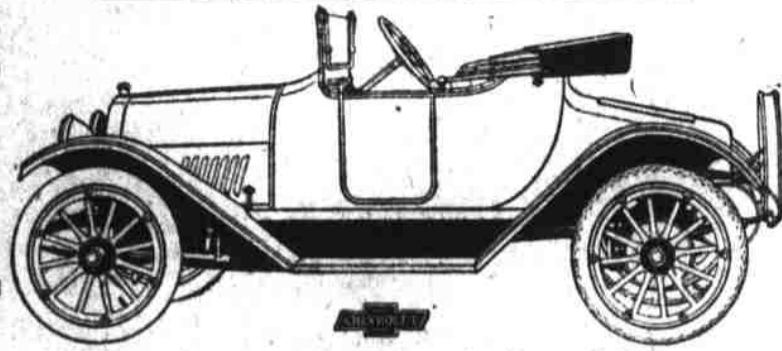


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### A NEW MECHANIC AT SPENCER SHOPS

Mr. B. McBride of Columbia Succeeds Mr. E. M. Sweetman Who Goes to the Knoxville Shops.

### INTERESTING MARRIAGE OF A COUPLE AT LOWESVILLE

Dr. Louis A. Banks, Noted Boston Preacher, to Fill Engagement Spencer School Wed. Night.

(By A. W. Hicks)

Spencer, Jan. 31.—Effective at once Mr. B. McBride, formerly of Columbia, has been appointed master mechanic at Spencer. He succeeds Mr. E. M. Sweetman who has been transferred to master mechanic at Knoxville, succeeding Mr. N. N. Boyden, resigned. Mr. L. J. Fetner, formerly general foreman at Columbia, has been promoted to master mechanic at that place.

Coming to Spencer from Princeton, Ind. Mr. Sweetman had been master mechanic at this place for "nearly a half century. He is and has been very popular with both the officials made good in every sense of the word and the transfer to Knoxville is regarded as a promotion well earned. While he has already gone to Knoxville to assume his new duties it is not expected that Mr. Sweetman will move his interesting family from Spencer for several months yet.

Mr. McBride, the newly appointed master mechanic at Spencer, has a fine record for service with the Southern Railway. Some years ago he came into prominence as general foreman at Greensboro. From there he was promoted to master mechanic for the Southern at Charleston, and was later transferred to a still better position at Columbia where his success won for him the place as master mechanic at Spencer, the largest shops on the Southern Railway system. He has many old friends here who will give him a welcome as he is inducted into office February 1st.

The development of the mammoth plant in Spencer dates back to 1903 when Capt. J. T. Robinson was master mechanic here. Since that time there has been a steady growth and enlargement of the shops in all departments until the pay roll in Spencer, including the road, bridge and section crews, reaches something like a quarter million dollars each month. The master mechanics who have served during this time includes Capt. Robinson, S. R. Richardson, J. F. Shehan, W. S. Murrian, W. P. Kaderly, E. C. Sasser, J. C. Roach, and E. M. Sweetman. All have gone to better positions in other places. Mr. Sasser now being superintendent of motive power with offices in Charlotte.

It is the policy of the Southern Railway to promote worthy men in the service and many others have gone from Spencer to fill desirable positions in various branches of the service. Spencer furnished both the bride and groom in an interesting marriage which took place Wednesday afternoon at Lowesville, near Charlotte, when Miss Lois Baxley became the bride of Mr. William E. Campbell. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. A. Sharpe, an uncle of the bride at his home in Lowesville, to which place the happy couple had gone for that purpose earlier in the day. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Cora E. Baxley of Spencer, and is much liked by all who know her. For several years she had been an efficient and popular in the Southern Railway telephone exchange. The groom holds a responsible position with the Southern here. After the ceremony the young couple came at once to Spencer and will make their home with Mrs. J. N. Burns on Carolina avenue.

The noted Boston preacher, Dr. Louis A. Banks, has an engagement to

speak at the Spencer school auditorium on Wednesday night of next week, February 6th, and the public is invited to hear him. His subject will be "Making Uncle Sam a Safe Leader for Democracy." Dr. Banks is one of the best known speakers in America, is widely known as a lecturer, and his coming is under the auspices of the temperance forces of the country. This is to be one of hundreds of rallies to be held in the next few weeks throughout the United States. It will be a real treat to hear Dr. Banks.

