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BOLL WEEVIL IS MARCHING ONWARD

State Entomologist Says He Will Take 7 Years Reaching Hills

REQUIRES 3 YEARS TO DO MAXIMUM DAMAGE

Coastal Plain Counties Will Not Feel Full Force Of Destruction Until 1921; Can Normally Be Expected To Wipe Out Profits In This State.

Cotton growers in the counties that lie in the coastal plain region of the State will this year begin to feel the effects of the presence of the boll weevil in their midst, but not until they gather the 1921 crop will they begin to realize fully what the presence of the pest means, according to Franklin Sherman, State Entomologist. Mr. Sherman is preparing data to assist farmers in fighting the pest.

According to the findings of several months investigations by the State Department of Agriculture, the weevil has gained a pretty thorough foothold in the frontier of counties bordering on the Atlantic, coming there from Georgia in cotton seed During the present crop year he may be expected to multiply himself to destructive proportions and next year will make his presence felt disastriously.

70 Miles a Year.

Seventy miles a year is about the speed with which the pest travels over the cotton belt, and by the beginning of next year he will have moved a hundred miles inland, and the conditions in those counties will then be about as they are in counties along the coast. By the end of the year 1927 the weevil will have about covered the entire cotton belt, reaching up into the Piedmont section as far as cotton is grown.

No appreciable inroads will be made into the production of cotton in this State this year on account of the presence of the weevil, although in some communities production may be reduced by 5 to 10 per cent. Next year it will be greater, and the next still greater, until the average reduction of from 15 to 30 per cent is reached. In the lowland, warmer counties the loss will be larger, and in the higher country may not reach more than 10 per cent. at its worst.

Better Farming Methods.

Better farming methods is about the only remedy for the boll weevil that agricultural experts have been able to devise so far. The weevil himself continues, unchecked by the utmost endeavors to destroy him, unmindful of all the snares that have been set for him, seemingly thriving on all poisons and enemies that have been spread in his way. He is a fact that farmers can't get around and they have to make the best of whatever he leaves of the cotton.

Closer attention to growing the crop, more business-like methods in financing farming administration, bringing on the crop earlier before the weevil gets time to destroy it, will help some. Farmers who are unable to do this, Mr. Sherman says, will find their entire profits wiped out and their crop grown at a loss.

HADDOCK, PIKE, STURGEON AND TROUT WANT TO BE SEA - GOING MARINES

Kansas City, Feb. 25.—Answering a blood call, perhaps, this quartet want to go to sea: Haddock, Pike, Sturgeon and Trout.

During the past week Alfred J. Haddock, Peter F. Pike, Charles C. Sturgeon, and Brooks Trout were accepted for enlistment in the U. S. Marine Corps at their recruiting station here.

This "human aquarium" was transferred to the Marine Corps Sea-Going Depot at Paris Island, S. C., where they will train for life on the ocean wave.

$60,000.00 SUBSCRIBED TO NEW HOTEL COMPANY

Nearly $30,000 was yesterday subscribed for stock in the Dunn Hotel Company. This is in addition to the sum subscribed in the one-day drive made several weeks ago for the purpose of selling the stock and brings the grand total up to $60,300.00 in actual subscriptions. The drive will continue through the week or until such time as at least $80,000.00 is subscribed.

At 9 o'clock yesterday morning a group of solicitors working under the direction of Robert L. Godwin of the field to work until noon. By 10:30 o'clock they had sold nearly $20,000.00 worth. At noon they had passed the $60,000.00 mark and prospects for the new hotel were exceedingly bright.

Many of the best business men and farmers of the Dunn District could not be seen yesterday, but most of those who were seen subscribed liberally. Some who had subscribed in the initial drive doubled their subscriptions. By tomorrow afternoon it is expected that the desired mark will have been reached.

It is figured that when the subscriptions reach $80,000.00 the promoters will be in position to issue bonds to an amount sufficient to complete the hotel, which it is thought will cost approximately $150,000.00.

