

This Week



By Arthur Brisbane

ATHEISM VIA RADIO— THANKS, MR. WILBUR— OLD HEARTS NEED CARE— AMERICANS ARE TALLER—

The American Association for the Advancement of Atheism demands a high powered radio station in New York City and does not go it, although the easiest way to make an atheist ridiculous is to let him talk.

It is hard to understand how anybody could talk atheism, knowing that his voice propelled by a power beyond comprehension, travels around the world through the mysterious ether.

Atheists, young ones, especially, might meditate on one of Bacon's collected apophthegms:

Simonides, being asked of Hiero, "what he thought of God," asked a seven night's time to consider it; and at the seven nights' end he asked a fortnight's time, at the fortnight's end, a month.

At which Hiero marveled, Simonides answered "that the longer he thought upon the matter the more difficult he found it."

The more glibly you answer King Hiero's question the less you know.

Congratulations to Secretary Wilbur, who has ordered for our navy two dirigibles that will be the biggest in the world.

They will be three times as big as the Los Angeles, one third bigger than the German Zeppelin Count Zeppelin and each will carry, under the great gas bag, five airplanes for scouting.

The Goodyear Zeppelin Corporation will build them and friendly nations abroad are informed that we do not intend to be taken by surprise.

A fleet of such dirigibles, each carrying fifty tons of explosives and modern war gas, able to unearth one hundred fast destructive planes, could leave with Uncle Sam's compliments a visiting card in Europe or Asia that would not soon be forgotten.

We make war on no nation, but we should be ready and able to fill with subsequent regret any one attacking us.

William W. Breck, retired business man, fell dead while playing golf. He was sixty-four years old.

At sixty-four, make no violent effort, unless a good doctor has pronounced your heart "fool-proof."

Golf is good for old men that play, as they should, talking, walking, laughing slowly. It's dangerous for those that strain and strive to better their game.

Remember, old gentlemen, that whether you go around in 130 or 103, the cosmos will roll on, just the same. Treat an old heart as you would a delicate vase, not as you would treat an old rubber boot.

Americans are not going backward. Physically, at least. Girls are taller and stronger than ever. And among 100 candidates reporting for freshman crew practice at Cornell yesterday, 48 were 6 feet tall, a good sign.

A well balanced body, of good size, about 6 feet, is the right sort.

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Tantalizer

There are exactly enough letters in the line below to spell the name of a person in Smithfield or Johnston county, and if the right one deciphers his name and will present it to the Herald office, we will present him with a free ticket to the Victory Theatre. Tickets must be called for before the following issue.

Miss Lillie Johnson deciphered her name last issue.

Today's Tantalizer: laseltanslyu

Democrats Have Feast And Rally

Stancell's Chapel in Oneal's Township Scene of Barbecue and Oratory Saturday

A big Democratic rally was held Saturday at Stancell Chapel school, O'Neal's township. The speaking was opened at 11:30 o'clock by Congressman Pou who made one of the most vigorous and spirited speeches of the campaign. He spoke for about an hour and was followed by former Congressman John H. Small of Washington City who spoke for about an hour and a quarter.

The school building has an elegant auditorium and all the seats were taken with many standing. After the speaking seven hundred pounds of barbecue was served to the throng. Some of the leaders thought that the crowd would not stay for additional speaking and it was with some trepidation that additional oratory was announced.

Such was the interest in the gathering that another big crowd gathered in the school room for the afternoon discussions when Dr. Wade Atkinson, of Washington, D. C., who had been holding a clinic in the vicinity made a rousing Smith speech.

Dr. Atkinson was followed by Sam T. Honeycutt, Democratic candidate for the House of Representatives who also made an earnest plea for the support of the Democratic ticket.

County chairman P. H. Brooks was much pleased with the interest shown and believes that many votes were made for Democracy.

Will Rogers Says—

I am the only candidate that is tending to his own business and not to the people's. I am not running around wearing derby hats in the summertime or putting wreathes on every president's birthplace I can find.

