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## NORTH CAROLINA COTTON IS BEST

### Leads Cotton Producing Belt With Condition Of 82 Per Cent Normal

Raleigh, August 4.—North Carolina leads the cotton-producing belt with a condition of 82 per cent of normal. The average of the whole belt is 67 per cent. This forecasts a July prospect of 873,000 bales for this State and 11,516,000 bales for the United States.

The cotton crop is unusually promising in most parts of North Carolina as reported on a basis of July 25th conditions. Complaint is made from the southern Piedmont area that the crop is damaged due to dry weather. Rain is needed especially in the Piedmont counties.

The damage by the boll weevil is conspicuous from Mecklenburg to the coast with several complaints showing up in the central Piedmont and northern coastal counties, although there is evidence that the damage in the latter area is not as great as was expected. This is to a less extent true in the central coastal belt also. The boll weevil ravages usually show up effectively after July 25th.

The crop is late and the plants somewhat small, but they are well fruited, which after all is the valuable factor. The crop throughout the State is generally in a good state of cultivation and growing nicely. The stands are usually good and the crops are clean. As many reported, it is the finest crop in many years in North Carolina. Very few places report poor stands, these being primarily in the lower Piedmont, while the northern part of the State reports the red spider doing some damage. The old adage that a dry June will make a good cotton crop seems to be holding true this year.

The condition is consistently good, but the poorest area is 79 per cent in the lower Central or Piedmont counties. The next lowest is

infected counties, where the condition is reported to be 82.5 per cent of a full crop. The central coastal area reports the best crop, at over 90 per cent of normal. A normal condition means that which would result if weather and cultivation were to be favorable throughout the season. The conditions mentioned do not include any factors that may be effective after this date.

ARREST AVERTED THROUGH A STORM

### Cloud Drove Blockaders From Still Just Before Officers Arrived

Fear of a storm is thought to have resulted in the operators of a large copper whiskey still escaping arrest Friday afternoon. The officers reached the still in a swamp, four miles northeast of Dunn, in the midst of a rain and electric storm, and the surroundings indicated that it had been in operation only a few minutes before their arrival. In fact, the still was so hot when the officers reached it that they had to give it time to cool before taking it down.

The still was a dandy outfit for making "something to drink," and had a capacity of fifty gallons. It was well built, and the officers think it had been operated at that particular spot for some time. Just enough beer for another "run" of fifty gallons was found at the still, though all the finished product had been taken away by the owners.

The posse making the raid and capture was composed of Officers A. B. Adams, L. W. Tart, H. H. McLeod and W. P. Nipper. The still was brought to Dunn for safekeeping.

### GUILTY CONSCIENCE CAUSED JIM TO FLEE

Storing a lone quart of "white lightning" in his home in East Dunn resulted in the fleeing of Jim Green, negro, on Saturday night. The officers were led to believe that the whiskey was there, and it was while they were searching for it that Jim left by way of the back door and hid himself to parts unknown to the officers. His wife, the mother of a young baby, informed the officers that the whiskey had been provided for her benefit. The surroundings, however, indicated that whiskey in larger quantities had recently been stored in the Green home. Many bottles and jugs with the smell of "the old familiar" on the inside were found by the officers.

## CHILD BURNS TO DEATH DURING BLAZE IN HOME

### Four Other Sleeping Children Are Saved By Father

Lumberton, Aug. 1.—Horace, the six-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Henry New, was burned to death after many attempts by his father to save him from the flames which destroyed the home, about six miles north of here, and all its contents, a part of which was some tobacco valued at \$600. Four other children sleeping in the house were saved, and every effort was made to save the other one, but the flames spread too rapidly.

Mr. and Mrs. New, with two other children, were eating supper in the kitchen and did not know anything of the fire until they saw the flames bursting out of the side of the adjoining rooms. Mr. New rushed quickly into the room where the sleeping children were and carried four to safety. While coming out with the fourth he was badly burned about the neck, shoulders and arms. The screams of the mother and other children, the roaring of the flames, failed to wake the lad, and he evidently perished before he could make an outcry.

## W. GIBBS McADOO GODWIN'S CHOICE

### Is Right Geographically And Because Of Record As Statesman

Because of his record as a statesman, as a citizen and as a business man, and because his experience in business and statecraft eminently fits him for the office of chief executive of the United States, William Gibbs McAdoo should be chosen the Democratic nominee for President in the next convention. This is the opinion of Hannibal LaFayette Godwin, who for 14 years was representative in Congress for the sixth district of North Carolina and who

is better known than any other man in the nation's capital, and over it for four days and nights will travel a funeral train bearing the body of President Harding.

