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## DO NOT INCREASE ACREAGE THIS YEAR

MANAGER BIRDSONG WRITES OF DANGER

Peanut Growers of North Carolina and Virginia Are Warned By Manager Birdsong Not To Increase Peanut Acreage In 1922.

"Any increase in the peanut acreage of Virginia and North Carolina for 1922 will be most disastrous," says Manager Birdsong of the Peanut Growers Exchange. "So apparent is the necessity for the growers to cut their peanut acreage that any efforts to get them to increase it rather than to decrease it must be taken as opposed to the best interest of the growers. With a surplus for 1921 and the prices at a low level, there is every reason why the peanut acreage should be cut 20 to 30 per cent to bring it back to normal. The probabilities are that it will cut that much or more."

"According to carefully tabulated reports from over 1,500 growers the total production for 1921 was about 30 per cent more than in 1920. However, with all this increase in production, our reports further show that the total production for these two states was not over 3,000,000 bags, which is 1,000,000 bags less than the exaggerated estimate of 4,000,000 bags which has been scattered broadcast by certain bearish influences. The Exchange itself has 800,000 bags either in warehouses or already reported to be delivered later, the reports of the Bureau of Markets up to March 15 showed that a total of 900,000 bags had been shipped out of this section, and 400,000 bags are estimated to be in the hands of growers outside the Exchange, and of country merchants. These figures account for 1,700,000 bags. So far there are to be a total of 3,000,000 bags. The cleaners and warehousemen would have to have in their factories and warehouses in the way of farmers stock and cleaned goods as many peanuts as have already been shipped out, for a total of 900,000 bags. It is hardly probable that they have any such large quantity."

"The heavy movement of peanuts in both the Southeastern and Southwestern sections are most favorable conditions for better prices later in the season. These sections for 1921 as compared with 1920 show that 10,000,000 more pounds more of shelled peanuts have been shipped out, and that 10,000,000 more pounds of peanut oil, representing 40,000,000 pounds of peanuts, have been made. This increase of 50,000,000 pounds more in other sections much more than offsets the decrease of 13,000,000 pounds in this section. Reduced to 100-lb. bags, the figures would show a total movement for the first six months of the 1921 crop of 370,000 bags more than for the same period with the 1920 crop."

"These same reports further show that in the Southeastern section fully 95 per cent of the peanuts are now out of the farmers' hands. The quantity of peanuts held by the cleaners and oil men is not known for the simple reason that the cleaners and warehousemen of Virginia and North Carolina refuse to furnish the Bureau of Markets with reports of their holding. If these peanut people would only give this information as the cotton mills and grain elevators do, the peanut growers and the trade would have the advantage of doing business in terms of open knowledge rather than according to hidden secrets. Such reports as the Government now issues on peanuts were made possible through the activities of the growers, who placed their demands before Congress."

As we go to press we learn that the Town Council has designated the week commencing April 24th as clean-up week in Ahoskie. Everybody to mark now so that we may make a good start and have a grand and glorious finish.

Tanlac makes people strong, sturdy and well by toning up the vital organs. C. H. Mitchell. Adv.

## N. C. TO ESTABLISH FOUR-YEAR HIGH SCHOOLS

NORTH CAROLINA APPROPRIATES \$54,850

Saturday The State Board Of Education Appropriated The Sum of \$54,850 To Establish Four-Year High Schools In Rural Districts.

Raleigh, April 13.—An epoch was marked in the educational development of North Carolina when Saturday afternoon, the State Board of Education appropriated \$54,850 to aid in establishing standard four-year high schools in rural districts in counties which have not had such schools heretofore, thus assuring a standard high school for every county in North Carolina.

At the close of the last school year there were 28 counties in the State in which there was not a high school of standard grade. All of these 28 counties will be enabled to maintain such a school through the action of the Board of Education, and in addition there will be established 15 other high schools in the rural districts of counties which have not heretofore had a high school of standard grade outside of the towns of these counties.

This act of the board is made possible by a law enacted by the last General Assembly, and the appropriation to the schools that will be effected will range from \$500 to \$1250, the latter figure being appropriated in most instances. A high school of standard grade must maintain at least an eight-month term, have three teachers devoting their whole time to high school instruction, and have an average attendance in the high school department of not less than 45 pupils.

The development of high schools within the State during the past two years has been most encouraging. The enrollment in the high school department in 1920 was 30,868, while the enrollment for the present term is 42,816, an increase of nearly 50 per cent in attendance. North Carolina has heretofore been almost at the bottom of the list of the states in providing high school advantages. Through this new aid from the State, however, the growth of county high schools will soon place them on a plane with those of other states, making the opportunities of high school education at home available to a much larger percentage of the school population of the State. The remarkable growth of consolidated schools in North Carolina is regarded as one of the greatest achievements for education in several years.

