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SATURDAY EVENING, APRIL 29, 1916

The following has been extracted from the columns of Senor Cowan:

"A Kitchen Underground" is a headline, but it applies not to the Hon. Calude, because he is always on the surface and in full view."

We call for an explanation. Isn't there an evangelistic campaign in progress in Wilmington?

The delegates from the Second district honored two of Kinston's citizens at the meeting held preceding the State convention, Mr. G. V. Cowper being chosen Presidential Elector, while Mr. John Dawson was elected a member of the State Executive Committee, and at the same time the representatives of Lenoir honored Mr. Kirby E. Sutton by naming him as the county's representative on the Congressional Committee. The selection of these men for the positions of honor in the party will have the approval of their fellow citizens.

We agree with Friend Dunn of the New Bern Sun-Journal in that the State owes some amends to the unfortunate man who has just been turned out of the State prison after having served a number of years for a crime committed by somebody else. It is true that such instances are few but nevertheless there should be some recourse afforded an innocent victim of such circumstances. A blight upon a man's career, which will never be removed, should at least call for some recognition on the part of the State, which in the guise of the majesty of the law has dealt unjustly with an innocent man.

The Standard Laconic of Snow Hill remarks: "In spite of the fact that there is absolutely no evidence to prove its contention, the Kinston Free Press continues to call it 'the Greene county mob' just as well say the Kinston lynching." In the first place, The Free Press has invariably referred to the outrage with the qualifying term of "supposedly composed of Greene county men." In the second place, The Free Press would like to know candidly of the Standard Laconic if it believes there is any intelligent person who has read about this affair who is not convinced that Greene county men composed the mob, and that in spite of the fact that no legal evidence has yet been obtained?

The invitation of the Kaiser to Ambassador Gerard for a conference at the Grand Army headquarters gives rise to renewed hope for an amicable settlement of the American-German controversy. It is construed as an evidence that the Kaiser is still desirous of retaining the friendship of this country. It has been evident from the reports since the very beginning of the submarine controversy that the Kaiser was not disposed to break the long season of cordial relations existing between his government and the United States. In fact, it was freely stated by those claiming authority for such statements, that it was only after the most insistent entreaty of the German Admiralty that the Kaiser consented to put into effect the inhuman and barbarous submarine policies. His personal attention being now given to the matter justifies hope for an amicable settlement.

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### WHERE MR. KITCHIN'S RECORD IS VULNERABLE.

The voters of the Second district have a responsibility in selecting their representative in the next Congress which must not be underestimated. They must not only determine whether the interests of this district will be better cared for by the return of Mr. Kitchen or by the sending in his place Mr. Mitchell, but they have the added responsibility of national party progress and success. Mr. Kitchen holds high place; as a matter of fact, the position of Majority Floor Leader is considered by many to be the most powerful office in the gift of the people save that of the President only. It means a great deal to any district to be represented by a man who has attained that exalted position, and such can only be accomplished by the continuance in office of the representative for a long term; seniority, as well as ability, counts in the elevation of men to the leaderships.

In the first place, Mr. Mitchell nor any other man, whom the voters of the Second district might select to supplant Mr. Kitchen, could wield the influence and secure the recognition of his colleagues in Congress that Mr. Kitchen does, until he had served for some years. The intelligent voters will consider that phase of the matter. On the other hand the voters must determine whether Mr. Kitchen is using his influence and prestige in representing the district to the best advantage and whether his service reflects the sentiment of the majority of the people who are responsible for his being sent to Congress.

There is very naturally a division of opinion as to Mr. Kitchen's service. It is generally conceded that the occasion for having any opposition to him at this time is unfortunate. As an abstract principle it is always bad to change horses in the middle of the stream, but when the horse in harness is not pulling the driver must determine whether to take him out or endeavor to get him across, and the people of the Second district must decide whether Mr. Kitchen's attitude toward the Administration's policies constitute sufficient ground to classify him as a "balky horse." In other words, whether Mr. Kitchen in opposing the policies of the Administration, as he has done, is reflecting the sentiment of the people whom he represents, or whether the sentiment of this district is actually supporting the policies of Mr. Wilson. It stands to reason that if Mr. Kitchen is representing the sentiment of this district in his opposition that the people of this district do not endorse Mr. Wilson. Some of Mr. Kitchen's strongest endorsers are singing the praises of Mr. Wilson in one breath and Mr. Kitchen's in the other. There is unquestionably an anomaly presented here which cannot be reconciled. If the people of the second district endorse the policies of President Wilson they cannot endorse the work of Mr. Kitchen, who has opposed many of the Administration plans of consequence. Therein is Mr. Kitchen's record vulnerable.

