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TWINKLES

Chicago has had 104 bombings this year, and one dud—the Cubs in the world's series.

Simmons should be able to turn the tobacco prices or something up; he did a pretty good job of turning the Democratic party down.

A headline in The Charlotte News says that Ol' Virginia will Democratic in the oncoming election. A Byrd-Harry—told 'em.

Yelling, says a medical authority, helps to cure dizziness. Then a lot of the folks we've seen at college football games weren't so dizzy we guess, as they appeared to be—or, perhaps, they were taking the cure.

A week or so more of warm weather similar to that several days last week and the prophets, who were so pessimistic two weeks back about Cleveland county's cotton crop, will be changing their tune.

Forest City is making plans for a big Armistice Day celebration, and the fireworks are assured—Ex-Governor Cameron Morrison is to be the speaker. There's seldom ever anything dull about a Morrison speech.

After all, there's very little difference between this fellow Shearer and Arthur Brisbane. Both have been beseeching the government for years to build more ships, Brisbane's columnistic lobbying being for airships.

"Roosevelt," informs the Raleigh News and Observer speaking of the New York governor's visit to the North Carolina Fair, "Talked More of Football than Politics." Diplomatic, we call it; North Carolina has done better in football in the last year or so than in politics.

WEATHER PROPHET GRANT MAY DOPE IT OUT AGAIN

FRIDAY The Star published a prediction by the Chester weather prophet, J. Martin Grant, stating that a killing frost might be expected in this section a week from tomorrow. Numerous local weather dopsters in reading the prophecy were inclined to give it the laugh. Perhaps they are right, but it might be well to recall that Prophet Martin has scored several hits in months gone. The Gastonia Gazette remembers his last hit and says of it:

"Old man Grant rang the bell on the last big rain and storm that hit this section. He hit it to the day, and his announcement, or prediction, was made about a week or ten days before the eventful September week."

HOPING FOR A NEW CLEVELAND SPRINGS HOSTELRY

THE stockholders in the hotel destroyed by fire, due to their heavy loss, may not be enthusiastic about rebuilding Cleveland Springs, but, after lending an ear to the talk about town, there is in Shelby a prevailing hope that the hotel be rebuilt. This hope for the most part may center about sentiment, for through several generations Cleveland Springs came to be a Shelby institution. However, there are other angles upon which this desire for rebuilding is fostered.

The civic and social life of Shelby and surrounding section has for many years hinged about the big hotel on the wooded hill at the edge of town. Civil clubs have always met there, large banquets are staged there, important visitors are always taken there so that they may get a touch of Western Piedmont climate and scenery, and in many other ways the hotel was an integral factor in Shelby life, not merely as a hotel but as a friendly gathering place for Shelbyites and visitors.

For years many citizens have argued that Cleveland Springs is the proper setting for another Pinehurst. With all due regard for the Eastern Carolina resort, Pinehurst has nothing on Cleveland Springs for year-round climate and scenery, and Pinehurst has no mineral springs to compare with those at Cleveland. It may be now that outside interests will see this and build something far greater than Shelby has ever known at Cleveland Springs. Be that as it may, if Cleveland Springs is never rebuilt it will be many years before Shelby will cease to miss an institution that came to mean much to the town in the passing of years.

NEW GROCERY STORES IN THIS SECTION ARE EXPLAINED

ALTHOUGH there has been talk of the Quality Service Stores taking over, or, rather, forming a series of stores in this section by cooperating with local grocers, the exact idea of the Quality Service plan is not as yet clear to the entire section. Next Thursday night grocers of Cleveland and Rutherford counties, it is announced, will form a definite organization under the chain plan, and in that connection the following comment upon the Q. S. S. stores in The Charlotte Observer should be of interest:

"Mrs. C. L. Lowder, executive secretary of the Gaston County Merchants association, contributes an article to The Carolina-Virginia Retailer, describing how the Gastonia retail grocers have met the chain store competition by organ-

izing a chain grocery store system of their own, known as Quality Service Stores, distinguished by a vivid red—red declacomaniac on windows, bearing the Q. S. S. sign emblem, standing out boldly in gold letters; large signs of blue smaltz background, with the words "Quality and Service," standing out boldly in gold letters 12 inches high, windows neatly trimmed and standard lines of foods; these articles price-tagged and two-color streamers calling attention of the passers-by to the specials being advertised within.

