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SOLVING A SERIOUS PROBLEM.

R. A. Doughton, Commissioner of Revenue, is quoted as saying to a group of business men at Rocky Mount recently that since July 1 in 1926 automobile accidents 143 persons have been killed and 1,170 injured. Mr. Doughton says he does not know the solution of the problem, but that it calls for careful thought and consideration.

There Mr. Doughton makes a mistake. It does not call for careful thought and consideration at all, but for decisive and positive action. We have considered this slaughter with all the care it will stand, and if we don't pass the consideration stage before much longer a fit of desperation will waken the folks some day and the whole bloody automobile business will be wiped off the race of the earth.

The first thing to realize is that there is no excuse for any of these 1926 wrecks, and the only reason we tolerate them is our absolute indifference to law enforcement, and the compulsion of safety. Every one of these accidents was the result of carelessness, and was inexcusable. But as long as every driver is allowed to run his car in any fool way he happens to adopt at the time we will continue to pile up the slaughter and the hospital records.

It takes about two minutes' consideration to see that the thing to be done is to have some laws that have a bite in them and some officers to enforce the laws. At the present time we go on the theory that to go farther than to tell a highway criminal anything harsher than that he is naughty is encroaching on personal rights, and we step on the officer who makes an arrest if the arrested offender complains. The Kiwanis club has taken up this thing, and if it has the persistence to go to the finish with it the problem can be solved. But we seem to have a great eagerness in this State to start something and let it finish itself by dying of inanition. If the State will join with the Kiwanis club of Aberdeen with some show of enthusiasm we can cut the murder hill down to some semblance of gentlemanly proportions, but the present figures are hoggish. The good old Bible tells us in the book of Samuel that Amasa wallowed in blood, but Amasa had nothing on the modern automobile.

FINANCIAL CONDITIONS IMPROVE IN MOORE

A Moore county banker tells The Pilot that financial conditions are improving. He says that where farmers in previous years came to his bank to borrow a thousand they come for half that much, and some of them come to deposit money rather than to borrow. More buying for cash appears to be the rule, and less for that indefinite and difficult factor of credit. This man interprets conditions as signifying that the people are doing two things, trimming down their lines of credit, and curtailing their purchases to correspond more closely with their power to pay for what they buy. He says the farmers are better off, and that in spite of the abundant complaint the relation of farm product toward the products of other industries is gradually drawing more nearly toward the line that prevailed before the war. The farmer's dollar will buy more than it has been doing for several years, and what he has to sell brings a better average price as compared with what all in-

dustries have to sell. This man does not attempt to go into the causes that bring about an end so much to be desired, but he notes the pronounced advance that all lines of industry are making in the county, for which several causes are responsible. The winter resort business is bringing more people to the territory every season, and in doing that it calls for much more of the farmer's stuff, as well as for much more of everything else, labor included. The increase of wages in the county is tremendous, and any one who wants to work these days can find plenty to do at a price that makes the wages of ten years ago look pitifully small. The farmer finds an outlet for great quantities of stuff that he could not get rid of before the war. We load more cars of sand and stone now than we loaded of lumber a few years ago. The banks have many times as much money. People are improving their homes in the country as well as in the towns. In the last half dozen years Moore has become a much more pleasant place to live, and a much easier place to live in. Moore has actually climbed so rapidly toward prosperity that it is necessary to stop and look backward carefully to realize at all that Moore was ever a poor county. It is no longer the location of the sand barrens for no longer is there any such critter.

THE BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS.

With the growth of the Sandhills one factor that is helping along with the advancement is not appreciated as much as it might be. Three or four building and loan associations are in operation, but they are not backed by as many people as vigorously as would be profitable to everybody. It is possible that a building and loan association in a community is the safest form of investment for small sums of money that the community affords, for failure is rare among them. It is also moderately profitable as an investment, for while the interest rate earned and paid is not as great as in some occasional things, it is as big as is consistent with the safety afforded. Safe investments are not as a rule big interest payers, but they are better for they are good principal repayers.

But the prime object of the building association is not to make money, but rather to afford a certain type of desirable citizen a chance to procure homes for themselves on small payments covering a series of years. The people who build houses through the building and loan are of a class that is wholly useful in the community, and anchoring them by their ownership of property is one of the wisest things any community can do. Another type of people benefitted by the associations is that one which could save a little money if the chance afforded to put by a few dollars from week to week, and nothing gives a better chance to accumulate and to cultivate a saving habit than the building and loan regular weekly payments.

One of the good jobs the Kiwanis club did was in getting a number of boys affiliated with the loan associations as depositors. But other folks can work on that line also, and now with money coming right easy, and the active season of the year at hand, the building associations should have a big accession to their numbers. Every building and loan house make one more home in the Sandhills, besides teaching thrift to both borrower and lender, and few other things do so much in so many ways to help the community.

HENRY FORD'S NEW GASOLINE BUGGY.

When Henry Ford shut down his factory and stopped the production of the greatest industry in the vehicle line he undertook a revolutionary step that is without parallel in industrial history. The reason passing as current was that the Ford Com-

pany was throwing away the old car and preparing to build a new one. No doubt that is one reason. But The Pilot has a guess that the new vehicle the Fords are getting ready to bring out will have wings as the main factor of locomotion, and that while a new car, and possibly two or more new cars may be in the near future, the big thing will not be for highway travel, but for air.

The Ford company has been working for a long time on flying machines, and with the biggest institution for building gasoline machines Henry Ford is equipped to do with flying machines what he has done with automobiles. He has led the world in highway vehicles, producing probably as many as all others combined, and he has a plant that is as near self-dependent as anything on earth. He has a wonderful organization, a wonderful business and engineering intelligence, and capital for all needs. He has gone into commercial flying as far as any one and he has had unbounded faith in the future of the flying machine.

