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FAIR TO BE BEST IN CAROLINA THIS YEAR, IT APPEARS

Prominent Speakers Expected
To Add To Interest In
Big Event

RAILROADS TO OPERATE EXCURSION TRAINS

Coast Line To Give Reduced
Rates From Points Between
Selma and Fayetteville—
Durham and Southern To
Run Specials From Apex and
Durham.

With speeches by Governor Cameron, Morris, Secretary Herbert Hoover and Mrs. George W. Vanderbilt, a midway filled with shows that are winning commendation through the eastern fair circuit, spectacular fireworks exhibits at night, and a myriad of other attractions, it appears now as if Dunn is going to stage the biggest fair in Carolina's history next month.

All of the foregoing features, except the coming of Governor Morris, are assured. It is practically certain that he will come to speak at the fair's opening on Tuesday, October 11, but no definite promise has been gotten from him yet. A committee comprising O. P. Shell, Geo. L. Cannaday, H. Alley Parker, T. L. Riddle and L. Busbee Pope yesterday waited upon him in Raleigh to extend the invitation. He now has the matter under advisement.

In addition to these favorable features the Atlantic Coast Line Railway Company will sell reduced fare tickets from all points between Selma and Fayetteville to Dunn during the week, and the Durham and Southern Railroad Company will operate excursion trains from Apex to Dunn on Wednesday and Thursday and another from Durham on Saturday when Mr. Hoover and Mrs. Vanderbilt are to speak.

WAKE FOREST HAS 480 REGISTRANTS

Seventy-Five Students Less
This Year Than Last Owing
To Financial Stringency

Wake Forest, Sept. 18.—Four hundred and eighty registrants was the

total of registration. This number represents about twenty-five students less than the registration at the same time for the 1920-21 session of Wake Forest and is only second in total enrollment to last year in the history of the college. The next week or two will witness the registration of some twenty more students which will approximate a total of about five hundred students.

Taking into consideration the financial depression of the South this enrollment is regarded as most encouraging and exceeds the expectations of college authorities. Little or no trouble was experienced in accommodating the large enrollment since the Wake Forest hotel and the Wilkerson building, lately equipped as a dormitory, are able to house about two hundred men.

College politics lost no time in organizing after the opening of college and the Senior Class was the first to complete its election of officers. The members of that class who were chosen for the graduating year are: R. E. Averitt, of Clayton, president; O. E. Hauser, of Dundy, Neb., vice-president; W. B. Boone, of Davis county, secretary; E. F. Holman, of Wilkesboro, historian; A. L. Goodrich, of Johnston county, prophet; J. F. Hodge of Beckley, W. Va., orator; Nelson Harte, of Oxford, treasurer; C. B. Howard, of Sampson county, honor committee member; and J. E. Nelson, of Vance county, poet.

Dr. C. E. Maddry, State secretary of the Baptist denomination, is conducting a series of sermons here in the Baptist church of the College. Dr. Maddry began this morning and will deliver a sermon each night during the coming week.

HOWARD WILKINS MADE PRINCIPAL AT SNOW HILL

Dunn Colored Boy Becomes Head of
Colored Schools in Greene
County Capital

Howard Wilkins, son of Herbert Wilkins, of Dunn, has been appointed principal of the colored graded schools of Snow Hill, Greene County, and will leave within the next few days to assume the duties of his position.

Howard is a graduate of Shaw university, he completed his studies in the Raleigh College last spring. Since that time he has been employed by the Pullman Company, having served with the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company. He resigned that position a few days ago when favorable action was taken upon his application at Snow Hill. His appointment will afford much pleasure to his numerous white friends who look upon him as one of the most deserving of Dunn's colored boys.

EPIDEMIC OF INFLUENZA REPORTED AT GOLDSBORO

Goldsboro, Sept. 19.—It is believed here tonight, according to reports of physicians, that an epidemic of influenza is again prevalent in Goldsboro. One doctor is reported being in a critical condition and a large number of cases have developed during the last 24 hours. So far only one death has been reported and local physicians are hopeful that the epidemic will not prove serious.

