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POVERTY PINCHES YOUNG MEN ARE DRIVEN TO CRIME

D. R. Lee Preaches Sermon
That Should Touch Heart
Of All

ONE IS IN JAIL; OTHER
MAY GET OFF LIGHTER

One in Prison is Son of Inval-
id Father, Other of Widow—
They Are Accused Of Steal-
ing load of cotton cYE
ing Load Of Cotton Seed
Valued at \$15.00.

By D. R. LEE

On the morning of Friday the 13,
day of January there were two young
men found in the town of Dunn try-
ing to dispose of a one-horse wagon
load of cotton seed; the seed being
the property of a farmer of the
Shady Grove section of Sampson
county. These young fellows were
apprehended and held before a Jus-
tice of the Peace. Besides being
caught with the goods there is pretty
strong circumstantial evidence that
they committed other petty mis-
deeds on the way to town during the
night.

There must have been great need
to cause them to take all the trouble
and pains incident to hauling a heavy
load 12 or 15 miles through a hard
freezing winter night for an amount
which could not possibly exceed \$20,
probably not more than \$15. One of
them is in jail, the other will prob-
ably get off light by turning State's
evidence.

The boy in jail is the son of an
invalid father and a mother who has
raised a large family and is growing
old. He is their only male help. The
family is in terrible circumstances.
His companion in crime is the son
of a widowed mother in needy cir-
cumstances, only a few days ago I
saw a notice posted "For sale under
mortgage" in which were enumerated
all the feed, stock and tools owned
by this widow.

Many a bitter cold morning have

we seen these boys in a shivering
or driving a team when his only pro-
tection from the cold was a pair of
ragged overalls, a thin ragged shirt,
a thin ragged coat and a rag that
had once been a cap. Once I have
known him lifted and carried from
the wagon into the house of a neigh-
bor so cold he could not walk. And
this when other children were getting
the benefit of the public school which
poverty deprived him of. For the
same reason he was deprived of the
opportunity of attending Sunday
school and church services. For com-
pensation he must associate with
people similarly situated. He was not
the son of a drunken, shiftless im-
provident father. His father was a
hard working, honest man whose
word was a good as another man's
bond, he died in middle age from
hard work, undernourishment and
exposure.

Cold facts are sometimes a hard
pill to swallow but people who boast
of our communities wealth and in-
lightenment need to face the ordeal
occasionally. People who live on large
farms inherited from parents who
probably entered the land at 50 cents
the acre and have their farms tended
by people who work not so fortunate
have no idea what real need is. Al-
though they may see others in need
and undergoing sore temptation on
account of it they seldom use the
golden rule when dealing with those
who prove too weak for the tempta-
tion. Let me say that not for one moment
shall I champion the cause of one who
follows law breaking merely because
he would rather do it, neither am I
in favor of the much-used method
of shielding one law breaker from
the full penalty due him and rail-
roading another to the full limit just
because one has money or friends
"with a pull" and the other has not.
The great State of North Carolina
cannot deal true justice to its people.
Why? Because the people who make
up the State are not just to each
other. Nobody wants justice and very
few are willing to give it impartially.
If true justice and a square deal to
all had taken place years ago these
two boys would not have grown up
in an atmosphere and under condi-
tions that must necessarily make
criminals of them. And numbers of
others would be serving instead of
being served. Greed and need
brought these boys to grief, the greed
belonged to folks in general and
showed itself in the tremendous prop-
ertising orgy that still throbbles this
country and need came to these and
countless other families on account
of it. "Your gold and silver is can-
kered; and the rust of them shall be
a witness against you, and shall eat
your flesh as it were fire. Ye have

TWO SUITS FILED AGAINST FORMER CHIEF OF POLICE

Civil Summons Served On U. S.
Page Yesterday By
Attorneys

WILSON AND MORROW
ARE THE PLAINTIFFS

It is Said They Want \$10,000
Each For Injuries Inflicted
By Page—Wilson Case
Grows Out Of Incident
Which Led To A Near
Riot.

Two civil summons involving suits
of probably \$10,000 each were yester-
day issued against U. S. Page, for-
mer chief of police of Dunn at the
instance of attorneys for Enoch Wil-
son and Marsh Morrow. In each case
it is contended that the plaintiff suf-
fered serious personal injuries at the
hands of the defendant while he was
a policeman here. The cases will be
docketed in Harnett Superior Court
and are expected to be reached at an
early term.

