

# THE DUNN DISPATCH

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Dunn, N. C., July 21st, 1915.

The Dunn Dispatch commenting upon the situation in this congressional district, says, without taking sides at all, that if Mr. E. F. Young of Dunn decides to enter the race for Congress, as he is being urged to do by anti-Godwin forces "it is the Dispatch's opinion that Mr. Godwin's cause will suffer greater thereby than it does through the entrance of Joe Brown." Mr. Young has a strong following in Harnett, says the Dispatch, and that paper thinks he will win a strong following throughout the district if he enters the race. The Robesonian is willing to take the Dispatch's estimate of Mr. Young, but it doubts very much if Mr. Young or any other man from Harnett county can give Mr. Godwin serious trouble. Harnett county has had the Congressman for the past ten years and it is hardly probable that the coverings will pick out another man from Harnett when they decide to retire Mr. Godwin. That may keep some good Harnett county men down, but all the same it is more than likely to work out that way.

## Early In.

Q. K. Nimmo, a young attorney of Fayetteville, prominent in state politics, announced that he may be in the race for Congress against Hon. H. L. Godwin. He seems to think that it pays to advertise. He has a two column cut of himself in many of the papers in the district, and proceeds to tell who he is and what he has done in the world's broad field of battle.

All this complimentary dope is marked advertisement, because it is pure reading matter.

It is understood that some five different people will oppose Godwin—and when Godwin pays the bills for the legalised primary he will understand why the primary plan isn't what it ought to be. It will take just about a year's salary to make the race. With five men after him he will perhaps be the winner. The people of North Carolina, however, that about agreed, and it is business, that when a representative makes good he should be allowed to remain in Washington. The average Congressman is about like a secretary of a board of trade—except he is paid by the Government. He represents the district, and the people can through him secure what they desire. To be changing every time puts the representative in a position where he can do nothing. Godwin is not an exceptionally heavy weight, but he has made good, and there is no reason in the world why he should be asked to retire to make room for another pig eater. This is the size of it, and the people of the state are beginning to understand it. Of course early campaigns, the pulse feeling campaign, so to speak, makes some business for newspapers, but it should end with that.—Fairbrother's Everything.

For the first time in many years the farmers of Sampson will soon be using homegrown and home-ground flour. Up to date no accurate estimate of the number of bushels of wheat grown in the county has been made, but the most conservative guesses are over thirty thousand bushels. Be that as it may, whatever the size of the crop it is just that much of a step in the right direction, and puts us just that much nearer the day in which the Sampson county farmer will produce at home practically all the food he consumes, and will grow cotton strictly as a surplus crop. In this connection we are glad to be able to announce that the Clinton Milling Company has practically completed their flour and feed mill. All the machinery is here and installed with the exception of the electric motor which will furnish the power.—Sampson Democrat.

## Signs of Success.

"What makes you think that Frank will succeed?" said one business man to another, who had just loaned a lot of money to a small way. "Well, they used to live back of our house," replied the other, "and he was the only child. His mother was taken ill, and was on her death bed for several years. Frank went to work after school hours every day, and washed dishes and cooked and loved in order to save his mother's strength. The other boys made fun of him, but he set his teeth and stood it, and came out at the head of his class, besides. He'd be willing to back him up twice as heavily as I have done, for he's clear right through." The result showed that the speaker was right, for Frank is now one of the most successful young men in the little town.—The Canada.

At a meeting of the County Board of Education held at Lillington Monday Prof. Byrd P. Gentry was elected county superintendent to succeed Prof. J. D. Essell, who has held the office so acceptably for the past ten years. Mr. Gentry, who is now a citizen of Virginia, is well known in Harnett County, as he was a leader in the educational work while superintendent of the Dunn Graded Schools. Mr. Essell's work as superintendent put Harnett in the lead in many respects and his numerous friends throughout the county regret that he is not to be at the head of the school system longer.

## WANTS BOARD OF EDUCATION TO RECONSIDER

MY DEAR SIR:—Permit me, if you please, to use a short space in your valued publication to give my views upon the board of education's recent action through which it is probable that my good friend, Byrd P. Gentry, is to succeed John David Essell as superintendent of the county schools.

At the outset I would have it understood that in that very small circle of men whom I term my real friends, none stands higher in my regard than Mr. Gentry. He is a man whose nobility of character, purity of heart, and cleanliness of mind peculiarly fit him for the work such a position demands, and, if there were any need for a change—if Prof. Essell were not equally well fitted for the work—there is no man to whom I would rather see the office go; but, is it necessary, or even advisable, to place a new man at the head of our schools?

