

Springtime Madness



The President's Cabinet.  
Salisbury Post.  
Supplementing information recently issued by the board of temperance, prohibitions and public morals of the Methodist Episcopal church, the church affiliation of the members of the president's cabinet are given as follows:  
Secretary of state, Frank B. Kellogg, Episcopalian.  
Secretary of treasury, Andrew W. Mellon, Presbyterian.  
Secretary of war, John W. Weeks, Unitarian.  
Attorney general, John G. Sargent, Universalist.  
Postmaster general, Harry S. New, Christian Disciple.  
Secretary of navy, Curtis D. Wilbur, Congregationalist.  
Secretary of interior, Hubert Work, Presbyterian.  
Secretary of agriculture, Wm. M. Jardine, Congregationalist.  
Secretary of commerce, Hubert Hoover, Quaker.  
Secretary of labor, James J. Davis, Baptist.  
In identifying themselves with the Christian church the members of the President's cabinet are supporting civilization as we know it in America. They owe such identification as an example to the young people of this country. The Christian religion is the only religion under which woman is honored, under which hospitals and schools flourish. For selfish reasons, if for no other men and women who want to be good citizens should support the church even when their lack of faith does not permit them to identify themselves personally with it.

An honest man's word

MORE than three hundred years ago, Miguel de Cervantes said: "An honest man's word is as good as his bond." Advertisers must be honest men, if they would remain advertisers. Their announcements are signed. They must tell the truth in their advertising. For their own protection, as well as yours.

What would it profit a man to advertise "Pure, virgin-wool suits," only to have you discover they were shoddy? You would soon separate the sheep from the cotton. And you would never deal with that man again. And, further, you would tell all your acquaintances what a skinflint he was.

As a matter of business, if not of personal principle, an advertiser must tell the truth in his signed announcements. That's what makes the advertising columns of this paper such reliable guides to honest merchandise. The printed announcements are bonds between you and the advertiser.

Read the advertisements. Read them regularly. To be informed on the newest and best in everything. To save hours of shopping. To make the family purse do a bigger, better job. To get goods of known quality at the most attractive price.

You would not plan a motor trip without first consulting road-maps and guide-books. Is it logical to plan a shopping trip without first consulting the advertisements? Read the advertisements. Then go to the stores with mind more than half made up.

A signed advertisement is, in effect, a sealed bond between you and the advertiser.

PARDON COMMISSIONER IS KEPT VERY BUSY NOW

From Five to Ten New Pardon Requests Received Daily by Commissioner Sink.  
Richmond, N. C., April 28.—With 300 cases stacked up in his office to be acted on and new ones coming in at the rate of from five to ten a day, Hoyte Sink, Commissioner of pardons, is a busy man. He goes to his office at 9 o'clock each morning, and tries to call it a day at 5 in the afternoon. But more often it is past five before he leaves.

"I just don't see how I would have gotten along without some one to help me in the matter of pardons," said Governor McLean. "Not only is Mr. Sink a very valuable and efficient man, but the work he is doing is a great relief to me." Since the enactment of legislation increasing the powers and duties of the State's Chief executive, the Governor has had his hands full. Numerous laws were passed by the 1925 General Assembly giving him additional work and responsibilities. While the appointment of a pardon commissioner did not take from him the final say as to the exercise of clemency, yet under the new system all details are turned over to Mr. Sink who reports to the Governor for his approval.

A visit to Commissioner Sink's office at any hour of the day will disclose numerous petitioners, including attorneys and relatives of persons for whom clemency is asked, sitting awaiting their turn at a hearing. Commissioner Sink is endeavoring to dispose of from ten to fifteen cases daily. He now has the papers in six capital cases, the petitioners being George Love, Alex. Rodman, Jim Collins, Christian Evans, Will Williams and William Henry Singleton. Rodman's case has already been heard and a decision is expected today or tomorrow. All these prisoners are sentenced to die in the electric chair at the State's Prison for capital offenses. All are seeking escape through commutation.

"No case that was passed on definitely by a former Governor will be considered until six months have elapsed, and then they must be re-reviewed and treated as new cases," said Commissioner Sink. "There are enough new cases to keep me busy," he added.

"If there has been any change either way, there are more cases being filed since the establishment of the office of pardon commissioner," said Mr. Sink. "I don't see how the former Governors ever kept up with anything else," was his comment. "I think they did mighty well to get any other work done."

Mr. Sink's office is separate and apart from the executive office, as to location. He occupies space in the Agricultural building, across the street from the capitol. When anyone brings in a new case or telephones the Governor about a case, he is immediately referred to Mr. Sink, who in turn, takes all the papers, hears oral petitions and writes letters asking further information if he deems that course necessary. He digs into the prison records of those for whom clemency is asked, to be informed of their criminal record. He receives information from official sources. Then, when this is all done, he views the case in all its aspects and turns over his findings to the Governor, together with his recommendations.

Pardon seekers are quick to find Commissioner Sink's office. The elevator leading up to the floor of which it is located are bearers of considerably more of human traffic than in times past when about the only "rush season" in the building was tax-paying time at the revenue office. Even then, the majority of inquiries went to Commissioner of Revenue R. A. Doughton by letter.

But now, it is different. There is a constant stream of humanity pouring in to the building. Women with children, going to plead for imprisoned fathers; wives, bereft of their husbands' support, going to make a personal appeal; lawyers, paid to take cases to the highest tribunal, and others. They all know where the Commissioner of Pardons is located. They all find it there.

Commissioner Sink has a secretary and a private office. The secretary receives

OUTLOOK PROMISING IN FIFTH RESERVE DISTRICT

Business Situation is Favorable Especially in The Textile Industry.  
Richmond, Va., April 28.—A favorable business situation and a bright outlook, especially for the textile industry, are reflected in the April review issued by the Federal Reserve bank of the Fifth district.

