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THE TOWN FLY PROBLEM.

If Mayor White and the town commissioners will adopt the following suggestions, which The Robesonian that he may soon be able to be out passes along from the State Board of again. Health, they will take a long step toward ridding Lumberton of the dangerous and pestiferous fly:

"Under this heading are included all populations of such density that the the State Normal and Industrial Colflies produced in one person's horse stable may pester and endanger a where there are several barns in four ago, where she spent a few days. or five hundred years of a number of They visited Jonesboro before rehomes.

"Under these conditions the fight two weeks between the middle of ver April and the middle of October. The accuracy of the last sentence.

"Now, the best way to get this done is, first, for the municipality to require a license for the maintenance of every horse stable, cow stable, or hog pen, and refuse to license stables stables or pens to pay a sufficient license fee to compensate the municipality for cleaning the stables and pens. of manure to neighboring farmers of her aunt Mrs. L. H. Price would pay a large part of the cost of removal. If the owner of the stable wanted to use the manure he should here last week. be allowed to do so (a) if he spreads the manure every four days on his land in such a way that the sun will the Atkinson last week. thoroughly dry it, or (b) if he will keep the manure in a fly-tight bin.

"It is right and just that a municipality should protect the many from Gets Editor in Trouble - Wrote That the annoyances, the unnecessary cost of screening houses, and the danger from flies produced by the compara -tively few stable owners. The insup-

Prospects For Grass Crop Good-Personal Mention,

DOWN MARIETTA WAY.

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Marietta, June 11-Our farmers are very blue over the prospects of

their crops this year. For several days heavy rains have been falling daily and it is beginning to look like the grass crop will exceed anything else.

Mr. J. J. Oliver went to Richmond several days ago, where he has undergone a serious operation for appendicitis. We are glad to know that he is doing as well as can be expected.

We are sorry to report the sickness of Mr. Oscar Page and hope

Miss Sallie Ford, who had been with her niece Mrs. Janie Oliver for several weeks, has returned to her home in Marion, S. C.

Miss Helen Oliver, a student of lege, has come home for her summer vacation. Her sister Miss Raneighbor's home, or any community chel went to Greensboro some time turning home.

Mrs. Robert Page of Lyons, Ga., on the fly should be directed against and Mrs. Jno. Sellers and daughters, his breeding place. Stables should be Misses Elizabeth and Kathleen, of so constructed as to permit the Sellers, S. C., are visiting at the complete removal of manure every home of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Oli-

Mrs W. W. Early, who had been word complete is the key-word to the in Richmond for several days, came home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Henley have returned home after spending some time with relatives in Mt Airy. Mr. Jackson Townsend, who was graduated last week from the State this ridge lies some twenty thousand that cannot be completely cleaned; University at Chapel Hill, came second, to require the owner of such home Thursday. He left Saturday for Jacksonville, Fla. where he has accepted a position.

Miss Estelle Rogers, of Marion, This fee would be small, as the sale S. C. visited last week at the home

> Mesdames C. A. Inman and A. J., Jones of Fairmont visited relatives

Miss Eva Jones of Nichols, S. C., was a guest of her cousin Miss Myr-

INCENDIARY EDITORIAL.

"Blease Should be Shot."

Raleigh News and Observer, 13th. erable obstacle to this bit of idealism court when the case growing out of The washing from the lands, and the cotton hook, which he had secured in is that sacred, constitutionally guar- the "Blease Should Be Shot" editorial emptyings of the ditches have filled some unknown way. Chief of Police

DRAINAGE OF MATAMUSKEET

Reclaim 100,000 Acres of Finest Land fairs of the district ready to begin -Largest Drainage District of its the work of development. The last Kind in the World-Will Make of these suits was decided in Decom-Hyde County Rich and Prosperous. ber last. Of course the bonds of the Raleigh Times. *