The counties which will hereafter have at least one standard high school as a result of the action of the Board of Education are as follows:

Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Bertie, Brunswick, Camden, Currituck, Dare, Davie, Franklin, Gates, Graham, Granville, Greene, Haywood, Hyde, Jones, Lenoir, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Montgomery, Onslow, Pamlico, Perquimans, Person, Polk, Randolph, Rockingham, Stokes, Swain, Transylvania, Tyrrell, Washington, Yadkin, Yancey.

## MARKET OPENS AUGUST 10th

Mr. C. H. Phaup announces in this week's issue that he will sell tobacco at auction this fall as usual, opening the market on August 10th. Mr. Phaup is known to be one of the best warehousemen in this entire section and has done more to build the tobacco market at Ahoskie than any other man in this section. He is proprietor of the Farmers Warehouse, "The Iron House" here and has served the tobacco growers of this and adjoining counties very satisfactorily for the past several years.

If you are in need of printing of any kind, send your copy to the Herald office, and you will not only get quick service, but you will be satisfied with the work.

Why drag around feeling half sick and no account all the time when you can get Tanlac? C. H. Mitchell. Adv.

## FINAL APPEAL TO SECURE GOOD SEED FOR THIS YEAR

County Agent H. L. Miller Issues Final Appeal For Good Seed For The Coming Season.

A final appeal for good seed for this year's crop. It isn't necessary to go into a lengthy discussion here, for in recent articles and circular letters we have given results and figures on field tests carried on in this county last year, to show you just how much more, pure bred seed, direct from a seed breeder, produced than did average seed used in the county. It is enough to say that these tests proved conclusively that the pure bred seed direct from a breeder will produce from 25 per cent upward more than average good seed. You wouldn't consider hiring four men and four mules and renting 100 acres of land, then allowing one man, one mule and twenty-five acres of the land to stand idle, would you? Well, you are, so far as crop yields go, doing that very thing when you plant just average good seed. As cheap as the best yielding varieties of cotton and corn are this year, direct from a reliable breeder, you simply can't afford to ignore this. If you think you can't afford to ignore this. If you think you can't afford to buy pure-bred seed for your whole place, at least buy enough to plant two or three acres of both corn and cotton and then by carefully saving these seed next fall you will have enough to good seed to plant your whole place another year. By following this practice each year you can always have seed just one year removed from the breeder for your general crops and yet never have to spend much on seed either. For the address of the breeders of the highest yielding varieties of corn and cotton, write or see me. H. L. MILLER.

## DEATH OF MISS LENA CHERRY

Last Saturday night about one o'clock Miss Lena Cherry died at her home here after having suffered from tuberculosis for about four years. Miss Cherry was well known here and everybody who knew her loved her, as she was one of the most Christian young women of this entire section, having been a faithful member of the Methodist church at Lewiston, N. C. for about fifteen years. Miss Cherry would have been 26 years old on May 28th. She came to Ahoskie about two years ago from Richmond, Va.

Miss Cherry leaves a mother, Mrs. Fannie Cherry, a sister Mrs. S. J. Boyette and two brothers, Messrs. E. D. Cherry of this city and Robert Cherry of Richmond, Va.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church at Lewiston, Monday afternoon and the remains were laid to rest in church cemetery. Services were conducted by Rev. M. F. Hodges of this city.

The large number of beautiful flowers and floral designs from relatives and friends expressed the esteem in which this young lady was held. A large concourse of relatives and friends from Ahoskie attended the final services.

## AMERICAN MOVIE STARS VISIT THE HOLY LAND

Twenty stars of the American film world arrived in Jerusalem recently to prepare for the filming of the Old Testament story of King David. The big scene in the play is to be the fight between David and Goliath, which will be staged a few miles north of this city. Biblical accuracy is not strictly adhered to, since the scenario provides a love scene after the battle.

About 5,000 persons are to be employed in the filming of the play; 5000 sheep, 1000 camels and 2000 goats are also to be used.

This will be the first time a production of this magnitude has been filmed in the Holy Land. Apart from the appropriateness of Biblical stories, it is declared that Palestine is unsurpassable for film productions, owing, first to its natural beauty, and second, to the clarity of the atmosphere.

## GROWERS ARE URGED TO SUPPORT THE PEANUT EXCHANGE

Meeting Of The Peanut Growers Of Hertford County Is Called At Court House In Winton April 20th.

