-in-law, Mr. J. P. Ritch last week. Mrs. C. E. Haywood, and attractive little son, Jack, are visiting Mrs. Hay-

wood here.

Bill Moser had a dog to die. Bill thought that he was no ordinary dog, ed up to his plane and men threw the pouches of mail from the cockpit to the truck, which sped away to the post office.

Half a dozen special messengers with motor cycles popping, stood by for special delivery letters and presently dashed away to make the massing dream, and the massing dream the mas ently dashed away to make deliveries.

Vance clambored out of the seat
with a smile. He is a veteran air
mail pilot and, except for an added
effort to make speed on the fold

sion in his intelligent brown eyes
which bespoke that his surroundings
were far beneath him. For Nig was
a German Police dog. And moreover,
his father sold for five hundred dollars and his mother for two hundred

subject to the same thing and their's they don't tell lies anyway. is a boy too.

Distinguished visitors in the Ritch home last Sunday evening were Miss Dave Morriss, Miss Martha Crowall, Mr. Black, of Charlotte, and Mr. Cla-

A brilliant social event of September will be the reunion which is to be given by Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Blan-chard. The event will take place on Sunday September 9. It celebrates Mr. and Mrs. Blanchard's birthdays. The expect to have a band from Gastonia to furnish music. Everybody

is cordially invited.

Stouts is enlarging. If it keeps on at this rate it will be a rising little metropolis soon. Mr. Clark Harkey is building a new home near the the square, close in.

Mr. John Watkins is riding around

a Cadillac junior which he purchased recently.

Stallings News.

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Stallings, August 23.—Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stallings and son Jimmie Lee and Miss Grace McLeod, all of Norfolk, Va., are spending a while with Mr. Stallings' parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Stallings.

Mrs. S. A. Noles had as her guests on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Will Kidd and daughter Billie of Huntersville. Mr. and Mrs. B. Frank Harris and children. Evelyn and Max, of Monroe, and Mrs. J. L. Booth and sons, Hammond and Harvey, of Charlotte.

Missse Ruby and Lura Harkey have returned to their home in Sanford, Florida, after spending several weeks in Stallings. Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Biggers and son, Thad. returned with them to spend a short time in Florida.

Miss Faye Noles apent last week in Monroe with her sister, Mrs. B. Frank Harris.

Mrs. M. T. Stallings and children. Sara and Balford have returned home after spending several weeks with relatives in Concord.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. King and children of Charlotte spent last Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Z. A. Hartis.

Mrs. S. A. Noles is spending this week in Charlotte with her neice, Mrs. J. L. Booth.

"So sorry to hear that your hus-and has been drinking again, Mrs. Miggs. Of course, drunkedness is a lineage. He pught to be treated by

Predict That They Will Some Time Be Lighted Up-Other Developments

By L. E. Huggins

"I just got to Baker in the old.
Blue Back speller when I was a school boy," remarked a Union county citizen a few days ago. He then explained that after reaching 21 years of age he worked for \$5.00 per month and saved up money enough to go to school for two years. "Although a grown man," he continued. "I started in a beginner's arithmetic." "I started in a beginner's arithmetic but, while I couldn't figure a bit, could solve any ordinary problem in my mind." That man has been married twice and has reared nine children and is doing all he can to educate them cate them.

The story brings up recollections of conditions in the past and affords good food for thought of times that were, the present and what we may expect in the future. It is hard for boys and girls of today to realize that their parents and grand parents went to school only two to four months in the year, rode to church in carts and wagons and that they bought farm lands for five dollars per acre and burnt enough good saw timber to make their children rich

if they had it now.

The Future

And when we consider that telephones, talking machines, automobiles and flying machines are comparatively modern inventions we are made to wonder what the next half DIES AFTER LONG FIGHT narrow road, meeting automobiles every few yards in the dark. Others believe that within a few years everybody will possess a pair of wings and a tail, to which will be attached a small motor, and the outfit will be called an individual flying machine.

Vance said there had been no unusual incident in connection with his flight.

A. C. Nelson, superintendent of the western division of the air mail service and Colonel W. E. Gilmore, of the air service of the ninth corps area of the army, extended official greetings to Vance.

"T'm proud of our fellows," said Nelson. "Today's accomplishment establishes that air mail service is a success."

The first package to come from the Charlotte Sanatorium where she has been for some time. She is not greatly improved in health.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Rushing, Mr. John Long, and Mr. Clyde Long recently motored to Sanatorium, N. C. where Mrs. Rushing visited her niece, Mrs. John Louder.

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Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Rushing, Mr. The saying of Old Man David, or whoever declared that "I said in my haste all men are liars," may become a universal fact when the machine to ascertain whether or not a man is telling the truth is perfected, or hier facts from a scared witness on the stand. Just what effect such a machine from the Charlotte Sanatorium where she has been for some time. She is not greatly improved in health.

