

BURGLARS ARE ABROAD IN THE LAND, INVEST YOUR IDLE FUNDS.

# THE TWICE-A-WEEK DISPATCH

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## MANY ROBBERIES

### ARE BEING COMMITTED.

There never has been a time in the history of the country when so many robberies are being committed in the different parts of the country. We advise our friends to not have any money lying around the house. If you have any that you do not need, place it in some strong bank, or loan it to one of the many good trust companies in this county—Burlington has several that will take your money and loan it for you at six per cent interest, and it will be perfectly safe, or the banks will allow you four per cent interest, and all the banks in this county are in good financial condition. The Burlington banks are especially strong, you stand no chance to lose any funds placed with them, but if you have it around the house, even though you think no one knows it, you may be greatly surprised some morning to find it gone. Only the other day a case in point was called to our attention, a woman who had toiled for years, selling eggs, milk and butter and had saved up about four hundred dollars—She would not lend it and would not put it in the bank, she was waiting to make it five hundred dollars before investing it in anything. She had it hid in her room behind an old picture hanging upon the wall, and thought no one would ever think to look behind an old picture to find money, and besides she argued that she stayed in this room and was hardly ever away long at a time, but one day she stepped out to water her cow and to move her grazing place, and when she returned the money was gone, but too late—the savings of a life-time were gone, no clue, no chance to get it back. If she had only put it in the bank or let some trust company have it, the money would still be hers and it would have been making her something besides. Do not take such chances as this woman did, it's foolish.

PUT YOUR MONEY TO WORK—and remember it works while you sleep, and when it is out working you can sleep better.

#### BUCK UP!

Stop your damned coyote howling,  
Chew some sand and get some grit.  
Don't sit at your desk a-growlin',  
Jump right up and BOOST a bit.

If your stock has hit low-level  
You know it's simply GOT TO RISE:  
So grit your teeth—defy the Devil,  
Talk "GOOD TIMES" and ADVERTISE.

#### CHEERFUL SENTIMENT IN BUSINESS CIRCLES.

That all America is anxious to make the best of adverse circumstances and to look forward to better things is clearly indicated by the cheerful sentiment very generally expressed in business circles. Every favorable development is hailed with delight and efforts are made to forget the unwelcome conditions of the past.

Inauguration of the new banking system was effected last week without a hitch. The reductions in reserve requirements permitted transfers of a portion of the reserves to the new reserve banks without any embarrassment whatever. The New York banks, issuing their first weekly statement under the new conditions, shows excess reserves exceeding \$176,000,000. No doubt the banks of this city will today make a favorable statement. The large surplus reserves will tend to bring about lower rates for the use of money and if this results the effect will be beneficial to the investment market. Where only four or five per cent can be obtained for funds used for commercial purposes capital will seek investment in bonds and stocks. A natural demand for securities on the part of American investors will be the very best safeguard against possible demonetization resulting from European selling. Hence lower rates for the use of money will be a welcome development.

Reports of cotton ginned to November 14 show the largest quantity ginned for this season of the year not excepting the year 1911, when there was a maximum crop. From this it is apparent that the Southern planters have not been idle while their friends at Washington have been busy raising a fund to help to carry the big crop. The planters having put their product into bales, are prepared to store cotton and accept such advances as the pool may arrange to offer out of the \$100,000,000 pool contributed by the banks. Reopening of the cotton exchanges affords a market for this commodity, but prices will be depressed below normal market values until the foreign demand is renewed. The situation, however, has been much improved during the past week.

In branches of industry which are stimulated by orders from the belligerent nations there is improved activity. A better demand for pig iron is noted and as this is the foundation on which the whole steel trade rests the change may foreshadow more orders for the steel mills. Some portions of the West are being scoured for horses to be shipped to Europe.

Colder weather has given some zest to the retail trade, which will probably continue brisk until after the holidays.

The man who beats his wife isn't a bit worse than the man who robs his family by spending his money on his friends.

Every seven-year-old girl announces that she would not marry the best man living. And she always keeps her word.

There is a big difference being Good and being Goody-Goody.

We all pray for twice as much as we expect to get or deserve.

#### AGED NEGRO ROBBED, WRAPPED IN BLANKET AND HOUSE FIRED.

Asheville, Nov. 24.—A story of unusual cruelty was told to members of the police department yesterday when they rescued Ray Palmer, an antebellum negro, from a burning building in the depot section of the city.

Detecting smoke coming through a window in a small house, two members of the police department ran to the scene and could not gain admission until they had battered down a door.

Arriving on the interior of the building they found the negro wrapped in blankets near a stove from which the floor of the room had caught fire. The negro was carried from the building and the firemen gave prompt attention to the flames, although they did not extinguish the blaze until the floor upon which the negro had been fell through. The latter stated that several negroes robbed him and wrapped him in the blankets later starting a fire in the stove and saturating the floor with oil. He has been taken to the county home being without means of earning a livelihood, while members of the police department are searching for the negroes who started the fire.

