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## SELL NO SCRAP TOBACCO

Wilson, July 15.—At the annual meeting of the North Carolina Tobacco Warehouse association held in this city, which was largely attended by representatives from every market in eastern Carolina, the following resolution was passed:

"No tobacco shall be sold on any loose leaf tobacco market unless same shall be tied up, and tying up shall mean 'tied with leaf and not strings.' That it shall be advertised that no 'scrap tobacco' be offered for sale on any loose leaf tobacco market, and notice shall be published in the local papers of the various markets signed by the president of the board of trade of the market in which the advertisement appears."

It was agreed by the association that the market of eastern Carolina open on Wednesday, September 1.

The following concerns were admitted to membership: The Planters' Warehouse company, of Wilson; the Tobacco Growers' association of Goldsboro; the Planters' Warehouse company, of Ahoskie.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Shelby H. Anderson, of Wilson, president; J. N. Gorman, of Greenville, vice-president; Ben H. Cozart, of Wilson, secretary-treasurer.

Directors: S. W. Smith and J. C. Eagles, of Wilson; O. B. Harris, of Rocky Mount; J. T. Timberlake, of Washington; J. Y. Monk, of Farmville; J. N. Gorman, of Greenville; W. T. Clements, of Enfield; A. V. Bobbitt, of Goldsboro.

## Things Money Cannot Buy

A group of men were discussing, over the luncheon table, the purchasing power of money. One of them, especially, waxed eloquent upon the subject. "There is nothing money will not buy," he said positively. One man took exception to this statement.

"Money will not buy health," he asserted.

"Wrong!" said the first. "There is many a poor man or woman who, if they had money to pay for proper treatment, would quickly regain their health. In many instances, money will buy health."

"Happiness, then—"

"Wrong again. In rare instances money will not buy happiness, but in the majority of cases, yes. The possession of money means time for rest, recreation, study, travel—many things all of which give happiness. I'll tell you," leaning across the table earnestly, "write down, if you can find them, four things that money will not really buy, and for each one I will give you a thousand dollars."

The next day at luncheon, the one who was challenged handed the other a slip of paper. After reading it, the man without a quibble handed his friend four one-thousand dollar bills. This was what was written on the paper:

1. A Baby's Smile: A baby's smile can never be purchased by offering it money. To the soul that has so lately come from the place of the unborn, the means of exchange of this world offers no appeal. A mother's kiss a father's caress, a flower, a bright colored toy, may win a baby's smile, but you cannot bargain for that smile with gold.

2. Youth, When It Has Gone: "The mill will never grind with the water that has passed." The flush of youth, the luster of the eyes of a boy in his teens, the carefree happiness of the maiden, when the years have brought maturity, can never come again. Ponce de Leon in his quest for the spring of eternal youth, realized that fact. He knew that youth, once gone, could never be bought again. Money will not purchase its return, even if heaped in piles of millions, and the spring for which the knights so diligently searched to insure against the ravages of time, was never discovered.

3. The Love of a Good Woman: Love like a baby's smile, cannot be bought with gold. Many a woman has simulated love for a dowry with a husband thrown in, and practiced the deception successfully for years, but true love, of the kind which lasts eternally, cannot be purchased. The love of a pure woman is held by her as the most sacred gift which she can bestow. It is not to be bought with gold, or silver, or precious stones. It is given freely to the man she loves.

4. Entrance into Heaven: There is an old saying that "shrouds have no pockets." Money, which will purchase nearly everything in this world, cannot be taken to the next, and used as a means of entrance into heaven. The keeper of the portals of the heavenly city is not susceptible to a bribe. There, at least, money has no value.

## Making Roads in Surry

It will be good news to the people to know that fine progress is now being made on the road work in this county. Mr. J. B. Sparger, who is a member of the highway commission, this week gave us some facts about the way the work is progressing.

To begin with, a force of men have just completed a three span double track steel bridge over Ararat river between this city and the Quarry. This bridge replaces the old one that was too light for the heavy loads that were being carried over it. This bridge is 186 feet long and cost the county about \$5,000.

