

THE DUPLIN TIMES

Published each Thursday in Kennesville, N. C., County Seat of DUPLIN COUNTY

Editorial, business office and printing plant, Kennesville, N. C.
J. ROBERT GRADY, EDITOR - OWNER
 Entered At The Post Office, Kennesville, N. C. as second class matter.

TELEPHONE—Kennesville, Day 255-5—Night 215-1
SUBSCRIPTION RATES: \$3.50 per year in Duplin, Lenoir, Jones, Onslow, Pender, Sampson, New Hanover and Warren counties; \$4.50 per year outside this area in North Carolina; and \$5.00 per year elsewhere.

Advertising rates furnished on request.

A Duplin County Journal, devoted to the religious, material, educational, economic and agricultural development of Duplin County.



WE DON'T BELIEVE IT

We know the South suffers much from all sorts of ills, but it should not have to endure slurs from the great Associated Press, one of the most extensive news gathering organizations in the World.

James Bacon, a representative of that agency, falls into the ways of a cheap penny a line scribbler when he puts words in the mouth of "Miss Universe, or Miss Miriam Stevenson, of Winsboro, S. C. which we positively do not believe she said.

In a byline dispatch from Long Beach, California, Bacon quoted Miss Stevenson as follows:

"If you-all evah come down to South Carolina, I'll cook you the biggest heavin' plate of corn pone, hominy grits and ham hocks you evah saw!"

We don't believe Miss Stevenson said that? In the first place, we are confident that Miss Stevenson never used "you all" to mean one person. In the second place she is a college graduate, and, as we recall reports, majored in home economics. In the third place, corn pone, hominy grits, and ham hocks aren't all cooked up and served together on a "heaping plate," and in the fourth place grits stand on their own in the South and are never referred to as hominy-grits.

We don't believe the yanks will ever learn to understand us.

We don't believe Mr. Bacon of the Associated Press, ever saw grits or hominy, and we are confident that he never ate any hominy-grits made into a corn pone.

But we do believe Mr. Bacon was trying to be smart without knowing how to do it, and made a mess of it.

FOR THE OTHER FELLOW

The Federal government still roasts coffee, repairs furniture, makes ice cream and presses pants. It is an insurer, a banker, and a builder. It saws wood, retreads tires, makes rope and grows flowers. And these aren't all of its business, the total costs of which runs into billions of dollars every year.

The practice of government doing things which might be better done at less cost by private industry is so widespread that nobody seems to know just what is the actual count of such plants, industries, shops, factories, offices and counting houses.

The directive the White House is drafting to make such an inventory is only a start to come to grips with the problem. Legislation before the House Government Operations Sub-committee to authorize the President to liquidate commercial-type operations isn't all of the answer, either.

It was a good idea, for instance, to get rid of the R. F. C., but the Congress thereupon substituted the Small Business Administration. It was all right to reduce making paint, but when there was talk of closing down the naval ropewalk at Boston some of the Congressional delegation from there protested as though it was proposed to outlaw the bean and the cod.

It was all right to say the government would get out of the power business, but the protests of the public power people were loud in the land when the Interior Department suggested plans about how to go about doing it.

It was a fine idea to get the government out of rubber manufacturing and tin smelters until somebody got the idea to close the smelter at Texas City. The holler from the Texas delegation had its effect; both House and Senate have passed a bill requiring the government to continue to operate that facility for another year while a commission studies its sale. It would probably be inaccurate to say that the minority leaders of the Senate and House, both from Texas, were disinterested in this particular bit of special treatment.

The big problem any Administration faces when it wants to change a system is the self-interest of many of its own supporters in their own communities. The interest is quite natural, and is a part of the political system. Nonetheless the answer to the problem will always come slowly as long as people say that thus and so is a wonderful idea — for the other fellow.—Wall Street Journal.

Tomlinson's News Notes

Scanned and Picked up from Here, There and Everywhere

by J. W. Tomlinson

The Omnibus Housing Bill

The Omnibus Housing Bill, passed by the last Congress, fell short of what President Eisenhower asked for in low-rent public housing units subsidized by the government. Its principal provisions are as follows: Lower down payments required for the purchase of new and old homes and lengthens the repayment period. The new formula permits an F. H. A. loan on a new house of 95 percent of the appraised value up to \$9,000 and 75 percent of the remainder up to an maximum of \$20,000. For old houses, the formula would be the same except the limit it would be 90 percent of the first \$9,000.

Allows builders of big rental projects who use government-insured loans to include only a "reasonable" profit as part of their legitimate costs. Those costs would have to be certified to the government after a project was completed. This provision is supposed to kill "wind-fall" profits.

Set up a new low-cost housing program for families in slum-cleared areas.

Sets up an expanded program for slum clearance and urban rehabilitation and redevelopment.

