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es that the men who are leaders in the party want to own and control a newspaper to be published at this city. This paper that they desire to own would be a political paper in the truest sense of the word.

As the result of these conferences caucuses, a delegation of citizens me to see the publishers of the Nows and asked that we name a price at which all the interest in the paper, or a controlling interest, could be bought. After considering this proposition the citizen:: were informed that The News is not for sale, either in part or as a whole.

Now we are made to think that since these citizens are not able to buy The News, or to buy a controlling interest in it, they will organize a company and start a new paper. We treat the matter with enough importance that we desire to say to

the public what our reasons are for declining to sell our business.

ter for us in other lines.

If the publishers of The News had his own use. any good reason for thinking that the general public of this section would welcome a change in the business management of the paper we would not hesitate to sell and look for congenial surroundings. But it would be hard to make us think that there customers literally by the hundreds who have given us all the business they have with a printing office for many years. These citizens seem to be to give them, and their patronage makes it possible for us to live and educate our children and accumulate that is a rainy day, a about as much as most people have a least it about as much as most people who serve the public are able to get in return for their services. And so in selves inclined to "let well enough alone". As to a new paper being started here we would have it very clearly understood that we are not only not ing to lend a hand if we can serve the men who are behind the movement. What we have in mind is that we have machinery here in our office that could be used by the new publishers until they could get an outfit installed, which in these strange times is often ecured with much delay. We confidently believe that another good live newspaper here would put new zest into the publishing business and cause the people to take a more lively inter-est in the local newspapers. The policy of The News is too well known to call for any kind of statement. We have stood for the interests of our party and for the many causes that tend to make conditions better for the whole people, and this is true of all the years that are behind There has not been a public effort of any kind made in this section for the betterment of the country that did not get the hearty and able support of the publishers of The News. We are egotistical enough to think that the small success that has come to us in a business way has been mainly due to the fact that, from time to time, the paper has been able to render a real service to the country for be it known that a real newsnape is something more than a political T. H. King. Pres. Fastors Conference, feught against Cisera" in their courses

er that I The I t of the pu at length of time. e of the at to al service it is able able to render. J. E. JOHNSON.

A NOTE OF WARNING.

season is going to cause most men to he home of Mr. Robert Jones. plant as much as they can this year. At Turners Mountain the new loca-

Many farms where none was grown tion leaves the present road and follast year will go into the business lows the mountain along its western heavily this year. All of which may side for almost two miles, thus leavbe good business but it means a short-age of food crops. We heard a man in some low land. The old road is say recently that he would have out again reached near the Ed Draughn "The News," Mr. D. D. Parks of Ap-several barns on a farm that produced peach orchard. This new location is palachia, Va., a former reisdent of this none last year. Now we are not sup- entirely in the woods and fields along city, describes his new home town as posing that anything we can say will the foot, of Turners Mountain and being a busy law abiding town with cause people to change their ways, gives a much better grade, but will fifteen passenger trains daily, situatbut we are disposed to insist that evidently be a costly piece of work. ed in a beautiful mountainous country, declining to sell our business. The present editor of The News has been at the helm new for more it is not necessary to say even this almost a direct course toward Dobson, daily. than 15 years. These years represent to many, for they are already doing crossing the Fish river a half mile The miners are well paid Mr. Parks a period of time during which, by close application, the business was east of here, when he paid his sub-the new road is being made after the new road is being made after and business is presperous. established and put on a paying basis, in a small way. For some cause the ago remarked that somehow he had And before the Federal Government Mr. Parks sends his regards to all town and the country districts have formed the habit of making his living would accept it surveyors were sent his friends and says that his family always given us a liberal patronage. at home even if prices of tobacco are here from Washington to go over the is well satisfied, because they are do-And this has increased from year to high. And then he went on to talk location and the grades and approve ing well, though they are deeply inyear and is today larger and more satisfactory than ever before. The one barn of tobacco and sold it for developed in all this technical work. Mount Airy and always read "The cordial relations that exist between \$450.00. In addition to this he will The new road is to be as near free News" with keen interest. this office and the general public are sell chickens, eggs, meat and other from curves and steep grades as pos-of such a pleasant nature that it is small items from his farm to the sible, and is to be 30 feet wide and to positive proof to us that our work is amount of as much as his tobacco have a bed of sand clay or top soil 18 in a very large sense satiafactory to brought. Now the interesting part of feet wide and 10 inches deep. This the general public. If we are not mis- this story, to us, is that Mr. Marsh road becomes a part of the system of taken in this opinion then we see no will only make one barn of tobacco State highways that is to connect up good reason for disposing of our next year. He will not let the high the different county towns. Later it

> keep him from growing food crops for bury, in Stokes county, and to Sparta That is what we call playing safe, by way of Kapps Mills, Thurmond and if there were about a million other and Mountain Park.

> citizens of the type of Mr. Marsh the The contract with the road builders may.

country not taking pattern after Mr. Airy. The entire job is to be completis any such demand here, for we have Marsh, and according to the financial ed in a period of 300 working days, experts it is only a question of time and costs the nice sum of about when the bottom will fall out of busi- \$7,000 per mile for the entire job. ness, and with the crash many a man | The new location will shorten the will have a story to tell of how he distance from Mount Airy to Dobson satisfied with the service we are able played and lost in the years that fol- about one mile, making it 10.82 miles lowed the war.

