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About the most detested item of news in the papers thees days is that one which is usually found under the heading: "Reports Bremen will soon arrive here."

And this is the day when "the school boy, with his bright and ining face" sets forth on another campaign against the army of Books and Teachers.

Judging from the reports that have come from the front in the las few days, the Germans appear to be "in Dutch" for fair.

PROSPERITY AND POLITICS.

The News and Observer, in its issue of last Saturday, gives a repe of "the prosperity which is existing under the Democratic adminis-tration." In this report, it states that the wealth of the United States today is \$41,000,000,000 more than in 1912, that the com States today is \$41,000,000,000 more than in 1912, that the commerce of the country exceeds that which was carried on under Republican control by a gain of 68 per cent, that the exports for 1916 are 100 per cent more than for 1912, that the bank deposits have increased by 33 1-3 per cent the deposits of 1914, that farm crops are showed an increase of 140 per cent over the same exports in 1912. In conclusion, the News and Observer says:

"That is only part of the record. Yet the Republican papers and campaign spielers say nothing of these things.

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'There's a reason.' And the summing up of the reason is to be found in the Republican declaration of 'Anything to best Wilson.'" beat Wilson.

To the above list, the News and Observer might well have adde larger number of religious conversions, the excellent showing that Brooklyn is making in the National league pennant race and the fact that we had three solid weeks of sunshine, during the early Spring.

We don't believe that it would have made any material difference in the figures, given in the above report, whether the Republicans or Democrats had been in control during the last four years. The war orders have brought us millions. The war has caused the increase in the prices of tobacco, cotton and other crops. The valuation of the country has naturally increased greatly. Better prices for farm products and merchandise means, of course, greater bank deposits. These are matters which were not due to any political influence, and neither party can or should hope to make an issue of them. The only cam-paign material that the Democrats can use is the ACTUAL WORK that has been done by President Wilson and Congress during the last four years. We believe that in holding up the achievements of Mr. Wilson, they can make much better argument than in referring to those things which are bound to occur. Many beneficial bills have been passed during the last session—and previous sessions—of Congress. The President has been called upon to act in many critical situations. THESE are the arguments that the Democratic party should use. They are convincing.

FOR EVERYONE TO KNOW.

We believe that the details of road work in the township she we believe that the details of road work in the township should be done with the full knowledge of the people. We believe that they should be kept fully acquainted with the expenditures that are made at regular intervals and that a report should also be made, stating just how much work has been done and HOW it is being done.

We were rather surprised Saturday morning when Chairman Dan-iel of the road commission stated that "private matters were to be taken up at the meeting. We could not quite comprehend how anything could be "private" in connection with the work.

It is the money of the people that is being expended. Why should they not therefore, be kept informed as to what is being done?

THE BAPTIST REVIVAL.

Rev. W. M. Anderson vesterday began a two weeks' revival at the Baptist church. He will preach every night during his stay here, and it is hoped that the people of Washington—regardless of religious denominations—will go and hear him.

Dr. Anderson is a powerful speaker and he has a message to bring to the minds of our people. His work is needed among us. The religion of most of us if of a rather indefinite nature. Many of us never give the whites a boards. never give the subject a thought. We get along well enough as it is, so why trouble our heads about it? That appears to be an opinion

that is very often entertained.

Washington needs a stirring up—a religious awakening, and we hope that Dr. Anderson is the man to accomplish it.

OFF TO THE BORDER

The North Carolina militia ahs been ordered to the border. Their trip to the Rio Grande will not, however, be similar to those that were made when the first State troops left their home stations, and when was vital danger of an actual clash between the United States

Now, it has become apparent that the troops are being sent to the border in order to keep them together, to drill them and acquaint them with army life—and not for action. The North Carolina boys will find plenty of hard work shead of them, and very little romance,

excitement or adventure.

However, we wish them the best of luck on their long journey, and st for their growing children they will all return home in good health. Success to them!



MOKE TRADE IS CUT OFF BY THE BRITISH BLACKLIST

as established an embargo on trade between the United States and the enmark and Holland.

