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WASHINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA, DEC. 22, 1916.

One more day left-and then, "good-bye Christmas shopping!"

We've had about every variety of weather on the calendar this week. Here's hoping that the weather man will be good to us from now on.

The residents of the rural districts of the county are cordially invited to come to town Monday evening at 6:30 in order that their children may share in the gifts that are to be distributed at the

#### NORTH CAROLINA'S BEST CROP.

An interesting article, and one worthy of much thought, appeared in a recent issue of the Extension Farm News, published at Raleigh. It deals with the State's greatest problem. Every other State in the Union has a similar one. When it has been solved, every other problem, of both rural and urban interest, will have been satisfactorily worked out. Upon the solution of that problem depends the accur-ate and permanent solving of all State-wide problems. Real agricultural cooperation, universal good roads, adequate and just taxation for educational purposes, the uplift of the rural church, safe and profitable farming, the creation of higher standards of morality, re-creation, education for the rural communities, the making of country life attractive, enjoyable and profitable to a superlative degree- all depend upon the way in which North Carolina prepares, grows, cultivates and harvests her best crop, a crop of well-trained and properly directed boys and girls.

Among the many institutions of the State interested in the growing of this crop, none is charged with greater responsibility than the A. & M. College, through its Division of Agricultural Clubs and Secondary Education. In cooperation with the United States Department of Agriculture, the State Department of Agriculture, the Ex-tension Service and the State Department of Education, this division of the service is exercising personal supervision over thousands of boys and girls, has just established a supervisory system over teachers of agriculture and home economics, and is conducting a State-wide campaign, in cooperation with county superintendents, for a better and a more useful education.

Like all other crops, this crop must get away from the degrading clutch of dependence. It must be taught to be self-supporting, useful and independent. It must be shown the way to a position of maximum education, endeavor and service. The personal histories of the members of the Agricultural Clubs will reveal astonishing sacrifices, ambitious pluck, success in the face of handicap. Like other crops, this crop needs careful nurture, correct handling and proper inoculation. When we get to the point where we give as much attention to this crop as we do to cotton and tobacco, we will have gone a long ways toward the solution of the problems of inequitable prices, rural sanitation, stability of rural population, right kind of education and an independent rural North Carolina. Let us develop our

#### SECRETARY LANSING'S VIEWS.

best crop.

In a statement, issued yesterday, Secretary of State Lansing gives a new view to the "peace talk."

Mr. Lansing frankly admits that the action of President Wilson, in sending his recent note to the allies, was more in the interests of the United States than those of the belligerent nations.

He declared that the United States was being drawn nearer and nearer to war. Our rights are continually being violated. In other words, he practically admits that unless peace is declared before

long, the United States will probably be forced to enter into the war.

There is no question but that President Wilson's message will have a powerful influence upon the belligerents. And it is also highly probable that his note will be the means for establishing direct peace negotiations.

Secretary Lansing's statement was of greater interest to many peo-ple of the United States than President Wilson's note. The admission of the critical situation into which the United States was gradually drifting and the likelihood of our entering the war, came as a distinct shock. And Mr. Lansing knows whereof he speaks.

#### THE FARM LOAN ASSOCIATION.

Tomorrow morning there will be held a meeting at the court house for the purpose of organizing a county Farm Loan Association, to operate under the new farm loan banks act.

Mr. J. F. Latham, county farm demonstrator, has issued an urgent request for every farmer to be present, in order that the organization may be perfected. It will be of immeasurable value to the farmers in a direct way. It will provide them with the means of procuring money on long time for a low rate of interest; it will enable them to farm on a larger scale, to build better homes and to buy new and modern machinery.

There is only one difficulty in the way. This farm loan association is a new thing and it is hard to arouse interest in something that has not already proven its worth. For this reason, some of our farmers may be a little slow in taking advantage of it. But we hope, at any rate, that a large number will be on hand tomorrow to find out about the workings of the organization.

The Washington News regrets the fact that New Bern has "beat them to" the venering plant which was recently destroyed by firs in Greenville and which the management has decided to rebuild in New Bern, and voices the opinion that the very next time anything of this sort is traveling around, they will land it.

sort is traveling around, they will land it.

But for the fact that New Bern had a live-wire Chamber of Commerce we also might have lost this plant, but due to their efforts, we landed it and are going to land more of them in the near future.

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THEY WILL receive. AND THE kids: WILL PLAY with their toys. AND LAUGH. AND WE will forget. EVERYTHING ELSE.
IN THE Christmas joys. AND A mile or two. FROM THE city.
THERE'S A house.
WHERE THERE are. A NUMBER of old people. WHO CAN'T take care. OF THEMSELVE? AND WHO have. VERY FEW friends.

AND THEY know nothing. OF THE joys. OF PREPARING. FOR CHRISTMAS. AND THEY have lost all hope.

ARE PROBABLY longing.
FOR THE day.
THAT WILL end.
THER SOTROWS.
IN THIS world.
AND THES world.
AND THESE world.
AND THERE is nothing.
TO BREAK the monotony.
AND I wish.
THAT WE could make.
THIS CHRISTMAS.
THE CHRISTMAS.
THERE poor souls. THAT THESE poor souls.
HAVE EVER known.
AND SHOW them.
THAT EVEN If they are.
IN THE poor house.
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