

## NEWBOLD MEETS WITH SCHOOL MEN TO PLAN BUILDING

### Recommends Type of Building For White And Colored Institutions

## SITE COMMITTEE WILL REPORT SOON

### Estimated Cost To School District Is Approximately \$100,000 For Improvement To Present Structure And Erection And Equipment of New Houses.

Definite steps toward the enlargement of schools in the Dunn school district are being taken this week following a conference here Saturday between N. C. Newbold of the General Board of Education, and the Dunn District School Board. The board will meet soon to decide which of the several types of school buildings suggested by Mr. Newbold to accept, the sum of money needed for construction and equipment, the site to be chosen and the time of holding an election to be called for the voting of bonds needed to finance the project.

The building scheme includes new buildings for the white and colored schools and repairs to the present white school. It is estimated that approximately \$100,000 will be needed from the community for this undertaking. This sum will be supplemented by contribution from the General School Board and other educational institutions.

Several sites for the new white school have been suggested. As yet, however, none has been accepted. The public desires the building to be erected in the south eastern quarter of town, since the present building is in the northwestern; but it is possible that a desirable site cannot be found there at what the board would consider a reasonable figure.

A site for the colored school was chosen more than a year ago, when Professor J. C. Smith, principal of the colored schools, evolved the idea of building a large colored teachers' training and industrial school here. The site chosen is at the northeastern edge of town and contains about ten acres. Professor Smith has secured a large number of private contributions toward the realization of his plan. He desires that the local board aid his plan by giving at least \$10,000 toward constructing the building. The present colored schools are housed in old wood buildings and are in a very crowded condition.

## Borrowers Too Slow In Paying Obligations

### That is One Thing Which is Hurting The Credit Of The State

By W. T. Bost, in Greensboro News. Raleigh, May 1.—Whispers that hurt North Carolina come to the capital ever and anon, as the poets say, and nearly all of them have to do with the financial name of a state which well-known bankers declare hasn't such a good name.

The difficulty with the state on the outside, a prominent state banker tells the Daily News bureau, is the slovenliness of the borrowers in meeting the maturities of North Carolina paper. One of these banks a short time ago undertook to teach a little financial manners on a \$100,000 loan and when the borrower failed to put up, the default was charged to account. But that overdraw the deposit \$65,000 and proved a costly lesson. Notes go days weeks and even months over time. The bankers in the state get mad about it. They dun their borrowers and threaten them. Meanwhile lenders outside the state grow weary of this sort of business and every where the state gets a knock.

It seems that the counties and the cities does its best to protect its credit even at the cost of business sagacity. But a few days ago when the state's officials were in the north scouting for money, this banker, who is going to prepare an article for the Daily News telling just what is the trouble, remarked that North Carolina would get no money now. "The very suggestion of placing a North Carolina loan vexes some of these New York bankers," he said, and to him it was a capital calamity.

As the gentleman will speak for himself, and name names if necessary, he remains nameless now. But his personality and his institution count in the state. He makes all necessary allowance for the stringency of the money market, but he remembers for all that the pet abomination of the banker—the overdue note and the unwillingness of the borrowers to meet promptly their obligations.

What he says should boost the home folks' loan to the state. He greatly fears a big loan outside the state with the record that counties and cities are making for themselves. He says nothing about the campaign for local bond buyers, such as the Daily News suggests; but anything to reduce the corporate liabilities and to diminish the corporate easiness about meeting maturities would seem to appeal to him. The whole thing which is embraced in the word "unbusinesslike" is not the North Carolina borrowers have not been attentive to their notes, and the people outside the state are talking about it.

## TWO CAMP BRAGG AVIATORS KILLED

### Airplane Smashes into Pine Tree at Pope Field While Making Test Flight

Fayetteville, April 29.—Lieutenant the engine of the plane, thought to have died on a sharp turn, and the machine, going into a side slip, crashed into a pine tree. The ship was being piloted by Lieutenant Virgin. The plane which they were flying at the time was a new DeHaviland type 4-B with a 180 horsepower Liberty motor. In making a test flight with the same plane Tuesday Lieutenant Hartman had made the 80 mile flight from Pope Field to Goldsboro in 30 minutes.

