

NORTH CAROLINA MINES MOST GOLD

HAD FIRST AMONG EASTERN DURING YEAR.—SECOND FOR DECADE.

LATE STATE CAPITOL NEWS

Review of the Latest News Gathered Around the State Capitol That Will Be of Interest to Our Readers Over North Carolina.

Raleigh.
A special letter from Washington says the United States Geological Survey press bulletin just issued has the following item on North Carolina mine production. The review shows increases in gold and copper output. It reads:

"North Carolina easily retained first rank in gold output among the Eastern or Appalachian states in 1914, the yield having been the second largest in the last 10 years. The total production of gold in 1914 amounted to 6,116.92 ounces, 6,116.92 ounces in 1913. In 1914 the value of the North Carolina gold yield was \$131,141 of a total of \$170,589 for all the Eastern states.

The gold was obtained from 12 mines and 9 deep mines, but several of the mines made a very small production. The largest producing placer was the Biggerstaff, in Rutherford county, had the largest yield of gold from deep mining. Other mines which contributed an appreciable part of the gold output were the Rich Cog and Thomas mines, in Montgomery county; the Gold Hill, in Rowan county, and the Hope, in Union county.

"The silver output of the state, recovered as a by-product from gold mining, was 1,324 ounces, valued at \$44,182 in 1914, against 1,812 ounces, valued at \$19,653 in 1913. The copper production in 1914 was 20,434 pounds, valued at \$2,718.

"The total value of the gold, silver, and copper in North Carolina was \$174,907, against \$128,685 in 1913. "From the seven producing deep mines in 1914 there was treated 17,441 short tons of ore, of which 17,441 tons was siliceous gold ores, with an average recovery of \$7.17 a ton in gold and silver, and the remainder was old copper-bearing residues. "The placers of North Carolina yielded 24.45 fine ounces of gold and 30.05 ounces of silver in 1914, and the siliceous ores 6,012.91 ounces of gold and 1,311.91 ounces of silver."

Will Soon Mark Boundary.

Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, State Geologist, announced that the commission recently named by the United States Supreme Court to mark the boundary line which separates North Carolina and Tennessee will begin its work during the middle of this month. He is chairman of the commission, the other two members being A. M. Hale of Hendersonville, Tenn., and B. D. Stone of Raleigh. Several hundred thousand acres of timber lands have been awarded to North Carolina by the terms of the settlement of the suit and it is the intention of the members of the commission to mark the boundary line in such a manner that there will be no cause for further disputes between the two commonwealths. Permanent markers in the form of small monuments will be set and other forms of permanent construction work will be done in the marking of the dividing line between the states.

The Named North Carolina.

W. F. Hargrove, a prominent politician of Kinston, now spending a few weeks in the West, writes back that he has discovered a giant tree in the Yosemite National Park, California, named "North Carolina." The tree is filled with the big redwoods, and nearly all of them more than 25 feet in circumference at the base are named "North Carolina." It is one of the finest specimens, Dr. Hargrove says, although still a "young tree" about 5,000 years. One of its older members is supposed to be the oldest living thing in the world.

Roanoke Takes Typhoid Vaccine.

1,164 residents of Buncombe county have taken the treatment look for their immunization against typhoid fever during the first two weeks of the anti-typhoid campaign in the movement of Health Officer D. S. Barber. The campaign will continue for four more weeks. For the benefit of negroes who are unable to leave their work during the week, the physicians conducted a dispensary Sunday afternoon at which a large number of colored people of the county were vaccinated.

Rush For Auto Licenses.

From the way in which the calls for 1915 licenses are pouring into the Secretary of State from owners of automobiles there is every assurance now that it will be a matter of only a few days before the numbers will be well up to the 16,000 record of 1915. The issue of a number of local officers after parts of the state immediately after the first of the month in demonstrating that it was their purpose to make arrests in all cases where new machines were operated without a license number had the desired effect.

