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BUILDING HOMES IMPORTANT WORK

Capitalists, However, Don't Build Them But B. and L. Associations

In my recent wandering about this State and others one thing that has come to me constantly from every direction is the pronounced success and the growing popularity of building and loan associations. My building and loan experience commenced about 35 years ago.

A big five in a Pennsylvania town swept over the entire town, with a loss of a million and a half dollars, which was the big end of the place. With the smoke cleared away the people found that it was a big proposition to get money to rebuild houses, stores and shops. The building and loan association was started, and as the town was in an industrial community the people were earning a right big total of wages, and they took hold of the building and loan idea and in a short time the association had an income of five thousand dollars a month. The receipts enabled a building wave break loose, and that town has grown to be a city of fifteen thousand people where a large proportion of the homes are owned by those who live in the houses.

Three things the recent building and loan activity have brought up to me. These associations are providing homes for the people in all parts of North Carolina. They are providing money to build these homes, and they are teaching to the investors the benefits of saving money to make the monthly payments. I talked with a Pittsburg man on this latter feature. He said that the advantage of teaching saving and thrift is perhaps the most important factor about building and loan or any other saving on home making movements. Once a man or woman begins to put money into a loan association that person has begun the habit of accumulating something and a population that has undertaken to systematically save its money has begun the habit of fortifying the home against the future.

In my thirty years acquaintance with North Carolina I have not seen anything in its resources and opportunities that strikes me as of more value than this rapid establishment in the State of the building and loan association, and the broad basis the institution is reaching in so many towns.—Blon H. Butler, in Raleigh News and Observer.

Being Mail Carrier Dangerous Business

Washington, Nov. 22.—The job of rural letter carrier has become a hazardous one, the casualty list for the last two and a half years, made public here by the Postoffice Department, showing 55 lives to have been lost in the performance of duty.

A plea to patrons of rural routes was issued, urging that boxes be placed on the right hand side of the road in the direction of the carriers' travel. This, it was said, would remove one of the greatest dangers—that of traffic perils.

George Darden Shoots Himself Accidentally

George Darden, 14-year-old son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Darden, had a close call yesterday afternoon when a rifle with which he was hunting fired unexpectedly, the bullet entering his forehead just above the left eye. The 22-caliber bullet failed to penetrate the skull and was later removed by Dr. C. E. Sexton. While painful, the wound is not considered serious. Young Darden makes his home here with his brother and sister-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Thomas R. Darden.

George was attempting to prize a cartridge from the barrel of the rifle with his knife when it was discharged. He had snapped upon it several times and it had failed to fire. The range being so close probably saved the boys life.

Farmer Held Up And Robbed Of Over \$400

Reidsville, Nov. 22.—A. M. Thompson, a tobacco farmer of near Hillsboro, yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Hogan Creek bridge on the Yadkinville road was held up and robbed of \$411 by four masked men. Thompson was returning home after having sold his tobacco in Danville. At an early hour this morning none of the highwaymen had been captured.

Thompson said that all four men wore black cloths, with holes cut in them for vision, over their faces.

"Dead" Man Died On Threshold Of Riches

Allentown, Pa., Nov. 20.—Declared legally dead several months ago after an absence of 14 years, Wilbur Biery turned up at the home of his mother last Wednesday, and arrangements had been made for his legal "resurrection" today so he could share in his parents' estate which approximated \$10,000,000. Today he was found dead in bed from heart failure. Biery was about 35 years old. During his absence he said he had spent most of his time in Winnipeg and other Northwestern Canadian cities.

TOUCHING SCENE AS TRIAL CLOSES

Father of Defendant And Mother of Slain Woman Exchange Words

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 27.—An old man and an old woman stood in the darkness outside the courthouse to fight a few minutes after the verdict had been pronounced that sentenced Fred French Conley, 21-year-old sailor, to the penitentiary for thirty years for the murder of his wife. The former was H. W. Conley, of Sheffield, Ala., father of the boy; the latter was Mrs. Emily C. Owens, of Sueda, Fla., the widowed mother of the slain girl.

"Thank God he wasn't sent to the electric chair," whispered the old man, as he wiped away a furtive tear. "Yes, thank God for that," breathed the old woman softly, "but thank God he was not allowed to escape punishment."

The woman was little and wrinkled and gray. She was clad in mourning and walked on a peg leg. He was a hard-working Alabama farmer.

