

NEW HANOVER FOOD CAMPAIGN

Has Resulted in Decline in Death Rate Says Dr. Nesbitt. The Effect of Variety Diet on Health Conditions.

Wilmington, August 25.—That the vigorous campaign in Wilmington and New Hanover County for food production and conservation has resulted in a marked decline in the death rate of both adults and children is the striking statement of Dr. Chas. T. Nesbitt, Superintendent of Health for the city and county.

Decline in the death rate is attributed to the larger variety in the diet of people of the city and country resulting from the tremendously increased number of gardens. Many fresh vegetables have tonic qualities, besides providing a larger quantity of minerals and salts than are found in the limited diet of most people.

The New Hanover Food Conservation Commission has planned to continue its work through the fall and winter and until the end of the war. "The New Hanover Commission will still be plugging away when Peace is declared in Europe," declares Chairman W. A. McGirt.

STATE FARMERS CONVENTION.

Convenes in Raleigh Today For a Three Days Session. Food Production and Conservation the Dominant Note.

Raleigh, Aug. 25.—Final arrangements have been completed for the meeting and entertainment of the 1,000 or more of farmers and farm women who will gather here Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, August 28-30th for their fifteenth annual convention.

The convention this year will devote its attention very largely to the consideration of the farmers' part in the war and how best the farmer can serve the nation in this great crisis.

The field demonstrations, lectures, etc., will be under the direction of the experts of the State Experiment Station, the North Carolina Extension Service and the faculty of A. & E. College.

Mr. Pou's Denial.

Charlotte Observer. Because of Mr. Jas. H. Pou's activities in making patriotic speeches some papers in the State forthwith could see nothing more in it than that Mr. Pou was grooming himself for the Governorship of North Carolina.

Vacant Scholarships at A. & E.

Johnston County has two free agricultural scholarships vacant at the North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering.

COTTON PRICES YIELD SHARPLY

Both Spots and Futures Down About 400 Points Since Early August.

For one reason or another, prices of some commodities have experienced readjustment, and cotton has been conspicuous among them. Looking back at the levels of little more than a fortnight ago, striking changes are witnessed and no longer are predictions of 30c. for this staple made with confidence, if at all.

It cannot be faithfully said, much as many people wish that it might, that the recent decisive yielding of cotton prices has been entirely due to improvement in the crop outlook. Not all of the news from the belt has made cheerful reading, for pessimistic reports have continued to come from those areas of Texas where rainfall has been deficient.

Fertilizing Oats and Wheat.

If the land is so poor that a fertilizer containing nitrogen is necessary in the fall, at the time of seeding, we believe it a mistake to sow such land to oats or wheat in the hope of making a paying yield of grain.

If nitrogen is used in the fertilizer at the time of seeding, the crops will no doubt make better growth. Therefore, when the seeding is late, or if the land is poor, it may pay to use a little nitrogen in the fertilizer at this time.

Had We But Charity.

How many other things might be tolerated in peace and left to conscience, had we but charity, and were it not the chief stronghold of our hypocrisy to be ever judging one another.—John Milton.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

Having purchased all the interest of D. T. Worley in the firm of D. T. Worley & Company, this is to notify that all persons having claims against said firm will present same to me, and all persons owing said firm will please settle with me.

This August 10, 1917. J. H. WORLEY. Selma, N. C.

ACTIVITY IN COARSE GRAINS.

With Elimination of Wheat Trading at Hand, Attention Centers in Other Cereals.

From to-day on, there will be no speculation in wheat futures to discuss, and it is not saying anything new to state that trading in this cereal has for some time past been conducted under artificial conditions.

In Memory of Mother.

It is with a sad heart that I chronicle the death of my dear mother, Mrs. Andrew Jackson, which occurred at our home near Four Oaks, N. C., Friday night, July 13, 1917, at eleven o'clock p. m.

Mother has been a great sufferer for the past three years with paralysis, being stricken September 22, 1914, on her right side, rendering it helpless, but during the long three years, mother was so good and patient and was often trying to say "I want to get well—Maybe I will some time."

Then on Sunday before she died Friday night, she had another severe stroke which caused her death, being completely helpless and speechless. The misery was so hard at times she would just draw and scream. Oh, it was so sad to see her suffer so, but when the death angels came for her she was waiting to be borne away on their snow-white wings and went to sleep as sweetly as a lamb.

She was married when she was near the age of 31 years, to Mr. Andrew Jackson, of Cumberland County. To this union were born seven children, all of whom survive her.

Mother joined the Methodist church soon after their marriage and was a member at Four Oaks when she died, being a devoted christian 32 years. She was always anxious to go to church and enjoyed being with Christian people talking about Christ and Heavenly things.

Weep not dear loved ones, but prepare to meet her in Heaven.

Asleep in Jesus, blessed sleep, From which none ever wakes to weep; A calm and undisturbed repose, Unbroken by the last of foes.

Reunion of Lee Family.

On Saturday, September the 1st, the family and family connections of Mr. J. A. Lee will hold a reunion at the J. A. Lee home in Ingrams township, Johnston County, in about one hundred yards of Blackman's Grove church.

CELLIE BAREFOOT.

Fertilizing Wheat.

On average lands in the Piedmont and mountain sections of the South that are low in organic matter the use of the following mixture per acre will give good returns:

Acid phosphate 16 per cent, 150 lbs. Cottonseed meal 100 lbs. Total 250 lbs.

Where the land contains considerable organic matter the amount of cottonseed meal may be materially reduced, or even entirely left out where experience has taught one that the growth of the wheat is usually sufficiently large.

Where wheat is grown in the upper Coastal Plain section of the South, we would on average soils use 200 to 400 pounds per acre of a mixture of two to three parts by weight of cottonseed meal and one part by weight of 16 per cent acid phosphate.

As with clay and clay loam soils of the mountain section of the Southeast, it is advisable to use nitrate of soda when the growth is not as vigorous as desired. Of course it is assumed in making the above recommendations that the lack of vigor on the part of the wheat is caused by a lack of a sufficient supply of available nitrogen.

Vice-President Atterbury, one of the great constructive forces of the Pennsylvania Railroad, is going to France to aid in railroad building. He is a patriot who is willing to serve his country by aiding one of its allies.

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