Miss Sophia Lefler, one of the popular teachers in the Spencer graded school, was taken to the Salisbury sanatorium today with a severe attack of appendicitis. She had been a great sufferer for the past 24 hours and a thorough examination at the hospital will determine whether or not an operation is to be performed at once.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Lanning are entertaining a young soldier at their home on Newton Heights. He arrived Saturday morning to make his home. Mrs. W. D. Pethel has been confined to her bed this week with bronchial pneumonia and is reported somewhat improved. Mr. Alvie Pethel who was hurt by falling from a freight train near New London some ten days ago, is reported as improving slowly at the hospital in Salisbury. He was badly shaken and bruised by the fall on the frozen ground some twelve feet below.

Mr. J. V. Pethel, father of Postmaster W. D. Pethel, is very sick at the home of another son, Mr. Robert Pethel, in East Spencer. His condition is not very encouraging. He is about 77 years old.

### WILSON APPEALS TO FARMERS TO LEND THEIR ASSISTANCE

President in a Special Message to Men at Farmers Conference Asks Support of Agriculturists in Winning the War.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, Jan. 31.—To the farmers of the United States, President Wilson today sent a message in which he called attention to the country's need of their assistance during the coming year in winning the war.

The message was sent through the Farmer's conference now being held at the University of Illinois, at Urbana. The President had expected to attend but indisposition made this impossible and he delegated Mr. Houston, secretary of agriculture, who was prevented from participating by the tie-up in transportation facilities.

### MAIL DELAY BRING QUERRY FROM HOUSE

Resolution Asks Burleson How Long It Takes Letters to Get to Yankees

Washington, Jan. 30.—The house today adopted a resolution calling on Postmaster General Burleson for information about the delay of mails to American soldiers in France. There was introduced by Representative Rogers of Massachusetts, who, with other congressmen abroad, heard complaints from soldiers. It had been referred to the committee on the Post Office and Post Roads, but on motion of Mr. Rogers, the house took the resolution out of that committee.

Information is sought from Mr. Burleson about the length of time required to transmit postal matter from the United States to members of the American expeditionary force in France, and whether the time now consumed can be curtailed, and, if any, of mail matter be reduced.

Inquiry is also made as to whether any inquiry has been made along these lines and what recommendations, if any, were contained in the report.

### FOUR DEAD IN HEAD-ON COLLISION OF TRAINS

Two Other Trainmen Injured When Memphis Special Crashes Into a Freight—Assert Engineer Failed.

Roanoke, Va., —an. 30.—Four men were killed, two trainmen injured and several passengers shaken up in a head-on collision between the Memphis Special and a westbound Norfolk and Western freight train 10 miles west of Radford, tonight, about 10:30, according to information given out at the Norfolk and Western division offices.

The wreck is said to have been caused by failure of the freight engineer to observe instructions.

The dead reported are: Engineer J. H. Smith, of the Memphis Special, of Bristol, Va.; Freight Engineer F. A. Jacobson, of Roanoke, Va.; freight fireman H. C. Doyle, of Roanoke, Va.; Elbert Taylor, negro, brakeman, of Bristol, Va.

J. R. Mason, engineer on the second engine of the Memphis Special, was injured by getting the toes on one of his feet cut off. A fireman, whose name could not be learned, was scalded.

The Memphis Special is a Southern railway passenger train between Memphis and New York, but is operated over the Norfolk and Western's tracks between Bristol and Lynchburg.

### GERMANY GETS MAIL BY WAY OF MEXICO WITH HELP OF SPAIN

City of Mexico, Jan. 30.—There is direct communication by the Spanish mail steamships between Mexico and Spain. The German minister in Mexico in this manner keeps in touch with his government, his official mail upon arriving in Spain finding its way aboard some of the numerous German submarines that have their bases along the Spanish Atlantic and Mediterranean coasts.

