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Somebody in Germany is going to be mightily disappointed if all the

Does the German language contain any expression equivalent to the English "over-the-top?" If it ever did it

seems to have become obsolete.

peace talk brings about no results.

We suppose the grand review of the "Rainbow" division by Secretary Baker at Mineola today means that those troops will soon be on their way to France.

Secretary Lansing gets through publishing those papers he's got filed away some folks will be wishing they had never heard of Kais-

It is natural that our troops behind the lines and in hearing of the fighting should be anxious to get at the Germans. It looks like they will soon have their desire.

Nobody has said yet what the Pope thinks of the Kaiser's reply to his peace note. It was not so hard for him to find out what President Wilson meant in his note.

Says The New Bernian: "Oh, for a revival of religion in New Bern, one that will stick." Is this a hit at former New Bern converts or a slam on the preachers of that city?

Those Britishers who are trying to make it harder for ordinary people to break into the aristocracy make it clear that they do not intend to put up the bars against American heir-

There is a man up in the Walnut Cove section of this State, fifty-five years old, who has never had a dream. We have always known that Western North Carolina produces some mighty curious folks.

the Means-King case.

case ought to look into that.

Bickett has taken steps to organize is trying to remedy. "peace" and order force" for the State. The bare fact of its existence complaint, the government is doing tainly they are not going to please all will have a quieting effect on a cer- its utmost to find a way to cheapen the people, and no matter how great tain class of our population.

ing the day of his execution.

having to leave America and because would not do to give consumers arbeited and because he felt he could do nothing to prevent war between his country and the United States. We could forgive him could be confiscation of the confiscation of the most anything he did here sooner property.

The following to leave America and because would not do to give consumers arbroper place among the stock raising was bright was trying to kid Domitical ticles of food or other necessaries at proper place among the stock raising was bright was trying to kid Domitical ticles of food or other necessaries at proper place among the stock raising was bright was trying to kid Domitical ticles of food or other necessaries at proper place among the stock raising was bright was trying to kid Domitical ticles of food or other necessaries at proper place among the stock raising was bright was trying to kid Domitical ticles of food or other necessaries at proper place among the stock raising was bright was trying to kid Domitical ticles of food or other necessaries at proper place among the stock raising was bright was trying to kid Domitical ticles of food or other necessaries at proper place among the stock raising was bright was trying to kid Domitical ticles of food or other necessaries at proper place among the stock raising was bright was trying to kid Domitical ticles of food or other necessaries at proper place among the stock raising was bright was trying to kid Domitical ticles of food or other necessaries at proper place among the stock raising was bright was trying to kid Domitical ticles of food or other necessaries at proper place among the stock raising was bright was trying to kid Domitical ticles of food or other necessaries at proper place among the stock raising was bright was trying to kid Domitical ticles of food or other necessaries at proper place among the stock raising was bright was trying to kid Domitical ticles of food or other necessaries at proper place among the stock raising was bright was trying to kid Domiti

## "NOBODY BUT NEWSPAPER MEN."

"No person other than a newspaper man has asked me for any information concerning the disinternment of Mrs Bingham's body, excepting Mr. Shepard Bryan, the legal representative of Judge Bingham, to whom I unhesitatingly told all the facts pertaining to the disinternment of the body that were in my possession."-Dr. Chas. T Nesbitt, health officer of New Hanover county.

The attitude taken by Dr. Nesbitt with reference to the suppression of information relative to the issuance of the permit for the exhumation of the body of Mrs. Bingham is surprising to say the least. Of all the people in Wilmington Dr. Nesbitt is the last person one would have expected to take a mother, Mrs. J. A. Rendleman and the position he did. His apparent attempt, in his statement yesterday, from which the above is taken, to reflect upon the newspaper men who questioned him daily about the matter shows ingratitude that no one in the Wilmington newspaper profession thought him capable of. No one would ask Dr. Nes bitt to give information that did not rightfully belong to the public as a reciprocal proposition; and the question of whether the information sought It was not generally known that the was of public nature is one about which there can be an honest difference Daily and Sunday, Six Months. . . \$3.00 of opinion; but certainly there was no occasion for Dr Nesbitt to go out of his way, in an effort to clear his own skirts, to try to belittle the newspaper man and his mission.

No one knows better than Dr. Nesbitt the functions of a newspaper; the fact that they are in a way public servants, as pointed out yesterday by the jungle, having cleaned out quite Mayor Moore, and are responsible to the people in no less degree than Dr. 18 Nesbitt himself. No one knows better than Dr. Nesbitt that he owes in large measure the success of his health work in Wilmington to the newspapers. which stood by him manfully through thick and thin. No one knows better than Dr. Nesbitt that the public have no way of getting their information other than through the newspapers, for which they pay their money.

