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CASH IN ADVANCE

Wall street recently dismissed one of its members for "obvious fraud or false pretense." Sure the world is getting better.

See by the papers that the Atlantic Coast Line is to spend \$26,000,000 on equipment, which is a good indication of the business trend.

After the absence of nine years, the dove of peace is said to have returned to the Near East. The question is, Will they let it remain there?

Farmers look upon Ford as a Moses to lead them out of the wilderness," reads a headline. We wonder if the trip is to be made on a "Tin Lizzie."

Emperor Simons of the Ku Klux Klan says the mask is going to stay right where it is. In other words, the Klan is to continue its "good works" under cover.

Those farmers who refuse to fight the boll weevil because they think it a plague sent from heaven show poor judgment. A refusal to kill a house-fly or mosquito upon like grounds would be just as reasonable.

A cow is reported to have prevented Lieut. Russell L. Maughan from making the dawn-dusk trip across the continent. The cow went and placed herself in the way of the airship, and in an effort to miss her the aviator wrecked his plane. It happened when he was landing his machine, however, and not in the air.

Secretary of State Everett departs and says that he expects to collect...

We think well of the plan adopted by the board of commissioners of Harriet county to pay the same reward for the blockader that is paid for the still. The arrest of one blockader will have more effect in curbing the liquor traffic than the capture of a dozen stills. Yet the officer takes more chance in arresting the blockader than is required in the capture of a still.

A Wise Plan  
The plan of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce whereby this favored section of the Old North State is to be advertised to the outside world should receive cordial support. In the first place, Eastern North Carolina has something to offer in the way of natural advantages, and why shouldn't the fact be advertised. The right sort of publicity has placed California and other sections of the country on the map in big letters. No other section of the United States has more to offer the outsider than has Eastern North Carolina. The value of advertising has been proven in many ways, and if it is good for the individual or business concern, then it is good for communities and States.

A Touching Scene  
We believe in both home and foreign missions, but we fear that not enough emphasis is laid upon the mission work nearer home. We are prone to overlook the opportunities for doing good which hover round about us, and pay more attention to those farther away. We think of the heathen across the waters and give but little thought to those in our midst. A touching scene was enacted in Dunn recently when a foreigner, one who hailed from a heathen nation, realized that death was near. This foreigner was seen to kneel before an idol and utter a prayer for help. While we send missionaries to his homeland to teach his people of the true God, it is doubtful if ever an effort was made to point this unfortunate to the God who answers prayer.

Another Advantage  
As was pointed out in a news story in Tuesday's Dispatch, Dunn is to become the most favored town in the State from the standpoint of power supply. After April 1, next year, the town will have direct access to two of the greatest power-producing plants in the South - New River Falls, this State, and Watauga, S. C. This will indeed prove a great asset to the town and should

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Three Guardsmen in Maryland Killed by Bolt of Lightning  
Baltimore, Md., July 11.—Three members of the Fifth Regiment, Maryland National Guard, in camp at Saunders range, Anne Arundel county, were killed tonight when a bolt of lightning struck in a group of men. Ten soldiers were reported injured.

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DAWSON'S RESIGNATION AS PARTY LEADER

Elected Without A Negative Vote To Succeed J. D. Norwood  
With a woman assisting over it deliberations for the first time in the history of party politics in North Carolina, the State Democratic Executive Committee last night accepted the resignation of Chairman J. Dawson, of Salisbury, and unanimously elected J. D. Norwood, of Kinston, to succeed him.  
Vice Chairman J. Henderson, of Salisbury, wielded the gavel over the 74 men and women members present either in person or by proxy, and did it with such graceful assurance that even Lake Lamb, inheritor of deep-dyed prejudice against woman's suffrage, forgot prejudice and wanted to re-elect her vice-chairman. She was given an ovation.  
Save for the resignation of Chairman Dawson which he accented the date and became Director of the party's destinies in the State, and the protest raised by W. N. Everett's insistence that his resignation as a member of the committee be accepted the 45-minute session was perfunctory. No nominations other than that of Dawson were offered. The election was by acclamation. Not even the resignation of A. D. Watts as a member of the committee and the transfer of his mantle to the shoulders of his next friend, Jas. R. Harless, of Statesville, caused a ripple in the committee session. The resignation was accepted and Harless elected in his stead without comment from anybody. He goes back as he expressed it, to become a private in the ranks.  
Dawson's name was presented to the committee by former Senator Powell A. Gilwell, of Rockingham county, and was seconded by former Solicitor Walter D. Siler, of Pittsboro. Neither speech was more than a minute in duration, and such significance as was to be extracted from the situation was observed in the fact that a union of the Morrison and Gardner factions of the party was accomplished when these two men rose to speak on the same point.  
Judge Walter H. Neal, of Laurinburg, gave emphasis to the unity of purpose when he declared that Dawson was the fittest man in the State for the place. Senator Chas. U. Harris, present by the proxy of Mrs. O. Max Gardner, was instructed to cast her vote for Mr. Dawson. That was greeted with applause, and presently Mr. Dawson was brought forward and given the gavel of office.  
Although accepting the post under

