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THE POSITION OF
SENATOR SIMMONS.

Senator Simmons announces his resignation from the Democratic National committee, without any comment or explanation. Neither comment nor explanation at the present juncture is highly essential, for the whole country recognizes that the motives that impel this step are the signs of a grave situation that is wider than the bounds of North Carolina, and Senator Simmons, having courage to stand for what he regards as the right, has come to the forks of the road, and he has been obliged to part from some of his associates who travel a direction that does not lead where he elects to go.

When a man who has been as long in the public services as Senator Simmons, and as prominently, finds it necessary to draw new lines that define his political attitude, something more than a mere passing note of the causes are highly important. The Senator is not a man of impulses, and he has known for some time the seriousness of the position he has taken. He has realized that a crisis confronts not only himself, but all of us, for the forces that have brought him to this definite step reach out to embrace the whole country. This has been no easy thing for Senator Simmons to do, and were it not that he is moved by a profound conviction of the righteousness of his course he would never have taken the position he has, for the man who is actuated by the desire to be right when to follow what he thinks is right brings him in adverse contact with the associates of a lifetime undertakes a work that requires courage and fortitude and conviction, and the willingness to throw in the fires of the past much of the friendly accomplishment and association that he has given his life time in building. But the old warrior never finches. And it is that courage and confidence in the righteousness of his cause that warrants all of us to carefully consider what he is doing and why. It takes grave conditions to move a man like Senator Simmons, and we may well face this situation with concern, for it is broader and deeper than merely temporary politics. It is an epochal moment in the history of this country, and its gravity is sufficient to make us all think seriously, without bias and with the welfare of the State and Nation above all other considerations.

THE FARMER
AND POULTRY.

A Sandhiller rambling around in the territory farther north or in the adjoining counties can not help but notice the size of the flocks of chickens on the farms as compared with the more moderate numbers on the farms in our own section. To be sure there is a reason why the farmer of the other community raises more poultry, although The Pilot does not know the reason, but possibly the man who does not raise so much cotton finds some reason for raising more fowls. But whatever it is the presumption is that in the Sandhills more chickens might be raised with profit. Of course that may be open for debate, for the farmer usually knows more about the profits of his various lines than the man who watches him from the other side of the fence. It is true that many chickens are marketed from Moore County now, but if many

times more could be grown and turned into cash the cash would look good.

One difficulty in marketing stuff in the neighborhood seems to be the cost of distribution. Many chickens are bought throughout the Sandhills, and men who make a business of bringing numbers at a time and selling them out appear to do a business that is satisfactory to them, while the farmer who brings in a few at a time is not so enthusiastic over that source of obtaining money. The cost of distribution seems to be a big factor in all the marketing the farmer has to encounter. No satisfactory solution of this problem has been offered but it is pretty clearly recognized to be a fact. The consumer pays enough for farm products. The problem of the peach man is a further illustration. Orchards are hauling out good peaches and dumping them in the woods now, while vast numbers of people in the State and in other states will not see a peach worth while all summer. It is not that we have too many peaches, but that our system of distribution is ineffective just as it is with most of our farm products. We do not have too many chickens. Poultry is one of the cheapest and best forms of meat supply if we could get the chickens to the people. The Pilot has no solution to offer. If it did it would grow wealthy working out that solution instead of running a country printing office, but in other places people raise more chickens and sell them. May be George Ross could tell us why we don't grow more chickens in this section—and get the money for them.

THE MAN WHO
BUYS LAND.

It is a mistake, and a grave one, to look on the man who buys land in the Sandhills as a source of revenue through his purchase, for while he temporarily gives up a little money for what he buys the transaction has to that extent been of no creative influence. It is what he will do after he buys the land that is the only act of significant importance. Florida has worked that land selling scheme to the unhappy limit, and it will be years before Florida recovers from that mistaken folly.