Mr. and Sanatorium where attended the truth is perfected, or a soar-easy suit.

Another interesting conjecture as to future developments is to the effect that the boll weevil will be controlled by gas from airplanes, something like the armies used in the late war. Some think that would be impracticable, while others believe it would also rid the fields of grasshoppers and other undesirable insects. In fact, reports from some sections of the county are to the effect that the application of calcium arsenate poison this year killed more grass-hoppers than boll weevils, which may prove some consolation to Mayor H. Helms of Wingate who hears that the cotton that was not "doctored" is better than wheer the poison was used.

Evolution in Insurance The most interesting development to me, because I have recently made a close study of the question, is the evolution in the life insurance busi-ness. The influence of the Insurance Department of our government in re quiring a company that operates in North Carolina to furnish reserve or bond sufficient to reinsure all its polity-holders should it "go broke," thereby protecting them against loss. has had a wholesome effect. Only a high class of men are permitted to write insurance under the requiremigh class of men are permitted to write insurance under the requirements for securing license and under the demands of reputable companies, and the new endowed policies have done away with the idea of having to die to win. The disability and accidental death clauses furnish complete protection and the men who now tell an agent that they don't care what becomes of their families after they are gone are hard to find. Although I did have a fellow to say to me some time ago that he didn't propose to put his money where he couldn't get hold of it—that he expected to have his hands on it when he died, no matter what happened to his wife and children. I couldn't resist the temptation to tell him that he couldn't take it with him, and that if he could he might get it burnt up. But the average man is growing with the times and wants to provide for his family either through life insurance or some other good investment.

Those interested are requested to meet at old Zoar campground cemetery Saturday morning, Sept. 1, for the purpose of cleaning off the ground, etc. Let us not forget the dead.—Baxter L. Mangum.

There are times when it is eafer to ing the stripes on her elitting in the opposite direction.

Masons of Union, Anson and Adjoining Counties to Come Together at Blewitt Falls

Perhaps the biggest Masonic picpic ever held in this part of the State will be pulled off at Blewitt Falls on Monday afternoon, September 3rd, when the Masons from Union and Anon and other surrounding counties will gather for fishing, social inter-course and other forms of amuse-ment. The Masons will be expected to carry their wives, daughters, weethearts and friends, and District Deputy Grand Master R. W. Lem-mond of Monroe states that everybody will be expected to catch as many fish as they desire, of any size they wish to eat, and that they may cook any sized cake of corn bread they prefer, but that corn in no other shape will be on the menu. He wants it underbe on the menu. He wants it under-stood that the bread is to consist of hothing but the old-time corn pone.

After the picnic at Blewitt Falls, the crowd will repair to the city of Wadesboro where that noted orator, Hon. Hubert M. Poteat of Wake Forest College, and Dr. W. R. Burrell of Monroe will address the Masons and the public at large.

The occasion is expected to be a great day for the Masons and their friends of the two Carolinas, and the public is especially urged to hear thees noted speakers at Wadesboro it 8 o'clock on the evening of Mon-day, September 3rd.

WITH BIG DOPE MONSTER

(From Wadesboro M & I, 23rd) The whole of Ansonville and com-

as usual feeding his pigs, last Sundard the limited number who knew his last sickuess thought that he build again pull through.

as usual feeding his pigs, last Sunday night. It being dark and I suppose the pigs—as the mean things will do—had rooted the trough away and in its plac elay a calf just the

was the He was a man of brilliant mind, knew cause and effect and could rea-

His heart was a veritable well felt the refreshing streams that flowed therefrom. Normal Will Lit-

meted here. He was a close student of the Bible

and while not an active member of the church he called himself a Methodist and loved the tenents of that church of which his mother was a christian member and who had had him baptized in infancy. He was kind and indulgent toward

his family and forgiving in disposi-

He was the eldest son of the late

The funeral was held at the ceme-The funeral was held at the cametery and was conducted by Rev. D. S. Richardson, pastor of the Ansonville of the Ansonville of the Ansonville cemetery where rest his grand parents, brothers, aunts and uncles all of whom preceded him, the late Hon. R. E. Little being but recently buried there.

now know when a car is being stotow when a school house is burning up or when a treaty is signed as soon a the ether wave can deliver the news to their vocal cord or speech amplifier.

After a hard day of toil the farmer without even changing his collar or rolling down his sleeves can tune in and take his pick out of everything in the air.

Sincerity News Items

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Price of Charlotte are spending the week with Mrs. Price's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Austin of Sincerity. Miss Christine Price of Elierbe

Miss Christine Price of Elterbe Springs is visiting at the home of Mr. E. E. Brawell, Little Misses Sa-die, Elizabeth and Pat Jackson Aus-tin, are visiting their cousins, Misses Kathleen, Elizabeth, and Georgia Austin of Wingate. Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Clontz and Mr. Olin Biggers of Brief spent Wed-nesday at the home of Mr. J. C. Aus-tin.