The Morrow case grows out of
Page's arrest of Mr. Morrow on
Christmas eve when the policeman
charged him with disorderly conduct
and carrying a concealed weapon.
Mr. Morrow was badly manhandled
at the time and it is alleged was
trucked several times by the police-
man's club. He was, it is alleged,
dragged to the police station and
thrown upon the concrete floor in
an unconscious condition and left
there for more than two hours with-
out medical attention, although he
is said to have been bleeding from
several wounds on his head alleged
to have been inflicted by Page.

In this case Mr. Page contended
that he was compelled to strike Mr.
Morrow in self defense. He exhibited
black eye as evidence that he had
been struck by Mr. Morrow. Mr.
Morrow, however, denied that he
struck the officer.

The Enoch Wilson case grows out

of an incident which occurred on
Circus day several months ago when
the officer's club upon Mr. Wilson's
head so aroused the town that it was
necessary to place a guard around
City Hall to keep back a mob which
threatened the policeman's life. Mr.
Wilson was arrested upon a charge
of carrying a revolver concealed in
his automobile. He and Mr. Page had
some words about a bondsman with
him and he was arrested. A jury last
week acquitted Wilson of the conceal-
ed weapon charge.

COUNTIES FOLLOW GUILFORD'S LEAD

Want Sanatoriums For Treat-
ment Of Those Afflicted
With Tuberculosis

The following bulletin was issued
by the North Carolina Tuberculosis As-
sociation:

Following the lead of Guilford a
number of counties are becoming
more and more interested in the
county sanatorium problem and dele-
gates are approaching the county
commissioners with a view of having
the people vote for a bond issue to
build and maintain a county sanato-
rium for the treatment of tubercu-
losis. The commissioners and the peo-
ple will, we believe, cooperate on this
issue when they are made to realize
that a sanatorium pays dividends
both financially and in better health
to a community. The North Carolina
Tuberculosis Association has secured
some statistics from the State Sanato-
rium that speak very eloquently
from a financial standpoint and we
advise the people in those counties
that are working for a sanatorium
will be interested. For the 6-year pe-
riod ending June 30, 1920, there had
been 1,359 patients under treatment
at the State Sanatorium. Of this
number 355 had tuberculosis in the
incipient stage when admitted. The
follow-up work done in November
disclosed that 295 of these patients
were living and working; 87 are liv-
ing but not working; 15 are dead
and no trace could be found of 8.
There were 632 of this number that
had moderately advanced tubercu-
losis when admitted. Of this number
294 are living and working; 160 are
living but not working; 224 are dead
and 8 were lost. There were 372 far
advanced cases admitted during the
six years. Of these 52 are living and
working; 53 are living but not work-
ing; 263 are dead and 4 were lost.

This report impresses upon us the
importance of treating tuberculosis
early if lasting good results are to
be obtained as it will be seen that
the large majority of all the early
stage cases are living and back at
work, while no lasting good could be
done for the majority of the far ad-
vanced cases.

It will be seen from the above that
641 of all classes of patients are liv-
ing and at work. An effort was made
to determine the income of these pa-
tients per annum. Complete reports
could not be secured but from infor-
mation submitted an estimate of \$1,
000 was made, which would give us
an earning power of \$641,000 a year
for the patients back at work. The
cost of treatment to the State, for
the six years was \$235,000—this is,
of course, for maintenance only.

We feel, therefore, that the money
spent in North Carolina for the treat-
ment of tuberculosis is well invested.
It has enabled men and women who
otherwise would have died of tuber-
culosis to become an economic asset
and they are turning into the State
thousands of dollars that would have
been lost.

MAY GO TO RIVER FOR CITY WATER; PUMP STILL OUT

Engineer Boersch Recommends
Pumping Station On The
Cape Fear

WOULD COST ABOUT
\$150,000 IT IS BELIEVED

Meantime Dunn Must Get
Along As Best It Can With
Artesian Wells, But Must Be
Very Economical—Mayor
Asks For Cooperation Of Citi-
zens.

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C. Albert for whom several hundred
citizens petitioned the board in its
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pressed, however, as to whether Mr.
Albert was still open to acceptance.
The matter was deferred for action
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being a-begging.

