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MONDAY, FEB. 11, 1929.

TWINKLES

Al Smith is not to be a candidate for mayor of New York we read. And if Jimmy Walker is a big enough man for the job we're inclined to think Al is right in not running, for he is too big a man for it.

Ye Twinkler after watching a fellow parachute from an airplane here just to amuse a gathering of people finds himself unable to decide whether the fellow merely possesses a lot of nerve, or fails to possess a lot of something else. And then it may be sorter fifty-fifty, y'know.

A Charlotte dispatch states that Anti-Smiths in North Carolina are doing a bit of watchful waiting in political matters. That same expression, as we see it, might be applied to any and all factions of the Democratic party now. These be tempestuous times for Democrats regardless of variety or labelling.

SPEED UP MAIL

IT IS AN INTERESTING news item that comes out of Blacksburg stating that the airport there, an emergency field along the government air mail route, may become a stop for the mail planes. Shelby citizens are boosting the movement because it would mean faster mail service here in that letters leaving here in the evening at 6 o'clock would be in New York by 6 o'clock in the following morning. This would speed up business for textile interests, sending samples to and fro, and for local business men in general. Such is the speed of the present day world that the early worm axiom is more to the point than ever before. Minutes mean dollars in modern business, and even in love-making with lovelorn sheiks chasing their girls in airplanes, and even getting married while coasting about in the clouds (We mean real clouds, not the clouds circumventing one in a mental daze).

WHEREIN WE SUGGEST

SENATOR PERSON introduced a bill in the State Senate to make it a misdemeanor for movie fans to stick their toes into the forms of those in the seats just in front, but the bill received very little attention. However, down in Kinston the city board made it a misdemeanor to place one's knees on the back of the seat occupied by those in front, be the chair in a movie, school auditorium or church.

So far, so good. Now, since it's getting near time for another city election in Shelby, we would suggest unto the present city board how they might be reelected—that is, if they care to be. And our suggestion is that prior to the May ballot battle that the city dads pass an ordinance making it a misdemeanor, punishable by fine or imprisonment for any one to read the titles aloud in a movie in Shelby.

P. S. It might be an even better idea if the fine part was left out with the offense being punishable only by imprisonment.

SHELBY'S GRANDDAUGHTER DEAD

TO THIS SECTION the news of last Friday of the death of Miss Lesa R. Shelby, grand daughter of the Kings Mountain battle hero for whom this town was named, was of considerable interest. First of all it is doubtful if many, or any, Shelby people knew that the grand daughter of the famous Revolutionary warrior was still living. That she was a short time before her death faced with financial distress we know was not known here, for considering the Revolutionary history connected with this town, county and section, in which nearly every town and street is named for some of the Kings Mountain heroes, we feel sure that local chapters of the Daughters of the American Revolution would have gladly given her aid.

Remembering how near the grand daughter of Col. Isaac Shelby came to being buried in a pauper's grave it might be well for the Daughters to get in touch with their historical officers and find out if their descendants of Shelby are living, and, if so, where. The information would be of general interest. Too, it would be none too much of a boost for relatives of the man for whom a prosperous town was named to permit them to suffer from poverty.

LINCOLN AND THE SOUTH

TOMORROW is the anniversary of the birth of the man who, to us, represents more the opportunity this country of ours, America, holds out to the oncoming generations than any other. Tomorrow is the birth anniversary of Abraham Lincoln. "Honest Abe," the rail-splitter, who secured his education by the light from the fire in an open hearth, and moved on and on fighting the vicissitudes of life until he reached a peak occupied by few men.

Due to the fact that he held the presidency when the worst internal break in the history of America, the Civil war, came about Lincoln for years was not the idol in the South that he is today. But as the years rolled by, and it is always so, the rugged honesty and the big heart of Lincoln finally won over the South. Today his anniversary is as fittingly remembered among us as among the people of his own north and east. The change in sentiment over the Civil war break is evidenced better in the showing of Uncle Tom's Cabin the story which had much to do with starting

the conflict, and was once lambasted all over the South for its unfairness to Southern interests. Despite the fact that George Eaton and other impartial writers have shown many untruths and errors in the story of Uncle Tom's cabin the showing of the story in the movies draws cheers even in North Carolina. In its way what a masterpiece that story is, but the many ways thereof?

