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Use Red Cross seals on your Christmas packages. It will help the fight for better health.

You can't shop early, for the time is past, but you can shop now and that will prevent the rush of the last three or four days.

Wake county is going after that good roads proposition like she meant business. Going to keep it up until something is accomplished and then some.

The reading clerks in the house and senate have a special claim to fame over the balance of their countrymen. They have read the president's message.

In thinking of your friends Christmas remember the men and women behind the counter. You can add a great deal to the enjoyment they will get out of Christmas day by doing your trading now.

Charlotte has tackled the chicken coop nuisance again and has passed an ordinance requiring the coops to be taken off the streets in the principal business blocks of the city. It is a good ordinance not only for Charlotte, but for some other cities we could mention.

For having more lives than a cat and for an adamant indisposition to lose any of them, commend us to the Raleigh market-house issue.—Charlotte Observer.

Like the Charlotte auditorium it is an abiding source of trouble. However, bet you we have a new market-house by the time your auditorium gets out of debt.

The corn exposition at Columbia, S. C., is on. Prizes aggregating $10,000 in value are offered and we are looking for North Carolina to walk off with all those that are not held down by boundary lines. The exposition is the first of the kind ever held in the South Atlantic states and is another evidence of the awakened interest in corn growing.

The United States Steel Corporation will pay old-age pensions after January 1. The steel trust has a pension fund of $8,000,000, and an additional $4,000,000 from the Carnegie fund, making available in all $12,000,000 for old-age pensions. Many other large corporations are making plans of this kind to aid their employes when they become too old to work, and the idea is growing in the United States. President Taft is urging a retirement fund for the aid employes of the government and some measure of this kind will doubtless pass congress before a great while. Just what plan congress will work out remains to be seen, but the suggestion in the president's message probably makes the way as clear as anything that has been said on the subject.

The re-appointment of Mr. Willis Briggs as postmaster of Raleigh gives entire satisfaction to the people of this community. He has given the people good service and no change was wanted in the office here. The appointment does credit to the administration.

The North Carolina Library Association is holding its sixth annual meeting in Winston. The association, since its organization in 1904, has been an important factor in advancing the library interests of the state. It has brought the libraries and the librarians into touch with each other and they have been a mutual help in the work that each is doing. And they are spreading the library spirit among the people.

Just what troubles the mind of the Roper Lumber Company and the Norfolk Southern Railroad is not clear, but there is a state-wide desire that they promptly get out of the road and allow Mattamuskeet lake to be drained.—Charlotte Observer.

That is the way is seems to us. The people who are blocking this proposition may think they are keeping money in their pockets, and they probably are, directly, but it is a proposition of too great magnitude and of too much benefit to the state and Hyde county to allow it to be bottled up to save a few thousand to a corporation that can't see beyond its nose.

Here is another peace argument. Since this government was organized it has spent for all purposes $21,518,871,354. Of this total $16,567,677,135 was spent for militarism and only $4,951,194,216 was devoted to the other expenses of the government. In 126 years of existence over 76 per cent of our expenditures have been used for purposes of war. Suppose it had been possible to have spent all this money in peaceful pursuits, such as road building or for schools, and suppose all the men who have been engaged in war could have been engaged in productive effort instead of destructive effort, what a difference it would have made in the progress of the country. That is past and gone, however, and there are many who hold that the great questions of the time could not have been settled except by an appeal to arms. As to the future, however, the people of the world can decide whether there is to be any more war or not, and whether they will go on paying billions of dollars annually to defend themselves from each other. The annual cost of the armies and navies of the world is $2,250,000,000. No wonder some of the nations remain poor and their people stagger under intolerable burdens.

INCOME TAX AMENDMENT.

Senator Brown Believes Measure Will Receive Necessary Ratification.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Washington, Dec. 7—Senator Norris Brown, author of the proposed income tax amendment, now pending before the various states for ratification, said that he believed more than the requisite three-fourths of the states would ratify the measure during the coming winter legislative sessions. Of the five states that have rejected the amendment, Mr. Brown believes four, at least, and possibly all, will reverse that decision and align themselves with the eight states that have ratified the proposed change in the constitution.

Following the recent election Senator Brown wrote to all governors, inclosing a copy of the ratification resolution and urging these governors to use their influence in obtaining favorable action by their respective legislatures. Almost every governor written to has replied, and the great majority of them not only favor the amendment, but have said they wil recommend such action by their respective state legislatures.

Hard Colds—People whose blood is pure are not nearly so likely to take hard colds as are others. Hood's Sarsaparilla makes the blood pure; and this great medicine recovers the system after a cold as no other medicine does. Take Hood's.

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Press Comment.

