

North Carolina Leads The South, He Says

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North Carolina, facing the east, light and beauty of the morning, between 31 and 36 North latitude feet falling in the Atlantic, her resting on the great Smokies hills.

In Spring and Summer, she is gown in lovely, lovely changeable living gown, crowned by Madam Nature's hands with wreaths of Spruce, Juniper, Balsam and Rhododendron, and beautiful trees over adorned with brown of moss, Conqueror, or King ferns, more profuse fragrant, and aromatic than when the morning stars sang together for joy, on the morning of creation; trimmed with sunshiny ribbons and streamers of the long ranges of the Blue Ridge and the Alleghenies and their Spurs; more beautiful than those worn by Pharaoh's daughter coming forth to meet King Solomon, at the celebration of their nuptials.

lying between them, 35 to 75 miles in width, with many cross valleys connecting them, with narrow valleys and river gorges between them. There are more than 80 peaks reaching an altitude of about 5000 feet 40 over 6000 feet, and Mt. Mitchell rising to an altitude of about 6711 feet, and hundreds of peaks below 5000 feet backing up these.

In the long ago, when King Storm gathered, his somber crown about some of these peaks and moved in majesty across this great plateau, and forked lightning leaped from peak to peak, keeping time to the chimes, nature's great organ, shaking down the rain in torrents, it gave birth and source to numbers of the grandest rivers in the finest location on Earth; and, as they discolored, pure, sparkling crystal waters, as bright, young, and dancing as when flung from the finger of God in the beginning, rushing, tumbling down the slopes in cascades and water falls, with attendant butterflies, rainbows, moss-covered and sun-printed cliffs, with towering peaks and lovely valleys below, blue skies and golden sunsets above, rushing on by hill and dale, mountain and vale, grand forests, landscapes, birds, flowers, fine farms, happy homes, water-plants, animals, man, beast, factories, villages, towns, cities, and also furnishing unmeasured powers to turn the wheels of progress.

North Carolina has the greatest number of minerals, the greatest variety of soils of any State in the Union. These soils are susceptible of the highest state of improvement, as shown by the beautiful harvests under the influence and direction of efficient men, at the head of her Agricultural Institution.

She has an ideal climate, temperature, reaching an average of 40 an 42 degrees Fahrenheit in winter, and 72 degrees in summer, neither too

hot nor too cold. She has every elevation between sea level and the tops of her mountains. Since 100 feet in altitude is equivalent to 500 miles in latitude, she offers a wonderful choice as to temperature; greater than any other state east of the Mississippi. She has much rainfall, averaging from 40 to 82 inches per annum, more than any other state except Western Oregon, and a belt extending by the mouth of the Mississippi. This gives great assurance of regularity of fine crops, also giving her citizens the greatest choice of climate conditions in the selection of their homes.

The Subtropical plants and the more hardy ones of the North grow in North Carolina giving 22 profitable commercial, agricultural crops, a greater number than in any other state, making her fifth from the top in Agriculture products.

She has more than 6900 factories giving employment to more than 158,000 workers, with an annual payroll of \$127,000,000, and an investment capital of more than \$169,000,000. She leads the South in the number of wages and salary earners; and, in value added to raw material after process of manufacture; North Carolina adds \$471,000,000; Texas \$295,000,000; Virginia 259,000,000; Georgia 263,000,000; North Carolina leads in the South in the number of furniture factories, in the capital invested, in the number of operators employed, in the variety of products and in value of output.

North Carolina leads in the United States in having the largest Denim Mill, the largest Towel Mill, the largest Pulp Mill, consumes one fourth of all the tobacco used in manufacture, and pays one fourth of all the tobacco taxes. In 1921, North Carolina paid \$80,000,000 tax on Tobacco; New York, next state, paid \$45,000,000. North Carolina manufactures more cigars, has more cotton mills, and is second in value of cotton manufactured products, manufactures more furniture than all but one other city in the United States. In 1921, Johnson, Pitt and Robertson were in the list of fifty richest agricultural counties of the Union. North Carolina is the second in the production of tobacco; third in the production of forage, peanuts, and sweet potatoes; has grown more to the acre. Leads in the number of debt-free homes, more than four fifths of the homes have not one cent of debt on them; is first in value and quantity of Mica produced, mining 75 percent of all mines in America; is first in quantity of Feldspar, is first in value and quantity of mill stones, and the and the greatest value per ton; is third, from the top, in value of all her products.

North Carolina leads the world in having the largest hosiery mills, the largest towel mills, the largest As a pleasure and health resort, of tobacco, having second hydro-electric plant.