"May God give you strength to bear up under your great sorrow," said the little woman to the old man. "You are to be pitied. I hold no malice toward you and feel anything but the greatest pity for you." The little woman sobbed. Then it was that the father of the boy offered consolation, awkward, but sincere. Tomorrow the old man and the old woman will meet again. They agreed to call at the jail to bid farewell to Fred French Conley before going their separate ways—he back to his farm in Alabama; she back to the little home in Florida that she mortgaged to raise money with which to make the trip to Norfolk to see the machinery of the law vindicate the murder of her daughter.

Sunday-Like Quietness Prevailed Yesterday

Thanksgiving passed off very quietly in Dunn. Services at the First Baptist church at 7 o'clock in the morning, at the Presbyterian at 11 o'clock and at the Gospel Tabernacle at 7:30 in the evening were largely attended. A large number from here went to Chapel Hill to witness the football game between Carolina and Virginia. The outcome of the game was a nothing-something tie. Others hied themselves to the country to hunt and to Sankey quietness prevailed. Practically all local business houses were closed throughout the day. Only two arrests for drunkenness were made and the parties arrested were from another town.

Mr. Nobles Entertains At Birthday Luncheon

E. J. Nobles entertained several friends at a birthday luncheon at his home, South Layton avenue, on the evening of November 22. Those attending declared the occasion a most delightful event. Invited guests were: Pie Anderson, William and Jere Pearson, R. R. Koons, L. C. Essell, Henry Lee, Edward Graham, W. T. Harrison, Mr. Bonedaux, R. S. McKay, J. M. Sherwood, all of Dunn; C. P. McClure, W. O. Darrow and Mr. Mosely, of Tarboro; J. R. Boyd, of Fayetteville, and Chas. Hill, of Columbia, S. C.

Tom Tarheel says that he is going rabbit hunting with his boy pretty soon now and they are going to talk over a lot of things about trees and birds and wild things of the woods.

MANY VIOLATORS GREET RECORDER

Road And Jail Sentences And Fines Dealt Out By Judge Jernigan

One road sentence, two jail sentences and fines totaling \$215 were imposed upon violators of the law by Recorder M. M. Jernigan at the pro-Thanksgiving session of the local court Wednesday. Quite a number of defendants faced the recorder, the major part of them being charged with violating the dry laws.

Cases disposed of during the day's session were:

Harvey Taylor, drunk on the public highway and transporting; fined \$25 and cost on the transporting charge and taxed with the cost on the charge of being drunk.

Annie Carter and Laura James, ladies of color, selling whiskey; both sentenced to 60 days in the county jail. They gave notice of appeal and made bond in the sum of \$100 each. This case grew out of the finding of two gallons of whiskey buried in the back yard at the home of the negroes by local officers last Saturday.

Archie Crabtree, drunk; fined \$25 and cost.

John Cantady, reckless driving; fined \$25 and cost.

N. B. Thornton, better-known as "Mandy," drunk; sentenced to 60 days on the roads. Recorder Jernigan allowed Thornton 10 days in which to get his business lined up before beginning his sentence.

V. H. Massengill, drunk and disorderly and firing a gun in the town of Dunn; judgment suspended upon payment of a \$25 fine and the cost of both actions.

Foy B. Hudson, drunk and disorderly and transporting; given a four months suspended road sentence and taxed with the cost.

Levi Thomas, Indian, three cases—speeding and reckless driving, fined \$15 and cost; being drunk, fined \$25 and cost; and transporting, fined \$25 and cost.

Miss Strickland, Indian, three cases—taxed with the cost; having whiskey in his possession; fined \$25 and cost. Winston Crowder, negro, drunk and disorderly in the town of Duke; fined \$25 and cost.

P. T. Nunnery, speeding; taxed with the cost.

Millard Jernigan, drunk; taxed with the cost.

Ivan Ryals, drunk and disorderly; fined \$25 and cost.

Several other cases appearing on the calendar were continued until next Thursday.

Mrs. M. G. Lee Died At Her Home Last Night

Mrs. M. G. Lee died last night at her home, three miles north of Dunn, death resulting from paralysis. Deceased had been an invalid for the past three years and her death was not unexpected. She was 57 years old and is survived by her husband and several children. The funeral was conducted from the home this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock and interment was made in the Lee cemetery.

Self-Wounded Suitor Confesses To Murder

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 26.—After mauling himself when Mrs. Mildred Post, 24, refused to marry him, Sergeant George F. Alstad, Jr., 31, of Fort Howard, tonight confessed, police say, that he had killed a man at Roanoke, Va., for a crime a marine sergeant is now being held. Alstad shot himself near the heart at the home of Mrs. Faust's father. The woman called a policeman, and at her urging, police say, Alstad told the officer that he had thrown a man from a fourth story window of the Roanoke post-office.

