

Weak and Miserable?

Are you dull, tired and aching—both—ered with a bad back? Do you lack ambition, suffer headaches and dizziness—feel "all worn out"? Likely your kidneys are to blame. Lameless, sharp stabbing pains, backache and annoying urinary disorders are all symptoms of weakened kidneys. Don't wait for more serious trouble. Get back your health and keep it! Use **Doan's Kidney Pills**. Thousands of folks tell their merit. Ask Your Neighbor!

A North Carolina Case

Mrs. S. B. Short, R. F. D. No. 3, S. Morgan St., Shelby, N. C., says: "I had a dull ache all through my back and when I did my housework, I would just give out and had to stop and rest. I had nervous headaches and my kidneys were never regular in action. I used Doan's Kidney Pills and they soon strengthened my back and kidneys so I was rid of the aches and pains."

Get Doan's at Any Store, 60c a Box
DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS
FOSTER-MILBURN CO., BUFFALO, N. Y.

New Use for Mousetraps.

The mousetrap has a new government job. Finding English sparrows which have been committing serious depredations on the immature corn and mungo beans growing in the experimental plots of the federal experiment station at Honolulu, Hawaii, to vary to eat poisoned grain, the mousetrap was called into service. In the corn plots the traps were wired to partially eaten ears. For bait a soft kernel is used. When the bird attempts to eat the innocent-looking bait the trigger is released and the plunger caught by the head or neck. Death is instantaneous. For the mungo beans, the traps are also baited with the soft corn and laid on the ground near the plants.

The Perfect Hostess.

Mrs. Parke—My husband doesn't look well—he seems quite thin and tired.
Mrs. Lane—You haven't said that to him, have you?
Mrs. Parke—Oh dear, no; I thought you would rather tell him yourself.—Life.

Some men can't understand why the truth will nearly always serve better than a lie.

GRANDMOTHER KNEW

There Was Nothing So Good for Congestion and Colic as Mustard

But the old-fashioned mustard plaster burned and blistered while it acted. Get the relief and help that mustard plasters gave, without the plaster and without the blister.

Musterole does it. It is a clean, white ointment, made with oil of mustard. It is scientifically prepared, so that it works wonders.

Gently massage Musterole in with the finger-tips. See how quickly it brings relief—how speedily the pain disappears.

Try Musterole for sore throat, bronchitis, tonsillitis, croup, stiff neck, asthma, neuralgia, headache, congestion, pleurisy, rheumatism, lumbago, pains and aches of the back or joints, sprains, sore muscles, bruises, chilblains, frosted feet, colds of the chest (it may prevent pneumonia). 35c and 65c, jars and tubes; hospital size, \$3.00.

Better than a mustard plaster



STOMACH TROUBLE DISAPPEARED

Baptist Minister, of North Carolina, Says He Owe His Good Health to the Use of Black-Draught.

Summit, N. C.—"My health is good and I can say with pleasure I owe it to Black-Draught," writes the Rev. J. H. Wilcoxon, local Baptist minister at this place. In the statement given here, Mr. Wilcoxon said that Black-Draught had been used in his home for fifteen to eighteen years. "I have had stomach trouble," said Mr. Wilcoxon, "so that after meals I would break out in perspiration and feel tight in the chest. I would go to my self, take a good dose of Black-Draught, and in less than an hour all this disagreeable tightness would disappear. "I used it with my children for colds and constipation. I find it is a splendid remedy for gas and sour stomach and I would not be without it."

Mrs. Wilcoxon said: "In the spring when I would feel sluggish, have a bad taste in my mouth and a tight feeling in my head when I would stoop over when about my work, I knew it was torpid liver and that I must take something. Black-Draught is the best thing I know of. I use it in big doses at first, then small. It is fine—made me feel so much better. We feel that we couldn't get along without it."

The genuine, old, original Black-Draught powdered liver medicine has been used for over 80 years. Insist upon, and see that you get the genuine—Theford's. Sold everywhere; 25 cents.

