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A SECOND COLUMBUS

In Charles A. Lindbergh the world today has a second Columbus, for he has proved beyond all doubt that a man can fly across the Atlantic ocean. Over four hundred years ago Columbus wrote his name in history for all time when he braved the unknown waters and crossed the Atlantic. He opened the way for others to do likewise, and today hardly an hour passes that ships do not leave some port for the very same journey that made Columbus a hero.

Last Friday morning, after much preparation and delay because of weather conditions, Captain Lindbergh climbed into his little airplane, built at his own direction, and started on the long journey of 3,600 miles to the city of Paris, France. It was win or lose with no chance for escape from death if a landing was necessary. Hour after hour, through wind and snow storm part of the time, alone he piloted the little air ship over the waste of waters, and thirty-three hours after starting he neatly dropped down in the landing field at Paris in the presence of 25,000 people who had gathered there hoping that the hero would not fail in his effort.

Who knows that this may not be the beginning of numberless flights over the ocean, and that what now appears to be a wonderful feat may soon be as common as going across in an ocean liner?

A LOOK AT THE DARK SIDE

Some folks cannot close their eyes to the dark side of life as a part of the passing day. We happen to be in that class. To illustrate: Rev. Mr. Ervin, Methodist preacher of this city, and ye editor, went out for a drive one day last week and carried the preacher's two small sons along to give them the pleasure of the outing. The drive was over the new Fancy Gap road and up the mountain where the new construction is in progress. The little boys were thirsty and we stopped by a mountain spring near where a bunch of convicts were at work. A white man was at the spring and we asked for a drink for the boys. While he was serving them from a bright dipper, just to make talk, we made some remark about the fine road. That started him to talking. He appeared to be a man of intelligence, forty years of age, one would have taken him for a boss or engineer or in some responsible position with the new construction.

While he dipped up water for the little boys he remarked that he himself was a convict. We asked if he thought he would be able to live through his term of prison without becoming embittered and be able to take up life again when free. He answered by saying that he thought he could if he could live until his term expired. And then he went on to talk in a serious tone, but without a show of bitterness or resentment, and said in substance something like the following. He made a mistake and got into prison. He belonged to one of the best families in the State of Virginia and was simply the victim of a mistake. He did not apologize for having made the mistake, but he repeated the fact that it was the making of a mistake that caused his fall. Now to be able to live through his term of imprisonment is his problem. He is a man of education and refinement, not accustomed to hard labor, and the authorities of the State of Virginia intend that he be given light work, but he is being required to do work with a pick and shovel and it is too much for his strength. As evidence of this he showed his hands and they bore evidence of sunburn or some skin affection. We asked him if he had appealed to the higher authorities for relief and he said he was hoping to get his case to their attention. About that time a passing automobile brought the conversation to an end and we drove on up the mountain and the convict in citizens clothes went back to his pick and shovel to take his place along with the burly negro and the strong man who can do the work required with but a minimum of the punishment that our white convict can perform it.

We are not able to solve this question. Is it really our purpose to heap up punishment on unfortunates more than is necessary. We hope not. We are aware of the fact that a sensitive, educated man is liable to make mistakes and that all men do

and that some of these mistakes call for imprisonment. When such is the case are we right in going the limit in heaping up the punishment in the form of labor that is dangerously near the breaking point of the victim's power to endure?

There is no way to check crime other than to punish. We should not forget that our form of punishment should be in keeping with our state of civilization.

Obey the Traffic Laws.

Chief Lawrence sees an inclination of the people of this city to violate the traffic laws as the summer season comes on. Various complaints have come to him of reckless speeding on Willow Street and on East Oak, and he says if these complaints continue he will find it necessary to station an officer at points on these streets and make a few arrests in order to bring it to a stop. They say that Willow Street from Virginia to Lebanon is getting to be a speedway for some. The chief is also bothered with double and triple parking in front of the drug stores. Young people drive up and call for a drink and sometimes their cars remain parked out in the middle of the street for 10 or 15 minutes while getting waited on. It may be convenient to not have to hunt up a parking place, but the police cannot permit double parking on Main Street when the traffic now is taxing the capacity of our main thoroughfare.

Mother's Day at Salem Church Fifth Sunday.

We did not observe Mother's Day on the second Sunday, the regular time, so we plan to carry out the following program the fifth Sunday: Sunday school at 9:30; special children's service 10:30; special song service 10:45. Old Time Mother by Rev. D. Vance Price 11:00; The Modern Mother 11:30 by Rev. J. A. Cook; lunch at 12 M.

