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## MANY STATISTICS ON FARM WORK ARE PRESENTED

Almost Every Feature of Agriculture Covered in Annual Report

### STATE'S RANK IS HIGH

191,000 Farm Records Used in Determining Figures Arrived at; Total of 6,722,000 Acres Planted

Of the 44 pages in the annual issue of the State Agricultural Department's quarterly agricultural "Farm Forecaster," almost every feature of agricultural statistics is presented. The crop and livestock data for the past three years are tabulated in detail by counties. Many features never published before are included. The Crop Reporting Service collects original material from thousands of trained reporters. The farm census alone included 191,000 actual farm records for determining the county crop acreage.

North Carolina's rank in total crop value is quite creditable in view of the fact that the State ranks twenty-first in the total acres of crops (6,722,000 acres). The States ranking ahead of North Carolina in value per acre of crops are either primarily truck crop areas, like California, Florida, and certain New England garden plots. Arizona uses only her best irrigated soils on which are grown vegetables and cotton. So, after all, as a strictly general crops State—well diversified—the value per acre gives North Carolina a leading place.

## STATE FIREMEN IN CONVENTION

Local Chief and Assistant Are Among Those at Hendersonville

More than two thousand firemen are participating in the annual meeting of the State firemen's association being held in Hendersonville this week, according to dispatches sent from the town at the opening session yesterday morning. The meeting will continue through Thursday.

Chief Henry D. Harrison and J. W. Manning are representing the local company at the meeting and the town's representation will entitle the company to \$178.60 as an additional sum to the firemen's relief fund. Several hundred dollars have been paid to the local company for relief purposes, but the sum received this week constitutes the largest amount that has been received at any previous time.

### Rev. C. H. Dickey Goes To Portsmouth Hospital

Rev. C. H. Dickey, pastor of the local Baptist church, is receiving treatment in a Portsmouth hospital. He is expected to be there several weeks.

**WATTS THEATRE**

Wednesday July 17  
**RANGER**  
in  
"The One-Man Dog"  
ALSO COMEDY

Thursday-Friday July 18-19  
**SORRELL AND SON**

with  
H. B. Warner, Anna O. Nilsson, Alice Joyce, Nils Asther and Carmel Myers  
Also NEWS and COMEDY

MUSIC BY PHOTOTONE

## Paving Company Will Soon Begin Widening Main Street

### PHONE COMPANY IS MOVING POLES

Only Obstacle Now Is Britt Hotel Balcony; Town to Remove That

### WIDENED TO 51 FEET

Contractors Are Fast Completing the Sidewalks and Will Be Ready to Start on Streets Shortly

The replacement of telephone poles and cables on the town's main thoroughfare was started yesterday afternoon by a special construction crew of the Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Co., clearing the way for the widening of the street from the Watts corner to the intersection of Haughton and Main. Unfavorable weather delayed the work for a few hours, but it was the opinion of the engineer that the task would be completed within a day or two.

The street will be widened approximately three feet on the south side and around six feet on the north, making a total width of the thoroughfare around 51 feet. The width of the sidewalks will vary one or two feet in places where the property lines are broken, but in only one or two places will the walks be less than 8 1-2 feet wide.

Several of the few remaining trees in what is termed the business district (the C. B. Hassell corner and the J. G. Staton corner) are being removed and only a few obstacles are left to interfere with the widening work. The Britt Hotel porch remains standing, the owner, Mr. G. W. Blount, stating yesterday afternoon that the town would have to remove that. When asked if an injunction would be issued the owner stated that he had already explained to the officials what they could do. The porch owner's agreement could not be learned.

## COTTON REPORT SHOWS INCREASE

Acreage Larger This Year By Million and Half Than in 1928

An increase of more than a million and one-half acres is reported in the cotton crop by government estimates released recently. Approximately 48,457,000 acres are planted to the crop this year, according to the estimates.

The increase is general throughout the entire cotton sections, only one State reporting a decrease, one of 3 per cent as compared with the 1928 crop. North Carolina reports an increase from 1,892,000 to 1,911,000 acres. The greatest increase was in California, where the acreage was practically doubled over that of last year. Texas, with 18,697,000 acres, shows the greatest actual gain in acres, which is more than a third of a million acres.

### Methodist Sunday School To Have Picnic Thursday

The Methodist Sunday school pupils and teachers will have their annual picnic at Bayview on Thursday afternoon. According to plans announced last Sunday, the members will assemble at the church at 12:30, leaving there for an afternoon at the resort.

