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TWINKLES

It is an ideal year for political promises. The voters haven't anything and that leaves the way open for the orators to promise them the whole works.

An Associated Press dispatch out of New York says that Southerners are doing more this year to aid the Democratic ticket than any other group. Perhaps it is the Dixie manner of apologizing for the break in the ranks four years ago.

WHY A FIGUREHEAD LAW?

Some of the South Carolina newspapers appear to be exercised over the fact that the State does not have a law prohibiting 12-year-old boys and girls from driving automobiles. A movement is on to force the next legislature to pass such a law and remove what is an admitted danger on the highways. But if the South Carolinians will take note of law enforcement along that phase in North Carolina they will not become overly aroused over what they do not have. We have in North Carolina, as we remember it, a law forbidding young children to operate automobiles, but how often in the course of a year does anything develop in the enforcement of it to lead you to believe that anyone knows there is such a law? If South Carolina wants a similar law similarly enforced, as might likely be the case, let them go ahead and manufacture the law at the next legislature, but where and how they'll be better off we cannot see.

THE PRESIDENTIAL TRIPS

Roosevelt has completed his tour of the West and Hoover is now invading the Iowa section in a bid for the agrarian vote and mid October should show to a certain extent what success the two candidates met with. Mark Sullivan, desperately trying to find some little incident not so favorable for the Democrats, says that Roosevelt did not make a single vote on his long jaunt to the Pacific coast. He admits, however, that Roosevelt was strong in the West before making the trip, although Sullivan doesn't think the candidate picked up any new votes. Democrats and some of the other political writers contend on the other hand that Roosevelt did make new votes on his trip. He made so many, the enthusiastic ones are saying, that he will carry every Western State. Once Hoover's shorter trip is over the prognosticators and dopesters will begin regaling us about his success or lack of success. The majority admit now that Hoover has the odds against him, and as a result if he fails to attract new strength or revive former confidence in him by the present trip, he is as good as licked before the ballots are cast and counted.

THEY'LL KEEP DOING IT

Farmers, a class given more free advice than any other, are frequently told that they must reduce cotton acreage or bankrupt themselves. That advice has been handed out, we imagine, every time the price has dropped. We readily admit that the surest method of getting a better price for cotton year in and year out is to grow less and thereby whittle the supply down more in keeping with the demand. But getting that reduced acreage is another thing. The advice is not generally followed to the extent of appreciable success. There was a movement in the spring, it will be recalled, to force the farmer to cut his acreage, but it failed to attain its needed strength. The advice, however, continues, and in admitting that it appears to be wise counsel we are inclined to be irked at the smart fellows who cuss out the farmer for a brainless boob because he will not reduce acreage. Some of them have reduced, and others have not, but why criticize the farmer for doing a thing very similar to the actions of men in other walks of life and industry? A booming stock market lines the suckers up for another picking, and no law is passed to force them to save themselves, so why force a farmer to save himself? Farming is about as much of a take-a-chance proposition as any investment, and all investments can be classed to an extent as gambling. The farmer it should stand to reason has as much right to take a chance on a good cotton price as the investor does on a bullish market. Perhaps he is unwise not to bring the cotton supply and demand closer together, but he is no more unwise, and in many respects no more foolish than some of his advisors who turn right around and shoot the works on their "crops," whatever they may be. All of which, indeed, could be boiled down to the simple observation that the farmer is also just a human and is moved by the same traits and impulses as are other men.

THE "FREE FAIR" SCORES WIN

Those who were a bit worried about how a "free fair" would turn out can now check it up as a big success as evidenced by the record attendance at Cleveland's eight annual farm event. In three dry days more people attended the agricultural exposition than attend-

ed during five days of past fairs. Fair officials admittedly took a chance in swinging open the gates and permitting every one to attend without cost, but they knew how times were and how scarce money is and in a rare gesture of hospitality the event was so conducted as not to cost any one who did not care or was unable to spend, at the same time making it possible for those who cared to spend to have what they wanted and to spend as much as they pleased.

The question will be asked, of course, as to how the fair came out financially. That, naturally, is a big item because fairs do cost money and fairs cannot be big losers every year and keep on going. Unofficially, however, we are informed that the "free-gate" idea did not break the fair. Instead, as we have been told, the event made expenses and perhaps came out a little to the good on the best side of the ledger. That, once you think about it, is unusual—150,000 people given the best in entertainment without admission charge and then no deficit. Congratulations, it seems, are in order.