When the train, draped in black, drew out of a black-draped station here tonight, there began the saddest transcontinental trip in the history of the nation. There have been funeral trains bearing the bodies of chief executives of the republic before, but no such train ever passed over so long a route.

Ninety and a half hours will be required for the trip, when it is ended at 1:30 p. m., Tuesday. The body of Warren G. Harding will rest a while in the White House, where he served the American people for nearly two and a half years, and then in the capitol, where, as a senator from Ohio, he represented his native State for six years. Funeral services will be held in the capitol rotunda late next Wednesday afternoon, after the body has lain in state all day, and then will begin the final journey to Marion, Ohio.

Arriving on the morning of Thursday at Marion among the home folks the President loved best, the body will be given the tender and loving care of neighbors and friends until the following day, when funeral services will be held and a national day of mourning observed. Then it will be laid to rest in the Marion cemetery.

San Francisco was afforded the first opportunity to pay respects to the dead leader when the body was taken from the Lalace hotel, where it had rested since the end came last night, to the Third and Townsend street station. Before the long trip across the continent is ended almost countless other communities will be allowed the privilege, though to a lesser degree, for the train only will be stopped to change engines and for other operating purposes. It is expected that people will gather along the route the entire way and with uncovered heads pay not only their personal respects but those of the whole American nation.

The arrangements for the trip to Washington were made by the grief-stricken members of the President's party today while literally thousands stood about the hotel or walked slowly through the lobbies. The plans were all submitted to Mrs. Harding for final approval, and she was able to give them her attention, for she was still bearing up well under the load of sorrow.

A good poultry house can be built on the home farm for about \$35. A. G. Oliver had such a one on exhibit at the convention last week.

## PUBLIC NURSE TO BE DISCONTINUED

### Work Of Public Nurse Is Dis- continued By The Town Fathers

The work of the whole-time public nurse in Dunn will be discontinued after this month. This was decided at the regular semi-monthly meeting of the mayor and town commissioners last evening. Miss Agnes Harris, who has served in that capacity since September 1, last year, has done efficient work and her services have proved highly satisfactory.

The plan under which the whole-time nurse was employed a year ago provided that the town pay one-half of the expense and the local Red Cross chapter the other. Miss Harris was paid a salary of \$125 a month and furnished an automobile for use in the work. The fact that the funds of the local Red Cross chapter were not sufficient to finance the work was the chief reason for discontinuing it.

An order was passed increasing the salary of N. R. Bass, street superintendent, from \$125 to \$140 the month.

R. H. Strickland, Jack Stewart and M. M. Norris, members of the local fire company, were named as delegates to represent the Dunn fire-fighters at the State Firemen's tournament which opened today in Durham. The expense of the three representatives will be borne by the town.

A special meeting of the board will be held Thursday night.

## INTERMENT TO BE MADE ON FRIDAY

### Remains Of Late President To Rest In The Marion Cemetery

San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 4.—An avenue of mourning stretched tonight across a land of sorrows, from Hope hospital, where Abernathy's home is at Mount Holly.

Miss Lulu Zerbe, superintendent of the Good Hope hospital, is spending a month's vacation in western Carolina with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. John Davis, of Red Springs, spent the week-end here with Mrs. Davis' relatives.

Miss Grace Williams, of Monroe, is spending several days here the guest of Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Simpson.

Mrs. Hilliard Harrington and children are spending a week with relatives at Benson.

Mrs. J. J. Hinson and Miss Mildred Hinson, of Monroe, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Simpson.

Miss Lottie Byrd returned Monday from Warsaw, where she has been visiting friends and relatives for two weeks.

Rev. and Mrs. N. M. McDonald and children spent the week-end in Fayetteville with relatives.

## HOLLAND MAKES THE HONOR ROLL

### Local Postoffice Faces Its Quo- ta In Sale Of Savings Certificates

The name of Postmaster W. D. Holland will appear on the "Honor Roll" of postmasters of the Fifth Federal Reserve District to be sent to Washington, D. C., as a mark of distinction and merit for excellence in sales of Treasury Savings Certificates during the present year.

The quota of \$15,000, assigned the Dunn, N. C., office for twelve months, was reached and passed by this post office before July 1st, thus assuring a place of distinction among similar class offices of this State and district.