Work on the roads of the county is progressing well at a number of points, and in addition to the forces that are making new roads Will Kirkman, with a bunch of men and four big trucks, is doing repair work about where it is most needed.

The force of convicts is busy making the new road through the Little Mountains that will connect up the Sileam road and the road from this city to Dobson. This new road will give the people of Rockford and Sileam townships a direct road to this town. The convicts have made about four or five miles of this road and will complete the work in about another month. Then they will be moved to the western part of the county and make a new road from State Road in the direction of Kapps Mills, thus opening up a section of the county where there has been no road work up to this time.

J. R. Edmonds, of Elkin, has contracted to make a section of six miles of good road from the Zephyr section to connect with the good road in Elkin township near the home of Sheriff Eldridge. This road will connect Elkin and Dobson without having to go by way of Ruak and is practically the direct line from Elkin to Dobson. The work on this line is progressing nicely.

John McGraw is employed as foreman and is making a road in Franklin township that will connect Lew gap with this city. The road starts near the home of Jesse Richards and connects with the good road in Stevarts Creek township. It is about nine miles long and 19 miles and a good force of men are pushing the work.

John Mitchell, with 16 county mules, is putting top soil on the graded road from Pilot Mountain to Westfield. And when you come to think of it this is a large amount of work that is being done in the county.

All this work is under the direct supervision of Road Superintendent W. J. Herring, who is now giving his entire time to the work.

## Wanted—Lookout Mountain Potatoes

A farmer down in Georgia has written to the postmaster in this city and wants to buy some Lookout Mountain potatoes. He wants two bushels and wants them for seed. A potato of this name is a new one on the people about here, and evidently the farmer down in Georgia has his potato names confused. But if you have any for sale see our postmaster.

## Rev. Frank Will Preach Farewell Sermon July 25.

Rev. W. B. West and family leave Tuesday to spend two weeks with relatives in Waynesville, his pulpit at Central Methodist church will be filled next Sunday by Rev. J. W. Frank, who will preach his farewell sermon to the people of the town as Rev. Frank and his good wife are leaving about the first of August for Japan to resume their mission work. Rev. Frank goes as the representative of Central church and he has endeared himself to the membership by his stay in Mt. Airy.

Presiding Elder W. F. Womble will preach at Central church both morning and evening of the following Sunday, August 1st.

## Two Cows On A Spree After Eating Moonshiners' Mash

Durham, July 16.—Two drunken cows that romped about their pasture until exhausted and then fell to the ground in a stupor, led to the discovery of a large still on the farm of John King, about 15 miles northeast of this city, Wednesday night. Dr. Petty, a local veterinarian who was called, found they were intoxicated, and after a long search the still was located by the farmer. It proved to be one of the largest in the history of the county.

The cows had eaten some of the mash prepared by the moonshiners.

WANTED—at Mt. Airy Iron Works, broken machinery, plows and casting and other cast iron. Prices according to quality. J. D. Minick. tfe.

## Stores Robbed At Ararat

Citizens at Ararat, N. C. sustained losses far out of the ordinary last Saturday night when two stores and residence were entered and goods removed to the amount of several hundred dollars.

The robbers were there about four o'clock Sunday morning from evidence that can be learned from citizens who heard the noise of the automobiles. The store of W. J. Key & Son was entered and sustained the greatest loss, estimated at not less than \$1,000. In this store most of the goods taken were of the finest quality, such as whole bolts of silk, boxes of silk hose, slippers that sold for \$12, and the money drawers opened. The robbers removed the shoes from the boxes and threw the boxes on the floor. They worked rapidly and left the store in as bad condition as if a crazy man had tried to throw all the goods off the shelves. It was evident that the effort was to locate and get the best quality of goods to be had in the stock.

The store of the Nelson Hardware Company was entered and automobile casings and tubes taken and some pocketknives. They took only the best grade of the casings and left the cheaper kind. The loss to this store was about \$150.

After entering the stores the robbers went to the home of Mrs. Robt. Forkner, located near by, and entered the residence. No one was sleeping in the home that night. The robbers opened the drawers and prowled about through the house evidently on the hunt for valuables, but if they found anything that they wanted it was not missed.

