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OLD TREE. The sleet of FLYING. On Dec. 31st, Bert Jan. 7th, 1940, did some dam- McLaurin and Leo Page went age to the huge live oak tree out to the Rockingham airport on East Washington street, in and got ready to fly down to the former McNair yard. But Maxton and there accompany so tremendous is this tree, that the Flying Cavalcade as far as the broken branches can Camden, on their way to the air met at Miami. scarcely be missed.

And just before taking off, Undoubtedly, this is the largthey saw a plane circling over est tree in Richmond county. This was the site of the old town; it saw the big ROCKING-Walter F. Leak home, later the HAM letters on top of court-Cole home, and occupied from house, with arrow pointing to 1899 to 1903 by the A.J. Max- the east; and very soon it well family, and still later by lighted at the airport. The pilot had gotten lost, on his the W. E. McNair family. The tree has an interesting way from Raleigh to Maxton,

PUNCTUAL. It has been the bit of history. The acorn is and right glad to find the good custom for countless years to said to have been planted by Rockingham port. He refueled notify jurors to report for Su- the late Walter Francis Leak, and then continued down to perior Court at 9 o'clock-even around about 1820, which would Maxton and rejoined the fleet. tho' the first day has never make it 120 years old. But we While here, the stranger looked doubt that. It must be many over the Piper Cub local plane, seen Court open till 10.

There is no reason for this. years older. The present cir-The punctual man is penalized. cumference of the tree is 15 that plane from the factory at The notification should read to feet, one inch. We say we doubt that Wal- tributor at Altoona-where in be PRESENT at ten o'clock, exactly the time wanted. And ter F. planted it. From the April, 1939, Bert and Leo had 10 would mean 10.

files of the old Post, we note gotten it. Not so large a world In fact, in this new day, that on Feb. 12, 1909, 15 water after all. radio has made our American oak trees were planted on the These small planes carry

people more time-conscious; grounds of the grammar school, only 16 gallons of gas, and get for with the radio, every pro- these donated by W. C. Leak about 20 miles to the gallon. gram, etc. must be met on the and Wm. Little Steele. And They have to refuel, for safety, these trees are now about 31 about each 200 miles, and so split-second.

Many a time we have had a years old-and not big ones, make rather short hops. teacher or preacher to come in either. Guaging the known The local airmen take to the and ask us to insert an item age of these trees, and their air about every day, and freabout some program. "What size, and the unknown age of quently fly up to Pinehurst, time?" we would ask. "Oh, that mammoth Leak tree, we Charlotte, Maxton, Myrtle about 7:30," would be the re- are led to the conclusion that Beach, Bennettsville, and nearply. When as a matter of fact the latter must be many years by points. Just as casual as there was no intention of start- older than 120 years. going in their cars-and they A legend has been built that feel a lot safer. underneath this big tree lies buried \$10,000 in gold. That

GLIMPSES --- ON THE CUFF **Brevities Gathered Here and There** About This and That. (Not an attempt at being a "kolumnyist" but just jottings of things seen and heard.-1. S. L.) Hard luck for Coach Ray Wolfe-Jim Lalanne slipped on his studies this past quarter and so had to drop out for the winter term. He'll be missed in February

'spring" practice, but'll be back in March and make up the work in Spring and Summer sessions and be there next fall slinging that of ball around.... New rules shorten the time by five seconds for ball to be put in play-to 25 seconds hereafter. This may tend towards eliminating the huddle. Personally, I like the old barking of signals-gives a thrill to hear the staccato numbers and see the team snap into action. Carolina and Duke should iron out the 1940 conflict-whereby Carolina plays Tulane and Duke plays Wake Forest the same afternoon.

And Flora Finch is dead-means nothing to you younger movie fans, but in the silent screen days she was the head-liner of comediennes started in 1910 when movies were just a dubious gadget. her partner, John Bunny, died in 1915. she capitalized on her ugliness-thin face, angular figure died Jan. 4th of blood poison from cut on her arm.

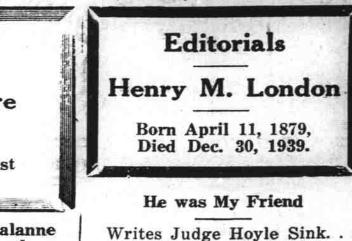
Gov. Hoey underwent an operation for hernia in Duke hospital Jan. 5th. friends happy he is o. k... Went into office much villified, but ends 4-year term next January as perhaps the State's most popular executive.

