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wide streams and from mountain peak to mountain peak. Let the great State of North Carolina boast about its long bridges and its mountain trails, but the beauty of those routes is bogged down and overshadowed in the injustice heaped upon poverty-stricken taxpayers back in the counties.

Price Determining Factors

According to the old economic law, the supply and demand policy may be all right. But it seems to one who views the hardships and sufferings experienced in the production of tobacco, that other factors should enter into the picture. Far removed from the drudgery and suffering, the swiveled chair executive in a New York office can't see and does not consider the hardships experienced by the farmers and his family during the tobacco harvesting season. Faced with all the taxes the human mind can devise, required to pay all kinds of interest and prices for what he bargains for enslaved by the modern trend to go places and do things, the tobacco farmer almost kills himself and members of his family to prepare a crop. The practice is common and no individual is to be censured. A few days ago a little child almost impaired his physical faculties while his father and mother and older brothers and sisters worked around a tobacco barn. Their economic status pulled the mother and older sisters from the home and dumped them down to a task that should be if it isn't, foreign to their hands. Then there is the few months-old child who is subjected to the bite of the mosquito and the sting of the fly as he frets helplessly on an old bed quilt while the mother holds watch over a tobacco looping horse from early morning until late evening. Sometimes, one wonders if it would not be a good thing if these disheartening facts could be given some recognition at price-fixing time.

Certainty of Acreage Reduction Another Year Will Help

Wilson Daily Times. Farmers of Georgia and all over the tobacco belt are wondering if the present low prices will continue to obtain, and to accomplish raising prices they are seriously talking of being willing to submit to control for another year. Well, there is one thing certain that if they raise more than can be consumed they will receive a low price for the weed, and the only law that will influence the matter is the law of supply and demand. No business man buys more of anything than he needs, and can sell. It is true that the entire crop must be bought, and when the manufacturers find that so much is being made they divide the amount of tobacco into the amount of money they have been paying for it, and have found they can pay for it, and the result is the price they pay for the weed. Realizing they must buy all of the crop, they take chances of carrying a large part of it in storage which means insurance, taxes and interest, for if another big crop is added to the surplus already on hand, they would find themselves paying more money for a continually increasing crop, and unless something is done to curb the making of tobacco, which they could not manufacture and sell soon the increasing surplus would break them. The United States government, which is composed of tax payers is now carrying 11,000,000 bales of cotton, which costs \$40,000,000 per year in storage, interest and insurance to carry. In ten years the carrying charges will eat up the value of the cotton at eight cents per pound. But the United States government has plenty of money, at least the tax payers have, and they can stand anything. The Times reverts to its original position which will hold good all the time, and also control the quantity of tobacco produced. Every tenant farmer should raise his living for himself and the landlord on the farm, and this would make more money for himself and the landlord, and automatically fix the amount of tobacco to be made. A farmer who raises his living will not have the time to put in a lot of tobacco for attending to his hogs and milking and feeding the cow will take up so much of his time that he will not have the time to make low priced tobacco. With the care of these things he will save having to buy food for man and beast and this will reduce the amount of tobacco made and save the money he pays out for food. He will then have in his pocket the money he pays out for food, and the increased price for not having raised so much more weed than the trade can consume will make him a profit on his tobacco. Again he will, with a small acreage make a better quality weed which will advance the price. But why go over all this? The farmer knows what will happen when he raises more than the trade can absorb and sell. He has seen what the Times has been telling him for the past fifty years worked out under control and in actual experience. We trust the farmers will be able to get more money for their tobacco. If this crop brings only fifteen cents, it will mean a larger crop next year without some control, and the price of the weed will go below the cost of making it, and then poverty will visit our section and affect us all.

