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TWINKLES

Did you ever notice that these girls who cover their legs with big insurance policies seldom have them covered with anything else?

Cleveland farmers catching up with their work during the typical Spring weather of the latter part of last week and early this week are not over exuberant, because they recall years gone by when the groundhog had the last laugh.

This is the week of the annual Hoey oratorical contest while next week the Webb recitation and essay contests will be staged, and it is at this season of the year that the school boys and girls who excel in something other than athletics get momentary attention, if no more.

Sheriff Allen tells a story indicating that times are so hard that old-time blockaders and moonshiners are going out of business. Perhaps, sheriff, it isn't because the demand for intoxicants is falling off; it may be, you know, that purchasers are finding it cheaper to get their kick out of rubbing alcohol, canned heat, and other alleged beverages or medicines which may be purchased legally at public business houses?

SHOFFNER'S ARGUMENT

FARM AGENT SHOFFNER feels that Cleveland farmers in their desire to economize this year will cut down on their fertilizer without cutting their cotton acreage, and fearing such he is urging that the acreage be cut in proportion with the decrease in use of fertilizer. It is a sound argument, leading farmers will agree, and instead of working so many acres with little fertilizer and a low yield it should pay better to cut the cotton acreage, use the customary amount of fertilizer, and devote the remaining acres to food and feed crops.

CHARLOTTE-SHELBY RIVALRY

IN YEARS GONE BY Charlotte, the Queen City, and Shelby, the "junior capital," have often been friendly rivals in athletics and politics, and both, it might be said for the comfort of everyone, have good records on both scores. Recently, however, there has been a contest between Shelby and Charlotte which, to our way of thinking, has proven and will prove more beneficial to both cities than any of the athletics or political contests of the past. An attendance contest between the Ivey Bible class of the First Methodist church of Charlotte and the Hoey class of the Central Methodist here has just closed. During the contest, which lasted over a period of weeks, approximately 500 men and young men attended the two Bible classes, and if that number of men, equally divided, can be kept in Sunday school the contest has certainly been worthwhile. The Shelby class won, perhaps because Clyde Hoey's able teaching has been building up the class here for many years. At the outset there were no prizes offered, the main idea being to get more men to attend Sunday school without offering them prizes to attend, but now that the contest is over Mr. Ivey, head of the Charlotte class, has invited the Hoey class down to eat with him. And he sends word that he doesn't want just a few—he wants all the members who attended the Hoey class all through the contest and enabled that class to win.

THE REPUBLICANS OF TARHEELIA ARE LOOKING AHEAD

CONSIDERING ECONOMICAL conditions and the fact that the political party in power usually gets blamed for existing poverty or praised for prosperity it does not appear to be an opportune moment for the Republicans of North Carolina to be planning big things in the immediate future. Yet, after listening in on sub rosa rumblings, it seems as if shrewd Tar Heel Republicans have high hopes of holding their own, even if they do not better themselves, in the 1930 election.

These rumblings have it that the North Carolina G. O. P. hardly believes that both the ninth and tenth congressional districts, taken from the Democrats in 1928, can be held this year. This rumor is supported to a certain extent by the announcement from Congressman George Pritchard, of Asheville, saying that he will not be a candidate for reelection, although he may seek to be the Republican candidate for the senate against Mr. Simmons or Mr. Bailey. Having some doubt as to their ability to hold the tenth district in their column the Republicans will likely—and are so planning, according to rumors—to concentrate on the ninth district and the returning of Chas. A. Jonas to congress. That, seemingly, is good strategy on the part of the G. O. P. leaders, as they argue, presumably, that it will be better to concentrate on the ninth district and win than it would be to divide their ammunition over the ninth and tenth and take a chance of losing both districts.

But that is not the lone hope of Republican leaders. They are even more ambitious. As The Star hears it the Republicans are making their plans to give up one congressional district, hold another—the ninth—and win a senate seat, the one now held by Mr. Simmons, to replace the congress-

ional berth they may lose in the tenth. The latter hope of getting a United States senator instead of a congressman depends, of course, upon the manners and fellowship shown by the Democrats of the State in their primary setto in June. But despite the concentration of their forces on the ninth district Republicans leaders are none too confident of sending Mr. Jonas back, or it is, at least, so indicated.