It appears that the automobile was stopped about 200 yards up on the road from the Key store and the goods carried there in sacks and then loaded into the machine.

Sheriff Belton went to the scene of the robbery on Sunday morning but was able to get no clue to the guilty parties. Two machines were seen to pass a residence further down towards Pilot Mountain about day light Sunday morning, and it is the opinion that the robbers were in these machines, but there is no evidence to this effect at this time.

## Girl Learns About Her Mother

Last week The News carried a story about Nellie Banks, of Norfolk, Va. wanting to know about her mother. Some one has told the girl that her mother is yet living about this town. Citizens here seem to know all about the family of Doctor Banks, Captain Banks, some called him. He must have been a character out of the ordinary from the way the people remember him. He was about this town often but lived up in the country near the mountain. His wife died and he soon after left the country. No one seems to have kept track of him and he had passed out of the minds of the people until now. Citizens who live near his former home tell us that his wife died and was buried about a mile from the place where they lived. One man tells of attending the funeral of Mrs. Banks.

And so this clears up the story that the mother of the children of the old Captain is yet living.

## To Inspect Mail Routes

Beginning Tuesday of this week, Postmaster Snow, of this city, will go over each of the six mail routes leading out of this city and make inspections as required by the government. He must go along with the carrier and see the condition of the road, the location of the boxes and many other little points that may be of interest to the man who must daily travel that way. If a place in the road is bad it will be reported, if a box is located so that it is not easily approached it will be ordered moved to a more convenient location. It is the policy of the government not to try to maintain a mail line over a road that is unreasonably bad. If the road is too bad the service is supposed to be discontinued. It may be of interest to our readers to know that there are six mail routes leading out from this city and four of them are in good enough condition that the carriers can use an automobile in their rounds. On routes five and six the country is too rough to try to make the round with a car.

## Dr. J. E. Banner DENTIST

Special attention given to prophylaxis and pyorrhea, removable bridge-work and the anatomical articulation of teeth in plate-work. Office in building below Postoffice.

## Car Turned Over On Springs Road

A crowd of young folks with Mrs. O. S. Moore as chaperone, had a narrow escape from death last Wednesday night about 11:30 o'clock on the White Sulphur Springs road when their car was struck by a large car driven by a negro, presumably from Winston, a side swipe blow that turned the car around and slid it down a 15 or 20 foot embankment, the car turned over and landed bottom side up at the foot of the embankment, only the presence of a branch saved the entire party from death or horrible injury, but the body of the car struck the banks of a little stream which flowed at the foot of the hill and the occupants were huddled together in the top of the car, in the branch. The ladies escaped with harrowing memories of the accident, many bruises and a severe shaking up.

Frank Rainwater gets about painfully on crutches, both knees being badly cut from the windshield, seven stitches were necessary in one knee. Jack Daniels is a patient at Martin hospital suffering with a broken arm the bone of which protruded through the flesh when he was pulled out from under the car. Dewey Poore was rendered unconscious but not seriously injured.

The negro who struck them never stopped to see if he could be of any assistance, but a party of young men from Greensboro who were returning from the dance, brought the injured boys to the hospital and rendered all possible assistance.

Those composing the party were Dewey Poore at the wheel, Mrs. Moore and daughter, Miss Virginia, Mount Airy; Miss Ethel Harrelson, Washington; Miss Willie Johns, Lynchburg; Jack Daniels, Philadelphia; Mr. Goode, of Greensboro and Frank Rainwater, Mount Airy.

The party, all of whom were guests at the Springs, was coming into town for provisions, an unusual crowd for supper having caused a shortage, and when the girls found that the clerk, Dewey Poore, would make the trip after the dance they persuaded Mrs. Moore to accompany them.