Sending After Inheritance Tax

The Corporation Commission announced the appointment of three traveling auditors whose service is to be in the line of a more thorough enforcement of the revenue laws of the state. They are: T. W. Fenner, Raleigh; A. J. Hauser, Winston-Salem; C. H. Ray, of Waynesville. All have had experience in tax matters. Mr. Fenner was recently city clerk of Raleigh and formerly register of deeds of Halifax county. Mr. Hauser has for several sessions been clerk of the Finance Committees of the Legislature. Mr. Ray has been mayor of Waynesville for many years and made fine records in the enforcement of the license laws of that city.

The commission is carrying out a comprehensive plan for effective enforcement of the revenue laws of the state. Following a decision of the supreme court last Winter, in a case which the commission caused to be brought, that the inheritance tax act applied to real as well as personal property, since 1905, it secured authority from the legislature to employ special counsel to assist in enforcing and enforcing payment of all inheritance taxes that are past due and unpaid, the compensation for such service to be on a five per cent commission basis, which will in most cases be more than covered by the interest liability for delay in settlement, and the commission has recently secured the service of local counsel in each county in the state to prosecute the collection of such unpaid taxes.

Demonstrators Meet in August.

Announcement has been made of the meeting of state demonstration agents in Raleigh August 24-26. The agents of the state, seventy or more in number, will be here for the conference of the club boys from the 17th to 20th of August, and will remain over for the other meeting which will be in Pullen Hall of the A. and M. College.

Three lectures will be heard and conferences had each morning from seven until nine o'clock and from four until six o'clock in the afternoon. The intervening hours will be spent in practical demonstration work, visits to the state institutions and the college. From two o'clock until four o'clock in the afternoon there will be conferences on farm life.

The evening exercises will take the form of practical lectures. On Tuesday, August 24th, will be heard a lecture on "The Health of the County," and on Wednesday there will be a lecture on "Business of Farming."

The committee which has in charge the formation of a program for the demonstrators is composed of Messrs. C. R. Hudson, State agent of farm demonstration, Dan T. Gray, chief of the division of animal industry, and Prof. C. L. Newman.

State Incomes Show Increase.

Secretary McAdoo made public the receipts from corporations and individuals under the income tax law paid into the Treasury during the fiscal year ending June 30, listed by the two North Carolina internal revenue districts: Fourth North Carolina, Mr. Bailey collector, corporation income tax, \$95,781.72; individual income tax, \$53,307.54. Fifth district Mr. Watts collector, corporation, \$162,123.66 and individual, \$70,166.42.

The figures for last year were: Bailey's district, corporations, \$59,959; individuals, \$27,363. Watts, corporation \$113,308, individual, \$19,202.

The statement for the entire country shows a falling off in income tax collections, but North Carolina's showing is better by far than that of last year.

More Land for National Forest.

Washington—The Reservation Commission added 97,888 acres to the National Forest holdings of the United States in New England and the South. The purchases approved will involve the expenditure of \$380,000 or about \$3.88 an acre.

The largest parcel is the Boone purchase, which starts under Blowing Rock and lies in Caldwell and Avery counties. It contains 36,386 acres, which the owners agree to sell for \$1.90 an acre.

The other North Carolina purchases are 626 acres at \$5.55 an acre in the Savannah area, 1,651 acres at \$7.28 an acre in the Nantahala area.

The Savannah tract is in Macon, in the highlands, and the Nantahala area is in Macon and Swain.

Daniels Gives Soldier Medal.

Washington—Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo has awarded a silver medal of honor to Private Wm. E. Donald, Thirty-first Company Coast Artillery Corps, in recognition of his gallant conduct in rescuing a negro woman from drowning at Port Caswell, N. C., December 7th last. The well, N. C., December 7th last. The negro, who was employed at the mill, fell from a dock and was being rapidly carried out by the tide when Donald dived overboard in darkness into icy water and brought her to shore.

Orphanages Make Reports.

The 1914-15 report of the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage has just been issued and it shows wonderful progress made in every department during the year. During the year a branch under the direct control of the Thomasville institution was opened at Kinston, Lenoir county, which is known as the Kennedy Home. The opening of this home and the building of another dormitory at Thomasville made room for seventy-five more children which were soon taken in.