It was through the medium of a local newspaper-The Wilmington Dispatch—that Dr. Nesbitt first became known here to any considerable extent Mr. R. P. McClammy, the then owner of this paper, opened his columns to a series of articles written by Dr. Nesbitt showing up the health conditions of the city. This paper was criticised by a large number of people and it became necessary for the paper to speak out editorially in behalf of the work being done through the publication of these articles.

The publication of the series of articles led to the employment of Dr. Nesbitt as city health officer and later to his selection for the place he now holds. The great turmoil that was created in the city is still fresh in the minds of the people. It was to the newspapers that Dr. Nesbitt turned for help and support and it was through their aid he was enabled to really accomplished something in a health way for the good of the town. All remember the stormy scenes that were enacted a few years ago when Dr Nesbitt was trying to have enforced certain health measures; it was to the newspapers he turned for assistance, and they came to his rescue and helped him carry through his program.

The newspapers stood behind Dr. Nesbitt because they believed in the measures he sought to have adopted and enforced and we are not asking for any favors for so doing. None at all. All we ask or have asked of Dr Nesbitt's office is that he continue to pursue the policy his office boasted of at the time he really needed the support of the newspapers. Of Hill Citizen, course, recently things have been running smoothly and the aid of the press has not been required. Reference to Dr. Nesbitt and the fight the news papers made for him is cited merely to show that the veiled attack he made days ago to the effect that governupon the newspaper men of the city came with mighty poor grace.

Perhaps the newspapers have been too kind to Dr. Nesbitt. Not once can the writer recall any local newspaper criticism of Dr. Nesbitt's policy. He was given the active support and co-operation of both newspapers in near ly every cause he espoused.

Mayor Moore took the right view of the matter when he insisted upon the Mr. George N. Ives, one of New Bern's information being made public. It is gratifying to note that he was sustained in this view by the Board of Health which has instructed that hereafter all such transactions be made a matter of record and open to the inspection of the public. The county attorneys have sustained the view of the board.

Dr. Nesbitt made a mistake in not giving to the public the information relative to the issuance of the permit. All men make mistakes. It would have been more becoming in Dr. Nesbitt to have admitted his error and let it go at that, instead of trying to ring in a sentence in his statement that apparently is an attempt to cast reflection upon the newspaper men of the

Frankly this paper believes that Dr. Nesbitt was honestly mistaken in believing that he could "best subserve the best interests of the public" in pursuing the policy he adopted, but evidently he later found that he was mistaken, for otherwise he would not have made any statement at all admitting the issuance of the permit.

The Wilmington Dispatch considers that it has a mission equally as im- cated and Mr. Guthrie was taken to portant as that of Dr. Nesbitt, and while it will always be the policy of the paper not to make premature publication of a matter nor to deliberately publish anything calculated to injure anybody, at the same time, it will continue to make an effort to obtain and will obtain such information about any public matter in which it thinks the public is interested.

## HIGH PRICES.

Complaints are being made at the slowness of the government in giving is so much complaint of high prices. the people promised relief from exist-North Carolina is just now attract-ing high prices. The public must reing attention from all parts of the member that the administration is up Garfield and the men associated with pense with. Her people do not enjoy and regulations cannot be made and her notoriety over the Bingham or put into effect in a day. It is such a novel role for the government to be taking a hand in the regulation of The Henderson Dispatch is author- prices of the necessaries of life that Patience and support of those men ity for the story that a Granville coun- it must necessarily go slow and feel in their efforts are much better. ty man shot himself in the stomach its way through the labyrinth of dif-, Don't condemn those men until with a rifle while trying to kill a ficulties and perplexities in which it they have had time to carry the new chicken. The defense in the Means is involved. An attempt at hasty ac plans into effect. Even if they should tion or execution of plans without fail to give the people the relief exeareful consideration would lead to pected, we hardly think they would be We are glad to note that Governor conditions much worse than those it subject to censure, so difficult is the

it to the consumers, but something things they accomplish there will be We hope Raleigh has not congratu- mere ordering the mine owners, the have done much more. lated herself too soon over preventing wholesalers and the retailers to place a lynching. It's going to be exciting such price on the product as will enand dangerous times when that ne-able the consumers to secure it at gro is brought back for trial next certain figures. Furthermore, we do Two Vance county men have just the facts in the case the more we feel the facts in the case the more we feel month. Let us all hope that the men not suppose any legislation can affect purchased a carload of Guernsey cat- justified for what we have done and in authority and cool heads among contracts already made between op-the citizenry will be able to prevent erators and wholesalers or between Those bought by one of them will be mob violence at that time. Tension wholesalers and retailers; nor can the put on his farm. The other bought will be high, and the relief of the government require distributors to on behalf of a bank in Henderson, county and State officials will be great consumers to sell coal, already bought which will place them among the when the culprit is placed in the or contracted for, at prices which farmers of the county on easy terms. death cell at the penitentiary, await- would not yield a reasonable profit to It is the purpose of the bank in this