An Injustice Recalled

Every year when the commissioners of Martin and those of the several other counties go into a huddle to fix tax rates and plan for another fiscal year, the rank injustice done the counties by the Great State of North Carolina presents itself again. Some years ago, around twenty in this county, the State's political subdivisions spent thousands of dollars for roads under the direction of a State commission or agency. It was generally understood that the counties would share in the gas fund, that the money advanced by the counties was to be recognized as a loan. Years passed and the Great State of North Carolina wiggled from under its obligation. A few more years and they had confiscated the last quarter of a cent gas tax. It is true the State took over the secondary roads, but it left a top-heavy debt to be shifted to general property. The anti-diversionist points to the unfairness of taking gas taxes for use in the general fund. If there ever was a cause for howling, the general property owner has that cause for the simple reason he is paying a property tax and a heavy one in this county to offset a debt incurred in the construction of MAIN highways. State officials, even at the least pretext, swell out their chests and gloat about low taxes in North Carolina, never mentioning the sales tax, gas tax and the road debt tax that hundreds of people pay and never realize any direct benefit therefrom. North Carolina's legislature has refused to recognize the seriousness of the situation back in the counties, possibly because of a powerful highway commission. But it is safe to say, that some day before the road debt of millions of dollars is cleared from the county books somebody is going to recognize the seriousness of it all. The Martin County commissioners earnestly trying to hold down the county tax rate, just recently recognized that highway debt, and no doubt other commissioners are doing the same thing. And they are faced with that problem while a State agency flings bridges across

CHURCH NEWS

UNION SERVICE

Regular Sunday night Union services will be held at the Church of the Advent, at which time the choir will render a program of sacred music. Included in the selections will be: "Now the Day is Over," "Send Out Thy Light," Gounod, by the choir. "Asa Maria," Schubert, Gordon Bennett. "I Heard the Voice of Jesus," Rathbun, Mrs. Earl Wynne and Gordon Bennett. "Festival Te Deum," Buck, by the choir.

PRESBYTERIAN

Williamston church school, 9:45 a. m. Worship service and sermon, 11 a. m. Bear Grass church school, 9:45 a. m. Worship service and sermon at 8:15 p. m. Roberson's Chapel church school, 9 a. m. Poplar Point church school, 2 p. m. Sermon subject by the pastor: "Stop Trying to Be a Christian." The Woman's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church will meet Friday night at 8 o'clock in the church.

METHODIST

Church school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11 a. m. Theme: "Unshakeables." Holly Springs, 3:30 p. m. Theme: "Loyalty." Union service, 8 p. m. Let our people worship at the Episcopal church tonight.

EPISCOPAL

9th Sunday after Trinity. Church school, 9:45 a. m. Celebration of the Holy Communion and sermon, 11 a. m. It is our pleasure to have the union service at eight o'clock. In place of the sermon the choir will sing sacred music. Everyone is cordially invited.

POPLAR CHAPEL

Rev. D. W. Arnold will conduct services at Poplar Chapel Church on Sunday afternoon at 3:30.

CEDAR BRANCH BAPTIST

Regular services will be held Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and at 7:30 p. m.

These 4-H Members Had Swell Time At Raleigh This Year

Martin County Boys Tells of What They Did at Raleigh

By HERBERT LESLIE MANNING

I am sure everyone who attended the 4-H club short course at State College, Raleigh, July 24-29, had a good time, and I urge every 4-H boy or girl who has a chance to attend, and without any hesitation whatever. The North Carolina State College students and faculty nobly entertained 1,035 outstanding 4-H club boys and girls that week. Delegates from almost every county in the State registered at the Y. M. C. A. Monday. By 7 o'clock that night we were all settled for a joyous week of recreation, projects and refreshments. Beginning our schedule Tuesday morning, we got up at 6:30, and there was flag-raising at 7 o'clock and breakfast at 7:15. We then assembled at Pullen Hall, where we had an hour and twenty minutes of music with Dr. Stanley Smith in charge. Then we were greeted by Governor Clyde R. Hoey. Afterward, we had an instruction period, and then lunch. Our afternoon programs consisted of special radio programs, with Mrs. Gene Knight in charge. There were also demonstrations, tours, swimming and other things. After supper we had vesper services, songs, games and marches directed by Mr. L. R. Harrill, State 4-H club leader. On Friday, we made a tour of the Capital City on several special buses.