As you readers perhaps know, I am a stickler for facts and dates-and I rather regret that teachers now do not stress historical dates instead of periods or eras. Last week the Charlotte Observer quoted Clarence O. Kuester. Charlotte C. of C. veteran, with a list of prominent men born in January-and two of the six were wrong-Stonewall Jackson as born Jan. 24th, Franklin Roosevelt as Jan. 3rd. I wrote Kuester of his errors; he replied that it was the Observer who errored it typographically. Anyway, errors can always be put on a paper, and public men can be "misquoted". As we have said before, a doctor's mistakes are buried: a paper's blazed to world.

Young man writing to "Lonely Hearts": "Dear Lonely Hearts, my doctor told me I smoke too much and that I would have a tobacco heart. What should I do?-Perplexed." "Dear Perplexed: Eat lots of candy and you will soon have a sweetheart."

Eleven billion cans used every year in America to package food. . . . , . wonder how many tin cans are masquerading on the highways as automobiles?. The Finns ski and the Russians skee-daddle. Temperature wasn't so keen about the new year-from the way it shrunk from it-12 degrees on Jan. 2nd and 3rd.

A subscriber writes: "You keep writing me about owing you for your paper, and I haven't ever discribed for it. I omit getting the paper but I hadn't ever discribed for it." (She could have said "prescribed" instead of discribed or subscribed).



'It is with sincere regret that we lose Henry London. was my friend-a conscienti- of Reconstruction immediately ous, able citizen and he will be hard to replace."

A Fine Servant of Church.

writes the editor for the copy but as a matter of fact they of Jan. 4th issue of the Post- have followed varied lines of Dispatch containing sketches useful activity. Isaac London. of Henry London, and says. . . | a younger son, has stuck to his "I shall keep that page be- father's main line, newspapercause of its historical value ing, formerly in his old county, and also because it will recall Siler City, now editor-publisher to me the extraordinary of the Post-Dispatch, at Rockachievements of one of the ingham. Henry's talents were finest servants our Church in more along the line of his fa-North Carolina has ever ther's side lines of politics and known."

Loyal and Friendly.

Louis Graves, in Chapel Hill Weekly, Jan. 5th: "Henry London was a familiar figure on the University campus, loyal being in connection with his and friendly and cheerful; he was liked by everybody."

Courteous, Pleasant, Willing

Writes Charles G. Rose, former president of the N. C. Bar to do. As secretary of the Bar Association,

ing Henry London for a little that organization and was very over 40 years; he and I were popular with fellow lawyers at the University together-he throughout the State. graduating in 1899, I in 1900. And I have claimed him as a cities. I shall miss him on my death of Henry London.

trips to Raleigh as I always called in his office, if nothing more than to say "hello." He was always courteous, pleasant and willing to go to any length to accommodate a friend. He leave to his family a 'goodly to

HENRY LONDON WAS A VALUABLE CITIZEN

(Morganton News-Herald, 5th)

The life of Henry M. London, who died in Raleigh Dec. 30th, bore testimony to the fact that inheritance, as well as training and environment, counts largely in the making of a man. Major London, his father, was one of the leaders of his generation, a friend and co-worker of the North Carolinians who kept the Ship of State steady He and resolute in the trying days following the war period of '61-'65, in which he was an active participant.

Newspaper people think of the London family as belonging Bishop Edwin A. Penick to the "printing press clan." law, but probably his chief contribution to his day and generation was his authorship of a countless number of

bills which were written during the last twenty-five years into the laws of the State, this work job in the Law Reference Library at Raleigh.

A stickler for detail, conscientious, painstaking, methodical, Henry London did well everything that he undertook Association of North Carolina "Fayetteville, Jan. 6th. for many years he gave of his "I had the privilege of know- time and energy generously to

Truly, North Carolina has lost a valuable citizen and his friend ever since then, and family and friends have sufferserved with him in many capa- ed an irreparable loss in the

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case with our school Supt. Bell. When he advertises a definite Walter F. Leak when an old time, he means just that. And so with Walter King in fuman married a rich widow of Eastern Carolina, and that she nerals; he does his best to have brought with her that much them on the scheduled dot.

Yes, jurors hereafter ought money in cash; she died of typhoid fever shortly afterwards, to be summoned for exactly the but none of this money was time they are wanted, and not an hour earlier, or even a minever located. No, this is not a tip, nor a suggestion that ute earlier.