Plain Tales For Prohibitionists.

In Tennessee, as well as in Maine, and in other prohibition states, we have an illuminating example of how prohibition does not profit. The supreme court holds constitional an act of the state legislature under which it is unlawful to make whiskey in Tennessee. Thus a legitimate business comes to an end without enforced abstinence frome indulgence in the beverage being accomplished by the law, or the prophets of reform.

In Tennessee a gentleman goes to his club, opens his locker, takes out his bottle, helps himself and his friends, and makes merry regardless of the spirit of the prohibition law, but not in violation of his letter. He is not forbidden by statute to have a lock. He may give an order to the steward of his club to buy him $100 worth of liquor and sign tickets against the order until the stock is exhausted, and the steward can always buy the liquor. "Speakeasies" serve the element that does not belong to clubs, and moonshine stills will do a larger business, with a more thorough neighborhood sympathy and protection as a result of the abolition of the business of distilling whiskey lawfully.

A law in Kentucky similar to that upheld by the supreme court of Tennessee would destroy a great industry without materially affecting the drink problem. It would be tyranny and injustice. It would be farce and false pretense. But it would not be prohibition of intemperance. It is demonstrable that love finds a way, no matter whether it is love of woman or love of wine. Love laughs at locksmiths and lawsmiths, and gains its end.

The Hellespont lying between Leander and Hero was not an effective prohibitor of the visits of the youth of Abydos to the priestess of Apridite at Sestos. Musaeus tells us that he swam the Hellespont not only in summer, when it might have proved an invigorating exercise and an appealing act of gallantry, but also in midwinter. Its icy currents failed to cool his ardor, while Hero's torch flamed from the tower upon raging seas. Nothing but death ended his visits. Whether or not this love affair gave rise to the expression "In spite of hell and high water" Musaeus does not say, nor the poets after him. But it remains a fact that discouragements in the form of obstacles placed in the way do not deter anyone who is in pursuit of his inamorata or his bottle. Helen, the handsome daughter of Zeus and Leda, had so many suitors that by the advice of the sage Ulysses they were bound to by oath to respect the choice of the fairest woman in Greece. But when she chose Menelaus, Paris carried her off to Troy. The Trojan war resulted. Menelaus declined to consider the walls of Troy as being sufficient to prohibit him from claiming the girl. So much for prohibition.

An example of how man is guided in his personal conduct by his own character and not by outside interference is provided by the case of Ulysses, whose valor served to cause the armor of the great Achilles to descend upon his houlders as a hero's reward, driving Ajax mad with envy. He had many trying adventures during his ten years' return to 'far seen rock Ithica." When he neared the Sicilian coast where the Sirens had never experienced the least trouble luring saflormen to their death, he lashed himself to the mast and sailed by with unveered helm, the pattern of a man above temptation. This, according to legend, caused the Sirens to throw themselves into the sea in despair.

The tale of how Paris occasioned a bloody war and brought disaster upon himself because he was not man enough to resist the charms of Helen and play fair, and the story of Ulysses and the Sirens might profitably be considered in connection with each other by young men to whom drink is a temptation. The tale of Leander's recklessness of results and that of Menelaus securing Helen from the city of Troy, might be reflected upon by prohibitionists who foolishly hope to bar men by statutory enactment from that which they greatly desire.

The Tennessee situation might be considered by sensible persons who are asked to abolish distilling and the revenues arising from it, and leave smuggling, speakeasies and locker clubs to serve those who wish to drink. —Courier Journal.

The Parcels Post.

It seems that limited parcels post is probable. The system would have been put into effect long ago, we assume, had it not been for Mr. Cannon and his crowd, to whom the arguments of the late Senator Thomas C. Platt, president of an express company, seemed incontrovertible. Meantime the express companies, having started with almost no capital at all, have been amasing great surpluses, and attending to their business in such a way as to make the conduct of our postoffice a very shameful thing in comparison.

Mr. Hitchcock has proved to be one of the most efficient postmaster generals of this era. In many ways he has thrown off the ropes, cast anchor and begun explorations. He has, in our opinion, erred in some of the reforms suggested, but his proposal to recommend to congress a parcels post service limited to the rural free delivery routes, parcels being accepted up to a maximum weight of 11 pounds, will, we think, be received generally with approval. It is pointed out that the new service, while resulting in increased revenue for the department, would entail little extra expense, the rural carriers already being provided with horses and carts, or other vehicles. Moreover, it would not be necessary to appoint additional carriers.