Say a man buys a piece of Sandhill land and pays five thousand dollars for it. If it has been wisely bought that should mean a development of a home project, and that development would probably indicate the outlay of fifteen to thirty thousand dollars, much of it in the employment of local men, which is creative, and some more of it in the perpetuation of a permanent home and the embellishment of the home creating features of this section. Such an adventure has contributed to the continued attraction of the Sandhills as a place of residence for still more people, and the ultimate end must be the continuation of the aim of this community, which is to make here a still more popular and populous and interesting neighborhood.

When that has been done the surrounding territory finds in the home development a market for an increasing number of things produced in the vicinity, for this home-making tendency brings to the immediate neighborhood a sustaining market, and that market is of far more value to the community than all the values from the simple sale of lands. The more we can bring Northern consumers to the Sandhills to use their supplies here in the neighborhood the less we need to send away in search of a market, and the more the margin of profit. By creating here a good group of buyers an industry is established that is dependable, a source of much employment of people, and no market is so good as that which is at the door. For that reason the one purpose of selling land should be to add to the population, but not to unload acreage on some one who merely has money enough to buy it but is

not interested in going further and bringing it into use in adding to the social and industrial activity of the villages.

AN EXAMPLE
OF EFFICIENCY.

When the name of A. Cameron is mentioned as an illustration of efficiency it may be introduced from various points of view, but the point in mind at the present is the efficiency of the man as a farmer, especially in the cotton field. One day last week two men were driving past one of Mr. Cameron's cotton fields and the long record of excellent cotton he has made was a subject of discussion. No matter what the conditions Mr. Cameron has always the cotton crop that commands the attention of those who know his fields.

It is not chance. All the facilities for making cotton in his fields are at the command of other farmers, with one exception, and that is the man himself. He knows his mutton. When he sets out to make cotton he has that understanding of his job that tells him how to proceed. He makes no halfway attempts but addresses himself to the job of getting results from his ground, from the seed planted, from the fertilizer used, from the work put on the crop, and in every detail he is alert to what he is after.

It is not to be said that every farmer can make cotton like Mr. Cameron, for that is not possible any more than every man can preach like some of the great leaders, or sing like some of the prominent musicians, or build machinery like some of the skilled mechanics. There is a human factor always in doing any piece of work that requires any degree of intelligence and skill, and some of us do not have the peculiar attributes that make capable farmers. All men are not created equal no matter what Mr. Jefferson may say, and all men are not capable of making cotton crops like Mr. Cameron seems to make every year. But all who plant cotton might improve their returns if they would give more attention to Mr. Cameron's methods, for after all the things he does are not hedged about by any secrets. He plants and tills and works his crop in the open where all may see if they will study what he does.

And possibly were more folks

to inquire into his ways of dealing with his farm we might have better cotton crops and more profit on the farms, for something can be learned by everybody if proper effort is made.

ANNUAL COUNTY S. S.
CONVENTION TO BE
HELD AT UNION CHURCH

Officers of the Moore County Sunday School Association announce that the Annual County Sunday School Convention will be held on Saturday and Sunday, September 1 and 2, with the Union Presbyterian church, seven miles west of Cameron, N. C.

Outside speakers helping in the convention will be Miss Flora Davis, Raleigh, acting general superintendent of the North Carolina Sunday School Association, and Miss Pattie Lee Coghill, Henderson, director of the Christian church.

Also helping on the program will be several of the best known Sunday School workers in the county. The convention is interdenominational, and workers from all Sunday Schools in the county are invited to participate in the work.

In charge of the arrangements for the convention are F. M. Dwight and Miss Bessie McCaskill, president and secretary of the County Sunday School Association. These officers are requesting the co-operation of all pastors, superintendents and other Sunday School leaders in the effort to

make the convention a success.

The officers have announced that again this year a pennant will be presented to the Sunday School having in the convention the largest number of representatives, 16 years of age and over, according to the number of miles traveled, and from all reports there will be much friendly competition from Sunday Schools of the county.

Four farm women received certificates from State College last week for having attended four short courses for rural housekeepers.

The Four-H Club Short Course will be held at State College during the week of July 30 to August 4.

