

The Looking Glass

By JOHN A. LIVINGSTONE

The MacLean law, which provides for the State support of the constitutional six months school term, has been laid on the door step of the Constitutional Commission. It is sponsored this time by Congressman Lindsay Warren, of the First District one of the most astute politicians in North Carolina. Particular interest attaches to his support of its incorporation into the State Constitution because he is supporting J. C. B. Eringhaus, of Elizabeth City, for Governor.

Of course Congressman Warren, who is a member of the Constitutional Commission, was speaking for himself, but he had the endorsement of the author of the MacLean law, who has been mentioned prominently for Governor. It was well understood that Mr. MacLean would not run, if Mr. Daniels got into the race for governor, and the talk of getting him into the race grew out of the doubt that the latter would run.

The main plank in the platform of either Mr. MacLean or Mr. Daniels would be State support of a six months school term without an ad valorem property tax. It was their fight in the last Legislature that resulted in cutting the proposed State ad valorem tax from fifteen to ten cents. The real battle now is over the question of when the entire ad valorem rate shall be taken off. Leaders on all sides are now committed in principle to the MacLean law.

change it. It would be absolutely bound by it. This is notable progress to be made within a year. To be sure, it isn't yet in the Constitution, and cannot become a part of it unless submitted by the next legislature and then adopted by the people. But it has powerful backing now.

There was also proposed by Congressman Warren another amendment to the Constitution to make the State Board of Education the real administrative board for supervision of the State system of schools. The allocation of funds is now in the hands of the State Equalization Board, but that body does not have the standing that the State Board of Education would have because it is not a constitutional body. Nor is it felt that it is as truly representative of the State as the board would be.

As Representative MacLean put it, the proposed new board for administration would have the same standing as the State Highway Commission now has. It would act for the State, but it would be organized to reflect the viewpoints of every section of the State.

Another interesting development has been the championship of a new administrative board by representatives of the teachers. They played hands off in the last Legislature, but they have on their fighting clothes now. They are laying the foundations for taking a prominent part in the development of public sentiment. This will bring the schools to the front as a campaign issue. Candidates for office must take a stand. That is the real purpose of their present activities.

Schools have been taken as a matter of course so long that the teachers have felt in recent years that they could devote themselves to teaching and not bother about politics. They woke up to find that unless they did get actively into politics that the schools might be sacrificed in the fights between representatives of other interests, not so modest. The teachers are now in the political conflict up to their ears. They have found that modesty doesn't push one to the front in politics. It is those who fight that have to be reckoned with.

Brings Suit Against Texas Ball Club

BEAUMONT, Texas, Jan. 6.—A barrage of baseballs and profane words that allegedly came from the Beaumont Baseball Club did a million dollars' worth of damage, Mrs. Sol Elisha charges in a suit against the club.

Her suit is against Rube Stuart, owner of the Beaumont Exporters of the Texas League, and a half dozen other Beaumont men, including Mayor Emmett Fletcher.

Mrs. Elisha claimed her ears were struck by the profane words that came from the field of the players as they practiced.

Balls knocked shingles off her roof, broke dishes, struck her and her husband and did other damage, Mrs. Elisha contended.

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To realize what this means it must be taken into consideration that only a year ago the Legislature was gathering. The MacLean law had not then been proposed. It was, however, the first law passed by the Legislature. While efforts were discussed for the repeal of the real attack came over the question of what the State ad valorem tax law should be. This was the effect partial nullification. for the MacLean law provided for State support without an ad valorem tax. If the MacLean law were placed in the State Constitution, then there could be no such partial nullification. The legislature could not

LUCKY BREAKS

By C. R. Miller

TWO FAMOUS MEN WANTED BABY

THE FIRST ELEPHANT TO BE BORN IN CAPTIVITY ARRIVED AT OLD COOPER AND BAILEY WINTER QUARTERS IN NEW YORK—PT. BARNUM OFFERED \$100,000 FOR THE INFANT. BAILEY REFUSED, SO BARNUM SUGGESTED THEY JOIN FORCES—THEY DID, AND FORMED THE FAMOUS BARNUM AND BAILEY COMBINATION—

THE BABY WAS 35 INCHES HIGH—

Weekly Bible Lesson

By DR. J. T. GIBBS

The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad.—Psalm 126:3.