## TOWN COLLECTS \$1,400 FOR WATER

Is Largest Collection Yet Recorded for One Quarter

Approximately \$1,400 had been paid into the town's treasury up until noon yesterday in response to second-quarter water bills. The approximately 400 accounts had dwindled at that time to around 40, and those customers whose bills had not been settled were notified for the last time yesterday afternoon, according to information received at the clerk's office.

The installation of additional meters and the repairing of old ones were pointed out as the cause for the large receipts yet recorded in the water department.

Beginning next month, water meters will be read each month, all bills being due and payable on or before the 10th.

## MANY PROTEST MOORE REMOVAL

District Game Warden's Friends Rallying To His Support

Official figures gained since the dismissal of District Game Warden Moore and Ruffin, show that \$54,500 were collected from hunters and fishermen in the first district from 1927 to 1929, that the total expenditures amounted to only \$25,332.

At a meeting of the Commission of the Department of Conservation and Development held at Morehead City recently, Wardens Moore, of Washington, and Ruffin, of Kelford, were dismissed from the service, the State warden, England, stating that the department could spend no more than one-half the income from licenses for administrative purposes. Telegrams have been forwarded to Raleigh in large numbers, criticizing the board's action. Hundreds of friends throughout the district have expressed themselves in the matter, but nothing has been done to effect a change.

## REFEREE HEARS THREE CASES

Hears Bankruptcy Proceedings of Two Bertie and One Martin Firm

Marshall C. Staton, referee in bankruptcy of Tarboro, held a full day's court here yesterday hearing three cases in bankruptcy.

The case of A. G. Perry, of Bertie, was the first heard. He was represented by Bridgers and Eley, of Winton, Pritchett and Gilliam, of Windsor representing the creditors. A. J. Early of Creemo, was also examined. He was represented by Bridgers and Eley. Pritchett and Lane appeared for the creditors. W. J. Johnson and company, of Oak City, were also given a hearing. A. R. Dunning represented the bankrupts, H. G. Horton and Frank Hackler appearing for the creditors.

John L. Rodgers was appointed trustee.

It is understood that the amounts involved in each of the cases are not very large.

## INTERESTING LETTERS WRITTEN BY CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS IN 1863-64

While history records the facts and gives one a collective account of the important happenings, the following personal letters written during the Civil War by V. A. Gurganus and Noah Bullock, afford one a more vivid picture of certain parts of the struggle. During the next few issues there will appear additional letters telling of the Battle of the Crater and describing the conditions during Grant's drive on Richmond.

## EXPECTING 5,000 STATE FARMERS AT CONVENTION

Will Be Held at State College, in Raleigh, Next Week

### PROGRAM COMPLETE

Much Fun, Recreation and Fellowship Promised All Who Attend; Farm Women Urged to Attend Also

Five thousand farm women and men are wanted at the State Farmers' and Farm Women's Convention, which meets at State College, Raleigh, next week, July 22 to 27. The convention authorities are preparing for such a gathering, and the program is now complete.

"Since it is our purpose to work with the rural population of this State to build a sound farm program for future years, we shall need the best counsel and advice that we can obtain," says Dean I. O. Schaub, head of the school of agriculture. "At the sectional meetings held on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, our workers will present for discussion an outline of what we think should be attempted. This, we hope, will be discussed in full, and new ideas or suggestions made. When the sectional groups have agreed, we shall then take the adopted program to the general meeting on Friday morning, where the entire plan will be worked into one State-wide program. The delegates from the various counties will then be requested to take this program home and give the necessary leadership needed for its adoption."

The dean promises much fun, recreation, and fellowship, in addition to the main purposes of the convention. Governor Gardner will be one of the principal speakers before the general conferences. Prof. W. H. Darst will outline the new crop improvement work, and there will be at least four interesting contests. The crop identification contest, the wood-sawing contest, the tree and wood identification events will all be enjoyed and handsome prizes donated.

Those who attend may secure meals at a reasonable price on the college campus and rooms will be supplied free of charge so long as they are available. The dormitories will be open on Monday evening, July 22. Dean Schaub says the evening sessions on the college campus will be filled with inspiration and enjoyment.

## Leading Song Services this Week in Rehobeth Church

Mr. R. F. Pope, of this place, is conducting the song services in a revival at the Rehobeth M. E. church, Granville county, this week. Mr. Pope was with the Oxford circuit for several meetings, a report reading, "Mr. R. F. Pope, of Williamston, who has been leading the singing on the Oxford Circuit for several meetings with us and his work as a gospel singer was up to the highest standard. Mr. Pope is a great leader in song service and a wonderful worker among the young people. The singing added a great deal to the meeting."