PUT ALL PROPERTY ON BOOKS FOR TAX

ASSESSORS GIVEN SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS BY STATE ASSESSMENT BOARD.

MUST BE COMPLETED BY JULY

Tax Assessors Have Been Named in All Counties of State and Will Begin Work First of May.

Restriction of the equalizing powers of county commissioners as to real estate and strict instructions to verify statements of taxpayers as to personal property feature instructions to tax assessors which have been prepared by the State Board of Assessment. The board is composed of R. A. Doughton, Commissioner of Revenue; J. S. Manning, Attorney General; and W. T. Lee, chairman of the Corporation Commission. Tax assessors have been named in all of the counties of the State and will begin their work on May 1. Before that date instructions will be mailed them from the offices of Commissioner Doughton. The work of assessment must be completed not later than July 1.

The several boards of county commissioners have been made boards of Equalization and Review by the General Assembly and empowered to meet in that capacity each July.

Concerning the equalization powers of the board of commissioners the new letter of instructions says:

"As to real this equalization can be had only on years in which lands are valued for taxation, except when such valuation shall have been effected by some extraordinary circumstances, the facts in connection with which shall be found by such board in each case."

Under the interpretation placed upon the law by Commissioner Doughton, the counties which have declared present values just and a reassessment unnecessary are in the same position as in years when the question of valuation has not arisen and while the county commissioners will sit as a board of equalization they will be limited to cases with "extraordinary circumstances."

"Get it all on the books and don't take anybody's word for what it is worth is the substance of the instructions in regard to listing personal property. "It is customary to ask the taxpayer to give the value of personal property but this is merely for what it may be worth as information and does not relieve the officer from making a proper valuation," reads the instructions.

Special attention is called in the letter to intangible property which may be concealed and assessors are cautioned to secure the listing of all solvent credits including those of domestic and foreign corporations. The personal property exemption of \$300 has been continued despite the protest of legislators from Eastern counties but assessors are warned that this exemption includes only certain classes of property such as household and kitchen furniture, growing crops, etc.

Attention is called in the letter to the drastic penalties for mailing false or incomplete tax returns and the assessors are urged to see that all property, by whomsoever owned, is put on the books.

Low Bids on Projects \$3,670.20.

One hundred and fifty-eight contractors submitted bids on 2 road and bridge projects offered by the State Highway Commission aggregating \$3,670,238.20, breaking the record for the year and coming within one letting of setting up an entirely new mark for aggregate bids on a single day's letting since roads began to be offered in wholesale quantity two years ago.

Withdrawal of several major projects of hard surfacing on account of the serious shortage of cement cut down the original mileage advertised for letting to approximately 150 miles of new construction. About 90 miles of hard surface and 60 miles of other types were included, with grading and bridges on projects that were withdrawn for immediate hard surfacing.

Four major projects went beyond the three hundred thousand dollar mark in the bidding, they being the New Bern end of the Central Highway, a link of the W. C. A. Highway near Wilmington, the Wilson-Greene county line road and the Wayneville-Canton link of the Central highway. No contracts have been awarded, and it is likely that a number will be withdrawn because of unsatisfactory prices.

New Corporations.

Charters were filed with the Secretary of State for the following corporations to do business in North Carolina: Kenilworth Riding Academy, of Asheville, with \$100,000 authorized capital and \$3,600 subscribed by J. M. Chiles, Ben Chiles, and W. C. Adicks, all of Asheville. Ivey Realty Company, of Charlotte, with \$500,000 authorized capital and \$300 subscribed by J. B. Ivey, George M. Ivey and David Owens, all of Charlotte.

Seek To Think up Short Line Roads.

Rule One of the tariff regulations of the State Corporation Commission is invoked against the East Carolina Railroad and the contention that the Atlantic Coast Line has no provision in its charter whereby it may lease its property to individuals is set up in a supplemental brief filed by the State Traffic Association in its efforts to have subsidiary short lines declared a part of the parent system and placed on the same rate basis.

