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EDITORIAL Mr. Wilson might get service in Senate of his majority.

Opinion generally around here is that Woodrow has played something besides golf.

You may not have realized it, but there is a serious likelihood that you will take an active hand in the June primaries.

The New York Politicians who beset the German government might institute "Tammery" methods to raise funds for the industry.

Governor Thomas Walter has "topped to the suffragettes. This may be a signal for Governor to begin the mending of his fences.

Sampson citizens who brought in that galvanised still the other day deserves the plaudits of his fellowmen. Staff made in anything but copper is not fitted to drink as yet.

Smiling Bill says he will not be a candidate unless circumstances make such a misfortune necessary. Bill, of course, will be the judge of circumstances.

Remembering what two regiments of the Fifth and Sixth Marines did at Chateau Thierry, the Germans will hesitate to start anything as long as that 15,000 neighbors remain along the Rhine.

Cam Morrison's great feat was to have saved the State from negro rule. After undoing a few sessions of the North Carolina General Assembly we were under impression that Old Mountain Fox Rule Deacon had died that deed.

Whatever may be said against these men who have been managing the town government for the past twenty-one months it must be admitted that the \$70,000 improvement in the financial condition of the municipality is a substantial answer to a big hunk of adverse hot air argument.

Max Gardner is fairly good to look upon; Cam Morrison has a distinct type of beauty, but Bob Peay is the only really handsome candidate in the gubernatorial field. For this reason we are confident that the women will flock to our candidate in the event they are permitted to vote in the coming North Carolina primary.

PROHIBITION.

In spite of loud protestations to the contrary, prohibition is far from a dead issue in the United States. This is evidenced by the recent overwhelming "wet" victories in Vermont, by the bare legislation in New Jersey and Wisconsin, by the informal protest of New York Democrats against the drastic nature of enforcement laws and by revision against prohibition over the country generally.

This is just what might have been expected when the law was passed in the way it was. Most of New England, New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Illinois and the more populous States of the West and Middle West are wet. Many would, no doubt, welcome restrictions that would curb the evil influence of the saloons. But there are few whose people look upon the Volstead Act and the constitutional amendment anything but an unnecessary and assumption by the Federal government of authority which demoralizes the whole structure of State's rights.

It may be that if the prohibition question is submitted to the popular vote of the people it will be adopted. But there are many in America who do not believe it would be; and these will always be a disturbing element in the nation's life until the question is submitted to the electorate. Personally, we are convinced that prohibition has proved to be a failure in the South. We do not believe, however, that because it has proved good for us we should force it upon States whose people do not want it.

TOWN POLITICS.

There was a time when politics meant little to the rank and file of dwellers in this wonderful town for the reason that about the only asset the village had was the old town hall in which "Baptist" Oates held court and the market house in which Moscow Butler sold fish and, occasionally, beef. In those good old days we had no electric power and water department to worry the city dads. There were no streets in which the Leaning redbreast could not find luxurious watermelon rind and wallow in mud to his heart's content. Artesian wells and pumps; sewerage and street cleaning; fire alarms and apparatus, and all the things which have come with our growth, were not here to require sound judgment and

management. The town's payroll was \$26 a month for that office department—and that was about all.

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being of such spirits as the boot-lickers, who pat out at five bones a pint. Schools, churches and theatres are closed in Dunn after a lapse of two weeks because of the prevalent influenza among folk of the town. Schools opened Monday with an attendance of 488. The church opened Sunday with not quite so good a record. The movie picture show, however, beat the record of the schools. Over 500 youngsters were in school Tuesday morning, according to Professor J. H. Martin, superintendent. The flu swept over a few isolated cases, but it has passed onward, leaving a large number of convalescents and a few fatalities in its wake.

One good result of the flu epidemic was the cancelling of license issued by municipal authorities to the carnival which was to have shown here the week March 8-13. We have always been a warm friend of all legitimate amusement companies. Circus and show folk generally have been our very good friends in many of the past years we have made into shows too far from Dunn. But we have never yet seen the reason or found an excuse for the existence of the carnival. They serve no good purpose and should not be allowed to stay self-respecting community.

