

MEMORIAL DAY



With boundary lines a thing of the past—every wound healed—we now join hands in united regard for the honored dead. Strong indeed is the

nation that pauses for a day in its material task to turn its thoughts to the lofty and the spiritual. No longer is there a south; no longer is there

a north. We all stand on common ground, each with one ideal—to make this nation better and greater.

FARM WORK GOING FORWARD.

Season is Late but Farmers Are Making Good Progress Says Statistician.

With the weather so pleasant and favorable for farm work the planting of crops is now progressing nicely although the season is late. Grasses, clovers and grains are growing nicely. The stir over the report of expected crop acreages has resulted in an investigation concerning cotton, which seems to show that North Carolina may have more than was estimated. This State showed the lowest increase, (2 percent) of any cotton State. The fine facilities established for arriving at reasonable estimates is partially accountable for this. Also the knowledge of conditions have deterred the large increases in cotton and tobacco shown in other states.

The annual farm census will be listed this month through the tax-listers, and judging from the present interest it will be well developed. Each farm owner should prepare a list of his own and tenants acreages before visiting the lister. This is not taxable information, but for the farmers' benefit.

Watauga county reports that they have 150 acres of certified Irish Cobblers this year for seed potatoes. The whole mountain area is peculiarly suited for this purpose, as tests have shown these seed to be equal to any Maine potatoes. The prospects for the early or truck potato crop in eastern counties are good.

The fruit situation shows that the apple crop has a good prospect while peaches will have about one-fourth crop in the Sandhills area and more or less in other sections. Wayne has good prospects as has Surry and Columbus, and parts of Wake.

The hay acreage seems to be somewhat reduced from a year ago although less than one-fifth of last year's crop is now remaining on the farms. The spring plowing is about four-fifths done and two-thirds of the work of spring planting is done.

All livestock is in good condition, having experienced no epidemics or shortage of feed during the winter. The rate of deaths is from two to five percent annually from disease.

The new building for the Department of Agriculture at Raleigh is very imposing and even before completion the third and fourth floors are being occupied by the divisions who have been cramped in the museum halls.

Plans for the State Farmers' Convention at the State college in July are getting big results. The Crop Reporters' Association holds its annual meeting then. The State farm census work will, by that time, show up remarkably well.

NEWS FROM MOORE COUNTY.

Carthage, Rt. 4, Apr. 30.—Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Fields and son, Mr. and Mrs. James Fields and Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Phillips and family motored to the home of D. A. Phillips Sunday, April 29, to celebrate his 44th birthday. It was a gloomy day but all enjoyed it, especially the nice eats. If the weather had been favorable there would have been a large crowd and a long table too.

Misses Georgia and Bessie Reynolds are attending commencement at Goldston this week.

Messrs. W. M. and Eugene Fields and N. J. Muse motored to Greensboro Saturday to see Mr. Carl Dorsett who had just undergone an operation for appendicitis. Glad to say, he seemed to be improving.

Mrs. D. A. Phillips and little Edna accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Fields home Sunday, April 29, to spend a few days.

Sunday, April 29, old uncle Oss and wife, Charlotte Foushee were visiting and on returning home Charlotte was taken sick and died on the store porch at Glendon. She was an old colored woman and will be missed among the white people.

Messdames James and Lynn Fields and D. A. Phillips and Miss Edna Phillips are visiting Mr. Bud Fields, who has been paralyzed for four years. He is as helpless as a child.

So no more now. FRENDA.

TAKING JOY AL OUT OF LIFE.

We think we're happy and living gay; Our life is a dream from day to day. We press the button that makes us go We're running in high and not in low. We're having fun as we pass along, Never dreaming how the time has gone.

We seldom think of the little strife, That's taking the joy all out of life. We're living a life that's very fast, Little thinking how long it will last; We never can see how it will end, We make mistakes we can never mend There's something ahead we cannot see.

The time is flying and so are we; We're looking for things that's always rife; They're taking the joy all out of life.

We always hurry so we may get thru And miss many things that we should do.

