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TOBACCO GROWERS TO PICK THEIR MARKETS

Co-Ops Send Out Questionnaire to Determine Where They Prefer to Sell Crop

Danville, Va., June 28.—The Tobacco Growers Cooperative Marketing Association is sending out to its entire membership cards which are in the form of a questionnaire, these asking the farmers where they wish to sell their tobacco.

The growers sets down on the card the place where he wishes to market his crop and the farmer is registered there for a term of five years. If a grower designates Danville as his marketing center, he can sell his tobacco at Reidsville, N. C., Chatham, South Boston, or any of the smaller markets, but he can collect his money only at Danville.

This has led to a lively scramble for patronage and the merchants of several of the smaller towns have organized and are carrying on an intensive campaign among the growers urging them to put down the name of the town in which they live realizing that by so doing that farmer's trade is assured for a period of five years.

The card contains the following seven questions:

1. At what place do you sell your tobacco?
2. Where do you want to deliver your tobacco?
3. How far do you live from this place?
4. Have you given a crop lien. If so to whom?
5. How many acres of tobacco did you plant?
6. How many acres are you growing this year?
7. Name of local organization in your section if there is one.

VANCE NEGRO TO

SERVE 30 YEARS Judge Allen Saves Henry Harris From the Electric Chair

Henderson, June 27.—Henry Harris, negro, sent to Raleigh last week under sentence to be electrocuted for the murder of his wife in this county two months ago, yesterday was saved from the death chair. Speaking at the direct request of Solicitor G. E. Midyette, who left for his home Saturday night after the completion of the criminal term of court, Jasper B. Hicks, at the opening of court yesterday morning, moved on behalf of the State that the attorneys for the negro be permitted to submit to charges of second degree murder or manslaughter, the defendant to take a sentence of life imprisonment. Judge Oliver H. Allen, presiding, agreed, stating that he would have the negro brought back here and would change the sentence from electrocution to thirty years in the State's prison.

Sheriff Royster immediately sent for the negro to be brought back into court.

Persons in the court room on last Thursday, when Judge Allen pronounced the death sentence upon Harris, remember the dramatic scene he staged by the reading of a chapter from the Lamentations of Jeremiah. The execution date was set for August 15, but this was automatically stayed by the appeal taken by attorneys for Harris. Harris was taken to the State prison at Raleigh to await the disposition of his case. When he is sent there again it will be for the period of thirty years. The negro is now thirty years old.

Jumps Three Floors From Hotel

Wilson, June 27.—C. S. Young, of Atlanta, Ga., a traveling man who had been in Wilson for the past week, was taken to a local hospital today suffering from temporary insanity.

Mr. Young was a guest at the Briggs hotel. Last night he became apparently insane and jumped from the third floor to the second from the outside wall of the building, which is somewhat dismantled, undergoing repairs. The man then jumped to the first floor. He received severe bruises about the legs, but was not seriously hurt. He seemed to be laboring under the delusion that he was being pursued by several people. He was detained last night by the police and today was taken to a local hospital for treatment.

The Same Everywhere
The editor of Palsu Akhbar, a native newspaper of Lahore, India, says, "I have used Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy many times among my children and servants, for colic and diarrhoea and always found it effective."

CHILDREN FROM CANNIBAL LAND

Making Ten Thousand Mile Trip to Chicago

Chicago, June 27.—Basanga and Bokesi, aged two and a half years and fifteen months respectively, are making a 10,000 mile journey to California from their home at Mondombie, a Congo village, within a day's distance from an insurgent tribe of cannibals. According to the children's missionary father, Dr. Ernest B. Pearson, these cannibals eat the Belgian soldiers they capture both to express their contempt for them and to show that it can be done. Basanga and Bokesi, whose Christian names are Mary and Paul, were born in a jungle rimmed village and until they started on the three-months' journey to America neither remembered ever seeing another white child. Mary speaks Lonkundo, a Bantu dialect, as well as she does English, and Paul has learned no English yet.

The children are viewing with little interest the things that they see on their trip. Automobiles and trains are new means of torture for them, as a horse was the only means of conveyance known to them in the Belgian Congo. Their African names were given them by the natives, who according to their custom of calling parents by the names of their first child, dubbed Dr. and Mrs. Pearson as Asanga and Nyang' Isanga (Father of Mary and mother of Mary).

Mrs. Pearson said that the natives call all women missionaries "mama" as a mark of respect, but that some of the single women at first object to the honor. Pajamas are the latest style in street wear at Mondombie, she said.

A woman who left her husband in the Congo recently was punished, according to Dr. Pearson, by being tied in the path of the driver ants, which stung her terribly.

Wilmington Recorder Gives War Veteran Another Chance

Wilmington, June 28.—Joe Justice, father of three children, out of employment and in destitute circumstances, was tried in Recorder's court today on a charge of larceny by tricks that grew out of the passing of a worthless check and although he pleaded guilty and made a clean breast of the affair punishment will be withheld if he conducts himself properly in the future.