He hath not dealt so with any other nation.—Psalm 142:20.

As an incentive to highest service let us treat the text as applying to our own nation and churches. Churches may well be considered as an integral part of our country's history. There has been a marvelous blending of the secular and the spiritual and I doubt not a divine purpose in us as a people for all peoples of the earth.

From the destruction of the Canaanites and the giving of that land to Israel it has been clearly the divine purpose that a shiftless and idolatrous people may be rightly supplanted by a much higher type of people in the advancement of the human race. As the Red Man's home this land was a howling wilderness; as the white man's home it contributes most largely to the material and spiritual growth of the world. And in this is seen

God's purpose in giving us this land.

The first white settlers came from countries where unequal laws were made by the rich and titled and ecclesiastical despotism ruled. They came to this unclaimed land of savages and wild beasts with courage to combat these and the hope of betterment of their own conditions. The goal they sought was civil liberty and the right to

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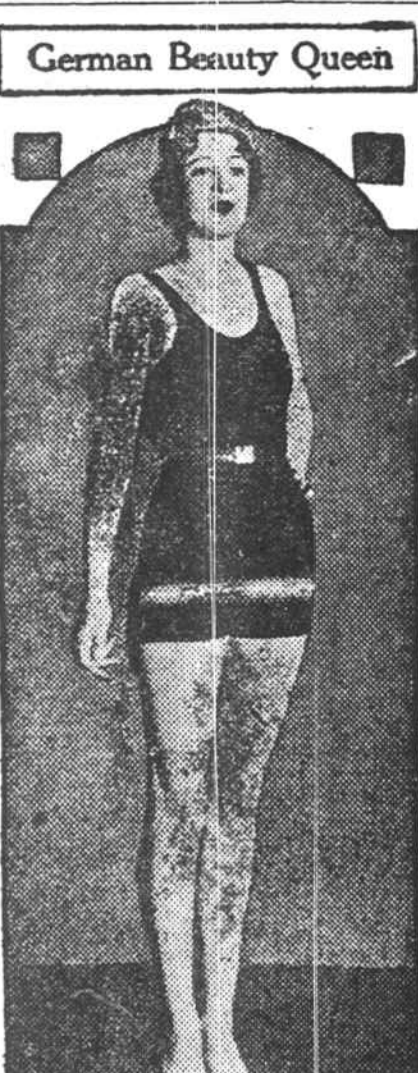
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worship God according to the dictates of their own conscience. They wanted to be as untrammelled and free as the birds along the streams where no civilized man had gone. They were determined on a democracy and an open Bible. Great hardships awaited them. They left the civilized portions of the earth for an immense unbroken forest. There were no homes awaiting them, and no food but fish and game and wild fruits. There were no people they might go among but scattered tribes of hostile warriors. Every circumstance was discouraging.

However it was a land of boundless resources into which they had come. They quickly built log cabins, cleared a little land and put it into rough tillage, ate the meat of bear and deer and made the skins of these animals into clothing, fought off Indians and wild beasts and lived hard. There was the roughness of the frontier but many trusted in a higher power and the gospel was preached in the open air and in the private houses and in churches which were generally log meeting houses.

When the Revolutionary War broke out it was found that the churches had given the people brave hearts and that they were ready to stake their all and pledge their lives for religious as well as civil liberty. In every emergency this nation has relied much upon the moral support of the churches. In the World War our government appealed to the churches to foster increased production of foodstuffs. Prohibition is the child of churches, and beyond all question a moral issue.

