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A Colyum Of Thoughts From Here There, Yonder

(By BIGNALL JONES)

Politics are growing warm in this county and it looks as there will be a hot political fight.

People don't object much to a clean, fair fight. In fact, it holds fascination—for the spectators.

One request that we make is, that there be as little "mud-slinging" as is humanly possible.

Warren county has in the past won a black eye in the state on account of its muck-raking. Lets try to rectify this in the coming election.

Candidates stage your fight in such a manner that when it is all over that you won't be ashamed to look your opponent in the face and congratulate him on the good fight he put up.

Voters support your candidates "with malice toward none" and justice to all, each with the determination that, as far as it is in his power, it will be a clean fight;

And may the best man win.

It Works Both Ways

Be happy and you will be good.—Albany Journal.

Correct

"What animal makes the nearest approach to man?" asked the teacher. "The cootie," replied the red-headed boy.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Threatened Conflagration.

He—"Reggie's girl has money to burn."

She—"Yes, I hear she's looking for a match."—The Princeton Tiger.

Hopeless Addict

"Have you never thought of retiring from politics?"

"Yes," replied Senator Sorghum; "but always with a shudder."—Washington Star.

Galloping Dominoes

Sam—"Ah done heard dat dey fine' Columbus's bones."

Ezra—"Lawd! Ah never knew dat he wuz a gamblin' man."—Columbia Jester.

Time for Care.

"Wimmin voters this year."

"Yes, and these short skirts made a lot of wimmen look like little girls."

"That's right. You gotta be careful who you try to pat on the head."—Kansas City Journal.

House Missing

The difficulty of finding a house is not exclusively an eastern problem. Out in Kansas, for instance, a native observed a stranger looking around and ventured to say, "Good-morning, sir, House hunting?"

"Yes," replied the stranger. "I wonder if it could have blown this far."—Boston Transcript.

A Time for Moderation.

"I believe in free speech!" exclaimed the vociferous man.

"So do I," rejoined Uncle Bill Bottletop; "so do I. But in one respect free speech reminds me of the free lunch in the old days. You hate to see a man making a pig of himself just because something's free."—Washington Star.

These Dangerous Days

Chug-Chug! Br r r r r! Honk! Honk! Gilligillug-gilligillug!

The pedestrian paused at the intersection of two busy streets.

He looked about. A motor-car was rushing at him from one direction, a motor-cycle from another, a steam truck was coming from behind and a taxicab was speedily approaching.

Zip-zip! Zing-glug!

He looked up, and saw directly above him an air-ship in rapid descent.

There was but one chance. He was standing upon a manhole cover. Quickly seizing it, he lifted the lid and jumped into the hole just in time to be run over by an underground train.—London-Tit-Bits.

The weather for the past few days has been very cool. In fact vegetation has not had any encouragement to grow. We make this observation for the benefit of those readers of the Record who reside in other States, and there are quite a number of them.

JUST SIMPLY STARVED OUT

WE MUST UNLOCK THE
SCHOOL HOUSE DOOR

Though North Carolina Ranks
High in Wealth; She Is Way
Down the List in Money Ex-
pended for Public Education

Did you know that during the past year there were 700 empty school houses in North Carolina? That these school houses were barred up not because the teachers struck, but because they were literally starved out of the profession? The average salary paid white teachers in North Carolina in 1918 was \$323—a little more than half the average in the United States. Teachers as well as other people, have to live 365 days in the year. According to the above figures, the average daily wage of North Carolina teachers was 89 cents. Can you get a cook, or a laundress, or a ditch-digger for that sum, even if you throw a board?

Did you know that 7,000 or nearly one-half the common schools in North Carolina were taught this year by standard teachers, taken on temporarily in the face of the greatest teacher shortage the State has ever known? Professor L. A. Williams of the University, tells of visiting one of our public schools in the last two months in which all seven grades were in the hands of a girl who had finished the sixth grade in the same school the year before. Yet, how can we expect to attract college graduates to the teaching profession when we pay elevator boys and hod carriers almost twice as much, and brick layers and plumbers three times as much as we do those to whom we entrust the torch of civilization?

Did you know that two-thirds of the public school teachers in North Carolina last year abandoned teaching for more lucrative employment? And that our normal schools and teachers training departments in colleges are enrolling from 30 to 50 per cent fewer pupils than formerly?

