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WRITES TO HIS SATANIC MAJESTY

North Carolina Woman Writes The Devil and Receives Prompt Reply.

ASHAMED OF THE KAISER.

"Anywhere in Germany"

To His Satanic Majesty, care The Kaiser,

Dear Satan-For some time I have been wanting to communicate with you, but knowing that none of my letters could be delivered at your permanent address, I was at a loss as to how I should reach you. I tried at several stationers for some asbestos paper, but was informed by a clerk of neutral gender—he had a tiny mustache and spoke in a feminine voicethat there was no such article. He started a disseration on the fact that one was incombustible and the others inflammable, but I left her still talk-

Then I tried to find out the exact location of your abode. I have heard all my life of people going to your place, and I thought it would be easy to find someone en route, but this was the hardest task of all. Nobody knew its location, although evervone had heard of it and everybody averred he was going in the opposite

with whom I have a speaking acquaintance), and could not send a message by them. I understand that you have them all in Europe with the exception of a few left in America who are looking after the anti-draft elements Liberty loan dodgers, the generally unpatriotic and other trouble makers for Uncle Sam.

Therefore, I am addressing you in care of the Kaiser. Judging from the things that have transpired since this war began I feel confident that he knows your whereabouts.

Before going further, I want to cast a boquet your way, as I do not expect to live to place one on your grave: You have a great organization, and one that shows untiring efforts. It is wonderful how you succeed in making people work for you, and some of those, too, who are strongest in their denunciations of you. If we could only get you to superintend a job of constructing something, say, for instance, building a road, a factory or something useful, you would make these corporations that construct cantonments for soldiers in a month ashamed of themselves. Unlike your adversaries, you work all the time. You are unlike them again, in that you seek all societies, while many of your opponents fear contamination with degraded ones. And your energetic spirit will not let you remain idle. In fact, you are a bit too active in this present war, and it is along this line I wish to caution you.

Your success in committing crimes during the past three years seems to have maddened you. If you keep it up, I fear you will lose your reasoning powers and be unfit for future service. You are getting a pretty bad name among all nations. In fact, it is considerably worse than ever be-fore. And here's what I wish to say:

You see my Uncle Sam, who is a veritable fire-eater when he starts has joined the Allies, and I have information that they have a plan whereby they are going to capture the Kaiser and you, too, if you are in Germany, so you better skip. If they do, they will imprison you and the Kaiser together.

trust you will receive this letter and make a getaway before the Allies reach you. I suppose when the Kaiser dies that some of his inventive subjects that we hear so much about who have invented clocks, while the English discovered steam and made the first steam engine and train, the Italians the wireless and the Americans did practically all the other big inventions and discoveries, even the submarine and airship—will invent an asbestos paper, and then business matters between you and your agents will be more facilitated will be more facilitated.

Yours very respectfully, LENA RIVERS SMYTH. for if it should reach Uncle Sam I would be hanged for a traitor.

Dear Miss:

Your letter received. I am not RUNNING this war. If you would use your brain; that is if you have any, and glance over the past wars, all of which I took active part in, you would know that a different force was working. I am NOT in Germany given them their first vacation, as I of the snow and sleet. do not need their services when the Kaiser is in the field.

I was in Germany when war was declared because Wilhelm II was always a favorite pupil of mine, and I come some day, and we will have had great hopes of him. I intended news. Let us hear of your all-day to make him a great power if he singings and gatherings. We might would have only listened to me and want to come, let me run things, but he was so conceited he wanted all the honor. He soon reached the point where he knew more than I did, and I became so disgusted with his pig-headed policies that I left in disgust. I have never resorted to his underhand methods. I always had sense enough | be dropped from our list. This is the to stop at the right place. This is last paper you will receive.

important if you ever hope to gain the confidence of men again. You cannot reach the point where all men hate you. But this pighead? Bah! will mean his ruin some day, and I will be glad, for I hate him as men hate rivals in business. I wish you would please express to your Uncle Sam that I hope he will capture the Kaiser, although to be imprisoned with him would be most distasteful

Please pardon me if I have seemed a bit rude, but even the devil may be Respectfully,

SATAN. -Manufacturers Record.

