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It is far better to marry a rich man than to have a chance to get even.

Suggestion for the next and blaguest draught: Name it the waterway.

Few persons are discomfited at Secretary Bryan's support of President Wilson's canal bills policy.

A New York litigant wins a suit for \$4800 at a cost of \$185000 and still some folks insist that New York lawyers want it all.

The principal drawback about marrying an aristocratic explorer's widow is that one may be a hero and the world would never know it.

The discovery by a French savant that men and women were equal in the days of old Egypt only serves to show how men have degenerated.

General Cox says he is satisfied with the side of his work, and if it keeps on dwindling, the rest of the world will join in his enthusiasm.

The Raleigh Times exposes a fellow saying "A man who will violate the prohibition law usually is not averse to violating any other law."

The Standard who sent Columbus back to chains must have been touched off with a gift of prophesy regarding what his discovery of America would bring about.

There are times when a man must be strong in the courage of his convictions to stand by a national policy.

This trouble might never have occurred if Gen. Rosy Jones had had the courage to march on Mexico City.

It is just possible, of course, that an American might suppress Sherrill Hughes as a bad number.

No doubt a number of people in Mexico City would be willing to put electric light "wedges" in United States troops if they arrive ahead of Villa.

Any friendly relationship of Huerta Villa and Carranza, must be in the nature of what Prof. Houston's chemistry experts would describe as an unstable compound.

"We've got the ships, we've got the men, we've got the money too." Besides, we've got the women. The Red Cross is preparing nurses, who are volunteering, and the D. A. R. are lining up for a way to help.

Two anarchists, a man and a woman, told a crowd in Park Row, New York, that the American flag wasn't worth fighting for. Assured before the speeches the crowd could have been pronounced a lot of hums, but the police had to forcibly interfere and arrest the speakers to protect them from their wrath. The country is tolerably safe yet, even in New York City.

It is reported in reliable circles that Huerta is making preparations to hot foot, out of Mexico on short notice, and it is not believed that he will attempt to maintain himself in power much longer, as the real wealthy people who have hitherto supported him have practically all deserted him and Mexico will not be a very safe place for him to remain in when he once relinquishes his power.

Swat the fly before he swats the baby.

The candidates can have the right of way now.

What has become of the talk for a baseball team for Greenville?

Some other things of less interest you can afford to forget, and put in your time talking for Greenville.

With the Pollard trial ended and no much doing in Mexico, folks can fill in the time at work until something else happens to take their attention.

Oklahoma officials are as sore on horse racing as if they had been backing the losing ponies.

Mrs. M. E. Greenhouse's advice to marry college girls comes too late for the old Sams who don't like anybody how.

The scientist who claim to be able to photograph thoughts ought to be given a chance to try it on John Land.

Judging from Gen. Woods views on the sanitary benefits of war, he may be planning a "clean up campaign."

Very probably, further activity in Mine Cullhays trial awaits the completion of her coming out dress.

Perhaps Caruso will settle with the gifted maid who is suing for \$100000 by singing to her a few times.

No one can deny that Tom Ligon is doing what he can to clean up the planning another boat race.

This is the time of the year when old time people, who always had some good health, began drinking something new.

Strange how quickly the engaged movement fades away when something important comes around.

A Harvard Professor says there are 143 good and unobjectionable substitutes for the word "damn." The professor evidently never fell over a railing chair in the dark or stepped on a boy's smile on the stair way.

A man stopped us on the street to say "We are not going to Mexico to fight greasers, but we had better get busy about making war on the flies at home." Yes, swat them good and hard.

An editor in Virginia suggests that Cole Blaise be sent to Mexico. Probably the Federals would quiet him. If they did they would accomplish something that no one has yet been able to do.

Just look at these two squibs that come right together in the Wilmington Dispatch.

For the butchers to charge so much is certainly not meet. Wow!

Some folks who think themselves witty are simply clownish.

Guess Cowan has jumped off the beach ere this.

Mexicans have a great deal more sense than we are disposed to give them credit for. A report is circulated in Piedras Negras the other night that a regiment of Texas cowboys was about to cross the border whereupon the entire garrison of Mexicans, consisting of 1200 well armed soldiers and 2000 volunteers who had just enlisted to fight the "Gringers" fled in disorder.

Judge Frank A. Daniels, who presided at the term of court just closed, has strongly entrenched himself in the esteem of the people of Pitt county. The term of court was a most strenuous one. The murder trial that occupied eight days, prolonging the court nearly a week over time, was one that taxed both the patience and learning of a judge, and Judge Daniels is showed that he possessed them in marked degree. His charge to the jury in the trial was that of an able judge.

Teaching Huerta etiquette is like teaching a bear to dance.

Were it not for women we are told, all the men would be savages.

