

# This Week



By Arthur Brisbane

**THE WAY OF A SHIP.  
MARK TWAIN WOULD WONDER.  
DOG AND PERFUME LADIES.  
AND ONLY ONE STAR.**

The way of a ship in the midst of the sea has changed since Solomon, the son of David, wrote his Proverbs. The hardy Phoenician, bringing precious freight for Solomon's temple, and the American T-amin period would wonder at the ships of 1927.

This is written on the Aquitania, one of many floating cities that cross the ocean, as free from romance as the moving pictures shown on Deck A. Whoever has crossed in old days rubs his eyes, like Rip Van Winkle.

Along the deck, much wider than Fifth Avenue's sidewalk, and almost as steady, comes a wheezy, short, fat lady, leading a small dog to match, with all its owner's qualities, plus a disposition to snap at passing legs. They turn at the notice. "No dogs allowed forward of this sign."

The dog wears a beautiful ribbon, the lady, possibly a grandmother, wears brilliant pink silk stockings of such high visibility that an old time captain might have put her in ignis. Much gold on her dress and on her cheeks profusely spread the rouge that Jezebel wore, in Racine's description, *pour rebayer, des ans, l'irreparable ourag.*

That modern scuffling lady passes, and here comes another, forty years younger, forty times worse. As she passes, in bright red, she scatters all the perfumes of Arabia, which are the worst, stickiest perfumes on earth, and smokes an ostentatious cigarette.

The cigarette is used as a wand, waved to emphasize a speech that she is making, deeply appreciated by a young man with black, sleek, greasy hair, a stomach caving inward, a foreign accent, and no more back head than a Russian wolf hound.

The young woman's father probably has mucus.

Hundreds spend a week in this floating hotel, not realizing that they are on the ocean until the fog horn blows. Then some say "I don't like that sound." The more nervous drown in fog horns with two more cocktails.

Modern American wealth has changed ships into cocktail and breakfast food emporiums. There are thirty kinds of mucus membrane destroyers listed as cocktails on the smoking room programme, and indignant Brits on their own ship wade through a list of American breakfast foods that amazes and outrages them.

In old days after dark sentimental young people stood whispering behind the wheel house. The older, more serious, looked at the starry sky, muttering about Arcturus, Orion and Pleiades and the Chambers of the South.

That is "old stuff" now. There is no wheel house accessible on a modern ship, and you are not supposed to look at the stars.

The only one of six decks from which they can be seen is dark at night. Nobody uses it. To walk there is to interrupt your musings by falling over shuffle boards or imitation greens for golfers.

On modern ships one star is enough. The one to be seen tonight is wondrously beautiful, deep and soulful. Her picture, in colors, just outside the dining saloon, shows her pretty tiny nose, pressed close to the nose tip of some gentleman. The sign says Pola Negri in "Good and Naughty."

In the smoking room pools are auctioned on the ship's daily run, the pools running to thousands of dollars. The chief smoking room steward, generously remembered by the winner of each pool, gets twice as much as the ship's captain. That also is modern. Many a hood-legger gets four times as much as the President of the United States.

On this voyage Mr. Newmark and Mr. Lehman display strange knowledge as to how fast a ship will go. Martin Conboy, of New York, looks on and says it's too complicated and not worth the bother anyhow.

News comes through the ether from both shores, and unlike the brother of old Jerome, of Travers and Jerome, you don't wait ten days to learn that Wall Street has ruined you. You know it the same day.

Now is the time to select your disease free Irish potato seed for next year's planting.

**Can You Beat It.**  
(From Bladen Journal)

Corn measuring 13 ft. in height was brought into the Bladen Journal office Monday by Mr. E. S. Parsons. Mr. Parsons said that he grew the corn down near his planing mill here in town. There were two big ears of corn on each stalk.

## North Lumberton News

**Where East Lumberton Scores Four to One—Sunday School Boys Enjoy a Treat—Miss Dora Price Becomes Bride of Mr. Zeke Lamb.**

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

North Lumberton, Sept. 1.—We thought we had the most progressive little mill village in this part of the woods and we still think so, excepting increase in population, for which we will have to hand the blue ribbon over to East Lumberton, for a few days ago a very prominent man from over East Lumberton way asked the writer if he was the fellow that had been boasting North Lumberton so much in the columns of The Robesonian, and as the writer had to humbly acknowledge that he was guilty he ups and says, "you can't compare yourselves with East Lumberton, for we had four births reported last night;" and this scribe had to acknowledge that they did have us beat over here to the tune of four to one.

Messrs. J. A. and H. S. Seay left late Friday p. m. for LaGrange, Ga., where they will spend a few days visiting their parents. Mr. J. A. Seay has for several years held a position as cotton grader for the Mansfield group of Mills while his brother Mr. H. S. is sales representative for the Portland Cement Co.