Leading business men who were in court volunteered to make the check good and lend him any assistance within their power. He sat through the ordeal of his trial with tears streaming down his face and Judge Harris was satisfied that he committed no wrong until circumstances forced him to violate the law in order to provide food and shelter for his wife and babies.

May Use Boxer Indemnity to Educate the Chinese People

Peking, June 28.—The bureau of revenues reports that a recommendation has been received from Japan, Great Britain, Italy, France, and Portugal, that the Boxer indemnity money, payments upon which will be resumed this year, might be used for educational purposes following the example set by the United States.

The money has already been remitted in part for this purpose by the United States, and the debt with Russia, Germany, and Austria has been cancelled so that there has been a strong movement in the other countries still collecting this revenue to return the money to China in some beneficial way.

The remission of this debt is not by any means assured but the first payments which will be again resumed, the five-year holiday granted as a result of the war having been ended, will bring matters to a head and there is great hope among the enlightened authorities that the money may be used for purposes helpful to China.

The bureau of revenues in speaking of the suggestion that the money should be used entirely for educational work seems to feel that there are other needs perhaps more urgent and suggests that only one third be devoted to education, other than the development of industries, and the remaining third to the government administrative expenses particularly the judicial departments and the famine relief work.

The world gradually grows better as one generation after another improves the efficiency of the padlock.

WHY PICK ON SOUTH? LOOK AT HERRIN, ILL.

Senator Myers, Montana, Denounces Anarchy and Massacre in Mine Region

Wash., June 28.—Charging that the people of Williamson county, Illinois, apparently had given their approval to the massacre of non-union miners at Herrin, Senator Myers, Democrat, Montana, declared today in the senate that here was an instance of one entire county "100 per cent. disloyal to the United States and its constitution."

Senator Myers read into record the verdict of the coroner's jury which investigated the killings and declared that if the massacre went unpunished as he predicted it would, constitutional government in the United States could not endure. "If that sort of thing goes unpunished," he said, "this government is nearing its end. That act was anarchy pure and simple."

"There is little room to talk about lynch law in the south as long as this sort of thing goes unpunished. There is little room to talk, also, about the Turkish atrocities to the Armenians," Senator Myers went on to say: "The guilty were punished the neglect of duty by the officers of the state and nation would be more reprehensible than 'the crime itself.'"

"LADIES OF THE SENATE"

They Award the Prize to the Most Absent-Minded Husband

The "Ladies of the Senate," as the body of senatorial wives who meet socially for lunches and sewing bees is styled, have awarded the palm as the most absent-minded husband in the senate to Morris Sheppard, of Texas. Mrs. Sheppard, one of the most attractive of the senatorial matrons, has told the story about the sponsor of the prohibition amendment to the Constitution.

The senator asked his wife to call for him in their automobile. She said she might have difficulty finding some one to care for the youngest of the babies. "Who did you find to take care of the baby?" Mrs. Sheppard's astonishment would have been just cause for a less experienced chauffeur to strike the nearest tree, but her sense of humor saved her and she replied, "Why you of course, you are holding the baby."—Philadelphia Ledger.

State Highway Commission Opens Bid for 130 Miles

Raleigh, June 28.—Over 100 bidders attended the opening of bids for 130 miles of roads today by the highway commission. The bids were on about a par with the low prices of other lettings, according to estimates made, but the compilation of the bid made and comparison with other bids took so much time it was impossible to find the exact comparison.

Accountants and engineers of the commission spent all of the afternoon and evening working out these bids in order to give the commission the figures on which the contracts could be awarded.

Including in the letting are 20 miles of hard surface road from Lumberton to Maxton, the longest stretch of this type of road let to contract since the highway commission took over the construction. This is one of the connecting links on the Wilmington-Charlotte-Asheville highway. There are about 50 miles of hard surfaced road and 80 miles of other type road included in the letting.

Billiousness and Constipation

"For years I was troubled with billiousness and constipation, which made life miserable for me. My appetite failed me. I lost my usual force and vitality. Pepsin preparations and cathartics only made matters worse. I do not know where I should have been today had I not tried Chamberlain's Tablets. The tablets relieve the ill feeling at once, strengthen the digestive functions, helping the system to do its work naturally," writes Mrs. Rosa Potts, Birmingham, Ala.

We wish these fat old nurses whose love letters are read in court would learn to call their sweeties something besides "To..."

EYE OF SUSPICION IS ON VILLA, EX-BRIGAND

Mexico Doesn't Take Without Grains of Salt His Boasted Reformation.

Mexico City, June 12.—Despite his repeated assurances that he is no longer a bandit but a gentleman farmer of the state of Durango, the movements of Francisco Villa are being closely watched in official circles here.