The members of the Peanut Growers Exchange in Hertford county have no doubt received a letter from Mr. J. Frank Pooshee calling attention to the fact that Mr. S. P. Winborne has declined to serve as director for Hertford County because of the seeming indifference of the growers. It appears that only one-seventh of the growers of the county were present at the meeting on March 8th, at which time he was elected. Mr. Winborne would make a good representative for the peanut growers of Hertford and it is very much to be hoped that on April 20th, when another meeting of the growers of the county has been called at the Court House in Winton for 2:00 p. m., that a large attendance of the peanut growers will be present and assure Mr. Winborne of their support. He no doubt will serve in this capacity if made to feel that the farmers of the county are backing him.

Cooperative marketing has taken hold of the farmers of the eastern parts of the United States in such a way as to spell success. The results accomplished by the Burley Tobacco Growers Association of Kentucky assures us that it is a successful undertaking. The peanut growers of Eastern North Carolina and Virginia were the first to perfect their organization and go to work. The experiments being made in cleaning and selling the farmers' stock are meeting with marked success. If the growers of Hertford County desire economic freedom in the production of peanuts, they should by all means stand together in the support of their County Director and the Exchange.

To fail in this undertaking means disaster to the peanut industry. The peanut farmers of Hertford County are not going to fail the Exchange, nor are they going to fail to support their representative in this crisis.

T. E. BROWNE.  
Raleigh, N. C., April 10, 1922.

## MODLIN-LONG

A beautiful home marriage was witnessed by intimate friends and relatives of the contracting couple on Sunday afternoon, April 9th, when Miss Blanche Modlin became the bride of Mr. Charlie Long of Winton, N. C. The wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents near Ahoskie.

The parlor was beautifully decorated with pine, evergreen, apple blossoms and candles. An arch led from the doorway to the improvised altar of potted plants. Rev. D. Kale, of Potocasi, N. C., was the officiating minister, using the ring ceremony. Miss Audrey Newsome, of Ahoskie, was ushered to the piano by Mr. Otis Modlin, brother of the bride. The bridal party entered to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march. Lee Stanwood Jernigan, Jr., acted as ring bearer. Miss Daisy Modlin, sister of the bride, entered with Mr. Sam Brett of Severn, N. C., and Miss Helen Modlin, also a sister of the bride entered with Mr. J. B. Stephenson, of Severn, N. C.; following came the bride and groom. The bride wore a handsome midnight blue coat suit trimmed with gray.

After the ceremony Loheghiff's march was played and the bride and groom with attendants entered the living room. After receiving the congratulations and well wishes of a host of relatives and friends, the happy couple, accompanied by the bridal party and friends, motored to Ahoskie to meet the afternoon train on which the bride and groom departed for a northern wedding trip.

## THIS IS LATEST REAL SPRING HOME BREW RECIPE

Chase a wild bullfrog three miles, then gather up the hops, add ten gallons of tank bark, one pint of shellac and one bar of home-made soap. Boil 36 hours; then strain through an I. W. W. hat to keep it from working. When cool (if it ever gets that way) add one grasshopper to each pint, to give it a kick.

## STATE NEWS IN DIGEST COMPILED FOR READERS OF THE HERTFORD COUNTY HERALD

Burglars entered the store of J. & D. Oettinger, of Rocky Mount, Sunday night, taking merchandise to the amount of \$5,000. The miscreants escaped safely, having made good their getaway via automobile.

Jake Tomlinson, former prominent business man of Wilson, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head at his home Saturday.

A special call meeting of the business and professional men of Rocky Mount was held Monday night, in which matters were discussed concerning the future status of Rocky Mount as a tobacco market.

Congressman Samuel M. Brinson, of Newbern, is now critically ill at the Newbern General Hospital. Congressman Brinson is one of the ablest men the Third District ever produced.

The Greenville Tobacco market will open for the season Tuesday, August 8th on the auction plan, as in former years it was announced recently.

The progressive town of Lumberton began a "rat killing" campaign Tuesday, April 10, to last until May 10th. It is under the supervision of local home demonstration agents.

Officers captured a whiskey plant in the smokehouse of Rhodes Pittman, near Lumberton, Saturday, of large capacity. Pittman was arrested the same day and now resides in the local bastille.

Maxton, April 6.—The ginning plant of the Maxton Ginning Co., and almost a hundred bales of long staple cotton, caught fire and burned this morning about nine o'clock. The loss is covered by insurance.