Did you know that North Carolina is the fourth richest State in the Union in agricultural wealth and that in expenditures for public education she is very nearly the most niggardly? We spent 68 cents per inhabitant per year for public education; New Jersey spends more than \$3.50, and Texas more than \$2.50.

Do you know what the result will be if we fail to remedy matters? Easy. We are going to put a premium on ignorance that will lead to such a wave of shiftlessness, vice, and anarchy that we shall be obliged to double the capacity of our almshouse, reformatories, and penitentiaries. Isn't it wiser and cheaper to give the teacher a square deal and open wide every school house door in the State?

Remember: Better pay for better teachers is the best insurance for better schools.

—North Carolina Education Association Leaflet.

NOTICE

I notice from your paper that I have been selected as one to serve on the Highway Commission of Warren County.

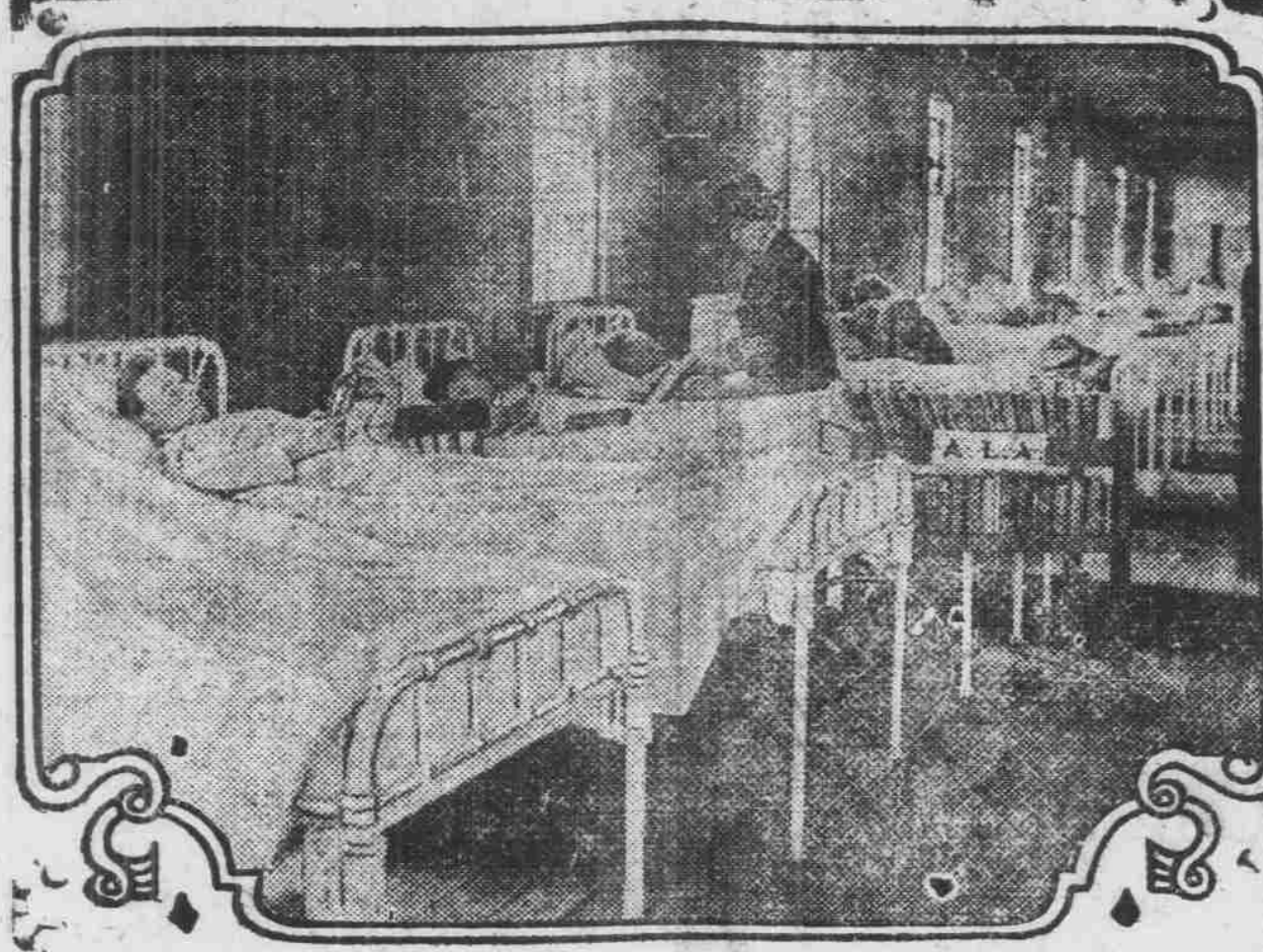
I wish to state that I am not in politics and never expect to enter a political contest, but if I can be of benefit to my County in the furtherance of the Good Road Movement, I am willing to serve without pay, and the salary attached to the office of Highway Commissioner shall be paid into the road fund and go to the building of good roads. Every doctor in the County will tell you that he has more deaths among his patients in those sections of the County where the roads are rough (I will term them unnecessary deaths) than in those sections where the roads are improved. Some of the best citizens in Warren County were unable to procure a physician during the past winter, due solely to the fact that they lived in a section where the roads were impassible in winter.

