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Correct The Trouble

Unofficial reports coming from farmers in this county indicate that something is wrong with the system of marketing sweet potatoes.

Some say that the price is all right but that the buyers grade the potatoes "too close." Surely, there must be some approach to the grading problem, and possible its solution is not to be effected in its entirety by the farmer or by the buyer acting as individuals. The problem should be faced fairly and squarely. If Martin County farmers make no earnest attempts to build up their stock and offer potatoes in sound conditions then they should not expect the buyer to jump ahead of the market

And some of this grading business should be checked too. There is a lot of plain old foolishness in calling for a potato of a definite size, shape and pedigree. While grading is important, no doubt, the buyers have apparently made a mountain out of a mole hill and educated the consumer to be more exacting in their individual purchases.

Martin County has a large sweet potato crop for the markets this season, but reports from the farmers are not very encouraging for a large income

It is a reflection on farmers in this section when growers in Louisiana can produce potatoes in a state so far removed from the markets and out-sell them. Even South Carolina farmers are selling their potatoes for a higher price than those of this section. Apparently it will be to the advantage of Martin County farmers to investigate and learn the secret held by the Louisiana and South Carolina growers

Thanks For The Politicians

Every now and then a person of unsound mentality is thrown into the common jail in this county. The most recent case, unofficial reports maintain, was here in the common jail week after week during the greater part of two months. Answers to the letters urging the heads of the various institutions for the insane to take the mentally unbalanced person in plainly stated there isn't room.

Turning to a State politician in another district, the authorities were notified within twenty four hours to carry the person to a State institution.

In short, it is a crazy system North Carolina

mers sold right at 245,000,000 pounds of tobacco at an average of \$23.32. They received for that normal-size crop a total of \$57,134,000.00. If a farmer will study the cold facts he will find that 181,181,674 pounds of tobacco - the amount produced last season in excess of the 1938 production-sold for an average of slightly more than five cents a pound. This average is based on the price the farmer would have re ceived for a normal crop of about 245,000,000 pounds and what he actually received for the bumper crop of 426,181,674 pounds.

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To plant and produce the bumper crop, thousands of farmers forfeited any and all claims to soil conservation payments. When this factor and it is a big factor, is considered, tobacco farmers produced almost a two hundred millionpound excess for little or nothing.

Every farmer should keep these facts in mind and understand that his acreage is not being cut just for spite, but that a planned production is being advanced by the government with the sole aim of helping the tobacco grow-

Farmers Vs. Farmers

Christian Science Monitor.

Within the last two weeks the National Grange has taken one side and the American Farm Bureau Federation the other of the prospective sharp debate over renewal of the Trade Agreements Act which embodies the tariff policy of Secretary Hull.

Scarcely any development could better illustrate the fact that there is not simply one farm problem in the United States but a number of farm problems, and that American farmers are not a single compact group but include many groups each with its own interests and points of view. For while the Grange and Federation have had distinct programs which have varied from each other in points of detail during the last two decades of farm discussion, the two organizations have not hitherto differed so diametrically on the major question of farm policy

The Grange platform, drafted after the recent convention at Peoria, Ill., urged that the United States "close the doors to imports of foreign farm products which are injurious to American agriculture" and that it terminate trade agreements which permit these imports. The Federation, however, endorsed the reciprocal trade agreements program, asking only that the assent of the Secretaries of Agriculture and of Commerce, as well as of State, be required on new pacts, and gave a forum to Mr. Hull to defond his policy at its Chicago convention. It held that the net effect of the agreements has been helpful rather than hurtful to agriculture. Both the Grange and the Federation have large numbers of members who are among the more propertied and solid type of farm operators. The Grange, although it fought the railroad interests in the prairie states before the turn of the century, is generally the more conservative. It is strong in the eastern states and in regions where farming is most diversified or inclines to dairying. The strength of the Federation is in the corn belt, extending somewhat into the cotton South and the wheat belt.

