

### Turpentine Drippings

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GOOD OLD HOOKWORM  
(Monroe Journal)

The hookworm was supposed to make people sluggish and inactive. Sometimes when we get out on the highways and in the cities we wish we could have another epidemic of hookworm if it would keep people at home who are burning gasoline and wrecking cars and killing themselves and other people trying to break the supersonic wall going nowhere.

PETE CATCHES ON  
(Charlotte News)

A formal Federal Trade Commission complaint charges that Senator Dudley Leblanc's widely-advertised Hadacol "is of no value in the treatment of cancer,

tuberculosis, heart trouble, diabetes, paralysis, epileptic fits, delirium tremens, neuralgia, migraine, blood diseases, stomach ulcers, rheumatism, arthritis, high or low blood pressure, asthma, swelling of the waist, hands and legs, cataracts, sinus trouble and weakness and rundown condition following colds."

Oh, well, we always suspected it was that 12 percent alcohol that sold the stuff.

#### CORRECTIONS

(Penn Gray, Robesonian)  
This seems a good place to make a correction to a story recently telling of the purchase of a drug store in Pembroke, by the Pembroke Firemen. The story said that the name of the new business would be the Fireman's Drug Store and that Ralph H. Dunlap would be pharmacist.

Such a howl you never heard. The state association of registered pharmacists descended on the unfortunate Mr. Dunlap who readily admits that he is no regis-

tered pharmacist.  
So we must explain that while a drug store may also be a soda shop, a soda shop cannot be a drug store. A soda shop needs no pharmacist. Mr. Dunlap is no pharmacist. The Fireman's Drug Store is not that at all, but the Firemen's Soda Shop.

And just in case the whole thing isn't clear to some board or other, the name Fireman's Soda Shop doesn't mean it's a club for firemen—anybody can go there and buy anything—anything that is except a pharmacist.

#### MISCHIEVOUS STRIFE

(Chapel Hill Weekly)  
How fortunate it would be if we had leaders as powerful and respected as Churchill who would use their influence to end the "mischievous party strife" that cripples and corrupts the government! It is a curse to our country.

#### JUST A MOTION

(Twin City Sentinel)  
"A father took his young son to morning church service for the first time. And, like fathers do, he spent much of the time answering questions.

"What does that mean?" the son asked when the pastor raised his hands. "It means to stand up, Son."

"When the pastor bowed his head, again the boy asked, 'What does that mean?' And the father patiently answered, 'It means to pray, son'."

"Soon, it was time for the sermon and the pastor took out his watch and placed it in front of him. 'What does that mean Dad?' the boy asked.

"Not a thing, Son," replied the father, 'not a thing'."

#### 53 YEARS AGO

(Rocky Mount Telegram)  
And while turning back the pages of history it is interesting to note that veteran banker Ivey Watson of Enfield has a statement from the State Treasurer in 1898 — fifty three years ago — giving the total resources of all the National and State Banks and the one savings bank in the state then located at Wilmington and it was a grand total of twenty-one million (\$21,000,000) dollars.

There are probably fifty banks in the State at the present time with resources in a greater amount, and there are upwards of a half dozen banking systems that have ten times that amount in resources.  
But in this matter of monies it is interesting to note that in 1819 the State Treasurer collected all the taxes and that for the year 1817 that he reported collecting a grand total of forty two thousand (\$42,000) dollars from all sources and for all purposes. The biggest single tax paying classification was that of the innkeepers who probably paid something like five dollars (\$5) a year for the privilege, while the next most lucrative classification was for fees collected by breeders of horses who kept a male of the species. We have it from the lips of a former member of the legislature from Edgecombe county that in the year 1817 that the town of Tarboro's contributions to the State Treasury was the sum of two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50).

**SHELBY CAN'T LOSE**  
(Holt McPherson, Shelby Star)  
Shelby, which long has had mighty good ties with the governor's office, stands to strengthen them with next year's succession. If William B. Umstead wins the nomination, for which he's first to announce formally, Mrs. Howard Gold will have a sister in the mansion. If Henry W. Jordan, cur-

rently backed by Scott forces for that office for which he hasn't formally announced his candidacy, goes in, Frank Jordan, will have a brother there. And if Ernest A. Gardner, flirting with the idea of running—oh, let's cross that bridge when we get to it!

**BOYS ARE THAT WAY**  
(J. M. Eleazar, Monroe Enquirer)  
Last week I started telling you about our blacksmith there at the foot of the hill below our house. He was the most indispensable man in the Fork. He could fix anything.

When a rockingchair started squeaking, he could put an iron rod through it on each side and it never squeaked again. I still see those chairs when I mess around down home. Similar ones not fixed by him have long ago gone the usual way of chairs.

We had an old cat acting funny that we thought was mad. My brother shot her with his handsome muzzle loader that was handed down from a great uncle. He didn't quite kill her, and in his hurry to finish her off with the butt of it, he hit too hard and snapped the stock off at the small part. Our blacksmith fixed it with imbedded brass that looked like an ornament.

I just wish that talented man could have had the tools of today. No telling what he would have done. He did the most intricate jobs with nothing but his hand implements and forge. And the coal he used as fuel to heat his metal was homemade charcoal he burned at the kiln down in our pasture.