The authorities are investigating the story.

Imperial Wizard To Seek \$50,000 More

Little Rock, Ark., Nov. 28.—Alleging that William J. Simmons, emperor of the Ku Klux Klan, in his answer to the \$100,000 libel suit filed against him several months ago by Dr. E. W. Evans, Imperial Wizard of the Klan, had made charges which in themselves amounted to libel, Dr. Evans yesterday, through his attorney, filed suit in Pulaski Circuit Court for an additional \$50,000 damages.

Father—"Why is it that you are always at the bottom of the class?" Johnny—"It doesn't make any difference, daddy; they teach the same things at both ends."

One G. O. P.

Members of the National Committee, it will be glad to learn, that William Wrigley, Jr., Commissioner of the distribution of chewing gum, aggregating \$50,000,000 "chelon" will be cut as a present to the company.

In 1920, it was reported that William Wrigley, Jr., Commissioner of the distribution of chewing gum, aggregating \$50,000,000 "chelon" will be cut as a present to the company.

But Andy has one dominating trait. It dominates his life and all his actions. It is his outstanding characteristic. It is that part of his personality which does not vary from day to day. It is one distinguishing characteristic that makes Andy Gump what he would not be Andy Gump at all but another character.

To say, this one outstanding distinguishing characteristic which projects itself through all his action and which is the characteristic which makes him what he is, is in utter ignorance of the character of Andy Gump.

It is not his fortunes or misfortunes, his successes or failures, his goodness or his badness, that make him the Andy Gump of the community, but that trait of his character which inevitably impresses itself upon the thousands who know him, for the Andy Gumps are popular and known to about everybody in the community, but they always, even though innocently, have that one outstanding and distinguishing trait which nobody can overlook for long. They are sometimes very useful citizens and sometimes highly honored despite that distinctly Andy Gump trait, which often is taken as a matter of course and passed up with a smile and a wink by the community rather than taken seriously. Nobody takes them very seriously—except themselves. They are regarded as entirely harmless.

Some Andy Gumps will read this, but not one of them will suspect that he is the subject of this editorial, though a thousand of his neighbors may be thinking of him at the moment.

Name the Andrew Gump of your town. Easy, isn't it?—Charlotte Observer.

Population Increasing

Spring Branch, (Dunn R. 1), Nov. 29.—As an evidence that our young married folks have no intention of disobeying the age old command to "multiply and replenish the earth," and have not joined any race suicide movement we gladly submit the following: Born, on Sunday night, November 26, to Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Wilford, a son, On Thanksgiving morning, to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Giles, a daughter.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this method of thanking all our friends for their kindness and assistance during our recent bereavement. They will not be forgotten.

JESSE B. LEE AND FAMILY.

A thankful heart is not only the greatest virtue, but the parent of all the other virtues.—Cicero.

OFFICERS MAKE AN UNUSUAL CAPTURE

Get Still, 250 Gallons Whiskey, 7,000 Gallons Beer And Other Equipment

One of the largest whiskey hauls ever made in Harnett county was perfected last Saturday when officers captured a steam copper outfit of 185 gallons capacity, together with 250 gallons of whiskey, around 7,000 gallons of beer, 2,100 pounds of sugar, a large supply of meal and rye, two mules and a wagon and arrested one man. The man arrested gave his name as Brown. A negro who was at the plant when the officers reached the scene escaped.

The still was found on the banks of Anderson Creek in Anderson township, in the western part of Harnett county. A two-room shack had been built for the use of the operators and was fenced in a two-acre enclosure. The shack contained a double bed and two cots, which would indicate that at least four people had been engaged in the operation of the big still.

The plant, according to the officers, had a capacity of at least 200 gallons every twenty-four hours and the surroundings indicated that it had been in operation for at least a month. It was perhaps the largest and most complete distilling plant ever captured in Harnett county. Officers made the raid and captured the operator, Sheriff J. W. McCartan and Deputies Mathews, Spivey, Davis and Avery.

The still was equipped for making either rye or corn whiskey and the major portion of the finished product was of the rye variety. The whiskey was colored by the use of chemicals, which gave it the "bottled in bond" appearance.

Dunn High Wins

The Dunn high school football team won its first victory of the season, that being to Fayetteville.