HENRY MONDS SUFFERS BROKEN HIP AT MILL

Caught in Machinery Belt at Pope
Plant—Carried to Fayetteville
Hospital

Henry Mond, colored, thirty-five years old, suffered a broken hip and minor injuries at the Pope cotton gin yesterday when he became entangled in a machinery belt and was thrown against a wall. He was immediately carried to a Fayetteville hospital for treatment.

It was at first feared that the man's injuries would prove fatal. Subsequent examination by Drs. H. C. Turlington and W. E. Coltrane, however, disclosed no really serious injuries. Dr. Turlington stated last night that his patient would soon be ready to return home.

WARNS AGAINST MAKING "HOME BREW" LIQUORS

Prohibition Commissioners Say Only
Non-Intoxicating Fruit Juice
Permitted

Washington, Sept. 19.—Warning that the making of intoxicating "home brew" is illegal was issued tonight by Prohibition Commissioner Hayes.

Numerous inquiries have been received recently, he said, concerning the home manufacture of fruit juices growing out of reports that a head of a household was entitled to make 200 gallons of wine a year under permit.

The prohibition unit's attitude on the home brew question was defined by Mr. Hayes as follows: "Non-intoxicating fruit juice can be made in the home. Intoxicating wine, home brew, and distilled spirits may not be made. Two hundred gallons of non-intoxicating fruit juice may be manufactured tax free by the head of a family registering with a collector of internal revenue.

"This tax exemption provision has been the source of confusion. The effect of this is not to allow the manufacture of 200 gallons of intoxicating wine free from registration of the National prohibition act, but merely to allow the manufacture of 200 gallons of non-intoxicating fruit juice free of tax.

BENSON IS GROWING AND IS LIVE BUSINESS CENTER

In a special edition of the Smithfield Observer, issued September 12, following are some of the things said about the town of Benson:

With splendid cooperation on the part of its citizens, Benson has grown in a gratifying manner and is producing some fine results.

Here are some of the things Benson has:

- One of the most modern and attractive school buildings in the state.
- Complete water, light and sewer systems.
- Five churches.
- Two tobacco warehouses.
- A Chamber of Commerce.
- A 50-piece military band.
- A live bunch of citizens—men and women—as will be found anywhere.

A good variety of industrial and commercial enterprises.

The light, water and sewer systems are new improvements, having been made under the last administration with C. C. Cannaday as mayor and W. D. Boone, J. C. Wilson, C. T. Johnson as members of the board of commissioners. The present administration is composed of Mayor Cannaday and Commissioners W. H. Royal, J. H. Godwin, L. Gilbert and Jake Greenhalgh. J. Willis Creech is chairman of the board of county commissioners.

Benson is no slacker when it comes to education. Although it has one of the best equipped schools in the state the town recently voted \$50,000 bonds for further improvements to the school system, made necessary because of congested conditions.

Benson is moving forward as a tobacco market, and with good prices in prospect because of an unusually good crop, the coming season bids fair to be a prosperous one. The two tobacco warehouses will open the first part of September. The Banner warehouse will be operated by J. F. Motley and the farmers' warehouse by J. E. Harris, both experienced warehousemen.

That town doesn't believe in resting on its oars and as long as "progress" is in the dictionary Benson will continue to be an example of it.

WESLEY BIBLE CLASS HAS ANNUAL FISH FRY

More than 150 Guests Gather At
Rhodes' Pond For Enjoyable
Occasion

With heart-warming talks from Rev. John J. Langston, Professor W. S. Snipes, Hannibal L. Godwin, J. H. Culbreth and Henry Hood, and fish enough for an army, members of Wesley Bible Methodist Wesley Bible Class and their friends enjoyed the annual fish fry of the class held at Rhodes' Pond last Friday afternoon.