PEA RIDGE.

Misses Emma Denesta and Eva Sheehan spent Wednesday night with Misses Lizzie and Nellie Dalton. There have been several cases of measles on Pea Ridge.

Mr. Jim Phillips has a very sick Dr. A. R. Walden spent Thursday

night with Mr. E. G. Thompson. Miss Iva Gosnell has returned home after a long visit with relatives in South Carolina. Arthur Thompson was home last

week from Camp Sevier, on a five days' furlough, returning Monday. Mr. B. F. Gibbs made a business trip to Tryon, Friday.

Mr. Witcher Moore has joined the navy, and is visiting relatives in Tryon and Melrose before leaving for

I could not find any of your agents with whom I have a speaking ac-A birthday dinner was given in honor of Mrs. Jim Prichard, Saturday She was 82 year old. Quite a crowd attended in spite of the bad

> Mr. and Mrs. Garfied Prichard visted the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edney, near Melrose, Saturday burg. and Sunday.

Mr. Grady Edney spent the week-Miss Reba Field spent Sunday with Miss Bessie Thompson.

Mr. Joe and Roscoe Hall were in this part of the country Sunday.

Mr. W. R. Phillips spent Sunday
afternoon with Mr. E. G. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Gosnell were

risitors at Mr. E. G. Thompson's Sun-Mrs. J. B. Dalton spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. B. F. Gibbs.

Mr. Geo. Briscoe spent Sunday night with his brother, Mr. Philip Miss Nellie Dalton spent Sunday

with Mrs. John Foy. It's a hard thing to whip the Kaiser; It's a hard thing to do. It's a hard thing to whip the Kaiser, And the Allies know it, too. Good-bye to little Russia, France and Italy too;

No country can whip the Kaiser But the red, white and blue.

MILL SPRING ROUTE 1.

Our newspaper looked last week as if Tryon Route 1 and Mill Spring had had another examination, also Pea Ridge. Don't be so forgetful. Mr. W. E. Elliott made a business

trip to near Sandy Plains, one day last week. Mr. J. T. Edwards went to Tryon,

Saturday. Miss Dorcas Edwards was the guest at Mr. W. E. Elliott's Sunday night. Mr. Bert Edwards made several

trips to Gilky, last week. Mr. Sam Ownbey was over this way Saturday afternoon, laying in wood in anticipation of the snow which came Saturday night.

A party of young folks were entertained Saturday night at the home of Mr. A. A. Edwards. The girls Misses Odessa Mills, Annie Wilson, Lizzie Williams, Mossie and Dorcas Edwards. The boys, Messrs. Johnie Waldrop, Frank Edwards, Lewis Mills, Terrell Taylor, DeWitt Helton, Ralph and Bert Edwards. All seemed to enjoy themselves very

SALUDA ROUTE 1.

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Staton visited the latter's parents at Alexander, N.

C., last week. Mr. Jones, our mail man, is off, and P. S.—Please destroy this letter, Herbert E. Pace, his substitute, is

nail carrier this week. W. L. Davis is home from Fletcher, N. C., where he has been teaching a singing school.

Our Sunday school at Mt. Page is about snowed out, but when the weather gets better it will boom again, for we have some new singing

Lee Russell, who has been sick for some time, is very low at this writing. Miss Nell Garren and Della Wade neither are any of my agents. I have are carrying on their school in spite

> Cheer up, Correspondents, and let's send in news and help our editor. News has been frozen out in my section for some time, but spring will

LAST NOTICE.

All subscriptions not paid in advance on or before next Friday, will

FRIENDS OVER THE COUNT Bah!! He excels all evil fools. It Some Items of General Interest Gathered By Our Correspondents From Various

Sections of Polk County

COLUMBUS.

The County Commissioners are having a public well dug on the court Jones' children has scarlet fever. house grounds.

After having snow with us for forty days we have become accustomed

has just arrived.

The Columbus Betterment Club bought a sewing machine for the use of the Columbus High School. Columbus is planning for a parent

teachers' association. We hope many more will be organized in the schools in this part of the county, owing to of our county before commencement. Mr. Brownlow Jackson, of Hendersonvile, was in town, on business.

