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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, AUGUST, 25, 1925.

SEABOARD EXTENSION.
 It is well to suggest to the Seaboard and talk about the extension of its railroad from Rutherfordton through Chimney Rock, Asheville, but Seaboard officials are now directing their attention, their energy and their money to the extension of lines in Florida where there is a great development. It is true Western North Carolina is having its day of building and soaring realty prices, but we learn from a more or less official source that the Seaboard does not intend to take any steps toward extension in Western North Carolina for the present. The visit of officials at Rutherfordton has given rise to much speculation and they probably are inspecting the route with an ultimate view of extending, but we do not think our hopes should be unnecessarily keyed, expecting something in the immediate future.

HEARD AWAY FROM HOME.

There is always an old saying that to hear the news of home, one must go away from home and get it from the outside. The other night the Kiwanis club was told that the Piedmont and Northern officials had no idea of connecting at an early date the link of interurban between Gastonia and Spartanburg and consequently we slacked our pull on the rope, but here comes something from a Florida paper, a press dispatch from Spartanburg which leads us to believe that while no development will be started in the immediate future, the P. and N. officials have in mind to build this link and they are quietly laying plans to that end.

That the Piedmont and Northern Electric railway will build the missing link of its line between Spartanburg and Gastonia is indicated by the drawing of the underpass to be constructed here in connection with the physical connection of the C. and W. C. with the Clinchfield road. If the P. and N. joins with the Charleston and Western Carolina in the underpass project as the drawings show, the two lines will use the same underpass. This would mean also that a union station costing \$250,000 or more would be built jointly by the two roads.

THE COMMUNITY SPIRIT.

Boiling Springs was a wise choice in presenting the pageant at the big farm picnic for Boiling Springs is a model rural community, where the church life, the home life, the school life and the community spirit are typified in the lives of her citizens. There was a time when Boiling Springs was not an ideal community because the citizens were never unified in their ideals and aspirations, but what a revelation has taken place. Now the citizens act in unison on all matters of community interest and this splendid situation has been brought about largely by the Boiling Springs high school. Every citizen is back of the institution and it has wrought wonders. The church building is one of the handsomest rural houses of worship in North Carolina. The township was the first to levy a tax for better roads and one of the first to have a rural lighting system.

When Miss Landon came to Cleveland to present a pageant depicting the rural community life she made a wise choice in looking to Boiling Springs where the citizens rallied to the call and drew a picture, the like of which has never been seen in North Carolina. It will have a far-reaching effect on the thousands of people who stood Friday night before the large stage in the wooded cove and looked on as the ideal community life was pictured in most graphic style before them.

A man who can make a suit that will last as long as a vest has a fortune before him.

CONSERVED BY PROFIT.

Country life will be preserved in America by being made profitable. This is the meat in the address of Governor Thomas McLeod, of South Carolina at the big farm picnic Friday. Every banker, merchant, manufacturer and business man should appreciate the fact that the basic wealth of our country depends on the farming industry and if they do not want to see it prosper, they are short-sighted and selfish. Every trade and vocation of life in the South prospers as farming prospers and when the farmer fails to get a fair return for his labors and his investments, these other lines are given a set-back.

We have often wondered why the prices of farm products do not mount faster because of the drift of rural population into the cities and towns and we have just found statistics to show the reason why. Last year 182,000 moved from the farms city-ward, but the births in the country were 497,000 in excess of the deaths, consequently the rural population steadily increases in the fact what appears to be a movement from the farms. Then, too, with modern farm machinery, one man produces as much as four produced 25 years ago.

Last year farm profits averaged four and a half per cent—a return which many classes would not be satisfied to receive, yet these farmers were forced to receive this small return because they are compelled to accept prices that are offered. The cooperative marketing system is undertaking to change this situation and if it succeeds, it will have benefitted not only the farmer, but every other class.

OPINIONS OF OTHERS—

Memorials.