Lieutenant Virgin's nearest relatives is his mother, Mrs. Joseph E. Virgin, of Norman, Okla., while Lieutenant Hartman's home address is Reading, Pa., where his father, John H. Hartman lives. It was said tonight that the bodies will be forwarded to their respective homes Sunday. Parents of both the young officers were notified by telegraph immediately after the accident.

The cause of the accident is not definitely known. It is thought that the aviators may have lost control in changing control from one pilot to another or that the engine may have gone dead as Lieutenant Virgin was banking on a turn though it is said that the motor was in perfect condition when the flight was started and that there was no defect in the steering gear.

The aviators were engaged in a practice flight in dropping messages at the time of the accident. At an altitude of five hundred feet they were released that they were coming down. At a height of two hundred feet, it is said, the pilot attempted to swing over in order to slip in. At this moment the big plane swerved to one side struck the tree and plunged to the ground. Both the officers were killed instantly. Lieutenant Hartman's body being pierced by one of the struts of the machine. Lieutenant Virgin's skull was crushed against the gas tank. The engine of the plane was buried in the ground by the force of the fall.

Both the flyers were pilots of flight B of the eighth aero squadron and came to Pope Field with their command from Kelly Field, Texas, eight months ago. Both Lieut. Virgin and Hartman and Virgin were excellent young men, said Col. R. C. Fox, camp commander, and the service has lost two men who were very fine fellows as well as capable aviators. Immediately following the tragic accident, Colonel Fox ordered the flag over the camp headquarters lowered to half mast.

Today's accident is the first serious mishap of the kind that has ever occurred at Pope field since the first wreck to happen near Fayetteville in which two aviators have lost their lives, the other occurring in January, 1919, when Lieutenant H. H. Pope, of Bedford, Ind., and Sergeant W. W. Fleming, of Providence, R. I., were killed by the fall of their plane into the Cape Fear River.

## Fayetteville To Have A Big Singing Contest

Fayetteville, April 30.—One of the biggest things in the way of community singing ever held in this part of the state will be staged here tomorrow, when singing classes from practically every Sunday school in Cumberland county will gather under the big Redpath chautauqua tent on Burgess street to compete for honors in mass singing. A record breaking crowd is expected to attend. The contest will be held by the state, and possibly in excess of this will be two.

A large orchestra has been organized under the direction of Clyde H. Woodall, assistant professor of violin at the Fayetteville conservatory of music, and rehearsals held have been very satisfactory. W. F. Blount, of this city, is the moving spirit of the event and he is radiating enthusiasm over the prospects. The mass singing will be led by John A. Park, of Raleigh, who has something of Homer Rodeheaver's ability to make people sing. Larry Woodall will likely come with him, bringing his famous tuning fork to stir the crowd with "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound." Mr. Woodall's reputation as a master at singing the old fashioned hymns has spread to these parts and should be able to come the programme will be strengthened much.

## ONLY SURVIVING WOMAN TO NAVIGATE FALLS DIES

Lockport, N. Y., April 30.—Anna Edson Taylor, the only woman who ever navigated Niagara Falls in a barrel and survived, died in the Niagara infirmary today.

Mrs. Taylor made the trip over the falls October 24, 1901, in a crudely constructed wooden barrel as a cast at a fortune, but ill fortune pursued her from the time of her adventure to the time of her death. She was 58 years old.

Mrs. Taylor was towed out from Lockport, two miles above the falls, by river men into the Canadian channel so that her barrel would pass over the horseshoe fall where the water was deepest.

Her barrel passed safely through the upper rapids, made the plunge near the middle of the horseshoe, and reappeared in the spume below the falls within half an hour.

## CAMP BRAGG MAY SEND SOLDIERS TO BIG CELEBRATION

### Riddle Given Encouragement By Commander Of Army Post

## EVENT TO BE BIGGEST EVER HELD IN DUNN

### Various Organizations of Town Combine To Make Veteran's Reunion And Independence Day Fete Most Spectacular In History — Fireworks And Races On Program.