This post office reported sales of these savings certificates to the amount of \$25,750 for the first half of the calendar year. When it is recalled that the limit of purchase for any one person during a single calendar year is \$5,000, the record made by the postmaster and associates is highly commendable.

Reporting on the attainment of this post office, the postmaster said, "Our co-operation with the system, which has for its purpose the encouragement of thrift and the protection of the savings of the individual of limited means, has been successful. The movement is not at all an effort to compete with banks or other legitimate financial institutions, but solely to encourage savings on the part of a greater number of people and to protect them from unsound investment schemes by offering a government security, in convenient denominations of \$25, \$100, and \$1,000, which guarantees safety of principal, yields a good rate of interest, is not subject to market fluctuations, and is readily convertible into cash at values increasing every month. The fact that the new 'baby bonds' have important tax exemption features, are insured, and cost, thus protecting the

investor from the many people. While our post office has already sold its quota for the year, I see no reason why we should not double our receipts before the close of 1923."

## GEORGE LAY BECOMES ASSISTANT SECRETARY

Kinston, July 31.—The executive committee of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce has elected George Lay, formerly with the Kinston Morning News, to fill the place of assistant to the secretary-manager of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce. This place has never been filled up to the present. There has been a noticeable need for an assistant for the past year. But the officers have felt that it would be better to get the organization well established before taking on too much expense.

Mr. Lay comes to the organization well recommended, with several years' experience as a newspaper man, which is essential for a position of this kind. He will devote a great deal of his time to the building up of the Eastern Carolinian, the official organ of the organization. This, the officers believe, will soon become a potent factor in the affairs of this section. He will also have charge of the membership end of the organization.

## BORN WITH A TOOTH, AND—YOW! IT HURTS

Draper, July 23.—The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Gettings had a toothache! Believe it or not, that's the case. The infant came very near, in fact, being born with a toothache, for it was born with a tooth, and the extra member lost no time in starting trouble. The tooth has abscessed and the harassed young owner is undergoing treatment at the hands of Dr. Dillard.—The Arrow, Spray, N. C.

for the birthday dinner.

With Fairley holding Lillington to one scratch hit last Saturday, enabled the local team to win their first game of the season from the "County Seaters" by the score of one to nothing. "Bullet Joe" Caviness, who has quite a record as a pitcher in Piedmont circles, was on the mound for Lillington, and worked out a good game, but the strategy of the Duke team caught Caviness napping in the eighth inning, when a squeeze play was pulled off to perfection. Fairley, who is destined to star at Trinity college, where he is now a student, worked out a splendid game, striking out twelve of the Lillington batsmen and allowing only one hit.

Duke plays the Fifth Field Artillery, of Fort Bragg, here next Saturday at the local park.

## FREEZE HARD CIDER TO GET APPLE BRANDY

### At Least That Is The Report Down In Nash County

Rocky Mount, July 31.—They no longer distill apple brandy in some sections of Nash county—they freeze it. At least that's the dope obtained here from persons who vow they are in a position to know.

The new method, it is declared, calls for no apparatus whatever save an ordinary ice cream freezer. Those who claim to have seen or even "tasted" some of the new stuff "low" that under the new method hard cider is placed in an ice cream freezer and frozen. The alcohol will not freeze, while all the water and other ingredients of the cider turn into ice. The pure alcohol or apple brandy is left. This is said to be diluted with water and to provide the kick just like the regular distilled stuff. They also say that that part of the cider which freezes makes excellent hog feed when it melts.

## CHEATS ELECTRIC CHAIR OF VICTIM

### South Carolina Man Hangs Himself In His Cell

Columbia, S. C., Aug. 5.—William C. Faries, sentenced to be electrocuted on August 24, was found dead in his cell at the State Penitentiary here this morning. Prison authorities said he hanged himself with pieces of a sheet during the night.

The death of the 62-year-old cotton mill worker, who was convicted of murder in connection with the slaying in September last of four members of the J. M. Taylor family, at Clover, in York county, was discovered when attendants went to his cell about 7 o'clock to take him to the electric chair.