protest, he declared that he dedicated his entire strength to furthering the cause of Democracy in North Carolina, and invited the co-operation and earnest assistance of every Democrat in the State toward continuing the party in the high mission that it has been called to perform for North Carolina. He was given a rousing ovation of approval, and Judge Neal embodied the pledge in a resolution. In the absence of the retiring chairman, Miss Henderson took over the direction of the meeting without suggestion from anybody and directed its deliberations with the utmost skill and assurance. So well schooled a politician as is George Ross Pou took suggestion from her at the outset, acknowledged his error and sat down until his business was in order.  
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SPECIAL OFFER  
Steel cots and springs complete, in lots of 100, each \$2.50  
In lots of ten, each \$2.75  
Less than ten, each \$3.00  
These cots are black enameled, same in white enamel 50c more.  
Army Refrigerators made by the National Refrigerator Company for the government, they are suitable for grocers, butchers and restaurants. Delivered.  
Round pointed saws in lots of 10, each 50c  
Less than ten, each 65c  
Laundry Bags, dozen \$5.00  
Less than a dozen, each 50c  
THE ARMY STORE  
L. TAGER, Proprietor  
Dunn, North Carolina

FOR TWO WEEKS  
WE OFFER OUR ENTIRE STOCK AT A  
25 PER CENT DISCOUNT  
TO MAKE ROOM FOR OUR FALL STOCK  
This Sale Covers Our Entire Stock  
of Furniture - Rugs, Kitchen Cabinets, Stoves, Ranges, Iron Beds, Springs, Mattresses, Bed Room and Living Room Suits.  
THIS IS ONE OF THE LARGEST AND BEST ASSORTED STOCKS OF FURNITURE IN NORTH CAROLINA  
A Big Full Sized Iron Bed a Real Value \$5.93  
A Real Bed Spring For Only \$3.00  
Dozens of other styles of Beds and Springs to choose from.  
KITCHEN CABINETS  
The pride of all good housekeepers. We want to show you a real cabinet \$29.28 and you can buy at a real price \$29.28  
A REAL VALUE FOR YOUR LIVING ROOM  
A beautiful 3-piece Cane Back Living Room Suit, upholstered in a fine shade of Velour. Priced \$119.25  
Now is your chance to buy a 10-piece Dining Room Suit, either in Walnut or Mahogany Finish for \$192.38  
The Big Wholesale and Retail Furniture House  
The Fayetteville Furniture Co.  
May Street Fayetteville, N. C.

Eat Pearce's--

Report of the Condition of THE COMMERCIAL BANK  
At Dunn in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business, June 30th, 1923.  
RESOURCES  
Loans and Discounts \$153,682.46  
Overdrafts 2.92  
United States Bonds and Liberty Bonds 49,900.00  
Furniture and Fixtures 6,039.00  
Cash in vault and net amounts due from Banks, Bankers and Trust Companies 25,715.16  
Checks for deposit 1,439.57  
Revenue Stamps 9.38  
Total \$237,467.55  
LIABILITIES  
Capital Stock paid in 20,000.00  
Surplus Fund 2,000.00  
Undivided Profits, less current expenses and taxes paid 5,154.10  
Deposits subject to check, Individual 113,488.11  
Time Certificates of Deposit, Due in Less Than 30 Days 24,780.60  
Cashier's Checks outstanding 6,165.24  
Certified Checks of Deposit due on or after 30 days 5,127.02  
Savings Deposits 49,045.96  
Bond Deposits 2,900.00  
Total \$237,467.55  
State of North Carolina - County of Harnett, July 7th, 1923.  
J. D. DAVIS, Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
W. E. BALDWIN, Notary Public.  
My Commission expires Feb. 12, 1925.  
Correct - Attest:  
J. W. JORDAN,  
L. W. FURDIE,  
E. F. DAVIS, Directors.