We pass the good and gather the bad And miss the things we wish we had Life is a gamble—we make it so; We start many things that never will go;

We're seeking others that are not so nice, And taking the joy all out of life. Then why should we live for just today?

Always throwing our time away. How often we hear when we are old The same old story that's often told! Could we live again our lives all o'er We'd look around just a little more, Before we speak we better think twice.

Then there will be more joy in life. "J. N."

NOTICE OF FARM CENSUS.

What is the matter with farming? Is it too risky? Are the harvests uncertain, while expenses are sure things? The markets fluctuate. One farmer doesn't know what the others are doing. The weather makes it a gamble. Yet food and feed must be produced. The producer is due fair and sure compensation.

Agricultural education is good, but the annual farm census, made by the Department of Agriculture, is the most modern and progressive method of taking chance out of farming. By this method farming is largely stabilized, markets for buying and selling are located nearby. Over- and underplanting may be largely eliminated.

To make this valuable information reliable and the census a success, each farmer should prepare a written list of each crop he expects to harvest this year, the number of each kind of mature livestock, including hens, his bearing fruit trees, acres in different kinds of hays, tons of fertilizers to be used this year, acres in improved pastures, that lying out and that cultivated this year, (by himself and by tenants,) woodland acres, etc.

Each farm owner is required by law to give this information, and by studying it over and making a memorandum beforehand, he will save himself and others much time when listing. The information listed is strictly confidential and not taxable. It is used only to help the farming interests and the speculators have to use the only "scraps" left.

Thirty Years Without a Smile. London.—Henry F. House, thirty years a hotel guest here, was known as the "man-who-never-smiled."

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as the administrators of the estate of James B. Beal, deceased late of the County of Chatham, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons holding claims against the said estate to present them duly verified to the undersigned on or before the 25th day of April, 1924, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons owing the said estate will come forward and make immediate settlement.

This the 25th day of April, 1923. Mrs. CORDIE FIELDS, IRA C. BEAL, Administrators. W. P. HORTON, Attorney. June 7-R-c.

JOHN YORK PASSES.

Lamar (Mo.) News. "John York died at his residence, on North First street, at 10:45 Tuesday forenoon. Mr. York was stricken Tuesday afternoon just a week before his death. He regained partial consciousness, but he was never able to speak, following the cerebral hemorrhage that caused his death.

For two months before his death John knew that his days were numbered. But he bore himself as in the days of yore, when life stretched out before him in a vista of years.

It was not finally arranged at this writing, whether the funeral would be held at the home or at the Masonic temple. It was thought probable it would be Wednesday afternoon.

John York was born in Randolph county, North Carolina, in September, 1862. He came to Barton county, when he was a youth of nineteen, in the spring of 1882. He worked for a time on a farm. But ere long he came to town and got a job in a restaurant run by the late Wm. Finley. He worked there for perhaps two years and in 1885 he moved up the street and opened a restaurant of his own. John stood up there in the front of his place and looked after his customers and business. He was as hand some a young man as you would have seen in a day's travel. He was jolly and cheerful. He took a friendly interest in everybody that came in. The farmers who ate in town, the men in Lamar, who ate out, the boys and young fellows all liked John because, while he was as steady as the rising sun, and as dependable as a clock and was always on the job, no matter how late or how early the hour, he was still a prince of good fellows.

John continued in the restaurant business continually, or practically so, for about twenty-one years. He soon became known personally better than any other man in the county. He talked politics with his customers, he told stories to them, he jollied them, he entertained them, he sympathized with them in their disappointments, he rejoiced in their successes. He hunted, he fished, in spite of his busy life. He had the rare faculty of being able to work like a truck horse and yet have a good time. His wonderful flow of spirits, his contagious good humor drew men to him.

In 1906 John purchased the Elita saloon and ran it until it was closed by local option along in May, 1908. It was the last saloon ever run in Lamar. It was a good venture for John, and it was run on the square.