More than 150 guests were present. Even this number could not consume all of the food prepared, and nearly 100 pounds was sent to the Hollinsworth Orphanage at Falcon.

Hannibal L. Godwin was the first teacher of the class. He resigned the position twenty-seven years ago to enter college. Mr. Hood took up the work then and has been teacher ever since. Warm praise was given Mr. Hood by all of the speakers and to him is due most of the credit for the class's long life and great growth.

Keep Petrograd Port Open

Moscow, Sept. 19.—The government announced today that the port of Petrograd will be kept open this winter. One ice breaker will be bought from Siberia for the purpose, two from England and several from Finland, it was said.

LUCKNOW SQUARE CASE POSTPONED UNTIL NOVEMBER

Illness of Railroad Lawyer
Compels Continuance At
Lillington

TOWN'S ATTORNEYS SAY THEY WILL WIN

Depositions From Pioneers Say
Company Dedicated Property
To Public's Use When Business
Lots Were Sold—Some
Content Title Will Revert to
Railroad.

Because of the serious illness of a member of the counsel for the Atlantic Coast Line Railway Company the case in which Dunn is striving to establish title to property embraced within Lucknow Square was continued at Lillington last week. It will be taken up during the November term of Superior Court devoted to the trial of civil cases.

Robert L. Godwin, of the firm of Godwin & Williams, counsel for the municipality, stated yesterday that he was confident Dunn would win the case. Since it was first brought into the court last year Mr. Godwin and I. Roland Williams, his associate, have gotten many depositions from persons who contend that the property was proclaimed a public square by the railroad company when its officials sold land to settlers in what is now the heart of the business district.

With these depositions and testimony to be given by witnesses Godwin & Williams are confident that they can prove to any jury that the town is clearly within its legal rights when it hands the property over to the Woman's Club with instructions to convert it into a park and public recreation place.

There are those, however, who contend that the town has no title to the property. It is true, many say, that the square was dedicated to the public for its use as long as it was used as a market place. When it is diverted to other purposes, they contend, then it reverts to railroad ownership.

The property is easily worth \$100,000. That is a nice little sum for the town to win in the gamble of legal proceedings.

BETTER OUTLOOK FOR BUSINESS NOW

Reports Of Commercial At-
taches in Europe Indicate
Improvement in Tone

Washington, Sept. 18.—Signs of improved conditions in Europe are all too according to the monthly summary of the economic and financial situation there issued tonight by the Commerce Department on the basis of cables reports from its foreign representatives.

"There has been no very definite general alteration in conditions," the department said, "which would warrant the prediction of an immediate revival. The only general improvement in the European commercial situation is based, to a certain extent, on artificial matter. British exports of raw materials have increased mainly as a result of the resumption of coal mining. German and Austrian exports rose because of the drop in the exchange of these respective countries on the world's market. Crop estimates in general are more encouraging than previous reports would indicate."

Taxation in Great Britain is the greatest impediment to a revival of business, according to Commercial Attache Denis at London. Today, he said, the interest on the British National debt far exceeds the total pre-war revenue of the government and the per capita debt has risen from 15 pounds sterling last in 1914 to 165 pounds in 1921. The revenue raised last year, he added, was more than twice as much as the "deadweight national debt" in 1914. Industrial conditions, however, are better, he declared, and unemployment continues to decrease.

While the recent peace legislation in the United States has had no apparent influence on German business conditions in general according to H. W. Adams, representing the department at Berlin, the further depreciation of the mark has resulted in improved market values of cotton, potash, grain and metal products. Nevertheless he asserted the market is weak and speculation is on the increase.

MANY THOUSANDS VIEW REMAINS OF MISS RAPPE

Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 18.—Approximately eight thousand persons today viewed the body of Miss Virginia Rappe, motion picture actress, for whose alleged murder Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle is held in the San Francisco prison.

