

**NEBRASKA'S SEED POTATO CROP IN HEAVY DEMAND**

The seed potato industry in Nebraska has developed rapidly during the past few years and that state now holds a prominent position among the districts growing potatoes for seed purposes.

The western section of the state is the only part in which potatoes are grown for seed. About 30 per cent of the total shipments from the district of western Nebraska are sold as seed.

Because of the high altitude (3,000—5,000 ft.) and cool nights, which produce a slow growth and normal development conditions in the dry-land district are ideal for the growing of seed potatoes. Fields given the proper attention produce tubers possessing exceptional vitality.

Because of its high quality the outside demand for Nebraska dry-land Triumph seed is increasing each year. Some growers in southern producing areas will not take any other stock for planting. Named in the order of the quantity they use, the states using most Nebraska seed potatoes (both common and certified) are Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Colorado, Nebraska, Kansas, and Arkansas.

During the last three seasons the annual increase in certified seed has been about 100 per cent. The acreage entered for certification this year was nearly four times as much as last year, but because of the large number of new growers in this industry and the development of fusarium wilt the percentage which passed final inspection was not so high as in 1921.

The inspection standard continues rigid in order to protect the reputation of Nebraska certified seed. All potatoes certified for seed in that state have passed two field inspections and one bin inspection.

After the final inspection the Agricultural Extension Service of the University of Nebraska issues to the grower a certificate of inspection in conformity with these standards, and a seal tag for each 2 bu. of certified seed furnished to be attached to the sacks when shipment is made.

Sales of about 50 car loads of certified seed for December delivery had been reported early in the month, ranging from \$1.77 to \$2.00 per 100 pounds.

**U. S. Market Report.**  
The conditions of western Nebraska is identical with ours. Their altitude makes it possible for them to produce high class seed potatoes just as it does these counties along the top of the Blue Ridge.

**SHOOT HIM ON THE SPOT**

That is the policy of the bootlegger toward the officer of the law. A high-powered automobile, a high-powered Colt's revolver, a few fruit jars, jugs, cans and crates of high-powered liquor and the bootlegger is out for any high handed crime that suits his purpose at the moment. An officer of the law is no more than a dirty dog to these assassins of the highway and of the street.

Policeman McCuiston, one of the kindest-hearted and best men of the Greensboro police force, was shot down without a moment's warning by Carl Talley and his gang, and the zeal of some was shown only in an effort to punish the officers who pursued these fleeing murderers. And this Greensboro tragedy was by no means the last instance of officers of the law being shot by these notorious enemies of law who propose to sell liquor at any and all costs.

The present General Assembly should close up some loopholes in the present laws against the manufacture and sale of liquor and then there should be the adoption by all judicial officers of a policy that would send all convicted offenders to the chain gang for such terms as would put an end to the illicit traffic in liquor. Liquor dealers who are at heart murderers must be made to feel the mailed fist of legal justice.  
—Christian Advocate.

**No-Ous Now Have 85,000 Members.**  
The Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association has increased its sign up by 20,000 within the past ten months and will enter the new year with 85,000 members, according to report from Raleigh headquarters of the association. The Tri-State Tobacco Grower, the official organ of the tobacco growers co-operative, will carry the complete news of deliveries to the association up to December 20 in the January number which will be mailed to its 85,000 members.

**111** cigarettes  
TURKISH VIRGINIA BURLEY  
15 for 10

**State Farm Loan System Proposed.**

What is regarded by the author as a vital relief for the small farmer and a practical means of meeting the tenant problem and encouraging intensive farming, is proposed in a bill provided for a State Farm Loan Commission to lend money for the purchase of land from a bond issue of \$2,500,000 offered in the Senate by Senator D. F. Giles, of McDowell.

"There is no reason why any person in North Carolina should ever eat a head of lettuce or anything else grown in Florida and my bill will put a stop to all that," declared Senator Giles.

Fruit orchards in the West and truck farms in the Piedmont and Eastern sections of the State are the dreams of the Senator from McDowell and he is prepared to make the fight of his life to see them enacted into law and his career has given him a reputation as one of the hardest and most effective fighters in either branch of the General Assembly.

"Do you think the bill will pass?" he was asked, "I know it will," was the confident reply.