LEND A SHOULDER

CLEVELAND county, and section adjoining, hardly knew what cash or a bit of surplus money meant until the monazite mining industry came along years ago. Then over a stretch of time the monazite industry brought an untold amount of money into the county and section. Nice, comfortable farm homes began to replace small log and frame houses, children began to receive better schooling advantages, and business in general picked up for prosperity cannot be where there is no circulation of money, and up to that time there had been little in this county.

Now a movement is on foot to revive the monazite industry in the section, the industry having been idle for many years due to a low, and later no tariff at all on outside monazite coming to this country. If the movement is successful, and enough cooperation and fight could make it so, it would mean much to Cleveland county and the section adjoining. Another meeting in the interest of the movement is to be held in the court house here Saturday afternoon. Attend that meeting! The return of monazite mining to this county on a profitable basis will bring a prosperity, which added to our agricultural advance of recent years, never before known. And prosperity in a section effects not just one group, but all regardless of business and occupation. Business men, bankers, professional men, manufacturers, and farmers should attend Saturday's meeting as well as those directly interested in reviving monazite. Be there!

COUNTY EXPENSES AND TAXES

A WEAKNESS controlling practically every man is the habit of complaining about expenses at tax-paying time and then forgetting the matter for the rest of the year, or until an election comes along when such-and-such officials may be knifed as revenge for the increasing taxes.

Those who think taxes are high should keep the thought on their mind the entire year, for taxes are high when public money is being spent for this and that. When the spending is going on is the time to yell—not after it is spent when the taxes are already boosted automatically.

Every time there is a change in method of government, or anything of that nature is the time to be on the alert, right when the spending starts.

For which reason The Star is inclined to think well of such discussions as that between Mr. Harris of Mooresboro and County Business Manager Cline. The latter bucked at one legislative bill now proposed because until it was further explained to him he was of the opinion that it might cost the county quite a bit of money, and Mr. Cline is in position to know that every time a county spends a little more money it means a little more taxes for the taxpayers to pay. Mr. Harris in reply wanted to know just how the proposed legislation might prove expensive. Such discussions do good, far more good than angered discussion after money is spent and there is talk of raising taxes. The average citizen noting a little added cost to this and that department may not consider the small sum of any consequence and therefore not stop to think that over a year's period even small sums mount up, and it doesn't take much mounting up of expense to cause the tax rate to climb.

Do your investigating before the spending not afterwards when you go to pay your taxes, and you will see that better results will be forthcoming.

Something To Think About Touching On Success

By Bruno Lessing

Harvard university has sent out questionnaires to 15,000 business men in an attempt to ascertain the reasons for their success. The inquiry according to the Associated Press, "seeks to obtain first-hand information regarding to social classes from which business leaders are recruited, the extent of their education and training and the circumstances surrounding their early business careers."

It seems a rather curious, half-baked inquiry for an institution of learning to undertake. One cannot help wondering what the answers will be and what deductions the university will make from them. Supposing most successful business men reply that they ran away from home at an early age and enjoyed no school teaching, will the university decide that in order to be successful in business, boys must run away from home and keep away from school?

Would it not have been better to institute an inquiry as to what constitutes a successful life? That is a much broader field, and a vastly more important one. One hardly expects a great institution of learning to waste its time and energy upon that limited field of success in which men struggle to build up a business and make money.

Once there was a poor boy who, without much education, went into the steel business. He built up a powerful factor in the industrial world. Then he abandoned the woman whom he had married in his youth and took up a young chorus girl. But as long as the finer things

exist and as long as we know that, sure as fate, we shall come back to them some day, would it not be better for a great university to ignore a purely momentary trend and exert its influence to uphold and explain and propagate a higher ideal than "success" in business? Heaven knows that it does not require a university to make the average boy, today, ambitious to be a millionaire.

"Nobody's Business" — BY GEE MCGEE —

(Exclusive In The Star In This Section.)

Various & Sundry.

The biggest lie: "Easy Payments."

Next to the biggest lie: "I will be detained at the office tonight."

The longest day in the year is the day before your mother-in-law starts for her own home.