NORTH CAROLINA SENDS THEM AWAY

As a proud Tar Heelia follows and off-and-on inclination to boast of the State's "firsts" it might not be amiss to list among the celebrities North Carolina has sent forth football coaches who have made good elsewhere. With the football season holding sway just now in the realm of sport, it is noted that some of the coaches our colleges passed up or permitted to pass by are at other institutions doing what our Big Five gridiron teams cannot do. V. P. I. last week surprised football followers by trouncing Georgia, and in that connection it isn't difficult for fans to remember that Monk Younger and Tex Tilson, former Davidson coaches, are now at V. P. I. On the same day William and Mary sprung another surprise by defeating Navy and old Carolina men will remind you that that some portion of credit for the victory must go to Bill Fetzer, who for some reason or another was not good enough or for some cause not satisfactory enough for Carolina. As memory serves us Howard Jones builder of those great California teams was once signed to a coaching contract at Duke, but was permitted to move on. With all due respect for the coaches in the State now, some of the fans cannot help but speculate on the whoopee and hullabaloo that would follow a victory by a North Carolina eleven over Navy, Georgia and teams of that class.

WRITING OF THE TREND

The fact that a majority of the Washington correspondents are interpreting the sentiment of the country as more favorable to Roosevelt than to Hoover means something. A majority of these writers have been friendly to Hoover. Some of them are strong boosters of the President, while others are independent, writing their views as they see it and without prejudice. A survey of their views is for that reason interesting as they must be, to hold their jobs, pretty accurate in their estimates.

One of these, David Lawrence, has recently visited New England. In an article dated Boston, summing up his impressions, Mr. Lawrence writes:

"New England is ordinarily a Republican stronghold. It looks as if it would go Democratic this year unless in the next eight weeks (six weeks now) the Republicans can make an argument sufficiently convincing to hold the Republicans in line."

Elsewhere in his article, Mr. Lawrence says: "Republican leaders privately express their concern. They say that unless some way can be found to overcome the resentment, the election is lost to them."

The correspondent tells of the hopefulness of these leaders that business conditions may show improvement between now and election, but adds, "it is realized that this cannot possibly effect all those who have made up their mind to vote the Democratic ticket."

Among Washington correspondents who have been personally intimate with President Hoover is the veteran Mark Sullivan—a member of Mr. Hoover's medicine ball cabinet and a frequent week-end guest at the Rapidan camp. In his tour of the West, Mr. Sullivan has now reached Idaho. Writing from the capital of Mr. Borah's bailiwick, Mr. Sullivan says:

"Every competent judge agrees that Idaho at this time is either Democratic or else will be very close."

In this connection, it is recalled that Mr. Sullivan conservatively announced prior to the Maine election, that it was inconceivable that Maine would go Democratic, although he foresaw Democratic gains there. By some prognosticators, Idaho has been placed in the doubtful column. Mr. Sullivan's declaration that it is "either Democratic or else very close," therefore is of added importance.

Arthur Sears Henning, Washington correspondent of the Republican Chicago Tribune, who has not hesitated to write critically of the Hoover administration when the occasion warranted, now writing from Topeka, Kansas says:

"Tens of thousands of Republican farmers . . . are off the reservation, partly because of the widespread collective hard times grouch on the party in power and partly because of the hope of the new agricultural panacea inspired by Roosevelt's Topeka speech . . . The Democratic leaders are forecasting a Roosevelt landslide. Republican leaders can see that it looks close in Kansas."

Roy Roberts, one time Washington correspondent of the Kansas City Star, is now one of the principal editors of that paper. In a recent issue, The Star, which is independent, but has been a supporter of Mr. Hoover, praises Governor Roosevelt's speech on the regulation of the power industry, and, referring to its most salient points, says they are "just what The Star believes."

One thing that puzzles us is a newspaper headline reading like this: "Robbers Get \$13,000 Cash." As if they'd be satisfied with a due bill.

Nobody's Business

By GEE MCGEE

Re-union of the perkinses at flat rock

The annual family reunion of the perkins clan which is held nearly every year came to a happy conclusion last Tuesday betwixt 10 and 5 o'clock at the home of granddaddy Jerry perkins who lives where he was born in 1857, and a sumptuous dinner was served which was fetched by various and sundry off-springs of him.

The family tree was brought out and read to the descendants and every limb was traced except Josiah perkins who had some trouble about 2 horses in 1875 and neither him or the horses were ever heard of after that time, he had married when the horses disappeared, but no limb was left for his wife and 7 chillun.

Grand-daddy perkins made a talk which lasted till the dinner almost got ruint which was spread on the ground by red ants and bugs, and he told his ancestors that his grand daddy, king perkins, was imported from scotland and that the daddy of the first wife he married was imported from dutchland and both of same were highly bred, and their off-springs were scotch-dutch.

The blessing was asked by rev. Henry Sewall perkins which belonged to the limb of arch perkins from virginny. he prayed so long that half of the dinner was et up by the young perkinses when the folks opened their eyes. his wife was named Julia perkins befor her death, but was a spith befor she married him, their 11 boys and girls were present at the tabel, but they forgot to bring a well-filled basket as usual, but 3 boys and 2 girls was by his third and fourth wives; his last wife was with him also.

