

FARMERS FEED WHEAT TO HOGS

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DISPATCHES FROM RALEIGH

Doings and Happenings That Mark the Progress of North Carolina People, Gathered Around the State Capital.

That there are farmers in some sections of North Carolina who are feeding to hogs wheat that is needed by their government for the maintenance of its armies and the armies of its Allies, has been brought to the attention of State Food Administrator Henry A. Page.

It is said in explanation of this remarkable practice that the mills are offering only \$2.25 for wheat while corn is selling at a higher figure. Regardless of a difference in price in some localities the food administration and other authorities are indignant that any farmer in this State should be so unpatriotic as to use for food the only cereal that is suitable for export and upon which the government is depending, almost as much as upon the soldiers, to win the war.

It is clearly recognized that if this country falls down in any degree in its task of feeding the Allied armies and keeping them in good fighting trim it will pay for that failure in the blood and lives of its own soldiers—the boys from North Carolina and other States—who will have to make up for any decreased fighting efficiency of our Allies. In the face of this indisputable fact the food administration does not hesitate to denounce as bordering on the traitorous the practice of feeding wheat to any animals.

It is declared that this practice is not only unpatriotic but that it is foolish and uneconomical. Corn may be retailing at stores in some sections at a higher price than wheat but the corn that is now being harvested, and which is thoroughly mature and ready to feed will sell for much less than that figure probably for not more than \$1.50 per bushel. Besides velvet bean meal, a most effective hog feed is selling at \$35 to \$40 per ton and rice and wheat bran and shorts are also available. Further, there is not a miller in the State but would gladly exchange a much larger value of hog feed in bran and shorts for a bushel of wheat than would be contained in the bushel of wheat.

The food administration requests that the names and addresses of any feeders of hogs or other stock who persist in using wheat as feed be sent to the office of the administration at Raleigh.

To Organize Safety Leagues.

Following plans which have been worked out by the insurance commissioner, James R. Young, Mrs. W. R. Hollowell, representing the insurance department, recently organized at Richlands, Onslow county, the first Safety League in North Carolina. The league was organized at Richlands rural public high school, among the students and teachers of the school and a number of the parents of the pupils.

The meeting at which the league was organized was an enthusiastic one and the promise of good results from the organization is good. The league is to have regular meetings each Friday morning. The opening exercise hour of the school has been given over to the league on those days for its meeting. The league has a president, vice-president, treasurer, and secretary, all chosen from among the pupils of the school. Assisting these officers there is an administrative committee. The members of the league will cooperate in using measures against accidents and fires in their community. They will make inspections of premises and see that carelessness that may cause loss of property or life or the injury of persons is prevented as far as it is within their power to do.

At the regular meetings certain members will report on observations that have been made and newspaper reports that have come to their attention during the week and discussions will be held in which plans can be laid to prevent occurrences of a similar nature where injury may result in the reach of the league.

It is the intention of Commissioner Young to give the aid of the department in the organization of these leagues in all parts of the State, and whenever practicable, representatives of the insurance department will be sent to assist in their organization.

Friday, Nov. 2d, Arbor Day.

Friday, November 2, has been set aside by the government and the State school authorities to be observed as Arbor Day. It is expected that nearly all of our public schools will observe it in an appropriate manner. A new Arbor and Bird Day Manual has been prepared by the North Carolina Geological and Economic Survey and has been printed and distributed by the State Department of Education. Sufficient copies to allow two for every school have already been sent to the county and city superintendents.

Anti-Saloon League Meets.

D. L. S. Massey, chairman of the headquarters committee of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League, gives notice that a superintendent of the league will be elected at the annual meeting of the league trustees at Raleigh, November 15 and that applications for the place are in order. His formal notice follows:

"At a meeting of the headquarters committee of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League, held today in the office of Rev. R. L. Davis, superintendent, a number of questions concerning the future policy of the league were discussed and recommendations made to the full board of trustees. We wish hereby to give notice to the temperance people of the state that the annual meeting of the board of trustees has been called for November 1, 1917, at 1:30 p. m. At this meeting a superintendent of the North Carolina State Anti-Saloon League will be elected, and any party wishing to apply for the position may send in his application to W. T. Shaw, Weldon, N. C., chairman of the board of trustees; Dr. W. L. Poteat, Wake Forest, N. C., president of the convention, or to the undersigned, Raleigh, N. C., chairman of headquarters committee. Any applicant may be assured that he will receive due consideration by the board of trustees. L. S. MASSEY, "Chairman Headquarters Com."

Hill Addresses Negro Fair.

At the big day for the North Carolina negro fair, the special speaker was Dr. D. H. Hill, former president of the North Carolina College of Agriculture and Engineering, who is now devoting his time to the special commission of writing a history of North Carolina's part in the civil war, a commission given him by the North Carolina Division, United Confederate Veterans. Dr. Hill was greeted by an immense crowd of negroes out at the fair grounds. His theme was "Constructive Citizenship in Peace and War." He insisted that every citizen must, in his relations in life as a citizen of the commonwealth, maintain a constructive, selfish or a destructive citizenship.