We might add that Judge prowlers begin uprooting that John H. Clement opened Court tree; chances are it's roots go Jan. 8th exactly on the stroke down almost to China. Walter Francis Leak and of 10 o'clock. Good going, his first wife lie buried in old Judge.

Leak cemetery, a mile north-UNIVERSITY. The new east of Rockingham; they are WPA aided dining hall at the the grandparents of the late University is completed and W. L. Scales and Mrs. Hal S. put in operation Jan. 2nd. Ledbetter. Mr. Leak was born It seats 1,050, twice the capa- March 26, 1799, and died April city of old Swain hall. It has 28, 1879. His wife, Mary C. two cafeterias and a restaru- Leak, was born July 17, 1799, rant, and a soda fountain that and died Dec. 4, 1871. is open till 11 p.m. The new

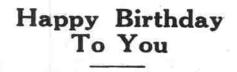
JAIL. ...July, 1939, was the building is at the west end of

biggest month in the history of old Emerson Field, and faces west; it is 121 feet long and our Richmond county jail-the 121 wide. It was built with daily average being 40, with WPA funds and is a self-liqui- 53 cared for one night. The dating project, at no cost to comfortable capacity is 32. In contrast were the measly nine the State.

That is fine.

And now to make the Uni- the times are better, or human versity complete, there should nature on the up?

be a movie house built on the campus and operated AT COST ord and be proud," was the very for the students. There is no appropriate admonition of FSA sense in the 4,000 students to Paul McNutt in his speech at have to plank down 30 cents the Jackson Day dinner in for the commercial town thea-Raleigh Jan. 8th. McNutt made tres, any more than having no a fighting speech; but it is] cost-eating place and forcing hardly likely the country will students to eat at higher-priced next November place the forces cafes. A University-operated



and found that he had flown

Lockhaven, Penn., to the dis-

Every reader of the Post-Dispatch is invited to send in names of their family, friends, neighbors for this Birthday column. They should be listed for week following Thursday issue.

JANUARY 12th Gladys Hicks Thomas Coble, 1923 **JANUARY 13th**

Roy Dawkins Henry Lemmonds Catherine Moss, 1920 Grace Robertson, 1922 Betsy Sairfax Dockery Clay Bell, 1911 (d 1-7-'39)

Linda McKay Maness, 1939 **JANUARY** 14th Douglas B. Bailey Sarah E. Haywood, 1933 Margaret Phillips, 1922 Lucy Cooper O'Brien, 1916

JANUARY 15th Ruby Jankins Leon Buckles Mrs. J. E. Young Elizabeth Leviner Mrs. L. L. Williams Lena Covington, 1915 Mrs. L. T. Wadsworth Mirs. L. 1. Wadsworth Miss Beatrice Langley Dorothy McDonald, 1921 Mrs. A. J. Riggan, 1893 (d) Marriage of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dees, 1884

JANUARY 16th Jasper Terry Mrs. Ola Hughes Farrell Beane, 1919 Thomas J. Andrews, 1920 Mary Louise Hasty, 1925 Barbara Pendergrass, 1917

JANUARY 17th Lee Jenkins H. D. Godfrey Lee Roy Seago Mrs. Ross Williams

Miss Geraldine Self Betty Jo Capel, 1934 Bobbie Lee Deal, 1931 Mrs. Hugh Henderson Miss LeGrand Parks, 1938 Wilson Arthur Hasty, Jr. '37 Perry and Jerry Childress, twins

JANUARY 18th Mrs. H. L. Deal William Ballard Mrs. G. S. Coble

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Duke's huge new gym was dedicated Jan. 6th with a Duke win over Princeton in basketball 36-27.... The gym is the largest in the south, seating 9,500. It is 202 feet long by 175 wide. At this dedication, the lights went out at 8:01 just as Dean Wannamaker began to speak, and were off for 8 minutes and 10 seconds. Such a building seems too large now, but so did the 35,000 seating capacity stadium when it was built in 1929..... "They'll never fill it," was the prediction then; but they did, many times, with 51,500 packed into every corner Nov. 18, 1939, when Carolina and Duke played. And this big gym will in time be overflowing and prove too small. Up Duke-way they build for the future.

Freud must have been right. the man who doesn't wear a hat is usually bareheaded because he forgets where he left it. . . . Yes, the writer seldom wears a hat-may be one reason why at 54 we show no signs of baldness.