NEGRO MOB IN LENOIR TRY TO LYNCH A BLACK

White Farmers Hold Blacks At Bay and Protect Negro Till the Sheriff Arrives.

Kinston, Feb. 25.—Four white farmers, armed with shot guns, held a crowd of armed blacks at bay at a plantation in the Contention Neck section to Lenoir county yesterday while Sheriff Taylor, Deputy Thomas Conway, Coroner Eugene Wood and Policeman Lemuel Aldridge hastened to the place to take in custody Haywood Metts, a negro prospective victim of a lynching bee which would not have accorded entirely with Tuskegee institute's idea of what a lynching should be. The blacks were after Metts and the white farmers were holding them back when the officers arrived. Metts had shot and instantly killed Daniel Archer, a negro, on the plantation of Frank Pope, a few hours previously.

When the officers reached the neighborhood they found the farmers guarding a pack house in which they had concealed Metts. The men with shot guns told the sheriff Metts had distanced the mob in a spectacular race. Members of the mob declared to the eight white men that Metts would be killed before he could be gotten to Kinston. Officers argued with the enraged negroes, warning them of the consequences of the vengeance they contemplated and advising them to disperse.

The mob appeared to be determined to make trouble. Sheriff Taylor demanded that the negroes give up their arms. "Sandy" Council, apparently a leader, from the back of a plow horse declared "no d—d man" should take his gun away from him. Tom Conway, the sheriff's chief deputy, was born Irish and showed Sandy that he had made a misstatement. Conway grabbed Sandy's gun and refused to hear a word from him about it. The situation looked dark, both as to the background of the martial setting and for Haywood Metts, hiding in the tobacco barn.

Luck is largely a matter of courage.

Many a sale is killed or made in the approach.

A revolving door is a poor place to drop a quarter.

HOOVER AGAINST TREATY AS ISSUE

Former Food Controller Says "Reservationists" Should Get Together.

Baltimore, Feb. 23.—Herbert C. Hoover, former food administrator, declared today in an address at Johns Hopkins University his opposition to making ratification of the treaty with Germany an issue in the Presidential campaign. He insisted the injection of the arguments for and against reservations would "obscure our pressing domestic issues by conflict over a question in which the country already has made up its mind," and added, "it is my impression that there is no party credit in this position."

Hope for immediate ratification of the treaty rested, he added, in the acceptance by the "lesser reservationists" of the proposals of the mild reservationists." The two combined, he said, could secure ratification. "It also appears to us,' he continued, "that even from the point of view of the 'lesser reservationists' they will have secured all of the major functions and values of the league. If it be put into being and if it prove its living value in the world, no one can doubt that any necessary changes will be granted to it by common consent as the years go on. For my part, if the league cannot prove its value under the latest proposals of the 'mild reservationists' it will never prove them under the proposals of the 'lesser reservationists.'"

The present danger Europe is facing, Mr. Hoover said, is not, so much a revolutionary cataclysm as the "steady degeneration of the standard of living and the slow decay of the forces of stability." Restored productivity, he insisted, is essential if the Allies are to receive the maximum reparation. "Until then we shall not have real peace," he said. "It will be delayed as long as we hang the treaty in the air, for we are a part of it."

World in Suspense.

"I do not believe the adherence of the American people to the league requires any demonstration," he continued. "It has been under discussion for eight months. It has been given able debate and consideration in its every complexion. I believe that the majority of our people are convinced of the necessity of reservations with the league. Both parties to the conflict appear to concede this. The conflicting groups over the character of the reservations have gradually abandoned their extreme ground and have come closer and closer together. Indeed, it has appeared to all of Dunn's progressive business men and many of the farmers of Sampson and Harnett. One week from Monday morning these men will take the field in an effort to place all of the stock within the week.

appear to an outsider that both sides were in agreement on all the great major ideas of the league, and the major ideas of reservations, but that they are in disagreement mostly over secondary questions in the reservations. In the meantime, the world is held in suspense. Infinite misery goes on accumulating. Forces are set in motion that may yield new conflict. Already the distrust and undermining of confidence and credit in the world has crippled our export market."