Shortly after he went out of this business Mr. York again entered the restaurant business. He opened up a place where the Hake jewelry store is, and ran it for a number of years. Then he moved to where Webber's restaurant is and continued there until, with his son-in-law, Mr. Bob Harmon, he purchased the Model Drug store. Then old John, as the boys loved to call him, came up from the restaurant and stood up there by the fountain. He still dispensed good cheer and chased away the gloom. He was still the everyday philosopher, the story teller, and the level headed business man as well.

Then one day John felt a peculiar numbing daze come over him. He was taken home. The doctor examined him and said he had very heavy blood pressure, and he must be quiet, go on a diet, and live with the greatest care for most any time an extra strain might cause a cerebral hemorrhage that would mean the end.

On Christmas Day, 1887, Mr. York married Hiss Delaney Kendrix, who with one daughter, survives him. The latter is Mrs. J. E. (Bob) Harmon. Mr. York took a little boy four years old with no one to care for him and reared him, gave him a home and his name. This boy is our well-known Jimmie York. Mr. and Mrs. York are the only parents that he knows. The deceased is also survived by his brother, our well-known townman, Hillary York.

And now has come the time when our old friend has bidden good-bye to the folks in the countryside and to those in town. Lamar uncovers and bows her head in honor of his kindly cheerful, wholesome, manly memory

for he was always charitable, tolerant, friendly, sympathetic, and yet with it all had a hard and practical common sense. If every man for whom John York has done a kind act, and who has felt the more cheerful and happy because of personal contact with this man who was kind to the orphan and devoted to his family and friends, will cast upon his grave a rose of remembrance, then verily he will sleep beneath a mound of fragrance." John York was the son of Jackson York. The deceased is survived by three sisters, Mrs. D. M. Fox, of near Siler City; Mrs. J. M. Hinson, of Staley; Mrs. Luther Routh, of Liberty; three brothers—Lewis, at Asheboro; Levi, near Ramseur; and Hillary, of Lamar, Mo., Barton county.

Remarkable Case of Grafting.

Columbia, May 5.—One of the most remarkable cases of skin grafting ever known in South Carolina, is that of Lorenzo Gregory, seven year old Swansea boy, in a hospital here. The lad was burned recently, the cruel flames burning skin firm his body from the waist down. Doctors gave him up; he was not expected to recover. However, it was announced that if skin could be grafted on his burned parts, he might live. Fifty patches of skin, each the size of the little finger nail, were taken from other parts of his body and grafted upon the burned places, not all together, but in patches over the limbs. It was seen that this was not sufficient and that the lad could not stand more transfers. His grandmother then offered her skin, and 400 little patches were grafted. An uncle, a world war hero, gave 200 patches, and the little fellow is now on the road to recovery. Both grandmother and uncle are in the hospital. A negro janitor in the hospital offered skin but the boy said he did not want to be spotted.

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EXECUTOR'S LAND SALE.

Under and by virtue of the authority given in the last will and testament of J. T. Womble, deceased, which will has been duly proven, and recorded in Record of Wills, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court for Chatham County, and by the terms and instructions contained in said will we will on the 14th day of May, 1923, at the court house door in Chatham county, at Pittsboro, N. C., at 12 o'clock, M., offer for sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, upon the following terms—one thousand dollars cash, balance in deferred payments of five hundred dollars annually until paid in full, deferred payments bearing interest at 6 percent per year, payable yearly and title reserved to land until paid for in full—the following described tract of land, situate in Matthews township, Chatham county, and bounded as follows: Bounded on the east by the lands of John T. Womble estate; on the north by the Paschal lands and the Dixon lands; on the west by the Paschal lands and by the Estridge lands; and on the south by the lands of Ira White, and the lands of Mrs. M. R. Houston, containing 130 acres, more or less, and being situate near the State highway leading from Greensboro to Sanford, N. C., and on which is situate a residence, a tenant house and out buildings.

This is a good farm and in a good state of cultivation. This April 12th, 1923. F. A. HOUSTON, Executor, Miss DAVIS HOUSTON, Executrix, The estate of J. T. Womble, deceased. Dixon & Dixon, Attys. May 10 R-c.

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