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WHERE WAS YOUR DAUGHTER LAST NIGHT?

If some of the parents of young girls could hear the remarks made about their daughters by our old friend, the chronic gossip, they would exercise more care regarding the associates and habits of those daughters.

We may be a little old-fashioned in our ideas. Things move so fast in this day that a fellow is often left with obsolete ideas as to propriety overnight. But we cannot see why a thing that was considered indecent or improper when we were a youngster a little while ago should not be the same now.

None of us see disaster until it is upon us because it has a way of creeping up unawares. The bright, smiling little girl who today nestles her cheek against the jaw of an idling father is confronted by all the dangers that have beset the path of young womanhood since time began.

We would be the last in the world to think of any evil of the innocent little creature whose gaily addressed pleasure to our humdrum life. Their laughter is music to us; their antics amuse. Nothing gives us more pleasure than to see them have fun.

NEEDED: MORE HOUSES

With seventeen families applying for one house it appears that Dunn needs to build more dwellings. So far as we know there is not vacant in the whole town a single dwelling with any modern conveniences.

Since only two families can be accommodated, 15 will have to be content without. But this shows that there is a strong demand for small houses with conveniences.

A NEW SPIRIT IN AN OLD TOWN

Wilmington awakens. After a long sleep she is arousing to find that progress comes only to communities whose people make a noise like opportunity. She is realizing that there is a reason for the progress of Charlotte, Winston-Salem, Durham, Greensboro and the rest of the bustling towns that have grown while she stood practically still.

There are any number of things Wilmington can do. She has natural advantages above most any city along the Atlantic seaboard and should have been the South's leading port long ago.

CITY MANAGER PLAN FINDS FAVOR

Many of Dunn's foremost business men endorse the proposition to put the municipality upon a strictly business basis and employ a city manager to direct its affairs.

Obviously, further increase of taxes would be wrong. Increase in water, light and power rates might be a bad business move. Therefore some plan must be evolved through which present resources can be better applied.

TIMELY WARNING TO THE NEGRO

Will the negro give heed to the sly propaganda of German agents who seek to draw him into the web now slowly but surely enveloping those who adhere to the Kaiser's ruthless doctrine?

This is a question causing grave concern to the negro's well wishers, for, through knowledge of negro ignorance and weakness, they fear that the vernal element of negro leadership will direct the race into a course which will prove disastrous to the progress made since its emancipation.

The white man has no fear of any negro uprising, even if it is given all the aid German ruthlessness is capable of giving. But there are white men who have a high regard for the industrious, self-respecting, law-abiding colored brother.

The really intelligent leaders of the negro have reported to the proper authorities all overtures made to them by the Germans.

COLONEL ROOSEVELT AND THE WAR

Along with a host of other Democratic admirers of Colonel Roosevelt's virile personality we regret that conditions were not such that the President could endorse his plan for raising a volunteer force to be sent against Germany while our new armies are being trained.

In this war past records count for little, because every phase of it is different from any known before. The Colonel's fights around Santiago were with a frantic lot of well-fed Americans against a lot of scared, half-starved Spaniards.

The Colonel intended recruiting his ex-rough-riders and others of their heroic make up, but the bulk of his men would have been as green in the fighting game as are the thousands who are to be trained in the National Army cantonments.

WHAT ABOUT THE DIMMER?

The State has enacted a law to compel owners of glaring automobile lights to equip such lights with "dimmers". Many have obeyed this law.

RASS DOES GOOD JOB

Congratulations to Chief of Police Bass in ridding the town of its sole white member of the commercialized vice brigade.

Speaking of these same colored street walkers: It occurs to us that their presence here could be made a little less obnoxious to the people of Dunn. A more brazen lot we have never seen, nor could more flagrant violators of the vagrancy laws be found.

THE BLIND TIGER IS STILL WITH US

Isn't it about time that the police department was beginning a crusade against blind-tigging?

With the passage of the latest prohibition law we looked to see this section become, decidedly arid so far as intoxicating moisture was concerned along about July 1; but really there has been little noticeable decrease in drunkenness.