The drainage of Mattamuskeet Lake and adjacent lands in Hyde county, North Carolina, is now an assured fact. Five hundred thousand dollars in bonds, issued to pay for the work to be done in completing this great enterprise have been sold and the contracts for erecting the pumps and for digging the canals have been let, and the work will be begun zz soon as the equipment of the contractors can be assembled. The contracts call for the completion of the entire work in about twenty-four months. When completed this will be the largest drainage district of its kind in the world. The district embraces one hundred thousand acres of as fine land as can be found in the world. Fifty thousand acres of the district lie in the bottom of what has been known as Mattamuskeet Lake. If it were

called Mattamuskeet pond it would convey a much more accurate idea of the real facts. Mattamuskeet Lake is a body of fresh water lying in about the center of Hyde county. When the lake is full of water the deepest place will not exceed five or five and onehalf feet. There are no springs in the bed of the lake, and no streams

run out of it except a canal which was constructed to carry off the water when the rains should fill it to overflowing. Surrounding

the lake and distant from it on an average of about one-fourth of a mile, is a sand ridge, varying in height from three to nine feet. All the water falling within this ridge line runs by gravity into the lake. Eack of acres of land that is naturally as rich as the delta of the N'le, it is so

low that unless the season is very dry, but small crops can be produced on it. To relieve this wetness the owners of these lands have dug an simply paint the screen wire with indefinite number of ditches, running from these wet lands through the not obstruct the view from the room sand ridge into the lake. Thus the at all, but anyone on the outside canlake has been made the receptacle of not see in unless against the the water that falls into it when it screen. Of course the paint makes no rains, the water that runs into it from difference when the lamps are lightnatural water shed, and also the wa- ed."

ter falling on these back lands and the lake through running into these numberless ditches.

The original depth of the lake is unknown. As recently as seventyfive years ago the records of Hyde charge of blind tigering, escaped last W. O. Saunders and Governor Cole county are said to show that the Friday afternoon by removing brick Blease figured yesterday in Federal depth was from twelve to fifteen feet. around the window frame with a

has been dilligently at work for the past two years trying to get the afdistrict could not be placed while this litigation was pending. The bands are now sold, and the work will be begun at once and prosecuted will all speed to completion.

When finished this enterprise will reclaim about 70,000 acres of as fine land as can be found in the United States, and will make Hyde county the richest and most prosperous county in North Carolina.

The Southern Land Reclamation Company, owners of the lake bed in this district, is a North Carolina corporation, and C. A. Webb and J. P. Kerr of Asheville are stockholders.

Estate of Col. John Jacob Astor, New York Dispatch, 13th.

The estate of Col. John Jacob Astor who perished in the Titantic disaster, was officially appraised this afternoon at \$88,000,000, of which Vincent Astor receives \$68,964,499; Mrs. riel Astor \$4,856,758, and John Jacob Astor's son by his second marriage \$2,922,672.

The estate is declared to be the largest ever appraised in this country. The cost of determining its value was made remarkably low, owing to an understanding by which the Astor estate bore one-half the expenses and the State of New York the other half

How to Prevent People Looking Through Your Screens.

In the July Woman's Home Companion a department called "The Exchange" which is a collection of practical household ideas contributed by (readers. Following is one of the suggestions:

"For the screened door or window which is so situated that the curious passers-by can look into the room, white paint (not too thick). It does

"Blind Tiger" Escapes. Scottish Chief.

