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**DINNER STORIES**

**Any One of Whom.**  
"You know Foster—the chap who was always telling the bright things his son did? Well, he was found shot dead today—no clues."  
"Good Lord! I thought he didn't have an enemy in the world!"  
"Maybe not—but he had lots of friends."

**Not Dishonored.**  
"So Casey pleaded not guilty to a charge of fighting?"  
"He did not," retorted Mrs. Casey proudly. "He pleaded not present."

**Literal.**  
Deacon White had been pacing the station platform for twenty minutes. Rather hot under the collar, he went back to the ticket window.  
"I thought you said the noon local was on time today," he roared at the station master's youthful assistant.  
"Wal, she we," replied the latter. "Went through here right on the dot, 'bout three minutes afore you come in an' ast me."

**The Thrift for Information.**  
"This," introduced the host at the summer boarding house, "is Captain Codd, who has just returned from a visit to the Newfoundland Banks."  
"As, yes," said the young bond salesman, "and—er—how did you find the money situation up there, Captain?"

**A Matter of Finance.**  
"Why did Blithers quit writing poetry?"  
"He fell in love."  
"But how strange that he should give up poetry writing because of that!"  
"But how necessary that he should take up bicycling instead of poetry writing because of that!"

**Stewart's Washington Letter**  
BY CHARLES P. STEWART  
NEA Service Writer

**WASHINGTON**—The Democrats' fight on the Republican tax reduction program next winter won't be against reduction, but against the kind of reduction—Secretary of the Treasury Mellon's kind—that it's considered certain the Republicans will advocate.

It wouldn't do to oppose reduction. That's bound to be popular with everybody. The party that fought it would be doing the worst thing imaginable for itself.

On the other hand, the Democrats figure it will be extremely popular to oppose reduction of a sort that will benefit mainly very rich men and big corporations.

**THAT** Secretary Mellon wants a reduction to begin at the top is time there isn't any question. He's outspoken about it. He's willing to let the small fry have a little of the gravy but

he wants the big helping to go to the sur-taxpayers.

He was eulogized out of having his way last year but it appears to be generally agreed among the Republican managers that he's to have his turn at the next session of Congress—provided, of course, they're able to give it to him.

It's no cinch that they will be able to. They probably can't manage it in the House of Representatives, but the Senate's doubtful—more so than doubtful. The Democrats will be against the Mellon plan, and go with most of the citizens—not only the chronic insurgents but also the occasional ones.

To summarize, tax reduction will be talked about endlessly at the next session of Congress, but it's quite among the possibilities that there'll be no actual reduction—that the puzzle will be left for the seventh Congress to find the answer to.



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**NGER AGAIN TO HEAD THE FEDERATION LABOR**

Salisbury, will again serve as president; C. G. Worley, of Asheville, as secretary; J. L. Shaver, of Salisbury, sergeant at arms, and C. V. Jones, of Mooresville, chaplain.

Seven vice presidents chosen were R. W. Morton, of Charlotte; E. D. Crouch, of Winston-Salem; James T. Robertson, of Mooresville; Marcus F. Sauls, of Durham; A. W. Allen, of Wilmington; R. D. Apple, of Greensboro; G. H. Whitaker, of Asheville.

C. P. Barringer was chosen as delegate to the American Federation of Labor. This will be the first time that the State Federation has sent a delegate to the meeting of the American Federation and among other things it is done with the idea of

**Profit From Inland Waterway.**  
Washington, Aug. 13.—(AP)—Operations of the Mississippi Warrior Transportation service for the five months ending May 31, 1925, netted the government's inland waterways corporation a profit of \$180,967, as against a net loss of \$230,030 for the same five months period in 1924.

Mrs. Jay Blay and her three children have reached Sioux City in a tramp from New York to California where the husband and father has gone in search of work.

**NORTH CAROLINA IS STILL AGRICULTURAL STATE**

Fifty-eight per cent of our people live on farms.

Chapel Hill, Aug. 12.—There are at present only two states in the Union that have more farms under cultivation than North Carolina and, only two states have a larger farm population, according to an article in the News Letter, published weekly by the University of North Carolina.

"In spite of our great rapid urban growth in North Carolina," continues the article, "we are still predominantly a rural state. We hear so much about the unprecedented growth of our towns and cities that we are likely to get the impression that the State has passed over into the urban group.

"In only four states of the Union is the farm population ratio higher than in North Carolina. We are 71 per cent rural, and 58 per cent of our people actually live on farms. While half the states are losing farms, the United States is suffering a net loss of farm people. North Carolina is increasing her farms and farm population at a rate that testifies that agriculture in our state is generally prosperous, and is a satisfying method of making a living."

Discussing home ownership the article states that less than half of the people of North Carolina live in homes of their own. "Forty-three and one-half per cent of all farms in North Carolina are operated by tenants, and 52.6 per cent of homes, town and country, are occupied by renters. In farm tenancy ratios North Carolina ranks fortieth among the states, while in the per cent of all homes occupied by owners, farm and others, it rates make a "better" showing.

