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Great Promise In Celery Growing for Man Who Sticks Close to His Job

PROFITABLE TRIP OF BREVARD GROUP IN FLORIDA FIELDS

Much Valuable Information Gained as to Growing of Celery

FINE RECEPTION GIVEN BY FLORIDA PEOPLE

No Haphazard Farming Can Make Money at Celery Growing Industry

Celery growing in its every phase, from the seed bed to the sealed car for shipment, was explained in thorough detail to the delegation going from Brevard to the Florida celery fields last week. In the party were C. C. Yongue, Porter Morgan, Prof. J. F. Corbin, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. McNeely and James F. Barrett. Bradenton was the first place visited, and on Monday morning the party was met by Mr. C. C. Hutches, for many years king of celery growing in Florida, and taken to the celery fields. Mr. Hutches owns a summer home in Gloucester, near Rosman, and with his family spends the summers here. He and his good wife, sons and neighbors, literally stopped their work for two days and devoted their time to showing the Transylvania delegation all there is to be seen in the celery business.

Mr. Hutches' son married a Rosman girl, Miss Moss, beautiful daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charley Moss, and it goes without saying that the people in the party were delighted to see this young woman from their own county.

Mr. Hutches had planned the trip for the local men so they could see all operations of the celery crop. In one field the plant was being cut, graded, boxed and made ready for shipment. In the adjoining field a new crop was being set on land from which the first crop had just been cut. Plant beds were displayed, and full instructions as to sowing the seed beds were given to the interested party.

While not nearly so large as other operations nearby, the celery fields cultivated by Mr. Hutches were said by all citizens to be among the best in the state. Twenty-three acres in one body of celery grown by Mr. Hutches, so even that looking over the field presented what looked like a well and evenly trimmed flower bed, was the first showing made to the Brevard men. From there the party was taken to great plantations where hundreds and hundreds of acres in celery caused one to wonder if there were enough people in the world to consume the celery in plain view.

Then to the wash houses and loading stations, where the railroads have been run right through the fields. At one station the manager expressed regret that the party had not arrived a day or so earlier, stating that he was running only half force at present, and was loading only eighteen freight cars a day. "What in the world do you call a day's work, if you apologize for loading only eighteen cars a day?" the manager was asked. "Well, we load 38 to 40 cars every day when we are running full time," was the laconic reply.

Mr. Hutches had wired Mr. F. E. Tether, head of the seed merchants and seed growers of Ridgewood, N. J.

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FINE RESPONSE TO CHARITY IS NOTED

Splendid response has been made to the appeals of the Associated Charities for the relief fund being raised for the care of a few families temporarily out of work. The goal has almost been reached, and it is believed the assistance of those who have not as yet made donation to this fund will be sufficient to take care of the work.

Officials of the Associated Charities are praising some citizens of the town who are employing these men now for work to clean up about the homes of these citizens, do garden work, and other odd jobs that really need to be done. It is further suggested that all citizens who can employ these men for a day or several days, do so, and this takes the place of charity assistance to that extent.

Citizens who need work done may obtain whatever help they need by telephoning Rev. R. L. Alexander, head of the Associated Charities, or by leaving their messages at the office of The Brevard News.

SIDELIGHTS ON TRIP TO FLORIDA POINTS

Mr. C. C. Hutches is one of the best boosters Transylvania county ever had in Florida. He tells of the beauties of this section all the time. Mr. Hutches and his family will be here again next summer, and we here and now place him in nomination for membership in the Kiwanis Club, in the Chamber of Commerce, and to the state legislature if he will but remove his citizenship to this county.

Sheriff Jim Davison, of Manatee county, Florida, is a real prince. He has many friends here, and was especially close to the late Charles E. Orr, whose death is still keenly felt by the Florida official. Sheriff Davison will be here this summer, and when he comes we want him to have every key in town presented to him.

Mr. W. A. Manning, real estate dealer in Bradenton, former secretary of the Chamber of Commerce in that beautiful spot, is another man who endeared himself to the Transylvania county delegation. Mr. Manning made every one of us want to stay in Bradenton the rest of our natural born days. He, too, is scheduled for a visit to Brevard during the coming summer. We may keep him here.