The shortest day in the year is the day before the second payment falls due, and you ain't got a cent.

The wisest man in the world is the man who talks but little and writes not at all.

The oftener told lie of modern times is—"I'll pay you next week."

The meanest man in town is the guy that bets you to the last parking space.

The prettiest girl in the community has her picture taken in a 1-piece bathing suit so's she can prove it.

The strangest man in the whole county is the man that attends strictly to his own business and lets other peoples business alone.

The finest boy in college is the best forward passer who made 45 on geography and 25 on spelling and flunked on all his other studies.

The best cook in town is the person who can keep her hair out of the dumplings and not let the biscuits burn while she's at the telephone. (It is harder for a woman to leave a telephone than for the proverbial camel to back thru a needle's eye.)

It cost the Democrats \$4,543,256-78 to defeat Al Smith, meaning which: If they had nominated Al and kept him at home, and refused him the privilege of expatiating his views as a "wet," and denied him the right to explain his strong love for the Pope, and saved their money for other purposes, why, he'd have been elected as sure as the Tea Pot Dome.

The highway commissions all over the south are demanding that all of the money derived from

gasoline taxes be turned over to them to be used as they see fit from time to time. Just as I expected 4 years ago. They've got 2 feet in the trough already, and now they want to put their other 2 feet in. I am of the opinion that a little bit of the tax money should be given to each county for use by the folks who pay it. Highway commissions are developing into octopuses, and 10 years from now, a guy will have to get a permit from the department before he can cut sprouts within 1,000 yards of the public road.

Cotton Letter.

New York, Feb. 11.—Rain in Texas night before last, and dew in Georgia today—put spots down 26 points, and the farmers had the losses to pay. Bombay opened with a jump and a spurt, while Liverpool reacted on call, the bears are riding in limosines, but Southern selling and straddling and boll weevil news—made the mills set up and take notice, but the longs and the outs—regard farm relief as a mere poulitice. We advise holding and scripping and saving—and believe in a higher price—but we must not forget for all time to come—that the speculator holds the dice. (N. B.—This is poetry.)

I heard Uncle Joe giving a tourist some directions as to how he might get to the next town, and here's what he said: "Now, say, looky here: You fellers just keep the straight road till you turn off, and wear to the right, and when you come to old man Brown's house, and see some dogs a-barking, take your left, but don't turn off too soon, and there's 3 or 4 lefts down there, and then change your course kinder to-ards the north till you come to a fork, and take it and go 9 miles, and then you'll be in sight of where you seem to be going. You can't get lost if you follow them directions."

I asked a dairyman the other day if his milk was pasteurized, and he said, "Yes sir, I've got a big pasture, and my cows stays out in it all day long." He claimed that his milk was over half butter fat, and I just bether it was till he got to the branch.

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NOTICE OF RESALE OF LAND

Under an order of the superior court, Cleveland county, N. C. made in special proceeding, entitled Amanda Warlick, widow et al, vs. Lula Elmore, et al, the undersigned commissioner will offer for resale at the court house door in Shelby, N. C. at public auction to the highest bidder, at 12 m. on Monday, February 25, 1929, the following tract of land:

Known as lot No. 1 of the lands of J. F. Warlick, deceased, lying in No. 10 township, Cleveland county, N. C. Beginning on a pine stump, corner of dower lot in line of J. T. J. T. Warlick, and runs with said line S. 68.45 E. 1434 feet to a cedar at edge of branch; thence S. 69.30 E. 495 feet to a hickory; thence S. 43.35 W. 726 feet to a stone; thence S. 67.40 W. 404 feet to a dogwood, corner of Decatur Warlick; thence N. 45.15 W. 38 feet to a post oak; thence N. 68.30 W. 200 feet to a stake; thence N. 38.05 W. 782 feet to a pine; thence S. 70.10 W. 79 feet to a post oak; thence N. 37.30 W. 415 feet to a stake; corner of J. T. Warlick; thence the Warlick's line N. 22.50 E. 800 feet to the place of beginning, containing 33.4 acres.

Terms of sale one-half cash, balance within twelve months from date of sale. Bid will start at \$1800. This the 9th day of February, 1929.

AMANDA WARLICK, Commissioner. Newton & Newton, Attys.

