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BUSINESS TURN GETS ATTENTION

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PREACHER'S WIFE WANTS CUSTODY

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STUDENTS PLAY PLEASES CROWD

The Hoodoo Presented in Local Opera House Friday Evening. Members of the senior class of the Dunn high school delighted a fair-sized audience Friday evening in the local opera house when the class presented a three-act play, "The Hoodoo." The play was presented in a creditable manner, each member of the cast acquitting themselves well.

Fire in Fayetteville Does \$15,000 Damage

Fayetteville, May 27.—Fire of origin not yet determined practical by gutted the building of the Clarence laundry here this morning and threatened one of the city's principal business blocks. The serious aspect which the blaze assumed at one time caused Fire Chief Ross Jones to call for assistance from Fort Lragg firemen, who reached the city fourteen minutes later to find the fire under control.

CONVICT CAMP SUPERINTENDENT SCORED BY JURY

Grand Jury Recommends That Superintendent Weaver Be Discharged. Broad Appeared To Have Been Weak Old. Report Says Camp Found In Unsanitary Condition—Prisoners Complain That Cook Spends Much Time Waiting On Family of Superintendent.

GRADY DAUGHTRY KILLED SATURDAY

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Wilson Oil Well Cutting Capers

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Other Factors Besides Seasonal Influence Seen; Weather Blamed

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Claims She Was Frightened Away From Home By Ku Klux Klan

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Ford May Build Big Mill In The South

Atlanta Journal Says Manufacturer Would Erect Gigantic Cotton Mill. Atlanta, Ga., May 24.—Henry Ford, Detroit automobile manufacturer, is planning to establish a cotton mill for the purpose of manufacturing all the cotton drill in the production of his automobiles, according to a story published in the Atlanta Journal today.