Other things are suspected of reaching Germany from the United States by way of Mexico and Spain. For instance, not long ago the attention of certain United States officials in Mexico was directed to a shipment of fireproof safes which reached Veracruz from the United States by water. When the presumably empty safes were opened they were found packed full of articles badly hidden in Germany. There were reasons for believing that this stuff was destined for transshipment to Germany.

### HIGHER WAGES ESSENTIAL TO REPAIRING TRACKS

Railroad Wage Commission Is Told That Laborers Are Leaving the Roads.

Washington, Jan. 30.—Railroad tracks cannot be kept in proper repair unless higher wages are paid laborers, the railroad wage commission was told today by representatives of the maintenance of way employees' union. Thousands of men already have left the railroad to take jobs with industries or mines paying much higher wages, and it was said many others plan to quit early in the spring.

In many localities section foremen are said to be depending largely on farmers to do repair work on the roads. The farmers will go back to their agricultural duties with the passing of winter.

T. H. Gerry, president of the union proposed that the poorly paid classes should receive a 50 per cent increase and that this should be scaled down to about 20 per cent for the better paid men. He said about 500,000 are employed on maintenance of way work by the railroads.

An umbrella opened on the stage is supposed to bring ill luck to the actors and probably there is no play in existence in which an open umbrella figures.

### NEW LABOR DIRECTOR.



John E. Densmore, solicitor of the Department of Labor at Washington, has been named national labor director to head the new division created in the department. He will have general supervision of the labor problem throughout the country. The new organization is an expansion of the United States Employment Service.

## WANTS

WANTED.

OLD FALSE TEETH WANTED:—Don't matter if broken. I pay \$2 to \$15 per set. Also cash for old gold, silver, and broken jewelry. Send by parcel post and receive check by return mail. Will hold goods 10 days for senders approval of my offer. L. Mazer, 2007 So. 5th St., Philadelphia, Pa. 15-12t

WANTED: 2,000 CORDS OF WOOD delivered at Camp Greene. Prompt shipment; will also, contract for 60 day delivery. Write, wire or phone us.—Brown-Knox Mercantile Co., Davidson, N. C. 1-9-1f

WANTED: HICKORY BLOCKS & split hickory billets. Write for prices and other information.—Hickory Handle & Mfg. Co., Copover, N. C. 1-3-4w

WANTED: 400 TO 500 BUSHELS Corn. Phone 798. 12-17-1f

WANTED—AN ACTIVE MAN WITH some money; not less than \$1,000.00 We leave money in your bank and help finance; permanent position. Marine Iron & Steel Co., Norfolk, Va. 11-27-1f

WANTED: SECOND HAND, FIVE Passenger Ford Automobile bed. Phone 695 J. 1-30-3t

TREE SURGEONS — WITH OR without experience. Steady work, opportunity for advancement and travel. State references, age, and pay requested. O. V. Bliss, Greensboro, N. C. 11-3-1f

### FOR SALE.

FOR SALE: AUTOMOBILE TIRES that wear longest are the ones you will buy. We have large stocks. Goodyear, Kelly Michelin and Ajax. Rouzer Garage Co. 1-17-60t

### FOR RENT.

FOR RENT: 5 ROOM COTTAGE ON South Caldwell street. Phone 14. 1-28-1f

FOR RENT — STEAM HEATED furnished home. Modern conveniences, South Main St. Phone 102J P. H. Thompson. 1-29-1f

### MISCELLANEOUS

PLENTY OF FISH—HOOVERIZE Phone Brown's Market, No. 111. 1-30-3t

WE GIVE YOU THE BEST Service obtainable with our new Tork lenses, nothing like them for perfect vision and comfort. No trouble to see as perfect and comfortable as you did at 16. W. H. Leonard, Optician, Wallace Building. 9-8-1f

ATTENTION, KNITTERS! OF ARMY Sweaters, Socks, and Helms. We have just received a large shipment of all wool yarn in khaki color only, 1-4 pound hanks, 98c.—Feldman's. 31-3t

EAT FISH AND SAVE MEAT. Plenty of them at Brown's Market. Phone 111. 1-30-3t

### LOST STRAYED OR STOLEN

LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN—white English setter, brown ears and spots on back. Answers to name "Jack". Ten dollars reward for information telling where he is. H. C. Nash, Badin, N. C. 1-31-3t

Two Oregon men have patented a machine that turns bags inside out and blows air against them to remove portions of their contents that cling to the fabric.