These other two fellows are devoting their entire time to nothing but spending money and trying to show that the country will perhaps be on a level with Nicaragua if they are not put in charge of it.

I am not going out around the country making a monkey of myself just to let people see what kind of a man they would have in the White House if elected. I did all that before I was nominated.

At made a speech to the farmers, or what he thought was farmers. They were actually Merchants, and Clerks, and Bootleggers, and Policemen and just the very kind of crowd he would have in Newark, or the Bronx.

There was no farmers there. Omaha is not a Farmer's town. It's a City, and a farmer wouldn't have any more chance getting into a Hall there than he would have making an opening night in New York. The people there had seen plenty of movies, but they had never had a "straight from New York" production, with the original cast. So naturally they all turned out. It was big opening night for Omaha.

And it's the same with Herbert, he comes into Newark the other day marked "exhibit A." Now there is no dignity to that, we want a President, not a exhibit. The White House isn't a museum, with glass cases.

So I hope there is some sane people in this country who will appreciate dignity and not showmanship in their choice for the Presidency. Being a Candidate didn't give me a chance to see the country. I had seen it before.

I have no free shows to give around the country, and no one to pay my way to them, in return for cabinet positions afterwards. So if your town wants to have a holiday wait till Ringling Circus comes along and see a good show.

—Will Rogers.

Ino. H. Kerr Jr. To Address Democrats

Son of Congressman Kerr and Prominent Attorney of Rocky Mount Will Talk to Young People

The young Democrats of Johnston county will be delighted to hear that Hon. John H. Kerr, Jr., son of Rocky Mount, chairman of the 2nd Congressional district Young People's Democratic club will speak under the auspices of the young Peoples' Democratic club of Johnston county on Thursday the 25th at 8:00 p. m., in the courthouse. From early reports it is anticipated that a great crowd of young Democrats will move on to Smithfield Thursday night to hear this eloquent and masterful young speaker.

Mr. Kerr is also a very influential young attorney in Rocky Mount. He is the elder son of Congressman John H. Kerr of the 2nd district.

The young Democrats of Johnston county are organized this year into a well rounded organization and will poll a great many votes on November 6 from constable to president.

EXHIBITS PAINTING MACHINE AT STATE FAIR

The Mechanical Painting Machine company, a local corporation, that has started the manufacturing of a highway mowing and painting machine, will have a machine on exhibit at the state fair this week. This machine will clean and paint anything anywhere, but it is designed particularly for painting the dividing line on public highways. There is an attachment that will also mow the weeds on the side of the highway.

Mr. J. H. Kirkman is the inventor of this machine, the parts for which are now being built in machine shops in Goldsboro and assembled in this city.

METHODIST ORPHANAGE LOSSES TO SMITHFIELD

Friday Smithfield highs eked out a 6-0 victory over the Methodist Orphanage eleven from Raleigh here.

The victory came by the air route. A 30-yard pass, Parrish to Joyner, was followed by a 20-yard toss from Parrish to Kirkman and a 10-yard run to touchdown by the latter. It was the fourth win of the season for the locals, who have not been beaten but who played a tie with Mount Olive.

Norton and Kirkman played good games for the locals, while Parrish's passing featured. For the Methodist team, the work of Faul, Horton and Fraser was outstanding.

Death of Needham Garner

The death of Needham Garner, who lived on Kenly, route 2, occurred at his home Friday after having been confined to his bed for only a few days. Mr. Garner had been in bad health for about five years. The funeral service was held Saturday afternoon by Elder J. T. Collier and interment was made in the home burying ground. The deceased was sixty-two years of age, leaves a wife and five children. His children are as follows: Messrs. Oscar Garner, William Garner, Theodora Garner, Miss Etta Garner and Mrs. Lottie Edwards, all of Kenly, route 2.

HAS ARTICLE IN HARPER'S

Mrs. Walter P. Heddon, of New York, daughter of Rev. D. H. Tuttle of this city, had a very interesting sketch in the October issue of Harper's Magazine entitled "Nature Bores." Mrs. Heddon writes under her maiden name—Worth Tuttle.

