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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.

MONDAY, SEPT. 23, 1929

TWINKLES

Today's problem: What will the bare-legged flappers hang up for Santa on Christmas eve?

Another one of those names not spelled exactly right every time: Tesnear, Tessner, Tesner, Tessener?

They, meaning everybody you talk to, say that it is going to be the biggest fair this week of all. That depends on how we all turn out. Take it in.

Well, this is the week when parents will find out if it was worthwhile to send the boy to college. His name may appear in the lineup of his college eleven, and it may not.

Some of these days, perhaps, some of our North Carolina mobs and flogging parties will wake up and decide to take out the right men—those fellows who have been passing hundreds of laws for us each year without ever giving us a single law as a cure, or preventive for our labor disturbances.

A question Ye Twinkler hears on the street occasionally of recent weeks: "Well, is the Charlotte Observer for Jonas to succeed himself as Congressman for this district?" We've never answered, for we do not know. One thing we do recall is that Jonas wasn't for Al in the last election because he was a Republican even before that memorable season.

Ben Sronce, editor of the Wilkes Patriot, recently wrote what we would term a masterpiece in depicting the industry of his section—the fine apple orchards of Wilkes and neighboring counties. So masterfully did he describe the luscious fruit he tasted in travelling from orchard to orchard that several lowland editors are wondering if Ben did not also find out that there are uses for apples other than eating and cooking.

WHAT OF ENLARGING OUR SHELBY HOSPITAL.

UP AT MORGANTON last week the people of that section staged quite an occasion in the dedication of their newly constructed Grace hospital. That Morganton, thanks to the open hearts of Burke citizens and the Duke fund, now has one of the best equipped and most modern hospitals in the section is not to be doubted, judging by The News-Herald's special edition telling about the hospital and its building. They are to be congratulated.

And while we are speaking of hospitals—Are Shelby and Cleveland county people going to sleep that \$25,000 offer for the hospital here by not matching the gift from Duke?

GUARDIAN ANGELS STILL PROTECT COURTING COUPLES, FOOLS.

THE WORLD MAY BE jazzing along at a faster clip these days but guardian angels still try to keep step and protect the foolish. That's the opinion of Eugene Ashcraft who writes about it in the Monroe Enquirer as follows:

The longer I live the more I am convinced that certain grown-ups are encompassed by guardian angels as well as little children.

For instance. One day last week I saw a young man and his sweetie unconcernedly back their little flivver right in front of a rapidly moving four-ton truck. A good driver stopped in time to avoid a smash up.

The young man, still lookin' into the soulful eyes of his inamorata, ran down to the foot of the hill, the truck trailing behind, turned, and again came near being knocked into Kingdom Come.

Now, who'll say they ain't no sich thing as guardian angels which cares for courtin' couples, fools and kids?

DIFFERENCE IN OPINION ABOUT GASTON LABOR TROUBLES

THE STATESVILLE DAILY remarks that "Newspapers in Gastonia and Charlotte are quite impatient of outside criticism" and then quotes the following from the Gastonia Gazette:

"Nothing is easier to give than advice, especially at long distance. When, however, one is in the heart of a fury in which the public mind is plainly inflamed and not at itself is quite a different proposition. Circumstances still alter cases.—Charlotte News.

These editors and correspondents who are setting themselves up as the critics of everything and everybody in Gastonia and Gaston county have been urged and invited more than once to come and see. They might change their story if they could once listen to a typical communist speech in which the flag, the constitution, our religion, our customs and institutions are ridiculed, and murder, violence and disorder preached."

The Daily takes up again at this point: "Having at all times expressed sympathy for the good people in the midst of the trouble, along with the expression of opinion that the Gastonia people, who have had to bear the brunt of it, are not different from others but that similar troubles might happen in any community, this paper takes

none of the foregoing criticisms to itself. It appreciates the provocation of the Gastonians. And this writer is willing to go so far as to admit that, under similar circumstances, if he were to yield to the natural inclination, he would probably feel as they do. But that wouldn't make it right. Human nature being what it is, provocation does invite to retaliation—violence for violence. But that can't be justified in the light of reason, unless it be admitted that violence is a proper method of settling disturbances. We don't think in their calmer moments any of these papers will agree that it is.

