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We wish to call your attention to the fact that it is, and has been our custom to charge five cents per line for resolutions of respect, cards of thanks and obituary notices, after one death notice has been published. This will be strictly adhered to.

TUESDAY, FEB. 19, 1921.

Henry Ford is said to have a great contempt for wealth. Familiarly breeds contempt.

Spring can't be so far away, judging from the seed catalogues that are now making their appearance.

Those Detroit people certainly have their nerve. Charles B. Warren, of that city, will probably accept the ambassadorship to Mexico.

A Spencer dentist has abandoned his profession to become a banker. Perhaps seeking larger cavities for gold fillings.

Ford still defends the administration's policy in the Teapot Dome scandal. Might it be said, Teapot Dome hibernation makes a Ford back-fire.

Hearst can't even be called "Colonel," the fond title frequently given newspaper men. The war department rejected his application for a colonel's commission because of his age.

Hatcher Hughes, the newly famous playwright, is of the opinion he first peeked at Old Mother Earth somewhere around the Polkville section instead of Lawndale. It happened in Cleveland county anyway and "Hell Bent For Heaven," his latest play, is still an attraction on Broadway.

LITERATURE'S GEM.

In the recent memorial services held in Shelby for Woodrow Wilson, Hon. Clyde R. Hoey declared in his eulogy that it was a comfort to him in a time when "pin-head theologians are attacking the Holy Bible and the doctrines of Jesus Christ to know that of all books, all literature and all doctrines, Woodrow Wilson in his last moments, as during his entire life, turned to the Bible." In addition to being an international statesman, a lover of peace and the greatest man of his time, the late President was a connoisseur of literature, a lover, writer and reader of books.

In his touching story of the simple funeral of the great man, the Associated Press representative brought in Wilson's books in his description of the scene in the room in the S. street home, where the casket rested "on the walls about the study clustered the old, trusty friends of many years, books ranking row on row from floor to ceiling." In that collection was the literature of the ages, the selected gems of time's greatest writers, but—

"In the bed chamber close beside him on a little table lay a well-worn volume—the Bible—from which he never failed to read a passage before going to bed," read another story sent out by the Associated Press, a story telling of the last hours of America's War President. Could there be any more forceful rebuttal to the puny attacks on the Scriptures of the Ages, than the little table in the death chamber and the worn Book that rested thereon?

OTHERS DOING THE "TOOTING."

For some several months Cleveland county, in the rolling foothills that break away into the towering peaks of the Blue Ridge mountains and the most southern of Piedmont counties, bordering on South Carolina, has been in the limelight of the state, the south, and the nation. During the past six months the county has received more publicity, beneficial publicity, than in all the years of the fleeting past. An intelligent farmfolk and farm program is primarily responsible for the wide advertising the county has received and is receiving. Saturday's Charlotte News carries a column editorial on the wonderful progress of the county under the caution of "No Wonder They Boast." The editorial makes a comparison of the county a few years ago and the county today, with Mecklenburg as a contrast. The article also devotes quite a few words of praise to two of the county's farm leaders—Sam Lattimore and Max Gardner. All in all it is perhaps one of the best boosts the county has yet received.

Although the article says "No Wonder They Boast" and explains why we have the right to do so, have we really been boasting? Has it not been others after the county had advanced to such an extent that a little praise could not be evaded?

State raters for some time have been setting forth Cleveland's progress because it was typical of North Carolina's "hump" to the lead, not because the merit of Cleveland warranted it. National publicity came a short time later through the me-

dium of The Country Gentleman. That widely-circulated farm paper told of "North Carolina's Quickstep" as it appeared in Cleveland county. State agricultural officials directed the writer here, no Cleveland money enticed him. The Southern Planter, farm paper published at Richmond, came along later with a word of praise, derived from the organization and apparent success of a co-operative egg marketing association here. Few, if any natives, of this county knew the article was planned until it was "off the press." Nevertheless it was a boost to our enterprising farm people and farm leaders as were the preceding articles.