The casket was banked with flowers, including a floral blanket of one thousand tiger lilies sent by Miss Rappe's fiancé, Henry Lehman, now in New York. Across the lilies lay a white satin ribbon, bearing in gold letters "To my brave sweetheart, from Henry."

The funeral will be held at 10:30 o'clock tomorrow at the undertaking parlors. The services will be private with the Rev. Frank Roubicek, rector of St. Stephens Episcopal church of East Hollywood, in charge. Interment will be at the Hollywood cemetery.

A number of Los Angeles pastors today and tonight in the course of their sermons devoted considerable attention to the Arbuckle case.

SNATCHES CHILD FROM IMPENDING DEATH ON TRACK

Engineer Furman Performs Heroic
Deed Near Lillington

GERTRUDE COLMS AT HOME ALIVE AND WELL

Driver of Norfolk Southern Locomotive Leaps From Pilot
And Lifts Little Girl From
Front of Speeding Train—
Exceeds Moving During Per-
formance.

He has been off in the moving pictures—the hands of an engineer who from his cabin on a speeding locomotive, sees a sweet little girl toddling along the track about 100 feet in front of him, jumping but not halting, and in a flash of his emergency brakes, sweeping down a grade, clearing the child from the cowcatcher, and with a jump of a second to spare.

Yesterday it happened in real life, not 30 miles from Lillington, and with more thrill than any moving picture ever has. The engineer who put into effect the heroic deed was the man, Engineer J. H. Furman, aged 42, the little girl, Gertrude Colms, aged 3, was the road; the locomotive was the Norfolk Southern, and the scene was Fayetteville, Va., and 3:05 the time. And he never had time to practice the feat, for a sack full of straw instead of a live, dispirited little girl.

See Girl's Trick
Engineer Furman was taking 25 loaded freight cars, at the usual speed of freight trains, heading a sharp curve and going at 30 miles an hour, when he saw the little girl standing on the track. He saw her just as she was about to be struck by the locomotive.

The speed of the train was slackened, but the woman saw that it could not stop in time. She saw the child to be in the way of the locomotive. She saw the child to be in the way of the locomotive. She saw the child to be in the way of the locomotive.

Her own life was in jeopardy, but she did not think of herself. She thought of the child.

SELL LONG STAPLE COTTON AT DUNN

Nearly Hundred Bales of 'Long
Haired' Fleeces Sold For
30 Cents a Pound

Dunn is now a recognized market for the sale of long staple cotton and the few farmers who last spring followed Ben O. Townsend's advice and planted the "long-haired" fleeces are today reaping the reward of their sagacity. Nearly 100 bales of the variety have found their way to market and brought an average price close to 30 cents a pound. The staple averages about one and a quarter inches in length.

There are close to 1,000 bales of long staple on farms in the Dunn district, according to Mr. Townsend, who sold seed for most of it. In addition to this there are about 300 bales stored in the warehouses of the General Utility Company.

Mr. Townsend himself is official long staple buyer for mills that will use it. He will deal directly with the mills, according to a statement made by him today, eliminating the cost of speculators' profits. In establishing a long staple market here where the growth was started only one year ago he has done an unprecedented thing.

Usually four or five years are required to get recognition from the long staple interests and growers are compelled to await their pleasure before selling.

It is expected that next year will see an enormous quantity of long staple grown on Dunn district farms. The success attendant upon this year's culture is convincing many that this cotton can be grown as easily and as cheaply as any other.

NEGRO HELD FOR DEATH OF A SIX-YEAR OLD BOY

Danville, Va., Sept. 19.—Frank Womack, a negro, is in Halifax Jail, charged with killing L. D. Mills, Jr., six years old, who was run over by an automobile in front of his home.

NEGRO LYNCHED BY MOB AT PITTSBORO EARLY ON SUNDAY

Colored Youth Discovered in
Home of New Hope Farmer
While Husband is Away

BLOODHOUNDS TRAIL HIM TO HOME NEARBY

Reported To Have Made Con-
fession To Officers Before
Being Lodged in Jail; Mob
Secured Keys to Jail From
Jailer Taylor and Hang Negro
With Auto Tire Chain.