We do not think that the express companies would suffer materially because of the new service. They do not attempt to deliver in the rural districts and actually recive but few packages for delivery to a nearby town, where the farmer can call and get his parcel. Farmers generally obtain by freight what they cannot get through the mails. In addition, it is incorrect to assume that merchants in small towns would suffer. On the contrary, they would receive many orders by telephone, the farmers not being forced to come to town to get what they wanted, relying on quick deliveries by mail.

It would be better, of course, if a general and unlimited parcels post service were instituted, but that will follow. Indeed, it is expected that such a service as is contemplated will demonstrate so completely the necessity and lucrativeness of the system as to render its extension a certainty. The rural service itself has been developed gradually. It has been of untold benefit in eliminating many of the disadvantages of farm life, and has done much to make it attractive. On the extension of the postal service and the telephone, and one good roads and the advent of the automobile depends the solution of the urban movement question. People will not live in the cities when they can live comfortably in the country.—News and Courier.

How Woodrow Wilson Works.

On the stump in the recent campaign Woodrow Wilson told the people of New Jersey that if elected governor he would not be subservient to the bosses of his party in the state. That this declaration was not mere pre-election clap-trap is proved by his present attitude in connection with the election of a United States senator from New Jersey. It is a refreshing, if not surprising, illustration of the way Wilson's mind works.

In the primary election the democratic voters of the state expressed a preference for James E. Martine for senator. But with the election of a democratic legislature it became apparent that former Senator James Smith, Jr., could control a majority of the democratic caucus. And simultaneously came the report that Mr. Smith purposes to go back to the senate himself.

The people of the country know James Smith, Jr. He was one of the sugar-democrats in the days of the Wilson-Gorman tariff bill. He was one of the men chiefly responsible for that fiasco, one of the men chiefly responsible for what Cleveland termed "party perfidy and party dishonor." He is altogether and entirely a corporation representative of a type which must the next year Pk orP x3sesd.ythfleen not influence democratic councils in the next two or three years if disaster is to be avoided. Also he was one of the men who helped to make possible Mr. Wilsons election as governor.

But Mr. Wilson isn't regarding that last-named fact. He gave fair notice beforehand that he was going to be his own man if elected, and he is now proceeding to show that he is his own man. He stands squarely on the ground that Mr. Martine is the choice of the democratic voters of the state and he purposes to enter the fight to fulfill the will of the people, even though that involves a split with Mr. Smith. Governor Wilson might have sat back in his armchair and taken the ground that the controversy didn't concern him. Thus he might have kept peace with all parties. Instead, he has taken the ground that by their votes the people have made him the leader of his party in the state and it is his intention to lead it aright.

This may not be good politics from the ward-heeler's point of view; but if it isn't politics it is statesmanship. And it strengthens the opinion the people have been forming that in Woodrow Wilson the democratic party has found a real man and a real leader, of a stature sufficient to fill acceptably the presidential or any other chair.—Baltimore Sun.

WESTERN CAROLINA.

Good Stock Region That Easterners Hardly Realize Extent—New County Officers Sworn in—Good Soil for Rock and Mining.

(Special to The Times.)

Asheville, N. C., Dec. 7—It is well known that Western North Carolina is a good stock region but it is probable that few citizens east of the ridge realize the extent in which it is engaged in, in the western counties, especially in Haywood where great numbers of cattle are raised and shipped every year. Some few of these are driven to the Asheville market and few others are consumed by the smaller towns but by far the greater percentage is shipped away. Many head of cattle are shipped each year to South Carolina where they fed during the winter on the cotton seed by products. It is estimated that at least six hundred car loads will be shipped from Haywood county alone this year. Five hundred car loads were shipped last year. From April 1 when the shipping season opened until the first of December from one little station alone—Clyde—local dealers have shipped 95 car loads.

The new county officers were sworn in Monday. After swearing in the new county commissioners, the retiring chairman Eugene Rankin made a very interesting statement. He declared that though the county has spent from $25,000 to $30,000 each year for the last fifteen years on the county roads, little had been accomplished except to find ou that the rock which had been used for macadamizing was practically worthless. This tends to confirm what many have been fearing for a long time—that the roads which have been constructed at so much expense in the belief that they would endure for all time were nothing but temporary thoroughfare which will require constant care to keep them up.

There is a grain of comfort in the statement which he further made that although good rock was not available, the sand clay roads which had been constructed under the supervision of State Highway Engineer Spoon, had proved entire satisfactory. In as much as the cost of the sand clay is only about a fourth that of the macadam it may be a good thing for the county that the rock is worthless. He recommended the construction of more of the sand clay roads.

When your feet are wet and cold, and your body chilled through and through from exposure, take a big dose of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, bathe your feet in hot water before going to bed, and you are almost certain to ward off a severe cold. For sale by all dealers.

WONDERFUL COTTON PICKER.