Senator Giles proposes a commission of which the Commissioner of Agriculture shall be ex-officio chairman and the State Treasurer ex-officio secretary, with three other members to be appointed by the Governor. Loans would be restricted to farms of not less than 50 nor more than 100 acres and loans would bear interest at a rate of one and one-fourth per cent greater than interest paid on the bonds issued by State and loans would be payable in 18 annual installments, the first falling due two years after the date of issue and all of them becoming payable upon the forfeiture of anyone.

The machinery further provides for a loan association in each county composed of the clerk of the superior court, the chairman of the board of county commissioners and the chairman of the board of education. This body would pass on all applications of loans arising in its county and only loans approved by it would be submitted to the state board.

Senator Giles has an open mind on amendments to his measure, though he will insist upon the main idea. Already, he is preparing an amendment providing a scheme for even closer cooperation with the extension bureau of the department of agriculture than would be assured by making the Commissioner of Agriculture the head of the board. Under this plan, the extension service would be charged with the duty of making investigations of the character of farming best designed for the agricultural improvement of each section of the state and these recommendations may be written in to the regulations governing loans, so that only farmers intending to use improved methods and raise crops suitable to the localities in which they live will be given the preference in securing loans.

"This bill, which simply means that the state pledges its credit to the relief of the farmer, will mean that in two years from 1,000 to 1,200 farms can be bought and after that payments will begin coming in and the board will have a revolving fund that will do incalculable good," stated the Senator from McDowell. Senator Giles thinks that the additional one and one-fourth per cent provided in his bill will be sufficient to pay the expenses of the board after the first two years.

**Tell Me Again**

TELL me again the story  
That you told when we both were young  
You were my prince in glory,  
A prince with a golden tongue,  
And the touch of your hand was thrilling,  
The fact that you lived was joy—  
But I was only a girl then, dear,  
And you were only a boy.

Tell me, the way you told me  
When our love was the song of spring  
Hold me, as you would hold me  
When our love was a sacred thing!  
Let the silver that's in your hair, love,  
Be jet, as it used to be  
When I was so new to kisses  
And you were so great to me!

Here by the fireside sitting,  
As the pictures to flames run by,  
Sweet be the moments flitting,  
And children, just you and I  
For the love of our age is richer,  
And yet—I would feel the joy  
Of the love that was only a girl's, dear,  
For her prince, who was only a boy.  
—Henry Edward Warner, in the Richmond Times-Dispatch.

**Raisin Pie.**  
One-half cupful sugar, 2 cupfuls seeded raisins, 1½ cupfuls boiling water, ½ teaspoonful salt, 1 teaspoonful grated orange rind, 3 tablespoonfuls orange juice, 2 tablespoonfuls lemon juice, 1 tablespoonful grated lemon rind, 2 tablespoonful cornstarch, ½ cupful walnuts.  
Cook raisins in boiling water for five minutes; pour into sugar and cornstarch which have been mixed. Cook until thick, about five minutes. Remove from fire and add other ingredients. Bake between two crusts. Walnuts may be omitted if desired.

**Lotion for the Skin.**  
The finest lotion for preventing red hands and chapped lips in equal parts of glycerin, bay

**Tutt's Pills**  
Enable Dyspeptics to eat whatever they wish. Cause food to assimilate. Nourish the body, give appetite.  
**DEVELOP FLESH**

**ENTRY NOTICE No. 2564**

State of North Carolina, Watauga County, Office of Entry Taker of Said County.

W. R. Graham enters and lays claim to the following piece of land. The same being vacant and unappropriated in Watauga Co., Bald Mountain Township, on the south waters of Elk Creek and adjoining the lands of Mattie and Elizabeth Graham, N. M. Dobbin and others.

Beginning on a chestnut in Graham's line, running various courses for compliments, so as to include all the vacant land between Mattie and Elizabeth Graham, N. M. Dobbin and others, containing by estimate one acre, more or less.

Entered January 2nd, 1923.  
H. J. HARDIN, E. T.