"Gastonia got the idea from Lynchburg, where the system has been in operation for three years, reducing operating costs and increasing trade, and Mrs. Lowder says similar organization is now under way for Spartanburg and Greenville, and for Concord, Salisbury and Winston-Salem. It is mentioned as "one decided asset," to the proposition that it costs the grocer only \$10 as an application fee to join and that all expenses, including the painting of the store, signs, advertising and window-service man are paid for by the manufacturers. This brings in about \$12,000 annually from outside manufacturers which is spent locally."

Nobody's Business

GEE McGEE—



Additional Extravagance.
When it comes to serving a good purpose, and appendix has it on an investigating committee, especially if politics have anything to do with the appointment of the committee that is to do the investigating. Out of 15,456,897 investigating committeemen who have been paid the sum of \$876,543,275.00, irregularities reported in accounts of public-office holders have amounted to exactly 75 cents.

Only about 3 per cent of the investigating committees ever make a report. All the others are lost in the shuffle or are forgotten as time rolls along without information from them. Probing for graft is like fishing for whales in a stand-pipe. Really the subject is so ludicrous, it is actually very funny. Does a bootlegger carry his booze around on his shoulder? No? And neither does a man enter in the general ledger or his petty cash book how much his last rate-off was on that purchase of machinery ansforth.

Graft begins and ends in the back room or in a hotel suite. Mr. E. Z. Mark gets elected to office and he immediately becomes a rower in the world of finance and begins to buy stuff for his county or town or state. Mr. O. U. Bird meets him by appointment where no dictaphones are ear-drums are in evidence. They take a drink or two. Then Mr. Bird passes a few hundred or a few thousand in beautiful greenbacks under the table to Mr. Mark, and Mr. Mark signs on the dotted line and within a few days, a nice bunch of 12-thousand dollar merchandise or machinery rolls into the freight yard and the county or the town or the state forthwith sends its check for about 15 thousand dollars in settlement of the account. Oh, no, my dear Mr. Taxpayer, the cost of the equipment, and not the soft money is entered on the books.

When a case has gotten so bad that the legislature or congress appoints an investigating committee then I know the matter is settled for all time. The usual work of such a committee is to white-wash the guy and his friends who did the stealing. Frequently that requires the use of a few political white-wash brushes that can be bought for a song, and another song or two will pay for having the stuff plastered on. An investigating committee never gets beyond the fly-leaf with its facts and flingers. All defalcations will turn up in time if books show them, but graft is as hard to trace as a wiggle tail.

I am not in favor of investigating committees. When anything looks like it ought to be investigated, I say forget it, and start all over again. If your political friends are not honest, you are simply out of luck. I do not believe however the statement that over 25 per cent of the taxpayers money is either stolen or wasted or squandered; I think it is nearer 24 per cent.

American Women Run Greater Risk In Motherhood

Chicago.—The opinion that the average woman in America takes twice as great a risk with her life in becoming a mother as the peasant woman in some remote Swedish village, was expressed by Dr. James Heyman, Swedish radiologist who was here to address the eleventh annual congress of the American College of Surgeons.

Dr. Heyman said the lower mortality rate in Sweden was due to the fact that the Swedish government takes an active hand in the regulation of the medical profession, while in this country regulation is largely left to the profession itself. "In every province," he said

"Sweden maintains physicians who draw most of their pay from the government, supplemented by what small fees the poor people can pay them. Because so many people of Sweden live in remote places, unable to consult specialists, every one of these men must be specially trained in obstetrics. He spends four months of his training period in independent practice in lying-in hospitals. "The obstetrical training of American medical students is sadly inadequate."

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