Pittsboro, Sept. 18.—Ernest Daniels, a negro youth, who is alleged to have been found in the home of Walter Stone in New Hope township Friday night, was removed from the Chatham jail this morning about 3 o'clock and hanged to a tree with an Auto tire chain in the old Raleigh road, five miles east of this place. Several thousand people viewed the scene of the lynching today.

When Gertrude Stone, daughter of Walter Stone, a white farmer was awakened Friday night she found a negro leaning over her bed. It is stated, and thinking at first that it was her brother, she called to him. This frightened the negro away. Mr. Stone was away at the time hunting and there was no one in the house except his wife, little son and daughter.

Bloodhounds were secured from Rufford and late Saturday afternoon they took up a trail which led to the home of Daniels. The negro youth is reported to have confessed to having entered the home to the officers who took him into custody. He was brought to Pittsboro and lodged in jail.

The jail was surrounded this morning at 2 o'clock and after two unsuccessful attempts the negro was rescued from Jailer W. H. Taylor, who was overpowered by the crowd of men.

Following the hanging of the negro, the mob fired shots into the body with shotguns and pistols.

Shotgun George H. Brooks called an inquest, which was adjourned for further investigation after the jury had viewed the body.

Several crimes have been committed in this county recently and the lynching is regarded as the climax to the feeling of anger that had been engendered.

COTTON DECLINES DURING THE WEEK

Liquidation Of Long Interest
Responsible For Most Of
Selling Pressure

New Orleans, La., Sept. 18.—This last week was a week of declining prices in the cotton market, the highest level being reached on the opening session and the lowest prices practically on the close of the closing session. From the highest to the lowest there was a fall of 199 to 313 points, October being the weakest month and losing almost \$16 a bale in its fall from Monday to Saturday. It closed at the lowest of the week prices were 55 to 60 points over the close of the preceding week.

The close showed net losses of 162 points. In the spot department middling last 175 points in the net results closing at 18.50 against 22.00 a year ago.

Liquidation of the long interest was responsible for most of the selling pressure of the week although the market had to stand considerable hedge selling and, as the decline progressed, traders on the short side grew bolder and began to offer cotton in larger amounts. By most traders the decline was regarded as a natural reaction following a prolonged advance. Here and there during the week hard spots appeared but the covers were not wide, especially after the middle of the week. On the opening session the market made its strongest bulge, rising \$4 a bale on the strongest rumors on telegrams from Texas telling of the great damage to the crop in those sections of the state which felt the unprecedented rains of the preceding week.

The week was not without its bullish news but the market got little real support, even though crop accounts continued highly unfavorable and the government made the statement, in its weekly review of Georgia picking actually had been completed. Several private reports on the condition of the crop appeared, the highest of which was 44.7 per cent of normal and which it was claimed, included the damage done to the Texas crop by the storm of the preceding week. The lowest condition figure ever issued of most growers.

Much of the selling out on the long side was done because of uneasiness over the outcome of first notice day for October and this is expected to be a disturbing influence during the week to come.

First notice day for October will be Monday, September 26, and there is much difference of opinion regarding the size of the tender it will bring. On the close of this last week December was at a premium of 20 points over October, December closing at 18.10.

WAREHOUSE AND COTTON BURNED AT GOLDSBORO

Goldsboro, Sept. 19.—Fire here this afternoon destroyed a large storage house owned by Royal and Broden, in which several hundred bales of cotton were stored. The loss is estimated at \$15,000, fully covered by insurance.

ALFRED R. WILSON BUYS DRUG STORE IN SELMA

Dunn Young Man Quits Road To Be-
come Pill Roller in
Johnston

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred R. Wilson left yesterday for Selma where Saturday Mr. Wilson assumed charge of the drug store established several years ago by the Richardson Drug Company. He will devote his entire attention to the business in future.