Mr. Isham Mayberry, of Spartanburg, was in town Tuesday. Messrs. E. C. Shore and R. F. Mc-Farland, were in Spartanburg, Mon-

Messrs. Frank Elliott and Joe Hall, from Camp Sevier, are spending a

short time with home folks. Mr. R. E. Durfee, of Hendersonville was in town last week.

Mrs. Burton McGuinn and daughter Pearl, were on the sick list last week. We are glad to note the improvement of Mr. Jas. Ridings, who is at the

Miss May Mills is visiting in Spar-

Good Samaritan hospital, at Spartan-

MELVIN HILL.

Another one of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Messrs. Jack Burnett and Loren Johnson have bought the Stacy mill, and are operating same in the Ran-

dolph store building. Mrs. Richard McEntyre slipped on The Columbus High School students the ice and fell, one day last week, are proud of their new library, which and has been kept indoors ever since. Mr. M. L. Cochran, a photographer

from Spartanburg, visited old friends here, last week. The little child of Mr. and Mrs. T.

P. Covington, has been quite sick of pneumonia, but is better now. Roads are ina very bad condition

so much snow and ice. There has been a great demand for

fire-wood this winter. Sunday school was very well attended here last Sunday, considering the weather.

The weather man is still busy, and from all appealances he makes it worse every time he meddles with it.

We had one mailless day last week. The roads are so rough that our

doctor can not rin his car, but has to ride horse-back low. Mr. E. S. Head made a business

trip to Double B anch gold mine, Sat-Mr. J. A. Mori's visited his mother,

who is sick, Saturday. Mr. Foster Lawter, of Cooley Springs, contemplates moving to Melvin Hill soon.

Mr. Elvie Hom visited friends at Melvin Hill, Suiday.

The Song of the Regular.

(Complaint in Verse-)

We give you our service, you shut off our beer, But the slacker can drink till it runs from his ear. We quit a good job to keep you from harm, And the slacker goes by with a girl on his arm.

The slacker rides around in a Ford of his own, And charges a quarter to take us to town.

We're doing our duty, his liver is while, Yet we have to leave the streets at len each night, While he sticks around as long as he cares, And laughs at the soldiers whenever he dares.

Discipline, we know, is a thing that must be; But honest to goodness we fail to see If the soldier drinks nothing but soda and pop,

Why the drinking of the slacker can't be stopped. If the slacker can dance it seems rather hard That at all decent dances the uniform's barred.

We've shouldered our rifles and taken our places, We'll go to our death with a smile in our faces. But this is our honest appeal to you:

"Until we go over please give us our due."

-Written by an enlisted man in one of the National Guard Cantonments.

SANDY SPRINGS.

The snow continues to fall. It has been six weeks since the snow Hoyt McMurray came home from Camp Sevier Sunday. He came to

Mrs. John Tipton and niece, Miss Carlie Cantrell, went to Camp Se-

with Mr. John Tipton. Mr. H. G. Flynn called on Miss Myrtle Cantrell, Sunday afternoon. Owing to Sunday being another rough weather day Rev. Barber failed to fill his appointment at New Hope. He has not been there since his October appointment. He will seem quite a stranger, we think, when he

comes again. Rev. W. W. Davidson had an appointment to preach at Sandy Springs

weather being so bad. Mr. C. O. Ridings and Miss Myrtle Cantrell, teachers of the Green river school, went to Columbus, Friday ,to Our school at New Hope is yet

without a teacher. of Rutherford James Ridings. county, living just across the line from here, who went to Camp Jackson a short time before Christmas, died of pneumonia on Sunday, January 13. His parents wanted him brought home for burial. He was to be buried at Arrowood cemetery, tremely bad and the roads almost in-The grave was dug on Monday; his passable, yet fur mail carrier has not people met all the trains from Spar- missed a day.

tanburg at Chisnee. On Wednesday a corpse came; they did not open the coffin ountil after services at the church. When they opened the coffin, to their horro, they found that it was not James, but some one they had never seed. Not knowing what to do they buried the corpse, and Mr. Ridings boarded the train for Columbia. On Thursday they received a telegram, ordering them to send back vier, Saturday, to spend a few days the corpse sent them. It was removed from the grave and returned to Columbia. On Friday the corpse for which the grave was dug came, after having been sent to Salt Lake City. The bereaved family have our deepest sympathy.