The Grange, in its desire for government intervention through tariffs on dairy and pork products, will find an ally farther west in the cattlemen's associations, for the men of the grazing states are aroused at the possibility of imports of Argentine beef. The Federation has been the closest supporter of the New Deal throughout the Agricultural Adjustment Administration and has reaffirmed its support of the "broad principles" of the AAA while the Grange was objecting to the use of soil conservation payments as a means of crop control

One point all agree on is that agriculture should receive its fair share of the national in-



more seriously than ever before tools is fertilizer nitrogen, produced the conservation and utilization of for the last ten years within the is is fertilizer nitrogen, produced the resources. Some of the activities directed toward these ends are con-Nitrate plant in Hopewell, Virginia. "The New South." now being shown grow, and multiplies greatly the by distributors of Arcadian Nitrate all over the South. Typical of the trend is the devel

opment of a new agricultural sys-tem. Formerly the general practice was to cultivate a field for a short period. When the production declined to the point where the yields were not profitable, the old land was abandoned, allowed to revert to forest, and new land was cleared. Led by agricultural experts, the

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the wastefulness of such a method, and each hour of labor, more pro-and now utilize scientific means of ductive, and in this way works toincreasing crop yield and at the ward making Southern farming a same time preserving the fertility more profitable business.

CHURCH

NEWS

BAPTIST

CHRISTIAN

Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.

Morning service, 11 a. m.

Sunday after Epiphany.

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Evening worship, 7:30 p. m.

Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p. m

y afternoon at 3:30. St. Martin's, Hamilton

METHODIST

Presching and Holy Communion ervice will be held at the Metho-

dist church next Sunday morning. The pastor, Rev. S. J. Starnes, will

preach at the morning hour on "Set-ting the Goal."

At the evening hour, the subject

vill be "Possessing the Land." Holly Springs Sunday school, 11

There will be preaching service at

The public is invited to all these

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m

Holly Springs at 3 p. m.

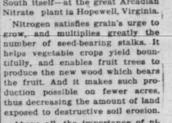
ervices

Evening prayer and sermon, 7:30

Bible school, 9:45 a. m.

Morning worship, 11 a. m.

Evening worship, 7:30 p.



Above all, the importance of nitrogen lies in its effectiveness in reducing crop production costs. Nitrogen helps to make each acre,

CEDAR BRANCH

Regular services will be held at the Cedar Branch Baptist church Sunday at 11 o'clock. Subject. "Let Us Co On

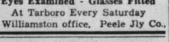
Taxpayers Offered **Course in Financing**

How's your city's financial rating? Is it living within its budget? Do its actual tax revenues match budget estimates? Does each city depart-Young People's Meeting, 6:30 p. ment receive an equitable share of appropriations? If you can answer these questions you are exception-January is Consecration Month in ur calendar. A special service will be held Sunday morning for the con-secration of church officers. The ally civic-minded. Yet, on the theory that more taxpayers should know young people are installing the new officers Sunday night (aL.6:30 such answers, in the interest of achieving lower city-operating costs without sacrificing needed public services, the National Consumers Tax Commission, Chicago, has up a 12point plan to guide citizens in ap-praising accurately their local government's financial set-up. The com-mission, nationwide and non-partisan, is advocating thorough tax education as a means of combatting heavy tax inroads into family buy-CHURCH OF THE ADVENT ing power. The above are among the more penetrating of the dozen ques-Church school, 9:45 a.m. Celebration of Holy Communion tions listed in one of the monthly nd sermon, 11 a.m. Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary study programs used by NCTC groups in nearly 5,000 commu

Wake County 4-H Club Turns In Good Records

The records being turned in at the present time by Wake County 4-H club members are better than any of the past, says J. C. Keith, assistant farm agent.