**Read the Ads**

**NOTICE**  
Notice is hereby given that a bill will be introduced in the present session of the Legislature to amend the charter of the town of Boone so as to extend the boundaries of the said town.  
Edw. N. Hahn, Mayor  
This Jan. 1 1923

**REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE BANK OF BLOWING ROCK**

at Blowing Rock in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business, December 29, 1922.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, .....	130,663.35
Demand Loans, .....	4,006.73
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured, .....	235.94
United States Bonds and Liberty Bonds, .....	4,900.00
All other Stocks, Bonds, Mortgages, May V. Con. Co., .....	1,500.00
Banking Houses, \$2,700; Furniture and Fixtures, \$2,088, .....	4,838.96
All other real estate owned, .....	120.24
Cash in vaults and not amount due from Banks, Bankers, and Trust Companies, .....	17,022.66
Cash Items held over 24 hours, .....	531.25
Total, .....	163,887.67
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in, .....	16,000.00
Surplus Fund, .....	9,000.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and taxes paid, .....	2,708.42
Deposits subject to check, .....	87,577.51
Time Certificates of Deposit, Due in less than 30 days, .....	11,850.25
Cashier's Checks Outstanding, .....	1,717.43
Time Certificates of Deposit, Due on or After 30 Days, .....	40,234.06
Total, .....	163,887.67

State of North Carolina—County of Watauga January 10 1923  
I, J. T. Miller, Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
J. T. MILLER, Cashier.  
**CORRECT—ATTEST:**  
T. H. COFFEY,  
J. A. LENTZ,  
DIRECTORS.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 12 day of January, 1923.  
G. M. SUDDRETH,  
Notary Public.

**THE GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE**

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pay its direct operating account, and I know it would if the North Carolina corporation commission will use its undoubted power in making rail rates from the water towns into the state.  
"The interstate commission, if it will, can force through joint bills of lading to be issued, and if they did, as I believe they would, the boat line would make more money until the rail roads gave us justice in freight than and corporation of like size in the state.  
"Gentlemen of the general assembly, we can win with the boat line and state-owned port facilities, and I beg your prompt consideration of the whole subject.  
"If we cannot find relief through this plan, I urge you to evolve from your own councils a plan through which we can be relieved from the difficulties I have mentioned. The duty of finding a remedy is yours, not mine. I offer my best thought on the subject. If you do not ap-

prove my recommendation, then I beg you to give the state a better one.  
"Our commerce must not forever languish. We must not forever remain Virginia territory commercially.  
"Gentlemen, I have finished. These are my recommendations, accompanied with my reasons for making them.  
"What ever you may do with them, please consider them as the very soul of a governor who loves his state, and whose chief passion is for greater strength, power, goodness and glory for North Carolina.

**SORE MUSCLES**  
Vacations are often spoiled by soreness resulting from outdoor games. A good massage with Vicks often gives surprising relief.  
**VICKS VAPORUB**  
Over 17 Million Jars Used Yearly

**We Are Strictly Supervised**

We are required to report six times each year to the Banking Department of the Corporation Commission. These reports are very exhaustive and convey such information regarding our financial condition as will enable the supervising authority to determine whether our business is being carried on with proper regard for safety of funds entrusted to our keeping.

We are also subject to examination by the bank examiner or auditor who calls without giving any notice or warning, whatever. The examiner goes over and proves all our books and securities and inquires into every phase of our operation.

We have always welcomed the strictest supervision and shall continue to do so.

**The Peoples Bank & Trust Company**

Make . . . . .  
**1923**  
The Best Year Yet

Our slogan shall be, first, last and all the time "Co-operation."

There are more people looking at Watauga County today than any other county in Western North Carolina. Let's make her worthy of observation. Every farmer should co-operate with the farm demonstrator in specializing in crops. Also get behind the kraut factory movement. These things will pay you well. Then don't forget that we are ready to co-operate with one and all in furnishing you your supplies.

We hope to be able to serve you better than ever this year, and appreciate your business thoroughly. We thank you for your past patronage and hope the year 1923 will be profitable for all.

Your friends,  
**BOONE HARDWARE CO.**

**Opportunity Knocks But Once**

Will You Open the Door?  
THE BARGAIN EVENT OF THE SEASON AT OUR STORE

**The Get-Acquainted Sale will close Saturday the 20th**

With Saturday this mammoth sale closes. Were you one of the lucky customers? There is time for you to get your part of the bargains yet but don't wait for the best to be gone, for the selling is furious. There will be many free prizes, a chance at which all will have.

Come while the coming's good, for you must win, we hold the losing hand.

**Watauga Supply Co.**