## Statement By W. F. Carter, Esq.

Mr. Editor:—Hearing unofficially that the Governor had commuted the sentence of S. A. Hennis and no public notice having been given that an application would be made for commutation and knowing that it was an established custom and also a rule of the Governor not to act upon any application without this notice being given, I doubted the rumor, and as I assisted in the prosecution, I wired the Governor for information. He replied that he had pardoned Hennis of the prison sentence and that his action was based upon a petition signed by prominent citizens of the town and community and also because Hennis had not been convicted of this offense before. He was kind enough to furnish me a list of names of the signers as follows: J. M. Hill, E. S. Reece, T. G. Samuels, Arnold Quesberry, E. C. Kapp, W. W. Thomas, P. D. Webster, G. L. Simmons, T. G. Fawcett, A. E. Steele, F. D. Holcomb, J. D. Smith, W. A. Norman, N. W. Dobbins, J. E. Ayers, Jos. H. Gwyn, R. W. Reece, T. B. McCargo, Jr. These are the facts and I make no comment. Mount Airy, July 16. W. F. Carter

## Georgia Melons Here

W. T. Apple, a large grower and dealer in water melons in the state of Georgia, was here with a car load this week. He expects to ship several other cars here during the next few days. The melons are fine and sold at a reasonable price.

## Morrison's Majority Over Gardner 9,817

Raleigh, July 10.—Cameron Morrison's majority over O. Max Gardner in Saturday's gubernatorial race was 9,817 according to returns from the hundred counties in the State compiled by The News and Observer.

According to the complete tabulation Morrison received 67,427 votes and Gardner 57,610.

Official returns from seventy counties have been received by the State Board of Elections and unless all signs fall the Board will be ready to declare the results of the primary when they meet here early next week.

From the returns in hand Judge W. P. Stacy has run away with Judge B. F. Long for the nomination for Associate of the Supreme Court, and Major Baxter Durham has defeated J. P. Cook, of Concord, by twelve thousand or more votes.

## Auto Drivers Killing Chickens

Citizens in the country districts about this city are getting tired of having their old hens killed by automobiles. They have registered a complaint in this office and want to know what can be done in the way of relief. They tell us that it is no uncommon occurrence to have an old hen with a gang of chickens to be out in the road taking a dust bath. While thus engaged a machine comes along and the old hen becomes confused when her little ones scatter, some on one side of the road and some on the other, and she fails to get out of the way and gets run over.

Mr. Joe Phillips, who lives up in the country says that he has lost five hens this year by automobiles running over them. This side of the question should appeal to those who own automobiles: there is enough reckless driving to cause a hostile feeling on the part of a large number of people. This hostile feeling is not so bad unless one gets into court because of a damage suit. There is need here of an automobile association that would take steps to bring about a better feeling and a better disposition on the part of those who must use automobiles and those who must endure them. Think for a moment of the man who lives on the road and has the dust stirred up in front of his home every hour in the day, and has his chickens killed and his sleep disturbed at late hours of the night. To this man the automobile is a perfect nuisance. Let a man of this type get on a jury and let him pass on a damage suit and it would be no light matter that the automobile owner had on his hands.

## Suppose You Were To Find \$500,000?

Just what do you think you would do if you were to find an even half million dollars. Now come to think did you ever see a check—a bona fide good check, for a whole \$500,000? A man in this city, F. G. Tilley, was this week showing to friends a check that is worth, when properly presented at the right bank, an even one-half million. Mr. Tilley was coming to this city to visit friends and when in the depot at Selma, N. C. he saw a scrap of paper on the floor, and when he picked it up it was a check drawn by a large stock broker on a bank in Wilmington, Delaware, for an even \$500,000. Mr. Tilley was naturally interested and showed the check to a banker who knows the parties, and he gave his opinion that the check is a good one and in some way was lost by the man who had it in his possession. Mr. Tilley will forward the check to the bank in Wilmington, Del., or try to see that it gets into the hands of the rightful owner.

## Death Of Mrs. P. C. Pigg

On Saturday, July 10th, Mrs. P. C. Pigg, well known in this section died at the age of 72 years, after an illness of about 4 months. Her death occurred at Powhatan, C. H., Va. where they moved the first of this year. The interment was at Amelia, Court House, Va.

Before she married she was Lucenia Lambeth, born and raised in Patrick county, 52 years ago she married P. C. Pigg, who still survives her. Of this union twelve children were born six boys and six girls, all of whom are still living. They lived in Patrick county all their lives until they moved to Amelia county 6 years ago, last fall. She was a member of the Methodist church for 40 years, she was a devoted wife and mother and loved by all who knew her. Contributed.