New Invention Will Revolutionize Labor Conditions in South.

The mechanical cotton picker, the impossible machine that will discriminate between ripe and unripe cotton bolls, finger over the delicate plant, get the lint, and leave the rest unharmed—this contrivance of almost human intelligence has at last been made.

The cotton gin made cotton king, and made the king's standing army of blacks a permanent drawback to half the nation. And the south considered this standing army so necessary to cotton production that it was willing to fight to preserve it. A gin did all this. The picking machine has signed the order to disband the black army of cotton pickers that have kept King Cotton from being an enlightened ruler. A south without the yearly demoralization of cotton-picking time, when men, women and children from the mills, kitchens, schools and everywhere else desert their normal vacations for the cotton patch—that would be a new south indeed.

The machine itself is about as inspiring a sight as the gin was in Whitney's day. It is a small gasoline traction engine, with two picking attachments swung under it, and a pair of canvas bags hung out behind. It travels through the field about as fast as a man walks, taking the cotton plant between the wheels, where it is picked over by almost countless revolving steel fingers, which catch the lint but leave the plant uninjured, so that the later bolls may mature. To leave the unripe bolls has been the great difficulty in making a mechanical cotton picker. Cotton cannot be gathered all at once like wheat.

Cotton bolls on the same plant mature and open progressively, making the problem of mechanically picking cotton extremely difficult. A cotton-picking machine to be commercially successful must be able to pick the open bolls without injury to the unopened bolls and blooms, or to the foliage and the plant itself. It must do this faster and at a lower cost than can be done by hand, and it must be automatically and mechanically to discriminate between the ripe and unripe bolls—World's Work.

HOLLY SHIPPING.

Large Quantities Are Shipped Daily. Postmaster Eli Larkin Dead.

Atkinson, Dec. 6—There is a busy scene around the depot now and quite an interesting one, as the wagons come in with large, light boxes filled with holly, to be shipped to northern markets.

The work of gathering the beautiful green holly, bright with red berries, is keeping quite a number of men and boys busy.

An agent is here having it shipped by the car load.

Mr. Eli Larkin, the postmaster of this place, who has been sick several weeks, died last Thursday, at the home of his son, Liston, in Wilmington.

The remains were brought here and interred at the old home place, about four miles in the country.

The bereaved family have the sympathy of the community.

On Thanksgiving day little Miss Swanna Lewis celebrated her sixth birthday by giving a party to her little friends, each of whom brought her a present.

The dining-room was darkened and lighted by little candles.

The table was beautifully decorated and loaded with dainties enjoyed so much by the children. In the centre was the birthday cake.

Her father gave her a beautiful gold locket in memory of her mother.

Rev. W. B. Riverbark filled his monthly appointment at the Baptist church Sunday, both morning and night. He preaches able and helpful sermons and is liked very much throughout the entire community.

The different classes of the Sunday school gave garments, cloth, provisions, etc., for the orphanage at Thomasville, and a good collection in cash was received.

On the Sunday previous the Sunbeam Society had Thanksgiving exercises that were very enjoyable, and also took up a collection for the same object.

The Storm in Washington.

Washington, Dec. 7—According to announcement by the weather bureau the storm that has raged over Washington continuously for almost 48 hours, depositing a foot of snow, will depart this forenoon. But the weather bureau predicts that for the next five days the weather will vacillate between warmth and intense cold.

In some sections of the city snowdrifts are more than four feet deep. The average fall in the city is 11 inches.

All day yesterday and today the street cleaning department, with the assistance of 100 or more temporary workmen, have toiled at the tons of snow that covered the thoroughfare from Potomac Park to the Zoo.

Among the unemployed of the city there is great suffering.

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CLEANING OFF THE SNOW.

Army of 8,000 Men Cleaning New York Streets of Snow.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

New York, Dec. 7—An army of 8,000 men today began removing the traces of yesterday's blizzard. Two thousand trucks and wagons carried away the snow and dumped it into Hudson and East Rivers.

Traffic conditions were reported much better than yesterday. All night 3,500 men of the street cleaning department worked clearing off crossings on the most important streets and opening a way to the ferries and to the bridge approaches.

Hundreds were assigned to districts about Forty-second street and Broadway and the financial centres, and had much of the snow out of the way before daylight.

Commissioner Edwards has been the busiest man in town since the storm began. He notified the snow removal contractors last night to have all the available men ready to work this morning and they responded with 5,000. The other 3,000 were from the street cleaning department.

"I had been troubled with constipation for two years and tried all of the best physicians in Bristol, Tenn., and they could do nothing for me," writes Thos. E. Williams, Middleboro, Ky. "Two packages of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets cured me." For sale by all dealers.

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