An Awkward Position

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TEXT—Did I not see thee in the garden with him?—John 18:28.

Peter's position as indicated by this question depends on two or three things; the person to whom it was addressed, the person referred to in the closing pronoun, and the circumstances that the question involved. The person addressed was Peter, the person referred to in the closing pronoun was Jesus, the circumstances were about these: Jesus was on trial before the Roman



governor; Peter was in an outer hallway warming himself by a fire; one of the maids connected with the household of the governor recognized Peter as one that he had seen in the garden of Gethsemane with Jesus and she at once accused him of being a disciple of Jesus by asking the question of the text. Out of the question that indicated Peter's position grow some helpful suggestions.

Companionship Indicates Discipleship.

If Peter was with Jesus he was prima facie his disciple. When Jesus was gathering his disciples his frequent word was, "Follow me." We read that Matthew left all and followed Jesus, and so with other disciples. "Sell that thou hast and follow me." "Whosoever will come after me let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." We find that the disciples attached themselves to the person of Jesus because they were his disciples or learners, keeping within easy reach of the great teacher's voice. Jesus Christ does not ask this mark of discipleship without guaranty of reciprocal companionship. He fulfilled to the letter the promise, "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee."

Disciple Cannot Escape Recognition.

Christians are marked men, not with the stigma such as St. Francis fancied he carried, but with marks easily discovered by the world. A professor in a theological seminary, addressing a new class entering the institution, startled them by saying, "You are marked men." They soon found out that on the streets, in the stores, in social circles and elsewhere, they were recognized as theologues. The disciples of Christ are usually marked by a public union with the Christian church and thus recognized as church members. The world primarily understands that church membership means true discipleship, however false many church members are to their vows; yet the least distinguishing mark of the Christian is his profession. He must bear about with him every day the marks of the Lord Jesus as Paul did. He must be always doing the will of God, going about doing good, manifesting his true character as a servant of all, and showing the spirit of self-sacrifice, even unto death.

Test of Discipleship.

The test of Peter's discipleship here was the most trying one that could have been put on him, and at the same time it gave him an opportunity of showing the true fiber of his character and thus proclaiming his loyalty to his master. It is not difficult to be a Christian on the Lord's day or in the revival meeting, but it is difficult to be a Christian when one is surrounded by drunkards, profane swearers and the licentious. It was a hard thing for a believer to be a Christian in Rome, for that city was infamous in its immorality. It was hard for Peter to be sincere where he was, and this difficulty primarily had its root in his folly in being where he ought not to have been. The greatest pains the Christian suffers are the reproofs he receives from the world because of his inconsistencies. There is a peculiar delight among the people of the world in casting up the inconsistencies of Christians to them. Peter was true enough in the garden, but before the servants he was as false as a man could be. He was brave enough in the garden, but before the kitchen maid he was timid.

But it is before the world that the best testimony can be made, indeed, it is the Christian's business to witness in a world of sin. The testimony of the master himself was given in the world, and for two thousand years that testimony has stood and is as effective today as when first given. Even the memory of Jesus Christ, as we might say the tradition of Jesus Christ, has a place in the world that nothing else can take.

Ease of Apostasy.

And there is an incidental suggestion in connection with Peter's base denial, in that the step from close companionship with Jesus Christ to apostasy is not a long one. Peter was in a true sense a primate among the disciples, yet his base denial of his Lord is told as widely as the perfidy of Judas Iscariot himself.

To rest in any relationship to Jesus Christ with too great confidence is dangerous.

MAYONNAISE EASY TO MAKE

Popular Dressing Has Wrongly Been Considered Too Difficult for the Busy Cook.

