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A fraudulent election is the one when you are defeated.

"Let him who would be first among you be the servant of all".

We take it that we don't have to remind any of the boys who are running of what John Grant said.

They are still arguing about gold and silver, and all this year the lowly coppers have been keeping North Carolina schools running.

The way a communist figures May Day is that he may get a broken head before night, and he may not—if he's lucky.

But suppose newspapers should take the attitude of Uncle Sam and refuse to have any dealings with folks who owe 'em!

Japan and England are about to engage in a "trade war." We'll trade our interest in the next war for a cup of coffee and a half dozen fags.

Our idea is that anybody who has kept a newspaper running for the past four years, and hasn't missed an issue is entitled to a Pulitzer prize, or a Carnegie medal, or something.

Really, it makes no difference to us whether the money is to be gold, silver, or both. What interests us is getting enough of whatever they are using to do business on, down this way. If it will buy what we need and can be used for paying debts and taxes, we'll take it.

In that, the young men of the country, men of ability and ambition, may well learn a lesson. Be ambitious, but not to let their ambitions lead them too far. Be ambitious, but to be ambitious to serve well. If they learn that, the reward will come of itself. Be ambitious, but also be honest.

Bishop Cannon won before a District of Columbia jury, where he was tried on charges of violating the corrupt practices act, in connection with the 1928 election. He won out in the General Conference, where an attempt was made to superannuate him but the Conference did abolish the Methodist political lobby, of which he was the head.

A year ago big business was mighty anxious for the government to save the country from complete financial collapse. It has now started a propaganda about non-interference with business. Reminds us of a man who has been sick unto death. The doctors and nurses pull him through, and as soon as she is able to sit up in bed, he begins throwing things at 'em, every time a doctor or a nurse comes into the room. The truth is that the best sign yet seen of the vanishing of the depression is that big business wants the government to let it alone and let it stand on its own feet. Just why the men who made such a sorry mess of things before think they have the wisdom to lead the country now is not explained.

MR. JEFFRESS' LETTER

Mr. E. B. Jeffress, in a letter to the Editor, published in this issue of The Journal, sets forth his views on Highway 106, rather frankly, and in a friendly, and sympathetic attitude. We have always felt that Mr. Jeffress was in sympathy with our views on this important highway, and for this reason, have rather expected him to take the favorable side before his commission.

For this reason, we hesitate to disagree with some of the points that he makes in his letter.

He states, and we are glad to learn, that the work to be done by North Carolina on the highway will come up to federal aid standards, making it of the best construction. However, we have realized, as he states, that the work to be done by the CCC men, through the offices of Senator Smith and others of our South Carolina friends, will be 9 feet with crushed stone surface. This, Mr. Jeffress thinks, will be adequate for that part of the road for some time to come. In this we disagree with him. We are glad to get that; but, when the road is open to travel, its geographical location is such that it will be one of the main trunk highways to and through the National Park, and as such will carry a heavy volume of traffic, and it will be found, in a short time that the 9 foot

road with crushed stone, will be entirely inadequate.

Mr. Jeffress also states that the commission has been handicapped, in that the General Assembly forbade the use of State funds for new highway construction during the present biennium, and that federal funds have been so allocated as to require 25 per cent to be used inside municipalities. These are facts that everybody knows; but everybody also knows that a great many new contracts have been let, for the spending of federal aid funds by the millions in North Carolina, and that 106 is still suffering to be completed. We also know that none of this money has been spent in this county, either inside or outside municipalities.

We also still contend that the claims of the people of this county for the completion of Highway 106 are as meritorious as any in the State, and that the commission from this part of the State should have presented most vigorously its claims to the commission. We further believe that if this had been done and if the Nantahala Power Company's power project is not being used as a reason, or rather as an excuse, by some persons, that 106 would have probably been among the projects that have been let to contract during the past year.

Mr. Jeffress refers to the time that he is now having to devote to the plans for the great Parkway. We and all Jackson county, are with him in this important matter. The parkway will mean much to us, perhaps more than we can envision; but if it is to be of the value to Jackson county that it should, 106 will also have to be completed, for this is the route over which the traffic from the South should come, and must come. If the park and the parkway are to be of as much benefit to this county and its people as they should.

THE CASE OF THE LEAS

The cumbersome courts have ground slowly over the Leas. It has taken months, some times packed with melodrama, and at others the thing just dragged itself along through the courts, to get the Leas, father and son back to North Carolina, after they had been released under bonds, upon conviction of having played a part, with Wallace Davis, in the wrecking of the Central Bank and Trust Company in Asheville.

The matter reached such a point

that it became a scandal, and the only means of vindicating the sovereignty of the State of North Carolina was to put the Leas behind the prison bars in Raleigh.

Luke Lea, former United States Senator, popular and colorful Colonel of the World War period, set about, in connection with Rogers Caldwell, to build a political and financial empire in the South, erected upon a chain of newspapers, a chain of banks and financial institutions, and a personal political organization.

A man of more than ordinary ability, Luke Lea was also more than ordinarily ambitious. He saw visions, and set about bringing them to fruition. He was more than ordinarily successful, as the world measures success; but he, as well as a great many of the rest of us, didn't have the money or the credit to finance his plans. He operated on a shoestring and stretched it until it broke. If the great depression hadn't come along to help topple over his house of cards it is possible that he might have made the grade, and would today be one of the commanding figures of the South. If that hadn't happened but it did) Wallace Davis might still be the big-hearted banker over in Asheville. If that hadn't happened along, Samuel Insull might still be sitting on the throne of his utilities and political empire in the West, instead of having been dragged back from foreign parts, a fugitive from the courts of justice.

