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Northbound

No. 40 To New York	9:28 P. M.
No. 136 To Washington	5:05 A. M.
No. 36 To New York	10:25 A. M.
No. 34 To New York	4:43 P. M.
No. 46 To Danville	3:15 P. M.
No. 12 To Richmond	7:10 P. M.
No. 32 To New York	9:05 P. M.
No. 30 To New York	1:55 A. M.

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No. 45 To Charlotte	3:55 P. M.
No. 35 To New Orleans	9:56 P. M.
No. 29 To Birmingham	2:35 A. M.
No. 31 To Augustana	5:45 A. M.
No. 33 To New Orleans	1:25 A. M.
No. 13 To Charlotte	8:05 A. M.
No. 135 To Atlanta	8:35 P. M.
No. 39 To Atlanta	9:50 A. M.
No. 37 To New Orleans	10:45 A. M.

Train No. 34 will stop in Concord to take on passengers going to Washington and beyond.

Train No. 37 will stop here to discharge passengers coming from beyond Washington.

BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Bible thoughts memorial will prove a priceless heritage in after years.

THEN—Then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.—2 Chronicles 7:14.

SCHOOL FOR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES.

Speaking before a group of insurance men in New York City, Governor McLean reiterated his oft-repeated declaration that the same business methods used in business should be applied to government, and added this new thought—that there should be some place in the American educational system for "training of efficient government administration" for those who expect to spend their lives in public service.

That thought is well worth consideration. The man who intends to become a cotton mill superintendent doesn't study medicine when he enters college, nor does the prospective physician devote his time in college to engineering. The man who wants to enter the cotton mill business takes a textile course and the man planning to become a physician studies those subjects that will make him a specialist.

That is just what the government employee should do. He should become a specialist in government administration, so that the work coming under him could be successfully carried out.

We are fortunate that our governmental affairs have not been conducted on a lower plane than they have. Politicians run them and that usually means graft, greed and speculation. The fact that the politician has been running things may be one reason we have few government specialists. A man, under our present very inefficient system, might prepare himself at some college for governmental service only to learn upon completion of the course that his party was not in power and that the other party cared nothing for his training so long as he could not vote right.

There has been little incentive for the man who planned to spend his life in government service. He has been so busy pleasing those in power he has had little time to give for improvement in his work. He dared not risk an investment in preparing himself for his task for fear at the last minute the job would be taken away from him.

But Governor McLean's suggestion is a meritorious one just the same. We need the trained government workers and we need a system that would assure them work so long as they are satisfactory. The average business man does not hesitate to discharge an employee that is inefficient. It should be the same with the government. The average business man does not hesitate to engage an efficient man because their political faith may be different. It should be so with the government.

VALUE OF OUR SCHOOL PROPERTY.

The value of school property in North Carolina has increased from \$1,007,500 during the school year 1890-1900 to \$50,750,000 during the school year 1923-1924, it is shown in figures.

compiled and published today in the University of North Carolina News Letter.

**A NEGRO EXPOSES
BAND OF CROOKS**

Aged Monroe Man Leads Police to Break of Swindling Gang.

Monroe, Dec. 4.—Seeking to recover \$80 of which he had been swindled, Sam Howie, an old gray-headed negro farmer of Union county, today turned the light on the running of a party of strange negroes, which gave the police department of Monroe some lively chases last Wednesday afternoon.

This unique organization which is made up by a low black negro, a tall brown skin negro, two other negro men and a negro woman, has been pulling some clever tricks on the members of their race. They locate their victims to be by finding who has money on his person. They then worked in pairs. When the victim is located the finder gives his partner the wink and he finds near them a big fat pocket book. He brings it immediately to the man who is entertaining the newly made friend, gets an introduction and the three go out to divide the spoils. When they open up the pocketbook the money is all in big bills, so that the proper change cannot be made. Then they follow the plan of pooling the money of all three, and one of the party goes away to get the proper change. When he fails to return the other goes away to find him and leaves the newly made friend to wait without his money while they never return.

This was the trick pulled on Old Sam Howie here last Wednesday. He was talking to a young likely negro who has assisted him in selling a bale of cotton, when in their sight another negro picked up a pocketbook. Uncle Sam and his new friend being the only ones to see him find it, it was decided to divide the money and lay shut-mouth. When Uncle Sam was asked if he could assist in making the change, the other negroes escaped with the whole amount. He was afraid to tell the officers for he was guilty of keeping found property. But today he decided that he would take a chance and try to recover his money.

Except for Clarence Brown, who was caught here last Wednesday the members of the gang are at large. It seems that they could not stand the sight of a uniform, and when C. I. F. Spoon gave chase to two of them they all ran in different directions. Other members of the police force were attracted by running negroes in a short while every police was giving chase to his own individual negro, in different directions. Several members of the police, fearing no warrants, shot to scare, evidently good athletes. They get so soaked in oil they must work easier than most people.

Lacy did not deign a reply. His mind was feverishly attempting to project itself into the future. The further it projected the more complex the situation seemed to become, until finally the whole affair broke off its own weight and dropped into the abyss of chaos. The oiler stared at the pair for a moment and then disappeared.

