

### Littleton News Events

MISS LUCY PERRY, Editor

William Hugh Sessoms of Wake Forest spent spring holidays at his home here.

Mrs. Ola Mae Gardner spent Wednesday of last week in Norfolk.

Miss Mabel Warren, who teaches at Candor, N. C., has been spending the past two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Warren, due to an epidemic of measles in her school.

Mr. L. A. Goodwin of Alexandria, Va., was a visitor in town this week.

Miss Elizabeth Smith of Raleigh spent the Easter holidays at her home here.

Miss Isabelle Nelson of Chapel Hill spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. M. Nelson.

Miss Charlotte Darden spent Friday in Norfolk.

Mr. Jack Bragg of Raleigh and Miss Helen Bragg of High Point spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bragg, at their home in Airle.

Mr. George Regland of Marion was a week end visitor in town.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Moore of Whitakers were the Sunday guests of Dr. and Mrs. Horace Palmer.

Mrs. J. B. Boyce and Mrs. Alice Partin spent the week end in Weldon as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Mohorn.

Mr. Roy Turner and Thurman Warren of Norfolk spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Warren.

Miss Dorothy Bonney of Flora MacDonald College is spending the spring holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Bonney.

Mr. Al Quarles of Norfolk spent the week end at his home here.

Miss Margaret Faison attended the Moravian Easter services at Winston-Salem Sunday.

Miss Lillah Nelson spent the week end at her home in Greenville.

Miss Mary Dell Harris of E. C. T. C. is spending spring holidays here with her mother, Mrs. W. A. Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hudson and children of Richmond were the week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bobbitt.

Miss Annie Price is visiting friends in Enfield this week.

Misses Betty Carpenter and Polly Clemons of Roanoke Rapids were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Salmon.

Mrs. M. W. Ransom and her guest, Miss Esther Mears, spent the week end in Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Topping of Roanoke Rapids spent Sunday with relatives in Littleton.

Mr. J. T. Early of Rocky Mount and Mr. George Melvin of Spring Hope were visitors in town Sunday.

Miss Elizabeth Thorne of Maxton and Miss Dora Thorne of Star spent the Easter holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Thorne at Airle.

Miss Carrie Tucker Smith of Norfolk is spending this week with her grandfather, Mr. C. G. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. George Rhodes of Macon were Sunday guests of Mrs. M. P. Cassada.

Mrs. J. C. Cuswa returned to her home at Airle Sunday.

Mr. J. M. Picot spent Friday and Saturday in Norfolk.

Mr. Clifton Riggan and Spencer Riggan of Surry, Va., spent Sunday in Littleton with relatives.

Dr. F. D. Sain of Temple Hospital, Philadelphia, spent the Easter holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Warren.

Miss Verona Topping returned Sunday afternoon to Rich Square after spending the week end at her home here.

Miss Charlotte Darden and Mr. Robert Thorne visited friends in Richmond Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Crawley visited relatives in Enfield Monday.

Miss Frances Newsum of E. C. T. C., Greenville, is spending spring holidays with her mother, Mrs. A. M. Newsum.

Mr. J. D. Cassada of Roanoke Rapids spent the week end at his home here.

Miss Lutie Bell Smith of Faison spent a few days this week with Miss Margaret Faison.

Miss Katherine Leach of Raleigh spent the Easter holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Leach.

Miss Margaret Daniel of Greens-

Newsom, John Picot, W. B. Myrick, Dr. Horace Palmer, D. G. Jones.

### Growing Market For Home-Made Cheese

The increasing demand for North Carolina cheese is expected to send the production of cheese factories in this State to a new all time record this year, says F. R. Farnham, dairy extension specialist at State College.

North Carolina merchants have shown a decided preference for cheese manufactured within the State, he added. In one hour, while he was in a North Wilkesboro factory, eight rush orders came in by telephone and telegraph.

In view of the growing demand and the fact that local factories produced only 500,000 pounds of cheese in 1933 as compared with the 12,000,000 pounds that had to be purchased from other states, local farmers should find the market for their milk expanding rapidly.

Already the factories are producing around 25 per cent more cheese than they were at this time last year and the prices paid for milk have advanced sharply.

Indications are good, he said, that present prices will hold up fairly well, or possibly increase, and that the demand will continue strong.

### Calvary-Thelma Items

Mr. J. L. Freeman of Roanoke, Va., spent the Easter holidays with his sister, Mrs. G. W. Myrick Sr.

Miss Thelma Boyd and Mrs. C. E. Thompson, members of the school faculty, spent Easter at their homes at Roanoke Rapids and Macon.

Miss Elizabeth King of Roanoke Rapids spent the week end at her home.

Members of the school faculty shopped in Norfolk recently.

Mrs. F. C. Myrick was a Sunday visitor in Garysburg and Jackson.