Mr. Wilson has been traveling for a wholesale drug concern since he quit the real estate business here a year ago. He is a brother of C. L. Wilson, druggist, J. W. Newberry, of Dunn, and Mrs. A. L. Newberry, of Dunn. He was engaged in the drug business in Columbus county for several years before coming to Dunn nearly two years ago.

DUNN PREPARING FOR BIG FAIR THIS YEAR

Fireworks and Band Concerts Will Be
Features of Annual Harvest
County Event

Night shows of fire works and band concerts have been added to the program for Dunn's fair, and at which Herbert Hoover and Mrs. George W. Vanderbilt are to be among the speakers.

The fireworks program is the most elaborate ever attempted here. For three nights of fair week the fireworks show will be featured. All of the talented shows and exhibit halls will be open every night.

Arrangements for the big event are rapidly nearing completion and officials of the association are confident that their efforts this year will be most fruitful. Commemorative space is rapidly being sold, and it looks now as if little will be left for applicants who defer inquiries beyond this month.

Former Congressman Hannibal L. Godwin has been appointed chairman of the committee which will have the entertainment of Secretary Hoover and Mrs. Vanderbilt in charge. Hoover and many other features are being planned for the entertainment of the distinguished visitors. Captain L. Roland Williams, holder of several decorations won in the World War, has been appointed chief marshal for the fair.

MR. AND MRS. W. E. JOHNSON SAIL FROM SEATTLE, WASH.

Seattle, Wash. — More than 100 missionaries, sent out by the Southern Baptist Missionary Board, embarked for the Orient Saturday, August 27, as passengers of the Admiral Line, which operates a fleet of shipping board vessels in the Trans-Pacific service.

The party, consisting of 100 men, the largest group of religious workers ever sent abroad from America in a body, included Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Johnson of Lillington, N. C., who have been assigned to the mission station at Soe Chow, Mr. Johnson will take charge as principal of Yate Academy, and Mrs. Johnson will occupy the position of teacher in the institution.

Twenty-five were represented—Virginia, Ohio, Kentucky, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana. The missionaries are to be widely scattered through China and Japan. Only 11 of them are veterans of the foreign mission field. The others are to have their first experience among alien peoples.

Dr. C. G. McDaniel, of Richmond, Va., who has been in China many years and has just completed a year furlough, was the leader of the party. He said the travelers had been routed this way because it was the shortest cut to the Orient, the big liners flying the American flag having reduced the voyage by approximately five days. The Silver State, a sister ship of the Hawkeye State on which the missionaries sailed, recently established a new record of ten days to Yokohama.

On their arrival here two days before the sailing date, the missionaries were greeted by committees representing the Y. W. C. A. and the Y. M. C. A., headed by Mrs. J. P. Weyerhaeuser, wife of the immensely wealthy lumberman of Tacoma. Friday they were guests at a large reception, meeting the Chinese and Japanese consuls who vied the passports of the travelers during the afternoon.

BENSON SECTION FEELS A REVIVAL OF BUSINESS

Farmers, With Cotton And Tobacco
Money, Paying Up—Making A
Profit on This Year's Crop

Benson, Sept. 17.—The cotton and tobacco markets in this section are now in full swing, and business, coming out of the slump which has ensued for several months past, is following suit. Many thousands of dollars in back debts, created for the most part after last fall's disaster, are being rapidly taken up by the farmers. Profit on the new crop now being marketed and increased economy on the farm are responsible of the general determination to straighten up.

The time merchants have been consistently considerate of the embarrassed farmers, according to many of the farmers. They will continue to stick to them until matters have permanently improved, according to the merchants. This confidence in the hardhit farmer is universal.

The situation is generally agreed to have improved rapidly as the result of a number of things. The farming population this year reduced its fertilizer bills, worked longer hours to curtail its expenditures for labor, and grew more corn and foodstuffs, while it has given more attention than ever before to the home market. It has cut its expenditures for luxuries. Both cotton and tobacco are now bringing good profits. Many farmers, according to leading observers in this section will pay off last year's indebtedness this fall and be in good shape for a fresh start next year.

