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FIGHT AGAINST PROFITEERING

About once in three months you can look for some new spasmodic outburst against he H. C. of L. It comes with somewhat the same regularity as the rise and fall of the tides of the ocean, and so far has accomplished about as much. However, the recession of meat prices at the Chicago wholesale market was a hopeful sign.

The government effort to fight high costs has so far accomplished little. The railroad workers, however, have taken sensible action in temporarily dropping their wage demands, with the purpose to substitute a program of effort for reduction of prices. If the wage earners of the country will unite to increase production and stop extravagance they can produce such an increase of commodities that prices will drop automatically.

At Washington Senator Capper of Kansas recently made some statements that have attracted much notice, attacking the big profits gained by some of the great corporations. There is much truth in what he says. It is well known that many of the corporations have been making profits of 15 to 25 per cent, and even higher.

These concerns are not like the small business, where an apparent large profit is really no more than a fair salary for the few men at the top. These big corporations pay big salaries, and then on top of that they distribute millions in dividends to stockholders, most of whom have done nothing to warrant this return. It adds to the cost of living for everyone and creates bolshevistic spirit.

TEACHERS' SALARIES

We are glad to see that an earnest effort is being made to improve the salaries of our teachers. To this end a summer school will again be conducted in Caldwell this summer.

As we understand it, all salaries are based on certificates, and no raise is possible for low certificates; but for primary, elementary, grammar school and high school certificates there is an increase in salaries ranging from $15 to $50 per month.

Many of our teachers, we are told, can easily get one of the above certificates by the help of another summer school of a few weeks. Let's hope that all teachers will embrace this opportunity of getting from $65 to $85 per month instead of, as heretofore, $45 to $55 per month.

RURAL CARRIERS

An exchange says a word of appreciation for rural mail delivery men, and the News-Topic is glad to pass it along. It makes the rural family ten times more contented to get mail and papers regularly. The fidelity with which these men cover their field all through bad weather is remarkable. The exploits of rural delivery in the wintry weather of the northern states would make a story that is not short of heroic. They suffer many hardships to keep up their service. Express appreciation to your rural delivery man and let him know that you appreciate his service and efforts.

THE EXCESS PROFIT TAXES

Theoretically the excess profit taxes collected during the war period have been a fair way of making wealth bear the heavy burdens of the war. But actually taxation has a way of falling mostly upon the ultimate consumer. Probably the majority of producers have simply marked up their prices enough to give them the same profit they used to have before the excess profits tax was imposed.

If this is the way it works the exces sprofits tax serves no good purpose. It is one more tendency working for inflation and exaggerated prices.

WILL PAY ONE-HALF

After disposing of all assets, the Caldwell County Fair Association reports all indebtedness paid off in full and a sufficient surplus left over to pay to stockholder $5 for each share of stock. Arrangements have been made with the Bank of Lenoir to cash your certificates, properly endorsed by the owner, at tne above figures. Please present your stock certificate propmtly for payment.

CALDWELL CO. FAIR ASS'N.
By E. D. Pulliam, Sec.-Treas.

CONGRESSMENT TO TAKE TRIP

More than 100 members of the lower house of Congress are planning to leave this country July 5 for a two months' trip to the Orient. The itinerary will include Hawaii, the Philippines, China and Japan.

REPUBLICANS TOLD WHAT THE TEACHERS EXPECT

A dispatch from New York says that a petition urging the adoption of an educational plank in the national platform of the Republican party has been presented to Will H. Hays, chairman of the Republican national committee, by officers of teachers' associations in New York and Illinois.

Teachers are "not attempting to dictate," it was said, "but with the likelihood of woman suffrage becoming a law, thus giving the vote to 80 per cent of the 700,000 teachers in America, they feel that the most important service they can give will be to see that their support goes to the party that most definitely pledges itself to remove educational limitations from the children of the country. Teachers have never been in politics, but they are alive to the situation as they never have been before, and are going to the polls next November with that situation uppermost in their minds."

"This delegation represents the 32,000 teachers of Illinois and the 53,000 teachers of New York," the petition declared, and added, "in a way we may claim to represent the educational forces of the nation."

SOCIALIST ARE FOUND GUILTY OF DISLOYALTY

The judiciary committee of the general assembly of New York State found the five socialist members guilty of disloyalty and it is expected that they will be denied their seats. After debating the report of the judiciary committee for 24 hours all five were expelled. They will appeal to the Supreme Court.

J. A. HOOD SUFFERS HEAVY LOSS WHEN HOME BURNS

The residence of Mr. J. A. Hood, near Mt. Zion church, together with all its contents, was completely destroyed by fire Monday about noon. Mr. Hood had recently bought about $600 worth of new furniture. All of this was destroyed. There was no one at the house when the fire started and the origin of the fire is not known.

Universal Theatre

PROGRAM
FOR WEEK OF APRIL 12 TO 17

MONDAY
"Loot"
Frank Mayo

TUESDAY
"Speed Maniac"
Tom Mix

WEDNESDAY
"Something to Do"
Bryant Washburn

THURSDAY
"The Black Secret"—No. 9
Pearl White
"International Sneak"
Sennett Comedy
"ound Your 'A'"
Mutt and Jeff
Fox News
Matinee 3:30 p.m.

FRIDAY
"I Never Saw Such a Girl"
Vivian Martin

SATURDAY
"Bound and Gagged"
George Seitz
Rainbow Comedy
Fox News
Matinee 2 p.m.

FOR SALE—One twin-cylinder Indian motorcycle; first-class condition. John B. Isbell, 201 Vance street. 28-3

NOTICE

List Your Personal Property
List Your Poll

The Revaluation Act requires that all persons list their personal property at its actual cash value as of Jan. 1, 1920.