DR. V. H. MEWBORN OP-TOM-E-TRIST Plymouth office, Liverman Drug Co., every Fri., 2 to 5 p. m. Robersonville Office, Scott's Jew-Tuesday, Jan. ry Store, Bethel office: Rives Drug Store, Monday, Jan. 8, 9 a. m. to 12 m. Eyes Examined - Glasses Fitted



Friday, January 5, 1940.			
AT	MARGOLIS BROS.		
	January Is the Month		
	Clearances		
	Beginning FridayMorning JANUARY 5, 1940.		
	OUR ENTIRE STOCK OF MEN'S SUITS AND O'COATS NOW ON SALE \$29.75 To \$35.00 Values Clearance Price		
	\$24.95 MEN'S SUITS \$25.00 Values \$19.75 \$22.50 Values \$17.95 \$19.95 Values \$14.95		
	ONE GROUP <u>MEN'S SUITS</u> Values to \$25.00—Not All Sizes \$10.00		
	All BOYS' SUITS GREATLY REDUCED		
	All Manhattan and Arrow Shirts. \$2.00 value. Sale Price		
	All Men's Neckwear. 79c		
Margolis Bros.			
FARMERS			
MAKE NO MISTAKE START RIGHT			
BY USING THE FAMOUS ARMOUR			
ARMOUR			



which may be added, "Hurrah, for North Ca- liny," the State with highly-paid boasters. And difference of method for achieving a	SPECIAL	Tobacco Plant
No Cause For Dissatisfaction common goal has often been sufficient to divide political parties. Rumors have it that tobacco farmers in Mar-	GUARANTEED RADIO REPAIRING	Acmours
tin County and those in other counties, too, are going to be dissatisfied when their tobacco al- lotments are announced. It is quite likely that the blow is going to be so heavy that the breath of the growers will be cut short from shock, but before any serious growling is done a com-	Never Before in Williamston We Are Better Equipped Than Ever To Serve You On Your Troubles	Rie caor Tonacco Perdilizer
parative study of tobacco prices received with control and those received without controldidate for President. "I believe it leads to a to- talitarian state in which individual enterpriseshould be made with the view of getting all the facts.is destroyed and all activity socialized and di- rected by an all-powerful government."It seems hard and possibly it is hard for a farmer to surrender a sizable portion of his to- bacco acreage. But to do just that is not as cost-To hear Senator Taft talk one would think that such government planning and action in connection with the national economy was	RADIOS — VACUUM CLEANERS REFRIGERATORS — LAMPS we make battery radios electric	BED SPECIAL
ly and as burdensome as growing a great big crop at a loss.something strange and new. Obviously the old tariff policy of his party was a planning put into national action to shape the nation econ- omy. The only difference between planning un- der the New Deal and planning under the Re- publicans is that the Republicans undertook to plan for and protect the few. The New Deal has sought a planning to serve all Americans.	GIVE US A TRY <i>If It's Electrical—We Can Fix It</i> WE WHRE HOMES Special Test Board For Battery Radio Servicing	Fertilizers We Have A Large Supply Ready For
Turnage Theatre Washington, N. C.	WE SELL BATTERIES Koger Radio and	Immediate Delivery At The New Farmers Warehouse
Sunday-Monday January 7-8 "Babes In Arms" Thursday-Friday January 11-12 MICKEY ROONEY, JUDY GARLAND "Mutiny In The Big House" Tuesday-Wednesday January 9-10 BARTON MacLANE — CHARLES BICKFORD Tuesday-Wednesday January 9-10 Saturday January 13 "Charlie McCarthy Detective" "West Of Carson City" January 13 EDGAE BEEGEN and CHARLIE MeCARTHY JOHNNY MACK BROWN and BOB BAKER ALSO SELECTED SHORT SUBJECTS SHORT SUBJECTS	Refrigerator Co. Phone 245-J Washington Street Williamston, N. C.	H. L. Barnhill — Corey <i>Williamston, N. C.</i>