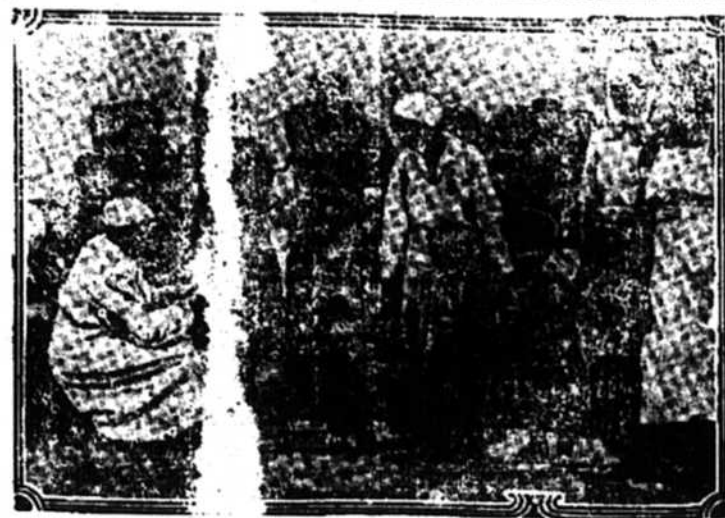


America's Solution to These... Dues



The European Relief Council, which seeks to raise \$33,000,000 at the Christmas season, has been formed for the purpose of throwing the entire charitable energy of the United States into the vital task of providing food and medical assistance to 10,000,000 children in eastern and central Europe this winter.

SAVE THE VALUE OF COTTON CROP

COTTON EXPORT CORPORATION HAS ALREADY BEGUN TO FUNCTION.

Movement is Based Upon the Principle of Assembling Credit Power of Cotton Growers Themselves for Extension of Credits Necessary to Re-opening European Markets.

Raleigh.—In a letter to Richard I. Manning, former Governor of South Carolina, and now heading the American Products Export and Import Corporation, Governor Bickett has given his endorsement to the great Southern movement growing out of the American Cotton Association to re-open the markets of Europe to the South's staple and furnishing the credits necessary to this end.

"I am much interested in the corporation of which you are president," Governor Manning has written former Governor Manning. "I am impressed with the necessity of such an organization in order to properly market cotton. The directors of your corporation seem to be proceeding along lines that will insure success. I think an investment in this corporation will pay the investor a good dividend. What is the more important thing of our greatest hope."

Two months ago the so-called cotton export corporation was only an idea, but a matter to which Governor Manning and other sound-thinking men had already devoted long and careful thought, because in it they saw what they believed to be the

greater success of the movement must necessarily be South-wide in scope. Having actually begun its functioning, the movement now extends into North Carolina in order that the farmers and business men of this State may participate.

Meetings are being arranged to be held in various county seats between now and Christmas, which the farmers and business men are to be invited to attend, and at which will be present representatives of the American Products Export and Import Corporation who will explain its plans and purposes in detail.

"If we are to save cotton and assure ourselves of getting the value of the South's cotton crop now and in the future we must concern ourselves as cotton growers with the factors which are responsible for the present demand as reflected in the present market," says Walter B. Duncan, Comptroller General of South Carolina, who is in this State in the interest of the cotton export corporation movement. "Our present troubles are directly traceable to foreign trade difficulties. Cotton has slumped because, in spite of the great need and desire for the staple in Europe, the Europeans are unable to buy and pay cash as formerly. They would take now great quantities of low grade cotton, which their factories have always used. But the great obstacle is credit. Therefore, the credit power of the cotton growers themselves must necessarily be assembled for the extension of the necessary credits to reopen the markets now closed and to set in motion again the millions of European staples now idle."

It is to meet this emergency and to insure against a recurrence of present distressful conditions in future that the cotton export corporation movement has been inaugurated.

PLIGHT OF REFUGEE CHILDREN TERRIBLE

One hundred thousand Russian refugees in Poland are absolutely destitute, according to official estimates. The majority of them are women and children. The condition of the latter particularly is pitiful and they will be among the beneficiaries from the \$23,000,000 fund being raised by the European Relief Council, composed of eight leading American relief agencies for a joint appeal in behalf of the millions of little Europeans who can look only to America for the food, clothing and medical care that will make it possible for them to survive the winter.

CONTRIBUTOR'S EXEMPT FROM TAXATION

Contributions to the collection of the European Relief Council for the European children's relief fund are exempt from taxation and may be deducted from income tax returns, according to a ruling that has been made by the office of Internal Revenue in Washington.

One million five hundred thousand children in Poland today need medical attention. Their condition has been caused by hunger and want. To save them the European Relief Council is appealing to the people of the United States for \$23,000,000 to carry on relief work in stricken Europe.

TARBEELMAN IS RICH... The Commissioner of Internal Revenue just made... bearing upon income... at fiscal year... progressive... North Carolina... neighbors of the... regard with... the Southern States... the heaviest... with its cities... with its rich area... Maryland with its... with the District of Columbia... thrown in.

In all, Tarbeelman contributed \$160,200,000 to the Federal Treasury in the twelve-month period, or \$66,000,000 more than Texas, and nearly \$50,000,000 more than Maryland. All this is in tobacco, moreover, notwithstanding the fact that Carolinians boast of no great mines; no vast manufacturing enterprises and no far flung export trade. It seems to be a fact that the whole body of folk between the Virginia and the South Carolina borders are getting rich, but they cannot become richer than they deserve.

Of course, the thriving tobacco industry of North Carolina is largely responsible for the great volume of taxes paid to the government. Winston alone, it is said, paid more in tobacco taxes than any other single city in the United States. Moreover, North Carolinians have profited heavily from their cotton, which last year brought them unprecedented prices. Their yellow pine forests constitute another great asset, as do their hummingbird cotton mills, and their expanding trucking industry.

