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FINGERPRINTS Been washing little fingerprints From off my window pane; Though 'twill not be so very long 'Til they are there again.

Some folks do make a lot of fuss, If on their glass they find A little fingerprint or two, — But, pahaw, I do not mind.

I'm glad to have the little folk Run in and out each day And though they oft leave traces still I'm glad it is that way.

For 'tis so shot a time that they Are little ones you know; It seems each day that I can see Them grow and grow and grow.

I realize that all too soon These childhood days will pass, And I'll see their fingerprints Upon my window glass. —Selected.

HARD TO BELIEVE A middle-aged housewife, in Pennsylvania, who subscribes to witchcraft, recently confessed that she killed three persons including her husband and step-son.

Apparently she was involved in a ring that used murder as a method of collecting insurance.

Now, the average American citizen finds it hard to believe that there are persons in the world who would deliberately plot the poisoning of individuals in order to get money from their deaths. However, the average American is entirely wrong. There are such people.

A MUCH NEEDED WEAPON

A bill to provide for deportation of aliens who advocate an overthrow of the United States form of government, has been under consideration in Congress.

This should provide a much needed weapon at a time when there are a great many agitators beating the drum of Communism, Fascism or some other "ism" and advocating that Americanism be discarded.

It is hoped that the bill will finally be approved by the Senate and signed by the President, even though the CIO is opposing it.

While such a new law would greatly strengthen the powers of officials charged with deportation of undesirable aliens, there are similar laws now on the statute books. It might be well for enforcement agencies to start a rigid application of these existing laws at once.

BARRIERS TO NATIONAL PROGRESS

America grew to its present position as the nation with the highest standard of living the world has ever known because it consisted of forty-eight separate states which yet at the same time succeeded in working together for the good of the whole country. Like the Three Musketeers, the United States was always "all for one, one for all."

Today a perilous shadow seems to be cast upon this successful formula. It is the shadow of state trade barriers — "tariffs" discriminating against the products of outside states so that home products may reap a temporary benefit.

These discriminatory taxes take many forms, but are all deadly in effect. Their inevitable result is to produce retaliatory measures in the other states; and, if this trend continues, we may some day see forty-eight states with high trade barriers raised against one another, hindering the free flow of commerce that has been a main reason for our national progress.

There's something distinctly un-American about that picture!

WHY ONE BOY WANTED TO DIE

The other day the police of a western city saved a boy, only thirteen years old, who had attempted to take his life by hanging.

Now, if adults are interested in the welfare of younger people, the question naturally arises, "What caused this youngster to prefer death to life?"

Well, the land told the police, listing four reasons: (1) His father was serving a life term in prison; (2) his step-father was in jail for drunkenness; (3) he didn't know where his mother was; (4) he couldn't go to school because he was ashamed of his clothes.

We are not familiar with what might be called the "case-history" of

Here and There . .

(By Haywood E. Lynch)

News is very scarce this week, but The Herald must come out just the same. I like to write about local folks in this column, but some weeks, my local fellows do not do anything worth while recording.

W. A. Ridenhour is a very brave man. He was alone at home one night last week, when all of a sudden he heard a terrible commotion upstairs. At first he thought of burglars, but up the stairs he tried to investigate. In the excitement, and being the brave man he was, he did not bother to take his trusty shot gun, that has killed many a quail. When he opened the door he found that 22 chimney sweeps had entered and were looking for a way out. So W. A. R. declared war on the birds and killed several of them. One had a leg band on it with instructions to notify Washington, D. C. if the

I notice by the papers that a new hosiery mill is being installed in Shelby that will hire about 35 persons and will make about 100 dozen ladies silk hose a week. I wish Kings Mountain could get a new sock factory or something. If it is not a fine ladies' silk hose, or high class men's sock plant, it will be all right, we will be satisfied with a work sock.

Mayor J. B. Thomasson should be congratulated for the system he has set up in Mayor's Court. A permanent record of every case and the disposition of it is now being kept. It is now possible to find out who was arrested for what and what it cost to do what. And another thing, those arrested are actually tried.

The cheapest a person can be arrested, tried, and found guilty in Kings Mountain is \$9.20, this is the cost only, any fine must be added.

Note to Blacksburg visitors: it is cheaper to drink at home than to get caught on the streets of Kings Mountain.

Manufacturers Seek Farmers Opinions

Lincoln, Neb., May 15.—(IPS).—With the intention of "listening and learning" a group of nationally prominent manufacturers will gather here from the East, West and South for a two day discussion of agriculture with a half hundred or more Nebraska farmers. The meeting will be under the auspices of the Agricultural College of the University of Nebraska.

One of a series of farmer-manufacturer conferences held in different sections of the country, the meeting will bring to Lincoln the Agricultural Committee of the National Association of Manufacturers which is engaged in making a nationwide study of agriculture.

Object of the meeting is to give manufacturers a better knowledge of the problems of agriculture and farm conditions throughout the country as a means of promoting a better understanding between the two groups. It will be the first such meeting held

this youngster. However, we venture the assertion that nearly every community has, in its midst, young boys and young girls who are facing desperate situations without much evidence that anybody else is interested in their plight.

It might not be a bad idea for all the adults of this section to keep an eye out for such cases in our midst; not so much for the purpose of calling them to public attention as for the opportunity, in quiet and helpful way, to make a contribution toward the improvement of another individual. It is a service that brings its own reward.

LOSING 8,000 ACRES A DAY

It will take twenty or thirty years of continuous effort to get the danger from possible soil erosion under control, says Dr. Hugh H. Bennett, chief of the Soil Conservation Service of the Department of Agriculture.

