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A UNITED CHURCHEFFORT

The people of this town are making this week a united effort to accomplish the results that are supposed to come from a revival meeting.

In every church, at the same hour of the day, services are being held and the attendance is good. Able ministers from other points are assisting the local pastors.

What a contrast this all is to the spirit of rivalry a few years ago that was manifest to every one. Good may have come from the denominational pride that once went to the extreme of practically hating every other church organization, but that day is fast disappearing. Men everywhere are now coming to see that no one church has a monopoly of the truth, and it is the truth that frees from ignorance and sin and all those qualities of human weakness that go to enslave the race. The wise men centuries ago predicted that the time would come when knowledge of God should cover the earth as the waters cover the sea. Evidently that day is nearer than at any period of the world's history, for when the churches unite in one common effort to spread the truth that frees, the truth is evidently taking a larger place in the minds of men.

THE COOPERATIVE PLAN

Much is being said these days about the future effort of the farmers to sell their tobacco by the new plan that is now being worked out.

Every one is a well wisher to any plan that will mean better conditions for all that people. Co-operation has meant so much to the farmers of the west that one cannot help being hopeful that it may mean much to the farmers of this state. It all depends. Certain it will be that a better grade of tobacco must be produced if the new plan works well for all the people, for much of the low grades sold here, in all years past, are sold at such a low figure that no business man would care to take chances on storing leaf of such little value.

Last Christmas ye editor had an experience that well illustrates what we have in mind. There were no apples to be had on the market at but one place in town, and the children were coming home. So we thought we would be extravagant for one time and buy some apples, even if they did come high. When the apples were delivered the box was marked to contain 40 pounds of apples. The number of apples in the box was also marked, the number in that box being exactly 168. Every apple was carefully wrapped in a piece of tissue paper, and every one was of the same size and color. In the whole box there was not a faulty apple, not a rotten one or even a rotten speck. Back of that box of apples is a co-operative association out in a western state. That association has taught the farmers how to grade, sort and pack apples. The result is the apples are put up in condition that the association can sell them and sell them at a fancy price. Now no association could sell apples at the price charged if they were put up as our fruit growers here put them up.

That box of apples has caused us to give some thought to what must be done by our own people here before they are able to get for their farm products what they should have. It is just as true of eggs and butter and dried fruit and dried beans and almost every other item as it is of tobacco. If our people can be induced to grow a superior grade of tobacco, and many already do this, then there is hope for the future plans of the men who are leading in the present effort. And so, as we see it, the key to the whole situation from the view point of the man who has signed up, is to begin now to do everything necessary to make a high grade of leaf, and see that it is prepared for market in a way to be attractive to any manufacturer.

Fortunate is the man who has insight into the times that causes him to make his own supplies at home and thus be, to some extent, independent of the market conditions, let them be what they may.

New Superintendent for Roads

M. F. Butner recently resigned as superintendent of the roads of this county and the place has been filled by the election of W. L. Kirman. Mr. Kirman has been with the county road force for a long time and knows the work in every detail. He has been assistant to the superintendent.

THE COAL STRIKE

The nation is now witnessing the greatest industrial disturbance that has ever been in times of peace, for no less than 600,000 men are on a strike who were last week at work in the coal mines of the country. Not only these men are idle but thousands of others who must remain out of employment while the strike lasts. Thousands of men who operate coal carrying trains are idle because there is nothing for them to do while the strike is on.

In 1915 the average wage earned by the coal miner was about \$2.90 per day, while the demand is now for \$7.50 per day and a reduction in the hours from eight to six a day. This demand the men who own the coal mines say can never be met and coal is being sold at a price that is in keeping with other lines of industry. And so the strike was called and is on until the disagreement is adjusted.

From the standpoint of the man who is in no way connected with the coal business the whole matter is very much in the nature of ridiculous performance. The Allwise creator stored up in the earth coal enough for the race for unnumbered years. A few men have gotten in possession of all this stored up wealth and now it is being handled in such a way that no one can use it. It is very much like a case that would be similar if a few millionaires should get control of all the water supply of our cities and towns and then cut off the water until they could settle a disagreement with their working force.

Evidently the race is wise enough to find some way to bring to an end the quarrel between the men who own the mines and the men who operate them. It can be done beyond question. Congress can straighten out the difference if it wants to. Certainly the country cannot afford to let the coal strike go to a length that will greatly disturb all lines of business as it surely will if the miners and owners are allowed to fight it out among themselves.

THE SEARCH FOR HAPPINESS

When the great war ended humanity went on a holiday, and the world has never known such a time of sensual enjoyment as has now been on for three years. The pleasures of material living and the desire for sensual enjoyment has been the order of the day. The war made all this even more possible for the reason that many came into possession of riches never dreamed of before.