Down at Durham, N. C., a young lad served his apprenticeship as a cub reporter, learning the fascinating newspaper game there. Now, this same man is editor of The Bradenton Herald, up-to-date daily newspaper at Bradenton. His name is I. F. Cates, and he was good to look at when the Transylvania county crowd met him and learned that he was an old Tar Heel. Mr. Cates is coming to see us this summer, even if we have to send for him.

Another North Carolinian now making good in Florida is a Mr. Rogers, born and reared in the old town of Hillsboro, this state. He is manager of the big celery farm owned by the Palmers, of Chicago. There are some 15,000 acres in this farm, and they have been loading 50 to 60 car loads of celery each day for some time, and are still cutting the crop. Mr. Rogers gave the group some valuable information about celery.

Trouble was experienced once in getting Porter Morgan out of an orange grove. He wanted to stay right there, he said, until he was once in his life completely satisfied with eating oranges. And there he stuck, until he could eat no more oranges.

Clarence Yongue was driving the Ford one day, on the return trip, and saw approaching a fine big car with a New York license. He stopped the Ford, hopped out, and waved the New York car to a stop. "What's the trouble?" asked a big Yankee in the New York car. "Just wanted to tip you off to something. You know what they call little cats down here in Florida?" Mr. Yongue asked. "No. What is it?" asked the New Yorker. "Kittens," said Clarence Yongue, as he climbed back into the Ford and said: "Git up!" Any may-be the other passengers in the big car failed to laugh at the big boy.

"No wonder Florida is filled with tourists all the time," said County Accountant C. R. McNeely. "If the cordial reception which we have received is anything at all like Florida folks give to all visitors, that alone would make visitors want to come back. I am going to stay in Bradenton a few days longer." "Mrs. McNeely was with him, and the ladies in Bradenton gave her great attention and made her visit most pleasant.

Prof. J. F. Corbin laid aside the role of teacher, and became a student for a few days on the Florida trip. "Wait until I get back to my Rosman boys," said the professor, "and I shall have something worth while to give them concerning agriculture, in addition to our regular course. My boys will be glad to hear of these things that I have seen and learned on this trip."

"If the Lord had done as much for our section as He did in making Transylvania county, all of us celery growers and truck farmers would be wearing diamonds," said Mr. C. C. Hutches, in talking with a group of Florida growers, telling how fine the soil is in this county.

"Brevard is all right," said Mr. Hutches, "but I like Rosman. The people in Rosman are more friendly than I found them to be in Brevard. Fact is, the Rosman people are the very finest I have ever met. I am anxious to get back up there with them." In telling this to some of

Abraham Lincoln



This is the anniversary of the birth of this nation's greatest statesman and the best friend the common people have had since America was born. Without college or university training, Abraham Lincoln was one of the wisest men the nation has produced. Precedent meant nothing to this man, for he turned his back to the West, thinking nothing of the setting suns of yesterdays or yesterdays. He faced the dawn and looked into the future of tomorrow and all the morrows to come. Abe Lincoln had no past, and no family of the past about which to boast, so the past meant nothing to him. That secret, unknown power which controls the destiny of men and of nations so planned and arranged Abe Lincoln's life that he was not hampered with thoughts of the past. Therefore, he could look with open eyes and keenly attuned soul into the future, and envision this United States as of today, with human slavery but a memory and a Great South growing greater as the years come and go. Other great men have lived, and worked, and passed into history, but none other has left the stamp of his life and activities so indelibly stamped upon America's heart as did Abraham Lincoln. A bullet from a crazed assassin's gun stopped the breath of life in Lincoln's body, but as long as America lives and time lasts grateful citizens will cherish the memory of Abe Lincoln—God's own instrument for national unity in the nation's darkest hour of impending danger.

Florida Is Packed and Jammed With Tourists, and Reaping Money Crops

Tens of thousands of tourists are packing and jamming Florida's hotels and boarding houses. It is pronounced one of the very best tourist seasons that fine state has ever enjoyed.

This is good news for Brevard. This town always has a good season in the summer following a good winter season in Florida.

Not only is Florida enjoying a fine tourist season, but the fruit and vegetable crops are bringing in great amounts of money to the Florida people. Every hour in the day one sees solid trains of refrigerator cars bearing the golden fruit and fine

vegetables from Florida fields to the marts of the world.