As representatives of Christ the churches are now sending along all the channels of business the



Franklin Liebmann, a Berlin mannikin, named the most beautiful girl in all Germany by the judges of the beauty contest held in the Marsaal.

call to be upright and honest and making a plea for help for the unemployed and the distressed. The late Dr. Abbott but gave the voice of the churches when he wrote: "That what the Lord says to us all is 'Give your property, your home,

your life itself to me, and take them back as mine and use them for me in using them for men."

Beginning in 1915 our benevolences in the Near East are unparalleled in all history. Today we ought to save the starving millions in China and aid with our mighty influence the League of Nations in settling affairs in Manchuria, and we ought to help the world to receive God's message "Peace on Earth and good will toward men."

As God's chosen people let us thank Him for our resources and let the churches that are becoming one in spirit light up with religion's bright ray the path of the down trodden and oppressed, and teach men everywhere that God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in him should not perish but have everlasting life.

In this country there is wealth enough to meet emergency of unemployment and hunger at home and abroad, so that even in temporalities the Lord of all the earth could say, "Come unto me . . . and I will give you rest." We must show our people that a greater day for God is breaking upon the hilltops of faith and that they must count no cost too great to fill the world with sweeter song and stronger faith and brighter hope. The seven thousand that have not bowed the knee to Baal labor for this, and with good hope.

A book of Persian workmanship said to be the finest bound book in the world, was placed in the London museum recently.

Germans claim to have perfected a method for waterproofing concrete surfaces by spraying them with molten metals.

Sale of Personal Property

OF J. M. COLEMAN, J. L. COLEMAN, E. H. RUSSELL, J. J. NICHOLSON, COLEMAN BROS. COMPANY, AND COLEMAN AND NICHOLSON

Pursuant to order of Hon. W. B. Duncan, U. S. Referee in bankruptcy, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, at Macon, N. C., Wednesday, January 13th, 1932, the following personal property:

Property of J. M. Coleman	Property of J. L. Coleman	Property of E. H. Russell	Property of J. J. Nicholson	Property of Coleman Bros. Company	Property of Coleman and Nicholson
7 mules 4 horses 3 double wagons 2 single wagons 1 stalk cutter 2 fertilizer distributors 10 single plows 3 double plows 3 double drags 5 corn kings 3 cultivators	2 cotton planters 3 cotton plows A lot of hoes, pitchforks, harness and other items of personal property. Note of Eaton Jones secured by deed of trust on land. Notes and accounts receivable. Notes of G. H. Carroll, Prince Carter and Mrs. E. Dickerson now held by Mrs. W. B. Crinkley as collateral.	10 shares common and 10 preferred in Cade Mfg. Co. 1 share common stock Buckhorn Lithia Water Co.	Notes and accounts receivable (2) 2 shares common stock Bank of Macon.	Stock of merchandise inventoried at \$136.22 Furniture and Fixtures inventoried at \$78.50 Accounts, Notes and Judgments due the Company.	Accounts and Notes due the Company.

Sale will begin at 10 a. m.

The Trustee will also sell at this time any other personal property of anyone of the above bankrupts coming into his hands for creditors. The trustee reserves the right to continue the sale of any of the above Judgments, Notes and Accounts until 12 noon the same day and to make this sale at the Court House door at Warrenton, N. C.

This sale will be made by order of and is subject to confirmation by the Referee in Bankruptcy, without notice.

J. G. ELLIS

Trustee in Bankruptcy for J. M. Coleman, J. L. Coleman, E. H. Russell, Coleman Bros. Company, J. J. Nicholson, and Coleman and Nicholson.

By ED. KRESSY

STORE

MEATS

THAT - FER THE BUTCHER

NOW YA DID IT-YA LITTLE RUMMY

AW-WHAT YA CRABBIN' ABOUT-IT WASNT YER WINDOW WAS IT?

I AINT CRABBIN' BECAUSE YA BROKE A WINDOW - BUT BECAUSE YA BROKE YER NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION TO BE GOOD.