Many of Mr. Kitchen's friends are commending him for his independence, and are holding him up as an example of a good representative. Independence is a characteristic that should be commended. The Second district does not want a "mollycoddle" or a "me, too" representative, but the line must be drawn between independence and true representation. This is a representative form of government, and Mr. Kitchen is bound by the will of the people whom he represents and when that will is made manifest to him his independence and self-opinions must necessarily give way to the will of his constituents or else he is not a true representative.

These are the vital points which must be considered and passed upon by the voters of the Second district, and The Free Press believes that when the election has been held an intelligent and fair vote will have been cast.

### WHAT OTHERS SAY

#### IN SECOND DISTRICT.

Hickory Record: "Four years ago, as the Statesville Landmark will recall, Representative Claude Kitchen and Governor W. W. Kitchen went about the State proclaiming the necessity of nominating a man for the United States Senate who would stand behind Wilson, who was almost sure to be elected President of the United States. Senator Simmons had offended in several ways—one of those ways being that he saw the need of incidental protection in the framing of tariff laws and voted his convictions. For which Mr. Claude Kitchen raked him over the coals and attacked Mr. Simmons in every conceivable way. Since that time the President of the United States has addressed a letter or two to Senator Simmons

thanking him for his wise leadership, and there is not a responsible paper or person in the United States that has not lauded the senior senator from North Carolina. In this connection it is well to recall that it was the boast during the Simmons-Kitchen campaign, that if Simmons should be re-elected, he would be a better Democrat.

"These things are recalled by the announcement that C. W. Mitchell of Aulander, admittedly a strong man, has announced his candidacy for the house from the Second district. He will make his fight against the so-called leader of the Democratic house, against one of the ablest men in the national Congress. The issue is similar to that of four years ago, and this time Mr. Kitchen's record will be attacked.

"In the whirligig of time many things may happen, but none stranger than this has been brought to our attention. The whole country will be interested in the result."

### SARCASTIC, BUT COMPLIMENTARY.

New Bern Sun-Journal: "In response to our request for a 'key' to the Mexican situation, the Kinston Free Press informs us that they have no 'keys' to that section of the country. Too bad, we thought by all means that The Free Press had the key to all situations."

### VOX POPULI

(The following letter, written with typewriter, including signature, was received at the office today. The letter is printed in toto, verbatim, and all without comment.—Editor.)

To the Editor,

Kinston Free Press,

"THE HIT DOG

USUALLY HOLLOWS."

"Ayden, N. C., Apr. 28.—Last Sunday afternoon a party composed of three ladies, Frank Hart, Ed. Hill, and myself acted over from Ayden to Kinston, and on our return, when near Granger's Station, we found four cars stopped in the road; one of them ready to drive to Kinston, containing a man who had been injured by a machine then in the ditch. About the time we arrived upon the scene the car pulled out driven by a colored man.

"We assisted the party in getting

the machine from the ditch, and then went on our journey, feeling like we had acted the part of the good Samaritan. But, on Monday The Free Press came out and gave an explanation of the white men who refused to render assistance, and eulogizing the negro for his heroic act in driving the wounded man to the hospital.

"We heartily commend this negro for this act of kindness, and condemn the white men who failed to do his duty. But, we are informed that the family of the wounded man and his friends claim that it was their car which was being driven that refused to render any assistance, hence this explanation.

"Respectfully,  
"LEO HATSELL."

### NOTICE OF SALE.

By virtue of the power contained in two certain deeds of trust dated November 9th, 1912, and February 1st, 1913, given by James H. Scott and wife, Mamie E. D. Scott, to the undersigned as trustee for the Mutual Building and Loan Association, which deeds of trust appear of record in Book 44, page 523, request having been made by the said association, the undersigned trustee will expose for sale at the Court house door in Kinston, N. C., on

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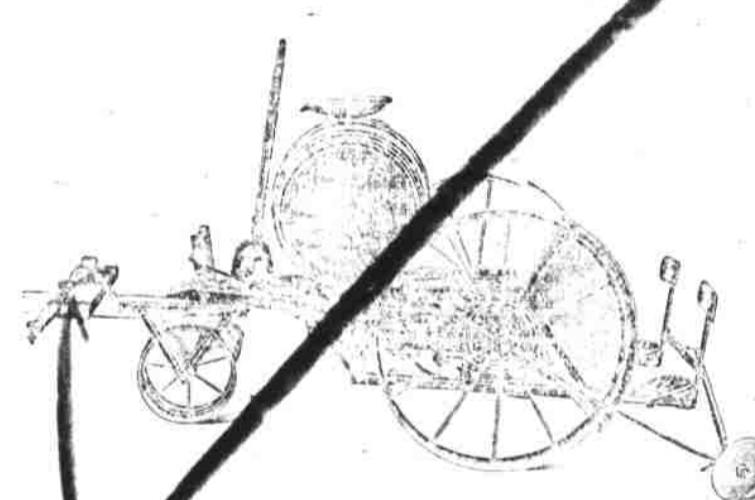
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