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COTTON GROWERS' CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION

RALEIGH, July 20.—Announcement of the approval of the application of the North Carolina Cotton Growers' Association for a loan of ten million dollars to finance the orderly marketing of this season's crop has been made by the War Finance Corporation.

The announcement was made following a visit to Washington by a delegation from the North Carolina association, which was headed by W. H. Austin, of Smithfield, president of the Association, who was accompanied by Dr. B. W. Kilgore, director of the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service, and former Congressman Lee D. Robinson, a director in the Association, of Wadesboro.

A. Wilton McLean, of Lumberton, a former member of the War Finance Corporation, who recently retired after rendering distinguished service, accompanied the Tar Heels to Washington and aided in presenting the claims of the North Carolina farmers.

The War Finance Corporation will make advances on the cotton of the 27,000 members of the Association up to fifty per cent of its value through local banks, which will provide for the remainder of the advance on the cotton. It is not expected that it will require all of the ten million dollars, as local banks will be in a position to take care of a large part of the loans needed to finance the orderly selling of this year's crop.

The North Carolina Association is putting on a sign-up campaign for the first two weeks in August, which is expected to result in bringing the total number of bales of cotton represented in the Association up to 600,000 bales. The Association is rapidly perfecting plans for handling the cotton of its members in an orderly way this fall.

PEACH SHOW AT HAMLET

HAMLET, July 20.—Just five days from today, Tuesday, July 25th, the Second Annual Carolinas Sandhills Peach Show will be held in Hamlet. A most interesting educational program is arranged. Prominent experts and authorities will speak on "Orchard Development," "Building and Maintenance Cost of Orchards," "Markets and Marketing," "Conservation of By-Products." Demonstration in canning and preserving will be made during the day under the direction of Mrs. Jane S. McKimmon, State Home Demonstration Agent.

The Open Air Peach Harvest Festival on the evening of the 25th, will bring together the young folks, the old folks, the frolicsome and many PEACH CELEBRITES and Peach Queens. The Band Concert, Peach Pie Eating contest, Ye Old Time Square Dance, the heavy bombastic and the Melon and Peach Feast for all will make a gladsome occasion.

Preparations are being made to entertain five thousand visitors during the day and evening. The big exhibit tent, housing the luscious RED SKIN peaches will be lighted during the evening.

A tour through the peach orchards will be conducted on the 26th, leaving the Peach Show tent at 9 A. M. This tour will visit orchards in every stage of development from uncleared land to the full bearing trees. Demonstrations of modern machinery and methods will be given in orchards and every appliance for handling fruit to the best advantage will be shown. The Sandhill Cannery at Marston and the preserving plant at Vina Vista will be visited and the headquarters of the Sandhill Fruit Growers Association at Aberdeen will be included in the trip.

PINEHURST NEWS

The American Legion is planning the inauguration of a custom which bids fair to become one of the great institutions of the Sandhills. In the Spring of 1923, during the height of the peach blossom season, they will hold a BLOSSOM CARNIVAL at Pinehurst. Committees are now being selected to take charge of the work and the idea is to develop a permanent organization similar to the Los Angeles "Rose Parade," the New Orleans "Mardi Gras," and other internationally famous festivals. While nothing definite has been decided as to details, the following has been suggested: Elect a King, Queen and Court; hold a Court scene, with parade, etc., probably at the Pinehurst Fair Grounds, although the Legion is desirous of having the benefit of an orchard background for this. Serve a barbecue and engage several prominent speakers for the occasion. In the evening, give a Blossom Ball at the Pinehurst Country Club, over which the King, Queen and Court would preside.

This matter has been discussed with many prominent business men in this section, and all are of the opinion that it will accomplish a great deal in the way of attracting outsiders to our section, as well as creating great interest among our immediate neighbors in the further development of this great fruit belt.

The beauty of our peach orchards in the Spring is not exceeded by that of the cherry trees of Japan in blossom time, and the American Legion ever awake to the wonderful possibilities afforded by our section, should have the hearty co-operation of everyone in the Sandhills in their effort to establish this celebration as an annual event, as the good which would result from it cannot be over estimated.

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The annual picnic of the Pinehurst Sunday School was held at Lakeview on Wednesday, July 12. Several trucks, and a long train of cars, were required to transport the large number attending. Ring games, baseball, swimming, races, and other forms of recreation were enjoyed throughout the day, and the large variety of events planned enabled all to participate in something. All were on hand at the dinner hour and the festive boards groaned under the weight of the good things to eat the ladies had prepared for the occasion. During the afternoon the Pinehurst boys crossed bats with the Boy Scouts of Hamlet and took them into camp to the tune of 12 to 8. All report having had a jolly time and are looking forward to the next one with very keen anticipation.

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Scoutmaster J. Bruce Cameron is in receipt of a letter from the President of the Boy Scout Council of Columbia, S. C., stating that on Monday, July 17, a party of Boy Scouts will leave Columbia for a bicycle hike to Washington, D. C., where they will deliver a message from their Governor to the President. A Scoutmaster will be in charge and the troup expects to reach Pinehurst sometime Thursday. Plans are being made for their entertainment while here, and the Pinehurst boys are very eager to meet their brothers from Columbia, three of whom the letter states are Eagles.

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The suggestion that an organization be formed in Moore county to aid in stamping out what remains of the liquor traffic has struck a very responsive chord among the law abiding element, and they are hoping the suggestion will be carried out with

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CAMERON NEWS

Mrs. Jewel Hemphill is the guest of Miss May Jones at her home in Fayetteville.