Recharter the Federal National Mortgage Association, the government's big secondary - mortgage market, with provisions for private capital gradually to take over its ownership.

Leaves unchanged the present \$2,500 limit on home-repair loans, but requires lenders to take ten percent of the risk on every government-guaranteed loan they make.

New Home Prices

Prices for new homes in the United States are in general the same as a year ago, according to a study made by a national organization of savings and loan associations. The market for used homes is "somewhat weaker" than a year ago, the report said.

Although prices for new homes have been relatively stable, costly homes have been slightly lower and prices for low and medium-priced homes are slightly higher, the study showed. The volume of house sales so far this year is somewhat lower than during the corresponding period last year, it was stated, particularly in the higher-priced field.

Anti-Communist Law

According to news dispatches from Guatemala last week the new government headed by Lt. Col. Carlos Armas has enacted a law outlawing Communism in all its forms in Guatemala.

Persons engaged in Communist activities were made subject to penalties ranging from a year in prison to death under the terms of the law. The measure was the most stringent taken against Communists since the regime came to power two months ago after overthrowing the Communist-supported government.

Russia To Build Up Navy

According to a forecast of the British Admiralty last week, Russia is to build up its navy within the next two to three years to 30 cruisers, 150 destroyers, 500 submarines, 500 motor torpedo boats, 1,000 minesweepers, 300 escort vessels, 4,000 naval aircraft, and numerous patrol and landing craft.

Meteors Cited

Aviation Week Magazine recently reported two meteors revolving about the earth, only a few hundred miles out in space.

The report said that Dr. Lincoln La Paz of the university of New Mexico has helped identify them as being of natural origin rather than man-made.

The McGraw-Hill publication said the "pentagon thought momentarily the Russians had beat the U. S. to space operations." It added that the Pentagon scare over the sightings has dissipated with identification of the objects as natural, not artificial.

Native Dancer Retires

Native Dancer, the great grey champion who broke the record of Man O'War, has been retired to stud, after the recurrence of an injury to his right forefoot, it was announced last week by his owner, Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt.

The powerful 4-year-old colt won 21 of his 22 races, passing the 20-out-of-21 record of the great Man O'War, who was retired after his 3-year-old season in 1920.

The Dancer, beaten only by Dark Star won by a head in the 1953 Kentucky Derby, was undefeated during his 2-year-old career of nine races.

The Nation's Pets

The Journal of Retailing says the estimated dog population of the United States is 22,500,000 and the cat population is 28,700,000. In addition there are 5,900,000 canaries, 9,400,000 parakeets, and 644,000 miscellaneous feathered pets as well as millions of pet fish, turtles and vries that center around pets have

hampsters, the publication estimated. Not only has pet buying and pet care been big business but industry is sprouting up. "Most major cities have dog beauty parlors and there are two hundred and seventy obedience training schools in the United States," the article said. It is further estimated that there are pet psychologists, pet insurance, and that "many large cities have pet cemeteries."

A Bit of Humor

The worst thing about history is that every time it repeats itself the price goes up.—The Wall Street Journal.

The hostess, rather proud of her

**RED ASH
And
BRIQUET
COAL**

**FUEL OIL and
KEROSENE**

R. B. WARREN

Phone 2561
Mt. Olive, N. C.

Leverage gives a POWER PLUS

**to the NEW
FERGUSON TRACTOR**

The Ferguson System makes use of leverage . . . of natural forces . . . in delivering and applying power. Valve-in-head Continental engine is a miser on fuel. Exceptional power output at all engine speeds.

Arrange for Your Demonstration Today!

CAROLINA TRACTORS, INC.

Phone 2898 Mt. Olive Highway Goldsboro, N. C.

METT B. AUSLEY, D. D. S.

Announces the Opening of His Office

For the Practice of

General Dentistry

In Warsaw

Daily — 8:30 A. M. Th 5:30 P. M.
Thurs. — 8:30 A. M. — 1:00 P. M.

Located in Dr. Otto Matthews Office — Phone 640


voice, rendered "Carry Me Back to Old Virginia" in a rich and throaty tremolo. She was tucked to a white-haired man bow his head and weep quietly as the last notes floated over the room.

As soon as she could, she went over to him and said: "Pardon me, but are you a Virginian?" "No, madam," said the elder man, brushing away a tear, "I'm a musician."—Fayetteville Observer.

The maid told him the man had said it was about melons, peas, and beans, and had left number. The number was Whitehall 4-

1212, the number of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Beane, where our man has a brokerage account.—The New Yorker.

Yes
Wallace Stock Yard
 Auction Every Thursday
 Buying and Selling Daily
 Telephone 3161 - 6171 — Wallace, N. C.
 Listen for top hog prices each day over Clinton Broadcasting Station about 12:15 and Wallace Station at 12:25.

