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"Let reverence for laws be breathed by every American mother to the lisping babe that rattles on her lap; let it be taught in schools, in seminaries and colleges; let it be written in primers, spelling books and almanacs; let it be preached from the pulpit, proclaimed in legislative halls, and enforced in courts of justice. And in short, let it become the political religion of the nation; and let the old and the young, the rich and the poor, the grave and the gay of all sexes and tongues and colors and conditions, sacrifice unceasingly upon its altars."

TUESDAY, FEB. 29, 1916.

Weather forecast for South Carolina: Rain Tuesday, Wednesday fair.

If you didn't settle your bill during pay-up week, it is not yet too late to do so.

If we swat his breeding place now, we will not have the fly to swat later on.

The Anderson Intelligencer is reminded that "the wisdom of preparedness dates as far back as Noah's time."

A clean-up week is needed in Lancaster as in every other town and it is time for us to plan for this annual campaign.

Who is working on the hospital proposition? It will be well to remember that such an institution cannot be expected to build itself.

Our best wish for the Gaffney Chamber of Commerce is that it will become as valuable an asset to Gaffney as the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce is to Lancaster.

For two years we have had a Chamber of Commerce which has proved of inestimable value to the town and county. Every good citizen should boost this organization which does such substantial boosting for Lancaster.

The Civic League is working for a City Beautiful and every woman who has pride in the appearance of Lancaster should join this helpful organization and co-operate in its plans for civic improvement.

That Lancaster is growing steadily is demonstrated by the number of newcomers here and the prospect of several new business houses as well as a number of homes to be built in the near future. The "build now" slogan has been adopted here already and still further development is just ahead of us.

While we are working for an out-and-out compulsory education law, let's not forget the illiterate adults who have had no chance to learn. They are glad to avail themselves of the opportunities night schools afford. Let's have a night school in every community.

Dr. Daniel. Dr. D. W. Daniel, of Clemson College, has accepted the invitation of the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce to be the speaker at the annual banquet Tuesday evening March 14. The Chamber of Commerce has been very fortunate in its selection of the speaker for this occasion for Dr. Daniel is perhaps the most gifted orator in the State. As an after-dinner speaker he has no superior and he is in constant demand. His ready wit and his choice of words fit him especially for this form of public speaking. Those of our people who have heard Dr. Daniel are forward with pleasure to give him again and those who have not will gladly avail themselves of the opportunity.

Law and Law Enforcement. Special Judge Thomas G. McWhorter is holding the court at Charleston by doing some plain talking to the grand jury has brought about good results.

There were many liquor cases for trial by the court and the grand jury began by finding "no bills". The judge remonstrated with the jurors, impressing upon them the fact that they are the custodians of the peace and good order of their county and that when an experienced and able solicitor like Mr. J. K. Henry of the sixth judicial circuit, who is now prosecuting the Charleston cases had presented these bills for their consideration, they should be given due thought. The sequel is that the grand jury found twenty-one true bills against violators of the liquor law.

Judge Ernest Moore and Mendel L. Smith have, in the past, likewise impressed upon Charleston grand juries a sense of their responsibility. If all judges saw their duty as clearly and performed it as fearlessly as these jurists have done, there would be fewer miscarriages of justice and a more general respect for the laws of the State.

FROM OTHER PAPERS.

Timely Hint. Success hint for potato grower: Watch and spray.—Anderson Intelligencer.

A Fixed Habit. In spite of prohibition, the mercury insists on "taking a drop" occasionally.—Newberry Observer.

How Very Ungallant. "Should a woman chew gum?" asks an exchange. Yes, if it will keep her from talking.—Anderson Mail.

A Novel Scheme. A man in North Carolina has just married his son's mother-in-law. A new way of keeping peace in the family.—Anderson Intelligencer.

Would Never Guess It. It is said that 90 per cent of South Carolina people can write their names, but you wouldn't think so from looking over a hotel register.—The State.

Who Said So? Lancaster and York counties are said to be talking about running McLaurin for Governor. Of course they don't mean this year.—Greenwood Journal.