Don't blame those who lose their self-reliant independence-even the birds quit foraging if you provide drumbs every day..... Here in Rockingham Grocer Jim Seawell each morning scatters grain on the paving in front of his store, and scores of small birds know this and flock there to partake of his thoughtfulness; they seem to know this food will be there, rain or shine-and it is; for Jim has a heart.

Like to tell your friends a secret? Why expect them to deny themselves the same enjoyment. Just don't tell.

DEFINITIONS: "Pedestrian is a man who has two cars, a wife and a daughter."

"A bathing suit is a garment with n_0 hooks but plenty of eyes on it."

"Gossip is when nobody don't do nothing, and somebody goes and tells about it."

"Echo is the only thing that cheats a woman out of the last word.'

My thanks to Judge Don Phillips for several pounds of venison steak killed by him on a deer hunt in Bladen county last week.

A school boy's essay: "we should not use the word guts because it is offal" Kidding—the safe way of saying catty things you are afraid to say in dead earnest. Doctors are not callous, but they see so much suf-fering, they must practice indifference or break down.

Gen. Bob Tombs said the Confederates wore them-selves out beating the Yankees—but then they didn't have as heavy a job, numerically, as the Finns'.

An automobile is said to be a vehicle which is dividing mankind into two classes-the quick and the dead. house as hot as it was in the summer when we kicked about it-and a nag is defined as a woman with no horse-sense.

Max Fleischer who just made the color cartoon "Gulliver's Travels" that he hopes will out-draw "Snow White," requried 678 artists who turned out 665,280 drawings, used up 16 tons of paper, 49,999 pencils and consumed 27,600 aspirin tablets.

1939 was a bad year for big daily papers-75 folded, 11 by merger and 64 just quit. Here is a good one, clipped: "It takes only one hat to cover the head of an egotist. It takes only one ice bag to cover the head of a "morning after." But it takes ever so many shovels full of dirt to cover a careless driver." Electric clock in Fox's Sunday stopped at 10:57 p.m. Shows when lights went off in down-town section. Billy Dimetti, soda slinger wouldn't set it Monday a. m. till 10:57-easier to start electric part without having trouble (?) of moving the hands-laziness personified.

heritage.' " ed off at fifty by exercising like men of twenty. FAITHFUL EVERY TRUST

(From Church of the Good Shepherd, Raleigh, "Parish Messenger," Jan. 7, 1940).

It must be left to others to record the great loss felt by the State of North Carolina, the University, The Bar Association and numerous other State and Civic Organizations, in the death on Saturday, December 30th, of Henry Mauger London; but it is for me as his Rector and personal friend to record the irrevocable loss suffered by The Church of the Good Shepherd, the Church in the Diocese of North Carolina, and the National Church. As Vestryman, Diocesan Treasurer, and delegate to the General Convention he touched the life and helped make the history of each, and to every trust he was found faithful. What more can one say? He loved his Church, and I feel that above all honors; and he justly received many

from State and Community; Henry London placed none above those bestowed upon him by the Church, and thus his Church came first. To her he gave his best and she in turn gave him much. Above all, he gained the strength to live and die unashamed, and unafraid His faith in God and his strong belief in Eternal Life through Jesus Christ remained undim-

med to the end. While we shall miss him, his influence will long abide and continue to encourage us to carry on and always put our Church first.

Our deepest love and sympa-thy goes to his devoted wife, two sons who bear his name, his sisters and brothers and a host of friends; and to God we yield our united thanks for his life and influence.

"Well done, thou good and faithful servant. Enter into the blessed rest and everlast-ing peace and the glorious company of the saints."

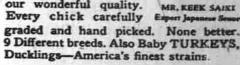


The Police Siren means "Look-out!" And so do Nature's signals-headaches, biliousness, bad breath, which are often symptoms of constipation. Don't neglect your sluggish bowels, for a host of constipation's other discomforts may result: such as,



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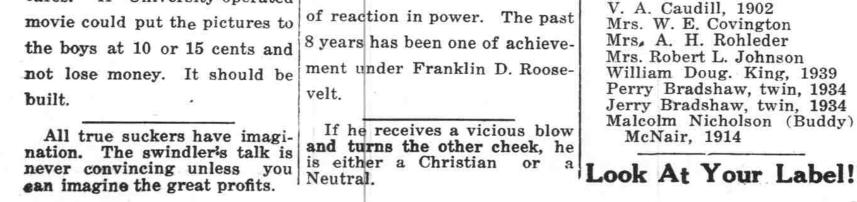
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