In this end of the county there is a strong sentiment against the contemplated change. Men who have watched the work of Prof. Essell pronounce that work good. Most of them were here when, 12 years ago, he took up the work of educating a people who cared little for education; they have seen him bring order out of chaos, establish many schools and instill in the minds of people from a wilderness of ignorance to the point where every child's hunger for knowledge can be appeased.

Essell hired no press agent in his great work—brass band methods are foreign to his nature. Quietly, gently, unassuming, without ostentation he has stood by his task for more than a decade—and in that decade, education in Harnett has had all its growth. When those men who are working for Harnett's progress; and, if he has ever faltered in that work, I have not heard of it till now. Of course he has erred—made lots of mistakes, I reckon. He is a human being—not a Burroughs adding machine—and that's the most lovable part of him. Had he been less conscientious in his efforts to make his work profitable to him and his country? Has he ever made the same mistake twice?

There are 100 counties in North Carolina, and I assume that each is sufficiently enlightened to employ a superintendent of schools. Now of that 100 superintendents, who was the fellow so alive to the needs of his people that he was first to recognize the wonderful good which would accrue to them through following in the footsteps of that Kentucky woman who began the Moonlight school movement? Wasn't it John David Essell—the ONE MAN among a hundred. But that is his smallest achievement as Harnett's superintendent. It stands out from the rest because the press of the state got hold of it and gave it deserved praise. Those who were at Lillington on the day when thousands of Harnett's children who are being educated in the schools made possible by Essell, marched down the dusty old street, flanked around courthouse square, and sang in their sweet voices the anthem learned in those schools—those who witnessed that inspiring scene, know what his great achievement is, and it is one to be proud of. If it is true that this worthy, faithful servant is to be relegated to the discard, he can leave the work firm in the conviction that to him, more than to any other, belongs the credit for Harnett's educational awakening.

Western Harnett never threatens. Its leaders bide their time, and have never been known to let a wrong done them go uncorrected. In this instance they feel that an unjust act is about to be done—and in the doing the breach which is to eventually separate the two sections will be made wider. To those other things which made possible the overthrow of Republican power in Harnett, is about to be added this. The young blood of Democracy listens not to the admonitions of the battle-scarred veterans of darker days, and it is freely predicted that Democracy will have a hard time coming back.

Superintendent Essell deserves a better fate but often it is that acts of injustice serve to awaken a misguided people to a true conception of small politicians. He may suffer the loss of a job, but he will still have the respect and regard of his fellows.

The gentlemen included in the personnel of the board will do well to think upon these things before they take the step.

I thank you,  
Sincerely yours,  
BYRON FORD  
Dunn, N. C., July 19, 1915.

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## MASS MEETING OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

A mass meeting of the members of the Chamber of Commerce and all citizens of the town, are called to meet in the furniture store of the Barnes & Holliday Co., Friday night, July 23rd, at 8 o'clock at which time the chamber has been asked to confer with City Board of Commissioners in reference to the installing of equipment for day current, and in otherwise improving the efficiency of the electric plant.

McD. Holliday, Pres.

## HAY AND HOGS VS. HEALTH AND HAPPINESS

North Carolina has sixty-three whole time farm demonstrators. She has also ten whole time health officers. Do these facts and figures indicate that the State's progress and prosperity along the lines of health and agricultural developments are in the same proportion? We believe they do. We believe the State has progressed over six times as far in scientific farming as it has in public health matters and interest. Already N. Carolina knows the value of her farm demonstrators and she is using them. She has found that in the end they are a paying investment. Consequently several counties are employing as many as four demonstrative agents, two in the farm demonstrative work proper, and two in that line of farm work that concerns women—canning, scientific house-keeping, dairying, etc.

A few counties, we believe, have progressed equally along other lines—in health and educational matters as well as in farm work and other material interests. But this number is only a few as is evidenced by the fact that there are only ten whole time health officers in the State as against sixty three whole time farm demonstrators. In other words health work and interest in North Carolina are a generation behind the times. It is no wonder that some of her citizens who are just having their eyes opened are humiliated at her high death rate and the position she holds in the health work, as compared with more progressive states where health matters have not been deferred as the last item and of least importance.

