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SATURDAY EVENING, AUGUST 12, 1916

Wonder if Friend Sam Farabee of the Hickory Record had any communications from the disputants in the Bond-Clark controversy before he changed his way of thinking?

There is no better evidence of weakness of a cause than when its advocates feel the necessity of decrying everything and everybody connected with their competitors and there is nothing which indicates more forcefully the weakness of the candidacy of Mr. Hughes than his utterances of criticism and invective launched at the Democratic administration.

A bit of enterprise was that exhibited by the Bakersville Banner when, as a result of the flood in the western part of the State it was cut off from the outside world and its news print paper supply was exhausted, it issued a one-page extra on a sheet twelve by nine. The miniature copy carried a comprehensive story of the devastation brought by the flood.

Friend Martin, of the Winston-Salem Journal, has a very interesting and able article with reference to Judge Hughes' candidacy for the Presidency. The caption of the article is "Mr. Hughes' Eggstest Mistake." If it is not out of order, we would like to suggest that the head be kept standing, for the indications are there will be frequent opportunities for its use during the campaign. Incidentally, it appears to be a little soon in the game to think that the superlative degree in erring has already been reached by the former Justice.

With the prospects of tobacco selling at record-breaking prices and of cotton bringing a high figure, the farmers will probably be envied by those of their city brothers, who are facing the increased cost of living without any corresponding increase in income. Many a newspaper man, who is facing the necessity of paying exorbitant and out-of-reach prices for white paper will wish that he was pulling the bellcord over a blind mule unless some drop in the market is experienced.

The so-called "third degree" method of forcing evidence gets another severe blow in the experience of Chas. P. Stielow, who has barely escaped electrocution in Sing Sing on three different occasions, when at the last minute a reprieve was granted, and who now has been cleared of the offense, for which he was convicted through the forced confession of an alleged confederate, by the voluntary confession of a man who was not heretofore connected with the crime, by the authorities.

The sympathy of North Carolina, particularly the western part of the State, will go out to the stricken people of West Virginia who have had a like experience in suffering devastation from a cloudburst and overflowing rivers. In fact, there are few States in the Southeast

which have not experienced damage, to a more or less degree, from floods and excessive rains this year, and fortunate are those sections which have escaped.

DULL SEASON AT AN END.

That annual period of business depression, caused from imaginary more than real conditions, is happily coming to an end in these parts, for next Tuesday the 1916-17 season of the East Carolina tobacco market opens. The outlook is unusually good. The prospective shortage of crops, due to the damage of excessive rains, gives promise of prices most satisfactory. The tobacco farmers will come to town and put most of the money, if not all, which they receive from the sales, into circulation, paying obligations that have accrued during the year, and this, in turn, will be paid to others, and thus the good work will go on.

The majority of the people in Kinston will not partake directly, but all, to a more or less degree, will get some direct benefit. Whether much money is actually turned loose or not, that psychological equation 'twixt prosperity and depression will swing to the former and the death knell of the 1916 dull season will have been sounded.

Hail to the coming of the carts and wagons of the good substantial folk, who will bring the products of their toil to Kinston this year! Their initial appearance each season is always anticipated with pleasure and their successive trips are likewise welcome.

WHAT OTHERS SAY

WAR'S INFLUENCE ON PROSPERITY?

Wilmington Star: "Now that cotton is selling at 13 1/4 a pound, Republicans will tell you that World War had nothing to do with it, that the war in Europe is solely responsible. Less than two years ago when cotton was bringing only half the present price, the same Republicans said the war in Europe had nothing to do with it, that Wilson was solely responsible. That is only a typical example of the logic and reasonableness of the average Republican argument, and yet they seem to believe the average voter is fool enough to be influenced by what they say."

WHEN WILL WE WAKE UP?

Winston-Salem Journal: "Information that has come to hand concerning the remarkably successful summer resorts in the mountains of New York State more than ever confirms the Journal in its opinion, expressed several days ago, that every dollar of the Federal appropriation of more than \$500,000 for the relief of flood sufferers should be spent in repairing roads and bridges damaged by high water. This is especially true of North Carolina's share of the Federal fund. Every flood-swept mountain county of this State should be given a portion of this fund to aid in rebuilding roads that have been destroyed or badly damaged, and for no other purpose."