Citizens are urged to use municip-
al water as sparingly as possible.
There is a very grave crisis at pres-
ent, Mayor Wade points out, and
every citizen should give the municip-
al government all the help possible.
Consumers are cautioned not to leave
their taps open when they find that
the water is cut off. It is possible that
the water pressure will be turned in-
to the mains for about two hours
three times a day. These periods will
be for the meal hours.

WEEVIL WILL BE SUBJECT TREATED

Meeting Here Jan. 24 To Plan
Against Damage From
Cotton Pest

On Tuesday, January 24, the farm-
ing and county agricultural agents
of the cotton growing sections of
the State will meet at the State Col-
lege to discuss plans for controlling
boll weevil damage. It is announced
that a splendid program has been
prepared to cover the most important
means of reducing the damage from
this destructive pest. There will be
present growers who have experienc-
ed heavy damage this season and
those who have not yet seen its de-
struction.

Specialists of the Experimental
Station and Department of Agricul-
ture have been giving this subject
careful study for several years, and
at the coming meeting will be given
the most recent information for re-
ducing the damage of the weevil.

The discussion will consider not
only the means of controlling the
damage but will suggest supplement-
ary and substitute crops and the place
of livestock under boll weevil con-
ditions. The boll weevil has made cot-
ton a less sure crop than it formerly
was, so it is predicted that it will
force many changes in agricultural
practices.

The boll weevil conference will
be held during the regular meet-
ing of county agents and the North Car-
olina Seed Improvement Association.
The Seed Improvement Association
which was organized last summer has
a membership covering every section
of the state, though its largest mem-
bership is among the cotton grow-
ers.

All growers of the State who are
interested in this meeting are invited
to attend. Further information may

PENDERGRAS IS NOT COMING TO BE DUNN'S CHIEF

Writes That He Cannot Ac-
cept Appointment At
This Time

POLICE DEPARTMENT
IS NOW WITHOUT HEAD

Deputy Sheriff Jerigan Serv-
ing Temporarily—Warren
Wants South Carolina Man
But Goldstein Says No—
Choice Is Deferred—Albert
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ELLIS GOLDSTEIN



Elected for the third consecutive time President of the
Dunn Chamber of Commerce.

PART TIME FARM SCHOOL IS OPEN

Many Negro Farmers Hear
Former Congressman's Ad-
dress at The Opening

With brilliant and encouraging ad-
dresses by former Congressman Han-
nah L. Godwin and Professor Jas.
Vines the part time agricultural
School for Negro farmers opened
most auspiciously last night when the
initial meeting was held in the Ne-
gro Masonic Hall at the foot of East
Broad street. A class of many farm-
ers was enrolled last night and will
meet ten times during this and next
month.

The school, according to an outline
presented last night by Professor Vines,
intends to teach farmers how best to
overcome the damage that will be
done by the boll weevil unless meth-
ods of farming are changed. The
meetings and their subjects will be
as follows:

January 19, fertilizations; Janu-
ary 23, small grains; January 26,
small fruits; January 30, poultry
production; February 2, dairying and
live stock; February 6, corn and pork
production; February 9, marketing,
etc.

The idea of the school is to teach
the farmers diverse and intensive
farming and is considered a harbinger
of the coming of that time when
all farmers of this district will pro-
duce all the food and forage needed
by them and the people of the town.

Mr. Godwin spoke for more than
half an hour, stressing the impor-
tance of food culture and the futility
of placing all faith in cotton. He was
heard attentively and applauded
much for his talk.

Professor Vines has arranged to
have the class hear several succes-
sive farmers during the course.
Among those is Henry A. Turlington,
proprietor of Turlington's Durco Jer-
sey hog farms some time this month.
Other experts who are to come are
W. D. Moore, of Goldsboro, and G.
A. Cardwell, of Raleigh.

It is also hoped that Professor G.
W. Carver, of Tuskegee Institute, the
greatest Negro scientist of America,
can be induced to visit when he comes
to the State to make several address-
es upon the value of sweet potato
production. Professor Carver is the
originator of more than 100 by-pro-
ducts of the sweet potato and is con-
sidered the greatest sweet potato ex-
pert in the world. The Chamber of
Commerce and Mr. Godwin will aid
Professor Vines in his efforts to get
Carver to speak here.

