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**AN IMPERATIVE NECESSITY**

As The Commonwealth is hav-  
ing a large run of advertising  
and changes are made daily in  
some of the ads it has become  
necessary to ask that all changes  
be sent in the day before the in-  
sertion is needed. We ask this as  
a favor, but we also reserve the  
right to leave ads over until the  
next day if they cannot be gotten  
up in time for insertion.

Tuesday — September 30, 1919.

**HANDSHAKING CAUSES IN-  
FLUENZA.**

Health Officer John Gaub, of  
Montclair, N. J., in a bulletin  
which he has issued warning the  
people of that town of the dangers  
that attend indiscriminate hand-  
shaking, makes the following  
statement: "Don't shake every  
paw that is extended to you," the  
Health Officer warns. "The clean  
hand habit is a good one and  
should be adopted by all for it  
means much in promoting commu-  
nity health, due to the fact that  
the human hand has been shown  
to be the medium through which  
many diseases have been spread.  
Handshaking is almost universal,  
and while it stands for friend-  
liness and sociability, it has its dan-  
gers. Medical men are agreed that  
the infection of influenza is often  
conveyed in this way."

**COLLECTIVE BARGAINING  
AND THE BALLOT BOX.**

Representative Gould of New  
York made an interesting and im-  
portant statement yesterday  
when, in explanation of his  
House resolution prohibiting  
Washington policemen from la-  
bor union membership, he said:  
"There is only one method of col-  
lective bargaining in relation to  
this government and that is the  
ballot box.

This is true because for any

body of men to attempt to force  
the government to do its will by  
a strike or a threat of strike  
means an attempt by a minority  
to control the action of the duly  
authorized representatives of  
the majority, and this is just an-  
other term for revolution.

The great mistake made by la-  
bor unionists is their attempt, by  
means of the strike, to forcibly  
control the economic, and of late  
even the governmental affairs of  
communities, or political units in  
which they constitute only a  
small minority. A startling exam-  
ple is the great railroad strike  
which now seems to be on the  
verge of overwhelming and de-  
stroying majority representative  
government in Great Britain. In  
that case 600,000 men, or only  
about 1 per cent of the total popu-  
lation, are undertaking by the  
general strike method, or "direct  
action" as the British term it, to  
force the lawful representatives of  
the other 99 per cent of the  
people of the country to do their  
will; and, even if the other mem-  
bers of the ("Trade Alliance,"  
the miners and transport work-  
ers), should, as they threatened,  
engage in a sympathetic strike,  
thus increasing the total number  
of strikers to about 2,000,000,  
the movement would still be the  
same in principle—the attempt  
of a small majority to force the  
great majority of the people to  
do its will.

While the strike method was  
in its infancy, and involved the  
action of only comparatively  
small bodies of workers, the pub-  
lic viewed the matter tolerantly  
and in a measure sympathetically,  
a condition

and the results seemed, at least  
in some cases, to be really bene-  
ficial. But now that this form of  
action has grown to such tremen-  
dous proportions as to keep  
not only our own country but  
practically the whole civilized  
world in a condition of constant  
ferment and danger of revolu-  
tion and the destruction of or-  
ganized Democratic govern-  
ment, the matter calls for firm  
and concerted action on the part  
of the public to the end that the  
welfare of the whole people may  
be preserved.

There is no disposition to be  
unfair to organized labor, but  
there is a strong and rapidly  
growing disposition to put an  
end to the unfairness to the great  
majority of the people which  
seems to be the inevitable result  
of strikes. Unquestionably the  
majority of the American people  
are in favor of the adjustment of  
labor disputes by arbitration—  
voluntary arbitration preferably,  
but compulsory arbitration if  
necessary. Already measures are  
pending before Congress to this  
end. The present untimely and  
illadvised steel strike is likely to  
hasten the enactment of such  
anti-strike legislation; and, un-  
less the labor unionists of the  
country speedily recognize the  
power of the public sentiment  
behind this present-day move-

ment for the suppression of vio-  
lence and the substitution of ar-  
bitration as a means of settling  
domestic as well as international  
disputes, and act with more dis-  
cretion and fairness, such legis-  
lation will come quickly and ir-  
revocably.

Labor organizations may well  
insist upon their right to improve  
labor conditions by collective  
bargaining, but it will be well  
for them to see to it that in uti-  
lizing this right they do not un-  
dertake to interfere with the effi-  
cacy of the right of the public to  
protect and promote the general  
welfare of the people by collec-  
tive voting.

**Let Us Print  
Your Safe Bills**

**Wommack's Ice House**

will discontinue the Ice Wagon deliveries  
after September 30th, except one trip each  
morning will be made to the stores.

When sending to the Ice House for ice af-  
ter September 30th be sure and send eith-  
er coupons or the money.

**Wommack's Ice House**

**Guarantee**  
to the Consumer—  
If, after using the en-  
tire contents of can  
according to directions,  
you are not satisfied  
in every respect, your  
grocer will refund the  
money you paid for it.  
Luzianne must  
please you.

**LUZIANNE**  
coffee  
The Reily-Taylor Company  
New Orleans

**ECONOMY**

Economy in foods is the watchword at pre-  
sent. If you doubt we are on the job, try us.