E. L. Winfield, of Pantego in Beaufort county, has kept his daughter at the North Carolina College for Women during the past two sessions with profits derived from his hog feeding work.

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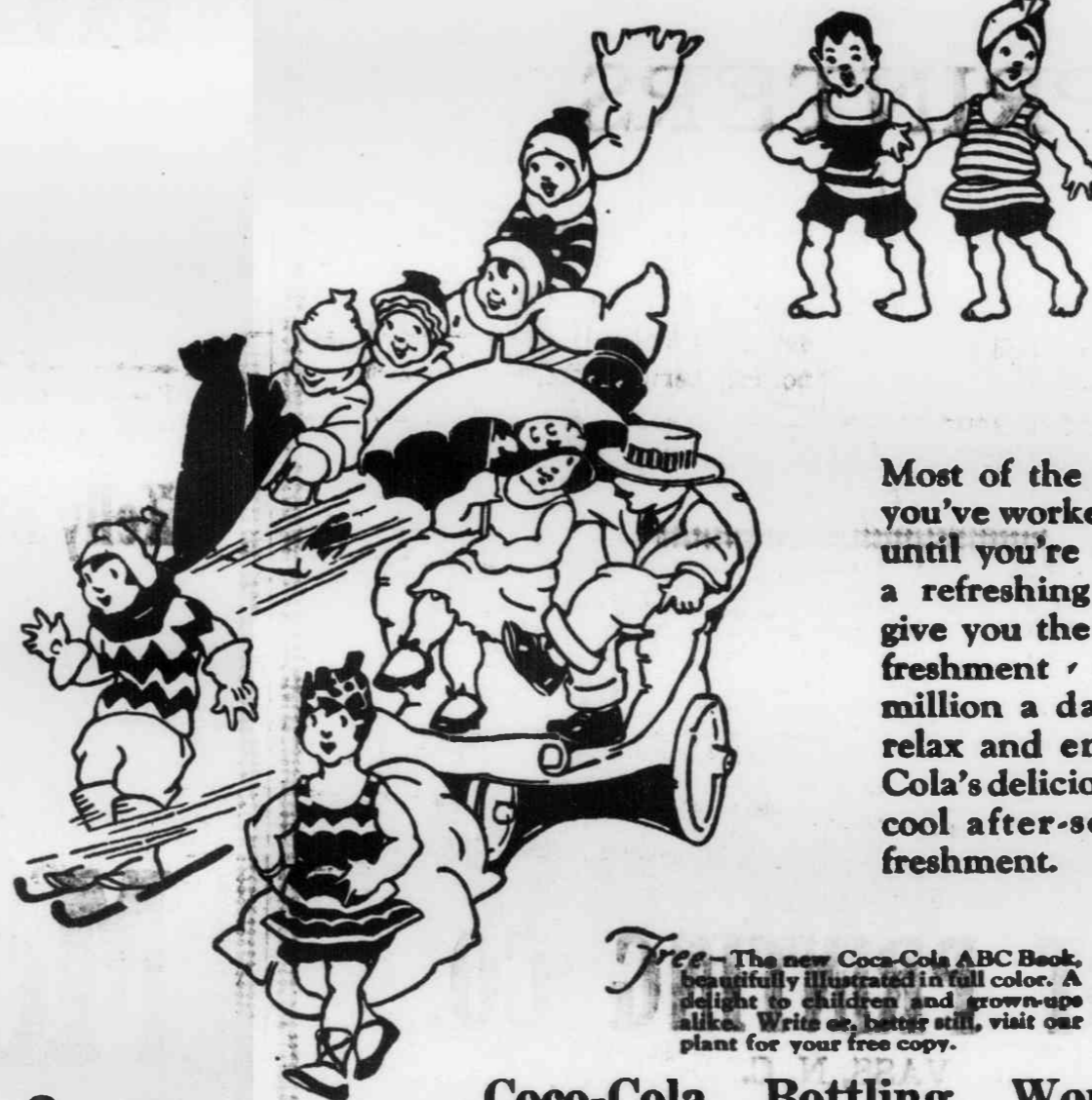
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