SILVER CREEK.

Sunday afternoon, but we don't face once more. He is in this section know whether he came or not the visiting friends and relatives. He move. Earl Covil moved to Tryon fornia about tin years, where he has held good positions railroading.

very sick with that dread disease, meningitis, is improving, we understand He is still at Spartanburg, at last accounts, at the home of Mr. I. C. Arledge, where he is boarding. The house has been quarantined.. Although the weather has been ex-

tremely bad and the roads almost im-

FISHTOP.

Snow, and then some more snoweleven to date, with more on the ground now than at any previous time this winter. But we have seen more snow fall in a few hours than has fallen all winter.

Miss Mill Spring Correspondent, you made a slight mistake when you said that Columbus Constant was the son of Rufus Constant, and that he died at Camp Sevier. He was the son of Govan Constant, and died at Camp Jackson.

Now that we have a good county paper, let's help to keep it good. The kind of a paper we have depends a year? The home garden. What great deal on its patrons. The small piece of land yields the farmer NEWS needs more subscribers and a the greatest cash returns? The home few more correspondents, and we garden. What is the most urgent must give it our support in everp way David Morrison was in this neighborhood, Sunday, and reports an epiuemic of someoning like measies in his section.

T. E. Pace has been on the sick list for a few days, with stomach trouble.

TRYON ROUTE 1.

Let the snow come; we can cast our living who strikes a real blow at the anxious fears aside and volunteer to high cost of living. make a 1918 war garden. Let it be patriotic, for there's victory in a garden and back yard full of home grown ammunition. Mr. George Pack has returned to

Camp Sevier, after a week's stay with duce your own food. home folks. Mr. Joe Hall, another Sammie, is at home for a few days.

and returned Friday. Mr. Beecher Green and wife, of Tex-

Jas. Green. Mr. and Mrs. Vandiver have re-

turned to their home in Oklahoma. farm of Mrs. Ida Hunt. Mr. R. G. Hamilton was painfull

hurt, but not seriously, from a fall-ing tree. He is convalescent. Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Edwards were pleasant visitors at Walnut Grove, Our mail man had a topple over or the ice last Saturday, but with no

serious results. Mr. Floyd Toney slipped and fell on the frozen snow, and is now nurs-

Mr. Frank Edwards is home again Mr. Walter Edwards has returned from a visit in the "Land of the Mr. F. B. Nance is at Spartanburg

at work among the Sammies, with whom he is very much enchanted. Hurrah for Tryon (North Pole-Route 1. We have wheatless, meatless, sweetless, heatless, eatless, oilless and every other kind of less except sleetless days. Quite patri-

LYNN.

"The north winds blow, And we wil have snow. What will the robin do then, Poor thing.

It will sit in some barn To keep himself warm, And hide his head under his wing.' The poor birds. Don't drive them away from your barns and outhouses, but feed them something; a little bran, shorts or some grits This protracted hard, cold weather is severe on birds. Your correspondent has a mocking bird that this makes his third winter to make vines and shrubbery about my yard his home, feed-ing with the chickens. When spring comes he will amply reward us. Misses Viola Rhodes and Katie

Panther visited in Inman, S. C., last DeWitt Cannon, of Spartanburg, is

s somewhat indisposed. R. Bryan and Harrison Cannon, Jr., of Spartanburg, visiteed home folks

W. F. Swan, who is with a fruit and produce house in Spartanburg, spent Monday at home.

Be kind to the little birds this cold weather. They will amply reward

sight of the Fair Hooverizing by keeping lightless ed.

in our village last week.

Several of our boys are in class 1, and some have recently enlisted, Men who are barely making a living while others are applying. Very soon The many friends, of Mr. Mossie Lynn will be quite well represented den put some of their wages in bank. Constant were glad to see his smiling in the various branches of the service. Some of our people are on the has been in New Mexico and Cali- electric plant last week; Messr famwill move to East Flat Rock this week, and it is reported that Mr. J. Mr. N. B. Arledge, who has been P. Simmons and family will move to Rutherfordton in a few days.

