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Owing to a lack of business
the railroad companies are lay-
ing off passenger trains in
North Carolina. In the long
run the building of hard sur-
face roads may prove a good
thing for the railroads in the
great growth and development
which they cause, but at pres-
ent they are cutting into the
passenger receipts of the rail-
ways very heavily. It is much
cheaper to use automobiles in
many instances than it is to ride
on the trains and besides is
often more convenient. Rail-
road fares are considerably
higher than they were in pre-
war times and if they were low-
er it might cause people to
ride on the trains more than
they do. However this is a
problem for the railroad man-
agers to solve and we shall not
worry much about it.

**WATERWAY
IMPROVEMENTS.**

The improvement of the wa-
terways around Beaufort and
Morehead City are necessary
to the future growth of these
towns and of Carteret county.
More than that there are pos-
sibilities of benefit in such im-
provements to most if not all of
North Carolina. We have
heard in recent months much
talk of the State's need for a
deep water port. By deepening
Beaufort Inlet to thirty
feet and doing a comparative-
ly small amount of dredging
on the inside a fine harbor can
be provided that would be able
to accommodate ocean steamers
of large tonnage. A railroad
already runs to the water's
edge and a hard surface high-
way that will reach the Ashe-
ville and beyond will be com-
pleted in about twelve months.
The great agricultural region
of eastern Carolina is near at
hand and the vast output of
cotton, tobacco and other prod-
ucts could be exported from
this port just as well as from
Norfolk or elsewhere. Talk of
building up a great shipping
port here may sound extrava-
gant to some but this is a day
of big things and we people of
this region may just as well
have big notions as anybody
else. All great accomplish-
ments start as somebody's visi-
onary schemes. Thirty years
ago Miami, Florida was a fish-
ing village of three hundred
inhabitants; now it is a city of
some thousand, a port of con-
siderable importance and just
beginning to grow.

NEW AND OLD HOTELS.

In a somewhat recent issue
the Greensboro News com-
mented editorially on the rap-
id increase in modern hotel fa-
cilities in North Carolina. As
the News says, this develop-
ment has been somewhat over-
shadowed by the road build-
ing program which in fact has
received more publicity than
any of the other big things that
the State has done in recent
years. But the fact remains
that the State has made long
strides since the day that the
two dollars a day house was re-
garded as the last word in hotel
accommodations. The modern
palaces that dot the State from
Wilmington to Asheville, as
far as the principal cities are
concerned, are of a class that
can bear comparison with the
hostelries of any city any-
where. The smaller cities too
have caught the fever and are
building hotels almost as good
as those of Raleigh, Greensboro
and Charlotte.

Fine as the new hotels are
with their French chefs, liveried
servants, telephones in ev-

ery room, hot and cold water,
mezzanine floors, orchestras
and other thingumbobs, some-
thing may well be said in favor
of some of those of bygone
days. They didn't pay so much
attention to style but for open
handed genuine hospitality, for
good wholesome food and com-
fort without ostentation they are
not approached in this day.
The old Davis House at Beau-
fort justly famed for its deli-
cious sea foods, the Yarboro
in Raleigh, headquarters of
politicians and leading men of
all sorts, the Benbow and Mc-
Adoo hotels in Greensboro, the
Central and Buford in Char-
lotte and many others were typ-
ical of the best in that period.
Food was cheap in those days
and so was service. Wood
was plentiful and though there
was no steam heat, there was
always a blazing fire in the
lobby and you could have a
fire in your room if you wanted
it. Servants received grati-
tude but did not expect to be
tipped every time you spoke to
one of them. The proprietors
knew most of their guests and
the guests generally knew each
other or if not they soon got
acquainted. Crooks were
scarce and good fellows were a
plenty so people were not dis-
trustful of each other and soci-
ability and friendliness pre-
vailed always.

The old Bellevue hotel in
High Point when the late
George T. Leach was proprie-
tor of it was a place where
you could get something good
to eat. The Colonel was a
sportsman. He liked to hunt,
fish, go to horse races and the
like and he knew what was
good to eat and drink. He al-
ways provided it for his guests.
Such viands as fine steaks, old
hams and bacon, fried chicken,
sausages, spare ribs, hot bis-
cuits and waffles were staples.
I n season he often served bar-
becued squirrel, rabbit, quail
on toast, bass or other fish. He
liked to see his guests eat a
plenty and they generally did
it. There was an air of hospi-
tality about the old Bellevue
and people liked to go there.
It may be that the automi-
bile and good roads will cause
some inns of the old fashioned
type to spring up in the small
towns. There seems to be a
field for such places. It is use-
less for the small towns to try
to imitate the large cities with
their great expensive caravan-
saries. The small town can-
not compete with the city in
this respect and should not try
to do it. What they need is
the sort of hotel that goes in
for solid comfort rather than
ostentation. Expensive gew-
gaws may attract some but the
average male or female trav-
er who is tired and hungry
wants something else. The
small town hotel keeper who
can see what is needed and can
meet that demand ought to be
able to make a fortune.

PRESS GLEANINGS

A REMARKABLE SHOWING.

Elsewhere in this issue there is giv-
ing the twenty-second annual report
of the Morganton Building and Loan
Association, an institution that has
been of incalculable value in the build-
ing of Morganton. Consideration of
the report gives some idea of what
the association has meant to the town.
It is an amazing statement that a
conservative estimate of the number
of homes in Morganton that have
been built through the association
would be seven hundred, that there
have been only two foreclosures and
that the association has not lost a
single dollar.

In the Morganton Building and
Loan Association the town has an
asset that continues to grow in use-
fulness to serve the community.
(Morganton News-Herald.)

A BAD LAW.