Spoiled the Color Layout.

"What's the matter, Rastus, you seem as mad as a wet hen?" "Well, why shouldn't I be? The doctor what operated me foh penicillus went and sewed me up wif white thread."

Every time the girls start wearing something new from Paris an epidemic of colds sets in.

Question Poll Literary Digest

Chairman Raskob Sends Letter to Democratic County Chairman In Every State In the Union

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—John J. Raskob, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, has sent the following letter in connection with the Literary Digest poll of the present campaign to Democratic county chairmen in every state in the country:

"An analysis of the Literary Digest poll for 1924 shows great accuracy in forecasting the total popular vote polled for President Coolidge. It shows gross inaccuracies with respect to the popular vote polled for Mr. Davis and Mr. LaFollette.

"It also shows substantial inaccuracies in the polling by individual states. For instance, the poll showed that New York state would give 63.5 per cent of its popular vote to President Coolidge as against the actual Coolidge vote of 55.9 per cent. This represented an error of 7.6 per cent. Similar errors in varying degrees occurred in all of the states.

"It is interesting to note that if the figures shown in the Literary Digest poll for the week of October 20, 1928 are corrected through applying the same errors as occurred in the 1924 poll, Governor Smith carries New York, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Illinois in the following ratios:

	Smith	Hoover
New York	364,770	179,217
Massachusetts	96,345	62,723
Connecticut	25,761	19,621
Illinois	177,135	149,872
"An election survey in the New York Herald Tribune (a Republican newspaper) of Sunday, October 14, 1928, shows the following ratios as surely Democratic or leaning Democratic:		
State Electoral Vote.		
South Carolina	9	9
Mississippi	10	10
Georgia	14	14
Louisiana	10	10
Arkansas	9	9
Alabama	12	12
Texas	20	20
Florida	6	6
Virginia	12	12
North Carolina	12	12
Maryland	8	8
Missouri	18	18
New Mexico	3	3
TOTAL		
	143	143
If we add the four states enumerated above, namely		
New York	45	45
Massachusetts	18	18
Connecticut	7	7
Illinois	29	29
—we have a total electoral vote of 242.		

"The Herald Tribune survey indicates the following doubtful states which are not included in the foregoing table:

Rhode Island	5
New Jersey	14
Delaware	3
Tennessee	13
Kentucky	12
Oklahoma	10
Wisconsin	13
Minnesota	12
North Dakota	5
South Dakota	5
Nebraska	8
Montana	4
Colorado	6
Nevada	3
Arizona	3

A total of 116 electoral votes out of which Governor Smith has to secure but 24 votes to attain the necessary votes for victory, leaving a margin of 92 electoral votes still in fighting ground. "The above figures account for the great nervousness around Republican National Headquarters about the outcome of this important election."

A CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank each and every one who assisted us in any way during my recent illness. I especially want to thank Dr. Orr and the nurses at the Johnston County Hospital for their kindness.

I hope the greatest of blessings will be bestowed upon each and every one of you.

MRS. HARDY JOHNSON.
Four Oaks, Route 4.

Members County Board of Commissioners



C. A. FITZGERALD
Candidates for re-election on the Democratic ticket.



R. H. RICHARDSON
Two other candidates named in the primary are.



R. U. BARBOUR
D. B. Oliver and J. Rufus Creech.

Campaign On For Memorial Chapel

Dr. A. E. Cory, of Kinston. Heads Drive In State For Funds To Build Chapel At Fort Bragg

FAYETTEVILLE, Oct. 22.—Yesterday in a meeting filled with enthusiasm, a group of men seated at a dinner table at Fort Bragg made definite plans for the completion of a Memorial Chapel at the army post at which the soldier boys, most of whom come from this state, may be able to worship. Men from different sections of the state whose interest in the proposed chapel had been aroused arrived on time during the morning and after a tour of inspection realized as never before the need for such a place of worship at the military post.

