

M'NEILL COMMENTS ON TOBACCO TAXES

He Is Very Happy Over Circuit Court's Decision

Robert H. McNeill, Washington, D. C. Attorney who is visiting his son and daughter Mr. and Mrs. George H. McNeill of Morehead City is very happy at the outcome of the Fourth District Circuit Court of Appeals in Asheville which declared the Kerr-Smith Tobacco Act unconstitutional on Monday of this week. He was associated in this case with his son George and the law firm of Whitman and Motsinger of Washington. Speaking of the decision which will affect certain farmers in Carteret and approximately 15,000 in North Carolina Mr. McNeill gave the statement which follows to The Bear News:

"This decision should settle finally the question of the unconstitutionality of the tobacco tax law. Its provisions were so arbitrary that I always believed the Courts would invalidate it when it came before them."

"There has been collected in this state about \$2,000,000 from about 15,000 farmers who refused to sign the co-operative contract, and these farmers will now seek refunds of the taxes collected."

"The only other court to which the case may be carried by certiorari is the U. S. Supreme Court and it is my understanding that the counsel for the government do not intend taking that course. Even if they ask that the case be certified I'm sure the Supreme court will decline the request," said Mr. McNeil.

The Kerr-Smith Tobacco Act made a piker of the Colonial tax which brought on the Boston Tea Party, if what many farmers say is true. There will be a period of 90 days in which appeal may be taken, and if second not taken, it is likely that the farmers from whom the allegedly unjust taxes were collected will start getting refunds.

Beaufort-Norfolk Dredging To Begin

The Hill Dredging Company of Ventnor, N. J., has been awarded the contract to do \$105,402 worth of maintenance dredging on the inland waterway between Norfolk and Beaufort. The work will start in the near future.

Surplus Spuds

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With prices down to \$1.50 a barrel and even lower in places, growers were not getting back the cost of producing their potatoes and were on the verge of ruin when the FSCC was asked to stabilize the market.

Comparatively high prices last year were blamed for the 38 per cent increase in plantings which brought the crop up to 43,000 acres this year. High yields per acre made the actual production 108 per cent more than in 1933.

Mercker has set up headquarters in the office of W. L. McGahey, Beaufort County Farm Agent, in Washington, N. C., but farm agents in the potato-growing counties have selected local farmer committees to direct the purchasing program in the different counties.

The spuds will be distributed to needy families on relief rolls and thus serve a dual purpose in helping the growers get a fair price and in providing food for the needy, Mercker added.

The FSCC is receiving the cooperation of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, the Federal Extension Service, and the State College extension service in the purchasing program.

FISHING AND OUTDOORS

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LAST SATURDAY Ritchie Peery of Tazewell Va., and myself aboard the Jessie with Capt. Jess Pagels cruised some 12 miles or more offshore bound for the Gulf Stream. We had been advised the night before by Capt. Fred Gillis of Cape Lookout C. G. Station that Saturday would be no suitable Gulf stream day. His advice was substantiated by Richard Daily of the U. S. Weather Bureau at Hatteras whose official forecast was for strong northerly winds from Hatteras to Sandy Hook and in this case he said also meant Cape Lookout weather.

Naturally we took a chance because the wind had shifted on Friday from Southwest to north and we believed the sea would be knocked smooth.

But it was not and if any other boatman was seven or eight miles S. S. East of Beaufort Inlet on Saturday A. M. about 7:30 o'clock they will vouch for that statement. We, Mr. Peery and myself were both good sailors but we had also fished in Gulf Stream waters during choppy seas without much success. So a few miles farther out with the waters getting more choppy all the time we had the bow of Jessie pointed back towards shore and the protected and calm waters of Cape Lookout Bight. In these waters on Saturday we made the largest catch of the day insofar as Spanish Mackeral and Bluefish were concerned, but what are bluefish and Spanish Mackeral for anglers armed and heeled for amberjack and dolphin?