the sellers. Seen through present develop of the government. It can't do mir to aid them in doing so until the ments the tears that Bernstorff shed acles. It must be given time to ad-county is well stocked with this splenon receiving his passports were probjust itself to the new and remarkable did breed of cattle. If banks in all ably through anger and chagrin at conditions unexpectedly thrust upon the counties of the State where there having a stop put to his treacherous it. The men at the head of affairs is need of improved stock would purscheming. Some people thought at should be given credit for trying to sue this course it would not be long in Philadelphia bought a \$100 Lib-time they were from sorrow at act in fairness to all parties. It before North Carolina would take its erty Bond. A chap who thought he liaving to leave America and because would not do to give consumers are proposed stock would pur-

help themselves by the exercise of economy, consuming as little as possible of the articles of which there We firmly believe Mr. Hoover, Mr.

country that she would like to dis- against a tough proposition. Rules them are honestly endeavoring to lieve that within the course of a few serve the public along the lines of duty put upon them. Impatience and the weed will be brought here and faultfinding will not remedy matters.

> task they have undertaken. In fact, As to coal, of which there is much it seems well nigh impossible. Cermore is to be considered than the many who will think they ought to

## A GOOD PLAN.

way to interest the farmers of the People must not expect too much county in improving their stock and best for bringing about that much de- "Aw, it's worth a hundred bucks to t sired state of affairs."—Washington han for those crocodile tears. In the meantime the people must sired state of affairs.

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ian, who has been in business at Jacksonville, Florida, for 15 years, was drowned near that city, according to a mossage received today. He was 35 years old and leaves a widow and one child at Jacksonville, besides several brothers and a sister here.-Salisbury dispatch to Charlotte Ob-

Charlotte's experience with the proost guard is altogether interesting. guard was operating in the city, but a news report indicates that in a quiet way it has been producing some wholesome results. The provost guard seems to have peculiar opportunities for running down blind tigers and has caused a commotion in number whose existence had not en suspected and having caused others to withdraw a safe distance back from the road. The provost guard is not established for the regulation of the soldier citizenship alone. It has police powers and can make arrests for violation of the law in any shape or form.-Charlotte Ob-

The Citizen is informed that government surveyors are at work on a large area of unimproved land between Southern Pines and Fayetteville and that Uncle Sam's agents are getting options on the lease or purchase of 175,000 acres of land for the purpose of making a big permanent training camp for soldiers. The story goes that the purchase of this land means an expenditure of about \$2,-000,000, while the annual rental would amount to the tidy sum of \$200,000. It is estimated that this great camp would mean the expenditure of a million dollars a month. That would mean considerable to Southern Pines. It is said that something like 100,000 acres are now under option and that the matter will be decided within the next two weeks. The camp would come within four miles of Southern Pines and the other end would be about the same distance from Fayetteville. - Sand

Commenting upon the announcement experts were at that time at Morehead City with a portable smoke house instructing the fishermen and dealers in the art of smoking and curing menhaden and other varieties of fish that are not now in general leading and oldest fish dealers, stated today that when properly cured, the menhaden was one of the most palatable of the many fish found off the North Carolina coast and that in the course of a few years they would be on sale on every market in the State and that the people would consider them a delicacy.—Mr. Arthur Guthrie, a machinist at the New Bern Iron Works, is today minus one eye as the result of an accident which occurred several months ago. At the time of the accident Mr. Guthrie was engaged in working on a piece of steel and a small sliver of this in some way flew off with such force that it penetrated one of his eyes. An X-ray picture of the optic was made, the offending piece of steel lo-Richmond, Va., where it was removed. The operation was successful in a way but Mr. Guthrie lost the sight of that eye and today he had it removed .- New Bern Sun-Journal.

New Bern Sun-Journal.-Our tobacco market is at the present time forging ahead by leaps and bounds. It has grown from a small beginning to one of the leaders in this section and there is every reason to beder and that millions of pounds of sold each season.

Dunn Dispatch.-A little more charity toward the negro might help him come with honor through the most trying period of his existence on the American continent. It is not likely that and race so weak has ever faced so trying a situation as does the negro at this time, and it is to his evlasting honor that he is facing it with a nobility surprising to those who least understand his character.

Grensboro Record .- And so it happened that Mr. Bernstorff, who wept copiously when diplomatic relations with his country were broken off, wasn't such an ardent believer in America after all. It appears that he was using German gold to influence lawmakers to see that America didn't declare war against Germany. The whole German plot, as it develops, country for many years. It is now evident that Germany was always afraid of the part America would play when she launched her war against France and England. The fact that America is doing just what Germany was plotting and spending money to keep her from doing certainly gives no inspiration to the Kaiser. America will decide the issue, and the ssue is to be nothing but the annihilation of the German Empire. Already it is tottering.

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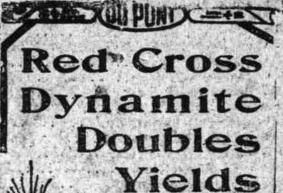
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