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COUNTRY AND CITY LIFE.

Era of Misunderstanding Disappearing—Progress Means Solution of Big Problems.

Unrest is back of every intellectual or political crusade or tendency in this country today.

One need not be a Republican a Democrat, a Socialist, a Bull Moose or a member of any other party to realize that fact.

Look about you and with very few exceptions you will see few people who are satisfied with existing conditions. One party may diagnose the trouble in its own particular way, and prescribe its own particular remedy. Another party may take an exactly opposite course.

But the man in the city or the country, if he reads and thinks and observes even a little, realizes that slowly, but irresistibly, there is approaching a readjustment in America; and in this readjustment, the main battle cry will be a more equal distribution of the burdens and the rewards, of the penalties and the premiums.

The great majority of Americans are discontented with the status as it now is, and the new spirit that is breathing over the face of the waters of thought and sentiment is the genuine and not the fake brotherhood of man—or at least a condition nearer approximating it than we have seen yet in this nation.

In that day of change, of evolution, that is coming, it is to the interest of both town and country to stand as one. In the final analysis, we are all Americans.

It is true, that a few prey upon town and country alike. It is against the interest of this few to encourage a thorough understanding between town and country.

We must remember, in considering this fact, that the city man of today was the country man of yesterday; that the countryman of today is likely to be the cityman of tomorrow; that both are of the same blood, with the same ties and the identical ultimate interest.

I am glad, as every thinking American should be glad, that the era of misunderstanding between city and country is disappearing. Progress in that direction means that in the arduous and delicate solution of the problems that beset our common nation, town and country will be arrayed together and battling for human rights, whether in the most popular city or the most sparsely settled country.

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Price Their Own Products.

Columbia, S. C., Jan. 30.—Farmers were urged to adopt more scientific methods in marketing their crops by several speakers at the Fifth National Corn Exposition today. Tillers of the soil, it was declared, are the only class of people who do not put a price on their products, but are forced to accept whatever terms are offered. As a remedy for this alleged evil, it was suggested that farmers should co-operate in the direction of regulating the supply so as to stimulate the demand.

It was National Farmers' Union day at the exposition and the annual mid-winter conference of the organization convened at the grounds.

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What The Laborers Do. (Statesville Landmark.)

The Landmark having expressed some curiosity to know something of the labor performed by the 39 "laborers" employed by the Legislature (14 in the Senate and 25 in the House) at \$2.50 per day each, a total cost of \$97.50 per day, the Newton News takes the stand and testifies as follows:

"We think we know something of the work to be done. There is the floor of the House to clean and it will take two good strong men at least a half hour to do this. There are the cuspidors to wash and this will take two men nearly an hour. There is the Speaker's room, about 10 by 12 feet, to be cleaned and it will take one man at least 30 minutes to do this. There is the clerk's office to be cleaned and this is another 30-minute job. There are two toilets to be cleaned and this will require 30 minutes each of some man's time. There is the rotunda to be swept out each day and two stairways to be swept. This will take two men 30 minutes each. Then there are two open fire places in the House that will need the services of a man two or three times a day to put coal in the grates. Then there is a laborious job of keeping the stationery room for the members. When they desire to write to their wives or sweet hearts or both, as the case may be, two or three pages will run for the stationery. Then there are stairways leading to the gallery that will need at least 30 minutes. Then the enrolling and engrossing clerks and the pretty girl stenographers and their superior officers will need some special services rendered.

"In fact four laborers could easily do all that is necessary to be done in the House, but The Landmark must think what would become of the other 21 laborers that are drawing salaries?"

"Two men could do all the labor that is necessary for the Senate, but what would become of the 12 that are drawing salaries?"

"We hope we have given the esteemed Landmark some light on this subject."

Thanks. The information is interesting. According to your figures the unnecessary expenditure for laborers alone is just \$85.50 per day. For the 60 days of the legislative session this will amount to \$5,130. This, be it remembered, is for laborers alone. There are pages, clerks, etc., etc., galore.

Seven Violent Deaths a Day.

During the past year, on an average, over seven persons met with violent deaths each day on Manhattan Island, a single one of New York city's five boroughs. The statement is contained in the annual report of the board of coroners. Of a total of 5,697 deaths in the borough in 1912, 2,985 were from natural causes and 2,712 of a violent character. Accidental falls were responsible for 746 fatalities, suicides came next with 474 victims, burns caused 267 deaths, 229 persons were drowned, there were 198 homicides and 183 persons were accidentally asphyxiated by illuminating gas. Automobiles struck and killed 146 persons during the year. Of the total of 340 deaths caused by automobiles, horse vehicles and surface cars 114 were of children.

NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Interesting Reading Matter of Local and National Affairs in Condensed Form.

A destructive fire swept a large part of the wharf at Savannah, Ga., last Sunday morning, causing a loss of \$1,500,000 worth property. The origin of the fire is unknown.