The Mayor's Court.

Surry's New Road.

The greatest move in the life of ye age when the contract was let to Charictte road making a Chariotte road making company to build a road from the Stokes county inte to Dobe

The State Highway Commission nonths ago decided to make it the To turn prophet and tell what the putty of the state to connect every

are workers in factories or citizens of some town. The local situation is interesting. A citizen of a rural section of this coun-ty said a few days ago that in his section there was not a single hired man on the farm, and that it was sim-ly out of the question to hire help of any kind. The only assistance one can get about the farm work, he said, is to exchange labor with some neigh-bor. s to exchange labor with some neigh-bor. The high prices of tobacco the past The high prices of tobacco the past

business until we see something bet- prices of last year turn his head and will be extended to the town of Danin Alleghany county, going to Sparta,

> country would be safe, let come what is that the work is to begin not later than the 15th of this present month But you can safely count on the and the first work is to be at Mount

to Dobson.

This new road will be one of the best in the state, of its kind, and will

in the story of old. From some wood was not ready, or the still not hese two on ived on the se ne of actio ing pr ne could not w to town dry as a bone and no doubt disgusted with the world and all the

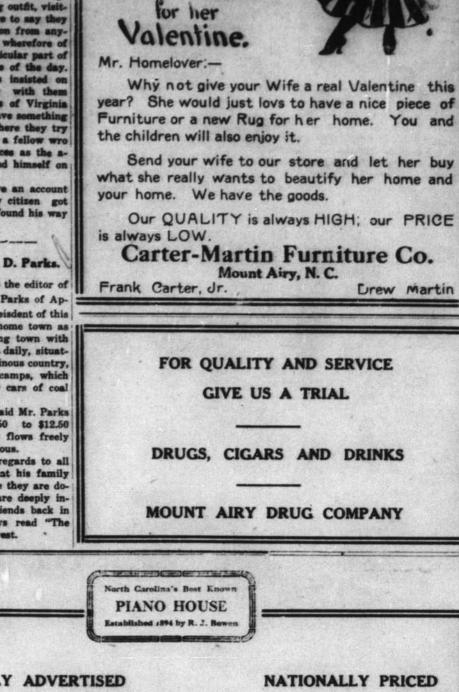
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To turn prophet and tell what the purcy or the state with the state with the world and all the purcy or the state with the state with the world and all the purcy or the state with the st tured the whole blooming outfit, visit-ors and all. And strange to say they would take no explanation from any-body as to the why and wherefore of his presence at that particular part of the country at that time of the day. And the pesky officers insisted on taking everybody along with them

back to civilization.

News From Mr. D. D. Parks.

In a personal letter to the editor of "The News," Mr. D. D. Parks of Ap-

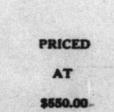


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In the Mayor's court in this city no doubt be an incentive right to expect from the public, at Monday several of our citizens were to make and maintain a first class up for violating various sections of system of roads. the city traffic regulations. The officers are insisting that the public obthe light of these facts we find our. serve the traffic laws closely and any serve the traffic laws closely and any violations of them will certainly mean become the subject of interesting being brought before the Mayor if dis- conversation ,and yet no one can covered by the policemen.

and the cost for violating the traffic body told this one to the News man, hostile to the enterprise, but are will- regulations: Frank Bowles, Pete Two Mount Airy citizens are the Hicks, Cliff Nichols, Dave Crawford, most disgusted fellows you could find Billie Carter, Dr. L. L. Williams, Jack in a day's journey. According to the Fulton and Alex Worth.

> court regularly every Monday morn- tain stream on a certain day a "run" ing in the new town hall court room. of the ardent would be made from a

Returned to Surry.

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zen of this county, sold out all he had waiting. None of the vile fluid comand took the train here for Amelia county, Virginia, expecting to locate there, his aunt, Mrs. Alice Greenwood, having written him about that section. On Jan. 28th Mr. Ayers returned to Surry saying he found the available land in Amelia county poor and worn out, all the best farms being already occupied. He thought his chances much better, here.

Churches Closed Sunday.

annulled before that time. Due notice came from the still.

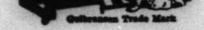
Citizens In Bad Luck.

vouch for the truth or error they The following list were fined \$2.50 may contain. One day this week some story these two in some way got wise In the future the Mayor will hold to the fact that on a certain moun

pure copper still. Now the information that came here was that the beer was On. Jan. 14th George Ayers, a citi- working nicely and the copper still monly sold about here for \$4 was to be turned out, but rather the kind our fathers used to make in the good old days of the long ago.

Now such a story as this coming to town from what appeared to be a most reliable source was too tempting to the two above referred to citizens. So they hied themselves to the section where the goods were to be

had in all purity coming right from the copper, with none of your concen-trated lye or other injurious concoc-Complying with the order of the tions with which folks have learned to County Board of Health that all adulterate it with. And your two places of public gatherings be closed Mount Airy citizens were not going for two weeks on account of influenza, to take any man's word for it, they the churches in Mount Airy will be were going to be right there on the closed next Sunday and also Sunday grounds and see the work done, and the 15th, unless the order should be get the goods fresh and pure as it



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