TOLL QUESTION TO BE AMENDED.

It seems now very certain that when the free toll bill passes the Senate that it will be so amended that the foreign countries will understand that we are not giving up any rights whatever in repealing the free tolls on coastwise shipping through the Panama Canal, and that in the future if we should decide on free toll that we will again pass the law without consulting any other country. It is quite certain now that the administration bill will pass the senate by equally as satisfactory a majority as that by which it passed the House. In addition to having the support of the entire Democratic wing of the Senate with a few insignificant exceptions, the President also has the ablest Republicans of the Senate supporting the measure, such as Senators Root of New York, Burton of Ohio, Lodge of Massachusetts and others.

In the term of court just closed with the trial of the Pollard case, Solicitor Charles L. Abernethy added much to his already splendid reputation as a prosecuting attorney. Perhaps he has never had a harder legal fight on his hands than in this case, and the ability with which he handled it proved him equal to the occasion. True, he was assisted by able counsel in the trial, but the bulk of the work was on the Solicitor. His closing speech in the argument before the jury could hardly be excelled.

Notice of Precinct Meetings.

As chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee of Pitt county, and by virtue of authority of a meeting of the said Democratic Executive Committee held in the town of Greenville on Saturday, April 10th, 1914, I hereby notify all Democratic voters that there will be held on Saturday, May 16th, at 2 o'clock, precinct meetings in the several townships in Pitt county, at their respective voting places, for the purpose of selecting delegates to the county convention, which convenes at the court house in Greenville on Saturday, May 23, 1914, at 11 o'clock.

At the county convention delegates will be elected to the state congressional and judicial conventions.

The number of delegates to which each township is entitled to send to the county convention is as follows: Beaver Dam, 3 Delegates; Bayview, 2 Delegates; Bethel, 2 Delegates; Carolina, 5 Delegates; Child, 4 Delegates; Contentnea No. 1, 13 Delegates; Contentnea No. 2, 4 Delegates; Falkland, 4 Delegates; Farmville, 8 Delegates; Greenville, 25 Delegates; Pachelius, 3 Delegates; Swift Creek, 5 Delegates.

I hereby call upon and request all Democratic voters to attend these precinct meetings, that all people and all sections may be fully represented in the county convention. This the 16th day of April, 1914.

CHAS. C. PIERCE,
Chairman Democratic Executive Com.
F. M. WOOTEN, Secretary.

Notice.
NOTICE OF REGISTRATION AND ELECTION UPON PROPOSITION TO VOTE SPECIAL TAX IN SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER 5, SWIFT CREEK TOWNSHIP, PITT COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Pitt county in regular meeting assembled on the 6th day of April 1914, ordered an election to be held in Swift Creek township, Pitt county, North Carolina on Tuesday, June 16, 1914 at Quinerly's store, on the question or proposition of voting for or against the levying a Special School Tax of thirty cents on the hundred dollars valuation of property, and ninety cents on the poll.

Boundary lines of said District No. 5, Swift Creek township, are as follows:

Beginning at Griffon District line, on Contentnea Creek and runs an eastwardly direction to Pitt and Craven County line thence with Pitt and Craven County line to a point including the Greenlands, E. E. Powell lands, W. J. Kilpatrick and J. B. Kilpatrick, thence in a northern direction to Swift Creek, including the W. H. Patrick land, then up said creek to Gum Swamp, thence westwardly up Gum Swamp, to the Pugh lands, including the Pugh lands to the road, thence westwardly with the road to District line, of District Number 2, Swift Creek, or better known as the Hanrahan District line, thence southwardly with said district and Griffon district line, to the beginning.

And notice is further hereby given that an entirely new registration for said election was ordered and called,

and that J. P. Quinerly, Jr., was and is appointed registrar for said election and W. F. Harding, E. A. Johnson, Poll holders or Judges of election and that the books for registration will be open on Saturday May 16th, 1914, and closed at sunset on Saturday, June 6, 1914, that on each Saturday during the said registration period, the registration books will be open at the said Quinerly's store, and at all other times during the said period, will be open at the residence of the said registrar, and all citizens desiring to vote in said Special School Tax Election, to be held on Tuesday, June 16th, 1914 will be required to register. This the 14th day of April 1914.

B. M. LEWIS, Chairman
of Board of County Com. Pitt County.
Attest:
BRASCOE BELL, Clerk.

REPORT OF THE GRAND JURY

North Carolina, Pitt County Superior Court, April Term, 1914 To His Honor, F. A. Daniels, Presiding:

We, the Grand Jury for the above Term of Court, beg to submit the following report:

We have made careful examination of all matters that have come before us, and have reported them to this court. We have also made presentment of such violations of the law as have come to our knowledge with sufficient evidence.