G. H. MACON, M. D.

Regular Meeting O. E. S.

There will be a regular meeting of the O. E. S. Monday evening, May 10, at 8:30. A full attendance is desired.

BOOKS AS MEDICINE



Books are frequently referred to as tools and as the key to the treasure trove of knowledge. The American Library is daily demonstrating in U. S. Public Health Service Hospitals that convalescent soldiers and sailors find returning health and increasing strength in good books.

Progress Being Made for Co. Fair

In response to a call made by County Agent J. E. Trevathan a meeting was held in the Court House Saturday afternoon for the purpose of starting a campaign for the organization of a County Fair Association. Due to the busy season there was only a small attendance. However a temporary organization was accomplished and plans made for a future meeting to be held at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon, May 15th, in the Court House at Warrenton.

It is hoped that the next meeting will be attended by a large number of people from all parts of the county. The following officers were elected to serve until the next meeting when permanent officers will be elected and the various committees appointed, Frank E. Newell, President and W. A. Connell, Jr., Secretary. A committee was appointed to wait upon the county commissioners to seek their aid in a moral and financial support of the County Fair for 1920.

J. E. TREVATHAN.

SURPASSES PREVIOUS ONE IN JUDGMENT OF MANY CRITICS "The Romance of Tarzan" Provides Even More Dramatic and Color- ful Entertainment than "Tar- zan of the Apes."

Beginning with one of the most novel ideas in the whole realm of fiction, the producers of "The Romance of Tarzan," which comes to the Warrenton Opera House next Saturday and Monday, May 8th and 10th, have lavished money, brains and energy upon the theme of Edgar Rice Burroughs' masterly book with unusually happy results.

The new cinema drama presents the concluding chapters of "Tarzan of the Apes" in a manner that surpasses the original production, according to the judgment of metropolitan critics who have reported pre-release showings of the massive seven-reel picture play.

PLOWSHARES

Is the garden in high gear? Homes where it runs in low are out of luck this year.

A combination that means community progress: a home demonstration agent, a farm agent and boys and girls clubs.

Corn ranks third in crop values in North Carolina, yet the average yield is only 19 bushels an acre. Good seed will help raise this acreage.

A total of 26,461,000 bushels of peaches for the United States is the estimate for 1920—about 3,000,000 bushels short of last year's crop.

In number of carloads of sweet potatoes shipped up to April 1, North Carolina outranked Texas, Arkansas, Georgia, Alabama, and Louisiana, yet she ranks only seventh among states shipping sweet potatoes.

Large acre yields of cotton mean smaller cost per pound. Suppose 300 pounds are produced at a cost of \$60 an acre—the cotton costs 20 cents a pound. With an acre cost only \$45 and yield 150 pounds, the cotton costs 30 cents a pound to produce.

Fined for Speeding Comes to Observe

A number of young men from the neighborhood of Norlina came through Warrenton Sunday afternoon, and from the sworn testimony before the Mayor on Wednesday, were driving recklessly, and far above the speed limit set by the State and of this town. In consequence a fine of \$150 was imposed—\$25.00 each.

The time has come when those who drive automobiles should voluntarily observe the law. If they do not do so then those charged with law enforcement should see to it that it is not disregarded—no matter how prominent the man may be, or how ignorant and the more intelligent the man, the bigger should be the fine.