For the purpose of receiving your personal property lists the following men will be at the places on the dates named below:

PATTERSON TOWNSHIP
H. O. Steele, List Taker, will be at
Bailey's Camp, April 8, 1920.
Richlands, April 9.
E. L. Curtis' Store, April 10.
Patterson, April 12.
George White's, April 13.

YADKIN VALLEY TOWNSHIP
H. O. Steele, List Taker, will be at Buffalo Cove, J. W. Hamlett's Store, April 14, 1920.
W. Hester Shuford's, April 15.
Piney Grove, April 16.
Clarke Steele's Store, April 17.

NORTH CATAWBA TOWNSHIP
R. N. Setzer, List Taker, will be at Mrs. Julius Bush's, Thursday, April 8, 1920.
Baton School House, Friday and Saturday, April 9 and 10.
Corpening's Mill, Monday, April 12
R. N. Setzer's Home, Tuesday, April 13.

LOWER CREEK TOWNSHIP
J. R. Swanson, List Taker, will be at
Mt. Herman, April 13.
J. R. Swanson's residence April 14.
Sherrill's Mill, April 15.
Valmead, April 16.
Lenoir, April 17.

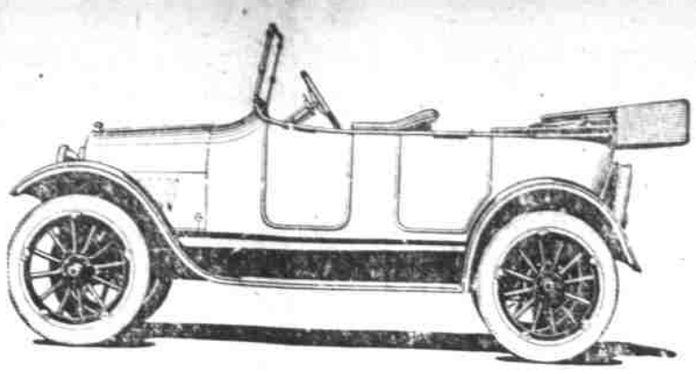
MULBERRY TOWNSHIP
D. P. Glass, List Taker, will be at
Rufus, Mast's store, April 12.
Spencer's store, April 13.
Cane Branch school house April 14
Coffey's store, April 16 and 17.
Olivette, April 19.

KING'S CREEK TOWNSHIP
J. T. Parlier, List Taker, will be at
H. G. Barlow's store, April 19.
Grubb's Mill, April 20.
M. P. Carlton's store, April 21.
Grandin, April 22.
J. T. Parlier's store, April 23-24.

Don't Forget to List Your Property.
Failure to list means a tax liability of 25 per cent increase and makes delinquent guilty of a misdemeanor. I am required to give names of delinquents to Solicitor.

J. A. Bush, Jr.,
Supervisor for Caldwell County.

CHEVROLET



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SMITH BROS.

R. M. Smith H. G. Smith
LENOIR, N. C.

DEATH CALDWELL LAWYERS WILKES BAR REGRETS THE

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tinction. He was commissioned a captain. After the war he finished his education at the University of Virginia and was admitted to the bar shortly thereafter. He was a lawyer an da gentleman of the old school, brave, courteous and generous. As a lawyer he exemplified the highest ideals of his profession. He so conducted himself as to merit and win the high estate of his brethren of the profession.

He was honored with several places of trust by his fellow citizens. He was several times a member of the general assembly. He was a candidate for judge of his judicial district in 1908 and a candidate for the nomination for attorney general in 1916.

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He was instrumental in raising a company of volunteers for the Spanish-American war and was commissioned, captain of this company.

He often practised at the bar of this court and was well known and highly esteemed by the members of this bar and by visiting attorneys; therefore be it resolved

1. That we have heard with profound regret of the death of Capt. Jones;

2. That we extend our sympathy to his widow and family in their irreparable loss;

3. That we move the court now in session to cause this memorial to be spread upon the minutes of the court; that a copy thereof be sent to the family of the deceased and copies be furnished the papers of Wilkesboro and Lenoir with the request that they publish the same.

F. A. LINNEY,
J. H. BURKE,
F. B. HENDREN,
Committee.

In Memoriam of Moses N. Harshaw

Hon. Moses N. Harshaw, a leading member of the bar of our sister county of Caldwell, died in the Presbyterian hospital in the city of Charlotte last week.

Mr. Harshaw obtained license to practice law in 1895 and has since enjoyed a large practice in his own and surrounding counties. He served two terms as solicitor of his district and was looked upon by the bar and the general public as a fearless and able prosecuting officer. He also served with distinction during several terms of the general assembly.

Mr. Harshaw was a rather picturesque character. He had native ability of a high order, which often found manifestation in his speeches before juries.

For a number of years he was prominent in the councils of his party. He was the candidate of his party for a seat in Congress and was uniqu ebut strong in a political campaign. At the time of his death was a prominent candidate for the nomination for Congress in his district.

Mr. Harshaw was a member of an old pioneer family in his section of the State and was widely connected. He practiced at the bar of this court and was most favorably remembered by our bar and visiting attorneys; therefore be it resolved,

1. That we have heard with deep regret of the death of Moses N. Harshaw, Esq.;

2. That we extend to his bereaved family our sympathy in their great loss;

3. That we move the court now in session to order this memorial to be spread upon the minutes of the court; that a copy thereof be sent to the family of the deceased and copies furnished to the papers of Wilkesboro and Lenoir with the request that they be published.

F. A. LINNEY,
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