B. Y. F. U. PROGRAM

December 3. Leader—Sallie Maylor. Devotional Meeting: "Fighting the Good Fight of Faith." Scripture reading—Myrtle Pope. Introduction—Sallie Maylor. Figures describing fighting—M. M. Jernigan. Piano solo—Miss Helen Jernigan. The Song Arched For Service—Mr. R. L. Denning. Living the Victorious Life—Miss Ippok.

Duet—Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Denning. "We'll Move At His Command"—Dr. R. L. Warren.

Prayer. Song: "Loyalty."

Will Aid By Chewing

"Yes, I am for Hiram Johnson for President," said D. H. Senter, of Harnett county, as he was observed busily chewing gum. "I do not know whether I can do much for him," added Mr. Senter, "but as I see that Wrigley, the chewing gum man, is managing Johnson's campaign, I can perhaps help the Johnson boom along by increasing my use of Wrigley's chewing gum."—From Views and Observations, in Raleigh News & Observer.

Some Printer

"May I print a kiss on your lips?" I said, And she nodded her sweet permission. So we went to press, and I rather guess We printed a full edition. "One edition is hardly enough," She said with a charming pout. So again on the press the form was placed, And we got some "extras" out.—Oteen Echo.

The Colored Parson's Farewell

Brethren, I am going to leave you. I do not believe the Lord loves this generation because none of you ever die. I do not believe you love each other because since I have been here none of you have married. I know you don't love me because you have never paid my salary; all I have received is mouldy fruit and rotten apples. "By their fruits ye shall know them." Brethren, I am going to a better place. I am going to be chaplain in the penitentiary. Whither I go you cannot follow, but I go to promote a way for you. And the Lord have mercy on your souls.—True Confessions.

Arrested For Flying Plane while Drunk

San Antonio, Tex., Nov. 16.—The first arrest in San Antonio's history on a charge of operating an airplane while intoxicated was filed Sunday. Sergeant Lloyd Hefling, stationed at Brooks Field, was arrested by military police after a landing in which he crashed into an oak tree in a San Antonio residence section. Hefling was unhurt and witnesses say a woman leaped from the plane and escaped before officers arrived. Hefling also was charged with transporting liquor in an airplane.

BUD LEWIS KILLED ON HOLIDAY HUNT

Back Of Head Blown Off By Accidental Discharge Of His Cousin's Gun

The lure to go hunting on Thanksgiving Day resulted in the death of Bud Lewis, 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Lewis, who live in the Shady Grove section of Sampson county, yesterday morning when the accidental discharge of a gun in the hands of Rogers West blew off the back of his head.

The two boys were hunting and were walking a log across a swamp when the gun went off unexpectedly. The load from the shot gun struck the unfortunate lad at close range and he fell off the log into the water, death resulting instantly. West, who is said to be about 16-years-old, and a cop of Mr. and Mrs. Willie West, first-cousin to the boy killed.

Both families are well-known and the distressing accident cast a pall of gloom over the entire community. The funeral took place from the home this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Pope-Matthews

Fayetteville, Nov. 27.—A quiet but successful wedding was celebrated yesterday afternoon at the home of Carl Pope, Rev. Scott Turner officiating. Only a few intimate friends witnessed the ceremony.

The bride, a beautiful blonde, was becomingly attired in a traveling suit of blue with grey accessories. Mrs. Pope is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Matthews, of Godwin, and is very popular in social circles.

Mr. Pope is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Pope, of Dunn. He holds a position with the Norfolk Southern Railroad Company. Mr. and Mrs. Pope are now at home in Raleigh.

Democracy's Creed

I believe in the free public training of both the hand and the mind of every child born of woman. I believe that by the right training of men we add to the wealth of the world. All wealth is the creation of man, and he creates it only in proportion to the trained uses of the community; and the more men we train the more wealth everyone may create.

I believe in the perpetual regeneration of society, and in the immortality of democracy and in growth everlasting.—Walter Hines Page.

First Span

A sweet young thing was promenading on the beach in her handsome bathing suit, when she was accosted by her bashful sweetheart, and, after a short conversation, she said: "Simon, dear, let us sit down under the pier by the pier where no one will hear us," and so they went. After a short period she put her arms around his waist, and while he was playing in the sand, she said, "Kiss me, Simon," whereupon the young man shyly looked at her and said, "I can't dear; I've got sand in my mouth." Then an unknown voice from above them suddenly yelled, "Swallow it, you need some in your system."—The Shrapnel.