It is difficult, we know, for policemen to get positive proof against sellers of whiskey, even when it is apparent to all civilians that the stuff is being sold; but, by exercising due diligence, it is probable that Dunn's policeman could find the sources of supply in and around Dunn.

CASE OF SILER VS. BYRD

Walter D. Siler says to Walter P. Byrd: "In my judgment you and Mr. Wynn and men your ilk are giving more aid and comfort to the Kaiser than all the German spies who may be lurking between Maine and Minnesota."

Mr. Siler's forefathers fought in the Revolution and practically all other wars of the nation down to the war with Spain, but not including it.

Mr. Byrd is a Republican office-holder who fought the passage of conscription laws, but is aiding in their enforcement since their passage. Through 50 years old, he says he wanted to be one of Roosevelt's 100,000.

Bulgaria, smallest of Germany's allies, desires to annex large slices of territory belonging to America's ally, it is intimated in an interview by Premier Radostoff published in a Budapest newspaper.

Items, Comment and Suggestions

By Rev. J. A. Hornaday, Pastor Dunn Methodist Church

The "Items" for this department of the Dispatch this week are sent in from the "Land of the Sky."

On Friday of last week my wife, my daughter, Bernice, and I left Dunn on 34 at 6:33 o'clock in the morning. I took my daughter and I got off to catch R. I. on the Southern for Asheville, while my wife went on to Richmond. We had bought our tickets through to Waynesville, thinking we could come on through without making any change.

At Winston-Salem Judge Frank Carter got our train, and by chance we got acquainted with him and found him quite entertaining. He seemed to be thoroughly acquainted with every inch of the way, and was exceedingly kind and patient in answering my many questions.

At last we secured rooms at the Westover. We got into our rooms about 11 o'clock, and went to bed supperless. We found the Westover quite a decent sort of hotel, and think we should try it again.

On Sunday at 11 o'clock, Rev. H. M. Ford, pastor of Memorial church in Durham, preached a most excellent sermon in Waynesville Methodist church.

On Monday we took a trip to the far-famed Eagles Nest hotel, built on the top of the highest mountain in the Japanese range, and about five miles from Asheville.

Very little has been heard from Hon. W. J. Bryan since the United States entered the great world-war, but when he does write he always says something worth reading.

William Randolph Hearst has been named as a candidate to run in the Democratic primaries for Mayor of New York. Tammy Hall, pretending to represent the Democratic party, but one of the most corrupt organizations in existence, is exceedingly anxious to beat Mayor Mitchell, said by Colonel Roosevelt to be the best Mayor New York has had in a quarter of a century.

Baron Monebeur, the head of the Belgian commission now in this country, expressed in most eloquent language at the City Hall reception given in honor of the representatives of Belgium by New York one day last week the gratitude of his people for America's kindness to them in their time of dire need.

Just as we are arranging to get off on our vacation we learn that Prof. and Mrs. John C. Lockhart are not to remain in Dunn another year. Mr. Lockhart did a great year's work in the graded school here last year, and we regret exceedingly that he is not to remain here for another year.

During the three years of the world war England's debt has grown from \$3,250,000,000 to \$17,000,000,000. Over against total expenditures of \$25,750,000,000 are revenues amounting to \$8,555,000,000.

Rumor has it that Z. V. Snipes and family are to leave Dunn in the near future. We are sorry to learn this. Mr. Snipes and family moved to Dunn about two years ago, and by their uniform courtesy and upright lives they have made all who know them in Dunn and community their firm friends.

THE Bank of Cape Fear. June 25th, 1915, DEPOSITS \$39,424.05. June 25th, 1916, DEPOSITS 63,983.26. June 25th, 1917, DEPOSITS 131,291.00. OVER 300 PER CENT GAIN SINCE JUNE, 25, 1915. 200 percent gain in last 90 days in our SAVINGS DEPARTMENT. We pay 4 percent in this department. "DUNN'S FASTEST GROWING BANK". D. C. FUSSELL, Pres. G. M. TILGHMAN, Vice-Pres. H. B. TAYLOR, Cashier. G. M. HOOKS, Asst. Cashier.

STOCK GOING CHEAP. Our Sale is over but we are still giving bargains to our customers. COME AND SEE GOLDSTEIN'S. Dunn's Best Store On The Corner.

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