The North Lumberton male quartet, which was organized a short time ago by Mr. G. L. Canady of Lumberton and Messrs. Clayton Singletary, W. J. Garrell and K. F. Hamon of North Lumberton, filled an appointment last Sunday to sing at Sand Hill church. Rev. Fred Brown's sermon was enjoyed very much by the quartet as well as all present.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Guic and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Edwards and daughter, Miss Loula Edwards, spent part of the day last Sunday at Wrightsville Beach.

Mr. Santley Hardee is still on the sick list. He is now a patient at the Thompson Memorial hospital. He underwent an operation Monday for tonsils and we hope he will soon be able to return home.

Mr. K. F. Haman gave his Sunday school class of junior boys an ice cream party at his home Saturday p. m. Although the weather was unusually cool, it did not interfere with the rapid disappearance of the ice cream. We think those boys really enjoyed the occasion very much. After the cream was all gone the boys were asked if they wanted some more and one boy patted himself and exclaimed, "I can't hold any more."

Mrs. Alex McDuffie and son, Jesse, spent the week-end visiting at the home of Mr. I. A. Paul and other friends and relatives in the Saddletree section.

**Lamb-Price.** Miss Dora Price, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Price, left home Saturday afternoon to go to town. Failing to return home, her parents began an investigation as to the cause of her not returning home and found that she went to Dillon, S. C., and was there married to Mr. Zeke Lamb, s. n. of Mr. Marion Lamb of the Fairmont section. We wish for them a long and happy life. Which reminds me that it was predicted in last Thursday's Robesonian that the wedding bells would soon be ringing over here, so you see the writer knew s. m. thing about what he was talking about.

While passing through the mill a few days ago the writer saw O! such loving, longing, looks pass between two sweet young things that—O well, just listen for the wedding bells again before many more days.

## Pembroke Paragraphs

**Seven Additions to Baptist Church—Smith-Breeden Marriage—Cotton Crop Short—Social and Personal.**

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Pembroke, Aug. 31.—The meeting which has been in progress at the Baptist church here for 10 days closed Sunday. The pastor Rev. Mr. Wisbart, did the preaching, and his preaching was of great earnestness and power. There were seven additions to the church, two by letter and five on profession of faith. The church has been greatly revived and strengthened. The candidates were baptized in Lumber river Sunday afternoon.

Mr. J. W. Williams of Wilson has been in Pembroke for a day or two on business.

Miss Lillian Odum of Pembroke, Miss Aris Shankle of Raeford Mr. L. P. Beck of Badin and Mr. Fritz Hemphill of Asheville motored over to Wingate Sunday for the opening of Wingate Junior college, which took place on Tuesday. They returned Tuesday night.

The B. Y. P. U. gave a social last night at the home of Mrs. Warren Cain. Numerous games were played, after which ice cream and cake were served in abundance. Everybody reports a grand time.

Miss Elizabeth Paul is spending a while in Kinston visiting Miss Louise Tyndall, who was guest in the Paul home for several weeks, and was accompanied home by Miss Elizabeth.

**Smith-Breeden.** Miss Etta Breeden and Mr. C. J. Smith surprised their many friends Sunday, Aug. 2nd, by being united in marriage. The bride has been in the millinery business here for a few years and Mr. Smith holds a position with the A. C. L. Both young people are very popular, and have a host of friends here and elsewhere who wish for them a long and happy life. They are making their home with Mrs. C. A. Beddell.

Mrs. Norton and son of Raeford spent Wednesday here with Mr. and Mrs. N. McInnis.

Mr. Pelham Renfro is home from Mars Hill, where he attended summer school.

Mr. and Mrs. George Tadlock and children of Marshville passed thru Pembroke last week on their way to Wrightsville Beach.

Circle No. 1, W. M. S., will meet this afternoon with Mrs. Graham.

## Fairmont Letter

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where they visited Mrs. Nye's son, Mr. Elbert Nye. They also visited Philadelphia and several other places of interest while away.

Mr. Clarence Banks and a friend, of Burnsville, spent 3 days in town last week with friends.

Mrs. Sim Campbell and little son, Daniel, of Dillon, spent two days last week with Mrs. Campbell's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Averett Mitchell.

Mr. Carson Byrne of Raleigh spent a few days last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Byrne. Miss Arabelle Byrne returned to Raleigh with her brother, where she goes to accept a stenographic position.

Mr. Wallace McIntosh of Florence and Misses Daisy and Moultrie McIntosh of Kingstree spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Floyd. Mr. McIntosh being a brother and the Misses McIntosh niece s. of Mrs. Floyd.

Miss English Wade of Barnesville spent Monday in town shopping.

Misses Willie Dell and Elizabeth Parham of Marietta spent Monday in town with relatives.

Misses Mary Traynham, Nelle Floyd and Sallie Inman returned Saturday from East Carolina Teachers college, where they attended the 12-weeks summer school.

Miss Sue Ashley and her cousin Mrs. Cliff Ward of Lumberton, spent last week-end in Laurinburg with another cousin, Mrs. O. K. Barnes.

Mr. A. P. Floyd returned Thursday night from the Charlotte sanatorium, where he spent two weeks undergoing treatment. Mr. Floyd's many friends are glad to know that his illness was not serious and that the treatment put him in first-class condition.