## Preaching at Christian Church Wednesday

There will be a preaching service at the local Christian Church Wednesday night, July 17th, at 8 o'clock, by Rev. J. Glover Morris, of Alabama.

All members of the church and their friends are cordially invited to attend this service.

## Man Confined in Jail Here Wrecks Plumbing Fixtures

### REFRIGERATOR AGAIN ROBBED

Thieves Get Sunday Dinner of W. T. Meadows for Third Time

While the members of the W. T. Meadows household were thrown upon the mercy of neighbors' generosity last Sunday, a thief enjoyed a substantial repast, consisting of one dressed chicken, one-half of an old ham (one that had been cured at home and which was declared to be very delicious by Mr. Meadows), two pounds of butter, a dozen or more eggs, and a few other eatables. The thief even carried off the dishes but left the ice.

The raid on the refrigerator was the third to have been made within the last several months, and, as did the others, it caused much trouble for the members of the family in their scouting around the neighborhood to borrow articles necessary for the morning meal. Officers were summoned, but no trace of the missing foods could be established.

### Colored People to Have Excursion to Norfolk

Leaving here next Sunday morning at 7:50 o'clock, an excursion train will carry around 600 colored people to Norfolk for a day's outing at a beach near-by. Cheap rates are being offered the excursionists, according to the promoters, the excursion will be one of the largest ever run in this section. Stops will be made in several towns in the county and a last one will be made at Hobgood.

### Mr. Abe Hopkins Dies at Home Near Jamesville

Mr. Abe Hopkins, of Jamesville Township, died at his home Friday following an illness of almost a year. He was 68 years old and had been a farmer all of his life.

### Clark's Drug Store Is Being Remodeled

A number of new fixtures has already been placed in the building and a general remodeling of the Clark drug store is being made this week. Several of the old fixtures have been removed, the owner making a marked change in the store's arrangements.

## COUNTY OFFICER BUSY WORKING ON 1929 BUDGET

J. Sam Getsinger Engaged in Making Estimates of Requirements

TO FINISH THIS WEEK

Having Difficult Time in Making the Estimates; Refuses to Hazard Guess As To What Rate Will Be

With Register J. Sam Getsinger wrapped up in figures and prospective expenditures at the present time, it won't be long now before the county budget will be ready for public inspection and an insight gained as to the final tax rate for the year 1929. The register of deeds and auditor stated he was having a very difficult time in making the budget, and that he was not in a position at this time to offer even a vague opinion as to the rate that will be necessary to run and maintain the county during the year.

## MONKS DEFEAT BEAR GRASS, 8-0

Small Crowd Enjoys Game Here Last Saturday Afternoon

With Bill Speve's attempt to steal home featuring the Martin County Monks won over Manager Roberson's Bear Grass nine here last Saturday afternoon by an 8-to-0 score. There were features on the Bear Grass side also.

In the first, Gurkin allowed only two hits and fanned three. The Monks counted half their runs in the initial inning, errors proving costly to the boys from the neighboring town.

## WORK OF THE HOME AGENT

Clubs Busy Canning Fruits And Vegetables for Winter Use

This week Miss Lora E. Sleeper, home agent, is working with the clubs in the county canning fruits and vegetables for winter use. Each woman in the county, before canning, should make a careful budget of can goods now on hand and estimate what is needed for the thirty weeks during the winter when she cannot get fresh fruits and vegetables, according to the agent, Miss Sleeper further stated that there should be a variety of vegetables, and fruits, canned. There should be 165 quarts of vegetables and 210 quarts of fruit canned for a family of five.

In times past, people have canned and used acid and this is no longer a good practice, the agent pointed out. "Some of the acids which have been used for food preservation are benzoate of soda, sulphur dioxide, salicylic acid, sulphuric acid and formaldehyde. These acids are harmful to the body and no one who is interested in healthful conditions should use such things. Such preservatives are not needed for good canning where absolute care is taken of the food to be preserved and the containers in which the food is placed."

Miss Sleeper is holding the first canning meeting in the county at Mrs. Lucian Harrison's, near Holly Springs and will give at that time the new canning theories. Thursday she will go to Ange Town and Friday afternoon to the Jamesville school house. Any one interested in canning should plan to attend these meetings and thereby learn methods to keep the family well by the use of the right food during the winter.