I like specially to see him shoe horses. Sometimes there was a mean one and it was something to see him wrestle with it. Once he got a hind foot sunk in his groin, he could handle any of 'em.  
It was some nifty work with a

### Check Equipment To Prevent Fires

With cold weather approaching, it's a good idea for farm families to check their heating equipment and make sure it's in good condition for safe winter service.

Farm property fires always increase in both numbers and severity as the winter season approaches. A little attention to the problem now may save costly and tragic fires later in the season, says the county agent.

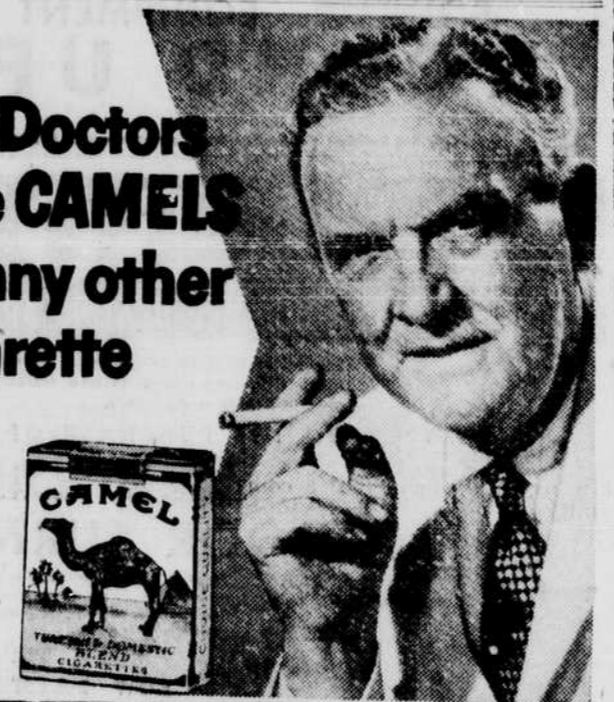
Winter also usually brings a toll of casualties from carbon monoxide poisoning. One man was killed by a hammer when he cut the shoe off to fit, the foot and then bent the ends back a bit for cleats so the horse wouldn't slip. Once I was there watching him. I had been sitting on the edge of his homemade furnace that was covered with clay. I wanted to go on out and watch him nail the shoes on. As I jumped down I didn't notice that red-hot piece of metal he had just cut of sizzling there in the dry black dust. But, boy, when my tough foot struck that hot metal it wasn't long burning through the calloused sole and hitting the quick. I let up a little yell and ran for the ditch, where I soaked it in the water.

#### THE HARD PART

(Marshville Home)  
That situation in Iran is not as much a problem as it might appear to be. It's only the solution that's hard to figure out.

**LET'S HAVE IT AGAIN**  
(Sam Ragan, News & Observer)  
We've heard about the foreman who told one of his men: "You told me how good you were when I hired you two weeks ago. Now tell me all over again. I'm getting discouraged."

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ide. This deadly gas is colorless and odorless and gives no warning.  
Defective chimneys rank high as a cause of farm fires during the heating season. All joints should be tight and a spark arrestor installed when combustible roofs are nearby. All stove and furnace pipes should be put in good condition and located a safe distance from combustible walls, ceilings, curtains and papers.

The National Safety Council makes these additional suggestions:  
Repair cracks or other defects and replace rusted and burned-out stove and furnace pipes.  
Make sure that combustible materials are protected. Use a metal or asbestos floor covering under wood- or coal-burning stoves. Use double metal-ventilated chimblees where stove pipes pass through walls.  
Never use petroleum products to start or hasten a fire.  
See that tank heaters, feed heaters, and other type of heating equipment around the farmstead are installed safely and kept in good repair.  
Make sure that dampers in stoves and furnaces are never closed enough to force carbonmonoxide or other gases out into the room.

### Plan Manufacture Of Gas From Coal

If you've ever considered the problem of what fuel — gas, coal or oil—you should use in your home, store or plant, there comes a gleam of light on the somewhat cloudy picture.

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Speaking before the American Gas Association last week in St. Louis, Frederic O. Hess, retiring president of the Gas Appliance Manufacturers Association, proposed a cooperative research effort by the gas, coal and oil industries, to culminate in the construction of a great conversion-plant system to make gas, gasoline and fuel oil from coal.

These plants, to be constructed at strategic points along present natural gas pipe lines, would convert coal into a gas which could be mixed with natural gas to improve combustion performance and insure a steady supply. They would have storage capacity for the gas, to take care of seasonal fluctuations in demand. Furthermore, the plants could produce gasoline during summer months, when gasoline demand is high and gas demand low, and at the same time could produce fuel oil from coal, which could be stored for peak winter demands.

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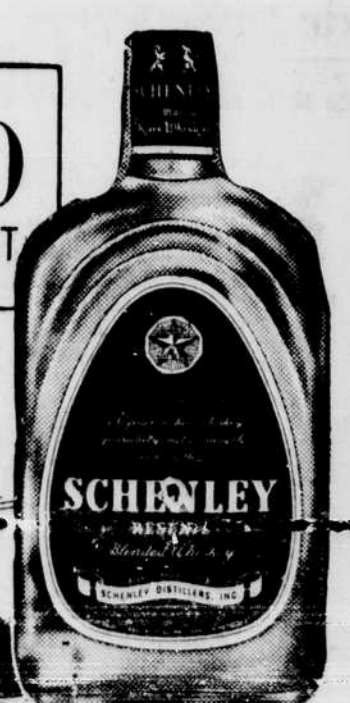
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