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Little Progress Made On Holliday's Plan For Fuel

Becase other meetings and business have engaged the attention of those who are wanted to put McD. Holliday's fuel plan into operation little progress has been made in the matter this week. As soon as possible, however, work will be started out and it is hoped that sufficient fuel can be brought into town to provide for the winter's needs before cold weather sets in.

Discussing the plan the News and Observer says editorially today:

"With winter approaching and cold soaring around fifteen dollars a ton and uncertain even at that figure the plan that the town of Dunn is proposing might be studied by people in other sections of the State. Dunn is figuring on buying timber in the forest and organizing a force that will cut and deliver the wood to the city yards where it can be cut into stove lengths and delivered to the buyer at a price justified by the expenses.

"North Carolina has enough wood to make wood cheap. Following the sawmills a wood operation could gather up enough wood to knock the bottom out of the high prices. But the sawmill man has his own troubles. One of these men last week talking on this subject said it was shameful the amount of good wood that is left in the woods behind his operation or that could be hauled to the railroad and supplied to the people if anybody cared to undertake the work. But he had his hands full with his lumber operations, and could not spare either hands or haulage. So the wood by the thousands of cords remains to be burned by forest fires. All over the State are opportunities like that where organized effort could secure wood, and with a few hands and trucks and equipment could load several cars a week.

The sawmill slashings will see enough wood wasted this winter to satisfy the wants of the State, and it will be wasted solely for the want of organized effort sufficient to get out and bring it in. This state is not short of fuel. A scheme like Dunn is proposing would take care of every town if carried out, and while it may not provide cheap fuel, which is the main thing, for cheap fuel seems to be of the past.

HERE AND THERE ABOUT TOWN

Curious Things, Serious And Frivilous Things; Things Of Sense and Nonsense

That hotel proposition is due to bob up again just as soon as Dunn has gotten its annual fair out of the the way in October. Because of money scarcity and the various other things that are now claiming the attention of Dunn folk generally it is considered inadvisable to attempt to further finance the project until a more propitious moment presents itself. Judge Bob Godwin, Cap'n Granville Tilghman, Morris Fleishman and the rest of the fellows who are interested in the thing are one mind in the matter.

They think the hotel will be financed easily when folk are in position to "put out" more freely. Most of the men are still of the opinion that the old Divine site is the logical place for the building. They are willing, however, to assist in financing the project and, after the required sum is raised, submit the choice of a site to a committee to be appointed by the stock purchasers.

The lot on which it is proposed to build the hotel is owned by Cap'n Tilghman, who offered it at a price much below that he can get for it now. The original option expired several weeks ago, but he is still holding the property for the hotel company.

It is to be regretted that the hotel was not built last summer. Then it would have been ready for the great number of visitors who come to Dunn during the seasons when the rich harvest from surrounding farms are being placed on the market. The outlook now is that the absence of hotel facilities is going to be more keenly felt this fall and winter than it was last year when every available spare room was placed into service to accommodate visitors.

Dunn suffers from the fact that it cannot offer comfortable quarters to those who are forced to spend time here. The genus drummer is the most finicky of all mortals. His business of catching trains at all hours of the night and day, eating any old kind of food he can get and putting up with sleeping accommodations that are not always good make of him a chronic grouch. At best he is a hardboiled guy who delights in cussing the things he doesn't like. And the hotel facilities here are among the things he doesn't like. The things he says about our town when he is elsewhere do not do us any good. So, let's get together and give the old sinner a hotel that will wreath his seamy countenance with smiles and make him a booster for Dunn.

Riddle—that nervous little fellow who secretarys for the Harnett County Fair Association—is the office post around the Dispatch building these days. We are binding the thousands of fair premium lists which he wants mailed out to the farmer friends of the surrounding country in time to warn them that Dunn is anxious to have them stage exhibits at the fair next month. He is so wrapped up in this work that he doesn't want us to do anything but look after his catalogs. He is in here about steen times a day—always with the same query: "Got any more books." Even threats to call Skipper Page will not keep him away.

It's this spirit of Riddle's that we are expecting to make of this year's fair the greatest li'l ole event of its kind ever attempted by a Carolina community. Last year's fair was a humdinger—but it will look like a second carbon copy of this year's trail when Riddle and his fellow workers get through. Things are warming up at the fair grounds under Riddle's direction. Even the absence of Sillis Goldstein, business manager of the project, who is away buying goods for his stores here, and of Ed Warren, director of building, who is confined to his home with gout or some kindred ailment, is not retarding the work.

Riddle has only one fear — that there will be some one farmer who fails to get a catalog. He wants everybody who has a shoat, a cow, a cotton patch, a potato bin, a corn crib, a horse or a mule to have some sort of exhibit at the Fair. He wants this fair to represent the Dunn district and he wants all Dunn district dwellers to be represented in it.