Except for our excessive farm tenancy ratio North Carolina would rank fairly well among the states in home ownership.

"Between 1910 and 1920 there was an increase in the per cent of farms operated by tenants, but a general trend towards home ownership on the part of non-farming classes. Although our farm tenants increased by more than ten thousand, the per cent of all homes rented, farm and urban, decreased from 53 per cent to 52.6 per cent; the per cent of all homes owned free of encumbrance increased from 38.6 to 39.3 per cent. The per cent of all owned homes owned free of encumbrance increased from 82.2 to 82.9 per cent, in which respect North Carolina ranks best among the states of the Union. However, less than half of the people of the state live in homes of their own, and 27 states make a better showing than North Carolina."

**DAVENPORT RECEIVES ANOTHER LARGE GIFT**

Sum of \$25,000 Contributed to the College By Benjamin N. Duke, of New York.

Lenoir, Aug. 13.—This week from President C. L. Hornaday comes the announcement that Davenport college is the recipient of another munificent gift of \$25,000. This second addition to the endowment of the college comes through the beneficence of Benjamin N. Duke, of New York. Thus the endowment with the \$25,000 added last month by Mr. Duke increases the endowment to \$200,000, and this will greatly facilitate the good work being done by this institution now entering the seventh decade of service in the educational field.

Honest Man (in street car): "Has any one dropped a roll of bills with a rubber band around them?"  
Chorus of voices: "Yes, I have."  
Honest man: "Well, here's the rubber band."

Thomas Gray and Sir Walter Scott declined an offer of the English Poet Laureateship. Words also refused the post, but afterwards was induced to change his mind.

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TAKE YOUR HAT AND BOOTS OFF WHEN YOU GO TO BED IN THEM HOTELS CURLY.

AN' DON'T GO DRINKIN' OUTH THEM LAKES IN TH' PARKS, THEY GOT ALLIGATORS IN EM.

WELL, EF HE GITS A ALLIGATOR IM QUITTIN'! HES GOT A TAPEWORM NOW!

THE ENCOURAGEMENT COMMITTEE SEES CURLY OFF FOR TEX AUSTINS RODEO AT CHICAGO.

**DARWINIAN DEVOTEE ACTS LIKE MONKEY AFTER ARREST**

Takes Four Husky Cops to "Drag 'Black Darrow' From Soap Box Rostrom Uptown.

Philadelphia Record, 12th.

Expounding the theory of evolution last evening proved the undoing of John Nixon, colored, 26 years old, of No. 914 North Derry street. He was standing on the proverbial soap box in front of his home and was "laying down the theory" to a large group of awed listeners when Patrolman McCauley, of the Eighth and Jefferson streets station happened by.

Patrolman McCauley decided that Nixon was disturbing the peace and started to arrest him. This proved quite a task and four more patrolmen were called into action before the expounder was subdued and placed under control.

After being placed in a cell at the station house, Nixon proceeded to give further evidence in support of the evolution theory. Stripping himself to the waist, he began to climb the walls of the cell and to "roll the world," he was a monkey. The police summoned a physician who sent Nixon to the Philadelphia General Hospital for observation.

A king crab caught off the coast of Japan measured 19 feet from tip to tip of its great claws.

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**MOM'N POP BY TAYLOR**

GOOD MORNING - MR. TYTE - YOU'RE OUT EARLY THIS MORNING!

"YES - YOU SEE - I'VE BEEN WALKING TO WORK LATELY"

FINE IDEA - I'D LIKE TO WALK WITH YOU FOR THE EXERCISE BUT I'M IN A HURRY SO I'LL GRAB A STREET CAR - I SPOSE YOU HEARD ABOUT THE CAR FARES BEING REDUCED?

YES - AND IT MAKES ME MIGHTY SORE TOO -

WHY THAT'S FUNNY! I THOUGHT YOU'D BE THE LAST PERSON IN THE WORLD TO COMPLAIN ABOUT IT

I'VE GOT A GOOD REASON TO COMPLAIN -

"I USED TO SAVE SEVEN CENTS BY WALKING - NOW I'LL ONLY SAVE SIX!"

**EVERETT TRUE BY CONDO**

EVERETT, TOMORROW IS SOANDSO'S BIRTHDAY, AND THE BOYS ARE ALL CHIPPING IN TO BUY HIM A GOLD-HEADED CANE. CAN WE COUNT ON YOU FOR A PIECE OF CHANGE?

GOLD-HEADED CANE? WHY, HE'S A YOUNG FELLOW YET. HAS HE BEEN CRIPPLED LATELY?

"NO, BUT A GOLD-HEADED CANE MAKES A PRETTY NICE ---"

A GOLD-HEADED CANE FOR AN ABLE-BODIED MAN!!

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