

GARDNER NOT TO BE AMONG THOSE THERE

In Sympathy With Cotton Growers, But Not With Suggested Methods

Raleigh, Nov. 23—Governor O. Max Gardner is in full sympathy with the plight of the cotton farmers of the South, but is not in accord with the methods to be sought to remedy this condition at the conference of Southern Governors to be held at Jackson, Miss., he made it plain in announcing that he will not attend the conference, but that the State will be represented by Commissioner of Agriculture William A. Graham.

Governor Gardner has previously expressed his dislike of the plan to be proposed—that of seeking uniform acreage reduction by legislation, and has, in substance, said that it is not his purpose to call a special session of the N. C. General Assembly for enacting acreage reduction legislation. He believes such legislation would not be effective, and, also, that it will not be necessary for this State to enact such laws.

Even without any restriction or real force against it, Governor Gardner has expressed the belief that North Carolina growers will greatly reduce, still further, their cotton, as well as tobacco, acreage, next year, due in part to the low prices these products are bringing now. Moreover, he pledged at the four Governor conference in Charlotte, to throw the power and the prestige of his office into efforts to bring about voluntary reduction. This, he believes, will be more effective, and certainly less objectionable to the growers, than legal prohibition, and the shift will be made gradually to other crops, without precipitating revolutionary changes in the agriculture system of the State.

The Council of State, a majority of the legislators and a majority of the people of the State, he believes, based on petitions and messages to him, are not favorably inclined toward a special session of the Legislature at this time for this purpose. He believes no good purpose could be served by calling that body together, and that it is better to let the situation work itself out normally and naturally, rather than attempt to "dope" it temporarily.

Ma and Pa had an awful hard time gettin' married. Ma wouldn't marry Pa when he was drunk and Pa wouldn't marry Ma when he was sober.

Mahatma Gandhi is a prohibitionist but according to his idea of clothes, he's about "three sheets to the wind."—Foreign Service, V. F. W.

Willie—Ma, if the baby was to eat tadpoles, would it give him a big bass voice like a frog?

Mother—Good gracious, No! They would kill him.

Willie—Well—they didn't.

Oakland News Items

T. B. Reid, Rev. S. B. McCall and I. S. Sanders were Asheville visitors one day last week.

Mrs. T. B. Reid spent several days last week with her son, E. A. Reid, and family.

Fred Nicholson, of Rosman, visited his uncle, W. W. Reid, Thursday of last week.

W. E. McCall, of Kentucky, spent Wednesday night with his brother, W. F. McCall.

Mrs. Mary Burgess and daughter, Alberta, made a business trip to Highlands last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Norton visited Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Reid Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nicholson and Mrs. Dora Weeks and little son, Billie, of Washington, D. C., are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Nicholson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. McCall have returned home from Mills River, after an absence of several days spent with the former's father, who died and was buried last Wednesday. Mr. McCall had a number of friends who read the Brevard News, that will be sorry to learn of his death. He leaves six children, a number of grandchildren and a host of friends to mourn his loss.

Surviving children are: Mrs. N. E. Posey, Mills River; W. F. McCall, Oakland; W. E. McCall, Kentucky; Miss Gertrude McCall, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Flanigan, Atlanta, Ga.; and Mark McCall, Asheville.

T. B. Reid and S. B. McCall were dinner guests of Rev. J. R. Owen in Asheville, Friday.

Miss Myrtle McCall spent Friday night with Evon Saunders.

Mr. and Mrs. Talvin Miller and sons, Arnold and Ronald, spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Welch Reid.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Reid had as their guests Saturday evening Rev. and Mrs. S. B. McCall, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Nicholson and Miss Evaund and Lane Saunders.

Mrs. I. S. Sanders and little son, Cecil, spent Friday night with Mrs. W. F. McCall.

Rev. and Mrs. S. B. McCall had as their guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Garren, of Brevard, and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Thomas, of Lake Toxaway.

Mrs. Herbert Hall called on Mrs. I. S. Sanders Saturday afternoon.

Her many friends will be sorry to know Miss Lula Reid was off the sick list last week. We are glad to report she is out again.

J. C. McCall left Sunday afternoon for near Highlands, where he has employment.

He—Do cows give milk in Scotland. She—No, you have to squeeze it out of them.

Teacher—Johnny, make a sentence using the words defeat, defense and detail.

Johnny—De feet ob de cat went over de fence before de tail.

A NOTARY PUBLIC IS A PUBLIC OFFICIAL

And As Such Cannot Hold Any Other State Office At Same Time

Raleigh, Nov. 23—A notary public is a public official and as such is prohibited from holding another public office by the Constitution, the N. C. Supreme Court held in an opinion last week, by a three to two decision, to which Justice Brogden wrote a dissenting opinion, in which Chief Justice Stacy concurred.

The case came from Hyde county, in which one of the county commissioners was later appointed a notary public. Since he elected to take the second office, he thus vacates the first office, the law provides, Justice Connor wrote the opinion, Justices Adams and Clarkson joining with him.

The decision is important in that it will probably result in checking up public officials who may have been holding two offices, regardless of how unimportant one of them may be. Justice Connor wrote that the prohibition against holding two public offices is "expressed in language clear and unambiguous and must be enforced notwithstanding the character and relative importance of the two offices."

Justice Connor referred to the previous case on this subject, State vs. Knight, 169, N. C., 335, which embraced the question of whether a woman, who then could not vote, could be a notary public. The 1915 General Assembly had passed a law permitting it, but the Supreme Court held the statute void, on the ground that it was a public office, also in a three to two decision.

"The practical situation," wrote Justice Connor, "would not justify this court, as now constituted, in overruling the decisions made by our predecessors which have been justly regarded as the law of the State. It cannot be said too often that it is the function of a court to declare what the law is, and not what its members as individuals think it ought to be."

Justice Brogden wrote a vigorous dissent, deriding the claim that a notary public is a State official and saying his only official duty is of a judicial nature, that of taking the acknowledgment of a woman to a deed, and he can certify or not certify, as he may wish, this to the clerk of the court. Since the 1927 act permits the Governor, who appoints him, to remove him without hearing, he is certainly not like other State officers, he holds.

The decision will probably result in investigations, and probably some removals.

Geometry Prof.—Higgins, what is your definition of a straight line?

Absent-Minded Higgins—Nothing but the truth, sir.—Foreign Service, V. F. W.

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