Mr. Joe Mitchell of Roanoke Rapids spent Sunday and Monday at his home here.

Mrs. Paul Ehridge and son spent the Easter holidays with her mother, Mrs. Frank King.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Mitchell were Sunday visitors with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Myrick of Weldon spent Sunday with his parents here.

Mr. J. W. Vaughan Jr. of Weldon was a Sunday visitor here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. China of Roanoke Rapids were Sunday visitors with her mother, Mrs. M. H. Allen.

Mr. Fernan Myrick was a Monday night visitor in Enfield.

Mr. Carl Myrick of Roanoke Rapids spent Easter at home.

Miss Lilly Mae Floyd was a visitor with Mrs. Johnnie Burt and Mrs. Dorsey Hardie Sunday before last.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Myrick were Sunday visitors with her parents in Farmville.

Miss Edna Stillman spent the holidays at her home in Creswell.

Miss Thelma Boyd entertained the school faculties of Calvary and Ne Hope with an oyster roast recently.

Miss Lillie Mae Floyd spent Easter with friends in Vanceboro.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hamill Jr. spent Easter with his parents here.

Mrs. R. W. Hamill spent last Wednesday visiting in Weldon.

Miss Fannie B. Johnston, who has been visiting on Knott Island, returned home last week.

Mr. E. S. Jenkins spent the holidays with his family here.

Mrs. H. D. Myrick and Miss Louise Myrick were visitors in Weldon and Roanoke Rapids last Thursday.

### STUDENT WRITES OF COTTON SEED

Discusses Relation to Yield Price And Length Of Cotton Staple

### THINKS MEXICAN BEST

By H. D. MYRICK JR.  
Agricultural Student  
Littleton High School

Seventy per cent of the farmers in the Littleton community do not know what variety of cotton they are growing. You may say my variety is the Mexican big boll. I secured the seed from Mr. Jones four years ago. That is what you had then. The bees and wind carry pollen from your field over to the next field, in this manner a large per cent of your cotton is mixed with other varieties nearby. In the fall you carry a bale of cotton to the gin, catch the seed, carry them home and plant the next year. You may think you are getting your own seed, but you are getting 26 per cent of the seed out of the bale before you. Then one fourth of your seed is of another variety. They may be the same variety that you have, but if they are not you will have seed that will make cotton of an inferior grade and quality. One fourth of your variety goes this year, in four years you do not know more than "just cotton" of what you have to plant the fifth year. You have cotton that is not of good quality, it will not grade as much as middling, the length of the staple is from seven-eighths to one inch or less. Therefore you loose from \$5.00 to \$25.00 on a bale of cotton, that is mixed with all other varieties of inferior quality. If all the farmers in the community had the same variety there would be no mixing of varieties.

The farmers in a community that raise the same variety of cotton are on the good side of the mills and manufacturers, because they want uniformity, all about the same grade and staple. The growers, by producing good quality cotton, can save much in the manufacturing process and can help turn out a higher quality product. Producers who are not willing to make the effort necessary to produce good quality cotton should be paid less than producers who do. Unfortunately, the premiums which manufacturers are willing to pay for cotton which meets their requirements are not often obtainable by actual growers on local markets, due to faulty local market conditions. Because of this situation many farmers who could produce high quality cotton produce low grade and short staple cotton, because the premiums which are paid by the mills for better cotton are kept by middlemen and are not paid to farmers.

The mills are willing to pay you for the kind of cotton they want. The great interest of mills is longer staple cotton, improvement in grade, development of stronger character, and achievement of uniformity. The farmers in the Littleton community should organize a one variety cotton program and strive to make it profitable by the following ways: Pick a variety that is adapted to the locality. The type of cotton grown should be governed by the requirements of our local mills, which use about twice as much cotton annually as is grown in the state. Our mills have shown a willingness to buy North Carolina cotton, provided they can secure the length and quality desired in large even running lots. Practically all of our cotton can be sold to our mills if we produced the type of cotton the mills need. The length in greatest demand both in North Carolina and the United States as a whole are 15-16 to 1 1-16 inch staples. Fortunately, our highest yielding and best varieties produce these staple lengths. The only trouble is that not enough farmers are growing these improved varieties, and production of all the different lengths is scattered throughout the state.

The most promising varieties for Eastern North Carolina conditions are Mexican and Cleveland 884 and 5. The Mexican variety is well adapted to the Piedmont section and is probably the best variety for Warren county. Mexican, strain numbers 87-8 and 87, developed at the coastal Plain Branch Station, in Edgecombe county, is well adapted to the Northeastern Coastal Plain and Eastern Piedmont.

The Cleveland varieties, numbers 5 and 884, are well adapted to Coastal Plain conditions, and are probably the best varieties for the light, well drained soils of the southern part of the state. They also do well in some of the lower Piedmont counties and is a good variety for Halifax county. The Mexican varieties and Cleveland varieties will give the best turn out in lint cotton and money per acre.