To some observers it is difficult to believe that this former guerrilla has accustomed himself to the routine of ranch life and is now finding in his growing crops and lowing herds the contentment that a man of his tremendous nervous energy derived in the past from daring deeds of warfare.

Is Villa the staunch friend of the Obregon administration that his friends claim for him? Will Villa stay out of politics and play no part in the forthcoming congressional elections? In the event of a serious threat against Obregon's power would Villa rally his 4,000 ranchers in behalf of the president of would he lead his men in a new revolution? These are the frequent questions of the street here and the answers are as varied as those who make reply.

The pacification of Villa is proclaimed by the friends of Provisional President de la Huerta as the one big achievement of his short administration in 1920. To secure the peace pact with the famous bandit it was necessary for the Mexican government to grant him an extensive tract of land on which his faithful followers, numbering some 4,000, might work and prosper. There was also a transfer of considerable cash which Villa said he needed to develop his new ranches. It is also understood that one of the stipulations of the agreement was that Villa was to stay out of politics.

Villa settled in the state of Durango and the few persons who have visited his hacienda report that he is an enthusiastic farmer. Of late, however, stories have been creeping out of the mouth to the effect that furrows of blood and blooded dairy stock are being dug up in the state and that to relieve the monotony the captor of Columbus is mixing just a trifle in the state politics of Durango. Some reports are that he has been asked to run for governor and has consented, but persons close to the man deny the rumors. No matter what the facts the uncertainty of Villa's action is causing considerable comment in the capital which within the past two months has been put on the qui vive several times by "authentic" statements that the Durango rancher was on his way to Mexico City to consult with his president. He has never arrived and there is small possibility that he will come.

All of which has merely served to revive the month's old questioning—will Villa stand fast no matter what turmoil might arise in Mexico City? If one is to believe stories of Villa's heavy investments in oil drilling outfits and his rumored plans to rebuild a stockyard and packing house at Ciudad Juarez which his men destroyed several years ago, there is reason to think that the Canutillo farmer is just that and nothing more. On the other hand, visitors at the ranch say that the Canutillo arsenal is well supplied with arms and ammunition. But, as they say, Villa must arm himself to protect his ranch from bandits.

Judge Says Rooster Has a Right to Crow

Wilmington, June 29.—The inalienable right of a rooster to herald the approach of morning by fusty crowing was upheld in court today when Recorder George Harris non prosed the case against E. E. Sharp, indicted on complaint of Miss Katie Foad that the crowing of his rooster disturbed her early morning slumbers. Judge Harris ruled that a deep and exhaustive search thru the annals of law, failed to show any passage that deprived the rooster the right to crow.

One Dollar Saved Represents Ten Dollars Earned

The average man does not save to exceed ten per cent of his earnings. He must spend nine dollars in living expenses for every dollar saved. That being the case he can not be too careful about unnecessary expenses. Very often a few cents properly invested, like buying seeds for his garden, will save several dollars outlay later on. It is the same in buying Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy. It costs but a few cents, and a bottle of it in the house often saves a doctor's bill of several dollars.

A leader, in the average town, is one who assigns the hard work to the various committee members.

STATE MAY SELL FIVE MILLIONS OF ROAD BONDS

Highway Commission Asks Sale of More Bonds to Complete Year's Program

Raleigh, June 28.—The highway commission will ask the state treasurer and the council of state to sell another five million dollars worth of highway bonds in order to take care of their construction during the present year. The sale of the nine million dollars worth of road bonds last week to the syndicate of New York bankers made in all about \$20,500,000 worth of highway bonds sold during and since the session of the legislature which authorized the expenditure of fifty million dollars for the construction of the state road system. Chairman Page of the highway commission, working under suggestion of the Council of state that the construction work be speeded up, has doubled the work for this year, and will spend about one-half of the total amount appropriated for roads during 1922.

When the highway commission, after getting assurances from those in charge of the finances that the money would be available, decided to speed up the building program, it set a thousand miles as the ultimate of what could be let to contract in 1922. The indications at the end of the first half of the year are that this amount will be exceeded. When the contracts are let for 136 miles of additional roads on Wednesday, June 28, the amount let to contract for the year will have passed the two-thirds mark. Additional lettings in July and August, followed by smaller lettings in the fall, will carry the commission past the thousand miles set as a goal to be reached during the present year.

Included in the list of projects to be let to contract next Wednesday are connecting links on the Wilmington-Charlotte-Asheville highway and on the central highway. The completion of these two links will leave only a small portion of both of these important roads still not contracted for. On these roads will be starting completion and it will then be possible to leave Murphy and drive clean through the heart of the state to Morehead City on a road that will be dependable all the time. Likewise it will be possible to leave the mountains around Asheville and thence follow the southern border towns of the state, winding up at Wilmington on another good road.