Afternoon service. Song service, 1:45; The Future Mother, Rev. W. A. Newell, 2:00. All are invited to bring dinner baskets well filled.
E. L. Brown, S. S. Supt.

Personal Mention of Route 3 Residents.

Mount Airy, R. 3, May 23.—The farmers of this section are getting behind with their work on account of the dry weather, but they are in hopes of it raining soon.

Rev. Ira Ferguson filled his regular appointment at Antioch Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hall, of Moore County, spent the week end with friends and relatives on this route.

Mr. Sam Taylor and sister, of Moore County, visited their parents the past week end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Moser and children spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Jake Bawgett, of White Plains.

Mr. Hiram Allred left Saturday for Akron, Ohio.

Miss Emma Wright is ill at her home with the mumps.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mason spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Babe Marsh.

Mrs. Sam Dehart is ill at her home.

The many friends and relatives of Mrs. C. E. Tate are very glad to know that she has returned from the hospital after undergoing an operation.

Misses Josie and Virginia Holder of Mount Airy, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Marion McHone and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Adams, of Winston-Salem, spent the week end with relatives on this route.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Seal and children accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Haymore motored to Pulaski, Va., Sunday, May 15th.

Mr. Emmett Banks spent Sunday with his father in Virginia recently.

Miss Edna Edwards spent Sunday with Miss Hattie Davis.

Mr. Raymond Simpson and Dillard Parker, of Copeland, spent Sunday with friends on this route.

Miss Lettie Tate spent Sunday with Miss Ila Beamer.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Dixie Watson, May 19, a daughter.

Mr. Jess Hodges and Mrs. Katie Parker, of Winston-Salem, and Miss Sarah Young and Mrs. Donie Lawson spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Paton Hodges and family.

Copeland School Commencement a Great Success.

Siloam, May 23.—On Sunday morning, May 8th, the commencement exercises of the Copeland high school begun by the baccalaureate sermon which was delivered by Rev. Joseph A. Graham, of McBee, S. C. Something like 800 people were present.

On Monday night, May 9th, the first four grades presented an interesting program. One feature of this program was an operetta, "The Cruise of the Marion Trundle Bed." The primary children under the drilling of four able teachers kept the audience, composed of about 700 people

mastered throughout. Tuesday evening, May 10th, the 5th, 6th, and 7th grades presented a program featured by the famous pageant, "America, Yesterday and Today." Again the patrons of the school showed their interest in the children by filling the auditorium. This program consisted of recitations, songs and short plays. For over two hours the audience was entertained.

Wednesday afternoon, May 11th, the annual recitation and oratorical contest was held, it was composed of 12 high school students. Nine young men and three young ladies delivered well prepared declamations and recitations. The young folk gave promises that some day they will become masters in the art of public speaking. In the oratorical contest Harvey Hyatt won first place and Claude Flincham won second place. In the recitation contest, Metta Briggs was declared best and Mary Ellen Houch next best.

On Wednesday night, May 11th, five intelligent young men were awarded diplomas by County Superintendent, E. S. Hendren. These young men brought an honor to themselves and credit to their school in the wonderful way in which they

carried out the exercises. Harvey Hyatt was valedictorian. Howard Taylor delivered the salutatory and class flower. Fred Davis presented the class history and class will. Alton Harbour read the future of the class in form of a prophecy. He also acted as class grumbler. Clayton Smith, president of the class presided and gave an ode on the class colors. Miss Ethel Lineback, high school teacher, presented some prizes at this time. Prof. E. S. Hendren awarded 17 certificates to the arising 8th grade.

Friday night, May 13, the senior class presented their play, "An Arizona Cowboy." This play drew about 900 people from the surrounding territory. Over \$150.00 was cleared from the entertainment. The acting was good throughout, not a dull moment was realized by the huge audience as they watched the performances. Laughter, action, suspense and tragedies were to be found in every act. These exercises brought to a close the third year of the Copeland Consolidated school. This school has made rapid progress during its short existence. A bright year is predicted for the coming year as nine teachers out of ten have signed contracts to return.

City Books Being Audited.

Two auditors from a Greensboro firm have been employed to make an audit of the books of the various departments of the city covering the past 12 months of business. The

city's fiscal year ended May 31st, the date to which the audit will extend. The audit will include the books of the school account, the tax collector, the water and sewer department and the city treasurer.

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Striped silk broadcloth per yard, **\$1.98**

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