Testifying before a House committee Dr. Bennett declared the about 100,000,000 acres of crop land, some of it of the best were "completely finished" as a result of soil erosion. He estimated the annual direct cost of soil erosion to farmers alone, not counting damage to reservoirs, stream channels, irrigation ditches, highways and railways at \$400,000,000.

During the past fifty years the damage from erosion could be placed at \$20,000,000,000 and if the present rate of erosion is allowed to continue the next fifty years will suffer the same loss. "We are losing every day, as a result of erosion," says Dr. Bennett. "The equivalent of 200 forty-acre farms."

Now, this is interesting information. It should attract the attention of farmers in this county. There is no use to wait for the government or some other agency to fight the erosion that affects your land. The time to start the war on erosion is at hand and every farmer can do something in the struggle. Moreover, by doing something, the individual will help himself.

This far west, previous meetings have been held at Iowa State College in Ames, at Cornell University in Ithaca, N. Y., at the University of Minnesota in St. Paul and at Texas A. and M. in College Station.

Warren W. Shoemaker, of Chicago Vice President of Armour and Company and Chairman of the committee of manufacturers, called the scheduled meeting a "step in the self-education of industry."

"We are going to Nebraska to listen and learn," Mr. Shoemaker said. Our committee does not have any farm plan and we never expect to have any farm plan. We have nothing to teach the farmer. It is our sincere hope that out of a series of meetings our group is holding over the country we can gather and transmit to industry the facts upon which a better understanding between our two groups can be built. Some of our members are traveling thousands of miles for this meeting solely to learn what the farmers in Nebraska can tell us and I for one am looking

keenest anticipation."

The Strangest Love Story Ever Told . .

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Chapter One

It was in the midst of a violent storm that I first found my way to Wuthering Heights, and to this story. I had been stumbling across the moors of the West Riding, in Yorkshire, lost and blinded by the driving snow, when I chanced to see a tiny light. Flung toward it, I arrived finally at an old manor house, which seemed half buried not only by the long-falling snow, but by the years. I knocked upon its worn door and, receiving no answer, burst in.

There sat a group of morose and silent people, who offered me no greeting. Dominating them, his back to the fireplace, was a dark-skinned, saturnine figure, his hair half white, his face surly and twisted with a dull, dog-like fascination, to be his wife. That offering me a bed, he left. An old and doddering servant, Joseph by name, took me upstairs to a musty room which was most oppressive and very cold. I had been sleeping nervously for but a short time when I was awakened by a banging on the window. My heart pounding, I leaped

LET'S LOOK BACK

From The Kings Mountain Herald

NINETEEN YEARS AGO MAY 20, 1920

Mr. and Mrs. James Goforth of Charlotte spent the week-end with relatives here.

Mr. John B. Ware of Washington is spending some time with his parents.

Mr. R. L. Mauney made a business trip to Charlotte Wednesday.

Mrs. R. S. Plonk, Jr., spent Sunday in Bessemer City with her parents.

United States negotiating barter of surplus wheat and cotton for war materials.

Totalitarian rule decreed in Bolivia by President, doing away with Congress and basic law.

Federal expert, urging a permanent oil erosion may take 30 years.

JUST HUMANS

By GENE CARR



Foolish Picture No. 1

Washington Snapshots

(Cont'd from front page) When that times comes, they reason quite logically, the bottom would drop out of real estate prices in the Washington area.

But the Government Reorganization plan just sent to Congress by the President has changed the whole outlook of the worrying real estate agents. For the interpretation made of the reorganization plan by most observers is simply this:

It will tend to make permanent many of the so-called "temporary" emergency agencies established in Washington in the last few years.

Basis for that interpretation is this: The reorganization plan, as drafted by the President places many of the temporary agencies, such as WPA, NYA, PWA, RFC, FHA, HOLC etc. in permanent bureaus. Thus functions of these agencies will simply become a part of the work of the permanent agency and not an independent function of government. The reasoning is that it will be easier to get Congress to continue one of the functions of a permanent establishment than it would be to get Congress to continue the existence of an independent "emergency" agency.

As one observer put it: "It will still be the same 'boloney' just sliced a little differently."

The coal strike brought some interesting statistics to light in the Capitol. For instance: The huge furnaces that furnish heat (also light and power) for the Capitol Building Supreme Court, Library of Congress and the City Post Office, burn 200 tons of coal daily. When the coal strike began to make itself felt in

the Capitol, the furnaces were kept going, but on "short rations."

"Fights" between government bureaus, departments and agencies are almost a perpetual noise in Washington. Some of them become embarrassing political problems. Others are ironed out quietly without anybody losing face, dignity or much sleep. There have been bitter quarrels between the Treasury and Justice Departments over crime chasing between the Interior and Agriculture Departments over jurisdiction; between the State and Commerce Departments over the same point, and between the War, Navy and Labor Departments over numerous things. Now, the latter departments are at it again, with the War and Navy Departments lined up against Secretary Perkins on the question of control of subversive alien activities.

One of contention is a legislative proposal to make it unlawful to advocate overthrow of this Government by force or violence. When the bill was being considered by a House committee the War and Navy Departments immediately announced they desired such a law, pointing out that it would be valuable in curbing activities of Communists, Fascists, and other radical groups who are plotting trouble in the military services.

In contrast, the Labor Department sent word to the Committee that it was opposed to provisions of the bill which would broaden the bases for deporting aliens.

The fight has been carried on with as little public snarling as possible but some observers believe it may break into the open and become a major issue.

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