The making of mayonnaise dressing was formerly regarded as a very troublesome affair. Exceptional cooks or housewives, it is true, would assert that it was no trouble, once the knack was acquired; but as a rule it was not a popular dressing with busy cooks. The reason was not far to seek. In the first place, tradition held that if mayonnaise dressing curdled it must be thrown out and a new mixture started; and, as it often curdles, this was not a cheerful prospect to face when time was short. In the second place, tradition asserted that good mayonnaise could be made only by adding the oil drop by drop—a lengthy and troublesome process.

Tradition in both instances was wrong. If the mayonnaise curdles, an egg yolk should be broken into a clean bowl and beaten thoroughly and the curdled mixture added to this drop. In this way the mayonnaise will be recovered.

The three-minute mixture that saves the tedious drop-by-drop process is made as follows:

Measure out the salt and mustard into a bowl and add a whole egg, both yolk and white. Beat this mixture thoroughly and then add one-third of a cupful of oil, all at once. Beat this until it begins to thicken, then add another third of a cupful of oil. This makes a fairly thin mayonnaise. If a thicker one is desired more oil must be added, making a cupful of oil in all; beat until very stiff, then set the bowl on ice until the dressing is wanted.

Mayonnaise made by this process is less likely to curdle than that made in the old way, and the mixture is quite as good.

A bowl or jar of mayonnaise will keep for some time if put in the refrigerator, and it is very useful to have on hand. It is well to remember, too, that a mayonnaise can be transformed into a tartare sauce by the addition of chopped gherkins and capers. Therefore it is economy in time so to plan your menus that a fish dish served with a tartare sauce is followed the next day by a salad requiring a mayonnaise dressing, or vice versa.

FOR USE IN THE LAUNDRY

Best Soap is That Made of Fat and an Alkali—Excellent for Disinfecting Clothing.

The best laundry soap (made of fat and an alkali) is, during the process of making, kneaded like dough. This admits air into the soap and causes it to float when hardened. A soap that floats dissolves easily in water and is excellent for disinfecting purposes. The alkali and the salts of the fat acids combine with the water and this solution readily penetrates porous substances and adheres to solid surfaces, killing any fully developed bacteria that it touches.

Such a soap solution combined with boiling water is invaluable for disinfecting clothing from the sick room, where there has been an infectious disease. Pour the boiling water and soap solution down the pipes of the kitchen sink and the bathroom connections. Use it once a week at least for cleansing the garbage receptacle. The solution may be used for disinfecting floors. Have one pail of the soap and water and another of clean hot water. Scrub the floor and baseboard with a stiff brush dipped in the soap and water, rinsing the brush carefully in the hot water after each application.—Today's Magazine.

Strawberries in Jelly.

Make some lemon jelly with one pint of water, six small or four large lemons, ten ounces of sugar, about an ounce of gelatin and one wineglass of sherry wine. Squeeze the juice from the lemons on the sugar, adding the water, and, when dissolved, strain it and add the gelatin which has been dissolved. Pour this into small folds or cups and set on ice to harden. When ready to serve, turn them carefully from the cups and cut out the center, which is to be filled with choice berries and whipped cream.

Rice Meringue.

Cook half a cupful of rice in one quart of milk until tender, and the yolks of four eggs beaten until light and mixed with half a teaspoonful of salt and half a cupful of sugar; cook two minutes longer, then remove from the fire, flavor with two teaspoonfuls of vanilla and turn into a baking dish. Beat the whites of the eggs until stiff, fold in three tablespoonfuls of powdered sugar, flavor with a few drops of lemon. Spread this over the pudding and brown lightly.

Vanilla Ice Cream.

Two quarts of milk, two cans condensed milk, one-half pint of cream, one tablespoonful vanilla and very little, if any, sugar. This is smooth and fine grated. Coffee ice cream is made in the same way by using three pints of milk and one pint of strong coffee.

Strawberry Sauce.

Crush a large cupful of strawberries and mix with half a cupful of granulated sugar. Whip a cupful of cream till very stiff. Then stir the strawberries lightly into it.

Preserving Rhubarb.

Just wash it and cut in small pieces. Put in jars all it will hold, then fill up with cold water until it runs over. Put covers on. Will keep a year if you want it to.

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