Dr. Hill's address was heard with deep interest and evident appreciation. Inspection of the exhibits revealed a number of quite creditable features, including agricultural exhibits by well known colored farmers that evidenced marked progress in methods. The industrial exhibits showed up well also, the negro fair this year under the direction of Berry O'Kelly, as president, being a marked advancement over the fairs that have gone before.

Required to Have License.

With only ten days remaining during which to secure licenses, the North Carolina dealers in those commodities which have been put under the license system by proclamation of President Woodrow Wilson, are likely to be in quite a hurry in getting through the required forms. State Food Administrator Henry A. Page has received sufficient information and instructions from Washington to make him appreciate the magnitude of the work incident to the operation of the law under the president's proclamation. Every person subject to license must obtain and fill out completely an application blank. These blanks will be furnished only by the License Division of the U. S. Food Administration at Washington, together with full instructions as to filling out. Any dealers who are in doubt as to whether they are subject to license should communicate with this Division of the Food Administration.

Those Who Are Subject. Those who are subject to license are dealers in wheat, barley, oats, corn, rice and the products of these cereals; dried beans and peas; cotton seed and their products; peanuts and soybeans and their products; milk and its various products, oleomargarine, lard and all oils and cooking fats; fresh, canned or cured beef, pork and mutton, poultry, eggs, fresh and frozen fish; fruits, vegetables, and all canned and dried products; sugar, syrup and molasses. Dealers whose volume of business aggregates less than \$100,000 per annum or who are already under license are not subject to license. These are expected, however, to make their business conform to the same principles under which the licensed dealers operate.

Corn muffins are mighty good for breakfast. Eat them several times a week and help win the war.

How to Promote Fire Prevention.

He can avoid lighting a match around gasoline. He can inspect his premises occasionally to see that waste paper has not accumulated in vacant rooms, cellars, garrets and other places. He can think. He can remember that these are war times and that neither his country nor himself can afford to have any of our products or wealth wasted by fire.

James R. Young, insurance commissioner, has just sent out the following suggestions telling what each person in North Carolina can do to promote fire prevention: He can keep his premises clean. He can see that each match used is extinguished before throwing it away. He can knock out his pipe or throw away his cigar when he goes around highly inflammable material. He can keep matches away from the children. He can be careful about the burning of trash in his backyard.

TEACHERS MEET NOV. 29-30

State Teachers' Assembly at Charlotte Will Hear Addresses by Best Known Educators.

Charlotte. — The North Carolina Teachers' Assembly will meet in Charlotte during the Thanksgiving vacation, Nov. 29-30.

The Executive Committee of the Assembly and officers of the departments have arranged a most interesting program. Some of the best known educators in this country will speak at the general meetings. In the various departments of which there are nine, there will be papers and discussions concerning present day problems in the schools of this state.

It is to this meeting that teachers of the state go for greater inspiration and for many new ideas to work out in their own schools. No progressive teacher can afford to miss this meeting.

The people of Charlotte are making great preparation for entertainment and comfort of the visitors. The hotels and boarding houses claim to be able to provide for all that come, but that there may be ample room great many of the homes will be open for the visiting teachers. The cafes and special lunch rooms will easily take care of the large crowd that is expected to be in attendance.

Many teachers will probably take this opportunity to visit the great camp of the National Guard near the City of Charlotte.

27,000 Men at Camp Sevier.

Greenville, S. C.—Almost 27,000 men are now encamped at Camp Sevier, according to an individual card index completed, which will be placed in the statistical department for the convenience of all. In the division proper there are 24,690 men and 769 officers, including 96 men and 33 officers left over after the distribution of the personnel of the depot brigade to regular units. In attached but separate units, such as the remount station, the 32nd truck company, the depot, quartermaster, ordinance, and signal detachments, the baker company, and the base hospital, there are 883 men and eight officers. The grand total is 26,573 men and officers.

Face Split by Flywheel.

Davidson.—L. C. Holler was the victim a few days ago of a very distressing and painful accident. While engaged at his work of running his wood-saw machine at the home of Otto Stiles, in some way that he could not explain after the accident, his face came in contact with the flywheel of the gasoline engine, which cut a long, deep gash, splitting his nose lengthwise and so deep that his throat was visible through the wound. The man who was helping him at the machine did not see Mr. Holler at the exact time of the accident and could not explain how it happened.

Dived After Pocketbook.

Kinston.—Jack Whitehurst, a struggling young six-footer who went from here to the Great Lakes a few months ago to enter the coast guard service, recently recovered a pocketbook containing \$141 dropped overboard by a woman, says a Cleveland, Ohio, newspaper account. The loser appealed to the captain of the Edport station "Whitehurst," one of the crew, went after the pocketbook by a fine exhibition of diving and finally located it under the bridge in 12 feet of water. Whitehurst is from North Carolina coast town, which has produced the finest lifesavers in the world.

Scout Sells Many Bonds.