One-armed Sam McEachin, colored, who was in the guard house under

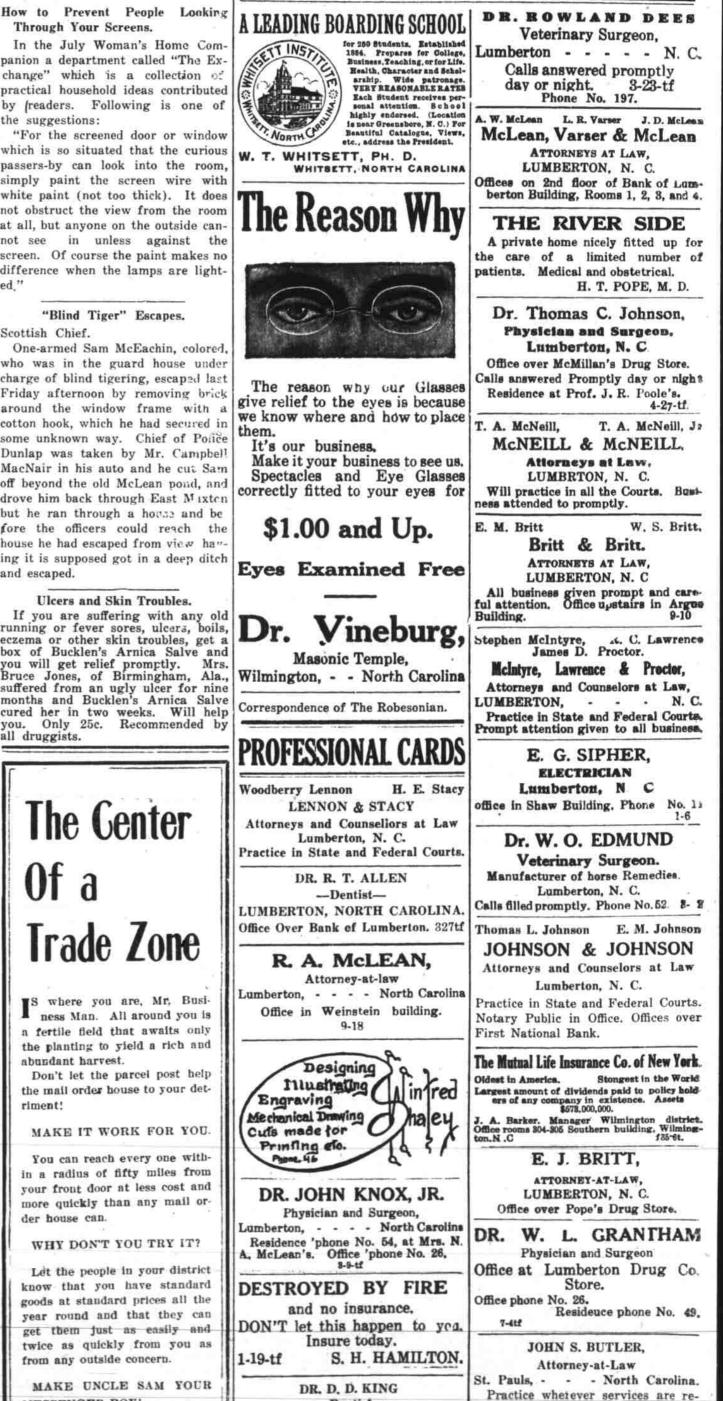


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croscopically visioned individualist, trial in October, When the property rights of the few are in conflict with the human rights of the many, it ought not to be hard sue promptly and justly.

the suffering from unnecessary sickness. Here the urban fly problem is Elizabeth City "Down Homer," and is be two thousand cubic feet of water very much the same as the rural fly partly reprinted in the bill of indict- per second. This means that the problem, with this exception: the ment, charging violation of sec. 211 pumps will be capable of discharging rural resident is annoyed by nobody's of the Federal code. That section one billion, two hundred and fifty n-ilflies except his own; the urban resi- covers such offenses as inciting to ar-

that somebody else produces.

It is to be hoped that the town commissioners will take some action soon which will abate the nuisance of obstructing sidewalks on Elm street with displays of merchandise. A libfirst meeting more than a month ago. We understand that the matter was referred to Messrs. J. D. Proctor, G. L. Thompson and C B. Redmond, members of the town board. There is no question but that a majority of the citizens of the town want to see this done.

Messrs. L. T. Townsend and Geo. L. Thompson, who compose the sanitary committee of the board of town commissioners, are doing their best to bring about more sanitary conditions and should be supported in their efforts by all good citizens. They are playing no favorites, of course. Back lots need cleaning up and it is to be hoped that every one who is given notice to clean up wil do so cheerfully.

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. To paraphrase what Emerson said of a certain man, what the railroads are doing to North Carolina in the matter of freight rates roars so loud in its unfairness that what the railroads say cannot be heard.