Yes, the county has brought forth words of praise, praise of a section, a state and land proud of a county of soil tillers, but the praise has not secured any "swell heads." An investigation a year from now, or several years from now, will reveal these same farmers planning and working to keep the pace they have set. Not because their ears are eagerly attuned to the plaudits of others, but because they pride themselves in their accomplishment.

THE GUBERNATORIAL FIGHT.

The fight between A. W. McLean and J. B. Bailey for the Democratic nominee for governor of North Carolina promises to be a lively one. Already the voters are taking a stand and by the time the primary draws near, we might expect a battle that equals the historic Kitchin-Simmons row. Mr. Bailey has shouted "machines" and seems to prefer this cry as the main campaign issue. Although Mr. Bailey is a brilliant man he cannot help but stir up factional strife for the last week or more has been indulging in personalities with McLean supporters on the side-lines. The much talked of "machine" is the dominant wing of the party—dominant in that more folks vote on that side. If the anti-machine side wins, then that faction becomes the machine, so to speak. We have never been able to reach the conclusion that the so-called machine is as powerful as some would have us believe for in the ranks of the party there are office-holders who vote with and against the party leaders, Senator Simmons and his crowd. Mr. Bailey was collector of internal revenue under Wilson's administration and if the holding of public office brands a fellow as a "machine man," then he is one too. He supported Governor Morrison, another so-called machine man against Gardner. But evidently he has kicked over the traces and turned his guns on the dominant wing of the party to which he did belong. It is not becoming, therefore, in him to fight that wing to which he has belonged.

Bailey and McLean, however, are both able men, fine Christian characters, either of whom would serve the state well. One is a lawyer and the other a banker. Our preference in the matter is McLean in the light of past history.

EXPENSE OF NEW JAIL IS BOTHERING

State Board of Health Makes Requirements Which Run up The Expense.

The county commissioners were in special session all day yesterday considering the plans and cost of the proposed new jail, plans for which were drawn some time ago. The county commissioners are anxious to get out as economically as possible and had made up their minds to confine the cost of the jail to \$60,000 or \$65,000, but under the state law all new jail plans must be approved by the state board of health and when the plans for the new Cleveland county jail were submitted after being revised downward where they could get a sheriff's home and jail for \$62,000, the state board of health refused to approve and required changes which the contractor says will run the cost to \$75,000, or a little under. The state board of health for instance requires 650 cubic feet of air space for each cell in order to give the prisoners plenty of air. Certain other changes were made by the state board of health which the commissioners cannot under the law ignore. Therefore, while the commissioners have been trying for months to get a jail for around \$65,000, the interference by the state authorities makes it necessary to spend this sum or do without a jail commensurate with the needs of the county.

The commissioners have worried more over this problem than any other in a long time. They feel that they cannot ignore the repeated recommendations for a new jail by the grand jury for the past several years and by the Kiwanis club representative the business men of Shelby.

Nothing definitely had been done yesterday when The Star went to press. The commissioners were still in conference with the architect Mr. Wilson, the contractor Mr. Oakey and the county attorney, Mr. Ryburn.

To avoid accidents, automobile drivers should have an eye test, says a reformer. How about a breath test.—Hutchinson Gazette.

WOMEN VOTERS WILL FORM VOTERS LEAGUE

State Officials Visit Rutherfordton—Cooperative Purchase of Fertilizers and Seeds.

Rutherfordton, Feb. 15.—The people of Rutherford county will have a new experience Saturday afternoon when representatives of North Carolina League of Women voters will speak here and organize a county league. Miss Mary Owen Graham, president of Peace institute, Raleigh, and a member of the national democratic executive committee and member of the advisory board of the state league; Miss Margaret Berry, well known Charlotte attorney; Mrs. P. L. McMañon, member of the program committee, Mecklenburg league, and Miss Eloise McCausland, of Charlotte, will be here and all deliver short addresses.