Miss Mabel Muse and little Miss Frances Matthews are visiting Mrs. Opal Jones at Siloam.

Mrs. A. H. Kerr, of Raleigh, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. McPherson at Turner Heights.

Dr. M. L. Matthews, of Sanford, was in town Sunday.

Miss Blanche Coore, who is in training at the Elizabeth Hospital in Raleigh, is home for her vacation.

W. G. Parker spent Monday in Garner.

Miss Eula Mae Farmer, of South Carolina, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. McKeithen.

Dr. A. L. O'Briant's new bungalow is nearing completion. Everybody on the Qui Vive.

Misses Thurla Cole and Vera McLean have returned from a pleasant trip to Washington. We will hear from them later.

Mrs. C. A. Godfrey and children, of Jonesboro, spent last week with Mrs. Godfrey's parents, Rev. and Mrs. L. H. Joyner.

Miss Lillian Hendricks is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hendricks on Vass route 1.

Miss Callie Hunter is home from Charlotte for a vacation at her pleasant home in Huntersville.

Misses Carrie and Lora Norman, and Mr. Stanley Graham attended tent services, Friday night, on route 2.

Rev. M. D. McNeill was called to Union last week to conduct the funeral services of Mrs. W. S. Bailey.

Miss Vera Wooten came home from Chapel Hill for the week-end.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. D. K. McDonald Sunday, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sinclaire, Chas. Jr., of Carthage, Mr. Edgar Petty, of Washington, D. C., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Petty.

I am pleased to send in, this week, a years subscription to **The Pilot** from Mrs. A. H. Kerr, of Raleigh. Since moving to the capitol city, Mrs. Kerr must have discovered the fountain of youth, as she looks as youthful now as she did when she first came to Cameron some thirty years ago.

Mrs. M. McL. McKeithen writes from Montreat that Mr. McKeithen seems to be improving. She herself is in good health; the mountain air invigorating, but would be glad to be at home again among her chickens, garden and fruit preserving

There is no place like home especially to the thrifty housewife.

Miss Bradford gave a fine demonstration here last week in canning fruits and vegetables. Most of the young maids and matrons were conspicious by their absence, which seems to me a great pity. Next date August 16, Miss Bradford will give a demonstration in pickling.

Mrs. A. H. Kerr, of Raleigh, and son, Mr. Warren G. Ferguson with Mrs. Ferguson and their little daughters, Jean and Nancy, motored to Sanford, Sunday, for a visit to Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Monroe.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Ferguson and children are spending a part of the summer with Mrs. Ferguson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. McPherson.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Teague and children David and Elizabeth, of Sanford, were visitors last week at the home of Mrs. Teague's parents, Rev. and Mrs. M. D. McNeill.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Muse, of Carthage, were callers, Sunday, at the home of Mrs. Janie Muse.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McLean and little niece, Margaret McLean, were supper guests, Sunday evening, at the

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HOME BUREAU DAY AT FARM CONVENTION

Wednesday, August 2 is to be Home Bureau day at the Farm Women's Convention, Raleigh. Delegates from home bureau organizations throughout the State will be present to report on the activities of the thousands of farm women who are enrolled in the county organizations under the direction of Mrs. Jane S. McKimmon and her staff of county home agents.

On Tuesday, the first day of the convention, the farm women will have joint sessions with the men and will also put on a program of their own including an address by Mrs. Charles Schutler, of Farmington, Mo., who will tell North Carolina farm women what organization has done for the women of the central states. Mrs. Schutler, herself a farm woman, is recognized as a national leader and is always in demand at conventions.

The women's program includes demonstrations in choosing and making clothes, in which live models will be on exhibit, and in addition to information on canning, gardens, poultry and the family cow, will include many features about making the home a more comfortable place in which to live.

Each night the women and the men will gather for discussions on problems of country life, the home, church and school which will follow community singing. The program also includes a play, "The Lion and the Lady," which will be put on by the Raleigh Community Players. Rooms for women are provided in the college dormitories without charge, with meals served in the dining hall for 50 cents each. It is necessary to bring towels and sheets but other things are provided. The railroads are offering reduced rates for the three days and a hearty welcome is assured all farm women who come to Raleigh.

VASS A SANITARY TOWN

Aberdeen, N. C., 7-17-22.

The Pilot,
Vass, N. C.

Dear Sirs:—In looking over the sanitary conditions of your town in Dec. 1921 and July 1922, I find them to be very good. The privies were properly constructed with exceptions of a few that did not have self closing lids, which are very important yet inexpensive. The main object is to exclude flies at all times from the contents of the privy.

We want the people in other towns in the state of North Carolina to see as you people do, the point of sanitation and its results. The mayor of your town feels like Vass does not have a single person in the town that would not do his or her part to help make Vass one of the cleanest towns in the state.

Your town has a real modern hotel, which carries a very high sanitary rating on maintenance as well as construction.

I am very glad to know that no cases of typhoid fever have been reported in your town in 1922.

We men, when we go to a town like Vass with the co-operation we get, are always glad to make a good report to the State Board of Health.

STATE SANITARY OFFICER,
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MISS BRADFORD GOES TO HAMLET

Miss Nora Bradford, Home Demonstration Agent of Moore county, will assist in giving demonstration in preserving peaches at the Carolina Peach Show held at Hamlet July 25th. Miss Bertha Proffitt, the former home agent will assist also.