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GOOD FOR DUNN
With the organization of the William J. Thompson Cotton Company to deal wholesale in cotton with Dunn as its place for concentration and the probability of the use of the town as a concentration point for the North Carolina Cotton Growers Co-operative association, it is likely that at least 100,000 bales of the staple will pass through Dunn this year.

It is certain that the Thompson company will use this as its concentration point. That will mean the bringing of thousands of bales here. With the co-operative association, however, nothing is known yet as to what points will be chosen. It is extremely probable, though, that Dunn will be chosen, because it is the center of one of the greatest cotton raising centers in North Carolina. Practically 60,000 bales are marketed in its territory every year.

The General Utility Company has just completed one of the largest and best cotton storage warehouses in the south. The new building and the company's two older ones given its storage space for more than 15,000 bales of cotton at one time. In the course of a season this space could be used several times. No where in Eastern Carolina can the association find better facilities for cotton storage.

Paid at Last
After a year of "hard luck," the Harnett County Fair Association at last has been able to mail checks to the premium winners of last year's fair. More than a hundred of the welcome little scraps of paper are being the office of Bill Gold.

The long delay.
The fair association hit it pretty badly last year. Debts left over from the two previous years and the expense of holding last year's fair consumed all of the income about as fast as it was taken in. Much money was spent preparing for the expected visit of Secretary Hoover who found at the last moment that he would not be able to fill the engagement. The association was expecting much from his visit. A day was added to the usual four-day program and that fifth day was expected to wipe out all debts. But it did not. The association barely broke even on the venture.

However, this year is another time again. The association is taking nothing for granted. It looks well before it leaps. The directors are planning large, but they are planning intelligent. They expect to make the coming fair the best the association yet has attempted. The premium list will be about the same as that for last year. Every attraction will be as good as can be gotten and arrangements for the prompt payment of the premiums will be made before the fair is staged.

Farmers and others are invited to stage exhibits, and assurance is given that they will be given every consideration and paid promptly when they win premiums.

The largest crowd on record is expected to see this fair, since the admission fees have been reduced to 50 cents and 25 cents.

PROSPERITY HERE
While rail and coal strikes are demoralizing the industry of the nation and the boll weevil is devastating the fields of the South, Dunn finds itself more fortunately situated than has been its lot for more than two years. Local industries have suffered little by reason of the strikes and the weevil had as yet not invaded its territory. In the dull months between the planting of this year's cotton crop and its harvest building activities have been undertaken on so large a scale that merchants have had good business all through the summer. To date more than \$200,000 worth of buildings have been started since last fall, carpenters, bricklayers, laborers—all workers have had plenty of work on the new buildings or in the various factories and mills which have been running on full time since early in this year.

Through the cotton money expended in the town for building and other operations, much of the indebtedness of local business men has been retired. Bank deposits, collectively at their lowest ebb at this time of the year, have held up remarkably well. The community is in excellent shape for this time of the year.

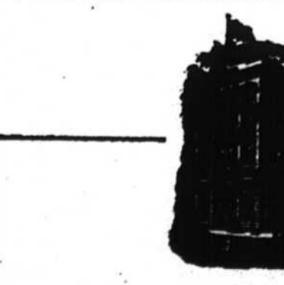
rounding fields will start on its way to market. It is estimated that fully 30,000 bales will be marketed here from this year's crop. This will not include the cotton to be concentrated from other centers in Dunn warehouses. The outlook as to prices now is good. It is not likely that the price will fall below 20 cents, according to men who study the markets. Some say that the price will go as high as 25 cents. Even at 20 cents, 30,000 bales will put \$2,000,000 into circulation here between now and February 1.

"Sir"
I was writing yesterday of my visit to the postoffice at Keamare asking for my mail which hadn't arrived. No reader should infer that as much time elapsed after my inquiry before I received attention as my rather rambling letter might indicate. The contrary was true. An upstanding, clear-eyed young man responded promptly to my call, looked over the letters in the D box and said:

"There is no mail for you, sir."
You do not hear that "sir" always from young men to those who are older as was once the custom and the respect which youth paid to those who are older than they are. In fact you hear it all too seldom and there has been a cult which has sought to eliminate the "sir" as rather not a suitable word to be used by men who are equal in everything except age. The old custom is one which was as beautiful as it was becoming. It gave a touch of respect from the young to the old, and instead of indicating a chasm brought the young man and the old man very close together. If it could be generally revived it would help in the amenities of life. I love to hear a boy say, with mingled respect and affection "Sir" to his father. It does not denote distance between them but rather understanding. Of course he is "old man" and the term "sir" means a certain regard and evidence of respect. I do not hear it very often in North Carolina or North Dakota, and when the young assistant postmaster used it with a touch of what I cannot better describe than call it good manners. I was struck with something about him that made me certain that he had served in the Navy. In that service, both Annapolis and in the training stations and on the ships, the "sir" is never omitted. No young man ever fails to say "Sir" to a superior. I thought I detected the young man in the postoffice had the naval bearing and intonation, and so with a question in my reply I said to him:
"Did you serve in the Navy?"