We do not know under what au-
thority the Stanly County Road
Board sold \$100,000.00 in county
bonds at their second meeting after
appointment. We assume of course,
that their act was legal, that it was
done by virtue of some local statute,
and while we are making no criticism
of the board for selling those bonds
privately and without advertising
same for bids, yet we have some
doubt as to whether or not a law
that will permit such an act should
be allowed to stand. Of course, the
present highway board may have
made a careful and honest business
transaction, we take it that they did,
as the board is made up of good men,
but the next board may not be as

honest as the present one, and such
a law certainly lays down the fence
for grafters to get through easily.
The same law which applies to our
town and county generally, or the
general state law, if you please, as
it applies to bond sales, should be in
force as against our road board the
same as to our county commissioners.
No body of public officials should be
empowered to sell bonds privately
and without due advertisement for
bids in the open market.—(Stanly
News-Herald.)

**MR. McCAIN WRITES
AGAIN ABOUT TAXES**

Editor of the News:
It seems that there has been en-
ough said about the bond issue with
out the wishes of the people. Now
if our commissioners go ahead and
sell the bonds without giving the
people the chance to vote and say
whether they want them or not, we
will have to say this. It is not a gov-
ernment by the people nor for the
people. They are not serving the
people as they ought to. They are
making mere servants out of the
people. Now we will have to say
they are stealing our rights away
from us. It is just as bad as steal-
ing or anything else. Now I think
they are unprofitable servants to the
people.

Now my friends I read in Mr.
Fort's letter a few weeks ago that he
said if the county would build the
road from one end of the county to
the other he would come and bring
others with him and build a bridge
across the sound at Cedar Point and
build a city on the beach, that would
increase the value of our county and
help to pay for the bonds. Now
gentlemen is that going to lessen the
tax on your property and mine?
They all say not, well then is the
improvements worth any thing to us?
Now I say let's not have any more
improvements unless it will make our
taxes less. If we have got to pay
just as much prorata right on as we
are paying now we had better stop
right where we are. Now don't you
al think so?

I think the most of the people
have gone crazy on the subject of
high schools and good roads. The
schools we have taught now a days
is for more pleasure than any thing
else. Just a good time is all they
care for. They have three or four
picnics every week somewhere in the
woods. I dont call that good schools
Now I think everybody had better
get to thinking about something else
besides pleasure. That is what so
many good roads are wanted to be
built for. It is not for the benefit
of the poor class of people. I hope
they will not find buyers to buy the
bonds for we have got taxes enough
to pay, now that we cant pay them
with the mortgaging of our property
and the people are going to lose
their homes on account of so much
tax if there ain't a stop put to it.

Now we are commanded to do un-
to others as you would have them
do unto you. Do you think our
leaders are doing it? I don't think
so. We are commanded to love our
neighbor as our selves, do you think
our leaders are doing it? I dont
You know when the young lawyer
went to the Lord and asked Him
what he should do to inherit eternal
life, He told him to love the Lord
with all his soul, mind and strength,
and love his neighbor as himself.
Then the lawyer to justify himself
he asked Him who was his neighbor,
and the Lord told him about the par-
able of a certain man went down
from Jerusalem to Jerico and fell
among thieves which stripped him of
his raiment and wounded him and
leaving him half dead and by chance
there came a certain priest and he
passed on the other side and likewise
a Levite came by and looked on him
and passed on the other side, but a
certain Samaritan as he journeyed
came where he was and when he saw
him he had compassion on him and
went to him and bound up his
wounds, pouring on him oil and set
him on his own beast, and brough
him to an inn and took care of him.
On the morrow he took out two pieces
and gave them to the host, and said
take care of him and whatsoever thou
spendest more when I come again I
will repay thee.

Now my friends that shows who is
our neighbor. It aint the one that
is always putting on us, but the one
that is trying to help us like the good
Samaritan. But I dont think we
have any good Samaritans looking af-
ter our county. We are like the
man that fell among the thieves,
they are trying to strip us naked and
going on and leaving us, now don't
you think so?

From your friend,
E. L. McCAIN.
Newport, N. C.

Your attention is invited to the strength and
reflected by the following statement made to the Cor-
poration Commission as of April 6, 1925:

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans and discounts\$311,862.27	Capital Stock paid in\$ 20,000.00
Overdrafts 357.89	Surplus Fund 5,000.00
Liberty Bonds owned 5,500.00	Undivided Profits 2,142.95
Other Bonds owned 5,000.00	Accrued Interest due depositors 500.00
Banking House 19,004.57	Cashier's Checks outstanding... 785.14
Furniture and Fixtures 1,500.00	Certified Checks outstanding... 183.45
Cash and due from Banks... 144,586.79	DEPOSITS 459,199.98
TOTAL\$487,811.52	TOTAL\$487,811.52

Resources April 6, 1925\$487,811.52

Resources December 31, 1924-378,146.30

INCREASE\$109,665.22

These figures speak for themselves of the growth
and usefulness of this bank, and are shown, not in a
spirit of vanity, but with sincere appreciation to those
who are contributing to the rapid growth of the oldest
bank in Carteret County.

If you want to do business with a **STRONG
BANK** we solicit your accounts.

The Bank of Beaufort

The Oldest Bank in Carteret County and as Strong as
the Strongest

W. A. Mace John Forlaw, J. A. Hornaday Jr.,
President Vice-President Cashier

Time For—

**Porch Swings
Porch Shades
Refrigerators
Water Coolers**

At our Stores you will find
just what you need in the
Summer necessities named
above—and too, besides
those, you can get many
other things that are really
a need—

**WE INVITE YOUR INSPECTION UNDER NO
OBLIGATION TO BUY**

THE PRICES ARE RIGHT!

Gaskill-Mace Company

TWO STORES

Hardware Both on Front Street Furniture