

EVENTS OF DUNN



**BUTLER BROTHERS  
KEEPS GROWING  
WITH THE TOWN**

**Now Occupies Envyable Position In The Business World Of The Community**

**MARION C. BUTLER  
OWNER AND MANAGER**

**Carries One Of The Largest And Most Complete Line Of Hardware, Building Material, Furniture And Farming Implements Of Any Store In This Section Of The State.**

Years and years ago when the writer was con considerable younger than he is now, he remembers seeing in lower Broadway in New York a wholesale millinery store on whose front windows was painted a group of oak trees, each larger than the one in front of it. And under the trees was printed: "As We Live We Grow"—carrying out the old adage of "Great Oaks from Little Acorns Grow." Every once in a while a new and larger tree would be painted on that window, illustrating the growth of that establishment.

For twenty years since we first began to visit Dunn, we have watched Marion C. Butler, guiding genius of the great establishment which rears its proud head above its fellows at the corner of Broad Street and Wilson Avenue. Marion was a barefoot youngster when we first saw him. Later he gained some little reputation as a bill collector through being delegated by many merchants to camp on the trails of the wily debtor who, in those days, resorted to many ruses to escape prompt payment of accounts. Then, like most youngsters, he liked to tinker with bicycles, sewing machines and other things with wheels

and works. He hooked up with that fine old fellow Milton F. Gainey, dealer in bicycles, sewing machines, musical instruments, etc., whose business there was in the old frame structure which was burned with its neighbors in December three year ago.

Marion was a likable kid. Mr. Gainey loved and trusted him and he was popular with everybody. Mr. Gainey died. His widow was glad to sell the stock of goods to Marion and his brother, John E. Butler. Then the establishment of Butler Brothers was born.

It was a modest little store that they had in the beginning, but it grew.

spread all over the building and into warehouses built on the back lot. Then Marion bought his brother out, although retaining the name of Butler Brothers. The business kept on growing.

About six or seven years ago it had to have larger salesrooms and the big building—occupying four ordinary business building lots and containing three floors and a basement—was constructed for the business. Even this was not large enough to hold all of the goods carried by Butler Bros. The old warehouses were retained and two large ones along the Coast Line tracks were acquired.

Today the little business that was started by a kid not more than a dozen years ago ranks as one of the leading hardware, furniture, implement and musical instrument concerns in the Southern States.

So, every time we see Marion Butler, we think of that old millinery establishment that we knew in New York when we were a child. With all of this business activity Marion Butler has found time to be one of the community's most valuable men. Ever since the Chamber of Commerce was organized in 1919, he has been director of the department of good roads and never lost an opportunity to aid in the improvement of the highway over which come the great loads of farm products that have played so large a part in making Dunn the best town there is.

The children are, from left to right, Gordon, Rosa Bess and Anna Lee. Mrs. Butler is at the top. Photo by D. H. Dyer.

...tubes, batteries and other accessories.

The Broad Street Filling Station was established early last year at the corner of Clinton Avenue and Broad Street on a plot which originally was intended to be part of a public square surrounding a proposed municipal building which was to occupy the center of the street intersections. It is one of the convenient "in and out" affairs, affording quick service to motorists. There are two drive ways and two filling stations for oil and gas. Water hose and free air pump are close by, giving customers a ready service for soft tires and radiators.

There is about this establishment that of desire to please which is appreciated by those who travel on the routes. Hundreds of tourists have passed over the two State highways which pass through Broad Street and stop at this station every season. Every one goes on his way pleased with the service given and with good opinion of Dunn.

Mr. Puarall is one of Dunn's few successful business men. Every body in the surrounding country knows him and his family is of Sampson county's best and most honored citizens. The family is of Sampson county's best and most honored citizens. The family is of Sampson county's best and most honored citizens. The family is of Sampson county's best and most honored citizens.

**A New Store  
Full Of New  
Goods**

Our new store in the new building erected this year in East Broad Street by Mr. L. A. Tart is now filled with new goods for the fall and winter trade, and we invite the attention of those who are to become our friends to the excellence of all departments of the stock.

We came to Dunn because we knew Dunn to be a good town—the sort of town we like to do business in and rear our family in. We have cast our fortunes with Dunn and its people, wanting, above all things, the good will of the town and the people among whom we are to live. And to get this good will we realize that we must serve and serve well.

**DRY GOODS, CLOTHING, SHOES, MILLINERY, FURNISHINGS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY**

You will find in this great stock a wonderful collection of excellent goods bought at right prices and offered to you at a remarkably small margin of profit. We spent the entire summer gathering these goods for you. There is not an article in stock that we do not recommend to you as a real bargain at the price charged. We will be more than pleased to have you visit the store and get acquainted with the stock and with us.

**Baer's Dry Goods Co.**

**Women Who Buy Their  
Garments Here Are  
Always Dressed  
Well**

There is no distinction about the woman who buys her garments at the Fifth Avenue Shop. She is one of the real-lookers.

Her garments are chosen with that end in view. They get made to our establishment as well as to our patrons. They have class—individuality—the thing for which all women strive when they buy garments.

Garments coming to our shop are the latest creations of the designers. They appear here simultaneously with the fashionable quarters of the style centers. They are all, therefore, modish and desirable.

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