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LATTIMORE BATCH OF CURRENT NEWS

W. A. Crowder Improving—Ladies Holding Meeting—Personal Mention.

(Special to The Star.) Lattimore, Feb. 8.—Mr. Alton Hamrick who holds a position with Efrids at Charlotte spent the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Hamrick.

Mrs. Pinnie Cline and daughter, Margaret, Miss Dorothy Rowe and mother, Mrs. Rowe, of Hickory, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Hewitt.

Miss Katie Mae Toms spent Saturday night with Miss Mary D. Palmer of Polkville.

Misses Kathleen Pound, Willie Falls and Mr. Robert Falls were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Crowder Sunday.

Misses Wiloree Calton and Frances Hamrick visited Mrs. E. W. Gibbs in Shelby Saturday.

Miss Margaret Kennedy of Shelby spent the week-end with Miss Gladys Hawkins.

Friends of Mr. W. A. Crowder are glad to know he is improving after being confined to his bed several days suffering with high blood pressure.

Misses Nan Brittan, Vena Isin-hour and Katherine Herman of Hickory, were week-end guests of Mrs. M. B. Smith.

Miss Ray Gibbs of Shelby spent Friday night with Mrs. A. L. Calton.

The Women's club met in their regular monthly meeting this afternoon in the home economics room at the school building.

Mrs. Wallace home agent, was present and demonstrated how to make fruit dessert. Enough was made to serve each guest.

Something new is discussed at each meeting. All the ladies of the town and community are invited to come out and join the club.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Willis left Sunday for N. C. C. W. after spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ivey Willis.

Miss Mada B. Wilson who teaches in Catawba county spent the week-end at her home here.

The Origin Of Bad Checks.

Charleston News and Courier. Out of North Carolina came a citizen into Horry county where he bought a truck load of hogs from a widow, issuing a check of \$55 in payment. That person in Horry have hogs to sell is an excellent sign, but this was a case of bad selling because the check was bad. The badness of the check is accounted for by the drawer of it by "mean whist that he got hold of after he left South Carolina." His good intention had been to sell the hogs and make a deposit to meet the check, but having drunk of the liquor he sold the hogs for little or nothing and was separated from his truck besides. He is now, it seems, languishing in jail in Conway, awaiting trial, having been extradited from North Carolina where mean whisky prevents men from selling hogs at a profit and creating a bank balance to pay checks already issued.

There is an unpopular theory that the drawing of checks upon non-existent bank balances even by teetotalers is a wrongful practice, especially when possession of widow's property is gained in that manner, but we suspect that the theory more widely prevailing in this part of the world is that the badness of most bad checks is due to the meanness of most mean whisky. Check-flashers are the unfortunate victims of bootleggers and deserve the sympathy of the benevolent classes.

We believe in Santa Claus all right, but we often wish he would cultivate a little quieter taste in neckties.—Ohio State Journal.

Gee, it's a wonderful relief to be living in a world that is absolutely pledged not to resort to war, unless it feels like it.—Ohio State Journal.

Cut bananas lengthwise in half, sprinkle with nuts and serve on lettuce leaf with mayonnaise dressing.

Forbid Placing Of Knees In Chair Back

Kinston.—The legislature may not have taken seriously Senator Willie Person's bill to stop the sticking of knees in the backs of theatre chairs, but the bill gave members of the Kinston city council an idea. An ordinance proposed here would make it a misdemeanor, punishable by fine or imprisonment or what you have, to put either or both of one's knees in the back of a theatre, church or auditorium chair occupied by another. Hundreds of show-goers here have the habit.

The same ordinance would make it a misdemeanor to stick chewing gum on the seat or sides of a chair in a public place.

If the measure gets to the council it will probably be sharply debated. Some of the members will want to know how the authorities can deal with the chewing gum "stickers," most of whom are juveniles too young to know better. The mayor will disapprove the ordinance, it is understood.

The senate asks for suggestions for making military aviation safer. Congress might again begin to furnish those war-time contract plans that couldn't get off the ground.—San Diego Union.

A recent Scotch story—in a different vein—is about the London child in Glasgow who thought a bag-piper was strangling a dog.—Detroit News.

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