This was a happy occasion for the perkinses. after dinner was over music was served by the Clark string band of flat rock with Mr. Mike Clark, rfd. leader. he also sang a few solos and duets for them, they played old-time tunes on their fiddles and gittars and were accompanied by an organ in the hands of Bethy Clark, his neese who married a perkins, but he run off in 1924 with a medison show selling snake oil.

The whole congregation joined in the last song which was: "till we meet again." and it was led by yore corry spondent, Mr. Mike Clark, rfd. he leads the quire singing regular at reboher church and is much in demand for his talents, but he is no direct kin to the perkins generation, if any of them die tonight from over-eating, I will rite or foam in their names.

Current Shocks

The defeated candidates in the United States, laid end to end, would be fine. We hope the same thing for those that were elected.

Cotton Letter

New York, October 5.—Spots broke 85 points during the week in sympathy with Ex-Mayor Walker. Picking and ginning are progressing rapidly in all democratic states and Maine potatoes taste better since the recent slump in GOPs. Boll weevil infestation is nil in Texas and still in Georgia, but we look for rain sooner or later. Southern selling weakened October and November, but December shorts are holding their longs for the January straddle. Print cloths are no stronger than they were when they were as strong as they are now, but we think it wise to hold.

The \$250,000.00 office building in Washington to house the investigating committees is nearing completion, and so is the building for the Commission for the Blind Red Ants of the New Hebrides. The balance of the money remaining in the treasury, if there be any, will be thrown in the Potomac river. It must be wasted or destroyed. What this country needs is an investigating committee to investigate politically appointed investigating committees.

The janitor at the jail told a cousin of mine last week that the present administration is now lending \$3,000,000,000.00 in new greenbacks. If you want to get your hands in some of this circulative medium, all you've got to do is—Buy yourself a big, busted railroad, or a nearly-busted bank, and your Uncle Sammy will possibly let you have all you ask for. You can't get any of it by working or by selling anything you have grown or raised.

The farm board was given \$500,000,000.00 in cold cash to play with. They still have \$3.75 of this money and a few bushels of wheat and several bales of cotton. When you pay that extra 1-cent tax on gasoline, don't kick; just remember that the farm board needs more money to help the poor farmers—to stay

poor.

In order that truck competition might be met, the railroads have cut the rate on beeswax and snake hides and frog legs and lizard eyeballs between all points in a few states. When they cut all commodity rates and passenger fares about 30 percent and put some of their folks back to work, and reduce the carload minimums, the trucks will find out that there are still some railroads. Baby business is still being indulged in by the I. C. C. The worst thing that commission ever did was—levy a 2 percent tax on freight rates. That was like giving a dying man a jab in the heart with an ice pick.

Program Ready For Kings Mtn. Event On Friday

Kings Mountain chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution at York, S. C., has completed a program to celebrate the 152nd anniversary of the battle of Kings Mountain at the battleground on Friday morning.

The exercises will be held at 11 o'clock in connection with the unveiling of a marker erected to the memory of Col. Asbury Coward, who served as chairman of the centennial celebration in 1880, and was always energetic in keeping before the public the importance of this Revolutionary war battle. Colonel Coward was president of the old Kings Mountain Military academy at York, S. C., for many years.

Jenkins To Speak

Major General John M. Jenkins of Washington, U. S. A., retired, will deliver the principal address at the celebration, which is expected to attract many visitors to the historic hilltop in York county, South Carolina. The speaker last was Dr. Dixon Carroll of Raleigh, and on October 7, 1931. President Hoover spoke at the sesqui-centennial celebration.

The speaking and unveiling of the tablet honoring Colonel Coward will be followed with a picnic lunch on the battlefield. Miss Leslie D. Witherspoon of York is president of the Kings Mountain Battleground association, custodian of the field upon which the federal government is to establish a national military park.

The full program for Friday's celebration arranged by the D. A. R.

chapter at York is as follows: Welcome by Mrs. M. L. Carroll, regent of Kings Mountain D. A. R. chapter at York; prayer by Rev. T. T. Walsh, D. D., of York; "Ode to Kings Mountain," read by Mrs. C. C. Moore; song "America" by senior class of York high school; introduction of speaker by Col. Joseph G. Wardlaw; address by Major General John M. Jenkins, U. S. A., retired; song, "Carolina," by senior class of York high school; "Why This Tablet to Colonel Coward is Erected on Kings Mountain Battleground," by Mrs. M. L. Carroll. re-

gent of the D. A. R. chapter unveiling of tablet by Colonel Coward's grandsons, Asbury Coward and Pau Bratton; "taps" by Boy Scout buglers; picnic dinner.

During the afternoon the hundreds of persons expected at the celebration will be free to stroll over the famous mountain and visit the numerous monuments and markers that dot the sides of the steel ridge.

The war department probably will not issue a campaign ribbon for the battle of Washington.—Clermont (Fla.) Press.

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