"Fine" Writin'.
 (From Lumberton Robesonian.)
 "Fine" writing formerly was carefully avoided by experienced newspaper men, who were content to leave the florid style which delights most people at some time in life to the tender cub. But a decided change has taken place in recent years in the style in which the Associated Press handles the funerals of great men. Associated Press correspondents who have written up recent funerals of great men have laid it on pretty thick. No youthful sophomore striding from star to star ever made more lavish use of high-sounding adjectives. And along with lavish use of adjectives some reporters have dug up a new idea that long-drawn-out funerals tax the endurance of the dead. It used to be thought that it was the living who ordered the strain. But it seems that the deceased cannot go to his long home or be at peace until the funeral is over, if one is to believe the Associated Press correspondent who wrote, describing the Bryan funeral: "Gripped by her afflictions, she (Mrs. Bryan) remained in her closed motor car a hundred yards from the tented grave until the bugle notes brought to her the message that the long strain was over and her dead at peace at last."

Most people had thought that the Great Commoner was at peace at last when his soul left its mortal casket five days before at Dayton, Tenn. It is rather a disturbing thought that a soul is doomed to unrest until such a time as those in charge of the last rites consign its earthly tabernacle to the grave.

Watch Jewels.

Scientific American.
 A watch movement contains precious stones to diminish its wear. In a watch—all watches that are worthy of the name—the lever and the balance wheel pivots always run in bearings made of jewels. Also the pallets—the arms of the lever which formulate the circular motion of the escape wheel into the vibratory motion of the balance—and the ruby pin, the pin in the roller of a lever staff which acts in the fork of the lever and receives the impulse from the escapement, are generally made of hard stone. In high grade watches the bearings of the entire movements are jeweled. The best grade jewels are made of sapphires or rubies, the cheaper grade of garnet. The jewels are the points in which the pivots run, and they must be made of the finest material if the watch is to give good service. There are from 7 to 23 of these points of jewels in a watch, and unless they are of good quality and fit the wheel pivots perfectly, the watch will be a poor timekeeper, even if it does run.

The Fear of Water.

Reading (Pa.) Tribune.
 Swimming is one of the easiest and most natural things in the world. If people could only be persuaded of this they would learn to swim more easily, and become much better swimmers, and there would be fewer drownings.

The greatest obstacle is fear of the water. When that is lost, the power to swim comes of itself. The person who trusts the water and yields himself to it is swimming safely and happily before he realizes it. The water

is friendly only when the bather is sensible.

The water is buoyant. The novice is afraid of sinking. As long as there is breath in his lungs, he is lighter than water.

But the water will not support anyone who tries to climb out of it. The swimmer must always remember to yield himself to the water. All possible weight must be beneath the surface. Since the head is the heaviest part of the body, as much of it as possible must be under water. Swimming on the back is easiest because in that position the back of the head is supported.

Most drownings of swimmers come from cramps. That is nearly always unnecessary. If the swimmer seized with cramps will only keep his head and remember that he is no heavier with cramps than without them, and take a floating position, he will usually be able to float until cramps disappear.

Who Invented Movies?
 (From Louisville Courier-Journal.)

"It is sufficient to know," remarks the Los Angeles Times, "that Edward Muybridge, of California, is called the father of motion pictures." But is it sufficient? Does the bare label make the title good? Is Edward Muybridge California, to be given the credit at a time when the credit is being disputed? The Times is showing commendable State pride, and it qualifies its claim for the California inventor, but nevertheless its statement is a bit premature.

The honor of originating motion pictures came up for discussion some time ago, when Francis A. Jenkins, of Richmond, Ind., attacked the claims of Thomas A. Edison. More or less recently while Jenkins was expounding in Washington on the transmission of moving pictures by radio the dispute was revived and proponents of Jenkins declared that he had produced the first practical machine.