Dr. A. E. Cory of Kinston, who has undertaken to direct the drive, outlined the plan which is to be followed. First of all, through personal calls, letters and news articles the people of the state are to be given a picture of the need for a place in which the Fort Bragg soldiers may worship. Here annually more than 10,000 soldiers gather with no place provided in which they may meet for the specific purpose of worshipping God. It being the policy of the War Department not to build churches on posts it becomes necessary for the citizenship of the different states to take over this work. This, the citizenship of Minnesota, New York, Maryland, and other states have done.

The campaign for funds with which to finish the Memorial Chapel, for which some money has already been raised, will be carried on through the churches, Sunday schools and the American Legion posts. Armistice Day which falls on Sunday has been designated as Victory Armistice Day for the Fort Bragg Chapel this year. On this date every Sunday school in the state will be asked to raise for the chapel fund an amount equal to five cents for each member. Sunday, October 28, will be designated as Announcement Sunday for this cause. At this time all ministers and Sunday school superintendents are requested to announce these plans to the churches and Sunday schools. The next Sunday, November 4, has been designated as Prayer Sunday for this cause, at which time special prayers are requested in the different churches. On November 11, Armistice Day, the appointment to each church and Sunday school, based on membership and enrollment, will be accepted and remitted to Fort Bragg Memorial Chapel Fund. The need as expressed in this call has been with North Carolina for ten years. While other states have made greater progress than North Carolina in this respect, the committees look to Armistice day as an opportunity to push the old North State into the foreground with a magnificent thank offering for this cause.

Hon. A. L. Brooks To Be At Cleveland

Democrats To Stage Rally and Barbecue at Cleveland Next Thursday; Other Public Speakings This Week

Thursday, October 25, will be a big day in Cleveland and surrounding townships. A Democratic rally and barbecue is scheduled to be held at Cleveland school, and folks from Pleasant Grove, Lower Clayton, Lower Wilson's Mills and Upper Smithfield as well as Cleveland townships are expected to be present. Hon. A. L. Brooks, of Greensboro, will be the principal speaker, but others will be on hand who will be called upon to say something to the speaker.

All Democratic candidates will be present and some may speak in the afternoon possibly including Congressman E. W. Pou.

F. H. Brooks, chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee, has arranged for plenty of barbecue, and he invites all Democratic citizens of that section, to attend the rally.

Other public speakings have been arranged for Wednesday and Thursday nights at the following places: Wednesday night, at Progress school house in Boon Hill township; at Mount Zion school in Cleveland; and at Corinth school in Ingrams.

Thursday night at New Hope school in Ingrams township; at Holly Grove in Meadow township; at Pomona school in Smithfield township; at Kenly in Beulah township, and at James McCall's store in Selma township.

Various candidates on the county ticket will be at these places and will discuss the issues of the campaign. All citizens regardless of political affiliations are invited to attend these speakings.

The speaking and barbecue scheduled for Peacock's Cross Roads will not be held Friday, October 26, but at some time later when full notice will be given.

DEATH OF MR. W. S. RAGSDALE'S MOTHER

News reached here Friday of the death of Mrs. Clara Ragsdale, mother of our townsman, Mr. W. S. Ragsdale, who died early that morning at her home in Burlington at the age of sixty-two years. She had been sick for a week having suffered a stroke of paralysis.

The funeral was held Saturday afternoon in the Baptist church at Fuquay Springs, the old home of the deceased. Rev. M. W. Hume of Burlington conducted the service.

State Fair Opens At New Grounds

New Buildings Are Completed; Gov. McLean Opens Fair; Yesterday Was School Children's and American Legion Day

RALEIGH, Oct. 22.—After being discontinued for two years, the North Carolina State Fair is coming back bigger and better than ever. Everything was in readiness for the opening yesterday at the new fair grounds on highway number 10, a short distance west of Raleigh.

All the new buildings, which were erected during the summer, are completed. Arrangements have been made to house many additional exhibits in tents. Flood lights have been put on the fair grounds which will provide an abundance of illumination at night. Pumps have been installed in the 451 foot well, which will provide 3500 gallons of water per minute. One hundred stalls are filled with race horses. The concession holders have erected their stands along the midway. Raleigh is prepared to welcome the greatest number of visitors which she has ever had in her history.