WAS HE UNLUCKY? ASK HIM. Chicago, Nov. 22.—Edward Messenger, collector for a lunch room syndicate, was the unluckiest man in Chicago today. In a hurry to reach his employer's office he burned his mouth with coffee. He missed the street car and was unable to get on the next because it was too crowded. He stood up for miles on the third and when he left it he was waylaid and robbed and hurled into the street by three bandits.

As he lay unconscious an automobile came along, ran over one of his legs and broke it. It was fifteen minutes before the police arrived. One who helped carry him to an ambulance stumbled and gave the fractured limb a bad wrench.

After the fracture was reduced Messenger was informed that two of the robbers were captured, but that the third who had Messenger's watch and wallet, got away. His employer's money was not taken, but every cent of his own was gone.

WOMAN'S HOME ROBBED. Wilson, Nov. 24.—The home of Mrs. Nancy Ginn, out in the country, near Black Creek, was robbed Sunday of \$90 in money and a pistol. Two negroes were arrested here as suspects and all of the money except \$14 recovered. One of the negroes seems to have been conscience stricken for he returned a portion of the money before being arrested. The money stolen from Mrs. Ginn was partly in gold and was hidden in the parlor of her home.

Robert Mason, driver for a local bakery, is missing, together with about \$40 of money collected for the concern.

LITTLE GIRL OFFERS REWARD FOR BURGLAR. A reward is out for the burglar who entered the home of P. A. Moss, 291 Washington street, Monday afternoon and stole, among many valuable articles, a "pig" savings bank containing \$8 in nickels, pennies and dimes. The bank belonged to 5-year-old Ruth Moss, the little daughter of the house, and it is she who offers the reward.

"You catch that old bad man who stole my pig bank," she told Officers Milam and Evans, "and I will give you some of the money I've saved up." Officers Milam and Evans are working hard to catch the "old bad burglar."

#### THIEVES PARTICULAR ABOUT WHAT THEY STEAL.

Second-story men and hatrack burglars are displaying careful selection of their loot these days and are swayed largely by weather conditions, judging by reports of stolen goods at the police station.

The number of warm clothes missing is in full accord with the time of year. The following thefts from Tuesday's list are typical:

Blue serge coat and broadcloth pants, reported stolen from John Roberts, of 152 Auburn avenue.

Heavy dark coat pinned with Masonic emblem, reported stolen from W. E. McKimmey, of 519 East Fair Street.

Dark gray suit, reported stolen from D. Thompson, of 112 Bradley street.

Heavy dark gray overcoat, reported stolen from Malcolm Sylvester, of 305 Polk Street, Marietta, Ga.

ROBS HIS FATHER'S HOME TO "GO THE LIMIT," IN CITY. Bloomington, Ind., Nov. 19.—"Going the limit" in having a good time in Chicago was the undoing of Walter Spink, of Washington, Ind., son of a physician, who was arrested at the Kappa Sigma chapter house here charged with taking \$1,200 in jewelry from his father's home. Spink is a former law student of Indiana University and a Kappa Sigma. He confessed.

"I've had a hell of a good time and now I guess I'm headed for the penitentiary," he said.

Spink admitted selling diamond rings, bracelets, and watches in Chicago on which he obtained \$800. This money he spent "on the Great White Way." He sold one diamond that cost \$175 for \$65.

Detective Charles Jones, of Washington, with Spink in custody, left for Chicago this afternoon and will attempt to recover the valuables.

HELD ON THREE CHARGES. Breaking open the home of William Jones, 1220 Wide Street, extended, in broad day light, Harry Parker, colored, is alleged to have taken a suit a clothes, a pair of trousers, a gold watch and chain. After the robbery had been reported to the police Jones was caught with the coat and watch and marched to the Second Precinct station and locked up on a charge of house-breaking, larceny and petit larceny, preferred by Detective Pettis and Patrolman Webb.—Atlanta Journal.

STORE BURGLARIZED AND SET ON FIRE. The police were called in early Tuesday morning to investigate the origin of a fire that did about \$50 damage to the grocery store of J. A. Word, at Highland Avenue and Randolph St. Mr. Word, following the fire called the officers, and reported that the store had been first burglarized of flour and provisions and the gas meter robbed before it was fired.—Atlanta Journal.

YOUTH WHO TRIED TO ROB MAN GETS 12 MONTHS. Robert Martin, a 20-year-old white youth, was sentenced to twelve months Tuesday morning following a hearing in the criminal division of the Superior Court in Atlanta, before Judge S. C. Reid on the charge of attempted larceny from the person.

Martin was accused of trying to rob Ollie Wingate, a plumber, of 328 Edgewood Avenue, while Wingate and his daughter were leaving the show given by the 101 Ranch some weeks ago. The attempt was foiled by Miss Wingate who saw a man stick his hand in her father's pocket.

#### BURGLARS KEPT BUSY ON THE NORTH SIDE SUNDAY.

Burglars operating in many different parts of the city Sunday secured valuables at several places and had the police and detective departments busily at work Monday running down various clues.

Most of the burglaries occurred on the north side of the city. The stolen loot aggregated several hundred dollars worth of clothing, jewelry, silver and other valuables.

The store at Scottdale mills reported ten suits of clothes stolen Sunday night.