JOHNSTON COUNTY MAN CONDITIONALLY PARDONED

Convicted Of Manslaughter In 1913 and Kept In Jail For Two Years Before Trial.

News and Observer.

Joe Bryant, of Johnson county, sentenced to ten years in the State's prison for manslaughter was pardoned yesterday by Governor Bickett on condition of good behavior.

"The defendant," said Governor Bickett, 'was indicted August, 1913, and was kept in jail until his trial in 1915. He was then sentenced to the penitentiary for ten years. Counting the time that he was in jail he has served about six and a half years. The jurors, the judge and the solicitor who tried the case all recommend that a conditional pardon be given the prisoner. For these reasons a conditional pardon is granted."

AGED MINISTER DIES AT HOME NEAR BROADWAY

Sanford, Feb. 23.—Rev. David McNeill, of near Broadway, died yesterday morning, lacking only a few days of being 91 years old. The deceased was born and reared in Harnett county, and enjoyed the confidence and esteem of a great host of friends. For many years he was a local preacher in the Methodist church. A few years ago he united with Holly Springs Baptist church.

The funeral services were conducted this afternoon by his pastor, Rev. W. C. Baxley, of Broadway, at the family burying ground. Two sons, Claud McNeill, of Sanford, and R. C. McNeill, of Jonesboro, and two daughters, Mrs. Katherine Sloan and Mrs. Maggie Mashburn, of Harnett county, survive him.

NEW SERIES HAYNES VOTED PRETTIEST CAR

A galaxy of stars from "Monte Cristo, Jr.," attended the Detroit automobile show last week as an official committee of connoisseurs of motor car beauty. Their purpose was to judge all the cars in the exposition and to determine by ballot the most beautiful among those displayed.

After every make, every model had been appraised, this group came to the Haynes exhibit—to the new series Haynes Brougham—where the fine points of motor car beauty were pointed out and exclaimed over. Then, without a dissenting vote, the new series Haynes Brougham was declared queen of the show, the prettiest car on exhibition.

What's become of the good old housewife who browned her own coffee?

U. S. TO SAFEGUARD REBURIAL OF DEAD WHEN BROUGHT HERE

Washington, D. C.—Bodies of American dead returned from France will be turned over to private undertakers and embalmers only in cases where these are designated by the next of kin, Secretary of War Baker has announced. Plans for the return of some of the dead are now being formulated. The Secretary's decision was made to avoid any scandal in contracts for the reburial of the soldier dead, and the transportation section of the army will take charge of the soldiers' remains until such time as relatives direct what disposition is to be made of them, Secretary Baker says.

FAIR PAYS PROFIT TO STOCKHOLDERS

Checks Aggregating $1,500.00 Are Mailed Out By Sec'y. Riddle—Drive Starts Soon.

Checks aggregating $1,500 were last night mailed to stockholders in the Harnett County Agricultural Fair Association to cover dividends of six per cent declared by the association in its first annual meeting here in January.

Right on the heels of this Secretary T. L. Riddle announces that an additional stock issue of $20,000 will be offered investors in the Dunn District during the week of March 8 to 13. Eugene T. Lee has been appointed to engineer the sale of this stock and considers that he has an easy task in view of the fact that the enterprise has already demonstrated that it is a money maker.

Present stockholders have expressed a willingness to take all of the new issue, but before they are allowed to take any, opportunity will be given small investors in Harnett and Sampson counties to buy. If the issue is not disposed of by the end of the week, those who already have stock will be permitted to buy.

Promoters of the fair say that the making of money is not the prime object of the institution. They feel that if the stock can be placed with a large number of small buyers scattered over the entire district, a greater interest will be created and a larger number of well-wishers will be recruited for the enterprise.

