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**SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

When life has become extinct no scientist can reproduce it.

Sweep every Irish potato off the earth, and where is the scientist that can replace this spud?

Burbanks crossed up species, but he never produced a separate and distinct species. He could never graft a peach, apple or plum into walnut, pecan or hickory.

"The carnal mind is enmity against God, is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be." This is why there is so much research work going on—men are trying to escape responsibility.

If life grew, why cannot scientists discover a way to retain it? Or, if life is a spontaneous production, why should anything ever die?

Those who adhere to and follow strictly Bible teaching are the finest and most useful specimens of the human race. They have never been equalled on earth.

If all men have a right to freedom of thought, speech and action why have we laws against slander? And if teachers are entitled to absolute freedom in their teaching, what is to hinder heathen from entering and teaching their heathen ideas in our tax supporting schools? They could not teach more damaging things than are now being taught in North Carolina.

Hoke county had gotten along very well before it was adopted by the State. Local self government is now a pleasant memory.

Government by the State may be wise, but we are just as capable of attending to our own business as anybody in Raleigh is of attending to it for us. Woe be unto that man by whom such government comes.

It is just wonderful how well the people are paying up their taxes this year. There will be a longer list of lands for sale for taxes than usual, but be it remembered farmers have not made any money on their farms since 1919. The deflation in prices in 1920, the wet season in 1924, and then the ruinous drop in prices last year spoiled their chances of making any clear money.

There was a bill before the last General Assembly to increase the salary of the Attorney General. There are now three Assistant Attorneys General, Nash, the First Assistant Attorney General and Attorney General Brummitt differed recently upon 1927 legislation. The Road Commission, the Corporate Commission each has a special attorney paid by the State, notwithstanding the head of the Corporate Commission teaches two law classes; still a New York attorney is employed to pass on bond issue laws.

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Last Saturday night Mr. D. A. Baxley, station agent for the L. & S. Railroad at Raeford, ran off an embankment near Belhel church and was pretty badly injured. Blinding lights on a car he was meeting was the cause of the mishap we are told. But he was out Monday.

The Hoke county board of education met Monday and plans for a budget of next year's school funds were discussed. The law requires an itemized statement for each school, white and colored, to be submitted to the county commissioners, who are to have 20 days notice of this budget before appropriations can be made.

The weather has continued cool so long, plants will start very slowly this spring.

Lawyer Smith doesn't work his garden at all, and still his staff is larger than anybody's, which shows that work hasn't done any good this spring.

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