# Belk-Harry Co.

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## White Goods Sale Now Going

This is your opportunity to get your supply of Bleaching, Long Cloth, fine Nainsook, Pajama Checks, Sheets, Sheeting, Counterpanes, and also Muslin Underwear at reduced prices. Every little saved helps some in the way of reducing the "High Cost of Living."

### Remnant Counter

We have one counter of remnants of Curtain Material, Calico for quilts, Voile Etc. These Remnants are taken from our regular stock. Some are only one yard or even less, while others range up to 5 or 6 yards. Some of these Remnants are badly soiled, and we have marked these with just one idea to get rid of them at almost any price. The price is ridiculously low.

### Our 15c Counter

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PAJAMA CHECKS  
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Values up to 25c yard  
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Lace front or back lace, white or pink short model with elastic top, medium or large, all sizes  
PRICE . . . . . 98c  
Warner's Rust-Proof and W. B. Corset, a model to fit almost any figure  
Price . . . \$1.00, \$1.50, to \$3

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Buy your Nainsook, Long Cloth, Bleaching and Pajama Checks supply during our White Goods Sale and save money. No signs of getting any cheaper.

10-YD. BOLT LONG CLOTH . . . . . \$1.98  
10-YD. BOLT COLONIAL DAME NAINSOOK . . . \$2.25  
10-YD. BOLT CINDERELLA NAINSOOK for . . . \$2.75  
10-YD. BOLT FINE SEA ISLAND NAINSOOK . . . \$2.75

Sale Continues Friday, Saturday, Tuesday and Wednesday

# BELK-HARRY CO.

## COAL SAVINGS TAGS DISTRIBUTED BY THE CHILDREN OF SCHOOLS

Wednesday was coal shovel tag day throughout the nation and hundreds of thousands of tags urging the saving of a shovel full of coal were distributed throughout the country and tied to coal shovels and coal buckets. This work was done principally through the school children and in Salisbury there were hundreds of these tags placed and attached to coal handling vessels and shovels. The cards were distributed to the children at the various schools during the day and by them were distributed to coal consumers, the children making the rounds of the business houses and tying tags to shovels and shovels, while every child carried a tag home to be attached to these articles there.

The tagging was done under the auspices of the fuel administration. The movement was nation-wide, the children being used all over the country to tag shovels. The tags were provided by the administration, and they are supposed to remain on the shovels as constant reminders to the people of the significance of coal economy. The children here yesterday told those whose shovels they tagged that a half shovel full of coal was equal to a loaf of bread, and each one saved made it easier for America to win the war.

The tags contain information as to how to regulate the furnace and the proper temperature to keep a room and urged the saving of coal as a fuel in order to help win the war. Of course, most people are now saving as much coal as possible, fearing a complete run-out on account of its scarcity in the local markets, but there are those who do not realize the real seriousness of the shortage of this fuel and are not as saving as they could be. To these fuel saving cards will be a constant reminder and possibly thousands of tons of fuel will be saved throughout the nation.

### GERMANS TRY TO DESTROY ANTWERP PORT FACILITIES

London, Jan. 30.—The Pall Mall Gazette says: "I have seen a report that a prominent Belgian gentleman recently escaped from Antwerp. In regard to the city's future he says Germany knows she cannot possibly hold Antwerp and is doing her utmost to ruin this once thriving port; to prevent it being a competitor with her own ports after the war. For many months the kaiser's military representatives have been prohibited from dredging work under the severest penalties. Dock machinery is rotten and even now to put things in working order would take two years."

## Camouflaging Our Consciences. (National Defense Society.)

Are you really making some sacrifice to help win this war, or are you camouflaging your conscience and making yourself believe you are a real patriot when in reality you haven't experienced even the beginning of SACRIFICE? It is so easy to deceive ourselves. "I bought ten thousand dollars worth of Liberty Bonds," Mrs. Jones exclaims with the proud air of one who has made a big sacrifice for the sake of her country.