Dunn's progressive business men and many of the farmers of Sampson and Harnett. One week from Monday morning these men will take the field in an effort to place all of the stock within the week.

FINDS PRESIDENT IN FINE PHYSICAL TRIM

"He's Got a Grip Like a Prize-Fighter," Says Railroad Union Chief.

New York Herald.

Washington, Feb. 23.—"Don't make any mistake about the President; we found him cocky as h—l."

So one of the three railroad union chiefs who recently saw the President on the White House portico told his associates here from the outside district to attend the wage conference.

"He sat there with a blanket around him; we didn't see his left hand. He had a golf cap perched on one side of his head. He sure looked cocky. Lee told him the profiteers were making all of the trouble. He told Lee he would like to get a good chance at them. 'I'd like to put them in the front line trenches,' he said.

PESTIFEROUS BOIL KEEPS MAYNARD AT COLUMBIA

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 21.—Lieut. B. W. Maynard, who arrived here yesterday afternoon on his recruiting trip, went to the army hospital at Camp Jackson tonight to have a boil on the back of his neck lanced. He may be delayed in Columbia for two more days because of this. Maynard was unable to speak this afternoon at Memorial services under the auspices of the local post of the American Legion and also at a local church, because of the boil.

TRIXIE'S FOUR BABIES KEEP HER AT HOME

Kingston, Feb. 22.—It will be of interest in every kennel in America that "Thixie," first dog to fly across the continent, is not accompanying Lieut. Belvin W. Maynard on his present southern trip. Maynard's famous German police dog is about the best known canine in the country. She is now at home with four pretty puppies, and prefers her domestic life to flying. When the babies are old enough Trixie may rejoin her master. Maynard told J. F. Hall, of this city, an old college mate, about Trixie's family as they rode together on a train from Suffolk to Hobgood the other night. Maynard promised Hall to come here when he doubles back for the north, should the public desire a visit from him. The invitation will be extended.

61 P. C. OF CHICAGO'S SCHOOL CHILDREN UNDERNOURISHED

Chicago—Fully 61 per cent of Chicago's school children are undernourished, according to a health department survey of child hygiene. The report states that out of 141,811 children 86,556 were found to be affected because of a lack of proper food. Cases so defective as to warrant treatment pathologically numbered 5,269, or 3.75 per cent.

Usually, the looser a woman ties a man the tighter she holds him.

NAMING OF COLBY SURPRISE TO ALL

President Creates Sensation Rivalling That Of Lansing Resignation.

Washington, Feb. 25.—President Wilson again upset the expectations of official and political Washington today by naming Bainbridge Colby, a New York attorney, who left the Republican party with Theodore Roosevelt in 1912, as Secretary of State.

The selection caused scarcely less of a sensation than the dismissal of Robert Lansing from the State portifolio two weeks ago, and was received with such undisguised surprise in the Senate, where the President's choice must be approved before Mr. Colby can take up the duties of office, that none of the leaders cared to predict when confirmation might be voted.

Not even among those on the inside of administration circles had there been any expectation that the selection would fall on Mr. Colby, who told inquirers today that he himself had been given only a brief notice of the President's intention. Summoned to the White House he spent an hour with Mr. Wilson, announced that he would accept, with a deep appreciation of the responsibility imposed upon him and said he would have no further comment to make until the Senate had acted.

Word of the nomination reached Senators just as they were assembling for the day's session and in their private talks during the day they discussed little else. Virtually all of them, however, preferred to withhold public comment until the subject came up formally for action.

PROHIBITION DIRECTOR "INVADES" MICHIGAN

Denied Warrants For State and Municipal Officers, He Goes On Anyway.

Champion, Mich., Feb. 24.—Denied warrants for the arrest of officials of Iron county, Mich., whom he charges with conspiracy to obstruct the prohibition law, Maj. A. V. Dalrymple, with a force of 35 men passed through Champion tonight en route to Iron River with the avowed intention of making the arrests without warrants and recovering 11 barrels of wine taken from federal officials last week.