The opening day was school children's day and American Legion day. The school children of each county in the state had been invited to attend the fair on that day, both through letters to the county superintendents and through the newspapers.

The fair was formally opened on Monday at 12:30 o'clock in the afternoon, by Governor Angus W. McLean. Following the address of the governor, music was furnished by the Cervonia band, and the free acts were performed in front of the grandstand.

The free acts include May Wirth and her family, a riding act which was a headline attraction with the Ringling Brothers circus for many years, the Honey Treco, the Kieler sisters, in a singing act, the Billy Rice trio, three popular clowns who played with the Ringling circus for from 10 to 15 years, and Joe Small's dancing revue, which features pretty girls and artistic dancing.

Other features of the opening day program was a horse show, with lady and gentlemen riders exhibiting the skill of well-trained hunting and high jumping horses, auto racing, and the Shlesley Carnival. The Cervonia band, which will play at the fair, has, among its artists, Miss Rabe, of Raleigh, who is an accomplished singer.

Association Members To Meet. All Johnston county members of the North Carolina Cotton Association are requested to remember the meeting to be held in the courthouse Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Someone from the Raleigh office is expected to be present and make a talk, and every member is urged to be present.

A. J. WHITLEY, JR.,
County Chairman.

Watch your label.

Clinic At Selma Still In Progress

Dr. Wade Atkinson Continues His Beneficent Work In Tonsil-Adenoid Clinic Through This Week

The tonsil-adenoid clinic, in which Dr. Wade H. Atkinson, of Washington, D. C., native Johnstonian, is doing the operating and giving his services free, began in Selma Thursday. Approximately forty boys and girls of the Selma school district, which comprises considerable territory since adjacent districts have been consolidated, underwent operations Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and the work continues through this week.

The superintendent's office of the Selma school where the operating is being done, has been converted into an operating room, while the spacious teachers' rest room just across the hall has been turned into a ward where the patients are cared for until permitted to return to their homes.

Supt. F. M. Waters, the Selma Parent-Teacher Association, Dr. C. C. Massey, county health officer, and Selma physicians are cooperating to make the clinic a complete success. Mrs. E. L. Woodall of this city, a graduate nurse, and Miss Edna Kate, a student nurse of the Johnston County Hospital, are on duty regularly, while trained nurses in Selma are assisting from time to time. There is no fee whatever for the operating service, but in order to take care of some expense connected with the clinic, the sum of five dollars is charged for each patient. The Selma Parent-Teacher Association, which is active in helping with the clinic will be the beneficiary if there should be any surplus funds after all expenses are paid.

Those in charge of the arrangements for the clinic have found that there was great need for this corrective work which is being done, and they hope that this splendid work of Dr. Atkinson will only mark the beginning of other clinics. There is already talk of another, possibly next summer.

Dr. Atkinson, with his amiable wife, makes frequent visits—for the busy man that he is—back to his old home in O'Neal's township. He enjoys a popularity that is enviable, and when it is noised abroad that Dr. Atkinson is scheduled to be at any public gathering in that section, his old neighbors and friends are sure to be on hand. He even found time in the midst of his operating last Thursday to slip away and attend the democratic rally and barbecue at Stancell's Chapel where he shook the hand of many an old friend. He shows a continued interest in the Corbett-Hatcher school offering medals each year for public speaking.

Dr. Atkinson is not only a skilled specialist, but is a man of fine personality. He radiates good humor. He is an ardent admirer of the democratic nominee for President, and frequently makes opportunity to "play up" his favorite candidate.

Dr. Atkinson declares that he owes Johnston county something for the chance he was given in his early life, and he is glad to give his time and strength, and skill in this tonsil-adenoid clinic as a TURN TO PAGE 8, COLUMN 6

Aunt Roxie Opines
By Mc—



"De aiah iz full uv pollyticks and promises galore—but when dey gits elected hits only dat and nuthin' more."