All people ever planted Selected Seed have found it profitable. For instance, Mr. Long from the upper part of Halifax county runs a farm of about 2000 acres. His friend, Mr. M. G. Mann of Raleigh, was visiting him one day and made him this proposition: "I will get you enough seed to plant 500 acres of your land in my variety of cotton, and don't pay for them until after harvesting. If you do not think they have paid for themselves, don't you pay me one cent." One day that fall Mr. Long walked in Mr. Mann's office and said he wanted to pay him for the seed he gave him to plant that spring, because they have been worth while. "I made lots of money on that 500 acres of cotton, and I have saved enough seed out of the pure seed that you let me have to plant all my 2000 acres next year." Does this not prove that it is profitable to plant pure certified seed?

The thing for Mr. Long to do is to keep his variety from mixing with other varieties, because mixed seed is undoubtedly one of the greatest causes of irregular staple length in cotton. However, pure and uniform cotton may be when it comes from the breeder, it will not remain under average farm conditions. Most of our cotton of an inch or better staple has been selected from short staple cotton. Even though the breeder is very careful and tests his strains for several years, a small amount of the short staple blood remains. This gradually crops out just as in the case of pure bred livestock. Occasionally one individual says that is not credit to its line of breeding. These gradually multiply until the seed become badly mixed and the product irregu-

lar. Only the constant selection of the breeder can keep such mixtures out. The farmer should get certified seed direct from the breeder at least every four or five years, because the breeding of superior varieties of cotton is of no practical value unless the varieties are preserved and used for the production of crops. The crossing of varieties in the field and mixing of seed in gins are frequent causes of deterioration of varieties, but even when such dangers are avoided the decrease in value occurs. Unless these are removed by selection, uniformity is lost and the variety "runs out" or will be unselected stock.

The work that is required to maintain the uniformity of an improved strain of cotton by continued selection will pay as well or better than any other effort given to the crop. Select strains not only yield more but secure a higher price from the manufacturer because of the uniformity of the fiber. Experiments justify an estimate of at least a 10 per cent increase in yield as a result of selection, with a still greater increase in the quality and market value, therefore, there is an increase in the amount of money for the farmers. For the market value to increase, the farmers will have to raise cotton of quality, because quality is one of the many elements that must enter into making cotton a profitable money crop.

This year farmers are required to reduce their acreage 40 per cent. This is the time for the farmers in the Littleton community to grow less but better cotton. With the reduction of 40 per cent in our acreage this is the time for a special drive toward standardization on those varieties which produce a staple of 1 to 1 1-16 inch. All farmers of Warren and Halifax counties should plan and organize for this. The best seed available should be obtained and multiplied for future distribution in such communities to the end that there may be complete standardization.

Many advantages can be gained if the cotton growers of the Littleton community would unite in the choice of a variety and the date of planting and would follow the same methods of cultivation, selection, ginning, and marketing the crop.

Farmers who have pure seed of good varieties should arrange with the ginner to dump the seed roll, clean the gin thoroughly and catch the seed on the floor, or if several farmers are growing the same variety they may arrange with the

ginner to set aside certain days for ginning only this variety.

But better still is the "One Variety Community," where only one variety is grown in a community. The community should secure pure seed of an approved variety to start with, and replace the entire community at an interval of every few years. Instead of buying enough replacement seed for the entire community at one time, a few farmers may be designated as seed growers, these farmers would buy seed from the breeder, increase them one year and supply the neighbors the next year. The results will be as follows: (1) No mixing in the field or at the gin. (2) No two-sided bales. (3) No mixed staple. (4) A uniform product of high quality. (5) A reputation for producing a good uniform cotton of desirable staple length. (6) It will build up the reputation of a community, and the reputation will make a good market.

Every day I seem to see you in my memory  
Of all those years we have been together,  
Oh! how good you were to me,  
For God giveth and He taketh  
And he doeth all things well,  
But we know you are with Him  
Up in heaven there to dwell.

Oh! how I miss you, dear Emma,  
It was so hard for you to die,  
But I will do the best I can  
And I will meet you bye and bye.

Gone but not forgotten,  
When I feel that you are near,  
How I miss you, dear cousin,  
When I see your vacant chair.

A cousin,  
J. J. HARRIS

Softly and sweetly I can hear her singing  
As she begun her daily task;  
But Jesus whispered softly  
Come unto me, I'll give thee rest.

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### In Memoriam

MISS EMMA D. HARRIS  
Miss Emma D. Harris was born September 16, 1860, and died March 3rd, 1934, after an illness of five weeks. She was laid to rest in the family cemetery beside her mother. She was active until the last, always greeting her friends and neighbors with a smile. Nothing seemed to worry her and she liked nothing better than at the age of 73 years to walk three miles to church on a bright Sabbath morning.

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