Nobody's Business

GEE McGEE



flat rock, s. C. sep the 21 1929.
dear mr. editor:

The pasture of my church has asked me to rite up the obituary of jil lemon smith who died seized and possessed at his home a few days ago and i will do so as follows:—

gone on befoar to rest on the beautiful shore where he will suffer never more is the remains of jim lemon smith who passed to the sweet land beyond where there is no return with roomyism and lung trouble which he ketchted 2 yr. hence while running a saw mill ansforth down on the creek, as he slept on the cold damp ground.

Jim will be missed a great deal by all concerned. he was closely afflicted with st. paul methodist church since childhood and always took up the collection and rung the bell and he never failed to drop something in the hat hisself when he set it down on the little mahogany table which set near the organ where his hat was always left. his regular pasture preached the last sad writes.

his first wife succeeded him to the grave in 18 and 95 during the long douth which worried her mighty bad and his second wife passed on by being run over in the lot by a cow in 18 and 98 and his third wife survived him till last yr. when she laid down with newmomy which she taken after she had the flu and dor. smith treated her to the last for gall bladder.

somewheres about 14 hairs are left behind to mourn his loss and all of them are boys except 9 girls whose names is jim and joe and sallie and rubin and bob and sam and 5 others which i have forgot, and in fact—i have never saw them since they moved off with different peddiers and agents which they married from time to time. he was buried on tuesday with 6 pole bearers present.

jim was kind and gentle to everybody, but he never quite got over that installment collector who repossessed his ford last yr. but when anybody needed help in the community, he would generally pass around the prescription list for them to sign on and would turn in nearly all of the money he took in after taking out his expenses. mr. editor, befoar you print this, please rite or foam me and let me no if it is o. k., and if it ain, i will add something to it. yores trulle.
mike Clark. rfd.

Pay While You Ride.
Highway department employees are being divided up into squads of 3 men each, as follows: A boss, a time-keeper and a laborer. This was deemed necessary on account of a recent accident. While 26 men were engaged in marking a white line in the middle of the Graftall highway last Tuesday, a one-horse wagon ran into them and crippled all of them but 19. They escaped by reason of the fact that they were sitting out on the side of the road in the shade.

There is some talk of changing the time of going to work on highways from 8.30 a. m. to 8.29 a. m. The quitting time will remain as heretofore, vizly: 5.00 p. m. That is, if they are not already quit before then. Some of the employees. (Yes, that's what they are called) are insisting that the department furnish an official cigarette lighter whose duty will be to light cigarettes for the employees who are busy and must smoke. It is a pity to have to lay down a pencil just to light a cigarette.

All gasoline taxes are intelligently spent. Everywhere you go nowadays, north, east, south, or west, you find men putting out grass on both sides of the pavement. No matter how dry it is or how impossible it might be for the said grass to take root, it is being set-out nevertheless. The boys must be paid and if they must be paid, they must have something to do, and if they must have something to do, why, a job is the only thing that will keep them from having to go off some-

where and work for a living. We understand that two of the bunches of grass they set out last month on the Sugar-tit road lived and is possibly still living.

If a farmer could systematize his work like the highway department has systematized its work (?), he would function in this manner: He would have a man to ring the bell every morning at 8 o'clock to wake him up, and a helper would pull on his britches and an assistant helper would put on his shirt and wash his face and 2 other boys would fetch his breakfast into him and he would tell the mule catcher to take the gear fetcher and go out to the barn and assist the barn attendant to get old Beck ready to go to work, and as soon as she was properly equipped, he would tell the assistant plowman to go and bring the actual plowman out to the field and put him in a cushion seat on the riding plow and then the "gid-dap" man would drive on off through the field, and Mr. Farmer would light out to town.

So, in my opinion, highway departments are all operated on an extremely economic basis, and most of them are saving money. The maintenance head of the department employs less than 10 men per mile on highways, and it is not true that every shovel of dirt moved stings the tax-payer to the tune of 50 cents, and furthermore, it is not true that 6 men are engaged at one time putting up "S." curve signs: there are only five—the hole digger, the sign holder, the nail driver, and 2 foremen. I am heartily in favor of hard-surfaced roads and short dresses and like the "system" O. K.