The United States Army probably will join Dunn in its efforts to make this year's local observance of Independence Day the biggest thing ever attempted in this direction by a Carolina town. The commander of Camp Bragg has given a favorable, although indefinite, reply to Secretary T. L. Riddle's request that a company of soldiers and a band be sent to the celebration which is to mark the first reunion of service men in these sections of the four surrounding counties contiguous to Dunn.

In addition to the usual celebration features, the organization under whose auspices the coming event is to be held, are arranging for motor cycle races in the afternoon and a tremendous fireworks display and a concert by the Dunn central society at night. The regular features will include horse and foot races, athletic meet, baseball games, bicycle races and a myriad of other features. The Chamber of Commerce, the American Legion, the Woman's Club, the schools, the Hamlet County Agricultural Fair Association and the Board of Town Commissioners, all will aid in making the event creditable to the town and entertaining to the thousands of visitors who will come to Dunn for the occasion. In former years the Dunn celebration has been the main event of Eastern Carolina. Thousands have attended from all parts of the district. This year the promoters hope to eclipse all former records in attractions and in attendance.

## MELON GROWERS OF GEORGIA WANT LOWER FREIGHT RATE

Macon, Ga., April 27.—One hundred melon growers from Georgia and Florida met here today with representatives of railroads and R. V. Pitts, representing the Interstate Commerce Commission. The growers asserted that the increase of 33 1/3 per cent. in freight rates will cause heavy losses to the growers. They asked that the increase be eliminated.

The railroads' representatives stated that they would present the matter to the executives of the roads. Mr. Pitts said that he would report back to the interstate commerce commission.

## TELLS OBJECTION TO MONEY CROP

### Bion Butler Writes Of A Community Where Expression Was Never Used

BION H. BUTLER  
I have never yet become reconciled to that expression, "money crop." Perhaps because it was a new one to me when I came to North Carolina, or perhaps because I am not friendly toward it on general principles. It seems to me that it is a discriminating thing, for anything that is made on the farm or garden should be a money crop as much as any other if we want to make it such. Years ago I published a country paper in a small northern village, and the village was sarbaned by thirty farms. That paper was a steady money maker as long as I was interested there, and it is still thriving, for the farmers were as dependable as the bank. From time to time they would come in, pay their subscriptions, and I never remember sending out a statement to one of them. The stores liked to advertise with us because the farmers who read the paper were good patrons of the stores, and business flourished in the community. In our printing office on Saturday night we made out checks for every bill that had come in during the week, and Sunday never dawned with an account due in that shop. We discounted every bill.

But the farmers made no money crop, and if they had been asked about money crops they would not have known what was meant. The community made no cotton, no tobacco, no wheat for sale on any big scale and looking back to those days I can hardly say what those farmers did to build up such a thrifty rural neighborhood as they were, for they all had a little money, and good horses, and good buggies and good horses, and an organ in the parlor and cattle on the ranges.

Edin's Need Money Crops  
To begin with they did not need money crops like the farmer does who makes a money crop, for they never had time accounts to pay in the fall when the money crop came off. They had no fertilizer bills waiting for their distressed product. They owed nothing for supplies, and that is another word I never heard in connection with them.

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## UNANIMOUSLY SETS ASIDE CONVICTIONS IN NEWBERRY CASE

### Supreme Court at Same Time Holds Corrupt Practices Act Unconstitutional

## JUSTICES DIVIDED AS TO VALIDITY OF LAW

### Decision of Supreme Court Sets Aside Conviction of Sixteen Others Besides Senator Newberry; Division of Opinion As To Future Status of Ford-Newberry Statute

Washington, May 2.—Setting aside the conviction of Senator Truman H. Newberry, of Michigan, and sixteen others for violation of the Federal Corrupt Practices Act, the Supreme Court held today that the act was unconstitutional.

The court was unanimous in reversing the convictions, but divided five to four as to the validity of the law. Chief Justice White and Associate Justices Pitney, Clark and Brandeis dissented from the court's finding that Congress was without power to regulate State primaries, but concurred in the reversal, which, they thought, should have been based on the error of the trial judge's instruction to the jury.

Justice McKenna, who concurred in the majority opinion, applied the statute under consideration, "reserved the question of the power of Senators to supervise primaries."