North Carolina has excellent state institutions and laws, administered fairly and justly by a firm and able set of judges as ever set upon the rostrum. These laws do not grind the face of the poor; a poor man in North Carolina does not pay one cent of tax to the State.

Eight years ago, North Carolina paid \$4,000,000 for schools, the last two years she paid \$42,000,000 for the same purpose.

As a pleasurer and health resort, Western North Carolina is with renown. Her pure crystal waters, her balsam laden air, her clean blue skies, where sporadic disease cannot exist above an elevation of 1700 feet altitude, the grandeur of her mountain peaks, the beautiful valleys below, sharp ridges and deep cut canyons, fine forests, heavy foliage, birds and flowers, so full of life, from one of the brightest set of living pictures and every turn of the eye, like the Kaleidoscope, presents a new set of panoramic views. This part of the State is truly the Switzerland of America, the Eden of the New World, and is filled with thousands of happy sturdy boy and girl scouts, tourists and pleasurer seekers.

North Carolina is settled largely by the Saxons, perhaps the purest in the land, a race which has proved itself one of the most constructive capable, just, generous, brave, liberty loving people of the world.

Our people fled from the Mother Country, seeking religious liberty, and they got it by revolution; but our parents almost grew free under the influence of a set of Christian

80,000 Horsepower Will Be Developed

The Mountain Island plant of the Southern Power company, now nearing completion on the Catawba river three miles from Mount Holly, will have four generators each producing 20,000 horsepower.

The lake formed by the dam on the river covers 3,500 acres, the water being impounded for a distance of six to eight miles. The powerhouse is built in the dam and is 140 feet high.

The plant will have a head of 85 feet. This water will generate power equal to that represented by 1,800 tons of coal a day.

Leaders, such as Peck, William of Orange, Walpole, Wilberforce, Wesley, Cobden, Wright, Gladstone, Whitfield, and Lloyd George; and it appeared these peoples were used as instruments in the hand of God to carry the gospel to the Mother Country and to free the world. May they prove themselves worthy of this trust and go forward in the general uplift of the Nations on Earth.

While most of our states, like our Government, have been sitting with folded hands, awaiting reconstruction and readjustment, while more than six million laborers were out of employment, with more than twenty five million women and children dependants. Our statesmen in 1921, issued \$50,000,000 in bonds to aid our counties to build more than 6,000 miles of hardsurfaced highways connecting all the County sites and larger cities of North Carolina. Three thousand miles of this system will soon be completed. Our State during the last year, let 1100 miles of road to contract. At the present rate of work, the six thousands miles will soon be completed. Our people have scarcely felt the stringency of the times. Long live our statesmen! L. E. MAUNEY.

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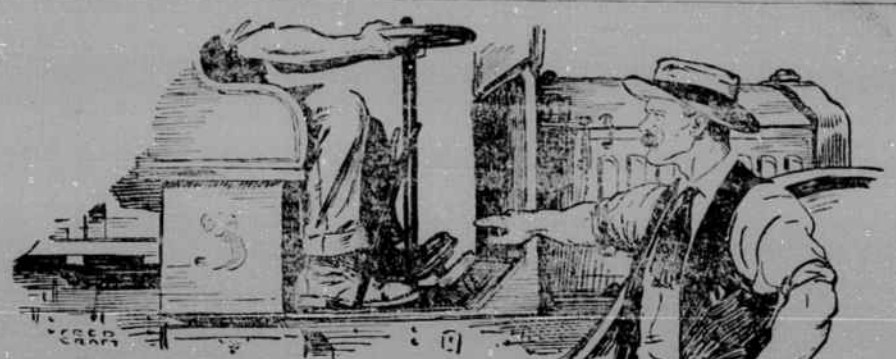
The railroads, in the last six months, have placed in service 79,240 new freight cars and 1,998 new locomotives. They are awaiting delivery of 96,855 freight cars and 1,902 locomotives. They are endeavoring to get their equipment in the best possible condition for service by October 1st, in order to properly handle the peak load. By that time they expect to have 95% of all cars in good working order.

They have increased the number of locomotives in good order from 75% to 82%, and by October 1st expect to have 85%. They have increased their fuel stocks from 6,757,000 tons to 10,667,000 tons (equal to 53%) thus releasing over 86,800 coal cars that would have been needed later on for burning this fuel. To do this, the railroads are spending over a billion dollars this year to purchase equipment, construct new yards, terminals, tracks etc.

Do not hurt the railroads, and indirectly yourself, by adopting some of the illogical and destructive measures that have been proposed by those who do not know anything about railroading.

Fact No. 10

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