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RESOURCES

Loans and discounts \$97,105.64

Overdrafts \$2,525.25

Exchange \$1,184.10

Due from banks and bankers \$10,206.41

Due from other banks and bankers \$42.50

Other assets \$1,822.14

Real estate \$106,127.79

LIABILITIES

Capital stock \$23,000.00

Surplus \$2,300.00

Dividends \$1,000.00

Deposits \$11,000.00

Time Certificates of Deposit \$4,173.29

Deposits subject to check \$106,127.79

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Director.

## OUTLOOK ENCOURAGING.

South \$120,000,000 Richer Than She Was November 1—Eight-Cent Cotton Means That and More to Section.

Atlanta Dispatch, 24th.

Notable improvement in business conditions in the South within the last few weeks is indicated in reports from merchants, cotton factors and bankers from all over the section. The last month in particular business men assert has developed the recuperative power of the Cotton States. In all these States cotton which was selling a few months ago for a little more than six cents a pound, now is finding a comparatively ready market at above eight cents.

Since the Government report of November 1st, the increase of two cents a pound in the selling price of cotton, with the corresponding advance in the price of cotton seed, according to figures of the estimates of exports, has resulted in a net increase during this period of approximately \$120,000,000 in the cash value of cotton. The effect of this enhanced value, it is stated, has been felt in every line of business in the South.

Conservative observers of the situation say that never has there been such a holding movement in the South as that noted since the opening of the present cotton season. At the outbreak of the European war, fall deliveries of cotton ranged from 12 to 13 cents a pound, which with a crop estimated at more than 16,000,000 bales forecast a season of remarkable activity. With the European markets suddenly closed and the exchanges suspended, the price abruptly decreased about one-half.

To-day throughout the South the movement of cotton from farm to market is steadily progressing, and as a result, according to reliable reports, the farmers are paying their debts to the merchants for supplies, the merchants are meeting their obligations to the small banks and their in turn are settling their account with larger banks. The general business tone is declared optimistic.

## Muddy Roads and Sentiment.

Monroe Journal.

When the public roads are deep in mud pretty much everybody is in favor of road improvement. But when the roads dry off and become fairly passable, everybody forgets it. It is very much like the Arkansas man who was sitting in his house fiddling while the rain poured through the roof. A stranger came up, and asked why in the world he didn't fix his roof. "Stranger," said the fiddler, "don't you see its raining and a man can't work in the rain." "But," persisted the stranger, "why don't you fix it when the sun is shining?" "Stranger," replied the contented man as he fiddled right on, "a man don't need it fixed when the sun is shining."

## Bleasie's Order Void.

Columbia, S. C., Dispatch, 23rd.

An order was issued here by Governor Manning declaring "void and of no effect" the action of Governor Bleasie in dissolving the South Carolina National Guard shortly before he retired. Adjutant General Moore said he believed the order automatically restored the troops to their former status and that a re-organization would be unnecessary.

Governor Manning based his action on the ground that the disbandment was illegal. No explanation was made, however, regarding the basis for the claim. Thirty-one companies, including approximately 2,000 men, comprised the State's organized militia.

The third annual contest of the North Carolina High School Debating Union will draw its membership from ninety counties. The counties unrepresented in the comprehensive forensic debates are: Bertie, Caswell, Hoke, Jones, Madison, Mitchell, Pamlico, Tyrrell, Washington and Watauga. The enrollment has enlisted the active participation of 227 schools—135 rural and State high schools, and 19 private schools. The date for the preliminary debates throughout the State is March 26, and the date of April 9 has been named for the staging of the final contest in Chapel Hill for the Aycock Memorial Cup.

The Board of Education of the State Baptist Convention last Friday elected Dr. R. T. Vann, president of Meredith College, general secretary of the board. He will begin his work as secretary to the General Education Board at the expiration of his term of office at Meredith College.

This cold weather suggests fire, and those News-Herald subscribers who have promised wood on subscription will please bring it along

## State Hospital News Notes.

Correspondence of The News-Herald.