Every high school principal in the county has been invited to attend the February meeting of the Rutherford county club here next Tuesday at the Iso Thermal hotel to hear the state superintendent, A. T. Allen speak.

The cotton growers association and county farm bureau held a joint meeting here and consolidated the organizations will be used.

A buying committee from each township was appointed to purchase fertilizers, seeds etc., for the association. This committee will meet here next Monday with the county demonstrator, F. E. Patton, to make up a fertilizer order. Several fertilizer companies will have representatives here and the farmers will get the advantage of the best prices and cooperative buy. The association has over 500 members in this county now.

Child Burned to Death.
The two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Arch Hardin, of Forest City, was burned to death yesterday afternoon when his clothing caught fire in front of the grate. Only small children were in the house when it happened. The child only lived nine hours after the accident.

W. R. Hill, county superintendent, announced yesterday that a county-wide teachers meeting will be held here March 7.

The Shelby Choral society will give a concert here in the school auditorium March 7th.

Efforts are being made here now to organize a chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. H. L. Carpenter is promoting it.

Miss Wallace, assistant home demonstration agent, will be in the county next week with Miss Hattie Neill, county agent, to assist in a clothing demonstration. Meetings will be held here Monday; Tuesday at Union Mills Wednesday at Henrietta; Thursday at Ellenboro and Friday at Forest City.

Spindale churches held a church visitation campaign last Sunday. Every home of the 3000 people was visited and urged to attend the church of their choice. Over 100 people helped in the campaign.

The Fred Williams post No. 75, American legion, met Thursday night in a most interesting meeting. Speeches favoring the bonus were made and resolutions were adopted.

Unique Operation, But Rather Snaky

A newspaper in Union county wins the distortion prize for uncovering yarns in early spring house-cleaning. The yarn follows:
"One of the wonders of modern surgery is being told of in the removal of a snake from the stomach of a Hamlet youth by a surgeon at a local hospital. It appears the young man last summer while drinking water from a brook swallowed a small snake. For some time the young fellow from time to time complained of something "wriggling in his insides". One day recently the snake was removed. But it happens that the young man is crazy and had a hallucination that he had swallowed a snake and to relieve his mind one of the surgeons produced a two-foot rubber snake, simulated an operation and relieved the poor fellow's mind. The yarn evidently has lost nothing in subsequent telling."

THINKS WELL OF CLEVELAND SELLING EGGS AND POULTRY

Cleveland county farmers are becoming interested in the possibilities of Charlotte for a poultry and egg market. They have been sending emporiums down to try out on the land and they have gone back to report that there are no Anakims here.

Their far-sightedness, enterprise and progressiveness is plausible. They will do a thriving business in selling eggs to Charlotte stores and to Charlotte households because their commodities are daily necessities and somebody must ship or bring this produce in here.

For some reason or other, not anything like enough of either poultry or poultry products are brought from this county to the consumers of Charlotte.

In the meantime, we wonder where Mecklenburg farmers sell theirs.

MAN KILLING OFFICE

(Louisville Courier Journal.)

Of the twenty-nine men who have held the presidential office, two—Mr. Taft and Mr. Coolidge—are still living; three—Lincoln, Garfield and McKinley—were struck down by the hand of violence; twenty-four died from natural causes.

The average age of the dead presidents—excluding Lincoln, Garfield and McKinley—is 70 years.

The shortest-lived of all the dead presidents was Garfield, who died in his fiftieth year.

The longest-lived of all the dead presidents was John Adams, who lived to be 90.

Three presidents besides John Adams lived to be 80 or more. These were Jefferson, who died at 83; James Madison, who died at 85, and John Quincy Adams, who lived to be 90.

Presidents who lived to be more than 70 were Monroe 78; Andrew Jackson, 78; Martin VanBuren, 79; John Tyler, 71; Millard Fillmore, 74; James Buchanan, 77; Rutherford B. Hayes, 70; and Grover Cleveland, 51.