But, a really wise man prepares for foul weather as well as fair, and the big operators who got caught in the storm of the depression had felicitations to their own folly and lack of foresight. The millions of small business men and workers were the innocent bystanders who had to help pay for the misdeeds of the nation's financial and political leaders, and of their system of graft and greed that Woodrow Wilson tried to drive from the country, and that had become powerful after his day.

At any rate, it is a sad thing to see a man of the personality of Luke Lea, a man who has served his country as an officer in the World War, a former United States Senator, a respected and commanding citizen of his State and country, placed along with his first born son, behind prison bars.

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 Hymn, (Entire Congregation)
 Prayer, Frank L. Kee

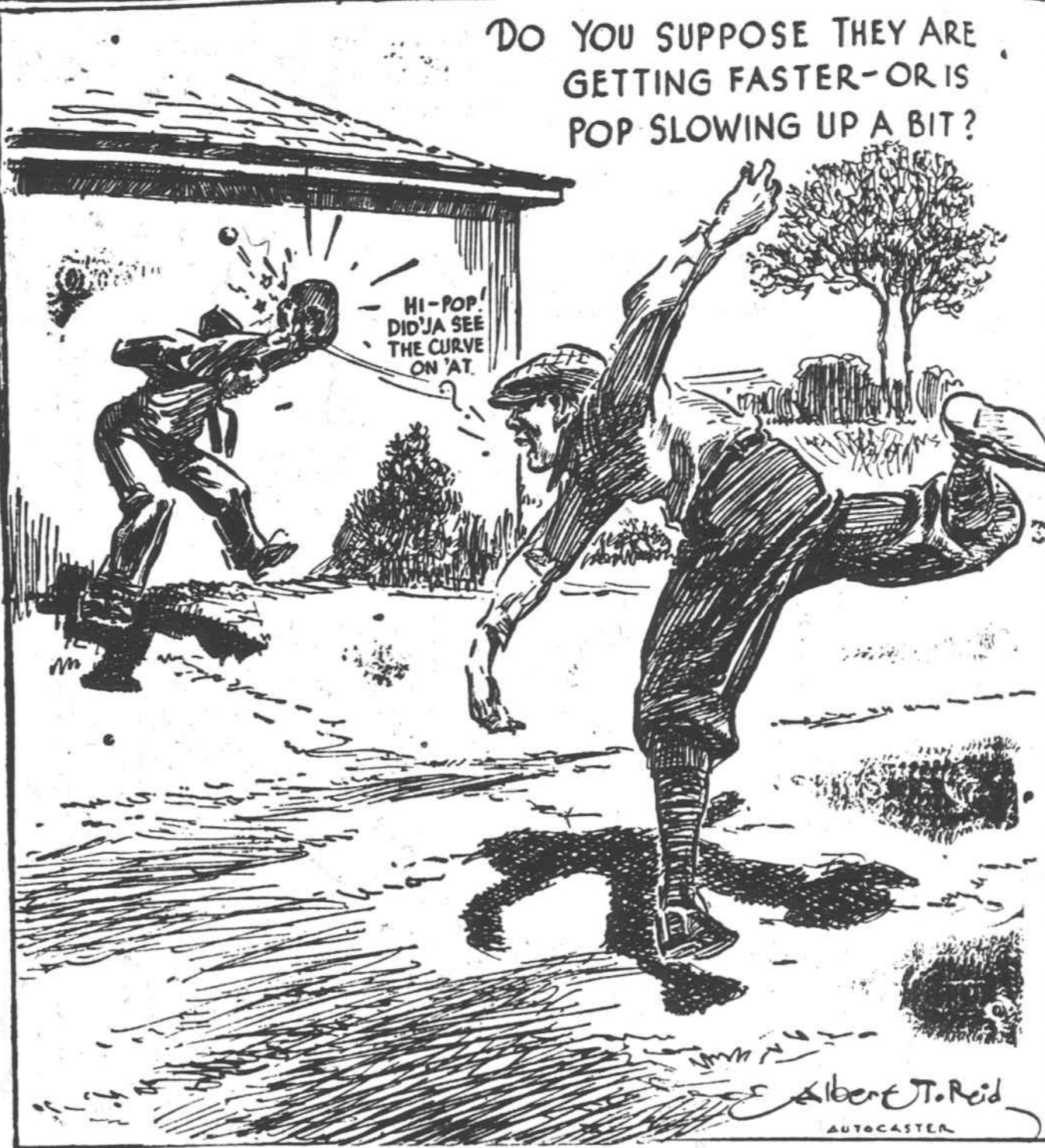
Scripture Readings, George Crawford
 "Mother's Creed," Sanford Smith
 "Tell Mother I'll Be There," Male Quartet—Rufus Phillips, Porter Raper, John Painter, H. T. Hunter
 Poem: "Only A Dad," L. A. Buchanan
 Brief Address: "Mother," J. S. Seymour
 Reading: "The Altar in the Home," David Stillwell
 Closing Hymn, (By Congregation)
 Benediction, Rev. I. K. Stafford

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By Albert T. Reid



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