

WAS IT A MISTAKE?

Some say the purchasing of that steam shovel to load clay on trucks by the county commissioners was a mistake, for the reason, that is too much expense for the use to be made of it. The reasons for the purchase are: There is a lot of clay to be hauled; there are few laborers, and the work must be done, and Mr. W. E. Blue says he can do twice as much work.

But the machine is too large. It's the thing to load cars at the sandpit, or the gravelbed; but it is too ponderous to be moved about. With only a few trucks to load it may be standing idle burning coal with the operators waiting on the haulers.

There are but few bridges in this county we would like to drive that thing over.

And as some see it, it is like buying ten mules to run a two horse farm; like buying a five thousand dollar lynchtype machine to do two thousand dollars' worth of work a year; like building a hotel where nobody stops.

However, if it has been bought, and there is now no remedy, fifty or a hundred trucks or carts should be procured and the roads clayed to everybody's satisfaction, and a satisfactory large and we'll have as good roads as as they have in Robeson, eh?

The conditions in Mexico are bad. One resolution has just proven successful, and another is brewing. So it goes.

Tobacco growers have had a hard time to get their plants out from want of rain, and then cut worms have been the worst ever known.

We thought it would be so, and so it will be: The from county seat to county seat roads will be made good and all the others neglected.

Hi Johnson and General Wood both made speeches in the State last week. Both want the Republican nomination for President, but the bosses say neither will get it.

With the adoption of this Women's Rights Amendment goes the last vestige of states rights. Elections will be controlled thereafter by the national government.

We see it predicted on every hand that prices on everything is getting ready to tumble. If the prices of sugar and paper tumble from where they are they will bust sure.

The Journal wants to know how the teachers are to be given a substantial increase in pay, the roadbuilding doubled, or more, other expenses increased and the taxes not be increased?

Now they say there will be no changes in the original boundaries of Camp Bragg. Others, beside the Psalmist are ready to exclaim: "All men are liars"—those who dispense camp dope at any rate.

The straw vote being taken by The Literary-Digest shows that as many Democrats as Republicans want Hoover for President, and most of them are Southerners. That shows a mighty bad taste.

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(BY ARTHUR D. GORE)

If you knew there were ten million homeless and twice as many uncomfortably housed people in this country today; or if you knew that through American carelessness three hundred and fifty million dollars and fifteen thousand lives were lost each year through preventable fires, would you continue to be careless as perhaps you have been heretofore?

Do you believe in fire and automobile theft insurance? Several homes have been destroyed and automobiles stolen here in Hoke this year.

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(Adv.)

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