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## The Land Co., Mt. Airy, N. C.

### BOTTOM OF RIVER HIGH AS BARN

Some Facts About Mississippi River Which Are Interesting Just At This Time.

Some idea of the stupendous bulk and strength of the mighty Mississippi river which is now indulging in such a rampage, may be gathered from the following statements which recently appeared in an article in the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin:

"The Mississippi with 250 tributaries, fifty of which rank as navigable streams, drains thirty-one States, comprising about 40 per cent of the country's total area. This enormous watershed, reaching from the Continental Divide to the Alleghenies, makes the problem of checking the floods of the lower Mississippi complicated and difficult. Excessive precipitation anywhere in this area of central United States has no outlet to the sea save by way of the big river.

"The largest tributaries of the

Mississippi are the Missouri, Ohio, Arkansas, Red, St. Francis, Yazoo, White, and Texas. The maximum discharge of the Arkansas equals that of the upper Mississippi. The Missouri doubles, and the Ohio triples it. A flood condition on any one of these rivers means trouble in the Mississippi basins. When several of them get busy at once, disaster follows.

"The Mississippi channel below Cairo overflows when the charge exceeds 1,000,000 cubic feet per second. And the Ohio alone has been known to send down 1,500,000 feet. In the great flood of 1912 it is estimated that 1,000,000 cubic feet more than the channel capacity was running past Cairo.

"The alluvial valley each side of the river shows that floods have always been common. As long ago as 1785 a flood of great proportions took place. The people of New Orleans erected the first levee away back in 1718. But the steady deposit of silt by the river along its edges and in its bed raises the stream, so that it actually creates a sort of causeway. From time to time, before the valley began to be settled, the river would break out of its channel, and cut a new one on lower ground. In the attempt to wall it in, about 1,500 miles of levees have been built below Cairo. Behind these banks, which are fifteen to twenty-five feet high, the farmers of the Mississippi basin live and work.

"When flood waters burst out the levees, they roll with great speed over the land and into the old bayous, carrying everything before them, because they are actually rolling down hill from the river.

"The planters and farmers of the Mississippi Valley basins go about their daily tasks with the bottom of the big river in many places as high as the tops of their barns."

### L. M. Swink, Winston-Salem Lawyer, Dies in Washington

Winston-Salem, May 18.—L. M. Swink, prominent Winston-Salem attorney, died today in a hospital at Washington, D. C., according to a message received here. He had been in ill health for a year and had been in the hospital for several months.

Mr. Swink was a native of Cabarrus County. He had been practicing law here for 25 years. The body will be brought here tomorrow.

Don't frown! Read the Mount Airy News ads. and smile!

### ATLANTIC & YADKIN WILL IMPROVE LINES

Receivers Authorized to Purchase 3,000 Tons Of Much Heavier Rail.

Greensboro News, May 20.—Improvement of the tracks of the Atlantic and Yadkin Railroad company by the replacing of worn 60-pound rails with new steel rails of the 100-pound to the yard variety has been authorized by Judge E. Yates Webb, of the United States court for the western district of North Carolina, upon petition of the receivers, A. E. Smith, Mount Airy, and J. W. Fry, Greensboro, and the recommendation of Sydnor DeButts, superintendent of the line now operated under receivership.

The receivers have been authorized by the court to purchase 3,000 tons of the 100-pound rail at a price of \$23 per ton, or a total of approximately \$70,000. Much of the 60-pound rail now in use is badly worn and replacements are to be made as rapidly as possible.

In petitioning for authority to buy the new and heavier rail, the receivers state that decision to ask authority to make the expenditure was reached only after Captain J. W. Fry and Superintendent DeButts had made a tour of inspection over the entire line from Mount Airy to Sanford. Rails ranging in weight from 60 to 100 pounds per yard are now being used on the line, and it is stated that since the receivers took charge a few years ago they have found it necessary, in the interest of safety and good schedules, to replace badly worn rails with less worn ones from time to time, making the need now for new and heavier rails all the more marked.

The Atlantic and Yadkin Railroad company was placed in receivership about four years ago upon the petition of the Southern Railway system, which has operated it for a number of years. The Southern declared it was impossible to operate it at anything other than a loss. Under the receivership the road has shown receipts in excess of expenditures, it is said.

Squire Green—Mandy, after I die, I wish you would marry Deacon Brown.

Mandy—Why so, Hiram? Squire—Well, the deacon trimmed me on a horse trade once.

The ads. are newswy. Read them.

### TWO WOMEN FOUND HELP

Their Sickness Banished by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Mrs. Nina Matteson, Box 206, Oxford, N. Y., writes—"If it had not been for your medicine, I could not have done my work as it should have been done. Mother told me of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and I had read in different papers what it had done for different women. She wanted me to try it, so my husband got me one bottle at first; then I took two others. Now I am feeling quite strong again."



Mrs. Ernest Tanguay of Adams, Mass., says she was ill for four years and could not sleep nights or go out on the street. She read about the Vegetable Compound and decided to try it. After taking eight bottles she was able to do all her work and go anywhere and is quite herself again.

This dependable Vegetable Compound is a household word in thousands of homes. The fourth generation is now learning the merit of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

For more than half a century, this reliable medicine has been used by women with very satisfactory results. If the Vegetable Compound has helped other women, why shouldn't it help you?

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