A panic occurred in a motion picture show in New York Saturday night when a film caught fire and a boy yelled fire. Eleven persons were injured two of them fatally.

Rev. J. N. Stallings a noted baptist minister of Spencer died last Sunday morning at his home in that place. He was 81 years old and had been in failing health for some time.

Fire destroyed a large tourist hotel at Aiken, S. C., last Sunday. The fire started in a storage room in the basement about noon and the building being a large three story structure, it burned rapidly. Many guests lost their personal effects and the proprietor came near losing his life from suffocation. The loss on the building is estimated at \$250,000.

Every man in the county, democrats and republicans, who holds politics above the welfare of the county, every fellow who prefers to make a political asset out of the road question, and every little fellow who wants a job and knows his only qualification is his political service, will be found fighting the new road law. The voter who desires to vote for the best interest of his county should take a careful inventory of those who are fighting hardest against the new movement.—Lincoln Times.

Mr. Carl E. Duncan, president of the Merchants National bank of Raleigh and a director of the Norfolk Southern Railway, has made an offer to buy the States interest in the Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad. It extends from Goldsboro to Morehead City, 94 miles and is now leased by the Norfolk Southern for a long term of years. Mr. Duncan offers what is considered a fair price for the road and it is quite likely the legislature will sell it, as it will afford a means to pay up the deficit in the running expenses of the State.

The Iredell Telephone Company, an independent organization, which is operating in Iredell county, having 879 phones in Statesville and the county, has made a fine showing for the year 1912. The company is giving its patrons good service and at a lower rate than in enjoyed by some other communities. The Iredell Phone company was organized in opposition to the Bell and is making good, saving the people about \$7,000 annually over the rates charged by the Bell company the Landmark says.

It seems the discussion of the work of the Superior Court Judges and the way they discharge the duties of their offices is bringing good results. The Landmark commends the work of Judge Whedbee, who is holding Iredell county court, for the prompt way in which he dispatched the business. Last week he cleared the criminal docket in three days. Now Judge Cline comes out in a code of rules for running his courts, which indicates that he will push matters to the utmost and permit no dallying and time killing.

GOOD ROADS ASSOCIATION

Organization for Caldwell County Effected Yesterday. Well Attended.

Persuant to a call that had been published, a goodly number of citizens met yesterday in the court house to organize a Good Roads Association for Caldwell county. Mr. G. M. Goforth acted as chairman and H. C. Martin as secretary. Mr. Robert G. Thompson of Lower Creek township was elected President of the Association, G. F. Harper Vice President, H. C. Martin Secretary and Bruce Anderson Treasurer. The President was directed to appoint a Vice President for each township who will have the matter of township organization in hand. The following named gentlemen were named. Globe, Z. V. Holloway, Hudson, C. E. Conley, Johns Creek, B. O. Teague, Lenoir, G. A. Tuttle, Little River, J. F. Steele, Lower Creek, T. H. Broyhill, Lovelady, Walter S. Taylor, North Catawba, R. B. Bush, Patterson J. C. Coffey Wilson Creek J. F. Cook Yadkin Valley H. B. Steele.

There was much enthusiasm manifested for better roads and the bills now before the legislature looking to an automobile tax for state engineers and to provide convict aid and to extend state aid by guaranteeing county bonds were discussed and favored though no official action was taken in the matter. The bill permitting Caldwell county to vote on a bond issue of \$200,000 for the construction of good roads was read and discussed. Nine of the twelve townships of the county were represented in the meeting and the organization effected will work for the betterment of the roads by a bond issue. The meeting adjourned subject to the call of the President and at the next meeting committees to draft by-laws etc will be provided.

United States Secretary of Agriculture, James Wilson who attended the Corn Exposition in Columbia last week advised the farmers to raise more grain and feed the grain to stock on their farms instead of selling it. Raise more cattle and hogs was his advice.

Hon. James C. L. Gudge, former Superior Court judge in North Carolina, died Wednesday morning at the home of his daughter in Waynesville. He was 78 years old, native of Buncombe county, Confederate veteran and served 16 years on the Superior Court bench, retiring about 30 years ago.

By a mishap to the engine last Saturday night, the Chicago Ladies Concert Company which was billed to play at the Graded School did not arrive here in time to fill the engagement. They first missed connection in Salisbury, which caused them to take the 7:40 train out of Hickory and the mishap to it made further delay.

Mooresville, Jan. 27. This morning about 11:30 o'clock Neil Hudson was found dead in the new residence which is being constructed by C. A. Troutman on north Main street. When found his body was cold, which indicates that he had been dead for several hours. He had been nailing lathes in the house for several days and had come to work this morning, it is supposed, and evidently died of heart trouble.

Causes Three Murders.