The projects advertised for Wednesday are in seven of the nine construction districts, only the fifth and the ninth are not represented in the letting. There will be 55 miles of hard surfaced road let to contract this week, and over 81 miles of other type road, in addition to bridges and structures on these roads. The projects call for the excavation of 837,230 cubic yards of dirt, the use of over 7,000 cubic yards of bridge concrete, 878,000 pounds of structural steel and 459,100 square yards of paving.

To Observe Health Work in Surry

The following letter from the office of K. E. Miller M. D. of the N. C. State Board of Health to Dr. L. L. Williams is evidence of the high appreciation the State Board has of the work of the Surry Health Officer and his able assistants.

Our county is to be congratulated on having a health bureau that is worthy of the study of leaders in health work, and Dr. Williams and Miss Jones should have our hearty cooperation.

Raleigh, N. C. June 24-22

Dr. L. L. Williams,
Mount Airy, N. C.
Dear Dr. Williams:

I am writing to advise you that I have taken the liberty to designate Surry county as one of the places for Dr. Slanina from Czecho Slovakia to visit during his limited tour of observation of county health work in North Carolina.

Dr. Slanina will arrive in Mount Airy on Sunday, July 2nd, at 8 p. m. and will spend all day Monday in Surry county, leaving Tuesday morning at 8:30.

I shall be very much obliged to you if you can find it possible to show Dr. Slanina every courtesy within your power. He speaks good English, so that you will have no difficulty in this connection.

With very best wishes, I am,
Very truly yours,
Director.

VACATION DEATH TOLL OF 5,000 IS PROBABLE

100,000 Others May be Injured This Summer Unless People Watch Step

New York, June 28.—Judging from reliable statistics of previous years, approximately 5,000 children will be killed and 100,000 more injured in accidents during the summer vacation period throughout the United States unless parents and other guardians give greater attention this summer to the safety of their charges. This warning comes from the Safety Institute of America, with headquarters in this city.

Before July 1, the institute points out, something like 20,000,000 children will be thrown on their own devices for amusement by the closing of public and private schools. The accident hazards confronting children throughout the year as a whole will be multiplied many times by longer hours of play; by the summer increase in automobile traffic, and by the lapse of school room discipline.

The principal causes of accidental death among children, the institute says, are fire, drowning, and the automobile. The child of about seven years of age is in the greatest danger of becoming the victim of a fatal accident because that seems to be the age at which mothers begin to permit children to take care of themselves.

In an effort to stem the usual summer tide of violent deaths among young people the institute has issued a list of "Vacation Do's and Don'ts" with the recommendation that teachers, parents and all other persons who have the opportunity to reach large groups of children, pass them on to the children. The list follows:

"Swim all you can this summer, but never on a full stomach, or if over-heated, or extremely tired. Learn how to rescue drowning persons; but never pretend yourself to be drowning; you may really need help some day, and not get it. Learn to paddle your own canoe, but never rock the boat to scare the other fellow; this has caused the death of thousands of boys and girls.

Try kites, but don't use copper wires instead of twine; scores of boys have been electrocuted when their kite wires came in contact with electric wires; also don't climb telegraph poles to recover entangled kites.

"Hike out into the country, but if you go for more than one day carry a first-aid kit with you; also learn to recognize poison ivy and then stay away from it; drink a lot of water, but first make sure that its source is clean.

"Don't use the street for play if there is a vacant lot, a clean alley, or a playground nearby; if you must use streets for playgrounds pick a street that has no street car tracks or heavy automobile traffic.

"Don't be a jay-walker; in the city cross streets at regular crossings, never in the middle of the block; when walking on country roads keep on the left, instead of the right hand side of the road so that you can see approaching vehicles.

"Finally remember that June is a particularly dangerous month in which to take chances; the other dangerous months are: July, January, September, April, November, March, May, December, October, August and February."

Bullet in Veteran's Head Sixty Years

Richmond, Va., June 28.—An interesting visitor to the Confederate reunion last week was J. F. Wright, 80 years old, of Haword, Ga., who has carried a bullet around in his head for nearly 60 years. Mr. Wright was a member of Company A, twenty-second South Carolina regiment, Elliott's brigade. The bullet entered his head at the battle of the Crater.

Mr. Wright Monday was a visitor to the News Leader; where he exhibited X-ray pictures showing the bullet in his head. The bullet entered near the back-center of the head, and the picture shows it traveled almost the entire length of the head. Mr. Wright says that doctors who examined him declare the bullet went thru the brain. Until that time he always believed that anything to touch the brain would cause instant death.

Mr. Wright was in good health, has good eyesight and can write legibly. He is going to Petersburg this afternoon, where he will view the Crater, and where he did much fighting in the war between the states. He states that he knows as much about the battles of the Crater as any living person. He will not go back home before Sunday or Monday.