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Boys will be boys and some men act like boys.

Perhaps a sausage factory would be the solution of what to do with stray dogs.

It's a good thing that the bobbed-hair damsels are not dependent upon their tresses as was Sampson of old.

Many people are sneeringly referred to as "rubber stamps" for a more dominating personality. But even a rubber stamp makes an impression.

How times have changed. Delilah bobbed Sampson's hair in order that he might be taken into captivity. The modern girl bobs her own hair in order that her Sampson may be taken in matrimony.

It's a pity that all of the candidates to Congress can't be elected. If we (and in this instance we are not using the editorial "we") could get all they promise us, this section would be Utopia indeed.

Some famous waves:

- Marcel.
- Tidal.
- Permanent.
- Crime.
- Radio.
- Sad sea.

And now we are forced to view the shameful spectacle of United States Senator Norris, of Nebraska, vehemently denying that he kissed a pretty Southern girl on the occasion of a visit to Muscle Shoals, declaring that the p. s. g. kissed him! A man who would make such a denial and counter allegation isn't fit to represent the great commonwealth of Nebraska, which abounds in great open spaces and nature's noblemen, if we are to believe the writers of Western drama.

In calling upon the K. K. K. to clean up certain immoral conditions in and around Raleigh, N. C., a preacher made the following statement: "I do not know anything about the K. K. K., and, therefore, I can talk about it." A strange attitude forsooth, but perhaps that explains why so many people think that they can publish a newspaper better than the man who has made it his life-work—knowing nothing about the newspaper game, they feel qualified to run a newspaper.

Barnberg and Bootleggers.

As the result of the killing of an innocent boy by an alleged drunken negro a few days ago, indignant citizens of Barnberg have inaugurated a campaign against the bootleggers and other violators of the law in that city. The pastor of the Barnberg Methodist Church preached a stirring sermon on the morning following the homicide. Committees from the Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian churches were appointed to cooperate with the officers in the enforcement of the law. This committee met the next day, says a dispatch to the daily papers of this State, and discussed among themselves the problems of the town, and later asked for a conference with the city council, the police department and the sheriff, which was held. At this meeting the town's affairs were aired considerably, and ended with the appointment of a committee of seven representative citizens of Barnberg to cooperate with the sheriff in putting an end to some resorts alleged to be known as law-breakers. As a consequence of the naming of this committee, in company with Sheriff Ray, several establishments of alleged disreputable notoriety were visited and given some sage advice, the exact nature of which was not disclosed, but the temper of the conference was carried out they were notified to either reform or shut up and leave town. It is said that there has been a noticeable change of front in some of these places since that time.

The conference with the authorities was not in the nature of any criticism of the acts of the officers. The committee seemed to feel that the best officers in the world could not enforce the liquor law unless they have the moral as well as the physical backing of the people they serve, and it was to offer this assistance and cooperation that the meeting was held. It is felt that there is now a much better understanding all round and that the officers will know that they have at least a large number of

the good citizens with them in their efforts to curb bootlegging in the town and community.

After Barnberg has been cleaned up, it is planned to extend the movement so as to include the whole county.

The People congratulates the good people of Barnberg on the stand which they have taken. They are going to put forth their best efforts to rid their town of blind-tiger whiskey, which they feel is at the bottom of a majority of the crimes that are committed. But Barnberg is not alone in having this problem to face—there are hundreds of other towns in South Carolina whose citizens hang their heads in shame because of existing conditions.

In the platform of the Democratic party adopted at Columbia last week was the following:

"The disregard for law is alarming. We demand by all officers of the government the strict enforcement of all laws, including the Volstead act, and oppose any fundamental amendment to the Volstead act, as well as a strict observance of all laws upon the part of the people themselves. The enforcement of law is in a large measure a matter of public conscience and the duty of the citizens in this respect is no less than the duty of the officers of the law."

We regard that as the most important plank in the platform. Law enforcement officers are to be selected in Barnwell and other counties of the State this year and that plank is, or

should be, binding upon each and every one of them, from the highest to the lowest and if the men selected prove derelict in their duty they should be forced by an indignant people to resign their offices forthwith. To guard against this, however, a careful selection should be made in the beginning. It might be a good idea for the voters to question the different candidates as to their attitude on this important question and if any try to evade the issue, reject them in the coming primaries.