> The Federal Government has assigned Mr. J. R. Sams as emergency farm demonstrator for Polk county, county, from Feb. 1st to July 1st. It county will arrange to put on a farm demonstrator permanently by the kinds of vegetables, and they can time Mr. Sams' time has expired.

HOME GARDEN,

W. C. Slate, Farmer Seedsman, South Boston, Va., Gives Some Good Advice.

YOUR HOME GARDEN.

What has the attention of our nation been centered about for the past need of our Southern farmers toway?

A HOME GARDEN. Are you spending your time cussing the speculator for raising the cost of food to such an unreasonable figure or are you doing some actual work to reduce your living expenses? The man who spends his time talking about the speculator is doing nothing to better his condition. It is the fellow who gets out and makes his own

Farming has long been known as an independent life. Is yours such or are you tied down to the local grocer? There is but one means of making farming a free life and that is to pro-

The attention of our whole nation has been called to our urgent need for more and better home gardens. Misses Myrtle and Octa Pack, America can produce in her home ame home from Saluda Seminary to gardens almost enough food to feed see their soldier brother, on Tuesday, her people thereby allowing the surplus food to go to our soldiers and the European countries. Our govas, returned to make their home with ernment has put forth its every eftheir father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. fort to increase the number of home gardens, because in this manner only can we expect to be of any material assistance in feeding Europe. If you Walter Gilbert has moved on the not heed any other reason, can you sit idle while your country calls for you to produce your own living?

> The home garden is the most valuable piece of land you own. It is not what we make but what we save that leads to prosperity. The home garden will save you more than douole its acreage can make. The cost of living is mounting higher and higher. The cost of producing a garden is practically the same as it was four years ago. The increasing cost of food will soon eat up the profits from any farm. No money will be left with which to carry on the farm work. Are you going to be handicapped by lack of capital, merely because you do not think it worth while to care for a garden? For years the most prosperous farmers in America have been those who lived at home. In coming years, the only farmers in America are going to be those who live at home. The other fellows will be bankrupt and out of

The most urgent need of the farmer today is for a home supply of odd. The most urgent need of our nation is for those who stay at home to produce their home food. There is a wonderful opportunity before our farmers but they can never realize the rewards of this opportunity unless they prepare themselves for it by less they prepare themselves for it by producing their own food. When you spend your profits for food, your year's work has been lost. Money goes into the bank only after the necssities have been supplied. Supply

them first. Your garden is your greatest asset. The business man who allows his assets to lie idle knows that he is courting ruin. In grasping your greatest opportunity do not overlook your mostvaluable asset.

Make the determination to have your garden this year and then folow that determination to a successful finish. Thousands of gardens are n class 1, subject to call soon. He is started each year only to end in the at home now, assisting his father, who middle of summer—a worthless patch of weeds. This means that your most valuable asset has turned to a loss. You have not only lost its benefits but have lost everything you put into it. Cultivate your garden with the same care that. you work your crops. It is the most important crop you have and should receive your first consideration. Plan a large gar-den—one that will take care of That garden talk in the NEWS last your needs throughout the summer week had the right ring to it. Keep and produce a surplus for canning. it up. This reminds us; don't lose Make your garden feed you both winter and summer. In this way only Lynn is still out of oil, and now can the greatest good be accomplish-

It is equally important for the town W. M. McKinney and T. W. Cannon, and city men to have their gardens. of Converse, S. C., visited relatives The high cost of living is felt even more in their homes and this is their only successful means of fighting it. now can with the aid of a small gar-

The necessity for more gardens is evident. You have felt it long before I write this. Now it remains to you to heed the call of necessity. None of us know what is in the future but the man with a good garden can at leas predict that starvation will not face him. You insure your life. Why not your living?

If you haven't purchased your garden seeds for this year better do and he will serve without cost to Polk it now, as there is a big shortage in some kinds while the seed catalogues is certainly to be hoped that Polk tell us there was a failure of certain not supply them at all.