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Negro Tries Suicide When Near Capture

William Montgomery, a negro driving a large Packard car bearing a New York tag, gave Chief of Police Gallimore and Motorcycle Cop Smith of Salisbury the chase of their lives Monday morning and when he saw he was about to be taken threw himself in front of a passing car evidently with suicidal intent. The negro drove off from a filling station north of the Yadkin river without paying for gas and when Salisbury officers were advised by telephone and attempted to flag the car the driver stepped on the gas and went through the business section of the city at a rapid rate. Officers Gallimore and Smith mounted a motorcycle and the race was on. Several miles north of Concord the negro had his way blocked by an unfinished railroad underpass and deserted his car. Before the officers could overtake him as he ran he threw himself in front of a Studebaker, driven by T. H. Collins, of Charlotte, and received injuries that apparently rendered him unconscious. He was taken to Salisbury and his car is being held. While it bore a New York tag there was a North Carolina tag in the car and it developed that the car was stolen in Durham.

chapel entrance as the last, clear message was sounded. They stood bare-headed and the soldier and marine guards at salute until the last note died.

Widow Returns Home.
Behind them in the chapel, Mrs. Wilson was sobbing as she turned from the vault with the members of the family to go back to the vacant, still house on "S" street, where the great chair stood vacant beside the fireplace and the books waited for the friend to come no more. She took heart a little to greet the handful of close friends who had waited without to offer her comfort in her sadness, but it was a grief-bowed woman who went back down the long hill into the city.

And at the vault still stood the friend and physician who had been with Woodrow Wilson through the years of greatness and world-wide acclaim and the years of pain endured with stoic fortitude that followed: the friend who had led him to his death, that he would watch over his chief to the end.

Not until the great stone had sunk again into its place did this friend turn away his pledge redeemed to the uttermost.

If folks took as much interest in politics in this country as they do in how to make the second payment, we would have a real election.

An automobile went through lake ice and six were drowned. More evidence that drivers ought to have mental tests before being issued licenses.

THAT FIGHTING RAT

By Rev. B. Wilson.

Some time ago, in the "ready-to-wear department" of Gilmer's department store, Shelby, there occurred a very strange and unusual incident. It was like this: One of the sales ladies observed the store cat intensely interested in something behind a box, whereupon she called for help and a gallant young man from another department of the store, quickly responded to the call. As the young man removed the box from the wall, the salesladies of that department, took refuge on chairs and display tables, while Madame Tabby groomed herself for an exciting chase across the floor. But lo, and behold an aged rat and unbelievable dimensions and less believable nerve, came out, reared up on his haunches, brandished his front paws, screamed like an Indian warrior going to battle and presented himself for a fight.

Madame Tabby, not being accustomed to rats of such nerve and audacity, hesitated as if she were about to give up the fight and retreat from the field of battle in defeat. Thinking that Madame Tabby was sufficiently bluffed, Mr. Fighting Rat began a slow but sure retreat, still walking on his haunches, brandishing his front paws and screaming defiance in the face of the faithful cat whose nerve had never failed her before. His lord-

ship, evidently thinking that he had retreated by degrees to a position from which, he could make a successful get-away, undertook to take refuge in flight. But this was Madame Tabby's opportunity, and seizing it, she pounced upon the venerable back of her retreating foe and the fight was over.

This is a true story and can be verified by any who work in that department of Gilmer's store.

But who ever heard of a fighting rat? And how could he possess such a vast amount of nerve? Had this occurred in a back alley in other days, or some other town or place, we would have concluded that this fighting rat had obtained something to bolster up his nerves. We have heard of a nerve-strengthening fluid that would "make a jack rabbit stand on his hind legs and spit in a bull dog's face," but in the dry town of Shelby, in the days of prohibition, and in an up-to-date department store, we are forced to the conclusion that this ancient and venerable rodent was standing on his own man, without any artificial means to bolster up his nerves.

The girl who leaped out of the window of a hotel the other day took each year at its word.

Success awaits the automobile manufacturer who can build a car that will last until it's paid for.

American cities are reported to be living beyond their incomes. In that they have nothing on the most of us.

Mary Garden has had the same maid for fourteen years. So all of his talk about artistic temperament must be pure bosh.

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Victor Robert Barnett Is Buried At Bessemer

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He united with the Zoar Baptist church about 20 years ago moving his membership to Bessemer City some years ago. Rex W. W. Williams conducted his funeral and his body was laid to rest in the Bessemer City cemetery.