All this is now beginning to tell on the race in many ways. The papers carry every day accounts of suicide and murder and divorce and every form of crime that goes with sensual living. Humanity long ago learned that there are just two ways of getting enjoyment out of life. One way was long ago expressed like this: Eat, drink and be merry, for tomorrow ye may die. The other was expressed like this: To be spiritually minded is life and peace.

In every age the world has had multitudes who ate, drank and lived as if tomorrow might be the last day. The world has also had in every age multitudes who were able to comprehend the things of spirit and live and enjoy the life of the spiritually minded. The story of the prophet of old illustrates this. He cried out that he, and he alone, was left of all those who worshiped the true God. But, to his surprise, it was whispered into his ear that there were seven thousand others who had not bowed the knee to Baal.

The man or woman who goes headlong after the pleasures of material living may be satisfied for a time with such living. All those who have tasted of the better way know that there is no comparison that can be made to the joys that come from a right attitude toward the infinite.

It would be almost as unthinkable that the world can go to the bad as to think that the multiplication table can ever cease to exist.

As sure as God exists will all his children continue to enjoy his blessings who conform to his ways and obey his laws. And in every age and clime there have been those who caught glimpses of the infinite and were able to hear the "still small voice," and these have been, "the salt of the earth," The rock in a weary land" of struggling humanity.

If, in all the dark ages of the world's past, the infinite has whispered to a limited number of earth's multitudes, it is but reasonable to conclude that the "still small voice" will continue to be heard by all those who listen, and that there will be an even larger number who will listen as the ages continue to advance in education and enlightenment.

The 14 year old son of Alex Slate suffered a serious injury Monday afternoon while playing. Several boys were out jumping in a field near the quarry, and while playing young Slate fell and broke the thigh bone. He was carried to Martin hospital for

ABUNDANT SUPPLY OF ICE

This town can now boast of a supply of ice to meet the needs of all the people in the town and section around. The Sides Ice plant has recently been practically rebuilt and the capacity of the plant almost doubled. They have during the past months spent much money making the plant up-to-date in every respect.

A new ice plant has been installed by the Granite City Mills and made the first ice this week. This new plant is the latest thing in the way of making ice. Every piece of the machinery is new and the whole outfit represents the experience and wisdom of the ages in producing ice by artificial means. Mr. Foster Booker has the contract to deliver the output of the factory here in the town and will have full charge of the delivery end of the business. He began delivering for the first time on Tuesday of this week.

The supply of ice here for several years has not been sufficient to meet the needs of the country districts at all times, especially when the weather was warm and the demand here great. Now all this is changed and our country neighbors can now provide ice boxes and get ready for ice, if they want it, for the supply will be here. Not every family wants ice in the country, for many have springs and are prepared to care for milk and butter and such things as need to be kept cool. Where a family is not so provided an ice box is a great convenience, if one can take care of the cost.

A family living out in the country, miles away from town, would not care to store a box of ice for a week. If a box is provided that will hold 200 pounds, and enough larger to hold the family supplies that need to be cared for, 200 pounds at a cost of \$1.00 will be the expense side of it. If a family is able and once gets the habit of keeping ice it is hard to be satisfied without it.

We recall that twenty years ago the late John Greenwood, who lived at Round Peak and 12 miles from this town, had a big box made that would hold 300 pounds of ice. Every ten days, or at convenient times when wagons would be passing, he stocked that box and had ice cold milk and butter at all times in the hot months.

A big ice box in a home, it seems to us, would have much to do with encouraging the making of nice butter for market.

One of the problems of the farmer these days is to keep the young folks at home on the farm and away from the towns. A nice ice cream freezer in a home on a hot Sunday afternoon would be a strong drawing influence to keep the young folks at home and also to attract nice folks from the neighboring farms.

Any way the ice is here this season and we are hoping that our people will derive much comfort and pleasure from its use.

Political Conventions

Both political parties of this county are already making their plans for the coming election. Calls have been issued for conventions in the county to put the machines in good working conditions for the ordeal of the coming months preceding the election in November. The Republicans have been called to meet in convention at Dobson Monday, April 10th, to appoint delegates to the State and other conventions, and township conventions will be held Saturday, April 8th.

Chairman A. D. Folger, of the Democratic party has called for a meeting of the Democrats at Dobson on Saturday, April 15th, for the purpose of naming delegates to the State convention and for the transaction of important business.

New School Superintendent

Last week The News told of the election of Prof. J. H. Hurst, of North Wilkesboro to the position of superintendent of our city schools. The school board is in receipt of a letter from Prof. Hurst in which he accepts the position. The salary is an advance of \$250 over what has been paid up to this time. The salary has been \$3,000, but Prof. Hurst will receive \$3,250.