Future Course Under Consideration  
Opinion was divided in the Senate as to the effect of the decision upon future activities of the Michigan election of 1918, in which Henry Ford, Democratic candidate, opposed Mr. Newberry for the senatorship. Senator Dillingham, chairman of the committee on the Michigan election of 1918, in which Henry Ford, Democratic candidate, opposed Mr. Newberry for the senatorship, said that the court's decision would have a far-reaching effect.

On the other hand, Senator Spencer, chairman of the committee, which has been conducting the Ford-Newberry case, announced that despite the decision the committee would be continued to determine, he said, who was elected and as well as Mr. Ford's charge of fraud. The subcommittee has completed its report on the votes, which gave Senator Newberry a majority. Action, however, has not yet been taken on the re-count.

Newberry Not in Senate  
Senator Newberry has taken no part in Senate affairs and has not been in his seat in the Senate since he was convicted and sentenced to serve two years in the Leavenworth Federal prison and pay a \$10,000 fine. He was in Detroit today.

The court's decision was that the direct election amendment had not affected Section 4 of the Constitution, which the majority opinion said while it gave Congress the power to regulate the manner of holding elections, did not confer on it authority to control party primaries or conventions for selection of candidates for Federal offices.

Domestic affairs of the States would be interfered with and liberties reserved to the people would be infringed upon, if Congress, under existing law, was held to have control over primaries, the opinion said. It was pointed out also that inasmuch as States "may suppress whatever evils may be incident to primary or convention," and each house of Congress has the power to judge the elections, qualifications and returns of its own members, and inasmuch as Congress clearly has authority to regulate by law the time, places and manner of holding elections, "the national government is not without power to protect itself against corruption, fraud and other malign influences."

Chief Justice White, in his dissenting opinion, said he favored reversal of judgment, obtained in the lower courts against Senator Newberry and sixteen others without prejudice to the trial, "because of the grave misapprehension and grievous misapplication of the statute upon which the conviction and sentence below was based."

## MRS. EVA DUNCAN DIES AT HER HOME IN MOUNT OLIVE

Mount Olive, April 29.—Mrs. Eva Duncan, wife of Rev. J. M. Duncan, well known Baptist evangelist, died at her home here this morning about 6 o'clock. For several years Mrs. Duncan had been a great sufferer with asthma, but the immediate cause of her death was typhoid fever. Deceased was about 35 years of age, and leaves her distressed husband, her mother, Mrs. Labinah Reeves, and two sisters, Misses Mattie and Susie Reeves, besides many relatives. Burial will take place here tomorrow morning.

CASPER JACKSON  
Casper Jackson, thirty-five years, son of J. E. Jackson, died Monday in a Fayetteville hospital of pneumonia following an operation for appendicitis Friday. Funeral services were held at his home a few miles east of town. Mr. Jackson is survived by his widow and one child. He was an excellent young man and had many friends in Dunn.

## WARM WELCOME AWAILS COL. COX DECORATION DAY

### Chicora Daughters Plan Interesting Program For Annual Event

## CONFEDERATE VETERANS ASKED TO TAKE PART

### Speakers, Brothers in Arms Also Invited To Join In Ceremonies—Old Fellows To Be Dined in Basement of Divine Street Methodist Church By Daughters of Confederacy.

Colonel Albert Cox will be given a warm welcome when he comes here on the morning of Tuesday, May 10, to deliver the annual memorial day address at Chicora Cemetery where in the three score South Carolina cavalrymen who hold Sherman in check while General Johnston prepared for battle at Bentonville twenty miles to the north in these last days of the Confederacy. Colonel Cox will be escorted here by men who fought with his father in the War Between the States, by those who fought with him in the World War, by the Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy and by the men and women who helped to bury the cavalrymen who died, were killed in the skirmish at Smithtown which marked the opening of the last battle of the war.

Arrangements are being made to have all of the church choir in town join in furnishing music for the exercises. Instrumental music probably will be furnished by the Oakes String Orchestra, which has its headquarters here. All of the Confederate Veterans of this and surrounding counties will be invited to take part in the ceremonies. Dinner will be served to these in the basement of Divine Street Methodist Church by the Chicora daughters and the Woman's Club.

Former service men of Harnett, Cumberland, Sampson and Johnston county are expected to come on the train to honor Colonel Cox and the memory of those who sleep in the Chicora cemetery.