A plan of rationing the neutral countries of Norway, Sweden, Den-mark and Holland, under which no mark and Holland, under which no further licenses will be granted for the present to British exporters, has been extended to apply to the Over-sea Trust to accept further American consignments, and by declining to grant letters of assurance for Amer-ican shipments destined for these countries.

countries. In consequence American ship-ments for Holland will be stopped, while the regular transportation companies trading between the Unit-ed States and Scandinavia will not take cargoes without assurances of their innocent destination by the British authorities. Neutral diplomata here believe the

Neutral diplomata here believe two reasons induced the British Govern-ment to take this action. The first is the simplicity of the plan, which enables the Government to control supplies at the source. The second is the growing bill with which Great Britain is being pressed by neutra governments for demurrage and oth er expenses incurred by taking sus pected ships into Kirkwall and other

DID THIS HAPPEN

IN YOUR HOME?

"Whew, it's hot! said the tired business man as he landed on the top step of the porch and was wel-comed by his smiling wife and two armsful of children. "Why, we don't mind it at all," objected the wife, with a knowing

"No," chimed in the kiddles, "we

don't mind it at all."

don't mind it at all."
"You don't!" exclaimed the astonished husband. "You don't!" re repeated. And he looked out at the ished assumed. You don't 're re-peated. And he looked out at the people in the street to see if they were showing the effect of a swelter-ing day, as he was. They were! Thus reassured as to the condition of

Thus reassured as to the condition of his mind he said;
"Well, what do you do to overcome the heat," he asked.
"That's easy," smiled the wife.
"We've just had our aftgroom treat of Pepal-Cola."
"Yes," peeped up little Jahe, the youngest, "and it was just as cold as the joicle Jake put down my neak last winter."

last winter."
"Oh, I see," spoke up father, "got
any left?"

Not at all fanciful is this little

Not at all fanciful is this little comedy of home life. It's just as true as a true can be and it takes place in countless homes every bright midsummer day when the sun is sweltering hot and all humanity feels that it would be far happier if this planet were an leebers.

Pepni-Cola, as you undoubtedly know, is not only tasty but cooling, it makes aummer heat quit bothering you. Made of the purest truit juices and other perfectly pure ingredients. That's why so many mothers use it as the ONLY beverage fit for their growing children during

The Town Gossip

I WENT down
TO THE Norfolk Southern
STATION
YESTERDAY AFTERNOON YESTERDAY A
TO WATCH
THE TRAIN COI
AND MY WIFE
WAS WIH ME.
AND THE train
SAME AS IT ALWAYS DOES AND PROPLE set off AND OTHERS AND I took A CASUAL glanes ALONG THE car windows AND MY heart ALMOST STOPPED beating WHEN I saw A MIGHTY he YOUNG WOMAN WAVING HER hand at me AND I los SIDEWAYS AT MY wife TO SEE if she WAS LOOKING. AND SHE was. FIRST AT the other woman AND THEN at me, AND I didn't like it. AND I began TO GET nervous.

AND I wished

THAT THE woman

WOULD STOP waving, BUT SHE didn't. AND SHE smiled,

AND PUCKERED UP AND I almost MAINTED. AND I felt - VERY WARM. AND THEN. I TURNED around AND RIGHT behind THERE STOOD AN ELDERLY MAR, AND HE WAS WAYING BACK AT the woman AND THEN I realised THAT SHE had been SMILING AND WAYIN AND NOT AT THE. EMILING AND waving
AT HIM,
AND NOT at me.
AND MY wife
REALIZED THE same th
AND I felt
AWFULLY RELIEVED.
-AND I don't know
WHO THE man
OR THE woman were,
BUT I want
TO THANK them
FOR KEEPING up
THEIR WAVING
AS LONG as they did,
FOR IF they had stopped
AFTER THE first wave of
THE GHANCES are THE CHANCES at THAT I would still be TRYING TO explain thin AND I don't know HOW I could HAVE DONE IL I THANK you.
P. S.—AND SHE sure
GOOD LOOKING, too.

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