The Dunn Roofing and Corning Company has moved into its new building at the edge of the Coast Line yards between Edgerton and Barnett Streets. The new building is fifty by 100 feet and will eventually be fitted with machinery for the manufacture of cornices, gutters and sheet metal products generally. The company has been quartered in the old Massey-Gill Garage building since its last quarter were destroyed by fire last December.

Secretary T. L. Riddle, of the Chamber of Commerce, will soon be published in The Dunn Spirit, a weekly journal which is to tell the outside world of the wonderful country surrounding the liveliest town in the State. Tentative plans for the publication show that it is going to be a wonderfully helpful factor in bringing about those things for which the Chamber of Commerce is fighting. Advertising space in the journal will pay for its printing and mailing, it is estimated.

Lois—a bound; a lovable bound, with rolling tongue, black of hair and bling of eye. He "tuck up" the Big Machine who presides over the linotype and US. an occasion when we were admiring the moonlight as she shines over Needmo, and followed US to the bright lights of Broad Street. While we were being at midnight in Jim's good and some vandal snatched him away. He is a good dog, fond of noisemaking and rabbit. He answers to the name of "Hunting Finner" will be rewarded for his return to The Dispatch office.

"The Love Kiss" one of the most spontaneous musical comedy offerings of the season will be shown at the Metropolitan Theater March 26. For those who enjoy good singing and dancing it is promised that "The Love Kiss" will not be disappointing. The program offered by Al W. Martin the producer, embraces extravaganza, comedy, burlesque, travesty and fashion. Six scenes and two acts are involved in the production. The comedy, mechanical and electrical effects are described as elaborate and beautiful. A company of 35 singers, dancers, comedians and a chorus of blonde, brunette and Titian haired beauties are carried.

At last a definite movement is on foot to improve the roads leading into Sampson County. The Chamber of Commerce is showing the matter and hopes to have some real work done within the next few weeks. This is one of the gravest problems facing the business men of Dunn. The major part of the town's farm produce comes from the western part of Sampson. For various reasons the commissioners of that county have not seen fit to maintain roads coming in this direction. Now it seems that the good friends of Dunn who live in Sampson are to be given some relief through the agency that Dunn business men support for their benefit.

Dunn's branch of the Durham Hosiery Mills Company will begin operation of March 29, when ten young women who have applied for positions will be started in the school which teaches the art of knitting. On each following Monday morning ten other young women will be started in the school. Within ten weeks 100 will be working. From the initial salary of \$9.90 a week to \$25 or \$30 paid those who become proficient. If after that time more women desire employment the company will continue its training schools. Employment will be given to as many as 1,000 women in the many in this district desire work. This work in the town will complete its job of carrying sewerage and water pipes to the plant, which is housed in the Dunn Tobacco Warehouse at the northern end of Wilson Avenue. C. S. Moore, contractor, has about completed the work of remodeling the building.

Until Sunday a week ago we had a happy family in Broad Street where our good vine spreads over the fig trees. In this family were the "misers" Byron, Jr., "Mother's Lil' Angel," Tom Cat, Charley Dog and Red Breast, the robin. Red Breast was our most recent and popular member. Every morning he would sit on the dead limb of the old oak and tell us that spring was on its way. Tom Cat would look longingly upon the bird and Charley Dog would bark knowingly. All went well until we took with the flu" week before last. The following Sunday, when our fever was highest the crack of a fobet rifle warned that all was not well with the family. A few minutes later the boy, heart-broken, came to our bedside with the dead body of Red Breast. Then the misers, followed the little body into a coffin of linden, the youngsters brought it to our bed for a brief funeral service, and then carried it to the back yard for burial. Tom Cat and Charley Dog were invited spectators. The internment occurred half an hour. Then the little case in to weep. Subsequently Tom Cat exhumed the body and ate it, which goes to show that cats ain't human nobow.

A good salesman is usually a wise buyer. Fishing is always good five miles farther on.