W. B. Duncan, as Raleigh's new postmaster, took formal charge Saturday morning. Mr. Duncan had seen active service in the army and at the time of his appointment was a practicing attorney in that city.

Durham High School won in the tenth annual debate Friday night, at Chapel Hill. The subject was: "Should the U. S. Enter the League of Nations?" This gives Durham the Aycock Memorial Cup for "keeps."

Seven schools of Wake county in the Group Center Commencement at Garner Friday, where school and athletic contests were staged in preparation for the county-wide commencement, to be held at Raleigh Saturday, April 15th.

Donation Day for the Rex hospital at Raleigh was held in that city Wednesday. The donations consisted of a variety of usable articles commonly used in a hospital.

The North Carolina Department of the American Legion is leading the southern states in membership, according to recent statistics.

J. Dixon, colored, age 26, was convicted by the Superior Court in Newbern Monday night, of burglary in the first degree, and was sentenced Tuesday to die in the electric chair.

The number of arrests of drunken disturbers of the peace in the city of Raleigh Saturday was unusually large, as compared with the usual number of violators of the law, as caused by liquor.

One of the oldest churches in North Carolina, St. Peter's Parish in Washington, N. C., celebrated its hundredth anniversary April 7th. It was founded in April, 1822.

Representative Hammer, from the Raleigh district, in a statement made Monday, stated that the peach crop in North Carolina will be unusually large, with prospects of an output worth in excess of a million dollars.

The town of Nashville is to have a Co-Operative Tobacco Growers warehouse, a meeting of the town's prominent business men having decided such in session Monday night.

The Wake Forest Glee Club appeared before a large audience in Henderson Monday night. Dr. H. M. Potest presided at the entertainment.

For the first time in the history of Goldsboro a large number of women attended the Democratic ward meeting Friday night in that town. Women all over the state are becoming more and more active in politics, if indications at the polls are to be relied upon.

Approximately 125 Rotarians from Norfolk, Suffolk, and Newport News are expected to attend the meeting of the Rotary Club in Elizabeth City on Friday, April 21st.

J. Homer Mann, of Washington, N. C. addressed an audience of 300 farmers at Louisburg Saturday, on the subject of co-operative marketing.

A. W. Taylor, sheriff of Lenoir county, is now minus an automobile, robbers having taken charge of his Saturday night. Taylor's dignity, as sheriff suffers no little for this "outrage."

Governor Morrison granted two more conditional paroles Monday to prisoners.

Davidson County has been doing much work in regards to school and other improvements in the past few months, and many prizes and contests have been given to stimulate civic pride and to beautify the school grounds in that county.

Winston-Salem, April 11.—Former County Commissioner E. W. Huser died at his home in the northern part of Forsyth county today, following a stroke of paralysis. Mr. Huser was one of the county's foremost citizens.

J. Price, 18, of Wilson, shot himself thru the lungs Tuesday, and is now in a precarious condition in a Wilson hospital, where recovery is uncertain.

The Reidsville Rotary Club has made plans to establish a childrens playground, under the supervision of the school superintendent. This is one of the many projects originated by the Rotary Club in that city.

The Hickory Community Club, with the 4th largest membership in the entire state, began its sixth year with one of the best records of any similar organization in N. C. Many local improvements have resulted from the efforts of the Club in that town.

The Christ Lutheran Church, to be erected at a near date in the town of Spencer, is to be constructed at an approximate cost of \$22,000.

Sheriff Sands, of Reidsville, has confiscated exactly fifty-five automobiles, most of which were connected with bootlegging, in the past few weeks. The sum total of the moonshine captured with the cars is said to be about 600 gallons.

## "MISS LULU BETT" PRIZE WINNER AS PLAY

"Miss Lulu Bett," William de Mille's Paramount production, coming to the Richard Theatre next Monday and Tuesday, is the screen version of the play which won the Pulitzer prize of \$1000 as the best American play produced during the 1920-21 theatrical season. The play ran on Broadway and was a decided hit. Zane Gale, an American novelist, is the author.

The story is typically American and deals with a side of small town home life not yet uncovered. The principal character is the seemingly unattractive spinster sister-in-law of a small town Justice of the Peace and dentist. She has to depend upon him for support and shelter, and thus she automatically becomes the unpaid family servant. Later, romance enters into her life, only to increase her troubles. After several years bitter experience, however, everything clears up for Lulu and happiness and love are her reward.

Milton Sills is leading man and Lois Wilson plays the role of the girl. Theodore Roberts, Helen Ferguson, Mabel Van Buren and others of prominence are in the cast.