Merchants Save On Rejecting Schemes

It is estimated that several thousand dollars have been saved within the past two or three months by members of the Merchants association of Shelby because the secret advertising committee rejected certain advertising schemes. When advertising schemes are worked, members of the Merchants association, refer all matters to a secret advertising committee which passes upon the merit or unworthiness of the propositions and many of the schemes are rejected to the saving of the merchants members. These members do not buy advertising, other than legitimate newspaper and billboard copy, without the solicitor shows an approval card issued by the secret advertising committee.

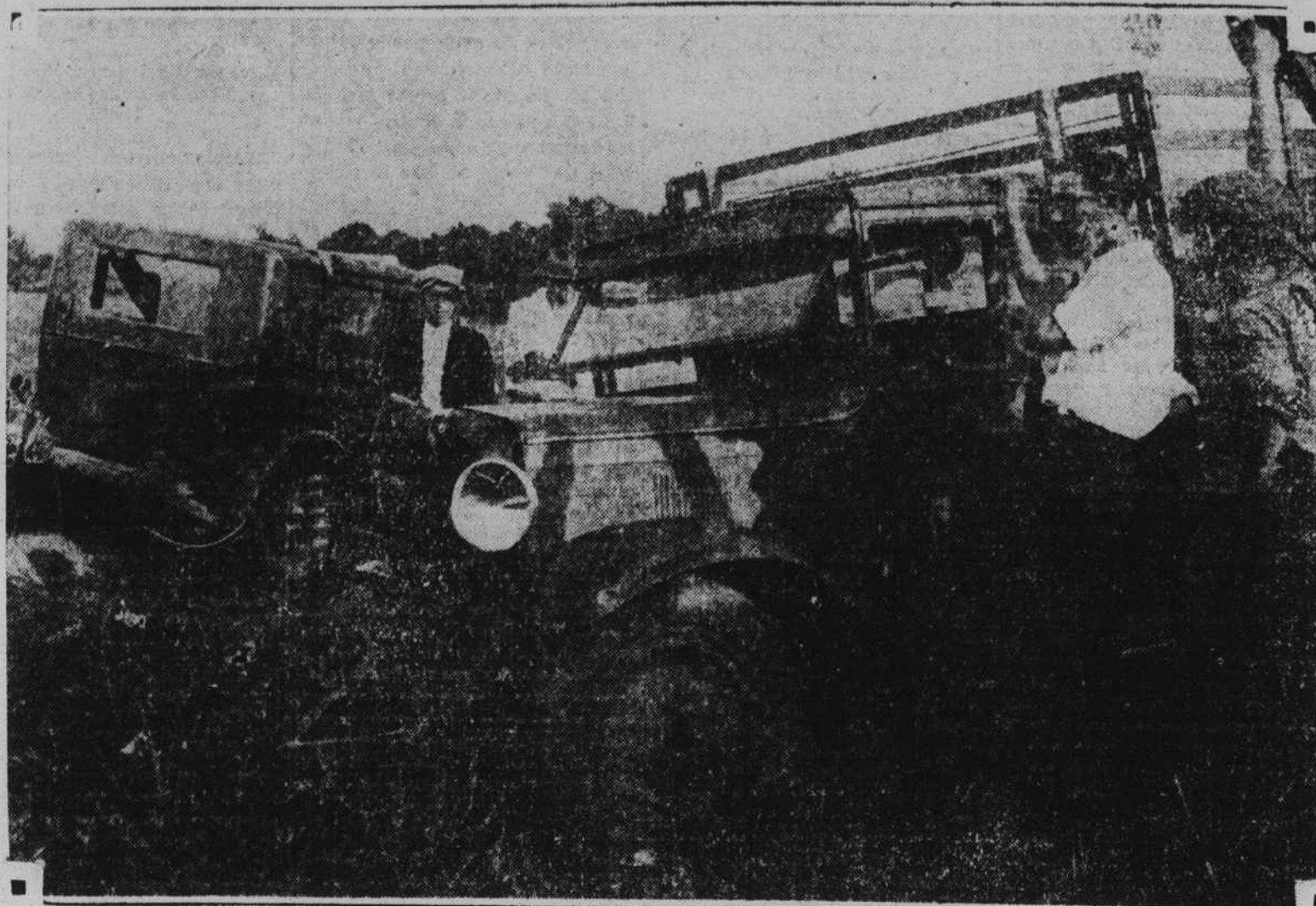
In a letter just issued by the merchants association, a list of advertising schemes turned down is given as follows:

- Banners with merchants ads to be hung in tent shows rejected.
- \$300.00 advertisement to appear in book of Confederate war veterans rejected.
- Solicitation of advertisements to appear in J. O. U. A. M. history, advertisements costing \$15, \$30 and \$60 respectively rejected.
- Carpenters union year book with one page advertisement costing the merchant \$100 rejected.
- Police magazine \$10 and up rejected.
- Sheriffs magazine \$10 and up rejected.
- Advertising on shirts of baseball suits for team of ball players with merchants furnishings suits rejected.
- Solicitation of ads for school certain not approved.

INTERNATIONAL PAPER and POWER COMPANY

Boston, Mass. Sept. 11th, 1929.
The Board of Directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of one and three-quarters per cent (1 3/4%) on the Cumulative 7% Preferred Stock of this Company, and a regular quarterly dividend of one and one-half per cent (1 1/2%) on the Cumulative 6% Preferred Stock of this Company, for the current quarter, payable Oct. 15th, 1929, to holders of record at the close of business Sept. 23th, 1929.
Checks to be mailed. Transfer books will not close.
R. G. Linn, Asst. Treas.

Death Cars In Gastonia Riot Recently



These two smashed machines figured in the shooting of Mrs. Ella May Wiggins, mother of five, during an anti-Communist mob demonstration at South Gastonia Saturday. Mrs. Wiggins was in the truck with other workers fleeing

from the mob when the automobile was driven in front of it. Shortly afterward, Mrs. Wiggins was fatally shot. Seven men, including the occupants of the automobile, have been arrested in the preliminary investigation of the shooting.—Photo by International Illustration.

PRISONER GONE. MARION CASE ENDS

One Of Defendants Saws Way Out Of Jail, Strike Trial, Halls.

Marion, Sept. 2.—A mistrial was declared in the trial of Alfred Hoffman, southern representative of the United Textile Workers, and five associates here today when it was discovered that J. Hugh Hall, one of the defendants, had sawed his way from jail during the night. They were charged with inciting a

rebellion and insurrection against the state.

N. A. Townsend, executive counselor to Governor Gardner, at court at the time immediately called the governor and November 11 was the date set for a special term to try the cases.

Judge John Harwood, of Bryson City, presiding, announced that a special venire of 10 men would be called from Rutherford county, adjoining McDowell, in which the trial was being held.

On learning of the delivery, Judge Harwood announced the trial could not continue because the other defendants were under joint indictment with Hall. The trial had begun yesterday. The jury was selected and testimony of one witness

had been completed when court adjourned.

Hall escaped with three other men, the quartet sawing the bars in a jail window. With him in the delivery were Ernest Browning, charged with fighting; Frank Wells, held for making liquor; and Turner Harris, charged with temporary larceny of an automobile.

Hall had not been employed in textile mill work and was not represented by counsel during the trial. He, with Hoffman, Lawrence Hogan, union leader; Wes Fowler, Will Russell and Del Lewis, strikers, were on trial as a result of disorders on August 19 in connection with a textile strike. Sheriff Oscar Adkins and a group of his deputies were attacked when they attempt-

ed to return to a company house furniture belonging to a worker that had been removed by strikers. Sixty men were indicted for participation in the disturbances but only six were brought to trial this week.

Nash county cotton growers plan to reduce their acreage to cotton because of heavy losses from boll weevil infestation this summer.

W. L. Adams has been appointed county agent in Wilson county to succeed J. E. Michael.

Results of variety tests with wheat during the past six years are given in Agronomy information circular 30 which may be had free of charge on application to C. B. Williams, State college, Raleigh.

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