Report of the Condition of The STATE BANK & TRUST CO., at Dunn, N. C.

In the State of North Carolina, at the close of business, Feb 28, 1920.

Table with Resources: Loans and Discounts \$58,739.20, Demand Loans 80.20, Overdrafts, secured \$112.52, unsecured \$33.21, United States Bonds and Liberty Bonds 6,545.00, All other Stocks, Bonds, and Mortgages 3,125.00, Banking Houses, \$11, 963.83, Furniture and Fixtures \$3,820.04, Cash in vault and net amounts due from Banks and Trust Companies 23,440.83, Checks for clearing 675.75, Total \$203,535.98

Table with Liabilities: Capital Stock paid in 25,000.00, Undivided Profits, less current expenses and taxes paid 3,633.02, Bills Payable 25,000.00, Certificates of Deposit representing money borrowed 5,545.00, Deposits subject to check 82,563.82, Time Certificates of Deposit 30,325.26, Savings Deposits 25,097.30, Cashier's Checks standing 4,779.81, Certified Checks 1,801.17, Total \$203,535.98

State of North Carolina—County of Harnett, March 8, 1920. I, G. M. HOOKS, Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. G. M. HOOKS, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 13th day of March, 1920. W. E. BALDWIN, Notary Public. My commission expires February 13, 1921. Correct—Attest: J. D. BARNES, M. C. BUTLER, B. E. JACKSON, Directors.

Report of the Condition of The FARMERS BANK at Angier, N. C.

In the State of North Carolina, at the close of business, Feb. 28, 1920.

Table with Resources: Loans and Discounts \$14,820.00, Furniture and Fixtures 2,969.44, Cash in vault and net amounts due from Banks, Bankers and Trust Companies 32,955.02, Cash Items held over 24 hours 10.00, Total \$50,754.46

Table with Liabilities: Capital Stock paid in \$10,000.00, Undivided Profits, less current expenses and taxes 597.00, Deposits subject to check 35,591.84, Savings Deposits 4,565.62, Total \$50,754.46

State of North Carolina—County of Harnett, March 15, 1920. I, O. S. YOUNG, Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. O. S. YOUNG, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 15th day of March, 1920. FRANKLIN T. DUPREE, Notary Public. My commission expires August 14, 1921. Correct—Attest: J. L. JOHNSON, J. F. ADAMS, B. F. YOUNG, Directors.



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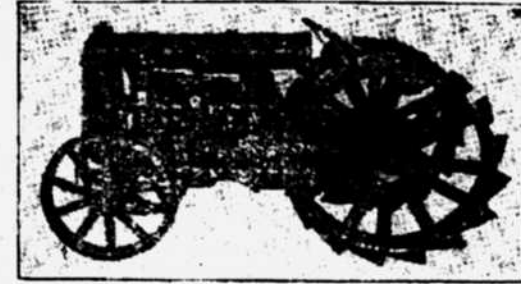
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PRISONERS BREAK FOR LIBERTY; ONE IS SHOT

Two Escape From Cumberland Jail While Another is Injured By Officer. Fayetteville, March 13.—A negro prisoner named Hotchkiss was shot by Deputy Sheriff Al Pat when three inmates of the Cumberland county jail made a break for liberty here at 10 o'clock tonight. The other men, Evans, negro, charged with murder and a white man, awaiting trial for automobile theft, escaped. Pat was attacked by Hotchkiss. A negro trusty came to the aid of the deputy and the three men struggled from the door of the jail into the street before Pat could get his gun into play. The negro is not dangerously wounded. The three men sawed bars from their cells. Hotchkiss occupied a cell with Evans, who is the most important of the three. He killed Tom Roavon, negro, in a card game here Christmas day, and was captured by Pat and Sheriff McGeehy a month later. A white prisoner named Autry, charged with automobile stealing, is thought to have planned the escape and was removed to the city lockup. County officials received warning of an intended jail delivery some time ago. Did you ever go by your native town on a fast train and fail to get a view of it because of a cloud of steam from an engine on a siding?