There are too many hazards, too many dangers, too many chances for loss of valuable lives of grown citizens, not to say anything of the innocent women and children, for men to thoughtlessly, or carelessly speed their cars to the danger speed.

The life of one innocent child in this town or county is worth more than all the pleasure, all the excitement, all the thrills that can be gotten out of a car in a life-time.

Go carefully men and women who drive automobiles: don't by your conduct do anything that might cause you years of regret, and untold sorrow to others. Observe the law, and then you will have your hands full looking out for the carelessness of the "other fellow."

MARINES TO GET FREE SCHOLARSHIPS

Quantico, Va., May 5.—The Marine Institute, which bids fair to become as famous as Annapolis or West Point, is already well under way at the marine barracks here. Hundreds of young men are enrolled in courses that range from reading, writing and simple arithmetic to trade schools and higher mathematics and journalism.

"The young man who is facing the hard problem of making a living while working his way through high school, college or trade school should welcome the opportunity afforded by the Marine Institute," says Major General George Barnett, commandant of the U. S. Marine Corps. "Young men enlisting in the Marine Corps now may, if they wish, go to school regularly at this institute."

Cheerful Charlie

Charles M. Schwab tells us to laugh at present-day troubles, so let's take our cue from Charlie Schwab and join the chuckling, laughing mob: Ha! Ha! Bread's up another cent; Ho! Ho! The Landlord's raised the rent; Hee! Hee! We'll soon be in a tent. Ha! Ha! Haw! Hee! Hee! Our coal's to cost a fearful price. Ha! Ha! We'll pay a whole lot more for ice. Haw! Haw! And higher taxes—ain't that nice? Hee! Hee! Now don't say things will cost still more, (We got the giggles once before) We'd have hysterics—kick the floor—Tee, hee! Har Har! Wow Wow! —N. H. in the Brooklyn Eagle.

News From Mar- maduke Section

Mrs. J. C. Pridden, and children of Norlina spent Saturday and Sunday with her mother Mrs. John Powell.

Mrs. Tom White and children were pleasant visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Powell recently.

Mr. John Geoghegan and sister, Miss Viola, visited Miss Mabel Robertson Sunday.

Misses Carrie and Mary Martin, of Warren Plains, were the guests of Miss Bessie Powell Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. James, of Norlina, spent a day with her mother, Mrs. John Powell recently.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Duke with Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Duke and son Harold made a flying trip to Essex Thursday.

Miss Selma Davis, of Grove Hill, spent a few days with her cousin Miss Bessie Powell, of this place, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Whit Haitcock, of near Macon, were callers in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Haitcock Sunday.

Miss Jim Clark, of Inez, visited Mrs. J. K. Clarke Sunday.

Mrs. M. C. and T. W. Davis, of Inez, visited in the home of Mrs. M. C. Davis's daughter, Mrs. John Powell, Sunday.

Mrs. W. J. James spent Sunday with her mother of this place.

Mr. Cleary Haitcock and sister, Miss Carrie, call on Misses Bessie Powell and Selma Davis awhile Sunday evening.

Rev. J. A. Todd spent the night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Clarke Saturday, and Sunday morning preached a fine sermon at this place.

Miss Carrie Haitcock spent Sunday night with Miss Bessie Powell.

All of us are very sad over the sudden death of Mr. Simon Haitcock which occurred Wednesday morning in last week. He was a good man and will be missed by all who knew him.

Best wishes to the Warren Record, "PEGGY."

"JOHN PETTICOATS" PRESENTS HART IN MOST NOVEL ROLE

Deserts Lumber Camp and Travels to
New Orleans in New Photoplay

Ladies. How would you like to buy your spring hat from Bill Hart? That's not as improbable as it seems, for the noted two-gun man is proprietor of a modiste shop in his new Paramount-Artcraft picture, "John Petticoats," which is coming to the Warrenton Opera House, Friday May 7th. The filming of the story, which was supervised by Thomas H. Ince, took the famous star from the great North woods to the old Creole section of New Orleans. He starts as a lumberjack and is surprised to learn that he has inherited a modiste shop from a deceased uncle in the Southern city. Determined to investigate, "Hardwood" John Haynes, the hero, played by Mr. Hart, travels to New Orleans and there becomes involved in a serio-comedy of big dramatic scenes, laughs and a pretty little romance.