We first visited the Governor's Mansion and were greeted with a kind and hearty welcome by Mrs. Hoey, who served us all with a glass of limeade. Leaving the mansion, we went to the State Museum and then to the Capitol where we were greeted with a handshake by Governor Hoey. On Saturday, the 4-H boys and girls came out of the dormitories without our regular uniforms, which were green and white. We were all packed and ready to leave for home. Those who attended from Martin County were Susie Revels, Joe King Powell, Wilbur J. James and Herbert Leslie Manning.

It appears from a preliminary survey, says Farm Agent C. R. Ammons, that Harnett County growers have overplanted their tobacco allotments by 35 per cent, while a majority have stayed within their cotton allotment.

BAPTIST

Bible school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11 a. m. A special meeting of young people from 9 to 16 years of age at 7 p. m. Union evening service at the Episcopal church, 8 p. m.

rell in the N. K. Harrell land division entitled "Mrs. S. A. Harrell, et als., Ex-Partee" of record in the office of the Clerk Superior Court of Martin County, to which reference is hereby made for a more perfect description. Third Tract: Lying and being in the Town of Oak City, County of Martin, and State of North Carolina, in the intersection of Railroad Street in said Town and Highway No. 44, beginning at the corner of said Railroad Street and Highway No. 44; thence along Railroad Street to the line of E. Norman Harrell; thence along his line to the line of the lands of H. K. Harrell Estate; thence along the line of the lands of H. K. Harrell Estate to Highway No. 44; thence along Highway No. 44 to the beginning, same being a house and lot in the town of Oak City in the intersection of said Highway No. 44 and Railroad Street. The last and highest bidder at said sale will be required to make a deposit of ten per cent (10%) of such bid to show good faith, and the sale will not be closed without such deposit. This the 1st day of July, 1939. HUGH G. HORTON, ELBERT S. PEEL, Commissioners. July 14-41

NOTICE OF SALE

North Carolina, Martin County. In The Superior Court. F. S. Harrell and wife, Blonzie Harrell vs. P. L. Salsbury and W. C. Haislip, Trustee. Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of the power and authority contained in the judgment of the Superior Court of Martin County at the April Term, 1939, in the above entitled action and as in said judgment ordered, the undersigned Commissioners will on Monday, the 7th day of August, at twelve (12) o'clock Noon, at the courthouse door of Martin County, at Williamston, N. C., offer for sale, at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described real estate, to wit: First Tract: 3 A of the House farm: Beginning at a large white oak tree on a branch, which is the most westerly corner of Tract 2-C in the division of the House Tract; thence South 33 degrees 40' West 70 feet to a point; thence South 34 degrees 00' West 700 feet to a point on A. C. L. Railroad; thence along said Railroad S. 40 degrees 00' East 383 feet to a point; thence N 27 degrees 00' East 574 feet to a point on the road; thence N 72 degrees 30' W 200 feet to the point of the beginning. Containing 6.2 acres according to a plat and survey by L. E. Wooten, C. E. on date December, 1934. Second Tract: 3-B of the House Farm: Beginning at a point on the A. C. L. Railroad, which is the most westerly corner of Tract 3-A in the division of the House Tract; thence along said railroad North 42 degrees 00' West 467 feet to a point; thence S 65 degrees 00' West 584 feet to a point; thence S 5 degrees 30' W 1723 feet to a corner of Dr. Harrell's line; thence along Dr. Harrell's line S 86 degrees 00' East 2750 feet to a point on the A. C. L. Railroad; thence along said Railroad N 45 degrees W 00' West 2552 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 75.7 acres according to plat and survey made by L. E. Wooten, C. E., of date December, 1934. And the same premises allotted to F. S. Har-

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