A man squeezed through the pas-

DINNER STORIES

Handsome, In Fact.
He: "Who is that fat tub over there?"
She: "That's my brother."
He: "He sure is good looking."

Probably Not.
Dad: "Take things slower, my boy. Patience never cost anything."
Dutiful Son: "Did you ever ride behind a slow taxi driver?"

Beet. "Is your Packard friend coming tonight?"
Dot: "No, dearie, this is Willy-Knight."

Husband. "Isn't it strange that nothing we possess in this world will be of any use in the next world?"
Wife: "Oh, I don't know. You might hang on to that little book you have entitled, 'What To Do in Case of Fire.'

He. "How do you think you could manage on my fifty dollars a week?"
She: "I think I could, but what would you do?"

Father. "Tom, how do you stand in school now?"
Tom: "In the corner most of the time."

Waiter. "Here's the menu, ma'am. What do you wish?"
Old Lady: "Dear me, I've left my glasses at home."

Waiter. "We furnish glasses, but you can drink out of the bottle if you wish."

True Science.

She: "I've read that men grow bald because of the intense activity of their brains."

He: "Exactly, and women have no whiskers because of the intense ac-

tivity of their chins."

Which More Important?

"Our romance consisted of two scenes."

"Yes?"

"Yes, I seen her and she seen me."

Condition of Miss Kennedy Continues

Grave.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 4.—(P)—The mind of Miss Minnie E. Kennedy, who, as superintendent of the elementary department of Sunday school work of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has made a wide circle of friends in every section of the church's territory, continues grave, but is said to be more hopeful.

Miss Kennedy recently underwent operation for mastoiditis, and her illness was complicated by an infected blood stream.

Col. Sherrill left last night for Cincinnati to confer with the mayor and council, and also to look over the situation in the Ohio city. Those here who are familiar with the conditions prevailing in Cincinnati say that the move to obtain Col. Sherrill is the first step in a plan to take the management of the town out of politics, avowing no charges against him. He's wanted back here, however, when Charlotte is through with him, in the case of swindling the old negro of the price of a bale of cotton.

DON'T HOG IT OVER ME.

T. B. Laney in Monroe Journal. There is no use to hog it over me. There is no use to try a Lord to be. There is no use to be so big in town. Your grocery bill will surely get you down. Then don't hog it over me!

**WAR DECLARED ON
EYE-GLASS PEDLERS**

North Carolina Optometrical Society Will Prosecute Violators of Law.

Durham, Dec. 2.—War has been declared by the North Carolina State Optometrical Society against the itinerant eye glass pedler and every discovered in the State engaged in a house-to-house sale of eye glasses will be vigorously prosecuted, according to Dr. C. I. Sherrill, president of the society of this city.

Under the laws of the State the sale of eye glasses from house to house is prohibited and the use of charts and measures for testing eyes while engaged in this business is banned. The law was enacted by the State Legislature at the request of the State optometrists who showed that the business of the itinerants should not be allowed because of the great harm that would be done to the eyes of the people who fell their victims. Only by scientific examination of the eyes can proper glasses be fitted, Dr. Rosenstein stated, by way of showing that the method adopted by the itinerant eye glass pedlers is positively injurious. The method used, he stated, is to carry sample glasses for trial by the prospective customer. Each pair of glasses has already have two or more lenses may also profitably increase their horse power.

2. Farmers who do not have to put aside money either to avoid time prices or to increase horsepower should first consider what improved equipment is necessary to increase their earning power and then give the preference to such productive purchases as farm machinery.

3. Next after producing expenditures should come purchases that have permanent value in promoting the daily comfort and efficiency of the farm household—paint, light, waterworks, music, etc.

Now here is to the conservative man. He has the right ideas and the plan. He skims on every side,

And he's known the countrywide So he's a conservative if you can!

hat to Do With 1925 Crop Money

The Progressive Farmer.

Every farmer who has been trying to make a living by working with only one horse—which is just as bad as if one were trying to work with only one arm—ought to put aside enough extra money to buy an extra horse. In like fashion farmers who already have two or more horses may also profitably increase their horse power.

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While gale warnings are displayed north of the Virginia capes to the Cape Cod and storm warnings remain out of Boston to Eastport, Maine, and from Beaufort, N. C., to the Virginia capes.

The lowest reading reported to-night was 29.42 at Cape Hatteras.

Tropical Storm Sweeps North Carolina Coast.

Washington, Dec. 2.—The tropical storm which has impeded shipping and wrecked havoc along the South Atlantic coast was central tonight a short distance off Cape Hatteras and moving slowly northward, attended by gales as far north as New Jersey and winds of hurricane force along the Carolina coast.

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Post and Flagg's Cotton Letter.

New York, Dec. 3.—The cotton market has acted quite well today.

but trading has again been light and featureless, except possibly for the price fixing and strength in December.

More cotton is reported to be on the way to New York for delivery,

but no exact figures can be obtained.

Two important private reports were issued, but failed to have much effect on quotations, as the average

was just about as expected.

Exports continue to be heavy and are almost 400,000 ahead of last year.

Until the report is issued no im-

portant price changes or activity in

either the future or goods markets

are expected, but many feel that

greater activity in all branches of

the cotton business will develop in

the near future.

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