**Charles E. Steptoe & Company**

**For a Weak Stomach.**

The great relief afforded by Cham-  
berlain's Tablets in a multitude of  
cases has fully proven the great value  
of this preparation for a weak stom-  
ach and impaired digestion. In many  
cases this relief has become perma-  
nent and the sufferers have been com-  
pletely restored to health.

The SECOND SERIES will mature soon.

The THIRTEENTH or "LUCKY SERIES"

WILL BEGIN

DECEMBER 6th

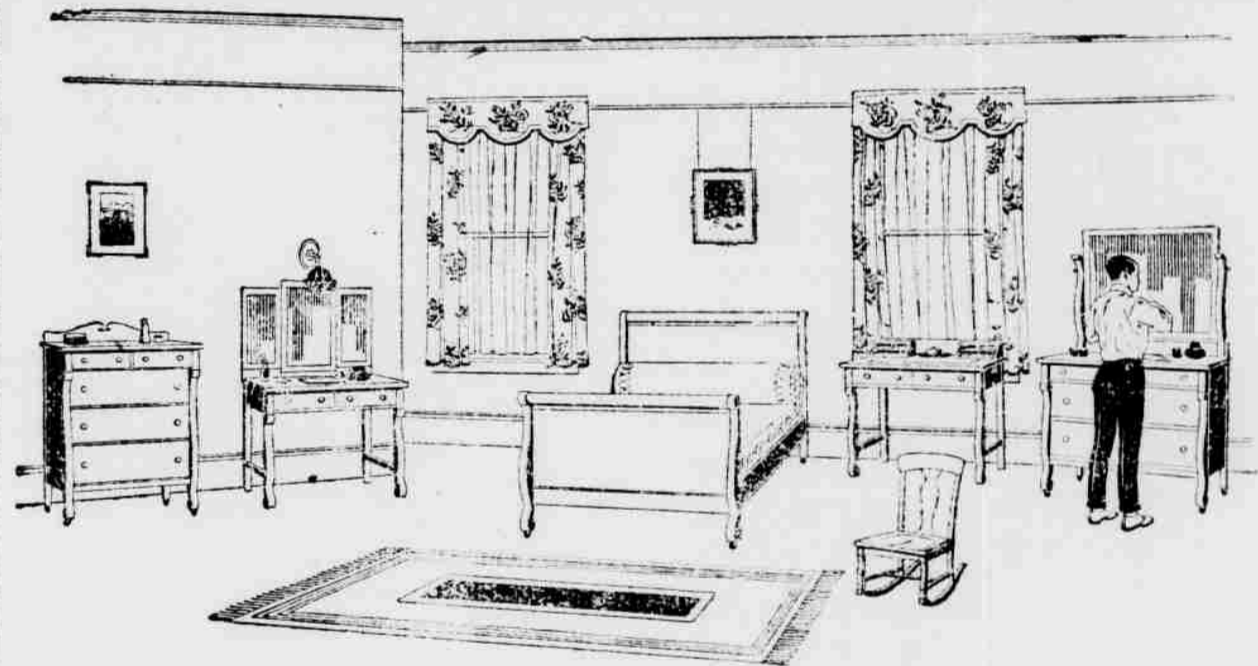
The Home Building & Loan Association

**STRAYED**—Calf, female, light gray  
color, looks to be about three  
months old. Owner will call and get  
same. Communicate with C. D.  
Brown, Scotland Neck, N. C.

**FOR SALE**—Eight brood sows and 20  
shoats, weighing from 40 to 60  
pounds each. Apply to G. K. Moore,  
Scotland Neck, N. C.

**Diarrhoea in Children.**

For diarrhoea in children one year  
old or older you will find nothing bet-  
ter than Chamberlain's Colic and  
Diarrhoea Remedy, followed by a dose  
of castor oil. It should be kept at  
hand and given as soon as the first  
unnatural looseness of the bowels ap-  
pears. It only costs a quarter.



It will pay you to see our Fall Display of Druggetts in all  
grades, from \$15.00 up. Positively the largest collection of  
patterns ever shown in Scotland Neck. It will pay you, also, to  
look through our line of other Goods.

WE TURN A HOUSE INTO A HOME.  
**Dixie Furniture Co.**  
CASH OR CREDIT  
BERNARD ALLSBOOK  
SCOTLAND NECK BANK BLDG. SCOTLAND NECK, N. C.

**YOUNG MAN**

IF YOU EVER EXPECT TO SUCCEED, YOU MUST BE  
ECONOMICAL.

NO MATTER HOW SMALL THE SUM THE BOY OR  
YOUNG MAN IS RECEIVING HE SHOULD LAY ASIDE  
A PORTION OF HIS EARNINGS.

4% COMPOUNDED QUARTERLY ALLOWED ON SAV-  
INGS DEPOSITS AT

**PLANTERS AND COMMERCIAL BANK**  
"THE HOME FOR SAVINGS."

**NEW ARRIVALS**

Our store was never more complete  
New goods are arriving each day  
We have the home furnishings that  
will suit your taste—and are priced  
right.

**Scotland Neck Furniture Co.**  
CASH OR CREDIT

**Carload of Wall Plas-  
ter and Hydrated  
Lime in Transit**

We expect to unload this car the  
latter part of this week.

**Hardy Hardware Co.**  
"The Hardware Hustlers."