Miss Mary Black of Marshville is visiting Miss Mary Braswell.

Master Billy Joe Austin is spending the week with his grandpareits.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Clontz of Brief.

Mr. Brunor Bruswell of Raleigh in spending some time at the hory. his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Brus

Why doesn't a woman resemble a plece of music when she is composed? Temo; anox acoog thunco anox acoog

A MAINTENANCE FORCE FOR EVERY TOWNSHIP

The lull in road work in Union RESILT county since the bond issue was de-feated in June is to be broken within a short time. While the road board has been without funds and had to stop all roal wark except what the chaingang could do, the members have been busy working out a scheme whereby the roads might be maintained and at least some repair work done.

After fixing the maintenance can levy at 30 cents to provide funds for road work, the county commissioners have agreed to borrow a limited amount of money and begin work at once in order to save the roads al-ready built. A tractor, scrape and truck will be provided for each township in the county and two men for each of the townships will be kept on the job. Work has already begun in New Salem and some of the other townships and all the forces will get busy as early as arrangements can

The boards of county and road commissioners are to be commended for taking this advanced step, as it is futile to build roads and then leave them to wash and blow merrily

CALF GETS A BATH ON BE-ING MISTOOK FOR TROUGH By Ovella Plyler

Hemby, Aug. 23-The many friends of Mrs. D. T. Stack will regret to hear of her recent illness. She was carried to the Ellen Fitzgerald hospital in Monroe Friday and underwent an operation immediately. We hope that she will soon be able to

return home.
Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Plyler visited relatives at Antioch last Thursday night.

mity was shocked and deeply inject on Thursday afternoon the sth of August, when the news pickly passed that Will R. Little and died at 4:30 oclock.

At a number of times during the as usual feeding his pigs, last Sunday night. It being dark and I sun and

build again pull through.

It is quite generally known that he size of the trough. Mr. V—(sh! I had been a doper for years and Will title would not want any other ause assigned for his passing for depetion was not one of his faults. He was a way he lifted his pail of "slop" which consisted of butter milk and dish made repeated awars to converge the whole contains a force emptied nade repeated efforts to overcome the whole contents of the pale right in on the calf which I suppose was tenuating circumstances attended. It was the unconquerable sin that beset him. morning when his wife was telling

"Live and let live" is not enough; son with rare cleverness. He realized that his habit was racing him to his end and only He who knows the draw back to farming next to the hard were and element of change has been and element of change has been secrets of all hearts can tell the battles waged and petitions offered in
combat to this cruel monster that
gripped him. Only a few days before
his death he said to a faithful old
servant: "There are three things for
which I shall escape judgment—cruelty to dumb creatures, wilful chest."

draw back to farming next to the hard
work and element of chance has been
that it isolates a fellow and keeps
him out of touch with the affairs of
the world. For many years the farmers had to manage to get along for
weeks and months at a time without
hearing from the outside world. It
was hard for them to remember who ty to dumb creatures, wilful cheating, and refusal to respond to any call for help."

one remark that this is a progressive age. Let us think for a few minutes how inventions have helped to make the president of the United States was. And they didn't know whether this a progressive age. their friends and relatives were dead spring of kindness and generosity and all who were ever much about him felt the refreshing streams that the spring of kindness and generosity and or alive unless a letter or newspaper warned them. Then came the telephone and rural free delivery and the farmer was fairly able to keep in line

flowed therefrom. Normal Will Little was charming and lovable. Afflicted Will Little was pathos personified. His sufferings were intense and acute and please God his expiation farmers' relatives, Europeon affairs, and the "price o' eggs."

Then the automobile bobbed up and is a big factor today in bringing the farmers' relatives to his very door, farmers' relatives to his very door, him and his Then the automobile bobbed up and and also in whizzing him and his family to town for a band concert or a hall show. But driving to town every

We believe that next to harvesting machine and a pump in the kitchen the best and so far the cheapest thing that happened for a farmer. He was the eldest son of the late Mr. L. L. Little and his first wife, Mrs. Lula Smith Little of Edgefield, S. C., and is survived by his wife, Mrs. Flossie Mauney Little and four children, John R., Wm. R., Lula Lee a house full of hungry relatives or and Elizabeth, and one sister, Mrs. L. danced on a day old however for and Elizabeth, and one sister, Mrs. L. depend on a day old newspaper for L. Little, and a maternal aunt, Mrs. the news of the cut side world. W. B. McLendon all of Ansonville. The farmer and his family may

The farmer and his family may now know when a car is being sto-

erything in the air.