I couldn't tell him. It baffled definition. I simply felt it so strongly that I knew it. Something in his bearing, something in his understanding, and some inflection of the voice as he said "Sir" or something even more definite carried me in a second back to the days of close association with lads who served in the Navy. My recognition of his service made me at once ship mates on land. His name was Westlake, he had enlisted when the war call came, gone to the Great Lakes near Chicago for training, and sailed for Bordeaux where he served most of his time in the crucial days.—Josephus Daniels in The News and Observer.

Sea Voyage
The congregation has given the preacher a month's vacation and everybody will have a fine time.—Whisper's Weekly.



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Growing Old
A little more tired at the close of day,
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A little less anxious to scold and blame,
A little more care for a brother's name,
And so we are nearing the journey's end,
Where time and eternity meet and blend.

A little less care for bonds of gold,
A little more zeal for the days of old,
A broader view and a saner mind,
And a little more love for all mankind;
And so we are faring down the way
That leads to the gates of a better day.

A little more love for the friends of youth,
A little more zeal for established truth;
A little more charity in our views,
A little less thirst for the daily news;
And so we are folding our tents away
And passing in silence at close of day.

A little more leisure to sit and dream,
A little more zeal to do things unseen;
A little nearer to those ahead,
With visions of those long loved and dead;
And so we are going where all must go,
To the place the living may never know.
A little more laughter, a few more tears,
And we shall have told our increasing years.
The book is closed, and the prayers are said,
And we part of the countless dead.
Thrice happy, then, if some soul can say,
"I live because he has passed my way."
—A. V. Barnes in Christian Advocate.

WEEKLY COTTON LETTER
(By Savannah Cotton Factorage Co. All inquiries promptly answered.)
Our letter of Tuesday, August 1st, gave the Government's condition report as of July 24th, 79.8, indicating a cotton crop of 11,449,000 bales. On that day the New York future market advanced nearly 3c per pound closing at a net gain of 105 to 110 points. Periods of liquidation and profit-taking are in evidence.

ing the remainder of the week. Failure to settle the coal and rail strikes encouraged selling by some South-

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experts and also by professional traders. The outlook today is that both prices will be settled at an early date. This, together with continued dry, hot weather in the West, should have a stimulating effect on the market before August 15th, unless the demand is insufficient to take care of offerings.

August is the boll weevil month. The September 1st condition report will indicate the approximate damage, and we predict higher prices after that date.
Mail order houses, wholesalers and others report a steady improvement in business. This improvement should continue, for the following reasons: Liquidation in every line is about over. Unemployment has decreased to normal. Cotton stocks have decreased to pre-war levels. This season's cotton crop of 10 to 11 million bales should sell for 20c or over, putting millions of dollars more into circulation.

"Uncle Sam" is loaning money to assist in the orderly marketing of cotton, instead of rushing it on the market as rapidly as picked. Better times appear to be not far distant. Let's be prepared to enjoy the prosperity which is bound to come.

Minister Locates Gold in North Carolina Mountains
Asheville, Aug. 11.—Lured to the mountains of Western North Carolina by the climate and scenery, Rev. J. C. Coggins, D. D., pastor of the Central Christian church of Augusta, Ga., has found other attractions in the native hills and gold is the leader. While there are as yet no indications as to whether gold in commercial quantities will be found by the Georgia minister, located within half a mile of Black Mountain, the prospects are considered bright in view of the quality of the "free gold" found on the surface. Dr. Coggins is in possession of a large nugget, weight six dollars, which was also found on the property by a mountaineer.

at the corner of Harnett Street and Ellis avenue, beside the home of his father, James A. Taylor.

BUILDING RECORD MAKES HIGH MARK

Present Program Carries Sum to \$300,000 Spent This Year—More To Come
Construction was begun here yesterday on two new store buildings and two new residences, bringing the number of buildings now in process of erection to the highest number ever undertaken in Dunn at one time. They will carry the year's building record well beyond the \$200,000.

P. T. Massengill is building the new stores on his lots at the corner of Broad Street and Clinton Avenue from which two wooden buildings were burned in December 1920. Z. V. Snipes and Durham Taylor are building the residences. Mr. Snipes' home is being constructed on the lot at the corner of King Avenue and Pearsall street in front of the G. M. Tighman home. Mr. Taylor's home is being build-

There now are being erected in Dunn more than twenty homes, two school buildings, four stores and one of the largest cotton storage warehouses in North Carolina. Counting these, the work being done by the Carolina Power and Light Company and the concrete road to be built between Dunn and Duke, considerably more than half a million dollars will have been spent for construction in and near Dunn before the present year closes.

Carr-Craig
In come way, our account of the marriage last week of Mr. J. C. Carr and Miss Alice Craig seems to have failed to come out in the paper. It was one of the chief news items of a week rather bare of news. Mr. Carr accompanied by Mr. Wayland Collins, motored down to Wilmington

Tuesday. Miss Craig was already in that city. About midnight Tuesday evening a telegram came to Mr. J. H. Carr, saying that the couple were married. After spending a day or so in Wilmington and vicinity, the couple came back through Clinton and journeyed on further for a continuance of their honeymoon.

Mr. Carr is at present in charge of the Sampson Motor Company's Garage. The bride is one of the finest and most popular young ladies of Clinton. The Democrat wishes them much joy.—Sampson Democrat.

"Rat-Snap Beats the Best Trap Ever Made," Mrs. Emily Shaw Says
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