Greensboro, Jan. 29.—Pistol-toting among a large class of negroes in this city has become an epidemic and it has come to be the unusual thing when a negro is arrested for some petty offense that a search does not reveal some form of "shooting iron" or "razoo." The police, who have of late been strikingly impressed with the fact that a large number of negroes go constantly armed, say they have inaugurated a determined campaign to break up pistol-toting and Judge Eure of the city court has gone on record as determined to give a road sentence to every man arrested and found to have upon his person a concealed weapon.

The habit has gone to such an extent that a negro whose duties were about the city hall was recently found to have a pistol on him. The negro had even acted as janitor in police headquarters. When one of the officers unexpectedly found the pistol on the negro a few days ago he explained its presence by declaring "so many of the niggers were carrying guns that he had to do so for protection." That is probably the idea of many others who are daily taking chances with a road term.

One result of the epidemic, the police say, has been three negro murders and almost a score of minor shooting scrapes within the past few months.

Where Shall They Go? (Union Republican.)

Judge Cook, who is holding Forsyth Superior Court, has a fund of logic intermingled at times with wit and humor. In passing judgment on a white woman for keeping a disorderly house, Saturday, he said that it was customary to send these "soiled doves" away, and spoke a parable when he said "and where shall they go?" In lecturing the defendant he told her to "go and sin no more," but if she did, select those who had manhood enough in them to stick to her when she got in trouble. What is really needed is a hand to help these poor creatures reform and attain to a virtuous life. When a woman falls, her opportunities for reformation are few and far between. Whose duty it is to seek and save these lost ones is a personal question. Christ came to save sinners and the commission was "to go out into the by-ways and hedges and gather them in." With 35,000 of these women in New York alone, there is work for somebody, agency or organization and individuals to do in the Master's harvest field and right at our doors.

Crowds Headed For Capital.

Washington, Jan. 30.—Prospects that the largest crowd that ever gathered here on an inauguration, will witness the ceremonies incident to the induction into office of President-elect Wilson, were apparent at the "booster day" meeting of the Inaugural Committee today.

According to figures made public, 20,000 National Guardsmen and members of other organizations have definitely arranged to attend the inauguration.

These figures, however, indicate only a portion of the big host that is making arrangements to visit the capital.

Some married women are now of the belief that their wooden wedding was celebrated on the day they were married.

APPLES AS HEALTHY DIET

Fruit Contains Medicinal Properties That are Good for The Brain and Nerve.

Do you know what you are eating when you eat an apple? You are eating gallic acid, one of the most necessary elements in human economy. You are eating sugar in the most assimilable form, combined carbon, hydrogen and oxygen caught and imprisoned from the sunshine. You are eating albumen in its most available state. You are eating a gum allied to the "fragrant medicinal gums of Araby." And you are eating phosphorous in the only form in which it is available as the source of all brain and nerve energy. In addition to all these, you are drinking the purest of water and eating the most healthful and desirable fiber for the required "roughness" in food elements. The acids of the apple diminish the acidity of the stomach and prevent and cure dyspepsia. They drive out the obnoxious matters that cause skin eruptions and thus are nature's most glorious complexion makers. They neutralize in the blood the deleterious elements that poison the brain and make it sluggish. The contained phosphorous is not only greater than in any other form of food, but it is presented in a shape for immediate use by the brain and nerves where it may flash into great thoughts and great deeds. The ancients assigned the apple as the food for the gods, and its juices the ambrosial nectar to which they resorted to renew their youth. Men are the gods of today, and the apple is their royal food, the magic renewer of youth. Eat a rich ripe apple every day and you have disarmed all diseases of half their terror.

"The Ablest Man In The House." (Charlotte Chronicle)

Mr. Jonathan Peele writing in The Lenoir Exchange declares that "Ed Justice is by all means the ablest man in the House of Representatives and is going to run things there almost as he pleases." There be many who will disagree with Mr. Peele. Few probably would dispute the assertion that Mr. Justice is the best expert in the House when it comes to pyrotechnics. He can certainly make more noise than any other two men in the lower branch, but for real brains and substantial ability there are half a dozen or more men in the House with whom he does not compare such men for instance as Henry A. Page of Moore County, Walter Murphy of Rowan and others. It is such men as Messrs. Page and Murphy, Bowie of Ashe, Doughton of Allegheny, Gold of Guilford, Dellinger of Gaston, Ray of Macon, McPhail of Richmond, Connor of Wilson, McNair of Robeson, and other men of this type who put in their time thinking and working who are the salvation of the State. Men of this type do the real work in the Legislature. They initiate wholesome legislation and smoothly the rough places out of measures proposed and pushed by the element that is radical but not necessarily progressive. After all there is a very great difference between radicalism and progressiveness.

Many a man can sell a 50-cent article for a dollar and then not be able to hold on to the dollar.