Here's hoping that the "down-homers" will prosper more this year than last and more next year than this. They are an industrious people, resourceful and far-sighted. Also they are among the shrewdest traders in the world. They have learned how to make money, and how to save it. In the last ten years, it is said, they have invested \$100,000,000 in automobiles, which indicates that the people of the State know how to enjoy what they have made.—Richmond-Times Dispatch.

30,000 YOUNGSTERS VICTIMS OF RICKETS

Of all diseases that are taking a deadly toll among the children of Virginia as the result of under-feeding, rickets is proving the most serious and widespread menace. Not less than 30,000 children are suffering from this painful affliction, according to official estimates.

To reach these through providing proper food, clothing and medical attention that otherwise they cannot obtain the European Relief Council, composed of eight leading American relief agencies, is making a "hat appeal" for \$23,000,000 for the relief of 2,500,000 destitute and suffering European children.

WEEK OF PRAYER

January 1921... The Church of Christ in America...

The state of the world gives us an object lesson of the oneness of humanity. Every race and every clime still suffers from the effects of the years of death and destruction of the Great War. Statesmen cannot remedy the evils universally recognized and the distress of nations is even greater than when the war was waged. The world lies in confusion. Mankind seeks a way out of the

chaos, and the followers of Christ alone have the privilege of leading it in the right path.

He who said "I am the Light of the World" shines today with a bright radiance. His supremacy is unchallenged, but many who profess to follow Him have not trodden His path. They live in a spiritual world in the midst of the present age, but while convinced that in Christ alone lies the hope of renewal, they fail to recognize the compelling force of His summons to oneness of spirit and the unrocking devotion of the sacrificial spirit. The desire for unity is deep and widespread. Man-made obstacles block the road to its realization. Only by the prayer of faith, through living trust in the Head of

the Church and reliance on the power of the Holy Spirit, can we be drawn closer to Him and to one another.

We are, yours in the fellowship of Christ,
THE FEDERAL COUNCIL OF THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN AMERICA.
Let all the praying people of Dunn come together and observe this week of prayer. Prayer changes things. Pray, pray when things go wrong, and gloomy fears around you throng; Pray, pray though your eyes grow dim; Go with your troubles straight to Him; Pray, pray, for God understands; Pray, pray, leaving all in His dear hands.
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SANTA CLAUS IS ON HIS WAY !!

Make Christmas Merry

Out of the North with a joyous Sound
Santa has started, Southward bound;
Treasurers piled high in his well-worn sleigh,
Making glad hearts for the Christmas Day.

Let Us Help You!

TOILET REQUISITES FOR THE MEN
Our store is brimming over with just these sort of things. You can make no mistake in a selection here. We'll help you to make one that we know will be to his liking.

CANDIES — PURE, FRESH DELICIOUS
Christmas Candy is as much a part of the festive occasion as the Christmas Tree. Here you will find a big assortment of regular and Novelty boxes, bon bon baskets, delicious, wholesome candies for the little ones.

TOYS FOR THE LITTLE FOLKS
See our splendid assortment of things to make glad the hearts of the little folks.

OUR HOLIDAY ASSORTMENT OF CIGARS, TOBACCO, ETC.
is sure to answer your every need. We handle the best brands and can fill your Christmas orders promptly and to your entire satisfaction.

CHRISTMAS STATIONERY — TO HER LIKING —
Our artistic selection of Stationery offers a sensible suggestion for an always acceptable gift. Stationery that is correct, dignified and fashionable. Also a nice assortment of Christmas Cards. Come in at once and make your selections.

WILSON & LEE

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NOTICE!

To Tax-payers

THIS IS THE LAST CALL FOR TAXES BEFORE THE PENALTY APPLIES. WATCH THE DATE ON WHICH I WILL BE IN YOUR TOWNSHIP, AND MEET ME PROMPTLY

I WILL BE AT THE FOLLOWING PLACES ON THE DATES NAMED

Thursday, Dec. 16, Anderson Creek	10 am to 12 m
Thursday, Dec. 16, Stew's Crk., Bunnlevel	1 to 3 pm
Friday, Dec. 17, Johnsonville	10 am to 12 m
Friday, Dec. 17, Barbecue	1 pm to 3 pm
Saturday, Dec. 18, Upper Little River	9 am to 12m
Saturday, Dec. 18, U. L. R., D. M. McLean's	1 to 3 pm
Monday, Dec. 20, Buckhorn, Spence Str.	10 am to 1 pm
Monday, Dec. 20, Hectors Ck., Kipling	2 pm to 4 pm
Tuesday, Dec. 21, Black River, Angier	10 a mto 1 pm
Tuesday, Dec. 21, Neills Ck., Buies Ck.	2 pm to 4 pm
Wednesday, Dec. 22, Grove, Coats	10 am to 2 pm
Thursday, Dec. 23, Duke	5 pm to 8 pm
Friday, Dec. 24, Aversboro, Dunn	10 am to 4 pm

J. W. McARTAN
Sheriff Harnett County

Gifts That Endure!

Make It a Hardware Christmas

Consider Stoves, Heaters, Ranges and Labor Saving Devices that make the work of the home less tiresome to the women. Could you give a more acceptable gift.

Look at our furniture, our Talking Machines, our Rugs, Carpets and other things. Don't you think they are much better as Gifts than useless things.

TOYLAND

We have, too a large collection of all those things that your boy and your girl are sure Santa Claus will bring them this year. Come and look them over.

Butler Brothers
Dunn, N. C. Varina, N. C.