Probably the Ford company will soon bring out a good, new, cheap car, and when that is done it is a guess that that car will be only one of the aims of the establishment. The air is just as big a field for travel now as the highway was when Henry Ford built his first car, and Ford has the backbone to stand by his sight into the future. He has no need to call on any one else for capital, machinery, investigation, or anything else concerning the production of flying machines, for he has all that within his organization, and it is not hard to believe that a cheap and simple flying machine is as likely to be announced from the Ford factories any day as a new type of car.

This much can be taken as a certainty. The air is soon to be made the highway for an enormous amount of traffic, passenger, freight, mail and everything that is to be moved. A good illustration is the route from Baranquilla to Bogata, in the South American Republic of Colombia, where air traffic has been going on for six years, and in that time the company

has never had an accident, and never even lost a parcel of mail or freight. In the last two years the Ford air routes have carried on regular daily schedules a freight traffic on over 700,000 miles, or a thousand miles a day. This is the experiment and proof. Ford will not stop there. He has more up his sleeve than a new car.

NEAR EAST WORK IN MOORE COUNTY

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in a terrible condition, have now reached the years of from ten to 17 and 18, but they have not a penny to pay for an education, and if ignorance is to be done away with largely in the Near East something must be done immediately. Every year, save two, in the past hundred and fifty years, including the great World War, started in the Near East.

"This campaign is not to be an annual affair, just one campaign and it is finished. North Carolina has been asked to contribute only \$100,000 towards this great work. In order to secure this amount, we are asking your county to contribute \$1,000. You will not be asked to contribute again next year or any time in the future.

"I am asking you to accept the

chairmanship of this campaign and I have the following suggestions in regard to conducting the campaign to make it easier for you.

"There are a number of people in your county who are financially able to contribute—the rest not able to contribute. Therefore, the thing for us to do is to separate those who can from those who cannot. I would ask that you make up a list of as many people in the county as you know who are able to contribute say \$5.00 and over to the cause. Make up a list, say from three to five hundred names—the larger counties will, of course, have five hundred people or more able to contribute \$5.00 and over, the smaller counties will have a lesser number of those able to do this. Then you send that list to me. Then I will write as strong a letter as I can to each person whose name you have given me, giving them information regarding our work. I will then send some literature to each person."

North Carolina needs 427,000 cows of the quality now in the State to permit a per capita consumption of milk, butter, cheese and ice cream equal to that of the average for the United States.

A group of Alamance county farmers co-operated to order eight cars of limestone recently.

BANK OF PINEHURST
PINEHURST, N. C.

It is not what we earn but what we save that makes us thrifty, Poor Richard says, and he was one of the richest men in his day.

The way to save money is to put it some place where itching fingers will not send it rolling down the road every time something comes along that can be bought whether you need it or not.

The place to put money to save and accumulate it is in the bank until you get enough for an investment, and then get it into some good investment that will stand the test.

The bank to save your money in is the
BANK OF PINEHURST

A big, safe, strong bank of the neighborhood you live in, with its banking house protected by one of the most complete electrical burglar-defying systems that can be made.

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The Carolina Theatres
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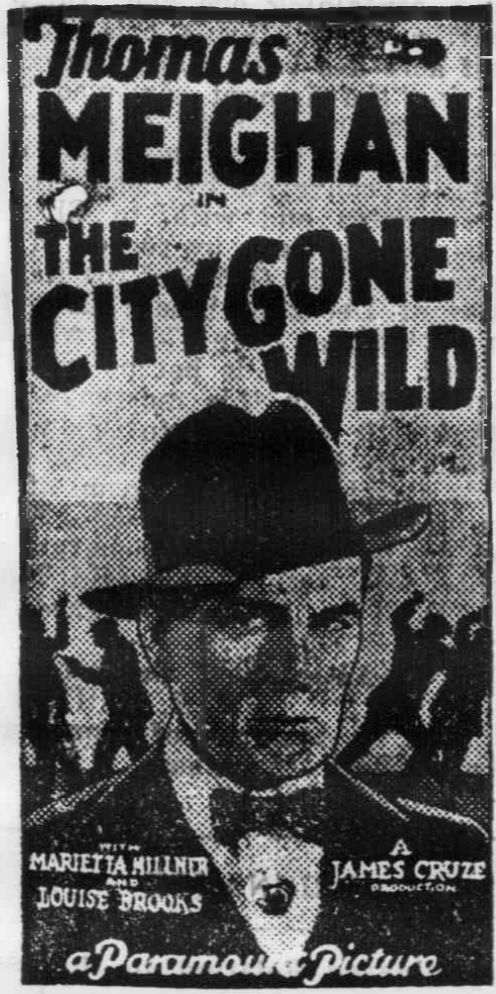

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Also Edward Everett Horton in a Two Part Comedy, "Find the King," an Inkwell Cartoon and the newest News.

At Pinehurst
Friday, Nov. 4th.
At Southern Pines
Saturday, Nov. 5th.
8:15

Also Charlie Chase in "The Way of All Pants," the Fables and a Metro UFA Oddity.

At Pinehurst
Monday, Nov. 7th.
At Southern Pines
Tuesday, Nov. 8th.
8:15

MARION DAVIES and CONRAD VAGEL in "QUALITY STREET"

Also Dorothy Devore in "Up in Arms," and Felix in "The Non-Stop Fright."

At Pinehurst
Wednesday, Nov. 9.
At Southern Pines
Thursday, Nov. 10.
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