A young man had been talking to
a bored editor for quite a quarter
of an hour, and at last observed,
"There are some things in the world
I can't say without saying."
"Yes," said the editor, "and there
are still more persons in the world
who say a good deal without going."
He went.

be obtained of E. Y. Winters, Secre-
tary, North Carolina Seed Improve-
ment Association, State College Sta-
tion, Raleigh, N. C.

GOLDSTEIN AGAIN HEADS BOOSTER ORGANIZATION

Elected President of Chamber
of Commerce For Third
Consecutive Time

RIDDLE IS CHOSEN FOR
SECY ANOTHER YEAR

Has Not Given Directors Defi-
nite Answer, However, And
May Move If He Gets Better
Offer—R. L. Godwin and
Dr. Butler Are Vice-Pres-
idents.

Ellis Goldstein, president of the
Chamber of Commerce since its cre-
ation more than two years ago, was
again chosen to head the organiza-
tion when the new board of directors
met Friday night to elect officers and
take preliminary steps toward per-
fecting the organization and plan-
ning the year's work. Judge Robert
L. Godwin and Dr. J. E. Butler were
chosen vice-presidents to succeed Mc-
D. Holliday and Granville M. Tigh-
man, who asked not to be re-elected.
E. P. Davis, president of the Com-
mercial Bank, was re-elected treas-
urer and T. L. Riddle was re-elected
secretary. Byron Ford was re-elected
to manage the publicity department.
The directors are the departments
they will head are as follows:

A. L. Newberry, organization; W.
D. Howard, commercial; McD. Holli-
day, publicity; J. E. Butler, public
health; M. C. Butler, roads; N. M.
Johnson, transportation and traffic;
R. L. Godwin, civic; J. W. Thornton,
public utilities; E. T. Draper, agricul-
ture; E. P. Davis, finance; C. L.
Wilson, industrial; Rev. John J.
Langston, community welfare; Wal-
ter Jones, mercantile.

The various directors will appoint
the different committees to carry on
the work of the divisions of their re-
spective departments and at early
date. First, however, it will be nec-
essary to wage an intensive campaign
aimed at getting every man into the
organization who should be in it. This
campaign will be waged some time
next week. President Goldstein and
Secretary Riddle are now planning
to launch the campaign.

Riddle has not definitely ac-
cepted the position of secretary. He
has been given thirty days to con-
sider the proposal made to him by
the directors. If he should accept any
one of the several other offers made
to him, he will give the organization
thirty days notice before leaving. Un-
til this year he was secretary of the
Harnett County Fair Association as
well as of the Chamber of Commerce.
He has declined to continue as sec-
retary of the fair association. This re-
sulted in a cut of several hundred
dollars in his salary.

WELL NAMED HEAD OF JEWS IN STATE

Permanent Organization Is
Formed in Conference For
Relief Campaign

Lionel Wall, of Goldsboro, was yester-
day elected chairman of a permanent
organization of North Carolina
Jews to put over the campaign for
the American Jewish Relief commit-
tee of North Carolina for \$100,000
of the fourteen million asked for in
the nation at large. The campaign, it
was determined, will be staged dur-
ing the week of February 6-12.

The meeting, largely attended by
representative Jews of North Caro-
lina, was held in the Women's Club
building, beginning at 10:45. Dr. Na-
than Kraus, of New York, scheduled
as the principal speaker yesterday
morning, was delayed by a train
wreck. Upon his arrival last night,
however, he spoke. Other speakers
during the day included Mayor T. E.
Hildridge and Louis Samuels, who de-
livered addresses of welcome; Dr. E.
N. Callahan, of Richmond, Va.; Moe
Levy, of Norfolk, State chairman for
Virginia; and D. G. Cobb, of Atlanta,
Southern field representative.

Lionel Wall presided over the con-
ference during the day and the re-
commendation for a permanent or-
ganization of North Carolina Jews to
promote solidarity as well as to pro-
mote the purposes of the Jewish re-
lief campaign, was brought in by a
committee, of which J. L. Emanuel,
of Raleigh, was chairman. Among
the things it recommended were:
"to be appointed to work on
Governor Cameron Morrison to ask
that he issue a proclamation for the
campaign.

The nominating committee, whose
report was adopted in the election of
permanent officers, was composed of
A. A. Joseph, Sam Barwasser, E. M.
Callahan, D. F. Gentry, and T. L.
Riddle.