Mr. W. K. Houk's youngest son, Dewey, and son-in-law, Mr. E. P. Hoyle, both have recently had severe cases of pneumonia. But we are glad to state now that both are up and convalescent.

Mr. J. S. Parsons, the abattoir manager, turned in 12 more nice porkers last week, average weight 325 pounds. One in the lot tipped the scales at 370 lbs. Mr. D. C. Barnwell, a patient from the mountain section, has been here for many years. He works in the shoe shop with Mr. Scott and is quite a handy man. Mr. Barnwell has a nice little country yard over on the hill back of the Hospital and in which he takes very great pride.

Mr. Brevard McCall, a patient here for many years from Mecklenburg county, is still a familiar figure and character. He can when the weather is pleasant be seen daily standing about on the lawns or near the store with his slippers in his hands discussing the political issues of the day and the European war (and in which he takes great pride) with all who pass and will stop and give him a hearing.

The new female structure was opened up the past week and the building will be wholly occupied in the near future.

The patients dance on Friday night was quite well attended from the hospital and colonies. There were some visitors. Miss Bonnie Penland, a former nurse was a visitor and attended the dance. Miss Penland is now doing her duties there from a vacation trip to her home up in the mountain section of this State.

Mr. R. B. Moore, the Hospital farm manager, made a short business trip to Statesville the past week.

The chapel services on Sunday afternoon were conducted by Rev. Mr. Williams, of the First Baptist church at Morganton. The attendance was again much smaller than usual owing to the inclement weather.

## Why Not Order From Mail Order Houses?

The following from a contributor to the Newton Enterprise, signed "A Country Woman," contains food for thought, and impresses one with the thought that progress in our own community means co-operation as far as possible on all sides:

"It is true that money spent at home is of more service to the community than money sent to New York or Chicago; but at the same time it is true that money sent to Virginia and Maryland for canned goods that could be bought by our merchants from country people and canning clubs at the same price, is not spent wisely any more than money sent to mail order houses.

"I know a business firm has to look ahead for stock but the products raised and canned by the canning clubs are as sure and reliable as any commercial house.

It is a poor rule that won't work both ways and if we are to help support the towns with our money we would be glad to have the merchants to support us as far as it is practical.

"Why cover the shelves with California peaches and turn down a home canned peach, equal in quality and lower in price?"

"Why sell a Tennessee tomato for 15c. per can when the same tomato in home grown stock can be sold for 10c. per can?"

The Newton correspondent of the Charlotte News of the 23rd writes as follows: The excruciating weather which has afflicted this section recently has done considerable damage to the improved roads and farmers port the roads as in well-nigh impassable condition. No little criticism has been elicited as a result with regard to the road building methods employed in the expenditure of the \$50,000 Newton township has recently laid out upon its roads, although many people declare that this criticism fails to take the all pervadingness of the bad weather into consideration.

Howard A. Banks, private secretary of Secretary of the Navy Daniels, and formerly editor of the Hickory Democrat, will sail from Philadelphia this week for San Francisco by way of Panama canal. He will have charge, during the Panama Exposition of the navy department's exhibit, which was prepared under his direction. This exhibit will be one of the most notable features of the exposition, as every period in the navy's history has been covered in the objects to be displayed. The war ships Oregon and Olympia will be docked in reach of the public so that crowds may inspect them and types of every sort of naval craft will be anchored in the harbor.

## CONSUMPTION TAKES 350 PEOPLE DAILY

Over 350 people succumb to consumption every day in the United States. Science proves that the germs only thrive when the system is weakened from colds or sickness, overwork, confining duties or when general weakness exists. The best physicians point out that during changing seasons the blood should be made rich and pure and active by taking Scott's Emulsion after meals. The cod liver oil in Scott's Emulsion warms the body by enriching the blood; it peculiarly strengthens the lungs and throat, while it upholds the resistive forces of the body to avoid colds and prevent consumption.

If you work indoors, tire easily, feel languid and nervous, Scott's Emulsion is the most strengthening food-medicine known. It is totally free from alcohol or any stupefying drug. Avoid substitutes.

## NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Brief Notes of Recent Happenings in North Carolina.

The next meeting of the Teachers' Assembly will be held in Raleigh.

