

Late News About Boiling Springs

(Special to The Star) Mr. and Mrs. Woodford Hamrick of Gastonia are spending several days here with relatives... Miss Sam Hicks had the misfortune of breaking his arm this week while cranking a car... The Tongues and Needles club met at the home of Mrs. Unie Hamrick Friday evening at 8 o'clock... The Home Economics club of this place entered several projects in the general Woman's club booth at the Cleveland county fair this week...

and third prizes. The members will be interested to know that every project entered by the B. S. club won a premium. This club now has about sixteen dollars to add to their credit as a result of their efforts in this undertaking... The Philonian Book club of this place is quite proud of the two distinctive honors that were given it on the booth at the fair this week... The Addie Bostic circle met at the home of Mrs. Will Laney Thursday afternoon. A most interesting and instructive program was rendered.

COOLING OFF PERIOD IS OFFERED AS PREVENTIVE FOR DIVORCE, BY JUDGE

(By International News Service.) Cleveland—A "cooling off period" of six months has been suggested by Common Pleas Judge Walter McMahon as a possible preventative of divorce... "When a young married couple files suit for divorce, the pair should be allowed about half a year to think it over, before coming into court to air their troubles to the world," Judge McMahon declares... "I wouldn't think of hearing a divorce case before the principles have had half a year to think things over," Judge McMahon concluded, "especially where there are children. I find that the cooling off period works miracles."

Walter L. Main Circus Is Coming; Army Of Advance Men Arrive In City.



MISS BESSIE HOLLIS Daring European somersault rider, star in the Royal circus of Amsterdam, now with the Walter L. Main circus.

An army of men invaded the city today and in a remarkably short time practically every billboard, barn and fence was covered with sparking and varnished pictorial display, telling of the approaching visit here of the Walter L. Main circus which will exhibit in Shelby on Wednesday October 12... "Yes sir, the big show is heading this way and all that remains is for Father Time to chalk off the calendar days until the date for the

show arrives. The license has been secured, the showgrounds selected, food for the performers and the animal has been contracted for, and in fact, all preliminary arrangements have been completed. The advance crew arrived today in a brand new private Pullman, gayly decorated in red and gold, and loaded with barrels of paste and the bright colored announcements, heralds, and posters... The performance staged this year by the circus is said to far exceed any previous performances presented by circuses here. New and novel features never before heard of in this county constitute its program. The four corners of the earth have been searched in an effort to provide the best circus talent available for the Walter L. Main circus program, it has been announced... It requires 200 performers to present the spectacular offerings of the Walter L. Main circus this year and its "headliners" are too numerous to mention. More railroad cars are used for transportation, bigger tents are required, and more area needed in which to accommodate the circus city than ever before in the brilliant history of this immense entertainment aggregation... Those who love a real high-class circus performance, full of its thrills of the acrobats aerialists, contortionists, jugglers, wild animal acts, beautiful horses, and other features may well decide right now that they will see the Walter L. Main circus when it shows here next month. It is everywhere agreed to be unparalleled and its unprecedented performances are startling and amazing the cities of America. A spectacular street parade will be given on downtown streets at 11 a. m. Performances at 2 and 8 p. m. Menagerie doors open at 1 and 7 p. m.

STATE LAGS IN WAVE OF CRIME

North Carolina Has Next To Lowest Increase In Number Of Prisoners. News & Observer. North Carolina, according to the figures showing admissions to its state prison, is not keeping pace with the nation in crime, which is revealed in United States census bureau reports as growing faster than the population of the nation... With the exception of Pennsylvania, the Tar Heel state had the smallest percentage of increase in new prisoners between the census years of 1923 and 1926, and a smaller ratio of prisoners for each 100,000 population than most of the 31 states which have completed their reports... North Carolina last year had 20.3 prisoners for 100,000 population as compared with 13.6 in 1923. Pennsylvania last year had only 15.9 prisoners for 100,000 population as compared with 13.7 in 1923. The Keystone state showed the lowest percentage of the 31 states... Governor Congratulated The showing of this state in keeping well behind the national crime rate caused the New York World to wire Governor McLean congratulating him, and asking his opinion of why such was the case... The New York paper erred slightly in its communication by placing North Carolina as lowest in the percentage of prisoners to population and having it showing a decrease in the number of them despite the national increase... Two Reasons For It. Two sets of reasons are to be ascribed for North Carolina's showing. The most favorable to the state is the fact that more money is being expended on public education and welfare work and reform work is being carried on with prisoners so that there are very few

INSANITY IS PLEA OF TEXAS WOMAN

re-commitments. This is what Governor McLean is expected to wire in answer to the New York paper... Husband Testifies Mrs. Rogers Mentally Unbalanced. Georgetown, Tex.—A form of insanity made Rebecca Bradley Rogers incapable of distinguishing between right and wrong when she is alleged to have set fire to a house as part of a plan to rob a bank, her attorneys contended in completing testimony at her trial on a charge of arson... Otis Rogers, who secretly married the defendant on their graduation from the University of Texas two years ago, joined expert witnesses in testifying that his wife apparently was "unbalanced"... "She simply isn't there," Dr. Max Hendman, Texas University professor and criminologist, told the jury... Rogers, who gave up his law practice to come to his wife's defense as associate counsel, testified he seemed to feel that she "was incapable of wrong." This condition existed, he said, prior to December last when she is charged with burning a house near a bank at Round Rock, Tex., and of the robbery of a bank at Buda, Tex., of \$1,000 the following day... Dr. Livingston Anderson, Austin scientist, told of examining Mrs. Rogers after her arrest. He said he questioned her on statements of Round Rock bankers who allege she burned the house with the apparent intention of distorting their attention to permit robbery of the bank. He declared she showed a serene attitude toward her troubles even when asked about a package addressed to herself which contained loot from the Buda bank and a pistol identified as the one used in