The difficulty in the way of a definite decision in the matter is due in part at least to the development of the idea. The motion picture is an evolution. It sprang from a joy known

for generations, a zone of pictures on the inside of a wheel, which when revolved gave the illusion of motion. Instantaneous photography was the next step, then the old kintoscope, which is still to be seen in penny arcades, and finally, with the invention of the celluloid film in photography, all the materials were at hand to be placed together, to be developed into a practical machine for taking the pictures and reproducing them.

Muybridge, Jenkins and Edison all made machines of the kind. The question is, which was the first practical contrivance and not a predecessor of the contrivance, like, for example, the kintoscope? Definitely the question has not been settled. It is in much the same state of uncertainty as the Langley-Wright controversy over the first practical flying machine. The credit in both cases must await the verdict of time.

Why Go Further To Be Cheated?
 (From Monroe Inquirer.)

The Big Four of Charlotte's department stores—Belk's, Efrids, Iveys and Bon Marche—this week are

conducting what they call a "Co-Operative August Clearing Sale." Last Monday David Owens, Ivey's interesting and instructive ad writer among other things, said:

"Now this week finds Charlotte's four big department stores lining up in a friendly, brotherly love, help-one-another Co-operative August Clearance Sale, the idea being that four spiders working together can pull more flier into their net than one playing a lone game."

The brother's simile is rather inept, apparently at least, from the standpoint of the men trying to sell goods. This walking into a spider's net, figuratively speaking, is just what the average shopper desires to avoid. Why couldn't the fellow who wrote the foregoing sentiment have made it shorter and instead, like the old Hebrew said:

"Ladies, come in here and trate mit me. Vy go furdur to be cheated."

Only time a man's hair will really stay parted is after he has parted with it forever.

W. K. Misenheimer says some automobile drivers should either have padded cells or padded bumpers.

Years ago to get across a stream it was necessary to use a ford. Now we can't get across a stream with one.

There's small choice. When a road is freed of all other hazards there's a speed cop.

How many Sunday automobile accidents are due to people hurrying to church, asks Rev. A. L. Stanford?

Obit.
 Here lies the body of Timothy Vaughan. He stopped on the crossing; The train hurried on.

The prize optimist, says John Wynn Doggett is the pedestrian who smiles when he reads that automobile production is showing a heavy increase.

A good name for the flivver is Booster, says "Lefty" Robertson, because it knocks so much.

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By the Howard-Hickory plan the entire work is carried out by one organization; make the plan, supply the plants, and put them in the ground. And best of all, stand behind every part of this work. All this is to your advantage in that satisfaction and success are assured.

Long Rows Of Shrubs

Put end to end our rows of shrubs and evergreens would stretch for miles and miles! Nearly a hundred acres of land is used in this business, with an investment of considerably more than \$100,000; then we add the experience of more than 25 years in growing and selling trees and plants. Here is a combination that means satisfaction to every one of our customers.

Visitors tell us that the entire South possesses no more complete collection of evergreens and ornamental plants than is found in our nursery. From this collection you or we can select just the specimens needed for your home grounds.

"I Cleared About \$2500"

said one of our customers, "besides living in the house 18 months. The planting is what sold it."

If you knew that by investing \$200 today your place would increase \$500 to \$1,000 in value in the next few months, you would make the investment immediately.

Planting the home-grounds is exactly that kind of an investment. It increases the value of the home greatly in excess of the cost. Every season passed without planting is an actual cash loss to you.

Plan Now To Plant This Fall

Phone our representatives, Mr. Brunson or Mr. Pigford, at College Hotel, Shelby, Tuesday evening, September 1, for a conference on your home grounds. As their stay is limited to only a few days, be sure to consult with them not later than Wednesday.

They are thoroughly familiar with plant life in this locality and can plan with you as to just what will be best for your individual place. And remember that we not only plan, but we also plant the shrubs and evergreens, roses, etc., and then re-supply any that may fail to grow through the first season.

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