Burke is first in per cent of attendance on state-aided high schools for 1913-14—93.2 per cent.

The Asheville school board has elected Mrs. W. A. Newell supervisor of kindergartens and primary grades in the city schools.

Gabriel J. Boney, who died in Wilmington, recently left \$10,000 to build a monument or memorial to the Confederacy, to be erected in Wilmington.

Last Friday night the postoffices at Lowell and McAdenville, Gaston county, were visited by yegmen, the former being robbed of about \$100 in stamps and money, and McAdenville of \$10.

Last week the students registered in the University numbered an even thousand. The student body is 114 larger than last year. It is a marvelous increase, the hard times considered.

Over 400 master Masons from every part of the State, representing nearly 24,000 Masons of North Carolina, attended the 128th annual Grand Lodge meeting in Raleigh last Wednesday and Thursday.

A bold robbery occurred in Asheville Sunday morning. The plate glass window of the uptown office of the Southern Express Company was smashed, but all the robber got for his trouble was four packages of whiskey.

The Elkin & Alleghany Railroad has filed in the register's office at Sparta a mortgage in favor of the Columbia Trust Company for \$750,000. This mortgage is one of a series covering the bonded indebtedness of the road.

A bill is being prepared for submission to the legislature which will allow the county commissioners to vote on the removal or remodeling of the Durham court house at any time during their term of office rather than at the December meeting only as the law now stands.

At an enthusiastic mass meeting in Asheville Friday night commission form of government for the city was endorsed. The bill prepared by a committee was ordered sent to the General Assembly to be enacted into a law providing for a vote by the people some time in March.

The State U. C. T. Council meets in Greensboro February 22nd.

A Scotland Neck dispatch of the 23rd says that funds for the purchase of "The Groves," once the home of the famous John Paul Jones of "we've just begun to fight" fame, are being raised by the Halifax Chapter, D. A. R. Photographs of the mansion as it was long ago will be used in the process of restoration of the building which is at present in a dilapidated condition.

On Wednesday of last week a wooden block of stores belonging to Mr. Charlie Yelton at Lawndale, the stock of merchandise belonging to J. L. Leary, the motion picture theatre belonging to Dr. R. C. Hicks and another stock of merchandise belonging to W. E. Richards and Company, were completely destroyed by fire. The total loss is estimated at \$8,700. It is supposed that the fire originated in the motion picture show.

Quite a good deal of excitement was caused in Shelby last week when on Tuesday night Policeman Bob Kendrick, on night duty, was shot and painfully wounded by a negro named Dave Willingham, whom he attempted to arrest. The negro had been in a fight with another negro at the Shelby depot. He was captured after he shot the policeman and placed in jail. Kendrick was taken to the hospital in Rutherfordton and, unless complications set in, will recover.

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## Pullman and One Day Coach Overturned at Claremont.

Hickory Special, 22nd, to Charlotte Observer.

Southern passenger train No. 15, westbound, due here at 6:35 a. m., was wrecked this morning at Claremont, two cars overturning and the combination baggage and mail car leaving the track. Several passengers received minor injuries and two were brought to the hospital here for medical attention. As soon as the news of the wreck was received here a special train was run down carrying physicians to attend to the injured.

It is remarkable that none of the passengers was seriously hurt or killed outright, as the Pullman and one day coach turned completely over against the bank and one was left standing almost on end. A broken rail is assigned as the cause and but for the fact that the train was running slowly the wreck might have resulted more disastrously. No delay in trains was experienced as the wreck occurred at a siding and trains could use this in passing the wreck. A wrecking crew from Salisbury cleared up the wreck.

## First in North Carolina.

Chapel Hill Correspondence.

Counties, not unlike individuals, court par excellence or ranking degrees of distinction in particular fields of effort. Prof. L. A. Williams, of the University department of education, has compiled a table of "First in North Carolina," which is calculated to stimulate other counties not thus classified to acquire these distinctive qualities in educational efforts. The table follows:

Harnett, first to establish a moonlight school for illiterate adults—Leabert School, Miss Bessie Knight.