The case has been pending for more than a year, and extended hearings in the case of the East Carolina railroad, the Virginia & Carolina Southern, the Washington and Vandemere and others were held. No decision has been handed down by the Commission in either of the cases ending. The argument submitted in the brief by J. S. Griffin, probably means the re-opening of the cases, and some time may yet elapse before an order is made.

Under the contention of the Traffic Association, the short line railroads, which charge a higher freight rate than is allowed on the main line railroads, are actually owned by the parent lines, and farmed out technically to enable them to charge a higher freight rate. The complainants demanded that the lines be declared a part of the parent lines, and through tariffs ordered into effect.

In the case of the East Carolina Railroad, no denial was made of the fact that the Atlantic Coast Line owns all of its \$55,000 capital stock, and all of its \$300,000 outstanding bonds except \$5,000. A separate company from the Atlantic Coast Line leases the property, some 50 miles in length, and operates as an individual property, charging the freight rates allowed short lines. Henry Clark Bridgers, of Tarboro, is president of the company.

Judge Peils statement during the hearing that "I think any court would take judicial notice that any map who owns anything has the management and control of it, is quoted in the argument, along with Rule No. 1 which declares that "all connecting railroads which are under the same management and control, by lease, ownership, or otherwise, of one and the same company for the purpose of transportation in applying this tariff, be considered as one and the same road, and the rates shall be computed as upon parts of one and the same road, unless otherwise specified.

The contention is made that no specification is made in the rates of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad, or the East Carolina Railroad.

Nothing in the charter of either the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad or of the East Carolina Railroad gives the right to lease its property either as a corporation or as an individual. The United States Supreme court is quoted to the effect that a "lease by a railroad company of all of its road, rolling stock and franchises for which no authority is given in its charter is ultra vires and void." The brief closes with the contention that rule No. 1 be applied.

Grissom Collects \$14,000,000 in March.

Approximately \$14,000,000 was collected in March by the United States Internal Revenue Department, bringing the total for the nine months of the present fiscal year to \$101,000,000, as compared with \$91,125,482.80 for the same period last year. Gilliam Grissom, collector, announced. Mr. Grissom made public the following table of collections for the two periods:

Present fiscal year: July, 1922, \$10,089,418.63; August, 1922, \$1,075,285.29; September, 1922, \$15,709,584.84; October, 1922, \$8,183,323.12; November, 1922, \$8,610,935.85; December, 1922, \$9,011,837.72; January, 1923, \$12,102,152.73; February, 1923, \$10,113,500.40; March, 1923, \$4,000,000 (approximate).
Last fiscal year: July, 1921, \$8,220,513.07; August, 1921, \$10,762,990.45; September, 1921, \$16,164,348.14; October, 1921, \$9,808,308.40; November, 1921, \$4,999,233.73; December, 1921, \$11,962,422.99; January, 1922, \$5,683,280.98; February, 1922, \$6,614,156.54; March, 1922, \$11,525,228.59 (exact).

Allen to Head Training School.

A. T. Allen, for the past five years director of the work of teacher training under the State Department of Education, has accepted the presidency of the Cullowhee Normal school, in Jackson county, according to announcement made by State Superintendent E. C. Brooks. Mr. Allen will assume control of the school July 1. His successor in the department will not be named for the present.

Under recent acts of the General Assembly \$375,000 was appropriated for the expansion of the equipment of the school and under the management of President Allen the capacity of the school, which has been raised to the grade of a standard normal school will be practically doubled. Building operations have already been outlined by the Board of Trustees at a recent meeting.

Fourteen Millions in Revenue.

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The state has collected \$2,700,000 in income tax to date, the figure showing a substantial increase over last years receipts. The amount, however, still is below the budget commission's estimate of \$3,500,000.

MANY INJURED IN WAKE TORNADO

DAMAGE AMOUNTING TO ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS PROBABLE.

HUNDRED HOUSES WRECKED

Storm Originated in Edge of Johnson County and Took a Northeasterly Course.

Wendell.—A score of persons are said to have been injured, some of them fatally, a hundred or more large buildings blown down and property damaged to the amount of \$100,000 by a tornado which cut a path a half mile wide and between seven and ten miles long through eastern Wake county, according to reports received here.