Kissing Ruling Gets Runaways

Greenville, S. C.—Greenville laws, which prohibit kissing on the streets of the city to the annoyance of any citizen thereof, landed a runaway wife, and the man she is alleged to have left her husband with, in jail... The pair were found in an automobile parked on North Street yesterday afternoon and arrested after complaints were made that they had been seen hugging and kissing. At first they claimed to be husband and wife giving the names Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tooma. Later the woman said her name was Mrs. Marie Hoyle, of Monroe, N. C. They explained that the car had run out of gasoline... In recorder's court Tooma testified that at her request he had taken Mrs. Hoyle away from her husband and that he was taking her to Wilmington, N. C., so she could catch a boat to Newport News, Va. her home before her marriage. Mrs. Hoyle said she left her husband's home willingly... The couple were fined \$26 each or 30 days in jail. They had no money and began serving their sentence at once... Sane To The Last "Well," said the dying business man, "you better put in a clause about my employees. To each man who has worked for me 20 years I give and bequeath \$50,000. But, said the lawyer, you haven't been in business 20 years. I know it, man, but it's good advertising. Cheer up, Cecil, you'll never get out of life alive anyway!"



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NOT ILLEGAL FOR MAN AND WIFE TO SPOON ON STREET

Young Married Woman Wins \$3,675 Judgment Against Policeman.

Cleveland—If a man and wife want to take an automobile spin and then park for a time on Cleveland streets for a little spooning, they have a legal right to do it without any interference from police... This view was taken by a jury of six men and six women in common pleas court when they awarded Mrs. Joseph Mack \$3,675 damages against Police Sergeant Frank Rolfs for false arrest. Mrs. Mack had asked \$15,000 damages... Made Arrest The police officer asserted they were guilty of disorderly conduct when he caught them petting in the rear seat of their automobile. He held them six hours in jail. When their case came before the court it was dismissed... Testimony at the trial showed a full moon was shining and the air was balmy. Mr. and Mrs. Mack were returning home from a picnic together with three other friends. Mack testified they could "not resist the romantic appeal of the moon" that night... The petting was no more under way than a police car drove up, one of the officers demanding of Mack "Who's this dame?" Mack replied "my wife." But the police refused to believe him and away the couple went to the police station in a police patrol... Within His Rights "I was hugging and kissing my wife when arrested. Is there anything disorderly in that?" Mack testified. "Surely, a man has a

right to make love to his wife on a night like that was." The Macks have been married only a short time.

Sergeant Rolfs declared he did not have the money to pay the judgment and that he would appeal the verdict.

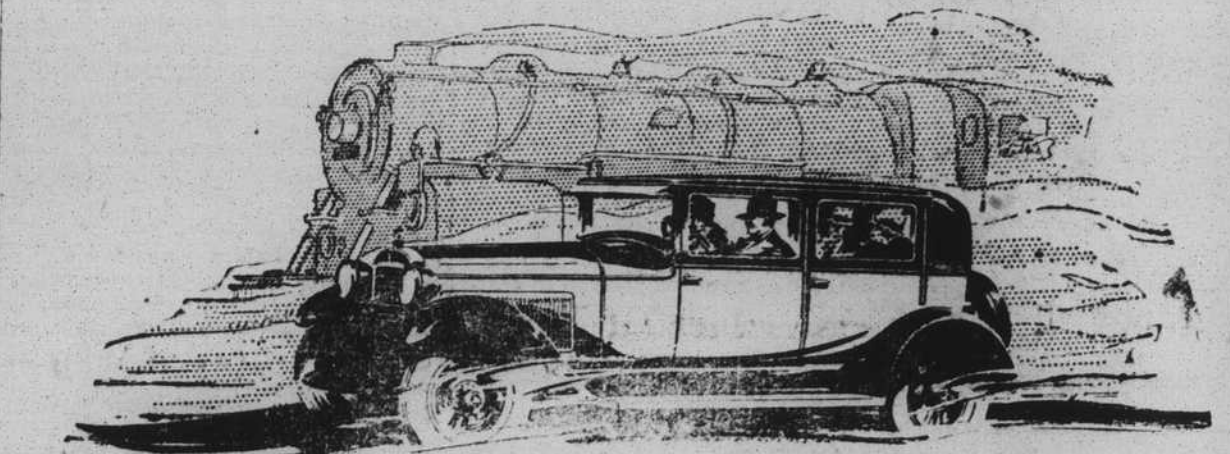
"I was only doing my duty," Rolfs said. "To me they were guilty of disorderly conduct in making love to each other right there on the street. At the time I arrested the Macks I thought they were terrible. But since then conditions have been getting worse, with all sorts of couples kissing and hugging in automobiles, and the girls openly smoking cigarettes. No, sir, I can't understand it."

CENTENARIAN RECORD HELD BY BULGARIA

(By International News Service.)

Sofia—Bulgaria today has the largest percentage of centenarians in the world. There are 58 persons over a hundred years of age to every 100,000 inhabitants in the country... This figure is remarkable when it is remembered that in countries like Denmark, Holland, Finland, Belgium, Norway and Spain, there is an average of only one centenarian to a million inhabitants. The United States boasts of four and Canada of two centenarians to 100,000 people... In order to join the ranks of this distinguished tribe of humanity, you must live an exceedingly simple life. You cannot smoke nor drink, meat must be a rare luxury in your diet, which should consist of sour milk, coarse bread, fruit and many vegetables, and above all common sense in everything... Longevity in the Balkan countries is believed due to the extensive use of the famous Bulgarian sour milk, which contains the so-called "Bulgarian bacillus" claimed to be a dead enemy to the destructive germs infecting one's stomach.

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