McDowell, first to require all teachers to hold a certificate showing completion of a four-year accredited high school course in certain subjects—January, 1915.

Wake, first to have Teachers' Mutual Aid Society within its borders—Raleigh teachers, January, 1915.

Nash, first in the per cent of vaccinated children—98 per cent.

Guilford, first in total number of students enrolled in public State-aided high schools for 1913-14—310.

Burke, first in per cent of attendance on State-aided high schools for 1913-14—93.2 per cent.

Wake, first in total amount raised for the support of State-aided high schools for 1913-14—\$6,810.

Jackson, first in average expenditure per pupil in State-aided high schools for 1913-14—\$52.63.

Jackson also ranked first in this respect in 1907-08, the first year these schools were established.

Guilford, first to have a whole-time health officer—February, 1911.

Sampson, first to have a county supervisor—Miss Lulu M. Cassidey.

Wayne, first to have a county commencement—1910.

Halifax, first to register a student in the Correspondence Study Course at the University—1914.

## The Home Paper.

Ex-Gov. David R. Francis, of Missouri, once said the following of newspapers:

"Each year the local paper gives from \$500 to \$1,000 in free lines to the community in which it is located. No other agency can or will do this. The editor, in proportion to his means, does more for his town than any ten men, and in fairness he ought to be supported—not because you like him or admire his writings, but because the local paper is the best investment a community can make. It may not be brilliantly edited or crowded with thought, but financially it is of more benefit to the community."

The Highlander of Shelby has changed from a semi-weekly to a weekly.

A party of Americans who scaled the Jungfrau mountain of Switzerland recently brought back the news that from the top of that peak they had distinctly heard the sound of artillery fire from the Alsatin border, about 150 miles away.

## Monument to Rev. McNeely DuBose.

The many friends of the much lamented Rev. McNeely DuBose will be interested to know that a handsome marble altar will be placed to his memory in Trinity church, Asheville, N. C., it is hoped, by Easter. If there is any one wishing to contribute to the altar fund the amount can be left with Mrs. I. T. Avery, who in turn will forward it to Mrs. Samuel Tannahill, 53 Panama street, Treasurer of the Rev. McNeely DuBose Society of Trinity Parish, Asheville, N. C.

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## GERMANS LOSE CRUISER.

London Dispatch, 24th.

An attempt by a German cruiser squadron to repeat the recent attack on Scarborough, the Hartlepool and other British coast towns, was frustrated today by the British patrolling squadron, and in running fight the German armored cruiser Bluecher was sunk and two German battle cruisers seriously damaged.

The British ships suffered only slight injury. So far as is known only 123 of the Bluecher's crew of 885 were saved. A battle also occurred between the light cruisers and destroyers accompanying the bigger ships, but the result of that engagement has not yet reached the Admiralty.

The British were superior in ships engaged, weight of armament and speed and the flight of the German ships into the mine and submarine infested field possibly saved them from further losses.

The Bluecher was a cruiser of 15,550 tons displacement, and although commissioned in 1908, was completely re-rigged last year. She was not classed as a battle cruiser, but was in the next class to those formidable fighters.

## Home News First.

Publishers Guide.

With all the push and enterprise of the big city dailies, national weeklies and international magazines, with the numerous rural routes to help—they have not crowded out the good old county weekly containing the neighborhood news—and they never will. This feature will sustain the local paper so long as the "letter from home" sentiment remains with the reader. News of war and rumors of war fall into nothingness when put alongside of the item from Grassy Pond telling of the visit of Abe Simpson and his wife at Homing Ridge to Sebe Jones' family over on the Fork; or when Mrs. Ann Tucker in opening a fruit can cut herself in the pantry; or Pete Johnson while painting his roof fell and wounded himself in the back porch. Even if the item tells how Harry Smith, escorting Miss Mary Tombs home from the party was attacked by a vicious dog and bitten in the park, the weekly county paper is read and appreciated just the same.

## Good Roads Argument.

Charlotte Observer.