Brevard needs to get busy, however, in sending out her bids for the summer business. One good man could, within a month's time, fill every boarding house in Brevard for the summer season, and rent every furnished house, cabin and apartment that the town and county has for rent.

What Brevard does within the next few weeks will determine the kind of season to be enjoyed here. Florida people will hunt the mountain retreats this summer. The town that goes after them is the town that will get them.

AIKEN ANNOUNCES FOR CO. TREASURER

H. C. Aiken, known to hundreds of friends throughout the county as "Caney," for many years connected with the Southern Railway company, announces this week his candidacy for nomination on the democratic ticket for the office of county treasurer. Mr. Aiken has a host of friends in the county, and these make free prediction that he will draw strong support for this office. Mr. Aiken has never before been a candidate for public office, although he has always taken a most active part in all campaigns, working for his friends on the democratic ticket.

MISSIONARY MEETING AT METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY

First meeting of the annual Missionary Cultivation Period will be held next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Methodist church. The meeting will be featured by a talk by the pastor, Rev. J. E. Wets, on "Our Oldest Mission Field," which is the largest and at present the biggest problem and the most strategic. This meeting is for the entire church membership and all members of the congregation are urged to be present.

The Rosman people, The Brevard News was assured that Rosman likes Mr. Hutches.

LIVE AT HOME PLAN IS OBSERVED HERE

(J. A. GLAZENER, Agri. Instructor) There is much interest being manifested all over the state in Governor Gardner's "Live at Home Campaign." County, school and community campaigns are being organized. I am just wondering if it isn't about time for us to get organized in this county and show the governor that we believe in living at home way up here in these beautiful hills and valleys as well as the rest of the folks in other parts of the Old North State.

The governor has asked the Agricultural Supervisors and teachers to assist in this great work and in keeping with his wish, and believing I can be of some help to my fellow citizens, I am planning to meet at an early date with the teachers in the various rural schools in the Brevard High school area to assist them in getting a live at home program before the folks of their respective communities. Plans, methods of procedure and detail matters will be worked out at these meetings.

Fellow teachers, it will be greatly appreciated if you will begin, if you have not already, to present this important subject to your students and ask that they carry the message home to their parents. Your earnest cooperation and valued assistance will largely determine the success of this "Live at Home Campaign."

Caution Farmers About Depending Too Heavily On Tobacco for Living

TOBACCO PLANTS FOR FEW MORE MEN

Nearly fifty farmers have made application to the Brevard Banking company for tobacco plants with which to plant one acre each of this money crop. The bank had made offer to furnish plants, free of cost, to as many as fifty farmers who would agree to grow one acre of tobacco each during the years' season. Julian Glazener and his class of Young Tar Heel farmers are to do the work in burning the plant beds and sowing the seed. The bank proposed to furnish all money necessary in this work, and for the purpose of buying fertilizer for the plant beds and the canvas covering for same.

Burning of the beds will be started at an early date, as this is the time to sow the seed. A few more farmers can be accommodated, provided they will make request at the bank at once. It is believed that fifty farmers growing one acre each will show such great results in Transylvania county that tobacco growing will become a part of the regular program of practically all the farmers of the county.

AUCTION SALE OF LOTS ANNOUNCED

Auction sale of lots! This cry brings back the good old days of yore.

Mayor T. W. Whitmire, one of the town's most enthusiastic boosters, has always contended that the future of this town is assured, and that property in Brevard will eventually come into its own and be the most valuable asset any one can hold.

As an evidence of this faith in Brevard, Mayor Whitmire is starting the ball rolling with an auction sale announced for Saturday morning, March 1. The property to be offered is that beautiful residential property on the east side of Broad street, lying between the Transylvania hospital and the magnificent home of Dr. and Mrs. Roy Long.

It is believed that a large crowd of citizens will be interested in this announcement, and will lend all aid and assistance in making this the real beginning of a renewed activity in this community.

UNION SERVICES HIGHLY PLEASING

Fourth in the series of union services was held Sunday night at St. Philips Episcopal church, with representatives from other churches of the town in attendance. The sermon of the occasion was delivered by Rev. J. H. West, pastor of the Methodist church.

The service featured observance of the anniversary of National Boy Scout Week. Forty members of the local Boy Scout troops were present, all marching in a body, the leaders bearing the flags to the front of the church, where the boys were all seated together. Special appeal to the Boy Scouts was made in the forceful sermon of the evening. Musical selection rendered by the choir and a vocal solo by Alvin Moore were added features of the service.