Mr. Farmer— 
 Here's a suggestion
 which will save you
 time and trouble

CAROLINA Power & Light Company has an advance payment plan designed especially for the convenience of farmers and others who plan their financing on a yearly or seasonal basis.

This plan was suggested by farmers years ago and has been used by an increasing number of thrifty customers each year . . . that's why we know you'll like it.

Advantages to you---

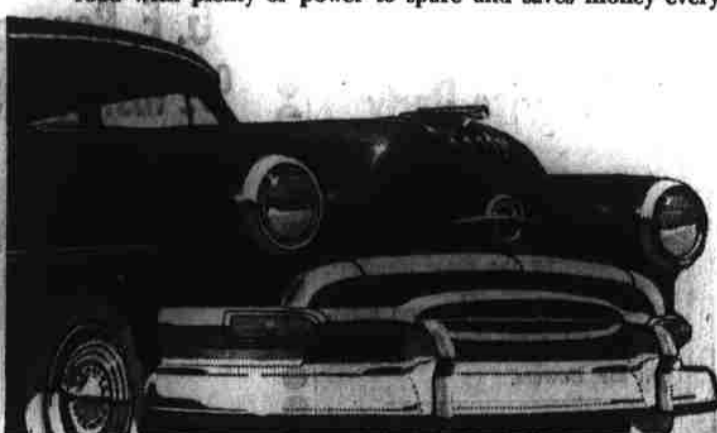
- It does away with monthly trips to the place where you pay your electric service bills, or saves you the bother and expense of mailing your check or money order each month.
- When you pay in advance, you have one less chore to do each month.
- Under this plan you make a payment in one lump sum to take care of your electric service bills for as long as a year in advance. Your money is credited to your account. The monthly bill you receive will be shown as a charge against your advance payment and the unused balance will be shown also. You may pay for as much as a year in advance if you wish, or for any length of time suitable to you.

Come in and let's talk it over!

CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

**4 Important Reasons
 why you should buy a PONTIAC
 RIGHT NOW!**

- Pontiac is One of the Greatest Cars Ever Built!**
 Match today's Pontiac with America's finest cars and you'll get a dramatic picture of Pontiac value. First of all, Pontiac is bigger, in fact, than many cars costing hundreds of dollars more. Pontiac is beautiful—with its distinctive Silver Streak styling. Inside, you'll find genuine fine-car luxury and appointments—along with the roominess and comfort that come only with a long wheelbase. But the big surprise comes when you test Pontiac's performance. See how alert it is to every demand in traffic, how it handles and corners almost without effort, how it takes to the open road with plenty of power to spare and saves money every mile.
- Pontiac has the Best Resale Value in its Price Class!**
 Along with all its fine-car size, luxury and performance, Pontiac has a very special attribute no car at any price can beat—its unsurpassed reputation for year-in, year-out dependability. Pontiac's carefree, economical long life and its proved record of amazingly low maintenance expense are so widely known and acknowledged that it commands the highest resale value in its price class. Because Pontiac is America's most desirable used car, your original investment comes back in greater measure when you trade.
- Pontiac is Priced Just Above the Lowest!**
 After you've convinced yourself of Pontiac's value, after you've considered all the good things you've heard about its dependability—see how it compares dollar-wise. Despite the fact that it's a fine car in every sense of the term, Pontiac is priced so near the lowest that if you can afford any new car you can afford a Pontiac.
- We'll Make You a Deal You Can't Afford to Miss!**
 Right now we're making such liberal trade-in allowances that you just can't afford to pass up the greatest opportunity you ever had to become a fine-car owner. Come in and get the facts.



RIVENBARK MOTOR COMPANY

DOLLAR FOR DOLLAR YOU CAN'T BEAT A PONTIAC!

WARSAW, N. C.

\$\$\$ SAVE \$\$\$

Buy Building Blocks & Septic Tanks Wholesale.
 Manufacturers Steam Cured Laboratory Tested Building Blocks.
 Ask For Warsaw Block Plant
**CAROLINA MILLWORK
 & BUILDING SUPPLIES**
 Phone 656 — Warsaw, N. C.

**FOR THE BEST IN
 PORTABLE
 IRRIGATION**
 . . . better insist on

**Patented, Streamlined
 McDowell
 COUPLINGS**



The First, and Finest
 Patented Gasket-
 Coil Pressure Lock Design

In this unique design, water pressure provides a watertight seal automatically—at both high or low pressures. No tools required. No hooks, latches or gadgets. Easier and easier to use, the McDowell Coupling saves time and money.

Free Planning Service!
 Free Literature!

Mc Kinston, 4737

THOMPSON IRRIGATION CO.
 611 N. Heritage St.
 Kinston, N. C.

Name _____
 Address _____

**THOMPSON
 IRRIGATION CO.**
 Distributors
 Kinston, N. C.