In accordance with instructions, we have inspected the convict camp, county home, court house and jail, the offices and records of Superior Court Clerk, Register of Deeds, the Sheriff and Treasurer.

It is our opinion that the convicts are well cared for, well fed and well attended to. We recommend, however, that the County Commissioners investigate the advisability of substituting a tent in place of the cages in which the convicts are now housed. This recommendation is made after consulting with the superintendent of the convict force and the superintendent of health. In the event the cages are continued in use, we consider it necessary that not so many convicts be housed in one cage as they appear to be very much crowded. We also recommend that mattresses be purchased for the sleeping quarters. Our information comes from the superintendent of health that there is very little sickness among the convicts, that in a majority of cases they even improve in physical condition. We also suggest that separate quarters be provided for the sick.

The county home was visited. Conditions there were found to be as good as could be expected under existing circumstances, the inmates of whom there are 17 being well cared for. Inasmuch as the County Commissioners have already purchased a new location and are preparing for the erection of a well equipped sanitary building for caring for caring for the county's unfortunates in this respect, we do not deem it necessary to suggest any material changes or improvements. We would suggest, however, that milk cows be purchased to provide milk for the inmates.

The offices and records of Clerk of Court, Register of Deeds, Sheriff and Treasurer we find kept in a most satisfactory manner and we take pleasure in commending to the Court the efficient service which these officials are rendering to the County.

We recommend that the concrete floors of the jail be so arranged that they can be flushed with running water, as we are informed that they cannot be conveniently kept clean otherwise.

We also recommend in accordance with the suggestion of your honor, that the concrete steps and the other unsightly crumbling of the concrete work that marks the approach to the court house be repaired.

In concluding our duties, and tendering our report, we wish to your honor, and the officers of the court our appreciation of the courtesies extended us.

Respectfully submitted,
C. S. CARR,
Foreman of the Grand Jury.

Wanted.
To purchase a farm of not less than 25 acres not more than 400, on easy terms. If you have one to sell write or see me, if you mean business. I prefer buying within 5 miles of rail road, but price and terms would induce purchasing elsewhere.
J. F. BARWICK,
Ayden, N. C.

Memorial Services

Service Opened With a Beautiful Prayer by Rev. C. M. Rock, Pastor of Memorial Baptist Church.

Monday night in the assembly hall of East Carolina Teachers Training School were held interesting memorial exercises in honor of the late Prof. W. H. Ragsdale, superintendent of schools of Pitt county, and a member of the faculty of the Training School. In addition to the entire school body, many citizens were in attendance.

Underneath the handsome oil portrait of Prof. Ragsdale on the left of the stage, was a festoon of beautiful flowers. Occupying seats on the stage were the members of the school faculty, trustees and those who took part in the exercises.

Prof. Herbert E. Austin, of the faculty committee, presided over the meeting and introduced the speakers. As the school will later have published a memorial booklet containing all of the speeches, together with a picture of Prof. Ragsdale, the Reflector will now give only a synopsis of the exercises that were opened with prayer by Rev. C. M. Rock, pastor of Memorial Baptist church.

The program included three appropriate songs by the school, one following the prayer, another preceding Mr. Joyner's address, and one at the close.

Mr. A. G. Cox, chairman of Pitt county Board of Education, paid a fitting tribute to Prof. Ragsdale as county superintendent. He first knew him as a teacher when he came to Greenville and took charge of the male academy in an old wooden building then occupying the site that is now the location of our splendid graded school. Among those who received their training in this school are numbered many of our best business and professional men. Two of them are now Superior Court Judges, and it can be truthfully said the state has no better judges than these. Mr. Cox said best days work the Board of Education ever did for Pitt county was when in 1881, they made Prof. Ragsdale county superintendent of education. He then told of the progress the schools of the county had made, especially during the last fifteen years, and said that Prof. Ragsdale laid the foundation for better schools in Pitt county that will continue to develop through the years and ages to come. He suggested a fitting monument to his memory and asked for the co-operation of all teacher, school and citizen in this.

Rev. C. M. Rock spoke of Prof. Ragsdale as pastor of the church of which the deceased was a member. His association with him for three years had shown him the real worth of the man. What Prof. Ragsdale accomplished for others was due to his having taken on the higher and sweeter life found in christianity. It was the larger and nobler life that made him what he was. It kept him controlled, guided him, and led him to take part in those things that helped others and blessed mankind. He felt that he was best serving God when he was doing most for his fellow man. He was true to all things committed to his trust because he possessed the spirit of the master.

Dr. Roy C. Flanagan spoke of Prof. Ragsdale as one of his pupils. He was proud of the fact that he was one of his boys, an affectionate way Prof. Ragsdale had of referring to those in his school. He told how the school was controlled by love and kindness rather than with the rod. He was indeed a companion of his students, entering with them in their games, touching their lives at every point, and was one of them in all things. Such a teacher could but have the love of his students and make a lasting impression for good upon their lives.