Downing, commanding the Michigan state constabulary in the upper peninsula, with a half troop of his men joined Major Dalrymple and his party of 16 federal officers. Five additional state troopers at Caspian, Mich., have orders to proceed to Iron River tonight to join the party in the morning.

The men whose arrest Major Dalrymple seeks are: Martin McDonough, state's attorney of Iron county, five deputy sheriffs, the chief and captain of police of Iron River village and three citizens. Neither Major Dalrymple nor Lieutenant Downing anticipated any resistance at Iron River. The state troopers left their rifles in barracks and like the federal agents carried only side arms.

OPENS FOR SETTLEMENT LARGE OREGON SECTION

Settlers Already On Ground, Soldiers and Sailors Given Preference—Public July 9 and After.

Washington, Feb. 25.—Secretary Lane today ordered the opening to homestead entry of more than 360,000 acres of land, a portion of which adapted to cultivation, in western Oregon, formerly embraced in the Oregon and California railroad grant.

Settlers residing on the tract since December 1, 1918, and honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines will be given preference rights in the filing of applications, the former being permitted to file between April 12 and May 8 and the latter between May 10 and July 8.

Lands not entered on by these two classes will be subject to entry by general homesteaders on and after July 9.

PERSHING LAUDS NEGRO FOR HIS ACHIEVEMENTS

Hampton, Va., Feb. 23.—General Pershing told the students of Hampton Institute here today that the people of the South were becoming more and more interested in the education of the negro population.

"This center of education is the greatest encouragement to the colored race throughout the South," General Pershing said. "I have been struck with the activities of educated colored people in the South. I have met many colored people of high character and ability."

Praising the record of negro troops in the Spanish and World Wars, General Pershing urged that the negro veterans associate themselves with the American Legion. After inspecting the cadet battalion and reserve officers training troops, he was entertained with plantation melodies.

"You have given me extreme pleasure," General Pershing said. "A people who have music in their souls have much else that is worth while."

PUNISHMENT DOESN'T STOP VIOLATION OF DRY LAWS

Roanoke, Va., Feb. 24.—"Punishment has proven to be singularly ineffective in checking the flood of violations of the liquor laws." Judge Henry C. McDowell, presiding here in the federal court for the western district of Virginia, declared today as he faced the heaviest criminal docket in the history of the court.

LUMBER MILL USES ARMY WHIPPET TANKS IN PLACE OF HORSES

Washington, D. C.—Great numbers of the tractors used by the army in France are being sold at good prices to lumber and other concerns over the country in whose business the traction problem is a matter to to reckon with. One lumber concern in Arizona is now using whippet tanks, replacing, they declare, the services of thirty horses and fourteen men. In addition, these tanks are able to haul logs all winter instead of only during favorable weather.

MISS DAISY BRYANT IS A VICTIM OF EPIDEMIC

Prominent Business Woman Of Benson Succumbs To Pneumonia—Officer In Two Concerns.

Benson, Feb. 20.—Miss Daisy M. Bryant, member of the Parrish-Bryant Motor company, and secretary-treasurer of Parrish-Godwin company, died at the Hotel Parrish here last night from the after-effects of an attack of influenza. Her body will be carried to Stantonburg, the home of her mother, tomorrow where interment will be made.

She had been desperately ill for over a week and everything possible was done to save her life. She had been in Benson for nearly five years and had made numbers of friends who admired her excellent business traits as well as her fine noble character.

Miss Vada Boone, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Boone, died last night of pneumonia following influenza. Interment will be made this afternoon. She was held in the highest esteem in the entire community. She was a teacher in the Baptist Sunday school and lived a beautiful Christian life.

Judging from the number of new cases of influenza the situation here becomes no better. All public gathering places were closed a week ago. The town, so far, has escaped a widespread epidemic but the country about has been full of it, according to physicians who are worked to the limit of human endurance in an effort to cope with the situation.