Manning's The Man. If Cole Blease is going to oppose Governor Manning in South Carolina, it won't be hard to put your finger on the next Palmetto governor.—Henderson Dispatch.

Why Not Now. "The early bird catches the worm." "A word to the wise is sufficient."

It costs no more to announce for office now than four months later, and "it pays to advertise."—Newberry Observer.

To The Gang. Look out, you whiskey sellers! Governor Manning on Saturday signed the bill providing for a chaingang sentence on those convicted of selling whiskey. No more easily paid fines.—Rock Hill Herald.

Our Sentiments Exactly. We have a much more wholesome respect for the prohibitionist who wants "prohibition" to apply to mob law as well as to strong drink, and then says so, than for those who are blind to every evil save that of the drink habit.—Washington (Ga) Reporter.

Use The Pencil. One of the most important of farm implements is sadly neglected on many South Carolina farms. It can be bought for five cents or less. Yet an intelligent use of it can save a farmer hundreds of dollars. Use of it will in many cases turn an unprofitable farm into a profitable one or will increase the profits where some are already being made. This marvelous farm implement is the common lead pencil. Most farmers do too little "figuring" for their own good.—Sumter Item.

A "He" State. The Virginia Legislature has voted against woman suffrage again and Editor Alfred B. Williams, of the Richmond Journal, rejoices, "Let us breathe freely," he says, "Virginia continues to be a He State two years more at least. A majority of the mem-

bers of the General Assembly have given a vote of confidence in the men of the State and decided that they are fit to conduct her affairs and need not hand over the job to the women. Probably less than twenty members of the Assembly really favor woman suffrage or would vote for it if there was serious prospect for its adoption. The Republicans support it naturally. Any kind of revolution would tend to help them and woman suffrage would offer them cheap control of thirty counties to begin with. Other votes, doubtless, were cast for it as perfunctory and harmless courtesy or in deference to fascinating importunities."—News and Courier.

Two Men. We know two men. One is constantly asking favors and the other is constantly granting favors, doing good turns.

The man who is always asking favors doesn't seem to get much happiness out of life and he doesn't get along very well. He is always hard up and he always has a complaint about somebody or something.

The man who is always doing favors seems to be prosperous. Things are coming his way. Best of all he is happy. We have never seen him without a smile.

This man makes it a rule to do at least one good turn every day, even if it involves some trouble or sacrifice on his part. He does not let a day pass without doing one or more kind acts. The result is that he has friends—more than he knows, perhaps—and they show their friendship for him in various ways.

The other man, the one who is always asking for favors, has few friends, and he cannot understand it. He wonders why the world doesn't treat him better. He has now reached the point where his acquaintances dread to see him coming, for they know he will be wanting something. There is a moral in this but we are not going to take the trouble to point it out.—Anderson Mail.

WONDERFUL RECORD FOR THE MIGHTY SPECTACLE.

Those who failed to see "The Birth of a Nation" when it played its record runs in the principal cities in the United States will have an opportunity to see it at the Academy of Music in Charlotte, when this wonderful attraction will be presented for the entire week beginning Monday, March 6th, with matinee each afternoon. "The Birth of a Nation" has established records everywhere it has been shown and when it closed at the Liberty Theatre, New York City, it made a record that is one which will stand in the annals of the theatrical world for many many years. The run at the Liberty Theatre, New York City, continued forty-five weeks without a break. The total number of consecutive performances was 620. During the summer months there was a supplementary engagement at Brighton Beach, which is part of the Metropolitan district. This engagement was for fourteen weeks with 182 performances, making a total of 802 consecutive performances in New York. In addition to this there have been eighty-four performances of the spectacle in theatres in Brooklyn and the Bronx. These however, and not counted in the consecutive run.

