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CAN'T ANOTHER PLAN BE DEvised?

Within the past several weeks, especially, numbers of persons have asked us if the city didn't have a law requiring groceries, placed on the sidewalks in front of stores, to be kept covered so they would not be reached by flies, dogs and other animals.

Inquiry develops the fact that such a law was passed here once and then repealed or otherwise nullified. This action means that the grocer can put his stuff on the sidewalks without taking the necessary precaution to keep it from becoming polluted by passing dogs, flies and other infections that are always present.

Practically every grocery store in Concord, or at least the vast majority of them, put tempting fruits and vegetables out in front so they can be seen easily by the passing public. So far as we have been able to see by observation none of the stores provide coverings for these goods.

Practically every grocery store in Concord has show windows and the suggestion has been made that the grocer keep his display goods there instead of on the sidewalk or some other exposed place at the front of his place of business.

Vegetables and fruits are washed always and in many instances they are peeled but we have seen stuff exposed that can never be made clean. Hundreds of flies make some of these stores their headquarters and naturally they light on the exposed goods, many of which are sweet. Flies thus attracted by the goods on the outside of the store eventually make their way into the store in many instances, thus carrying their dirty work even farther.

WILL ELIMINATE GRADE CROSSINGS.

The tragic accident near Gastonia Sunday, which resulted in the death of six girls, has focused public attention again to the matter of grade crossings. The crossings must be eliminated, is the public cry, and it is encouragement to hear from the State Highway Commission that such will be the case.

W. C. Wilkinson, highway commissioner for the sixth district, states that the commission already has ordered the Gastonia crossing eliminated. The order was given some time ago but it is not known now just when the work will be started.

New York state has just voted to issue bonds to eliminated crossings in that State and similar action is being taken in other States.

Mr. Wilkinson pointed out that the State Highway Commission's policy, since its creation, has been to eliminate the menace to life and limb which the grade crossings constitute. Several hundred such crossings have been eliminated in the course of the development of the highway system of North Carolina. This was accomplished either by rerouting the roads for considerable distances or by making minor changes in the routes and constructing underpasses or bridges. The railroads operating in this State have co-operated with the Highway Commission, it was understood.

The forecast was made by Mr. Wilkinson that the State Highway Commission ultimately will accomplish its purpose of eliminating all grade crossings on the important roads of the State. While the cost of eliminating crossings often is rather heavy, the Commissioner indicated that the Commission regarded this menace of such gravity as to justify any reasonable expense for its elimination.

There is another side to this question, however. The motoring public should be as care-

ful to carry out its part of the bargain as the State is to eliminate these crossings. North Carolina has a "stop" law now and if it were observed practically all of the grade crossing accidents would be avoided.

The crossings are to be eliminated as soon as possible but until this is done the man at the wheel must exercise caution. Every one driving an automobile is supposed to be intelligent enough to know what the railroad tracks are there for. There is always the chance that a train will be approaching and the wise man stops. Until the crossings are eliminated their danger can be greatly lessened if the public will use discretion.

LIE DOWN IN A STORM

In Public Service we find that a man lying on the ground has a much better chance to escape lightning than a man standing up. That is, with man-made lightning he has a better chance.

Electrical engineers say the possibilities are that a man standing directly under a storm cloud would be struck fifteen times in one hundred strokes, while a man flat on the ground would be struck only once in a hundred strokes, they say.

Two million volts of electricity having characteristics of lightning have been made by the engineers for experimental purposes. Lightning has a voltage of 100,000,000 or about one million times the voltage of a house lighting circuit. A bolt of lightning represents enough energy to drive an automobile five miles or to operate a toaster for one day. The experiments have disclosed.

PROHIBITION LAW VIOLATORS

Most of the persons who violate the prohibition law are foreigners while practically all of the officers engaged to enforce the law are Americans.

Ninety-three per cent of the agents we are told are native Americans while sixty-two per cent of the violators of the prohibition law are foreign born. Mr. Walton Green, of the Prohibition Unit, gives this information in The Saturday Evening Post. Mr. Green says of bootleggers. "The returns show 62 per cent aliens and 38 per cent native Americans. Only in the South Atlantic States is there a preponderance of native violators over foreign born, and that is accounted for by the great number of native-born negroes in the rum business. In all other sections of the Country the alien is the chief offender. Philadelphia violators are 80 per cent foreign born, Chicago 60 per cent, San Francisco 79 per cent, Pittsburgh 55 per cent, Los Angeles, 68 per cent, and New York 85 per cent."