Attorney Charles Lee Guy was yesterday fined $5 for contempt of Judge Robert L. Godwin's court. Charley kind of kicked over the traces in a li'l argyment with Page and was admonished by the judge. That had no effect, however, and a fine was imposed. The jedge let it be known then and there that all folk who came into his court had to deport themselves with proper decorum or stand the consequences. Charley paid the fine without a smile.

We had a most welcome visitor this week. He was "Sport" — Friend Pierce's dog who was our constant companion until Pierce carried him home and tied him to the dog house. Sport had been given a bath and was clean and free of those first cousins to the cootie that keep good dogs busy. He was really proud of his condition and seemed a thoroughly reformed dog. He was so conscious of his reformation that he tarried only a short time with us, seeming to fear that we would lead him into unrighteous paths.

"Don", that other dog of ours, has disappeared. Neill Green, who really owns him, loaned him to a farmer last month and has forgotten the man's name. Now with the hunting season looming up in the near distance, Neill wants to prepare Don for the hunt and doesn't know where to look. He and we will appreciate any information leading to his recovery. He is a black and white fellow who will ride on the running board of anybody's automobile.

That outlaw of the bird family—the English sparrow—is mystified. Until now he has builded his nest in church spires and such other places that seemed highest from Mother Earth. Now he finds something higher. It is a dark green stalk which he has never seen attain such heights. At first he thought it was a pine tree, whose foliage is not suited to his purposes. But the thing continued to grow, and its leaves spread out, offering the best of places for sparrow to build a nest. And he did.

Some of the fields in which Sparrow has builded are the cotton fields of John E. Cole, Sr., and Lorimar. I agree. We were told of this several days ago, and with the unbelief of those who have been told many things by Harvey McKay we were skeptical. Yesterday we wandered out with E. J. Hudson and investigated. They were there. In Cap'n John's field we found two nests way up above our heads. In Lorimar's field we were shown one nest with three li'l eggs on a limb about five feet from the ground. "Baby" Dupree, the curly-headed six-year-old who thinks his dad is the only regular fellow in the world, led us to the nest and was much elated when he found that one egg had been added since he last saw the nest.

We were much impressed with the things we saw on this visit. Lorimar is one of the nicest little country homes we have seen since we left the banks of the majestic but muddy James. Every convenience devised for modern comfort is there. Electric lights, electric fans, electrically driven sewing machine, city plumbing and all the things which the city man brags about were there with none of the disadvantages incident to the crowded condition of town life.

Speaking about cotton, though, we will have to find a field that will beat Radius Hawkins Jernigan's. Bud has taken the matter out of our hands and given it over to the kindly of-fices of Apple Blossom Ward—th[illegible] Apple Blossom has [illegible] down a little investigating o[illegible] book. Yesterday he told th[illegible] prohibitionist that he had just [illegible] add another [illegible] award for the man who produ[illegible] better field of cotton than [illegible] home east of town. Bud say[illegible] the Democrats and necessarily er[illegible]

Apple Blossom also is a Dem[illegible]at, but since he sells trees to a[illegible]ts of folk—even Republicans—he will be a good judge. That is the rea[illegible] the skinny old reprobate has ta[illegible]en the tribunal powers from us. We forgive—but if we ever find his cider jug we are going to kill the works and report him to his minister.

With us last week was the Honorable Tiberius Parrish, many years ago a resident of Dunn, but now domiciled in Raleigh, where he is conducting a prosperous building contracting establishment. Tiberius was one of Dunn's first Sunday school superintendents and was one of its original singing school teachers. He was the possessor of a "tuning fork," without which no singing teacher could operate in the good old days. Mr. Parrish came especially to see Harvey McKay and others of the old timers whom he was intimate with in the old days. He enjoyed his stay with us. We enjoyed having him.

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The Times' denunciation of the Republican platform and tactics has caused a sensation in this Republican stronghold. It sets forth that "for the sake of gratifying hate the Republican leadership would pass over the glory of American boys on the bloody stretches of France and Belgium, breaking faith with those who returned as well as those who died."

Republicans are charged by The Times with premeditating the murder of the treaty, dishonoring the word "Americanism," and ignoring the sentiment of the people of the country with their "double-faced platform." The League of Nations is in-

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Like Parrs, [illegible]

Workers of America, in convention [illegible]nesday, voted to "take a vacation [illegible] the coal companies acceded to [illegible] demands for increased wages and [illegible] working conditions, as framed [illegible] minority report of Neal J. Fer[illegible] the miners' representative on the [illegible] wage commission.

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