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FOR BETTER HOMES

The Government is making a nationwide effort to get the people to improve their homes. A better home movement is called. When this country was settled the first homes were what we now call log cabins. Back on the treeless plains they dug a hole in the bank and covered it with sod grass. Centuries have gone by and yet many people are living in almost as crude homes as the first settlers made for themselves.

Many people do not realize how much difference there is in living in a well arranged home and one that is devoid of all conveniences. We know a mother who recently moved into a modern home where the kitchen is arranged along modern lines and she says she can do her cooking with half the steps she made in the home she lived in for years.

Here in our own section we suspect that there is greater need for changes outside the homes than in them. It is yet it looks to be a shame that girls dwelling is above objection, but the cow stable is much to far away and in an inconvenient location. The wood pile is exposed to the weather and the path to the hog pen is slippery and muddy much of the time.

Most folks do the best they can, and yet it looks to beashame that girls should be brought up in a home where there are no signs of culture, no pictures, no books and no company room. No wonder a girl marries and gets away to her own home as quickly as she can from such places. The movement to get better homes is a good one.

LENINE IS DEAD

A thousand year hence and history will be telling the story of how a man by the name of Lenine overthrew the government of Russia, put the Czar to death along with every member of his family and drove every nobleman from the country and divided their lands among the common people. Lenine did all this and he is dead. Last week he passed off the scene after a year of illness.

When a young man Lenine saw his brother hanged by the order of the Czar and from then on he was the enemy of the ruling house of Russia. He became an agitator and when the world war came and the armies of Russia were butchered like cattle under the Czar's leadership, Lenine re-organized the country and took over the rule of the land. The world has known nothing like what Russia has passed through in the past five years under his leadership. What the future of the country will be no one can tell, but the place of Lenine in history is as secure as that of Napoleon or Alexander.

GREATEST FRAUD YET

When Germany invaded France a great section of country was plundered as none but a German could do it. Since the war France has spent almost untold sums rebuilding whole cities, opening canals, restoring rail and dirt roads, and making the country inhabitable again. It is now coming to light that the greatest frauds that the world has known are in the way of getting money from the French government for these expenses. Those who are in charge of the work and have the right to make appropriations get credit for often paying in the way of damages ten times the amount that should have been paid. If a man with influence got his home destroyed he was able to collect much more than enough to rebuild it. But the poor man, the fellow with no influence with the ruling ruling class, got nothing. Thus the money has been spent largely for the rebuilding of factories, and public works and the small loser has been neglected.

Of course it is but natural that favoritism would be charged, and that public works like factory buildings would get first money, but the manner of making the appropriations has been so flagrantly abused that it has become a notorious scandal that is doing the French nation no good.

Surry County Has New Paper

The Surry Times is the latest addition to the list of newspapers published in this section. It is issued from the office of the old Times-Leader in this city and is a weekly six column, four page paper. Mr. John Haynes who has had charge of the office for some time is the publisher.

TROUBLE FOR REPUBLICANS

There has recently come to light some big business that is giving the republican politicians something to lose sleep over. When President Harding made up his cabinet he appointed Albert B. Fall to the position of Secretary of the Interior. In the discharge of his duties he leased a large amount of government oil land to E. L. Doheny, a big oil magnate. It has come to light that Doheny has boasted that he will make a hundred million dollars as the result of the lease Fall gave him. This admission on the part of Doheny has brought to light that the government has been a great loser in the deal. Investigation has also brought to light that some time before this lease was made Doheny made a loan on his unsecured note to Secretary Fall of an even hundred thousand dollars. This debt stands today and Fall has never paid even the interest and now they are so unkind as to charge that Doheny made the loan and as the result Fall made the lease to him of oil land enough to make a hundred millionaires. Congress is going after all the interested parties with gloves off and the lease will be set aside if possible.

GOVERNOR MORRISON AND SCHOOL BOOKS

The books used in our free schools are selected by a board of highly educated men who are supposed to know best what will meet the needs of our schools. Recently the board made certain selections and our Governor has put his foot down on the use of two of the selection, for the reason that they teach the theory of evolution. And so this evolution theory is constantly with us, if not in one way then in another.

The act of our Governor will meet the approval of a large number of people of the state, and it will cause a smile from a great many who will see nothing to be alarmed about in the Governor's act. The truth will not down, and if the theory of evolution is true then it would be just as well to try to suppress the multiplication table as to try to turn the eyes of the world from what appears to many educated people to be a scientific truth.