The review pointed out that "in late April last year textile mills were running only part time and manufactured goods were accumulating, and very bad weather had delayed all farm work." In contrast, it added: "But at present the cotton mills are operating full time and are selling their output as made, while favorable weather has enabled the farmers to make all their seasonal preparations from 10 to 20 days earlier than in 1924."

However, the review pointed out "some unfavorable factors," describing these as being "a scarcity of farm labor and a lack of funds with which to hire farm hands, higher fertilizer prices than in 1924, a shortage of feeds which forces farmers to buy high priced grain from stock, and lack of sufficient orders to keep coal mines busy."

On the other hand, the review said that "favorable factors appear to outweigh the unfavorable ones."

Describing these favorable factors, the review continued: "Labor is well employed, and therefore the purchasing power of the public continues large."

"Retail trade in March was good, comparing with seasonal average and wholesale trade was better in most lines than in March, 1924."

"The banks of the district are generally in a strong position and are able to care for any legitimate credit demands that appear likely to arise. Debts to individual accounts prove that a very large volume of business is being done, and commercial failures compare favorably with other years."

"Business operations continue in record volume, causing increased activity in many allied industries and giving steady employment to both skilled and unskilled labor."

"Finally, the psychological attitude of the public seems to be favorable for a fairly active business year."

Schoolhouse Becomes Hospital.  
Paternos (Wash.) Parent-Teacher association has rendered a unique community service by arranging for a clinic for surgical operations on school children suffering from throat diseases.

Diseased tonsils were removed in one day from 26 children, and adenoids from 10 of the 26. The schoolhouse was converted into a temporary hospital. A Wenchese surgeon, a local doctor, and six trained nurses rendered the skilled service. Except for a noon intermission, the operations were performed continuously from 9 o'clock in the morning until 6 at night.

One Reason Why Editors Swear.  
Madison Telegraph.  
In the Madison News Topics, published on the second page of the Tuesday, March 24, issue of the Telegraph, was an item which erroneously stated that Mrs. Kate Griswold passed away Friday at the home of her son, Palmsville. It should have read that Mrs. Kate Griswold passed the day at the home of her son.

The Telegraph is very sorry that this unfortunate error was made, but is glad to inform its readers, and Mrs. Griswold's friend in particular, that she is alive and well.

REMEMBER PENNY ADS ARE CASH

Advertisement for BOB'S DRY CLEANING CO. featuring an illustration of a woman with a dress and a basket. Text: "It Never Looked Better! It seemed soiled and stained beyond recovery. What a surprise there was in store for me. A friend suggested that I have it cleaned, and I followed her advice. Today, it came back from the cleaners, and I could hardly believe my eyes. When I examined it, I found that every spot had disappeared. It looked as fresh and new as the day I bought it. This is a conversation recently overheard. What could better please a merchant or dealer than to have his customers speak so complementarily? BOB'S DRY CLEANING CO. EVERYONE LIKES THE WAY WE CLEAN CLOTHES. PHONE 187"

Advertisement for Memorial Day Race! featuring an illustration of a car. Text: "Memorial Day Race! CHARLOTTE SPEEDWAY, CHARLOTTE, N. C."

Advertisement for Monday May 11 2 P.M. 250-Mile Championship \$25,000 PURSE. Tickets now on sale. Includes details about seating and prices.

Trains passing through Kansas may now tott the regular Whoop, whoop, whoop, the same as in other states, the state calling for three instead of four blasts being recently revised.

There are 21 living sons of Presidents of the United States.

Advertisement for The New Simplified Pictorial Review Printed Pattern. Features an illustration of a dress. Text: "The New Simplified Pictorial Review Printed Pattern. Printed, perforated, and cut out ready for use. They almost talk to you. Dress No. 2676 \$5 cents."

New Summer Quarterly Pictorial Review Fashion Book now on sale in Pattern Department 25c. New Pictorial Review For May now on Sale in Pattern Department 15c.

Parks-Belk Co.

Advertisement for M. R. Pounds Dry Cleaning and Tailoring. Text: "The Dust Goes Deep Into Your Clothes. Brushing only cleans the surface. My method of dry cleaning cleans through the entire garment, the spots never come back. M. R. POUNDS Dry Cleaning and Tailoring. PHONE 420 For Guaranteed Satisfaction"

Advertisement for Blue Bird drink. Text: "Something good to drink drink More delicious than grape juice. Blue Bird and Save the Caps. YOUR watch is waiting for you - or your clock, if you prefer. A fine watch worth \$1.75 anywhere, for 59 cents and 59 bottle caps - a square Ansonia dressy clock with an alarm adjustment, beautifully finished, for 22 cents and 59 bottle caps. Save the caps - that's the plan. Because whenever you get a bottle of the most delicious drink that ever trickled over your tongue. More delicious than grape juice - more delicious than any beverage you've ever tasted. It sparkles like dew at dawn. It invites you to sit back and drink it down - and then ask for ANSONIA. Blue Bird, this drink is a treat - and Blue Bird clocks and watches are ready to go now. Blue Bird Bottle Caps and 59c. a genuine \$1.75 watch; or 89c. a beautiful \$2.50 Dresser Clock - famous Ansonia 'Squarebacks'. Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company Charlotte, N. C. Phone No. 1888 Also Bottlers of Buffalo Ginger Ale, Orange Kiss, Blue Bird

Advertisement for Buffalo Ginger Ale. Text: "Let Your Next Battery Be An EXIDE Use Only the Best. BUFFALO GINGER ALE. PHONE 420 For Guaranteed Satisfaction"