J. W. Stout and company are making preparations to begin the $100,000 bank building of the Farmers Commercial bank. This building when completed will be four stories high and will be one of the prettiest buildings in the section.

The Benson Wholesale Dry Goods a new wholesale house just opened here, of which Preston Woodall is the principal stockholder. Until suitable quarters can be secured Mr. Woodall will use the upper story of his department store.

Plans for the expenditure of nearly a half million dollars in business buildings is planned for Benson within the past few months which will somewhat relieve the acute shortage in places in which to do business.

NATION'S BANKING POWER NO LONGER CENTRALIZED

Washington, D. C.—Evidence of the decentralization of the country's banking power is furnished in one of the latest reports of the Comptroller of the Currency. It is pointed out that of the 120 national banks with resources above $25,000,000 each, 22 are in New York. Twenty years ago 14 of the 19 banks in this class were in New York City.

The 120 banks covered in the Comptroller's latest analysis are scattered in 39 cities, while in 1899 the nineteen large banks were concentrated in five cities.

FIRE DESTROYS OFFICE OF GEORGE F. POPE MILL

Approxmiately $1,000 in money and office furniture was destroyed when fire consumed the interior of the George F. Pope mill office in East Dunn last Friday morning. The larger part of the loss was in checks paid to the mill and of which no record had been kept.

DUNN FAIR OPENS HERE OCTOBER 12

Date Moved Up One Week When Change Is Made For State Event.

Because dates for the State Fair have been moved up one week the big Dunn event for the coming fall was also made a week nearer, October 12 being the date chosen for the opening instead of October 19 as was first decided upon. This date conflicts with Kinston, but it is not believed that either exposition will suffer by that fact, since the towns are sufficiently far apart to obviate any competition. It may result, however, in Kinston not having as good a race meet as it hoped to have, because most of the racers in this circuit have already been dated for Dunn.

Decision to move the fairs forward was made at a meeting of the Eastern Carolina Fair Secretaries Association held in Rocky Mount last week. Secretary T. L. Riddle, of the local organization, attended the meeting and insisted upon being given the week immediately preceding the Fair.

Rearrangement of the eastern schedule leaves the dates for openings as follows:

Greenville, Sept. 20; Rocky Mount, Sept. 27; Goldsboro, Oct. 5; Williamston, Oct. 5; Kinston, Oct. 12; Dunn, Oct. 12; Raleigh, Oct. 18; Fayetteville, Oct. 26; Tarboro, Nov. 2; Clinton, Nov. 2; Wilson, Nov. 9; Pinehurst, Nov. 17.

BOAT AND BARGE LINE PLAN BEING DISCUSSED

Tar Heels Go To Washington In Interest Inland Boat Line From This State North.

Raleigh, Feb. 25.—Boat and barge lines over the inland waterway from eastern North Carolina points to Baltimore, Philadelphia and other northern points, will come of the visit tonight and tomorrow of North Carolina men to Washington, Raleigh visitors say tonight.

Charles L. Abernethy, of New Bern, Maurice R. Bonman, of Raleigh's chamber of commerce, and Maj. John D. Langston, of Goldsboro, left tonight to present the scheme. It will be backed by shippers generally. Near the return of the railroad lines these business men contation. Mr. Abernethy says New Bern will raise $100,000 for the project and perhaps $900,000 additional will be put into the project. New Bern's shipyard is available for the building. It has put into government service two 3,500-ton boats. These boats and barges would run through Beaufort, Morehead, New Bern, Plymouth, Edenton, Oriental and various other towns. The canal is an average depth of more than nine feet and ready for the service. The boats and the business are next in order.

MOST WAR DECORATIONS WON BY ENLISTED MEN

Washington, D. C.—The United States conferred 5828 decorations on men who served in the Army during the war, according to information made public by the War Department. Of these decorations 63 per cent went to enlisted men, while the officers received only 37 per cent. Distinguished service medals were awarded to 641 officers, this being a decoration limited to the commissioned personnel.