LET'S ALL HEAR THE BLACKFACE MINSTRELS

"We hate to be a kicker
We generally stand for peace,
But the wheel that does the squeaking
Is the wheel that gets the grease"

- We have said it before and we say it again, Mount Airy needs above all things to have some get-together meetings. And if the good people want to stop us from playing on this string, now is the time. No one knew until last week that the Kiwanis club was capable of pulling off a show that would do credit to the famous jubilee minstrels, but now we know and some of us appreciate our local talent. All of us would enjoy them if we had the opportunity. We suggest the Kiwanis club give us the opportunity. Let the Woman's club join them, hire a hall and devote the proceeds of the show to forming a nest egg for the future municipal library, or any other enterprise near their hearts. We know of several people in Mount Airy who nourish their dyspepsia so well they have not had a hearty laugh for many moons. Kiwanians and good women, give them the chance to laugh. Grease our editorial funny-bone and we will cease squeaking.

RUBBING IT IN

The Raleigh correspondent of the Greensboro News rubbed it in hard in Sunday's paper when he in a round about way told how he feels about the Charlotte Observer. He told how Josiah W. Bailey has selected Raymond C. Dunn, of Enfield, for his campaign manager. Then he recalled the fact that Mr. Dunn was the manager of W. W. Kitchen when he ran for Governor and also recalled the fact that Mr. Dunn is a first cousin to Mr. Kitchen, and then abruptly adds: "Albeit, the present Charlotte Observer is by no means a first cousin to the old journal edited by J. P. Caldwell." In the language of the funny papers, that ought to mean murder.

Dobson Court Next Week

Judge Bryson will hold court at Dobson for one week beginning Monday February 4th. There are no murder cases to be tried at this term of court and the docket will be made up of minor cases the principal ones being offenses against the prohibition law.

Mount Airy Folks in Hospital

Among the well known Mount Airy people in Martin Memorial hospital are Mrs. Tom Haynes and Mrs. C. Binder both of whom are recovering from recent operations and J. L. Harrison and H. M. Foy who are there for treatment. The public will be glad to know that all are doing nicely.

THE METHODS OF ATTACK

Mr. J. W. Bailey, of Raleigh, announced himself a candidate for Governor last week. There are a few papers in this state that can be counted upon to be with the party organization all the time and every time. In almost every one of these papers one will now see the statements to the effect that the whole state has lined up against Mr. Bailey. It would be interesting to know just how they found this to be the state of the public mind. Only a few years ago and the average man in the state was paying a third less taxes than he is now paying. Mr. Bailey is the only man we know in public life who takes the position that the policies of the present state officials is making the tax burden too great, and he is bold in saying that the time has come to call a halt. It would be passing strange if every one should prove to be against him in this position. We happen to know that the folks about this town are not all against Mr. Bailey.

Give Them Work

As our schools are now run there is always more or less friction with those students that for some reason fail to advance in their studies. It is our opinion that the remedy for all this, to some degree, is to make out a course of study to include a course of manual training. Then the fellow who cannot grasp fractions can be given a saw or trowel and train his hand. Many a man in the hard school of life makes a skilled workman who never learns fraction.

Stork Exceeds Grim Reaper 124 Visits

During the year of 1923 the stork visited Mount Airy 226 times while the Grim Reaper paid the city only 96 visits, according to the annual report of J. C. Hill, Registrar of Vital Statistics. Among the white population there were 201 births and 79 deaths, while the colored population was augmented by 19 births and suffered a loss of 17 persons by death. Thus it will be seen that Mount Airy's population had a net gain of 124 individuals from the excess of births over deaths. But it is extremely difficult to arrive at the exact figures owing to the fact that both births and deaths at the local hospital, whether of city people or of country people are reported in these statistics.

Hobart Jackson's New Farm Home Burns

Hobart Jackson, aged 28 and a brother to the proprietors of Jackson Brothers, of Mount Airy, lost by fire his new home in the vicinity of Westfield last Saturday night. He had driven his car to see a neighbor and upon his return home he discovered that the farm residence in the rear of his new house was ablaze, presumably having caught from sparks from the chimney of the residence. Both houses were destroyed together with all his corn and wheat in the granary. He succeeded in rescuing from the flames some of his household goods. Insurance to the amount of \$1800 will cover the loss only in part.