The tornado, which is said to have originated in the edge of Johnston county, took a northeasterly course east of Wendell and freakishly skipped here and there, demolishing everything in its path for two hundred yards or more and then leaving the patch for the next two hundred yards untouched.

It swept within one half mile of Wendell where it wrought damage to the extent of \$1,000 on the farm of J. R. Richardson, and is declared to have blown down a building in Zebulon.

On the farm of J. P. Richardson, one mile east of Wendell, six of the 11 tenant houses were blown down, together with 14 large tobacco barns, 20 pack houses and two granaries.

One of the houses, occupied by John Denham, negro, was blown to splinters, and Denham's wife and 10 children were injured. The mother and one child, regarded as probably fatally injured, were removed to a Raleigh hospital.

The damage on this farm alone, it is estimated, was \$15,000.

On the farm of W. T. Roberts six or seven barns and some stables were blown down, while the kitchen of the dwelling of Norman Deans was blown off and a granary demolished.

The tornado, accompanied by a heavy downpour of rain, exercised all the freakish traits of the usual tornado. For a space of a half mile or more it wiped out every building in its path and then, for 200 yards, apparently skipped off, settling back in the same track again with unabated fury.

It will require the work of a very large road force to clear the highways in the course of the tornado, it is stated.

Weevil Makes Debut in Anson.

Wadesboro.—The boll weevil has already made its spring debut in Anson county. A number of genuine specimens were collected the other day from guano sacks in a field of Dr. R. D. Ross, of this city, near Lilesville. These specimens appeared to be large and healthy.

Dr. Ross humorously remarked that experts would again have to be sent here to advise with the farmers about the best way to forestall the weevil, since the weevil was now inspecting the brands of fertilizers to determine what the prospects were likely to be, and whether it would pay his weevilship to remain. Dr. Ross has several acres of cotton already up, and will wage a strong fight on the weevil, beginning right away to use the poison preventatives.

Consider Burned Forests Hopeless.

Asheville.—"Areas burned over one or more times are practically hopeless from the standpoint of spruce regeneration," according to forest officials, who are attending an investigative conference of the work in the southern and Appalachian forest experiment stations.

"Such areas," it is asserted, "soon grow up in dense tangles of blackberry briars followed by thick stands of fire cherry and yellow birch."

Increase Capacity of Market.

Kingston.—The local tobacco market will have a capacity of 800,000 pounds a day next fall as a result of institution of the triple sales system here, it was estimated by tobacco Board of Trade officials. This capacity will be "normal," and without a strain upon facilities. Under the system sales may be in progress at three points simultaneously. As the market stands now, there are only three warehouses left under the supervision of the Board of Trade, a fourth having been burned last winter. This may be restored. Two other warehouses in the city are being used by the tobacco and cotton co-operatives.

Elmira Mills Enlarge Plant.

Burlington.—The Elmira Cotton Mills company has begun the erection of a large addition to their plant in West Burlington. The new building will be 115x168, two stories, containing a saw-tooth roof, which is said to be the first of its kind to be erected in Alamance county. The cotton manufacturing concern will install 200 additional looms to their present equipment, the new machinery to be operated in the new building. Carding and spinning machinery will also be installed.

American Individualism

A Timely Message to the American People

By HERBERT HOOVER
Secretary of Commerce.

3—SPIRITUAL PHASES

OUR social and economic system cannot march toward better days unless it is inspired by things of the spirit. It is here that the higher purposes of individualism must find their sustenance. Men do not live by bread alone. Nor is individualism merely a stimulus to production and the road to liberty; it alone admits the universal divine inspiration of every human soul. I may repeat that the divine spark does not lie in agreements, in organizations, in institutions, in masses or in groups. Spirituality with its faith, its hope, its charity, can be increased by each individual's own effort. And in proportion as each individual increases his own store of spirituality, in that proportion increases the idealism of democracy.