In round numbers, 616,000 people saw the production at the Liberty Theatre, 196,000 witnessed it during the run at the seashore and approximately 60,000 have attended performances of it in the outlying theatres of Greater New York, making a total attendance to date for this city 872,000. By computing this with the census reports for New York City it will be seen that approximately one in every seven residents of the city has attended the local presentations. The uniform scale of prices for the run was 25 cents to \$2.00 at the nights and 25 cents to \$1.00 at the matinees. The average was about 75 cents a head. It will be seen by this that New York paid over \$600,000 for this one form of entertainment. This is a record never reached by any other attraction in the city. The record of "The Birth of a Nation" is the more remarkable when it is shown that simultaneous with the New York run engagements were also under way in other

important cities of the country. It ran for 300 performances in Boston, the record there; 280 performances in Los Angeles, Cal., the local record; 450 times in San Francisco and still playing, which is also a record; 200 times in Philadelphia, 100 times in Pittsburg, a local record; 160 times in St. Louis, a local record; and has turned 428 times in Chicago, which is second to the longest run ever known there, which it will likely surpass before the end of the Windy City engagement. At the same time other companies have been touring the country. To date it is conservatively estimated that nearly five million people have seen this great production in America. It is also passing thru a London run which totals nearly 20 weeks. Additional companies are being formed for Australia and South America, while two others are touring Canada at present. As soon as the conditions warrant in Europe additional companies will be seen on tour in Russia, France, Germany and Italy.

The advance sale of seats will begin Friday morning at the theatre box-office. Mail orders for tickets from out of town patrons will be accepted now when accompanied by money orders payable to John L. Crovo, Manager Academy of Music, Charlotte, N. C.—Adv.

TRAGIC DEATH OF O. P. HEATH.

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arrived and the authorities notified. In view of the fact that there was no question as to the suicide, the family was instructed to take charge of the remains.

News Spreads Quickly. The news of the suicide circulated quickly and in a very short time the whole city knew of it. On College and Fourth streets, where the cotton offices are located and where Mr. Heath had operated so extensively and for such a long time, the affair created vast comment. Many expressions of sympathy and sorrow were heard for the dead man was immensely popular with the fraternity and the public at large. His career had been checked but for the most part it had been successful although on several notable occasions. He had always been able to recoup however and he ever enjoyed the confidence and esteem of his associates in business. Ill health which came on a year or more ago gave Mr. Heath more apprehension than any financial setbacks and this was said to be the primary cause for his rash act yesterday. A little more than a year ago he suffered a stroke of paralysis and his health ever since has not been good.

One of Remarkable Family. Osgood Pierce Heath was one of a remarkable family, all of whom achieved during their lifetime remarkable success in business. Mr. E. J. Heath of Matthews and Mr. A. W. Heath of Waxhaw were two of the brothers, now deceased, both of whom were men of large affairs, substance and influence in their day. Mr. B. D. Heath of Charlotte is the only one of the brothers now living. He is one of the city's wealthiest and most prominent citizens. Other members of his family were Dr. M. C. Heath of Lexington, Ky., John P. Heath of Camilla, Ga., Mrs. T. R. McGill of Charlotte, Mrs. Eugenia Belk of Monroe and Miss Eugenia Heath. Mr. O. P. Heath was born in the Waxhaw settlement of Lancaster county, S. C., 58 years ago, a son of the late Moses Chappell and Mary Morrow Heath. He was educated at Rutherford College, this State and shortly thereafter entered the cotton and mercantile business. For the past 27 years he had made his home in Charlotte. He was married to Miss Annie Lee Potts of Lancaster county and surviving, in addition to Mrs. Heath, are the following children: Messrs. George, Webb, Crawford, Harold and Ernest Heath and one daughter, Miss Helen Heath. Messrs. George and Webb Heath reside in Charlotte while Crawford and Ernest Heath live in Yorkville, S. C. Mr. Harold Heath makes his home in Wilmington, Del.