The union service next Sunday night will be held at the Presbyterian church, with the sermon delivered by Rev. Harry Perry, rector of the Episcopal church.

S. P. U. BUILDING NEW SUB STATION

R. L. Peterson, vice president of the Southern Public Utilities company with headquarters in Charlotte, spent Monday in Brevard, inspecting the activities of the company here. Preparations are about made for construction of a new sub-station at the plant of the Cascade Power company on Little River. Several thousands of dollars will be expended in the erection of this new sub-station, and work will begin within a few days on the project.

Especially pleasing to the company officials is the large number of rural homes now being served with electric lights by the Southern Public Utilities. Miss Pearl Gash and Mr. J. J. Grey, of Etowah, are the latest citizens of the county having electric lights connected with their country homes.

TOBACCO IS FINE CROP IF GROWN AS SIDELINE FOR CASH

Farmers Warned, However, That Grain, Stock and Chicks Are First

FARM AGENT URGES ALL TO GROW BETTER CROPS

Easier To Grow Big Crop on Small Acreage Than Same Crop on Big Acreage

"Caution" is the word most used in the meeting of farmers held in the Brevard High School building Tuesday afternoon for the purpose of studying tobacco growing. The meeting had been called by Julian Glazener, and several farmers who are planning to grow tobacco this year were present. It was to study this crop that the meeting was called.

Eari Brintnall, county farm agent of Madison county, was the principal speaker. It is under his direction that the farmers of Madison county have experienced so much prosperity from the growing and sale of tobacco during the past few years. Mr. Brintnall was introduced by County Agent Jones, of Henderson county. Farmers in Henderson are planning tobacco for this year, but on a moderate scale. Mr. Jones said tobacco is a good thing for the farmer, if grown in moderation, and if the farmer does not neglect his other crops and does not sacrifice his stock growing and chicken business.

Mr. Brintnall gave instructions in tobacco growing from the sowing of the seed to handling the crop for sale. Beds ought to be prepared and the seed sown not later than March first. Choose a warm site, with southern or south-eastern exposure, never a site facing the north or west. Make beds 9 feet wide and at least 30 feet long for one acre of tobacco. Better to make the seed bed 9x50, then there is assurance that one will have sufficient seed for setting out an acre of plants. Burn the ground thoroughly, to a depth of four or five inches. Make bed very rich, using either stable manure or hen house manure. Enclose the bed completely with planks set on edge and dirt piled against outside of planks. Plow or dig the bed, after burning, until the dirt is pulverized. Rake and clear of all clods, roots and rocks. Take teaspoonful of tobacco seed for each 20 square feet of bed, and mix with ashes so as to have sufficient bulk for sowing evenly. Brush seed in lightly, then cover with canvas cloth of the 25-pound weight. Care must be given to the flea beetle that begins on some plants as soon as they begin to come up through the ground. Proper solution of Paris green and arsenate of lead is recommended to kill the flea. When plants are growing weeds may come up to smother the tobacco plant. These must be kept pulled out of the bed. Canvas should be removed several days before transplanting, so the plants may become toughened.

Rich ground should be selected for the tobacco crop. Stable manure ought to be put on the ground now. Ten days or two weeks before planting tobacco, the ground ought to be finally prepared, laid off in rows, fertilizer strewn in the furrow, this covered, making the ridge for the tobacco row. Rows should be laid off four feet apart the plants set 15 inches down to 12 inches apart. From 800 to 1000 pounds of fertil-

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40 BOYS ENJOYING RECREATION NOW

An average of forty boys each night, meeting three nights a week, are enjoying the play and practice provided through the sponsorship of the Brevard Kiwanis club. Rev. R. L. Alexander is in charge of the work, and with the assistance of other men of the town, direct the play and practice. It is planned to work on this beginning as a nucleus for organization of a Y. M. C. A. in Brevard.

Special arrangements were made with the school authorities for the use of the school building, it being impressed upon all citizens that the town owes it to the young people of the community to provide such recreation hall for them. The Kiwanis club is enthusiastic over the work, and is especially proud of the fact that there is a man like Rev. Mr. Alexander here to take leadership in the work.