The remainder of the awards consisted of twenty-one Congressional medals of honor to officers and fifty-seven to enlisted men, and 5109 distinguished service crosses to enlisted men and 1516 to officers.

The twenty-one officers receiving distinguished service medals included three lieutenant colonels, one major, six captains, six first lieutenants and five second lieutenants. Nearly 37 per cent of these medals were awarded to members of the 30th, 33d and 89th divisions.

INFLUENZA IN DUNN FORCES CLOSING SCHOOLS, CHURCHES AND THEATRES

Health Authorities Adopt Precautionary Measures To Protect Community From Danger Of Epidemic—Disease Noted Among Horses, Says Dr. Darden—Authorities Ask Aid.

Although influenza has not reached an alarming stage in Dunn schools and picture shows were closed Monday and orders were issued prohibiting the holding of church services and other public gatherings until such time as health authorities will have decided that all danger has passed. This condition probably will continue until the middle of March.

In Dunn there are approximately 50 cases of influenza—most of them mild. Since December 1 there have been nearly 100 others.

In the surrounding district, however, the disease is widely prevalent; and in many cases the malady has developed into pneumonia with some fatalities. In some instances the disease has spread to horses, according to Dr. Thomas E. Darden, who is now treating many farm animals for epizootic, a disease similar to influenza among people.

Dr. Darden is not certain that the disease is not spread by horses among men and women who come in contact with them. He advises all who have ailing horses to quarantine them and call in a veterinarian at once.

To further safeguard the health of the community health authorities ask all persons to aid in the enforcement of regulations to refrain as much as possible from meeting with crowds. For the time being all persons should remain at home unless business demands their presence elsewhere. Children should not be allowed to visit other children unless they are to play in the open air—and then only in clear weather.

Saturday crowds in stores offer just as serious a danger as to other indoor gatherings. Shoppers should not loiter around stores after their business there is transacted. This offers a danger to themselves and to their fellows.

Above all else care should be taken to keep warm, but the windows of every home should be kept open day and night. When the sun is shining its rays should be admitted to homes as freely as possible.

To avoid the flu—
- Keep sweet;
- Keep warm;
- Keep clean;
- Avoid the person who coughs and sneezes;
- Avoid worry;
- Obey health regulations.

BUILDING MATERIAL MARKET OFFERS NO EARLY RELIEF FROM HIGH PRICES

McD. Holliday Thinks Present Conditions Cannot Be Improved For Several Years—Mills and Factories Cannot Supply Abnormal Demand With Subnormal Production.

There is no hope for early reductions in the prices of building materials, according to McD. Holliday, of the Barnes & Holliday Company, who advises prospective builders to place orders for material needed now.

"All building supplies handled by us," Mr. Holliday stated, "is limited in supply and in greater demand than at any time within my memory. This has caused prices to go upward, but present prices are low compared to what I believe they will be six months from now.

"Nails, lime, cement, locks, doors, window frames and sashes—all the stuff we sell—is hard to get. In many instances orders placed months ago have not yet been filled and there is little prospect that they will be at any time soon. Every day mills send out new quotations showing higher prices. All predict that the peak in prices has not been reached and that further increases will come soon."

Reasons assigned for present conditions are that the country has just begun the buildings that were delayed by war, causing the poorly manned mills to be over-taxed, and the extremely low output of mines, mills and factories.

"At a time," continued Mr. Holliday, "when the country needs the very highest production it is being given the lowest by reason of labor unrest and dissatisfaction with living conditions. This condition will last for some time, and after it is cured high prices will continue until such times as the producers can catch up. When it is remembered that we are nearly five years behind in building, it is easy to believe that prices will continue high for at least ten years."

Building in Dunn is being seriously delayed by the scarcity of brick and other material. Many emergency structures of sheet metal are being thrown up to serve until conditions improve.