Wonder Why

Guest—"I shall speak to the bell-captain about you. You should always knock before entering a room. Why, I might have been dressing." Bellboy—"Oh, I knew you weren't, ma'am; I always look through the keyhole first."—Exchange.

"Elija," said a friend of the family to the old colored washerwoman, "have you seen Miss Elija's fiancé?" Elija pondered for a moment, then bent over the laundry tubs once more. "No, ma'am," she said, "It ain't been in the wash yet."—The Christian Evangelist.

H. C. AWARDS MANY ROAD CONTRACTS

Cost of Eighteen Lettings To Total More Than Two and Half Millions

Fayetteville, Nov. 27.—A two and a half million dollar award for 18 construction projects in every section of North Carolina was made by the state highway commission tonight as the first of the 1923 lettings.

Nearly a half million dollars of the big aggregate goes for bridges and structures of various kinds, from a small culvert to a \$124,000 span for the Chewa river connecting Gates and Henderson counties.

In the sixth, or Charlotte district, the projects for Lincoln and Richmond counties, while four big projects are located in the northernmost regions.

The Lincoln county project calls for 658 miles of graded road on Route 27, with a bridge divided into two highway and bridge projects. The low bidder, J. C. Canroad, of J. F. Mulligan, North Wilkesboro, \$22,416; Gus Ginn, Gastonia, \$27,729; an bridge, R. M. Thurmond company, Lynchburg, Va., \$7,627.25; J. A. Peterson, Montgomery, \$21,114.00.

The Richmond county project is a five mile stretch of hard surface highway between Hamlet and Laurel Hill. The low bidder is George R. Martin, of Salisbury, at \$199,125.40.

The other awards were as follows: Jackson county, 7.02 miles of gravel road, with structures; road work to Piedmont Construction company, Sallie, \$40,000; structures to same company, \$52,758.40.

Cherokee county, 14.3 miles of top soil between Murphy and Andrews; road work to W. E. Graham, Mt. Ula, \$299,048; structures to W. T. Moore, Andrews, \$100,276.

Lincoln county, 6.5 miles of top soil; McDowell county, 10.23 miles of gravel road, with structures; road work to same company, \$1,000,000.

Swain county, 1.5 miles of top soil; Johnston county, 5.7 miles grading to Nollo L. Teer Durham, \$19,758; bridge to R. M. Beasley, Lumberton, \$26,725.

Swain county, 5.82 miles of top soil between Francis and Danbury; road work to J. F. Mulligan, of North Wilkesboro, for \$111,125.40; structures to Piedmont Construction company of Sallie, for \$14,676.80.

More county, five miles of asphalt between Aberdeen and Southern Times, Waco company, Chattanooga, Tenn., \$81,678.

Montgomery county, two miles of gravel road between Troy and Fayetteville, W. F. Buwe, Jr., Augusta, Ga., \$65,187.50.

Casswell county, 16.5 miles of sand and gravel to Nollo L. Teer, of Durham, \$16,229; structures to R. W. Curran, of Lynchburg, Va., \$69,157.

Orange county, 7.43 miles of gravel road to L. L. Tindall, Waterford, Va., \$230,27.60. This stretch is on a gravel highway.

Edgecombe county, 6.2 miles of sand and gravel to F. J. McGuire, Norcross, Va., \$98,597.

Sampson county, 12.8 miles of sand and gravel to Highway Engineering company Selbyville, Del., \$266,138.

Johnston county 57 miles grading to Nollo L. Teer Durham, \$19,758; bridge to R. M. Beasley, Lumberton, \$26,725.

Hertford and Gates counties, bridge over the Chewa, Roanoke Iron and Bridge works, Roanoke, Va., \$34,473.—Brock Barkley, in Charlotte Observer.

Large Crowd Attends
Frank Blount Funeral

Fayetteville, Nov. 25.—One of the largest gatherings that has attended a funeral service here in recent years paid tribute to the memory of W. Frank Blount, one of Fayetteville's most beloved citizens, yesterday afternoon, when the funeral rites were held from the Hay street Methodist church. The services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. R. A. Humble, and were quite impressive. The music was unusually beautiful, as befitted service held for one whose life had been so largely devoted to the sublimity of the arts.

The members of the Kiwanis club and the Fayetteville lodge of Elks attended the services in a body, as did the directors of the Cumberland Saving & Trust Co., and the directors of the Cross Creek Building and Loan association. Mr. Blount being a member of all these organizations. The interment was in Cross Creek cemetery.

Wanted—I am in a position to hatch your eggs at 5 cents per egg. Please 625.—Otago News.