Now in many cases the buying of this number of bonds, even the purchase of a single bond has meant a real sacrifice. But Mrs. Jones knew in her heart that she had bought these bonds simply because "the investment it was a convenient and safe one."

Again, Mrs. Smith loses no opportunity to tell you that she is just finishing her eleventh sweater, and as for helmets and mufflers—well, she has lost count of the number she has knitted.

Now, of course, Mrs. Smith can justly be proud of such a record. But as it happened, it required no sacrifice whatsoever. She had plenty of leisure and she enjoyed knitting. Before the war she knitted bright colored sweaters. The only difference the war made to her is that now she knits with khaki colored and navy blue yarn.

"And what are you doing for the war?" some one asks pretty young Bettina, who lives in a small town near a cantonment. "Oh, I help cheer up the soldiers," Bettina replies. "We give dances for them every Wednesday night at the club and on Sunday evening they drop into the church for a supper and entertainment."

"Yes, indeed the girl who is not sacrificing everything for her country is a slacker," Bettina agrees. And she really does not perceive that what she is doing has not required the slightest sacrifice on her part. In fact, she sometimes wonders how she ever managed to get along with just the "stupid home-boys" before the war.

These are only a few examples of people who are camouflaging their consciences. Now all the things mentioned are in themselves worth while, but unless the doing of them requires sacrifice, we are slackers. The time has passed when we can be content with just doing our "bit." We must do our "all." And there is one thing in the province of all, that no matter what else we are doing for the country, we must do. This is to SAVE FOOD. Now whatever way you look at it, saving food means a sacrifice. For those who have been in the habit of overeating, it means a great deal to do with less food now. There are some of us who all our lives have been in the custom of having bacon every morning, meat twice a day, wheat bread at all meals, and thick layers

of sugar on our fruit and cereal. To do without these things now means more of a sacrifice than we at first thought when we signed the Food Pledge. And it takes extra planning and care for the housekeeper to use other cereals instead of wheat, and less meat, fats and sugar in her cooking. Yes, saving food means a personal sacrifice not made once, but three times a day. But remember, not your "bit" now, but your "all" for the country.

## COTTON AND STOCKS

### SALISBURY COTTON MARKET

### COTTON FUTURES OPEN STEADY

Cotton Opening Steady. New York, Jan. 31.—Reports of continued demand for cotton out of local stocks caused covering by near months and shorts on the market here today. The opening was steady at an advance of 4 to 8 points and March contracts sold up to 30.56 during early trading or 26 points net higher, while later months showed an advance of 17 to 15 points with May selling at 29.92.

### Cotton Opening.

New York, Jan. 31.—The cotton market today opened as follows:  
March . . . . . 30.34  
May . . . . . 29.92  
July . . . . . 29.42  
October . . . . . 28.07  
December . . . . . 27.83  
Close of Cotton.  
New York, Jan. 31.—Cotton closed as follows:  
March . . . . . 30.37  
May . . . . . 29.79  
July . . . . . 29.53  
October . . . . . 27.90  
December . . . . . 27.67

### LOCAL COTTON . . . . . 31.00

### FLOUR AND GRAIN MARKET

Corrected Daily by W. L. Kluttz.  
Wheat . . . . . 2.25 to 2.35  
Oats . . . . . 1.00 to 1.10  
Corn . . . . . 1.75 to 2.00  
Meal . . . . . 2.00 to 2.20  
Country hay . . . . . 75c to 1.00  
Flour, best straight . . . . . 5.75 to 6.00  
Flour, best patent . . . . . 6.00 to 6.25

### SALISBURY WHOLESAL PRODUCE MARKET

Corrected Daily by C. P. Shaping, West Innes St.  
Hens, each . . . . . 50 to 60  
Eggs . . . . . 40 to 45  
Potatoes, new . . . . . \$1.50 to \$1.75  
Onions . . . . . 2.00  
Chickens . . . . . 40  
Butter . . . . . 35 to 40  
Ducks, each . . . . . 25 to 30

Mrs. John Quinette, of Des Moines, is supporting an invalid husband and several children by driving a coal truck.