In Chicora Cemetery stands the first monument ever erected to Confederate dead. Funds for its building were raised in the historic settlement in the close of the war. The monument was placed there under the direction of the women of the locality. Around the little enclosure are many mounds in which sleep the Federal dead. Their graves are not marked and in many instances the graves themselves have been obliterated by the growing pines.

Every year the Chicora chapter holds memorial day exercises there and invites some prominent man to make the annual address. In 1914 Bion Butler, son of a Federal soldier who died in battle, made the speech probably the first one of a Federal soldier to make a Confederate memorial address.

## JOHN A. ROBINSON, CIRCUS MAN, DIES

### Veteran Showman, Who First Moved Circus by Train, Victim of Bronchitis

Miami, Fla., April 30.—John A. Robinson, retired circus owner, died at his winter home here this evening of chronic bronchitis. He was 77 years old.

Mr. Robinson had been subject to bronchitis for a number of years. The last attack overtook him about two weeks ago. He failed rapidly and his advanced age proved a barrier to recovery.

John Robinson, Jr., his son, arrived here from Cincinnati and with Mrs. H. F. Stearns, a daughter, was at the bedside when death came. The body will be shipped to Cincinnati tomorrow morning. The funeral will be held there.

Mr. Robinson was born November 4, 1845, in Linton, Ala., not two hundred yards from his father's show. At the age of 18 months he entered the sawdust ring on a career as a performer which ultimately made him one of the largest circus owners in the world. At 18 years he had accumulated enough, with the aid of his father, to start on the road with a circus of his own. This expanded until after the Civil War it became so cumbersome to transport about the rough country in wagons that Robinson conceived the idea of carrying it by train.

## RANGE OF PRICES IN COTTON NARROW

### Week's Fluctuations In New Orleans Market Featured By Deadlock

New Orleans, La., May 1.—In the cotton market last week fluctuations were unusually narrow, the extreme range on the trading months being only 23 to 34 points, July traded as high as 12.35 and as low as 12.08 and closed at 12.28. In the spot department quotations showed no change the week through and middling closed at 11.25. A year ago middling was at 41.00 cents. During a good part of the week the market was in a deadlock, better trade and financial conditions and unfavorable new crop news being balanced by the lack of a spot demand and the uneasiness felt over labor conditions on both sides of the water, to say nothing about the European political situation.

First notice for May failed to bring events of sufficient importance to move prices strongly. Tenders in this market were only 6,000 bales and in New York only 7,000 bales. Bearish traders had been counting on much larger tenders in the New York market. Mild advances were the result of the quick stopping of notices. Texas markets reported a somewhat better inquiry and claimed that Liverpool buyers were operating in the interior and in the New Orleans market the week was, at times, a better demand for high grades and long staples but nothing developed in the spot department to materially change the conditions that have prevailed for a long time past and which have worked against new speculative activity in the contract market.

News from the new crop was generally unfavorable to much rain being reported over the belt, along with low and which telegrams from the interior said were retarding germination and causing poor stands. While the weather turned dry finally, the low temperatures prevailed down to the end of the week.

This week the weather over the belt will be of increased importance because after entering the month of May, it is considered that the crop has entered its first critical period and, above everything else, wet weather would cause great anxiety regarding the start of the crop. A wet May is traditionally a bullish weather development of the highest importance.

The trade this week will pay much more attention than usual to financial and general commercial news. Last week in financial conditions at home and in Great Britain and because of the distinctly encouraging tone of reports concerning business in general, it is felt that if improvement along those lines keeps up it will stimulate a spot demand and it is generally acknowledged that a better demand would result in a higher range of values.

## Transmission Sale Is Favored By Aldermen

### Benson Review

Negotiations have been under way between the town of Benson and the Carolina Power and Light Co., for the purchase of Benson's transmission line between Benson and Smithfield, in view of extending the transmission line from Benson to Dunn.

Before Dunn can get an extension of the line from Benson, it will be necessary for Dunn to issue \$100,000 in bonds to finance the construction of the line from Benson to Dunn and in addition pay for the Benson transmission line at its east value, this money to be paid to the power Co.