He bore his sickness with marvelous patience and passed away with implicit faith in his Savior. Our hearts go out to the loved ones in this hour of trouble.

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his church knows. Bishop Freeman concluded the service, repeating verses from Tennyson's "Crossing of the Bar" with its message of resignation and faith in God's goodness. Then the casket sank slowly into the stone work and from outside, beyond the double walls and where the gray end of a gray day was coming swiftly, the bugle rang out in "taps", the soldier farewell to a fallen comrade. There were only a few remaining about the

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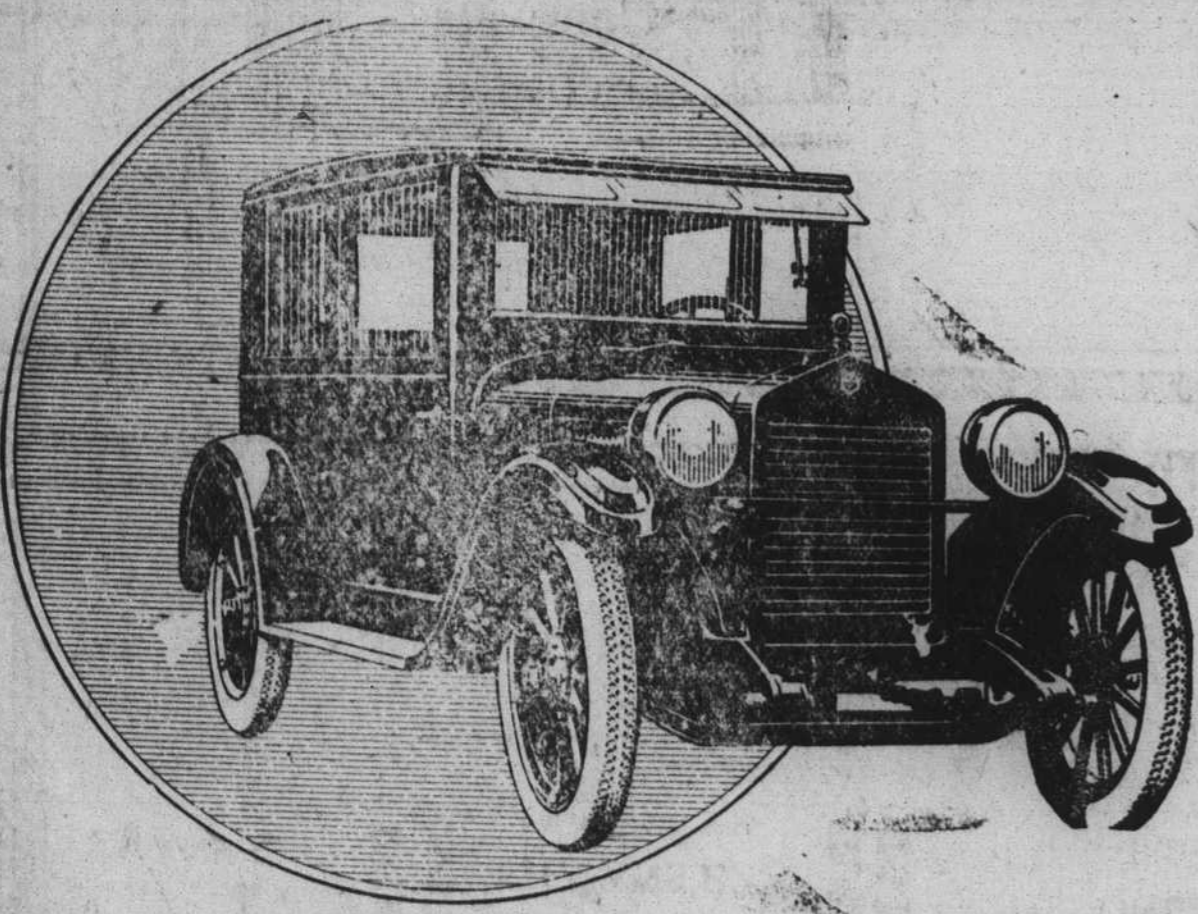
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Why they were detained forty years in the wilderness?

Has anyone in Shelby been detained in the wilderness?

These, and other interesting questions will be discussed by the teacher of the Men's Bible Class at the First Baptist Church Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

If you were one of the 106 present last Sunday you will want to come and bring a friend. If you were absent, come and help to make your class 150 strong.

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