For centuries, the human race believed that divine inspiration rested in a few. The result was blind faith in religious hierarchies, the Divine Right of Kings. The world has been disillusioned of this belief that divinity rests in any special group or class whether it be through a creed, a tyranny of kings or of proletariat. Our individualism insists upon the divine in each human being. It rests upon the firm faith that the divine spark can be awakened in every heart. It was the refusal to compromise these things that led to the migration of those religious groups who so largely composed our forefathers. Our diversified religious faiths are the apotheosis of spiritual individualism.

The vast multiplication of voluntary organizations for altruistic purposes are themselves proof of the ferment of spirituality, service, and mutual responsibility. These associations for advancement of public welfare, improvement, morals, charity, public opinion, health, the clubs and societies for recreation and intellectual advancement, represent something moving at a far greater depth than "joining." They represent the widespread aspiration for mutual advancement, self-expression, and neighborly helpfulness. Moreover, today when we rehearse our own individual memories of success, we find that none gives us such comfort as memory of service given. De we not refer to our veterans as service men? Do not our merchants and business men pride themselves in something of service given beyond the price of their goods? When we traverse the glorious deeds of our fathers, we today never enumerate those acts that were not rooted in the soil of service. Those whom we revere are those who triumphed in service, for from them comes the uplift of the human heart and the uplift of the human mind.

While there are forces in the growth of our individualism which must be curbed with vigilance, yet there are no less glorious spiritual forces growing within that promise for the future. There is developing in our people a new valuation of individuals and of groups and of nations. It is a rising vision of service. Indeed if I were to select the social force that above all others has advanced sharply during these past years of suffering, it is that of service—service to those with whom we come in contact, service to the nation, and service to the world itself. If we examine the great mystical forces of the past seven years we find this great spiritual force poured out by our people as never before in the history of the world—the ideal of service.

Just now we are weakened by the feeling of failure of immediate realization of the great ideals and hopes that arose through the exaltation of war. War by its very nature sets loose chaotic forces of which the resultants cannot be foretold or anticipated. The insensitiveness to the brutalities of physical violence, and all the spiritual dislocations of war, have left us, at the moment, poorer. The amount of serenity and content in the world is smaller.

The spiritual reaction after the war has been in part the fruit of some illusions during those five years. In the presence of unity of purpose and the mystic emotions of war, many men came to believe that salvation lay in mass and group action. They have seen the spiritual and material mobilization of nations, of classes, and groups, for sacrifice and service; they have conceived that real human progress can be achieved by working on "the psychology of the people"—by the "mass mind"; they yielded to leadership without reservation; they conceived that this leadership could continue without tyranny; they have forgotten that permanent spiritual progress lies with the individual.

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A Woman Astronomer.

A widely known woman astronomer is Miss Annie J. Cannon of Harvard college observatory. Miss Cannon has discovered more than eighty stars and has contributed much to the literature of astronomy.

MRS. EARLS TELLS WOMEN

How Backache and Periodic Pains Yield to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Olean, N. Y. — "Every month my blood would go to my head and I would have such a headache, nosebleed, backache and pains that I could not do my work. At night I could not get my rest and nothing seemed to do me any good. I read some of your testimonials about what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound had done for others, so I decided to try it. I had only taken two bottles when I began to be better, and my back did not hurt me nor my head ache. I felt like a new woman. The Vegetable Compound is a splendid medicine and I will always recommend it."—Mrs. A. D. EARLS, 630 N. 5th St., Olean, N. Y.



Mrs. Kelsey adds her Testimony
Copenhagen, N. Y.—"I read your advertisement in the papers and my husband induced me to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to get relief from pains and weakness. I was so weak that I could not walk at times. Now I can do my housework and help my husband out doors, too. I am willing for you to publish this letter if you think it will help others."—Mrs. HERBERT KELSEY, R.F.D., Copenhagen, N. Y.

Remarkable New Alloy.

A young French chemist named Mazarin has invented a new alloy resembling gold and it has been termed "areum." It has the brightness, durability and inoxidizability of gold, which qualities will permit its substitution in jewelry and other manufactures where gold is now used. No particulars as to composition seem available.

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