List Takers Named

The following were named by the County Commissioners at Dobson Monday to list the property for taxation for the year 1922 beginning May 1st:

- Bryan township, E. L. Wolfe.
- Dobson township, Lee Brintle.
- Elkin township, J. A. Somers.
- Eldora township, C. E. Hutchens.
- Franklin township, E. L. Schuyler.
- Long Hill township, J. W. Chilton.
- Marsh township, Emory White.
- Mount Airy township, A. L. Sparger, J. R. Patterson, J. M. Hiatt and Davis G. Smith.
- Pilot township, J. W. Redman.
- Rockford township, H. G. Holyfield.
- Shoals township, A. A. Moser.
- Sloan township, B. E. Whitaker.
- Stewarts Creek township, T. D. Golden.

Police Spring Trap on Supposed Boot-Leggers.

The police force of this city Monday night filled the jail in the city hall full of people charged with boot-legging. Warrants had been issued for more than a dozen offenders and eight o'clock Monday night was the time set for the round-up. No one except the officers had any knowledge of what was about to take place and it proved a big surprise to all especially when it was found who had been caught in this drag net for supposed boot-leggers.

For some months the officers of this city have experienced considerable trouble in locating the ones who deal out the ardent, and so about three weeks ago a plain-clothes man was engaged to help run down the offenders. W. M. McSmith was selected for this job. Mr. McSmith has been working in the factories in this city about six months and when it was learned that he had had considerable experience in working with officers and was also a former policeman of Lexington his services were enlisted. For two weeks he has gone about town buying liquor from those who were supposed to be selling it. He would buy it in small lots, most of the time purchasing pint and half pint quantities. If he wanted a half pint it would almost every time be delivered to him in a pop bottle. The price he had to pay was \$2.00 a pint or \$1.00 for a pop bottle full.

From the report made by Mr. McSmith it would seem that there is some place or places in this city where liquor is kept in small packages for quick dispensation. When Mr. McSmith would make a purchase the fellow either had the whiskey already bottled up in his pocket or else he would go off some where and return in four or five minutes with the desired amount. A note was made who the liquor was purchased from, price paid, exact spot where the transaction took place as well as the hour and minute, an accurate description of the party purchased from and other important information needed in connection with a trial. All this information was written out, pasted on the package so purchased and turned over to Chief of Police Lawrence for his keeping.

After working two or three weeks around among the fellows he made purchases from twelve different parties and the police force placed them all under arrest Monday night. The trials will commence in the Records Court Friday and will consume several days. Four of the defendants are out on bond while the other eight are in jail being unable to furnish bond.

ANNOUNCEMENT

I hereby announce myself candidate for the office of Solicitor of the 11th Judicial District of North Carolina, subject to the ratification of the people at the Democratic Primaries to be held June 3rd, said district comprising the counties of Caswell, Rockingham, Forsyth, Surry, Ashe and Alleghany.

I will appreciate your support in said primaries and if nominated and elected at the November election I shall endeavor to discharge the duties of said office to the best interest of the whole people.

Respectfully,
 J. M. SHARP, Reidsville, N. C. 6-2c.



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Second Week
 Joe Davis, W. D. Monday, H. G. Lewis, J. L. Torre, Cleve Dobbins, J. H. Guyer, S. J. Atkins, S. C. Blue, J. H. Sprinkle, J. H. Fry, R. A. George, B. F. Sparger, C. F. Kerfoot, H. B. Snow, C. R. Walters, W. S. Gentry, J. W. Mounce.

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Reidsville, N. C. March 24, 1922.

To the Democratic Voters of the 11th Judicial District:

We the undersigned Democratic members of the Rockingham County Bar, hereby indorse J. M. Sharp, Attorney of Reidsville for the nomination as Solicitor of said District. Mr. Sharp has been a member of our Bar since 1907, and is a lawyer of ability and high standing, and is well qualified to fill the office of Solicitor of the 11th District.

He is a strong Democrat and has loyally supported the party in all of its campaigns. While thoroughly qualified he has never asked for any position before. If nominated and elected he will be a worthy and able successor to Hon. S. P. Graves who has held this position for 20 years.

We, therefore, recommend Mr. Sharp to the voters of this District at the coming primaries to be held June 3rd.

H. R. SCOTT,	E. B. WARE,
IRA R. HUMPHREYS,	JAS. W. MANUEL,
C. E. BREWER,	P. T. HAZLIP,
ALLEN H. GWYN,	ALLEN D. IVIE,
D. F. MAYBERRY,	J. L. ROBERTS,
M. T. SMITH,	P. W. GLIDEWELL,
E. H. WRENN,	THOS. S. REID.