Mrs. Belle Ward and son left Monday afternoon for Chapel Hill to accompany Miss Katie Andrews, sister of Mrs. Ward, and Miss Ruby Ward, daughter of Mrs. Ward, home from attending summer school, Miss Katie at Duke university, Durham, and Miss Ruby at the university of North Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Webster and son, Master Sam Jr., spent the week-end in Washington, D. C., combining business with pleasure.

Misses Josephine and Mildred Sykes of Columbia S. C., sisters of Mrs. F. B. Peele, Mrs. E. C. Lytch and Mr. Mack Peele of Gibson, sister and brother of Rev. F. B. Peele, and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sykes of Atlanta, Ga., brother and sister-in-law of Mrs. Peele, were recent guests of Rev. and Mrs. F. B. Peele at the Methodist parsonage.

Mrs. William L. Ingram and small son, Bill, of Lilesville, spent last week with Mrs. Ingram's father, Mr. A. F. Floyd. Mr. Ingram came over Sunday to accompany Mrs. Ingram and Bill home Tuesday.

Miss Lois Hayes returned Saturday from Marion, where she spent a

Scythe Champion

Walker Sackney, 65, of Hollis, won the New Hampshire mowing title from a big group of younger entries by cutting a quarter acre in 1 hour, 10 minutes in the annual contest at Durham, N. H.

## Red Head Queen



Miss Ardyth Gragg ambled into town from her father's truck farm near Tulsa, Okla., and walked off with the beauty crown for Farmer's Week at Oklahoma A. and M. College.

week with her aunt Mrs. Blanche Coleman, who accompanied her home for several days' visit.

Mr. Utley Ashley of Rocky Mount spent last week with his sister Mrs.

## WASHINGTON

FOR LABOR DAY

Go on any train Sept. 2, using a round trip ticket, good until midnight Sept. 7, and costing only

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**BASEBALL:** Washington vs. Boston, Sept. 3 and 4.

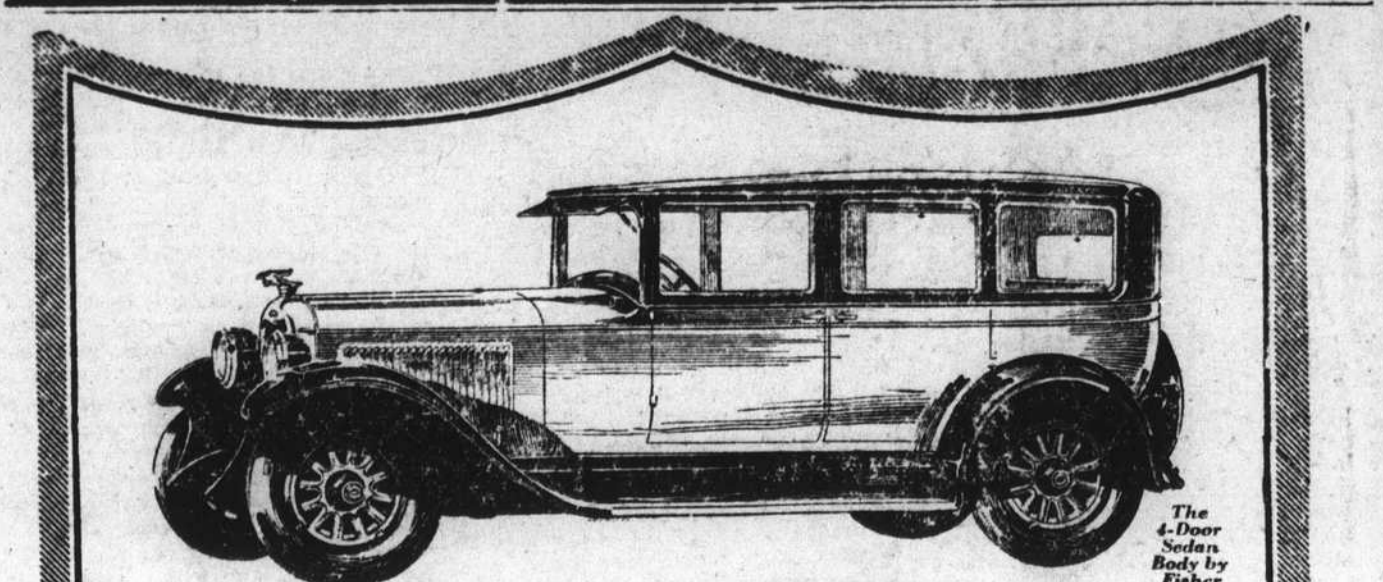
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**ATLANTIC COAST LINE**

Margaret Floyd and other relatives. Miss Ruth Bullard of Lumberton is spending several days with Miss Lily McIntosh.

lace are spending the week with their father and grandfather, Mr. A. F. Floyd.

several days. Miss Ophelia Floyd spent last week in Asheville, Blowing Rock and other mountain cities.



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