Presidents who died between the ages of 60 and 70 were: Washington 67; William Henry Harrison, 68; Zachary Taylor, 65; Franklin Pierce, 64; Andrew Johnson, 66; Ulysses S. Grant, 64; Benjamin Harrison, 67; Theodore Roosevelt, 60, and Woodrow Wilson, 67.

Washington and Wilson lived to be almost exactly the same age—67.

Presidents who died between the ages of 50 and 60 years were: Polk 53; Lincoln 56; Garfield, 59; Arthur, 56; McKinley, 58; and Harding, 57.

Only two presidents who died natural death—Polk and Arthur—failed to reach 60.

In the first seventy years of the office—from Washington to Buchanan—the average age of its occupants at the time of their death was 75.

In the last seventy-three years of the office—from Lincoln to Harding—the average age of its occupants, including the three victims of violence, was 61 years and 9 months.

Exceptive the ages of Lincoln, Garfield and McKinley, who died violent deaths, the average age of dead presidents in this last seventy-three years—from Lincoln to Harding—is 63 years.

From this it will be seen that the average of a president's lifetime, that was 75 in the first seventy years of the presidential office, declines to an average of 63 years in the last seventy-three years of the office, exclusive of the ages of the three presidents who have died natural death.

Represented in percentage, this change shows a decline of exactly 16 per cent.

Evidently the average age of the presidents of the United States is falling which may indicate an explanation in the wear and tear of increasingly heavy duties of the office that have struck Arthur down at 56, Roosevelt at 60, Harding at 57, and Wilson at 67.

Investigators doubtless will discover that the only thing about Germany that is unimpaired is her nerve.—Greely (Col.) Tribune-Republican.

In 1900 capital invested in manufacturing enterprises in North Carolina was \$68,283,000. In 1920 this had increased to \$609,144,000.

EXECUTRIX NOTICE.

Having this day qualified as executrix of the estate of the late E. L. Jenkins, this is to notify all parties that all claims against the said estate must be presented to me for payment on or before the 23rd day of February 1921 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of any recovery thereof. All parties owning the said estate are notified to make immediate settlement with the undersigned.

This February 16th, 1921.
MRS. MAE JENKINS, Executrix of the estate of E. L. Jenkins, dec'd.
6-19p



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—Birth Announced—Born, Thursday, February 14, to Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Guphris, Chestnut avenue, a son.
Grabski is to form the next Polish cabinet. With himself as minister of finance the cabinet should be complete.—Springfield Republican.
In 1900 the assessed valuation of property in North Carolina was \$306,579,000, and in 1920 it was \$3,139,705,000.
Never throw away anything. There may be another war and you can sell it to the government.—Anderson (Ind.) Herald.
The question is whether the big fellows shall get the tax saving now or take it from the little fellows later.—Chicago Daily Journal.

RESOLUTION OF RESPECT.

Whereas, the Great and Supreme Ruler of the universe has in His infinite wisdom removed from among us, one of our worthy brothers, H. G. Stamey; and whereas the long and intimate relations held with him in the faithful discharge of his duties in the order makes it eminently befitting that we record our appreciation of him; therefore,
Resolved, That the wisdom and ability which he has exercised in the aid of our organization by service, contributions and counsel, will be held in grateful remembrance.
Resolved, That the sudden removal of such a life from among our midst leaves a vacancy and a shadow that will be deeply realized by all the members and friends of this organization and will prove a serious loss to the community and the public.
Resolved, That with deep sympathy with the bereaved relatives of the deceased we express our hope that even so great a loss to us all may be over-ruled for good by Him who doeth all things well.
Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of the council, a copy be sent to each of the local papers, also to the Junior Order Journal for publication and a copy forwarded to the bereaved family.
E. W. DIXON,
J. W. BRACKETT,
H. D. HOYLE, Committee.

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