"Reports from the summer resorts in the mountains of New York say that automobile parties are there now from almost every State north of Florida and east of Chicago. Yet those who have visited both sections are quick to declare that the natural advantages for summer resorts are much better in the mountains of Western North Carolina than in the mountains of New York State. While in New York there are sections that are naturally beautiful and attractive with their combination of lakes, rivers, mountains and mountain streams, yet Nature has been greatly aided by good roads and concrete or iron bridges. There are good roads everywhere in the New York resort sections and these man-made advantages have done far more than Nature to attract tourists to that section of the country. The people of New York State have not only built good roads, but they are working on repairs constantly, using top dressing of crude oil or an asphalt preparation."

"No one ever goes from this section to the New York summer resorts without coming back home more than ever impressed with the absolute necessity of building and maintaining good roads. There is no good reason why all Western North Carolina should not be full of tourists today. And once we have good roads and know how to maintain them there is no question but that tourists will flock to this State in much larger number than they are now flocking to New York. The Journal is convinced that the bad road is the only thing that stands between Western North Carolina and world-wide supremacy as a favorite summer resort. How long, oh, how long shall we wait to come into our own? When will we wake up?"

TOMORROW IN KINSTON CHURCHES; THEMES OF SERMONS OF PASTORS

Programs in Houses of Worship to Which Public Are Invited—Meetings Societies and Sunday School Hours—Special Announcements of Ministers and the Like

BAPTIST.
First Baptist—Sunday school at 10:45 a. m.; morning service at 11 a. m. conducted by one of the deacons. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8:15, followed by a teachers' meeting.

EPISCOPAL.
St. Mary's Church—Services for Eighth Sunday after Trinity: Sunday school 9:30 a. m. Morning prayer and sermon 11 o'clock. Evening prayer, no sermon, 5:30 o'clock.

CHRIST CHURCH.—Sunday school at 10 o'clock. Service and sermon 8 p. m. by the Rev. John H. Griffith.

METHODIST.
Queen Street—Sunday school 9:30 a. m. Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m. and at 8 p. m. Boys' meeting at 3:30 o'clock p. m. The Missionary Committee meets at 4 p. m.

CASWELL STREET METHODIST.—Sunday school at 9:45. Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m. No service in the church at night. Union open-air service at end of East Caswell street at 7:30 p. m.

SCIENTIST.
First Church of Christ—Services are held in this church every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Subject for the lesson sermon tomorrow—"Spirit." Sunday school at 10 a. m. Wednesday evening or testimonial meeting at 8. Reading room open daily from 3 until 5 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend these services and visit the reading room.

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Kinston, N. C., Aug. 12, 1916

"Mr. Editor,
"I notice in last evening's paper, editorially, you say in commenting on Mr. Roosevelt's inability to deliver the Progressives over to the Republican Party, Mr. Hughes party has nothing to offer the progressives and modern thought of the country! The Hughes party is carrying a millstone by its continued subservience to the will and dictates of that notorious coterie of stand-pat bosses." All of which I have no disposition to dispute, I fear it is only too true. Is it not a fact that Mr. Wilson's party round about us is in very much the same condition? It's possible I think some evidence might be produced to substantiate that fact. Is it not also the history of parties when long continued in power, to become corrupt and boss ridden? And have not Mr. Wilson's Federal appointments—the one nearest to us I know,—and I believe three fourths of those in the State—been given to the bosses or stand-pat element of the Democratic party. We used to hear a good deal about the interference of Federal office holders with State and County politics. The one nearest to us is still busy in politics and invariably gives his support toward the perpetuation of those things which are questionable, to say the least. The Democrats are not in a position just now to make COSSISM an issue; to clean house would be much more in order."
"P. A. HOOKER."

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MY GOODNESS MIKE WHAT MAKES YOU SO LATE FOR SUPPER TO-NIGHT?

GOSH!—NUDDER! I'M JUST AFTER SEEIN' MRS. NOODLEBOODLE AN' HER BABY!

WHAT DID MRS. NOODLEBOODLE HAVE TO SAY!

OH! NOTHIN' ONLY SHE EXPECTS TO HAVE TH' BABY CHRISTENED 'DIS WEEEN!

AN' SHE WANTS US TO COME TO HER HOUSE AN' SEE TH' BABY!

WHAT'S TH' BABY'S NAME GOING TO BE?

JOHN-GEORGE-HENRY-JAMES-BENEXER-ARCHIBALD!

MY—THAT'S AN AWFUL STRING OF NAMES FOR THE POOR CHILD TO CARRY THROUGH LIFE!

WELL—HE'S GOT SEVEN UNCLER AN' DERE ALL 'SPECULATIN' ON WAR STOCKS AN' DERE'S NO TELLIN' WHICH ONE WILL MAKE GOOD!