BANDSMEN PLAN A CAMPAIGN FOR UNIFORMS FUND

Need At Least \$1,000 For Suits
and For Other Ex-
penses

FIRST CONCERT SERIES NEXT WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Chamber of Commerce To Aid
In Efforts To Equip Local
Organization—Future Con-
certs To Be Staged On Fri-
day Nights Of Each
Week.

Preparatory to launching a campaign for funds with which to purchase uniforms and meet incidental expenses the Dunn Concert Band will be given on Friday nights whenever the weather permits.

Decision to give the concerts was reached by officials of the band last week when a committee met with the Chamber of Commerce to arrange plans for raising funds. It is planned to stage a systematic campaign under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce immediately after the actual concert. It is believed that all of Dunn's people who are able to do so will contribute something toward the fund. Approximately \$1,000 is needed in return for this sum the band will give free music throughout the year.

There are now twenty-five members of the band who are regularly practicing. This number will be supplemented by several others who are already finished musicians. All of these will play in the concerts.

Henry C. Lee, Casper Warren, Ralph White and R. L. Denning are the bandmen who are arranging for the campaign. Mail, Holiday, Louis Goldstein, John W. Drayton, and T. L. Riddle probably will manage it for the Chamber of Commerce.

WILDERNESS ROAD TO BE BUILT SOON

Highway Commission An-
nounces Number of Con-
tracts in Third District

Contract for building a modern clay gravel highway over what nature decrees is now the worst piece of road in North Carolina will be let by the Highway Commission at that time.

The Clinton road has across a dense swamp for eight miles, and the new road will necessitate the erection of five large bridges across the North River, and various streams and creeks. The road will be the most modern and clay type, and motorists will no longer have hair-raising tales to tell about how deep they got stuck in the mud along that highway.

The list of projects for letting at Wilmington next month, announced by Highway Commissioner Frank Fago yesterday follows:

Fender County—Eight miles of road and five concrete bridges on the Wilmington-Clinton highway.

Fender County—Twenty miles of road and clay road on the Wilmington-New Bern highway.

Cumberland-Sampson—Concrete bridge 150 feet long over Black river on Fayetteville-Clinton highway.

Robeson County—Faving across Lumber river swamp, approximately one mile in length, hard surface.

Robeson County—Faving across hard surface on W. C. A. highway west of Lumberton.

Columbia County—Ten miles of sand clay road east of Whiteville.

Hamlet-Cumberland—Concrete bridge across Little river two miles above Linden on Lafayette highway.

COTTON RECOVERS FROM DECLINE OF LAST WEEK

New York, Sept. 19.—The cotton market today recovered from the decline of last week. Offerings were much smaller, and reports that holders of spot cotton in the South had a tendency to withdraw their offerings on the decline, seemed to revive confidence in values on the basis of small crop figures.

The price of January contracts advanced to 19.80 or \$7.90 per bale above the closing quotations of Saturday and the general market closed strong at advances of 155 to 145 points for the day.

Local brokers attributed the advance chiefly to the fact that speculative long lines had been liquidated last week, combined with a growing belief that holders of spots in the South would market their cotton gradually.

MAJOR PARKER VISITS RELATIVES IN HARNETT

Major John A. Parker, United States army, and Mrs. Parker, arrived here last night from Washington to visit the major's father, Duncan J. Parker, whose big plantation is a short distance from town. Major Parker will leave today for Savannah on a mission from the judge advocate general's office.

Major Parker was residing in Charlotte, where he was president of the Greater Charlotte Club, before North Carolina troops were sent to the Mexican border. He entered that service as captain of a Charlotte company. During the World War he was promoted to lieutenant colonel, but resigned at the end of hostilities to enter business in New York. Last year he was offered a commission as major in the regular army and accepted.