

QUESTIONS ANSWERED

President Stone, of the Kentucky Burley Tobacco Growers' Association has answered the questionnaire sent out by the Greenville, N. C. Tobacco Board of Trade in its efforts to discredit co-operative marketing in North Carolina. Saying that these questions are easy to answer. President Stone has sent the following to headquarters of the the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association, at Raleigh, N. C.

1—What percent of the Kentucky crop delivered to the Association has been sold by the Association? Ans. Fifty per cent.

2—What per cent of the tobacco sold was the best tobacco delivered to the Association? Answer: Leaving out the green grades, the tobacco sold was not above the average of what we still have on hand. This question will be answered more fully below.

3—What per cent of the tobacco now in the hands of the Association is common tobacco? Answer: There is approximately twenty per cent of the tobacco we have on hand unsold which is common tobacco.

4—What per cent of the 1921 crop of Burley tobacco that has been delivered to the Association, is still in the hands of the Association unsold? Answer: Same as number one.

5—When will the Association sell this tobacco, that is still in the hands of the Association? Answer: We sold five million pounds of our redried tobacco last week, and judging from the demand we have for it, it all will be sold in the next sixty days.

6—When will the Association pay the farmer in full for his 1921 crop of Burley tobacco? Answer: Soon as all the tobacco is sold in orderly and profitable way.

7—When will the Association be able to tell the Kentucky farmer what his 1921 crop of tobacco averaged? Answer: As soon as all the tobacco is sold.

8—What per cent of the value fixed on the Kentucky tobacco, did the Association advance the farmer? Answer: Approximately thirty-five per cent in cash on the delivery of his crop to our receiving plants.

9—Does the Association require you to deliver all of your tobacco crop at one time, or can you deliver it one load at a time? Answer: The grower can deliver it all at one time, or one load at a time to suit his convenience.

10—Is the Association liable to you in case the tobacco you deliver to them damages before it is sold or redried? Answer: No, when the grower delivers his tobacco to the Association, he is issued a receipt showing the number of pounds of each grade he has delivered and the identity of each man's tobacco is lost from that time on and each grower owns his pro rata part in the total number of pounds received by the Association of the grades delivered by the grower, if any tobacco is damaged in any grade all of the growers in the Association, who owns any part of that grade stands that damage pro rata.

11—When will the Kentucky farmer know what it has cost him to sell his tobacco through the Association? Answer: As soon as all the 1921 crop has been sold and the final distribution made. However, we have thoroughly demonstrated to the satisfaction of our members that the expenses of our first year's operation will not be as much as the grower in the past paid in actual warehouse

fees to sell his crop over the loose leaf floors. Up to the first of April 1922, by which time all of our receiving plants had been closed, and the largest part of our expense of operation had been paid, it cost 40 cents and 1 mill per 100 pounds for actual operation expenses. And this operation expense includes all receiving plants management, including common labor, salaries of graders and general office expense including salaries, but does not include the cost to the farmer in payment for the real properties which are being used for receiving plants. This will be about 1 cent per pound per year.

12—What per cent does the Association agree to advance the North Carolina farmer on his tobacco delivered? Answer: This, no doubt, will be decided by the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association of Virginia, North and South Carolina in connection with tobacco representatives of the Banks furnishing money for the advance.

13—What per cent did the contracts signed by the Kentucky farmer agree to advance? Answer: There was no agreement in the contracts of the Burley Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association agreeing to furnish any particular amount but the amount to be advanced was decided by the officers of the Association who represented the members of the Association and expert tobacco men representing the banks who agree to furnish the money.

14—Who places the value on the tobacco delivered to the Association? Answer: Answer in question thirteen.

15—Does the farmer see his tobacco sold? Answer: No, unless he wants to. The Burley Association is not doing anything under cover and any member has a right to any information in regard to what the Association is doing.

16—Can the farmer refuse to accept the price the Association sells his tobacco at? Answer: No, the members select the directors in their respective districts in whom they have confidence, and those Directors direct the policy of the Association. You might add to the answer of this question, what could the farmer do under the old auction system, if he did not accept the price he got on public sale.

Merely a Matter of Choice

"Bobby," said the teacher sternly, "do you know that you have broken the Eighth Commandment by stealing James' apple?" "Well," explained Bobby, "I thought I might just as well break the Eighth as to break the Tenth and only covet it."

Ain't it the Truth?

Full many a human you may know, Along life's slippery pathway walking, Who left off THINKING years ago—But kept on TALKING—Horris Ward's San. Sq. Siftings, in J. T.

All About Two Tree Toads

A tree toad loved a she toad
That lived in a tree;
She was a three-toed tree toad,
But a two-toed tree toad was he,
The two-toed tree toad tried to win
The she toad's friendly nod;
For the two-toed tree toad loved the ground
That the three-toed tree toad trod;
But vainly the two-toed tree toad tried—
He couldn't please her whim;
In her tree toad bower, with her V-toed power,
The she toad vetoed him.

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PERSONALS AND B

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. McKee Cameron, were in Vass We Mr. W. W. Wiggins, of Co in town this week.

Miss Georgia Conley has her home in Sevier.

Mr. W. F. Thompson spent week-end at his home in Tr

Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Lam Sanford, were in Vass on Sun

Mr. Neill M. McKeithen was ford last Sunday.

Mrs. B. F. Sanford and child visiting relatives in Laurinb

Mr. Richard Griffin, of spent the week-end at home.

Messrs. K. G. and H. O. left on Saturday of last v their home in Spies.

Misses Margaret Keith, Matthews and Caro McNeill, John Keith went to Sanford, S

Mesdames D. A. McLauch D. C. McGill visited friends

view last Friday afternoon

Miss Pearl Evans, of Raleigh the week-end with her pare

and Mrs. J. B. Evans.

Misses Mable Sharpe and McFarland, of Aberdeen, visi

Jessie Brooks last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Wa Carthage, attended the Cam

son wedding on Wednesday

Mrs. Mary Bynum is the her daughter, Mrs. T. R. M

Sanford.

Mr. W. Curtis McLeod car from Carthage to spend We

night with Mr. Stacy Brewen

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Camer the guests of relatives in Sar

past week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Smith Sanford last Sunday to at

Childrens' Day exercises at t church.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Cameron Durham Tuesday for a visi

D. B. Cameron, who is ill at there.

Mr. Arthur Thompson has ed a position with the I

Store Company.

Misses Ileen and Louine M of Upper Hoke were the g

Misses Eva and Lillian Old Saturday.

Mrs. A. B. Johnson, of Springs, visited at the home

nephew, Mr. T. K. Gunter, l day.

Mrs. H. J. Midgett and littl ter left, Wednesday, for the

in Norfolk, after a visit D. A. Smith.

Miss Caro McNeill and M Keith attended the commence

ercises of the Elise high s Tuesday.

Messrs. L. J. Sears, F. H. N. Beasley and R. P. Be

Apex, paid a visit to the Pil last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Hanes Ollie Shields motored to Fay

and Laurinburg on Friday week.

About the only creature in t that has hindsight is the mule

kicks about it.

Miss Ethel Coats returned home in Coats the latter par

week. Miss Coats taught the Vass graded school the

terms.

A railroad car of the Edwa manufactured in Sanford, pas here twice in a trial trip last

day. This car was built for t more & Ohio, and is one of a being used on various roads a very handsome, well planne