## Found A Horse And Buggy

Officer T. D. Hatcher was down in Henry county, Va. last week helping to round up the blockaders and had the experience of having a good horse and buggy left on his hands, greatly to his surprise. He was passing thru the county and saw a buggy on the road in front of him. As he neared it the owner took fright and footed it into the woods as fast as he could make his legs carry him. The officer went up and took charge of the deserted team and found a quantity of liquor in the buggy, which explained the reason for the man's sudden departure. The horse and buggy will be sold and the funds go to the government.

## Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy

This is unquestionably one of the most successful medicines in use for bowel complaints. A few doses of it will cure an ordinary attack of diarrhoea. It has been used in nine epidemics of dysentery with perfect success. It can always be depended upon to give prompt relief in cases of colic and cholera morbus. When reduced with water and sweetened it is pleasant to take. Every family should keep this remedy at hand.

## The Japanese in California

A short time ago Governor William D. Stephens, of California, addressed a letter to Bainbridge Colby, Secretary of State, in which he declared that the influx of Japanese into California has brought alarming conditions which are fraught with "the gravest menace of serious conflict if this development is not immediately and effectively checked. Governor Stephens suggested diplomatic negotiations or the passage of a strict exclusion act.

The Los Angeles Times, in commenting upon the governor's letter, declares the people of California seek a constitutional amendment to cope with the situation and that "if the Federal Government and the people of other states refuse them the right to check the invasion by lawful means the temptation will grow for the residents of the state to take the law in their own hands."

The specific cause for the renewal of the old California cry against the Japanese seems to be that whereas the Japanese population of California ten years ago was 41,356, it has more than doubled in 10 years and is now 87,297 and that as the Japanese have increased in numbers they have also increased their land holdings.

Senator James D. Phelan, of California, speaking before the United States Senate last February quoted figures to show that the Japanese cultivate a majority of the acreage devoted to truck gardening and declared, "California refuses to permit its native population to be driven off the soil."

California proposes to pass an anti-land leasing bill which will make it impossible for Japanese citizens to own or lease lands and is of the opinion that this will awaken the nation to a realization of the true feelings of the West in this matter.

Eastern newspapers confess they cannot see that there is much danger of 80,000 Japanese overwhelming 3,000,000 Caucasians and the New York World ventures the opinion that the Japanese, having reclaimed desert soil and developed fertile lands far beyond the usual point of production, are now to be made the victims of California cupidity and that the present program is nothing more nor less than a "colossal and indefensible land grab."

The Los Angeles Times has foreseen something of this kind and remarks that there is a "vast amount of educational work to be done before the populations of the East and the Middle West will come to a clear understanding of what the Japanese menace means to the Pacific Coast."

The Times is right. The East and the Middle West do have difficulty in understanding this matter. They cannot understand how it happens that 3,000,000 Caucasians have permitted 80,000 Japanese to absorb the state's fishing industry, take over its high seas commerce and even to take away its industries.

The East and the Middle West would also like to know who sells the land to the Japanese.

## The Renfro Record

The first issue of the Renfro Record a newspaper published here, was issued last Wednesday by Joe H. Carter, owner, editor and publisher. It is an eight page, six column paper and will be issued weekly for the present. Mr. Carter has associated with him in the editorial work Mrs. Sallie Lovill Rowe and Prof. J. H. Allred, teacher in the school here, who will assist in the office during vacation.

Mr. Carter is well educated and a writer of ability. No doubt the people of this town and section will give him liberal patronage and help him to establish a business that can and should be a power for good in developing this great section of country.

## Thy Privilege

Thy privilege is to plant the berry tree in hopefulness and trust. Thy wisdom is to let the question be, What man shall eat thereof. To every wind in melody give ear, Quick! lock it in a song, Learn the birds that brings the summer here, Ah, not to tarry long, And yieldst thou to fear or id's wrath? Thou art both fool and slave; Have valor, slay the lion in thy path, But trample not his grave. He who has flowers for a friend, a song to sing, Heaven marks his dwelling place, The jungle whelp no gaunt and hungry thing, Dares look him in the face.