Mr. Hart is said to be thoroughly at home in this strikingly new type of role and to shine as brightly in a dress suit as he does in the familiar garb of his Western parts. A good cast was assembled to support him, including Winifred Westover, Walt Whitman, George Webb, Ethel Shannon and Andrew Arbuckle.

FERTILIZER PLANT BURNED

The large fertilizer plant at Henderson was burned Tuesday night, making quite a spectacular blaze, and entailing considerable loss. The origin of the fire is unknown. This factory has been doing quite a large business, and we trust that our farmers had secured their supply from this source before it was destroyed.

EMMANUEL CHURCH.

There will be no services on Sunday, May 9th, in Emmanuel church. In view of this may I urge those members who have cars to attend Ridge-way Service at 11 a. m. and hear Archdeacon Ribble at Palmer Springs at 3:30 p. m.

E. W. BAXTER.

His Job

"What does your father do for a living?" asked one little girl.

"Why," replied the other, he takes up the collections in church—Watchman Examiner.

"A woman is as old as she looks, and a man is old when he doesn't look."

SCHOOL CLOS- ING EXERCISES

MACON HIGH SCHOOL
ENDS SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Closing Exercises Attended By
Large Crowd. Addresses By
Miss Schiffer and Prof. Tim-
berlake

The closing exercises of the Macon High School were held April 29 and 30. The program consisted of exercises by the pupils Thursday night, Friday and Friday night, a baseball game Thursday and another Friday, a picnic dinner Friday, and addresses by Miss Josephine Schiffer, the County Home Demonstration Agent, and Prof. E. W. Timberlake of the Law Department of Wake Forest College. A well planned and well rendered program, splendid weather, and perfect order with an over-flow attendance featured the occasion.

The program for Thursday night was given by the grades. Friday morning vocal and instrumental music by the pupils, the two addresses, a review of the year's work, and announcements for next session were included in the exercises at the auditorium. Friday night a play was given by members of the high school. Excellent string music was furnished by Messrs. Connor of Churchill community.

Prof. Timberlake's address was considered one of the most forceful ever given here. Everyone seemed delighted, enthused, and uplifted. His subject was "Loyalty." In a very appealing manner he discussed loyalty as related to self, to fellowmen, and to country. Time after time the large audience responded with enthusiastic applause.

Miss Schiffer made a strong plea for better conditions and opportunities in our rural districts. The people here consider Miss Schiffer a very brilliant and devoted worker.

The ball game Thursday between the Macon High School and the team representing the Norlina High School was a good exhibition of the famous sport. A strong, but friendly rivalry existing between the teams made it an interesting game. The game was well played throughout. Macon won by the score of 5 to 0 but the game was closer than the score indicated. Three hits and two errors gave Macon four runs in the sixth and they annexed another in the seventh. At other times it was a shut-out affair. Macon won because of superiority in pitching and batting.

A game had been scheduled with the local team from Palmer Springs, Virginia, for Friday but good weather for farming caused Palmer Spring boys to cancel the game Thursday so they could plant corn Friday. At this late hour the Norlina management was kind enough to work up a team and give the people a game as had been advertised. They secured a team from the teams representing Norlina, Wise, and Palmer Springs, composed largely of old "stars." They got the best side of a 3 to 2 score over the strong Macon aggregation. Adams of Norlina pitched a strong game throughout and received excellent support. Overby started for Macon but his inability to locate the corners of the plate coupled with a low throw to first from start got him into trouble and let three men across the plate. Nanney then went into the box and held the opposing team to two safeties for the rest of the game. Macon scored two in the eighth but was unable to make it a tie or to win. The game was of the league style. It was filled with enthusiasm to the last. The Macon infield executed four double plays. Lloyd of Macon was the individual star of the game.

These exercises ended the most successful year of this school. The entire teaching force was reelected and another teacher will be added for next session. Indications are that the school is rapidly developing into one of the best of its kind in the state.

Mr. McCoin Here This Week

Hon. R. S. McCoin was in town this week and called to see several of his friends while here. He is a candidate for the Senate from this District for the Legislature of 1921. He is already a member of the House, and will participate in the special session in July. We believe it the intention of Mr. McCoin to enter our primaries.