Mr. Heath had been in the cotton business in Charlotte for 27 years. He was head of the firm of O. P. Heath & Co., cotton merchants, buying and selling in large quantities. As a cotton man Mr. Heath was wonderfully successful and while he sustain-

THE BANK and THE COMMUNITY The success of any business depends on the prestige accorded it by the community of which it is a part. The average American is an optimist. He is willing to try anything once. However, he isn't willing to try the same thing the second time unless he profits from the first venture. People who have opened initial accounts with our Bank have found it to their advantage to continue business relations with us. We have retained their patronage by giving them real Service. When they needed advice on business and financial matters they felt free to approach us on the subject and have found us willing to give them the benefit of our knowledge and experience. We want to impress the thought on your mind that we are a human organization, not merely an institution that deals in dollars and cents. Take us at our word—call and see and let us talk over your business problems together. Give us the opportunity to prove our sincerity. The First National Bank Under U. S. Government Supervision.

ed heavy reverses at times, during almost all of his career, he was a factor of large influence and means in the cotton world. There are many interesting stories told of his gigantic operations. He was for a long time a member of the New York Cotton Exchange and among those who commanded influence from the South, he was regarded as one of the most dependable. When the Sully "boom" was at its height, Mr. Heath, like many others, came within an ace of selling out the day before the crash came. He then would have profited to the extent, it is reliably stated, of almost two million dollars. He eventually got out but his profits were hardly one-third of that sum. Mr. Heath believed in operating on a big scale and never did he lose his trading nerve, even until the last. He suffered financial reverses on several occasions but he always believed that he could and would "come back." And this he did repeatedly. Several years ago he lost heavily and a combination of unfortunate circumstances held him back for quite a time. He was just beginning to recoup when his health failed and that appeared to affect him seriously. His financial baskets were small as compared to his physical ailments and then on top of all this came the stroke of paralysis which he suffered last year. Big in vision, generous in disposition and kind to all mankind, gifted with a nerve that nothing could shake, Mr. Heath loomed large on the financial horizon of Charlotte in his day. It is said of him that at one time, in the heyday of his prosperity, he had more cash money on deposit in Charlotte banks than any other individual. Mr. Heath was a Methodist, as were his parents before him and he held his membership in Trinity Church. He was a large contributor to all the causes of the Church. Mrs. J. B. Erwin Dead. We take the following from the York News of yesterday: Mrs. Lou Erwin, the wife of Gen. John B. Erwin, the brother of Dr. W. E. Erwin of this town, died at her home in Washington, D. C., Friday at 12 o'clock. Dr. Erwin left yesterday afternoon to attend the funeral which will be held in Washington Friday. The many friends of Gen. J. B. Erwin of this county, where he was so long an esteemed resident will sympathize deeply with him in this great bereavement. Gen. Erwin's first wife was Miss Mary Barnes, only child of the late Col. Dixon Barnes, who died at this place.

Nanzetta's Prescription. If you have been complaining to your friends and neighbors that you are feeling bad and telling your husband that you cannot sleep at night, if you get up in the morning feeling bad until about 1 or 2 o'clock in the afternoon, then you get drowsy and sleepy although you cannot sleep, I would recommend for you to try one or more bottles of Nanzetta's Prescription. The medicine is there for all that is mentioned above. If you are suffering with external pain your druggist will make you a present of a \$1.00 bottle of Indian New Discovery. If you find this remedy to do as it is recommended, send us a truthful testimonial to the Nanzetta Medicine Co., Greenville, S. C., and we will send you a \$5.00 treatment which will last you one month, FREE. You must be reliable before your testimonial is accepted. Adv. WAR. (My Sentiments.) O! war of wars when you began, You picked your men with warrior's end; You picked your men with warrior's eye, And enlisted both France and Germany, Yet soon followed other nations true, Namely, England, Russia and Turkey, too. Then you lined them-up in battle array, And so they fight until today. They have slain each other a million or two, Yet they fight just for the fun of you. Please won't you stop them from their friendship fight, And let matters be whether wrong or right. Old Henry Ford, a goodly man, Has tried to stop you the best he can. He bought a peace ship with money saved, He filled his ship with peaceful men, And sailed for your shore to put you to an end. Now Mr. Ford failed as others have done, To put a stop to your works of ruin; But please, Mr. War, do listen to me, Though I be not half as great as he. Let us stop this wretched fight, And give peace and God a chance of fight. Now I hope that not only myself, But others, too, with every ounce of strength, Are trying to do their very best, To make peace their honorable guest. So if you are not, now's the time to begin. Let's bring this war to a veritable end. B. T. O.