The congressional committee on Federal aid to good roads, is finding some material to help the cause. The committee has made the estimate that 700,000,000 tons of commodities are hauled over rural roads yearly at cost of 21 cents a ton-mile or \$1.89 a ton for average haul of nine miles. The commission believes system of first-class highways would reduce cost to 13 cents a ton-mile, resulting in saving of \$504,000,000 a year. On 6 per cent basis, expenditure of \$8,400,000 for good roads would be justified. Meanwhile, the Observer would not encourage any county or State to wait on Government aid, but proceed as North Carolina counties generally have done, with the building of roads out of their own resources.

## First to Hear Words Over Phone.

San Francisco Dispatch, 24th.

Thomas A. Watson, an associate of Alexander Bell, and the first man to hear words spoken over a telephone wire, will talk from here to Mayor Mitchell in New York to-morrow at a celebration of the completion of a trans-continental telephone service. The original experiments were made by Bell and Watson in Boston in 1875.

To-day (Thursday) and to-morrow are big days in Raleigh because of the presence of four eminent speakers, of national reputation. The occasion is the third annual session of the Conference for Social Service, and the eminent visitors are William J. Bryan, famous the world over as an advocate of peace, temperance and moral movements; Thomas Mott Osborne, the greatest man of our time, who has given his life to prison reform; Mrs. Cora W. Stewart, who has achieved National reputation through the Moonlight School movement in Kentucky; and Secretary Daniels, whom North Carolina still claims.

## PROMPT ACTION WILL STOP YOUR COUGH.

When you first catch a Cold (often indicated by a sneeze or cough) break it up at once. The idea that "it does not matter" often leads to serious complications. The remedy which immediately and easily penetrates the lining of the throat is the kind demanded. Dr. King's New Discovery soothes the irritation, loosens the phlegm. You feel better at once. It seemed to reach the very spot of my Cough" is one of many honest testimonials. 50c. at your Drug-

Statistics show that for the fifth time North Carolina led last year in the average production of cotton per acre, the average in this State being 283 pounds of lint cotton. South Carolina is second with 256 pounds and Georgia third with 236 pounds.

The statistics also show that this State is third in the use of commercial fertilizer, having used 762,000 tons last year compared with 1,019,000 tons—the largest in the whole country—by Georgia and 863,000 by South Carolina. Alabama is next to North Carolina in the use of commercial fertilizer.

Thirteen new Masonic lodges were instituted in the State during the year and not a charter was revoked.

The fine bridge at Greenlee, which was completed last week, is built of steel and concrete and has a span from the end of each approach of 340 feet.—Old Fort Sentinel.

## Colds are Often Most Serious—Stop Possible Complications.

The disregard of a cold has often brought many a regret. The fact of sneezing, or a Fever should be warning enough that your system needs immediate attention. Certainly Loss of Sleep is most serious. It is a warning given by Nature. It is man's duty to himself to assist by doing his part. Dr. King's New Discovery is based on a scientific analysis of Colds. 50c. at your Druggist. Buy a bottle to-day.

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## Salisbury Sets New Social Pace.

Salisbury Dispatch, 22nd.

This is a notable day in the history of Rowan county. It marks the formal opening and dedication of the first building in the State to be set apart by a county as a social center for its people.

The old court house remodelled and repaired until it looks like a fine new building was formally turned over to a committee, who will manage it and make of it a gathering of the whole county.

Some parts of the building are already in use and now the entire building is ready for service. On the second floor there is a beautiful auditorium of pretentious proportions with inclined floor and galleries. On the first floor two large rooms are used for a free public library and here shelves are arranged for eight thousand volumes. There are also rooms for the industrial club, for the historical society and rest rooms for women and children.

To-day's program extended from 10:30 late into the evening with intermissions for dinner and supper. There was music by the Salisbury band, and the speakers included Dr. J. Y. Joyner, Dr. Hill of the A. and M. College, Dr. and Mrs. Thos. W. Single, Mayor Walter H. Woodson and other local men and women.

The idea of the social center was conceived by some Salisbury women several years ago and the building of a new court house opened the way for the realization of their dreams by the use of the old temple of justice which now becomes a pioneer social center building in this section of the country.