Visitors from this State to the Panama-Pacific Exposition have declared themselves mortified at North Carolina's disgraceful high death rate. They say that this fact is practically all that the Old North State has to represent her there, and they wonder why this is so. They are puzzled to know the explanation of her unenviable position. So this said in her favor, however, that her death rate is probably not the highest in the union but the highest of the registration area. This area comprises only twenty-four states and only four of these are Southern states, having climate and health conditions, similar to those of North Carolina. The three Southern states in the registration area besides North Carolina are Missouri, Kentucky and Virginia.

But one big fact remains as regards her progress in health matters and that is her people are not yet interested in health work to the same extent that they are interested in other matters—in her material prosperity, for instance. They don't yet see where money spent on the prevention of disease is worth more than money spent on sickness and death. They haven't yet seen that whole time health officers are as profitable as whole time farm demonstrators; and not until they put a value on health and on the profits to be derived from money invested in health, will North Carolina expunge her record of her unenviable position.—State Board of Health.

Mrs. T. L. Gerald Dead.

Mrs. T. L. Gerald, wife of one of Dunn's wealthiest citizens and pioneer stock dealers, died last Thursday night after suffering for several months. While her death was no surprise to those who had been closest to the family during her illness, it came as a shock to many of her friends, who did not know her condition was so serious.

She was 57 years of age, was a native of Wayne county and was educated at Salem Academy. She was a member of the Methodist church and until her health became impaired was faithful in attendance. For the past twenty-two years, with the exception of a few years spent in Kansas City, Dunn has been her home, where she was loved and held in high esteem by all who came in contact with her life.

She is survived by her husband, two sons, Ezra and John, and four daughters, Mrs. Malissa Barnes, Mrs. Bertha McNeill, Mrs. C. L. Wilson and Mrs. John F. Johnson, all of Dunn, all of whom were near her when she died.

Funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon from the Fitzgerald home, by her pastor, Rev. J. H. Shore. Immediately after the services the body was interred in Greenwood cemetery, where a large number of friends and relatives assembled to pay the last tribute of respect.

To those of the immediate family the Dispatch extends sympathy in this hour of darkness and sadness.

## NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that there has been an election ordered to be held in Black River Township, at the usual voting or polling place or places therein, by the Board of County Commissioners of Harnett County, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters thereof, the question of voting a Twenty-Five Thousand Dollar Bond Issue for the purpose of improving the various roads of said township in accordance with chapter 427 of the Public Local Laws, 1913, under which act said election was ordered, at which, all those in favor of road bonds shall vote a ballot upon which shall be the words "For Bond Issue" and those against bond issue, shall vote a ballot having upon it the words "Against Bond Issue." Said election to be held on the 7th day of August, 1915, in accordance with said above chapter 427 of the Public Local Laws, 1913, the same being entitled "An act to improve the roads in Harnett County and for the issuing of bonds by the county and the several townships therein".

D. H. SENTER,  
Chairman of the Board of Co. Com.  
JOHN M. McLEOD,  
Clerk to Board.

## NOTICE OF REGISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that there has been ordered by the Board of County Commissioners of Harnett County, a new registration of the voters of Black River Township, for the purpose of registration of those wishing to vote in an election ordered by said board to be held in said township, Saturday, August 7th, 1915, for the purpose of voting on a Twenty-Five Thousand Dollar Bond Issue for the improvement of the public roads of said township, that K. D. Overby was appointed registrar in said order and that the registration books will be open at his station in Angier, N. C., on and after July 27th, 1915, for twenty days for the registration of those wishing to vote in said election.

This 7th day of June, 1915.  
D. H. SENTER,  
Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners.  
JOHN McLEOD,  
Clerk to Board.

## THROUGH SLEEPING CARS TO AND FROM ASHEVILLE

The Atlantic Coast Line, in connection with the Southern Railway, has inaugurated through Pullman sleeping car service from Florence to Asheville, Westwood, and from Asheville to Wilmington, Eastwood, tri-weekly, by the following schedule and schedules below:

## WEEDS AND FRIDAYS

Lv. Florence, N. C. 8:10 P. M.  
Lv. Sumter, S. C. 8:30 P. M.  
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Lv. Columbia, S. C. 11:00 P. M.  
Ar. Asheville, N. C. 11:30 P. M.

Monday, Wednesday and Fridays  
Lv. Asheville, N. C. 7:30 A. M.  
Ar. Columbia, S. C. 8:30 P. M.  
Lv. Columbia, S. C. 4:10 P. M.  
Ar. Sumter, S. C. 5:50 P. M.  
Lv. Sumter, S. C. 7:20 P. M.  
Ar. Florence, N. C. 8:40 P. M.