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anteed "personal liberty" of the mi- was transferred to Elizabeth City for it to its present condition.

Governor Blease is not the complaining witness, so far as the court officials here know. The editorial that for men of intelligence and a fair followed the Blease "To Hell With the amount of courage to decide the is- Constitution" speech in Richmond, fell into the hands of Inspector G. G.

'However, there are municipalities Himmelwright, of Newport News, and the discharge pipe from each pump where suitable regulations are more he was the chief witness before the being 60 inches. The e pumps will distasteful to the liberty-loving popu- grand jury that brought a true bill be driven by four steam engines of lace than the annoyance of flies and against Mr. Saunders,

dent usually suffers from the flies son and murder. The proportion of it four hours. reproduced begins with the caption of

the Saunders article: "Blease Should Be Shot."

The editorial says in part: "Governor Blease of South Carolina, is one of those hot-headed fools who have made the South ludicrous in the eyes of the nation. Men of the Blease erally signed petition that this be type should be shot. The McNamara done was presented to the board at its dynamiters are not sulf the meance to the life and property of the country that Blease and his kind are." The editorial then defines treason

and concludes: "The mob is an enemy to the State. Governor Blease openly gives aid and comfort to traitor. Therefore, I repeat, he should be shot, unless the constitution has gone to hell sure enough,"

By transferring this case to Elizabeth City, it will not be tried in Raleigh. It comes up in October.

Washington dispatch, 14th: Henry T. Oxnard, the millionaire vice- president of the American Beet Sugar Company, testified today before the Senate Lobby Committee that he estimated that he had spent on an average of \$20,000 a year in Washington for the last 23 years in behalf of the beet sugar industry. He said not a cent had been spent illegally.

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lake and the surrounding lands con- off beyond the old McLean pond, and templates the erection of a pumping plant on the south shore of the lake, and distant from Pamlico Sound about seven miles. This pumping plant will consist of eight centrifugal pumps, eight hundred and fifty horse power

The editorial was printed in the each. The capacity of the pumps will lions of gallons of water in twenty.

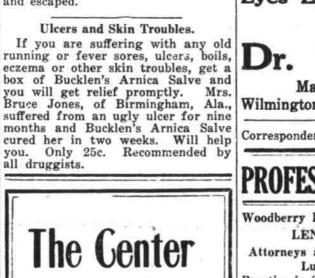
> The canals of the district are so arranged that they all converge at the pumping plant, so that all water falling within the district will reach the pumps as soon as it can run there. Between pumping plant and Pamlico Sound will be constructed an outfall canal, sixty feet wide on the bottom, seventy feet wide on the top, and from eight to nine feet deep. The pumps will lift the water from the collecting basin on the north side of the pump house, and discharge it into the outfall canal, which will carry it to Pamlico sound. There will be between 80 and 90 miles of canals in the district. This does not include the lateral canals or ditches which it will be necessary to construct before the land is properly prepared for farming.

As an indication of the magnitude of this work, it is estimated by the cortractors that it will require three hundred freight carloads, to transport to the pumping plant the material necessarv to erect the pumps and pumping house and foundations.

The cubic yards of earth to be removed by the dwedging contractors will approximate three million five hundred thousand.

This drainage district was organized under the general drainage law of the State of North Carolina in the fall of 1910by the State Board of Education, then owner of the Lake bed, and the adjacent land owners in Hyde county. As soon as the district was organized the State sold its interest to the Southern Land Reclamation Company for the sum of \$100,000. The drainage commissioners having this great work in charge are Hon. J. S. Mann, of Middleton, Hyde County, chairman; Charles E. Mann, of Middleton, vice chairman and John P. Kerr, of Asheville, N. C., secretary. The board

The plan proposed for draining this MacNair in his auto and he cut Sam drove him back through East Mixton but he ran through a house and be fore the officers could reach the house he had escaped from view ha"ing it is supposed got in a deep ditch and escaped. Ulcers and Skin Troubles. If you are suffering with any old



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