DEMOCRAT HOG STILL IN LEAD

The News is in receipt of a letter from our old friend Conse Hull, of Randleman, I. Randolph county, North Carolina, that proves beyond a doubt that it makes a difference whether a Republican or Democrat owns a hog when the time comes to weigh in. You can judge for yourself; here is what he says: "I recently killed two hogs, one weighing 351 and the other 401 pounds. They were Durbs and full blooded Democrats. Another reader of your paper killed two of the same litter as mine that were Republicans and they weighed only 322 and 325 pounds respectively." It still looks like a hard year for Republicans. January 7 Osborne Hawks of Lambburg killed a hog weighing 660 lbs. The carcass was weighed in sections and shows some interesting weights. The head weighed 62, liver and lungs 27, feet, ribs and backbones 66, shoulders 134, hams 147 and middlings 174 pounds respectively. Unofficial reports have been received from three other Lambburg kills as follows: Wiley Leonard, two ten months old weighing 442 and 487 pounds; Harry Leonard one 512 lbs. and H. B. McCraw two that together weighed 800 pounds.

Come on Fellows, and get in the game. It matters not if your hogs were not young elephants like Moses Gordon's and R. W. Davis' just so you had a good one. Tell us about him. We do not know the political complexion of the Lambburg hogs just reported, but we suspect they belong to Republicans. Beginning March 1 The News will put on for the benefit of our womenfolk a series of subscription prizes for the best egg laying score. The contest to run two months. Get your hens in shape to lay. Details announced soon.

The Mount Airy News four months for 50 cents, one year \$1.50.

Co-op Plan to Handle Fertilizer and Arrange Short Term Loans

At an important meeting of Surry Co-operative Tobacco growers to be held in Dobson next Tuesday at noon, prominent officers will lay before the meeting plans for the co-operative buying of fertilizers for their members the coming season. Besides Manager Dobson and Luther Wood there will be present several men prominent in the work of the association. A. S. Speer, director of the western district will make a speech telling the farmers how they can co-operatively buy and sell themselves fertilizers and save all middlemen's profits.

A representative of the North Carolina Credit Corporation will be present at the meeting to explain how short term loans may be secured by members of the association. And it is likely also that another plan for floating short term loans thru local banks will be submitted to the convention. Hall insurance will also be taken up. Altogether this is to be one of the most important meetings that the association has held in the county. Both Mr. Dobson and Mr. Wood are confident that a way has been found to make the Co-op association of infinitely more value to its members. As next week is the regular week for the sitting of the Superior court at Dobson, a large number of enthusiastic farmer-members are expected to attend.

Praises His Home State Before Baltimoreans

Hon. W. F. Carter has recently returned from visiting his wife and son Cecil, both of whom are in the Johns Hopkins hospital in Baltimore.

He reports that both are doing nicely and that Cecil will be home Friday of this week, while Mrs. Carter is coming home in about ten days. While in Baltimore Mr. Carter put in some good likes for his home state in an address before a meeting of the North Carolina society of that city. The Baltimore Sun carried the following account of Mr. Carter's speech:

"North Carolina ranks fourth in the value of farm products and has one of the finest road systems in the country. W. F. Carter, of Mt. Airy N. C., told members of the North Carolina Society last night at the annual banquet in the Hotel Emerson.

"It now is possible to travel for 500 miles from the north end of the State to the south on hard surface roads, Mr. Carter said. Industrially North Carolina has made more progress in the last 10 years than any other State, he added.

"One hundred cotton mills in a single county and one-half of one per cent foreign born were among the things, Mr. Carter said, that his native State boasted.

S. J. Darrah, retiring president acted as toastmaster. Other speakers included H. L. Price, Lafayette P. Temple, and George W. Sparger, the latter being a former Mount Airy boy and now head of the society.



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NOTICE
By virtue of authority vested in me in a certain deed of trust executed by J. Floyd Hodges the 23rd day of Jan., 1923, to secure an indebtedness of \$1,000 and recorded in the Register of Deeds office of Surry county, N. C., in book 85, page 216, default having been made in the payment of the note therein secured, and at the request of the holder I will sell for cash to the highest bidder at public auction in front of the Bank of Mount Airy, N. C., on

Saturday, Feb. 23, 1924, at 1 P. M. the following described real estate:

Being a part of the tract of land bought by J. H. Gwyn from Joe Haynes and Rosie Haynes (see deed book --, page --) beginning at Raleigh Gwyn's corner on the Fancy Gap road and running with his line north 86 deg. west 750 ft. to a branch; thence north 1 deg. west 100 ft. to a stake on the west side of the said branch in Charlie Haynes line; thence south 86 deg. east 750 ft. to the Fancy Gap road; thence with the west side of the said road 100 ft. to the beginning.

Sale made to satisfy a debt of \$1,000 principal, interest and cost of sale to add. This Jan. 19, 1924. T. B. McCargo, Jr., Trustee.

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