The company proposes to Dunn to construct the line from Benson to Dunn and take over Dunn's local distribution system and retail the current there at the rates now in force in Raleigh and other cities where they handle the retail business.

The company refuses to make any extension to Dunn unless Benson will sell the company its transmission line and also give the company a two-year option to purchase Benson's distribution system.

In answer to the proposition submitted to Mayor Canaday by the company, an engagement was arranged for Tuesday night with the company's representative, Mr. Rackliffe, to meet with the town aldermen, at which meeting the company made the following proposition to Benson:

## INCOMING BOARD ASSURED OF TWO NEW MEMBERS

### Lee Wins Over Tart In Second Contest In Second Ward

## WARREN SUCCEEDS JONES UNOPPOSED

### Voting Brisk In Today's Election, Although It Seems Agreed Remaining Members Will Defeat Citizens Ticket Nominees—Dissatisfied Democrats Make Fight Inter-

That the incoming Board of Town Commissioners of the Town of Dunn will have at least two new members was assured yesterday when P. A. Lee, druggist, defeated Loftin A. Tart, lumberman, in the second Democratic primary to choose a candidate for commissioner from the second ward by a vote of 273 to 268. In the first primary Mr. Tart led by 27 votes, getting 189 to Mr. Lee's 178 and W. D. Turnage's 32. The total vote yesterday was 479. In the first primary only 393 votes were cast for commissioner in that ward.

The other new members sure of election today is Richard W. Warren, grocer, unopposed candidate to succeed W. Judson Jones, who declined to become a candidate for re-election. Both Mr. Warren and Mr. Lee were endorsed by the citizens' party and are on the citizens' ticket which contains the names of Neil E. Green, automobile dealer, and Julius H. Newberry, to oppose William H. Newberry and Ellis Goldstein, Democratic candidates for commissioners from the third and fourth wards, respectively.

Voting in the election today has been brisk since the polls opened early this morning. It is evident that practically the entire registered vote will be cast before sundown this evening. While it is generally agreed that the Democratic ticket will be elected, it is said that the vote will be closer than any that has characterized a town election for many years. The Republican strength, normally about one-half that of the Democratic, is going practically solidly to the Citizens' ticket. Both candidates placed in the field by the citizens' committee are independent in politics and at times have voted with the Republicans.

In addition to the Republican strength there is a strong faction opposed to the present administration for alleged extravagance. A large part of this faction places its convictions above party fealty and will vote for those whom they think will remedy any imagined or real evils that may exist.

## The Express Company Paid Meen Too Little

### Whole Conspiracy To Steal Due To That Cause Says Judge Beverly Evans

Macon, Ga., April 30.—In sentencing 41 men, 36 of whom were found guilty and five of whom pleaded guilty to charges of conspiracy to rob the American Railway Express company of \$1,000,000, Judge Beverly D. Evans declared today that the whole conspiracy was brought about because "the express company did not pay the messengers wages sufficient to give them an adequate living."

"They applied for an increase," said Judge Evans, "and that appeal was unsuccessful. I think that in the beginning the whole purpose was to abstract a sufficient amount from the company to give them a raise in wages somewhat on a scale with the railroad employees."

Judge Evans declined to hear pleas for leniency from lawyers. He called the defendants before him separately and in many cases talked to them for a few minutes. To 18 he gave penitentiary sentences.

One defendant, J. L. Johnson, received a penitentiary sentence, Judge Evans told him, "because of your fondness for poker and your appropriation of the company's goods for poker stakes."

"Are you 'Big Boy'?" Judge Evans asked C. W. Pearce, a giant 300 pound man. "Yes, sir," was the answer. "I fine you \$750," said the court. Judge Evans complimented C. H. Condyre, express messenger, and one of the government's witnesses, before sentencing him to pay a fine of \$350. Judge Evans made no comment on W. A. Hughes, star witness for the government, whom he fined \$500.

## LILLINGTON CITIZENS NOMINATE CITY TICKET

Lillington, April 30.—About one hundred citizens, including about a dozen ladies, met in the Courthouse auditorium Tuesday evening and named a ticket for next Tuesday's town election. The mayor called Chas. Ross to the chair and requested Miss Jimmie Faucette to act as secretary.