But there is no longer any excuse for folks that are imprisoned on re-mote farms to get behind on the afaffairs of the world-not to be able to whitle the latest airs-to know when the president misses a chance to play golf: to keep track of the Bonus Bill and all the latest gossip about prosperity.

St. Luke's Lutheran Church J. Edgar Stockman, pastor. Sunday school, 10 a. m. Morning service 11 a. m., with sermon by the pastor; subject, "The Good Samaritan."

Good Samaritan."

Evening service 8 p. m., with sermon by the pastor; subject, "Christ in the House."

Luther League 7 p. m., with a program by the young folks and an advite pastor; subject, "Why the Lutheran church uses the Leturgical Service."

You are welcome to all of these services.

Believes Fame and Wealth Also Has Something to Do With Progress

SELDOM GIVE THOUGHT TO SOURCE OF CONVENIENCES

By Martha Crowell Indian Trail, Aug. 23.—Mrs. T. A. Plyler and son, T. A. Jr., have return-ed to their home at Woodleaf after

visiting relatives here.

Mrs. J. P. Boyd visited relatives in Fort Mill, S. C., last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Morris, Mrs.

W. P. Plyler and small son, Joseph, of the Siler community were visitors in Indian Trail Tuesday afternoon. Miss Allie Mae Kendall, who has a position in Monroe, is spending her vacation with her mother, Mrs. W. P. Kendall.

P. Kendall.

Miss Odessa Lemmond has returned from the Union community, where she was the guest of Miss Lessie Clark a few days of this week.

Mrs. D. F. Sheppard of Matthews was the guest of Mrs. D. T. Morris

Sunday. Mrs. W. P. Hartis, who has been

on the sick list for some time, is improving slowly.

Mr. J. F. Targett has returned from the Presbyterian Hospital, Charlotte. It will be remembered that Mr. Hargett was seriously ill for quite a while. At this writing, however, we are glad to report that he is improving. The many friends of Mr. Hargett wish for him a speedy re-

Mrs. Stowe of Mount Holly spent the week end with her daughter, Mrs.

R. L. Tomberlin. Miss Mattie Davis of the Siler community, is visiting her cousins, the

Misses Crowell. Misses Kathryn Morris delightfully entertained a large number of her friends at a Swimming Party at Poer's Pond on last Wednesday evening. All those who wished to do so ing. All those who wished to do so enjoyed a refreshing swim. A little later the whole party was called to supper—a real, honest-to-goodness supper—not a lunch. This was followed by a bountiful supply of delicious cake and ice cream; but that was not all; there were watermelons to be—shell I say "devoured?" Not exactly, for by this time the members of the party could not be accused of devouring anything, not even ed of devouring anything, not even

watermelon.

Mr. E. H. Morris from the Siler
Christian Endeavor will address the
Indian Trail Epworth League sunday evening, August 26, at about 7:45 o'clock. Everybody is cordially invited. We are sure Mr. Morris has something worth while to tell us.

It is a common thing to hear some-

this a progressive age. The Part Inventions Have Played In Making the World What It Is Invention is the result of man's ambition to lesson his work, to make a thing which would increase his comfort, and to give to the world that which might possibly bring him fame and wealth. An invention may be an entirely new device, or it may consist merely in an improvement in one part of a machine or implement. It has been said that Necessity is the relatives soon gets to be a chestnut and besides it eventually runs into money. mother of invention. Men with years to perfect an invention. Very few inventions are the result of chance although their underlying principles were disclosed by accident. Thomas Edison, one of the greatest inventors in the history of the world said that inventive genius is two per cent inspiration and ninety-eight per cent prespiration.

One hundred years ago the world

was in a very poor condition. At that time there had been few inventions. The people knew nothing of the conveniences which we have today. The wealthy class of people of that day owned stage-coaches, which was a very poor and an unusually slow way to travel. If the distance were very great, it was rather inconvenient for the traveler. The hores would tire, this meant that the travelers would and become hungry and thirsty, and be delayed on their journey. The peo-ple in one section of the country selbe delayed on their journey. The people in one section of the country seldom thought of going to another section; this was almost an impossibility. They were deprived of the pleasure of traveling through their own country and enjoying the beautiful scenery. The mail carriers had to carry the mail to a person quickly, not even by lacing a special delivery stamp on a letter. The people were really handicapped, although they were not aware of it at the time. In 1876, however, the telephone was invented by Bell. The people could scarcely realize that they could talk to a friend eight or ten miles away. The farmers were very much handicapped with the implements that were used in tilling the soil. Farm work could not be carried on in a very large scale. So much needless Isbor was exerted then which could have been dispensed with by the inventions of to-day. Large fields can be cultivated much easier and quicker than heretofore. The saving of time and labor are both vastly important. The tractor makes fa ming possible in very hard ground without (Continued on page four.)

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