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Yes, thank you, and we hope your own will be equally as happy

"Many ask about Asheville"—But what do they ask?

"House the cotton." But poorly, thank you, at present.

Not something just as good; but the very best is to be found in the shops of Sylva this season.

The editor takes heart. We read the following headline "Happy Christmas is Assured For Needy."

Enjoy 1926 and the Yuletide season while you can—The General Assembly of North Carolina will convene in January.

This morning we once again direct your attention to the superiority of the brand of climate enjoyed west of the Balsams.

Mrs. Kate Burr Johnson charges that the jails of North Carolina waste a million dollars a year. That being true, the obvious thing is to abolish the jails.

Our understanding of it is that Santa Claus quits coming to see little girls when they begin rolling their stockings instead of hanging them.

1926 has been a pretty good old year at that—A. Smith didn't run for president, and the general assembly of North Carolina didn't repeal the law of evolution.

The Franklin Press remarks that if anything could convince it that man is sprung from monkeys, the antics of the "committee of one hundred" would clinch the argument.

Every honest citizen, or visitor would feel safer knowing that the highways of the state were being constantly patrolled by policemen with the power of North Carolina behind them.

If the Assembly wants to put the accent on the first syllable of its name, let it devote its time to evolution and other things that it knows nothing about.

If you would like to have a little matter of a few millions to spend for Christmas, hunt up one of Uncle Sam's Naval Oil Reserves and swipe it. Fall and Doheny have been acquitted.

The flapper will not only cease to flap, but will cease to be; if the Y. M. C. A. makes good headway with its nation-wide campaign against her and her "petting parties."

Cutting down our prohibition agents from 41 to 28, our Uncle must think that we are getting better in North Carolina; or they may be getting worse somewhere else; or he is running short of cash with which to pay off.

We are going to head a lobbying society to oppose the thousand and one societies that are busy lobbying in the halls of the legislatures of all the 48 states and in the congress of the United States. While we are at it, we will attempt to get an amendment added to the constitution forbidding any more amendments.

THE MOUNTAINS MOVING DOWN

The Journal puts itself on record as warning the general assembly that the mountains will move to Raleigh in January, pleading the cause of the Great Smoky Mountain National Park. The mountain folk are mightily interested in the matter. It is a matter of paramount importance to them and is the biggest movement for material progress of the state that has been launched since the good roads movement was started. That Park means life or death to a great many of the Western counties. The state will be face to face with the proposal of spending now a comparatively small sum, which invested in the Park will make the pauper counties rich, and relieve the state of the burden of carrying them on the pauper list, or of leaving them to be a burden to North Carolina through the years are to come.

We often wonder (from whence comes the prejudice, in some parts of the South, against the Jew and the Romanist; when we reflect that the poetry that inspired the valiant defenders of state's rights, in the sixties, came from the pen of a Catholic priest, Father Ryan, and the financial genius who kept the Confederacy in supplies was Judah P. Benjamin a Jew.

After the General Assembly has voted the \$40,000,000 necessary to complete the highway system and has provided for the purchase of the lands for the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, it has our permission to put in the other 54 days of the session in discussing evolution, if it so desires.

FOR A STATE CONSTABULARY

There is much agitation throughout the state, by some of the best thinkers and most substantial citizens of North Carolina, for the establishing by the coming general assembly of a state constabulary of 100 men. The duty of the state police would be to patrol the splendid highways of the state and enforce the traffic and the other laws of North Carolina.—To uphold the majesty of the state, and show those who are inclined to flout the law that North Carolina is yet a sovereign state, that the common law still prevails and the solemn enactments of her general assembly are to be observed, that North Carolina is a law loving and law abiding state.

The need of such a state police force is apparent. The appalling loss of life, property and limb on the highways of North Carolina is a reproach to the state, and is largely the result of careless, reckless, unlawful driving. The moral effect upon those persons who use the highways for speedways, for rum routes, and who have no consideration for the other people who are using the highways for lawful purposes, would be of considerable weight. A lawbreaker has more consideration for his own liberty than he has for the lives and rights of other people. Selfishness is the basis of lawlessness. A man is a lawbreaker because he is unwilling to play the game of life according to the rules. If he is constantly expecting to meet a member of the state police around the next curve, he will drive around the curve more cautiously.

Then the local political complex, we are sorry to remark, often enters into the prosecution and conviction, yea, even the arrest of a lawbreaker. The state police would know no local politics. Every man and woman violating the law would look the same to them.

Not only that, but hold-ups, and all kinds of lawlessness along the highways and in the rural districts would be lessened; at least the

chances for the arrest and conviction of the lawless would be greater.

The Carolina Moter Club, and various strong organizations of the state are behind the movement. The chances are that they will win their point before the general assembly. At any rate, it must be conceded that they should.

MAKING CHRISTMAS DINNER EASY FOR THE HOMEMAKER

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the celery, wrap it well and put it in a cold place.

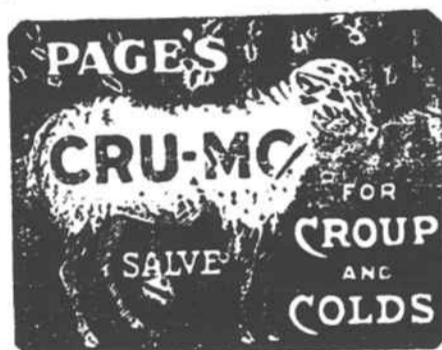
Tomato aspic or grapefruit for a salad can also be fixed the day before. The lettuce and salad dressing also may be all ready for last minute combination. Lettuce, in fact, gets crispier and more attractive if washed, covered and let stand in a very cold place for a few hours before serving.

Plum pudding for dessert can be made days before Christmas and reheated just in time to serve. Mince pie also can be baked a day or two early. Or a mousse of cream and shredded pineapple or other flavoring may be packed down in ice and salt the day before and turned out in a frozen mold at dinner time. If the weather is very cold, set the mousse outdoors, and the weather will do the rest. The fruit cake to serve with the mousse was of course baked well in advance of the Christmas rush.

Nuts and candies help to give a festive touch and may even be arranged in serving dishes beforehand.

Thus with forethought most of the work of Christmas dinner can be pushed ahead and the homemaker as well as the rest of the family can have a holiday on Christmas day.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

It is difficult to be merry at Christmas if the lack of money is pressing. In the old days, things were cheap and a little money went far. Light purses failed to make heavy hearts.

Nowadays, money is a large factor in making Christmas merry—that applies to your Christmas as well as to the other fellow's.

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