Kinston.—Diminutive Mitchell Wooten, boy scout, took up a wee bit of space on Green street here. A casual observer would have supposed Mitchell to be doing nothing else. But the lad's meekness has given him an option on a good big average when the promised partitioning off of the earth occurs. "How about Liberty Bonds?" asked Scoutmaster Alfred Cheney, doling five pedestals and a toy balloon to get to the apparently lost Mitchell. "I'm doing a little something," said Mitchell, or some such words. He handed Mr. Cheney subscriptions for \$10,000 worth.

The cause of food conservation offers to every American citizen a chance to render a patriotic service that does not entail a sacrifice.

NORTH CAROLINA BRIEFS.

About a half mile to the east of Chapel Hill there is being constructed a complete system of boundary trenches, which suggest the boundaries of "No Man's Land." These trenches are modeled after the English trenches and are built with the same strategic points in view. They are prepared for defending a charge, heavy artillery fire, a flank attack and mining by the enemy.

Spencer is soon to have a public playground. Present indications point to a big wheat crop in Pasquotank county next year. This consummation, long consistently worked for, is now about to be reached as a result of war prices, federal direction and a progressive citizenship.

Within the very near future the new and handsome church building in Elizabeth City will stand on the corner of Road and Church streets. That, at least, is the present outlook.

Fat pine lightwood was sent from Red Springs to Washington for Mrs. McAdoo to use in kindling the Liberty bonfires.



LOCUSTS' CONCERT.

"It was almost time for the sun to set," said Daddy, "when the locusts began their singing."



Mr. Lionel Locust Got Up.

"How good of you to call it singing!" said the locusts. "We only called it practising. We wanted to get in the best of voice for a concert and we wanted all the creatures to come. "Thank you," said the crickets. "We'd be charmed to come!" "The concert will begin in a very few minutes," said Mr. Lionel Locust, who was the leader of the locust chorus.

Word was quickly whispered about the insect world, and many of them were ready almost before they had been asked. "You see they heard the locusts practising all the late afternoon, and during the early evening, so they imagined they were going to give some sort of an entertainment. They had merely been waiting for their invitations."

First the Katydid family arrived, then the field crickets, next came a smaller size of field crickets, and the smooth-winged crickets. The broad-winged locusts, cousin of the meadow locusts and the true crickets all soon appeared.

"They sat around on shrubs and on low trees. Some of them sat in reserved seats the locusts had for them on very tall blades of grass. Those they had for some of their older and more distinguished guests."

"Then the concert began. The locusts sang in chorus, they sang separately and two or three sang at a time. In fact, they sang in every way they could, but they liked it best in chorus."

"The reason for that was because every creature so much wanted to join in the fun, and of course it was only in a chorus that that could be done."

"The rest of the insects clapped their little legs together and shrieked with delight at many of the songs. When they called out how much they liked the songs, they sang their words of praise."

"It is not usually the way to ask the audience to join in the performance, but this was the way it was in the meadow that night."

"Mr. Lionel Locust got up and said: "Ladies and gentlemen, crickets, Katydid, locusts, we are all highly honored to have you here, our cousins and our friends!" He cleared his throat and all the insects looked very much pleased."

"It is an honor to be here," they said. "Thank you," said Mr. Lionel Locust, bowing very low. "I am glad to hear these kind words from our good friends, and now I have a few words to say. I will not take more than a moment or two of your very valuable time."

"Of course Mr. Lionel Locust had already taken up a little of their time and had said several words before he made this part of his speech. But he had heard somewhere that creatures who made speeches usually made opening remarks way down toward the middle of the speech. And so he wanted to be perfectly correct."

"I would deem it a great favor," —but all the insects had interrupted.

"What does he mean by 'deem'?" they all asked.

"Mr. Lionel Locust heard them. 'Deem,' he said, 'means the same as think or consider. In other words, I would consider it a great honor,' and then he paused."

"We understand now," said the insects, and that was as far as you had gone in your speech. Pray continue."

"Yes, I would consider it an honor," repeated Mr. Lionel Locust, "if our guests would sing for us, too. In fact, a concert would not be a real one without their lovely voices."

"This made everyone very happy, and they all promised to sing. They all sang in separate family groups at first but later on every insect in the meadow that night sang in the great final chorus and the meadow was gay with the sound of many insect voices."

Be cheerful. Don't carry around a woe-begone look or act as though all the trouble in the world were resting on your shoulders.

Be honest. Don't be ashamed of honest work. It's better to be a good blacksmith than a bad lawyer.



The Katydid Family Arrived.

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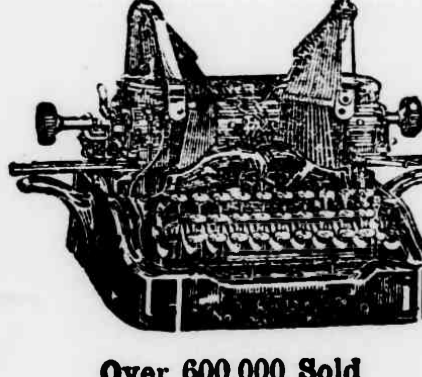
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