Lv. Wilmington, N. C. 12:25 Night  
Lv. DUNN ..... 3:45 P. M.  
Ar. Florence ..... 7:35 P. M.  
Lv. Florence ..... 8:25 P. M.  
Ar. DUNN ..... 11:35 P. M.

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J. E. BLACK

James Memon, who fatally shot his wife, Leola Memon, last week, has been arrested and placed in the Lillington jail, where he will remain until a hearing is given him.

# NOTICE!

Six more Prizes yet that have not been called for.

Come at once and try Your Keys. You may have the Lucky Ones.

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Dunn, - North Carolina

## Fourth of July

### Excursion Fares.

The Atlantic Coast Line announces

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on account of the Exposition Celebration

in Commemoration of the Fiftieth

Anniversary of the Emancipation

of the Negro, which opens July 6th

and closes July 27th. Proportionate

fares will apply from all points on

the Atlantic Coast line and are open

to the public. Tickets will be sold

for all trains on July 6, 7, 9, 12, 14,

16, 19, 21 and 24, limited returning

to reach original starting point prior

to midnight of the seventh (7th) day

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For fares, schedules, tickets, etc., call on

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Dunn, N. C.  
W. J. Craig, T. C. White,  
P. T. M. G. P. A.  
Wilmington, N. C.

## NOTICE OF EXECUTION SALE

North Carolina, Harnett County: C. T. Johnson, J. P. Johnson and N. M. Johnson, Trading as, Johnson Brothers, Vss. B. C. Cannaday.

By virtue of the execution directed to the undersigned by the Superior Court of Harnett County in the above entitled action, I will, on Monday the 2nd day of August, 1915, at 12 o'clock M., at the Court House Door of said county, sell to the highest bidder for cash, to satisfy the said execution, all the right, title and interest which the said B. C. Cannaday, the defendant, has in the following described real estate, to-wit:

Adjoining the lands of B. F. McLeod, J. B. Parker, and others, it being the first piece of the E. M. Cannaday, Sr., land and being on the North side of Jumper Creek; Beginning at a stake and pine pointer; thence South 41 West 6.80 chains to a stake and pine stump pointer; thence North 49 W. 12.12 chains to a stake in McLeod's line; thence N. 50 E. 8.50 chains to the beginning, containing twelve (12) acres, more or less.

This the 30th day of June, 1915.  
J. M. BYRD, Sheriff  
By A. F. SULLES, Deputy Sheriff

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STEAMER UP CAPE FEAR  
Wilmington, July 18.—The steamer

Thelma, drawing 3 1-2 feet of water, was the first vessel to pass through the lock and dam, No. 1, at King's Bluff, on the Cape Fear River, between Wilmington and Fayetteville.

The lock and dam has been completed and the river through this point is now open to traffic. The Thelma was on her way to Elizabethtown. Just above Elizabethtown work is in progress on another set of locks and dam, which when completed, will insure an eight-foot depth all the way from Wilmington to Fayetteville. The project is costing \$1,080,000, the lock and dam at King's Bluff cost slightly more than half that amount.

What is the most terrible tragedy of the battlefield? Mrs. Philip Snowden of England, gives the following as her answer to that question: "It is not the shrieks of the wounded, nor as they fall, the officer said. It is not the sight of the dead as they lie there, but it is the cry of the wounded boys calling for their mothers, and there is no one to do anything for them. They are the boys

of sixteen and seventeen and even younger. They may say, 'mother' or 'mutter,' but in their agony all those boys call for the one who has given them the greatest care all their lives."

Farmers' Part in Trade of World \$5,000,000,000.

Washington, July 13.—The farmers' part in international commerce approximates \$5,000,000,000 annually. Statistics just issued by the Department of Agriculture give the following estimates of the value of principal farm products carried in exports from all countries or imports into all countries:

Cotton, \$1,127,000,000; wheat and national trade, that is, the total \$our, \$774,000,000; raw wool \$480,000,000; coffee, \$398,000,000; sugar \$382,000,000; rice \$278,000,000; barley and malt \$220,000,000; corn and meal \$210,000,000; unmanufactured tobacco \$192,000,000; butter \$173,000,000; tea \$143,000,000; rye and flour \$125,000,000; oats \$102,000,000.

Messrs Gilman, Wiley, Robert and Charlie Fitzgerald, of Johnston county, were here last week to attend the funeral of Mrs. T. L. Gerald.