I WAS UNDER the impression that perhaps I had outrun Poison Oak, Poison Ivy, Chiggers or red bugs but I have found out differently since last Sunday morning. A friend of mine and Roy Ebanks, the best photographer ever produced in Carteret county and Capt. Dave Godwin called Lenoxville Heron Rookery. Roy and myself were mostly interested in securing some good photographs. He has an almost complete collection of every stage of the breeding season at the Rookery. One of the early season photos showing Capt. Godwin (he is the Audubon wading down there) appeared in the News and Observer last Sunday. We got an excellent dose of red-bugs, chiggers, poison oak or poison ivy. I have been scratching something terribly since early Monday.

THIS IS THE most interesting time to visit the rookery because now the visitors can see all stages of the breeding season from the varied colored eggs of the five species of herons and two species of egrets.

to the half grown birds of each species. The best photo from a news-picture standpoint turned out poor which is frequently the case when you have no automatic and fast camera to work with. It showed a half grown black crowned Louisiana Heron perched on a golf club. That was a good newspicture for this reason. Gulf Stream Golf Course is almost adjacent to the rookery and the combination is swell publicity stuff if nothing else. I have received finished pictures of the other shots showing Herons and Egrets that we made. An interesting photo for the new magazine cover would be a microscopic shot of the chiggers or what ever it is that has buried itself on several sections of my anatomy.

IN WASHINGTON

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government, be the arbiter of respective rights. In other words, employers and workers, must be and are prepared to adjust their battle tactics to public sentiment. To put it still another way, agencies of government must be prepared to umpire labor difficulties and see that the public interest is fully protected. This is the objective of all new legislation dealing with labor problems.

IT IS INTERESTING to note that the tremendous strides in labor organization today are under far dif-

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THE COLLECTION OF LITTLE KNOWN HISTORICAL DATA OF OLD BOSTON IS FROM AUTHENTIC SOURCES AVAILABLE ON REQUEST.



DEACON FOSTER, A TALENTED NEGRO SHOWMAN OF OLD BOSTON BEFORE THE CIVIL WAR, WAS SHOWERED BY APPRECIATIVE AUDIENCES WITH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES, AFTER THE PERFORMANCE HE TRUNDLED HOME IN A HAND CART ENOUGH FOOD TO LAST HIM THROUGH A LONG WINTER.

FROM OLD MR. BOSTON'S HISTORY BOOK

Old MR. BOSTON BRAND STRAIGHT BOURBON WHISKEY 100 PROOF



of workers continues. For labor, this means that workers must place more dependence upon employee representatives. In a word, individual bargaining over terms of employment is being replaced by mass bargaining.

INCREASED MECHANIZATION is a contributing factor to maintaining factory output with fewer workers. Small and inefficient plants are being eliminated and regional shifts of factories and scientific management are having great effect. Thus labor's powers of adjustment to changing conditions are even more demanded in the future than in the past.

OBVIOUSLY, THE part of the government in these changes is tremendous. Maximum effort is necessary to the end that neither capital nor labor will encroach on the rights of the public. The farmer, who is directly affected, must be protected. Agriculture occupies a dominant place as a source of supply for raw materials for factory and food for workers. And Congressional leaders

are determined that the rights of the farmer shall not be overlooked as our rural population watches the fight between the organized forces of industry and the organized forces of labor. There are high hopes that Congress will, through desirable and equitable legislation now pending, contribute to a solution of the problem with due regard for the rights of all.

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TO MEET JUNE 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 28th, and 29th

At Court House in Beaufort
TO REVIEW 1937-38 PROPERTY

VALUATIONS

All persons desiring to come before the Board please note the following schedule and come according to time designated for the various townships.

MONDAY, JUNE 21st.

Monday Morning—Hunting Quarter Township
Atlantic, Sea Level, Davis and Stacy
Monday Afternoon—Harkers Island Township

TUESDAY, JUNE 22nd.

Tuesday Morning—Straits Township; Smyrna Township—Williston and Marshallberg.
Tuesday afternoon—Merrimon Township—Cedar Island Township—Harlowe township, —Portsmouth Township.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23rd.

Wednesday morning—Newport Township.
Wednesday Afternoon—White Oak Township—
Bogue, Pelletier and Stella.

MONDAY, JUNE 28th.

Morehead City

TUESDAY, JUNE 29th.

BEAUFORT