Dr. B. W. Spilman, of Kinston, spoke of Prof. Ragsdale's home life, and the influence upon his own life during the twenty one years that he had known him intimately. He spoke tenderly and beautifully of his companionship, his devotion, and his helpfulness to others.

Dr. J. Y. Joyner, State Superintendent of Education, spoke of his relation with Prof. Ragsdale in educational work.

He gave a brief biographical sketch of Prof. Ragsdale, followed with a review of his career, stressing the prominent part he took in educational affairs. He had the most ideal county teachers association of any county in the state. In dealing with his teachers his orders seemed requests and were always promptly and cheerfully carried out. He imparted enthusiasm and inspired others with his spirit. He brought the best of teachers into the county and had the happy faculty of bringing out the best in those who worked with him. The placing of teachers was left to him almost entirely by committeemen. He carried joy with him in his visits to the schools. He gave his life to the work, and doubtless would have lived longer had he spared himself more. He was a friend most admired and loved, self-

forgetful, loyal and true, always optimistic and encouraging. His loss is great indeed. Dr. Joyner also gave some figures showing the increase and development of schools under Prof. Ragsdale's administration. He also told of the great help Prof. Ragsdale had been to him in carrying on the duties of his office, his counsel always being sought in matters of school legislation, and in matters of general education throughout the state, and prominent in all educational meetings.

Prof. R. H. Wright, president of the Training School, spoke of Prof. Ragsdale as a member of the faculty of the school.

He began by saying every type of human life contributes something that swells the tide of human progress even the kicker may indirectly cause some other man to pull stronger. But the man who is one of the greatest factors in human life is the one who sees good in all a man who inspires others, who becomes a hopeful stimulus. Such a man was W. H. Ragsdale.

Mr. Wright said that he knew him from the day he became president and from that day until his last day, he found him a true friend and an indefatigable worker for the best interests of the school. It seemed a real joy to him to do things for the students. No task was too severe, no duty too lowly for him to perform. As teacher of school management he was a close vital link between them and practice and helped keep the faculty close to problems. As a teacher he took hold of the simplest detail dealt with it with snap and enthusiasm. He was not speculative. He did not dream out theories. He was always working and struggling to help others. He lived the real life. He found the best in people and magnified it, minimizing their weaknesses. He was a great teacher and has built for himself a monument in the hearts of his people. President Wright said he was convinced that the most appropriate monument to his memory would be an endowed scholarship that would send annually to the Training School, free of charge, some Pitt county girl. That would be a live monument, constantly taking the inspiration of his life into the lives of the people he loved so well.

As for his personal relations with Mr. Ragsdale Mr. Wright could not trust himself to say much, for he feels his loss too keenly but he was his friend loyal and true. "If God loves the man who loves his fellowman then surely God loved Mr. Ragsdale."

Mr. Wright closed with a beautiful poetic tribute breathing forth the idea that his life is living on, an inspiration to the friends he has left behind.

President Wright has perhaps been more closely associated with Mr. Ragsdale in his educational work since the Training school was established than any other man.

Hon. J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary of State, was also expected to be one of the speakers, but finding he could not come he sent a letter to Prof. H. E. Austin, chairman of the committee, which the latter read. Mr. Grimes said that Prof. Ragsdale was one of the truest and best men he ever knew. For many years he was his close and loyal friend. The solemn words "Ragsdale is dead" came as a shock to all, and in every home in the county the news brought a feeling of loss. Mr. Grimes referred to the great educational change that had come to Pitt county after Prof. Ragsdale took up his work as county superintendent. His acceptance of office was a pledge of duty to his people, and he consecrated every power of his being to its fulfillment. He was a master organizer, and had in a most unusual degree the wonderful faculty of imparting his enthusiasm to those with whom he worked. As an educator he was known far and wide for his ability and his success in his chosen work. Some of the chief characteristics of the man were his common sense, his knowledge of man, kindness of heart and respect for the feelings and opinions of others. With a gentle and attractive personality, those who came close to him loved him. The East Carolina Teachers Training School owes much to his initiative and to his aggressive, persistent leadership and work. He was among the first to advocate its establishment, and was second to no one in bringing about the conditions and influence that caused the location of that institution at Greenville.

Good for One Smudge a Week.
JACKSON, Miss., May 6.—The May Mott Lewis liquor came into operation today and placed Mississippi one step nearer to the column of "dry" states. Under the provisions of the law the individual consumer in Mississippi henceforth will be limited to one gallon of whiskey and one case of beer or other light beverage per month, and the consignee must certify that the shipment is for personal use.

Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Rumbley and children, of Nashville, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Haskett.