Mrs. B. Bowden, of 202 Forrest avenue, reported her back door prized open Sunday night and a diamond ring, turquoise ring, \$10.50 in cash and a blue enamel watch stolen.

The Watts Pharmacy, 238 Auburn Avenue, reported the front door battered in and the cash register rifled of \$10.

Dr. M. D. Davis, a dentist, reported his home at 205 N. Moreland avenue, entered while he and his wife were away between 3 and 6 o'clock Sunday afternoon, and a string of pearls three silver card cases and a half dozen spoons stolen. The burglars got in through a front window and were evidently frightened away, as they left the silver in the sideboard and some jewelry belonging to Mrs. Davis.

THIEF TAKES THE ALARM. Have you a little burglar alarm in your home?

Dr. R. F. Ingram, of 431 Washington Street, Atlanta, had one but some unkind burglar came along and stole it. Dr. Ingram reported the theft on Tuesday.

Sunday afternoon, he said, he and his wife and son were away from home. When they returned they found the house had been ransacked. In addition to other valuables, the thief walked off with a special patent jewelry box containing two gold watches, a gold chain, a gold eyeglass, and equipped with a bell that rings ten minutes if you touch the box.

The alarm box was valued at \$150. Dr. Ingram suspects a negro who has been loitering near the house, doubtless listening to the alarm on sundry occasions. He says the house has been burglarized twice within the last year, but the intruder always respected the alarm until the last offense.

BLOW OIL CO. SAFE AND ESCAPE WITH \$200. Reading, Pa., Nov. 25.—Burglars early today gained entrance to the offices of the Crew-Lovick Oil Co. in West Reading, blew open the safe with nitro-glycerine and escaped with about \$200 in cash, leaving behind a lot of drills and other tools. To deaden the sound of the explosion they covered the safe with wet horse-blankets and these and the noise of a freight train passing nearby made their work practically safe.

BIG ROBBERY IN WAREHOUSE. A satchel containing \$400 in checks and \$175 or \$180 in money belonging to J. E. Perkinson, of Dinwiddie County, was stolen from the storage room at the Virginia Warehouse late Friday night. The checks and money had been collected by Emmet Harris, colored, a long-time and trusted employe of Mr. Perkinson, and were the proceeds of sales of cattle and general market supplies.

It was probably a sage who wrote: "If your business isn't worth advertising, advertise it for sale." The Dispatch can sell it for you. Try it.

The fellow who leaves his wife very often when he is alive seldom leaves her much when he dies.

#### HIGHWAYMAN HELD FOR HIGH COURT.

Charlotte, Nov. 27.—Identified beyond a doubt, John Wise and John and Charlie Caldwell, the three negroes who were arrested a few nights ago by Officers McKnight and Joe Orr, on suspicion of being the parties who have been perpetrating holdups in this community for several days, the three men were bound over to the higher court by Recorder Jones yesterday morning under bonds of \$1,500 each. Recorder Jones stated after he passed judgment that the people of this city are entitled to protection as they walk the streets of Charlotte and he was so convinced of the guilt of the defendants that he wanted to be sure they would be tried in criminal court, hence the amount of the bond he required.

Mr. B. L. Kizziah identified the Caldwell brothers as the two negroes who entered his store on the night of November 9 and at the point of a pistol demanded money from him. Jim Wise was identified by Mr. D. M. Mixon who was held up last Saturday night on East Fourth street and his pistol taken from him. Baxter Stewart, a colored hack driver, recognized Wise as the negro who robbed him of \$5 a few nights ago.

PETTY THIEVES BUSY. Mrs. R. Lovitt, 1012 Wood Street, yesterday reported to the police robbers Sunday night entered her premises and stole 10 chickens.

The store of B. Block, 825 Church street was entered through a back door Sunday night, but nothing was taken.

Don't be a sceptic. If your competitor advertises and finds it profitable, isn't that sufficient reason why you should give it at least a trial? Place an ad in The Dispatch.

CO-OPERATION AMONG MILL MEN IS URGED. Southern Textile Association in Annual Convention—Represents Thirteen Million Spindles.

Birmingham, Ala., Nov. 15.—Members of the Southern Textile Association in convention here were entertained by the Chamber of Commerce tonight after a day spent in business and preliminary greetings. About 125 members are here and President E. E. Bowen, of South Carolina, is presiding.

The association represents 13,000,000 spindles and 300,000 looms and its members consume 3,500,000 bales of cotton annually.

Sessions will continue tomorrow. President Bowen in his address today stressed the importance of co-operation among mill men.

The Greenville Reflector reprimands the voters for killing the amendments and thereby making a bill against the State for \$50,000 with nothing to show for it. A majority of the voters evidently thought they were taking the life of two evils.

It is funny what a difference a few years make. The girl used to let you chew her "wax" in school while you took a while at her "all day sucker" now has a daughter who carries her individual drinking cup so she won't get any germs in her mouth.

One reason why a man likes the sporting page of the paper the best is because he can read it without running a lot of cuts of females who are swapping union suits and trying on combinations.

Advertising is the life of trade. Use a little of it and be convinced.

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