Mr. Green calls attention to the fact that there are only about three thousand men employed by the Federal Government to control the prohibition situation. He says:

"The New York police force is five times as large as the entire Federal prohibition unit; and New York spends about \$85,000,000 a year on its police force, compared with some \$11,000,000 which the United States spends on interior enforcement."

WISE CRACKS.

A poor memory is almost as valuable as a convenient memory.—Durham, N. C., Sun.

Seeing how often the judge has thrown the ball, he's not much of a ball if he doesn't throw the judge.—The Sun, Durham, N. C.

Clothes do not make the man, it is true, but they sometimes make him look foolish.—States, New Orleans, La.

What's a greater calamity than squeaky shoes in a public library.—Ledger, Lakeland, Fla.

It is to be hoped that Mr. Coolidge is not the kind of a fisherman who catches a three pound pike now and describes it as a 47 pound salmon in September.—The Times, Gadsden, Ala.

Fish will not bite during the summer, winter, spring and autumn.—The Bee, Danville, Va.

If you need a shave your chin won't skip when eating watermelon.—The Ledger, Lakeland, Fla.

FACTS ABOUT MEXICO.

Wilmington Star. "There are rights and wrongs in Mexico. There exists a pressing need for unbiased research which will give to the public of our country a disinterested, and accurate account of them," is the editorial preface to a group of articles in the August Forum presenting both sides of the alleged "religious persecution" in the Republic to the South of us.

"No American can know the Constitution of Mexico and the laws being enacted under it and, much less, the violence and lawlessness of the agencies set up to enforce them, and fail to understand the tragedy being enacted in that country is, in reality, an assault upon freedom and the right of free men," says Father Burke, General Secretary of the National Catholic Welfare Conference.

What is the other side of the question? Earle K. James, a Chilean of twenty-nine, educated in Chile and now instructor of Spanish and English in a prominent boys' school in New York City, addresses some pointed remarks to Archbishop Curley:

- "These Archbishop Curley, are my principal arraignments of the Church in Latin America:
1. Latin America is a land of blasphemy.
2. The Church has opposed education.
3. The Church has increased the curse of illegitimacy by declaring civil marriage a 'shameful and pestilent concubinage.'
4. The Church has been the arch-extortorner of Latin America, worse than in any foreign capital.
5. Sunday has been desecrated by making of it the day for horse-racing and other social evils.
6. The Priesthood is largely made up of uneducated, irreligious, utilitarian, and immoral men.
7. The finest qualities of Christianity have been prostituted by an idolatry worse than that of the indigenous religions.
8. To sum up: The Church has discredited religion. It has made the intellectual class indifferent to the spiritual and moral values."

The number of tubercular cattle in this country has been reduced from 4 per cent, in 1923 to 2.8 per cent this year.

It costs \$12,000 annually to launder the elephants of a large circus. Each elephant is regularly soaped, sand-papered, and rubbed with olive oil.

THE MAN OVER SIXTY.

The man or woman who has arrived at the age of sixty is generally interested in methods whereby they may preserve their stay on this earth. At least such should be vitally interested. In a recent issue of the Physical Culture Magazine, Dr. Frank Crane, who by the way, is one of the most gifted writers in the country, lays down sixteen rules to be followed by "The man over sixty." Believing these rules are filled with an abundance of common sense and helpful suggestions, and that they may be followed by many of our readers with great profit, we give space for their reproduction as follows:

- 1. Cut down the amount of food. Three meals are better than four; but two are better than three.
2. Increase the amount of water. Nothing a city man can run a drainage system without a water-works.
3. Two movements a day are better than one every two days; the colon bacilli in the large intestine are the principal cause of old age.
4. If you want to keep young, keep in with young people.
5. Keep busy. Work hard six days and rest hard on the seventh.
6. When you see an easy chair on a sunny morning, keep away from it, and go for a walk instead. The heart grows stronger by use and weaker by idleness.
7. Don't change your lifelong habits at sixty. If you have been a smoker all your life keep on smoking in moderation and if you have been a moderate drinker all your life, keep on drinking in moderation (if you can get it).
8. Never exceed one ounce of tobacco a week. Never drink alcohol except at meals and never before six p. m., and always well diluted with water.
9. When you are over sixty don't try to do a job with your own hands. It is cheaper and quicker to put a big hot water bottle in the bed.
10. When you reach sixty, if you have been careless of your appearance before, begin to dress well. It makes you look better and feel better, and you are as well as you feel. A warm bath a week will keep your skin young.
11. If when you reach sixty, you have a beard three feet long begin cutting it off one inch a day. In thirty-six weeks you will be down to the skin. Then shave and look young.
12. Don't worry.
13. Do not turn your home into a museum of fine arts and antiques. Happiness, as a rule, is in inverse proportion to the number of useless articles you own.
14. If you have not a "business" when you are sixty, either get one or get a hobby.
15. Cancer, pneumonia and influenza are the principal causes of death between sixty and ninety. If you have them don't give them to your friends; and if you haven't got them, don't let your friends give them to you.
16. Don't go to funerals. The funerals of your friends is some times followed by your own.
17. Microbes are everywhere and they are looking for people with a poor circulation. A fatty heart is a weak heart; keep thin. They are also looking for pale people; keep rosy.
18. The picture of the First Methodist church, of Charlotte, composed of the combined congregations of the Tryon Street and Trinity churches, appears in the Observer of July 31. The new building will cost \$500,000 and will be the second costliest church building in the state. The location will be North Tryon and Eighth streets.

When Liberty bonds are used in payment of debt they are liable to federal income and excess profits taxes, ruled the U. S. district court at Philadelphia.

NEW CENTRAL HOTEL
LEASE \$14,050
Affects Creditors of Alamance at Burlington.
Burlington, Aug. 4.—W. K. Holt, of this city, J. J. McCoy, of Charlotte, and Dave Rendelman, of Salisbury, receivers for the New Central Hotel, Charlotte, and the Alamance here, yesterday sold the lease and furnishings of the New Central subject to confirmation by the court, to J. M. Thompson and E. C. Fouts for \$14,050, or \$2,000 above the appraisal value.

The sale of the New Central affects the creditors of the Alamance in the total amount of cash from the sale of both, in paying whatever per cent it will on the indebtedness.

Mr. Holt announced today that the Alamance competed another successful month, by meeting the \$1,000 rent and paying its bills, but added that it will not actually be making money until the commercial travel picks up or additional support is given it by the townspeople with their club and social gatherings.

J. A. Cook, under whose management the hotel has been able to meet expenses, is making an effort to popularize the dining room service among Burlington citizens by inviting them to special Sunday service and the novel "invitation" method has resulted in many getting acquainted with a hotel unexcelled in one particular in the South.

MILWAUKEE JOURNAL
AIDS IN DALE DEFENSE
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New York World. Another newspaper, the Milwaukee Journal, has contributed to the fund that will enable George Dale, Indiana newspaper editor, to appeal to the United States Supreme Court from his conviction of contempt of court.

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No New Cases of Infantile Paralysis.
Tribune Bureau
Sir Walter Hotel

Raleigh, Aug. 4.—No new cases of infantile paralysis have been reported to the State board of health since Monday, and only two new cases of typhoid and the epidemiologists think that the peak of the wave in both these diseases has been reached, although a large number of cases of typhoid can be expected throughout August and until the middle of September, as typhoid is primarily a hot weather disease thriving best in the fly season.

Flies are the principal carriers of typhoid, getting the germs on their feet and legs from the filthy and unsanitary places in which they breed, then carrying these germs and depositing them in milk and on food. Particular care in the covering of all food from flies especially in the sanitary protection of milk from flies is urged by the board of health upon everyone in an effort to diminish the amount of typhoid. Milk that is being fed babies and children should be boiled, even if it has been previously pasteurized, and all feeding utensils and bottles should be boiled before and after each using.

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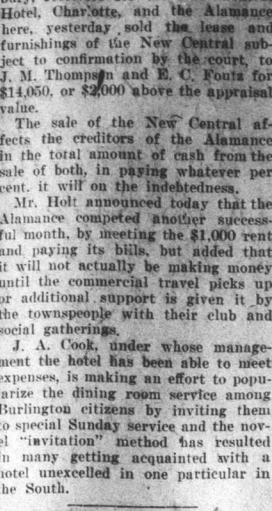
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