A bad break, for them, in the failure of the Hoover administration to abolish poverty, seems to be the thing that is undermining their confidence. Mr. Jonas has been active since taking office and he has been wise enough to see that every bit of his activity received favorable publicity. But it is not his personal activity that worries the Republican campaigners; it is the background of the Jonas victory over Bulwinkle which comes back as a ghost out of the past to torment and trouble them.—When district Republican leaders gathered at Cleveland Springs here to nominate Jonas they argued that this, the ninth, is an industrial district and, therefore, should be represented in congress by a man who is a member of and stands in with the administration. Our textile industry, they argued, must be given an equal break with the industry in other sections and such cannot be done, it was contended, with a Democratic congressman making the fight for the center of the industry in the South. And it was upon that plea that Jonas made his fight against Bulwinkle. "Send a Republican to congress from this district and watch our textile industry flourish—We'll have to have a Republican there to protect the interests of our industry," was the appeal made to voters of the district, many of whom own stock or have other interests in the textile industry. It was a good appeal; it left the impression that with a Republican representing the district in Washington, a representative chummy enough to breakfast and talk with the president, the mills of this section would flourish, orders would be too numerous to fill, and the section, essentially one of industry, would flourish. And so Mr. Jonas was elected. Perhaps the plea that he would not only get our industry on its feet but would, furthermore, have it galloping prosperously about, may have had something to do with the Bulwinkle defeat, and it may not have. But it was upon that plea that the Republicans fought for Mr. Jonas. And now the textile industry is far from prosperous. It's going to be a hard thing, mind you, for the Republicans to explain. Of course, The Star readily admits that Mr. Jonas has not personally closed any mill doors in bankruptcy, nor has he caused a falling off in orders, curtailments, and lowered wages. But in campaigning his argument was that industry of the section would benefit with Republican representation for the district in Washington. If he is not to be held responsible for the textile slump, then he should not have argued to the textile interests of the district that he could bring prosperity to the textile industry. In other words, the voters of the district may want to know why business is on the toboggan when it should have been rushing according to the arguments of the Republican party in campaigning the district in 1928. As we say, it may be rather embarrassing to explain.

It is for that reason and others that The Star takes some stock in the report that the Republicans of Piedmont and Western Carolina will make no big fight to hold the tenth district, but, instead, will rally their strength about Congressman Jonas and the hope of returning him.

Nobody's Business

GEE McGEE

Census Figgers.

Speaking of the 3 babies that were accidentally born in Hollywood last year, and the importation of 9,686 pet monkeys, and the 55,555 poodles that were shipped in from other sections of the country, we are ready to say that the talkie and single and laughtie industry looks very promising, but all of this proves that Hollywood is not raising her own actors and actresses.

Farm Lemon-Aid.

I was very much surprised to find an old farmer in town last week who had really and truly believed that government farm relief was actually going to relieve the farmer. He said that he might be by himself in holding on to this hope, but he saw no reason in the world why fertilizer should not be 10 to 15 cents a ton lower this year in sympathy with cotton, and turnip greens ought to fetch 11 cents a gallon in April instead of 12 cents today. Hope—that eternal "thing" that makes us continue to desire to live.

About Water Expected.

Congress has decided to use the Muscle Shoals dam for a fish pond. Some nice little fishes will possibly be ordered from Norway and it won't be long now before American grown sardines will be on the market. The upper end of the lake will be rented out to picnicking parties for swimming holes ansoforth. The power house will be turned into a tape factory which will make nothing but red tape—the kind used by the government so extensively. After all—the 10-million-dollar investment looks like it is going to pan out some fish at least.

Speed, The Undertaker's Friend.

they now seem, and if anny change is made, they should be about 2 inches shorter outer count of sanitation ansoforth.

the doctors and sinetists all say that ultraviolet rays is helpful to the skin, and therefore the legs ansoforth that short dresses exposes to both the sun and the people at large means bigger and better legs for the upbuilding of the human race which is badly needed as our fiscal boddies can't stand up under the load of eating sa'ad dressings and setting up so late at night without assisistance from some source provided by nature.

and furthermore, the less cloth in dresses the less money must be spent for same. No man or set of men could afford to buy clothes now at the pre vailing price of silk in the skirts dragged the ground as they did before the world war which brought about a great many changes for the better, such as bobbed hair and paint and powders, all of which was used only by the doubtful class prior to same.

short dresses has furnished more real pleasure to the laboring man than has any other kind of a amusement heretofore brought about. he is so busy at work trying to make enuff money to run a family and a ford on that he does not have a chance to go to no tege's shows ansoforth, so when he wants to enjoy hisself, all in the world he has to do is to put on his specks and walk out on the street corner and stand there till his eyes commences to burn and then he can go on home and go to bed.

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Yores trulle,
mike Clark, rfd.
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