In an open forum conducted in Pittsburgh, Pa., a short time ago and broadcast to radio listeners, a mother asked the question whether or not education could accomplish what law has apparently failed to accomplish. The answer was that neither can succeed without the other. Let us instill into the minds of the younger generation a proper regard and respect for the law through education, but at the same time we must curb the activities of law violators by a stringent enforcement of the laws, or our educational efforts along this line will go for naught.

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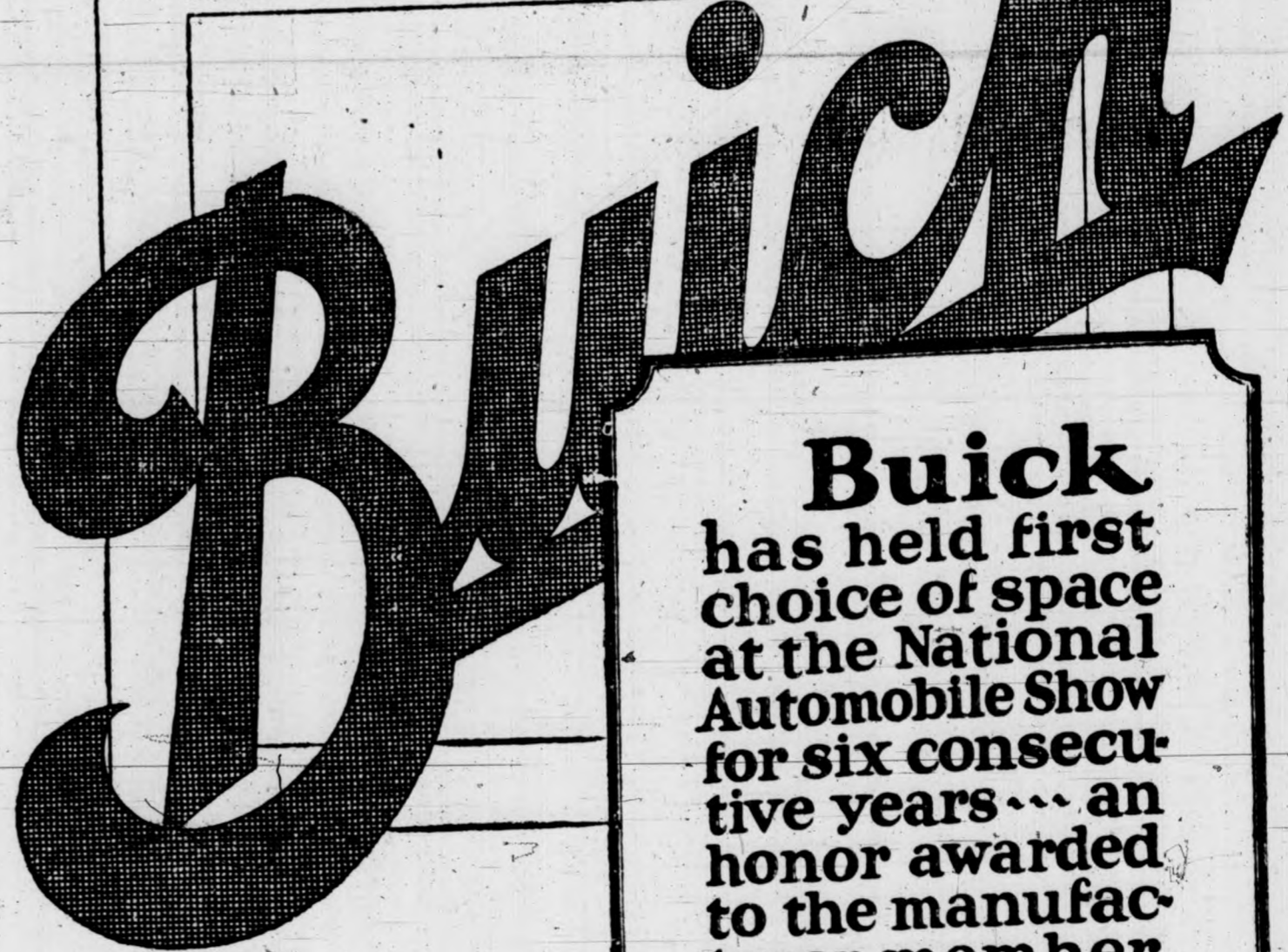
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