## PRESIDENT PROCLAIMS DAY OF MOURNING

Washington, Aug. 4.—President Coolidge today issued a proclamation calling upon the people to observe next Friday as a day of national mourning and prayer. The proclamation follows:

**PRESIDENT'S PROCLAMATION.**  
"By the President of the United States of America, a proclamation: 'To the people of the United States: 'In the inscrutable wisdom of Divine Providence, Warren Gammahel Harding, 29th President of the United States, has been taken from us. The nation has lost a wise and enlightened statesman, and the American people a true friend and counsellor whose whole public life was inspired with the desire to promote the best interests of the United States and the welfare of all its citizens. His private life was marked by gentleness and brotherly sympathy, and by the charm of his personality he made friends of all who came in contact with him. 'It is most meet that the deep grief which fills the hearts of the American people should find fitting expression. 'Now, therefore, I, Calvin Coolidge, President of the United States of America, do appoint Friday next, August 10, the day on which the body of the dead President will be laid in its earthly resting place, as a day of mourning and prayer, throughout the United States. I earnestly recommend the people to assemble on that day in their respective places of divine worship, there to bow down in submission to the will of Almighty God, and to pay out of full heart the homage and love and reverence to the memory of the great and good President, whose death has so sorely smitten the nation. 'In witness I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. 'Done at the city of Washington, the fourth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and forty-eighth. CALVIN COOLIDGE, 'By the President. 'CHARLES F. HUGHES, 'Secretary of State. 'The White House, 'Washington, Aug. 4, 1923."

## TOTAL OF \$44,000,000 PAID BAPTIST FUND

Nashville, Tenn., Jul. 30.—A total of \$44,003,005.70 in cash has been paid in on the Baptist 75-Million Campaign, up to May 1, 1923, by revised figures announced here. This leaves approximately \$31,000,000 to be raised by December, 1924.

At a recent convention of the Southern Baptist Convention in Kansas City, the Conservation Commission of the campaign was asked to push all interests of the forward movement with vigor in order that the full sum may be realized from the movement, and all seven of the educational, benevolent and missionary causes fostered by the campaign stand urgently in need their allotment.

## HERE'S WAR WHICH HAS FULL APPROVAL

New York, Aug. 1.—The price-cutting movement in sugar went on merrily today when all the refiners announced further declines in fine granulated sugar, one cutting as low as 7.90 in an effort to get business. Other prices ranged up to 8.0. This represented a decline of two cents from the high price of the year, reached last April.

## "LEFTY" WILSON JUMPS TO SAFETY

### Well-Known Dunn Young Man In Near-Serious Auto Accident

"Lefty" Wilson, well known Dunn young man and star pitcher for the Danville baseball team, along with five other members of the club, had a narrow escape from serious injury Saturday night. The following dispatch from Danville to The Greensboro Daily News relative to the near-serious accident will be of interest to Dispatch readers:

Owner Herb Murphy, of the Danville Tobacconists, and five of his players, had narrow escapes from serious injury Saturday night while returning from Greensboro in a seven passenger automobile which Murphy was driving. Since the season started it has been customary for Murphy to take his team from point to point on the circuit in automobiles. Murphy was rounding a sharp curve just beyond Reidsville, N. C., when the car skidded on the surface which was slippery after a rain, and the machine rolled down an embankment, turning bottom upwards.

With Murphy in the car were players Wilson, Ellington, Resco, Smith and Trexler. Wilson seeing that an accident was impending, jumped out, but the others had no time to leave the machine. Murphy was hurled over the side. The two men clear of the car picked themselves up, and oblivious of possible hurts, rushed to the car and by sheer strength managed to prize it up sufficiently for the four players within to worm their way to safety. Then they took stock of the situation and found none had been badly hurt. The players had today to nurse bruises and overcome stiffness, and they expect to be back in the game tomorrow. The car was righted and taken back to Reidsville for repairs.

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## DUKE NEWS

### (By Wade H. Lucas.)

Duke, Aug. 6.—Cards have been received here reading as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Turnage, of Dunn, announce the marriage of their sister, Miss Nettie Green Turnage, of Duke, to Mr. Richard Carl Howard, U. S. Aviation Service, Fort Bragg, on August 2. Mrs. Howard is well known here, where she has held a position with the Hassel-Johnson Co. for several years as saleslady. Mr. and Mrs. Howard are spending their honeymoon in Hagerstown, Md., the home of the groom's parents. They will make Fayetteville their home after the 10th of August.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Seasons, of Greensboro, are spending a week here with relatives.

A. Y. Fields, former chief of police here years ago, but now of Greensboro, spent the week-end here with friends.

Miss Arie Morgan and niece, Kathleen Campbell, returned Sunday from Millhaven, Ga., where they visited relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rathour, of Greensboro, were week-end visitors here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hughes, of Greensboro, are spending some time here with old friends.

Joseph M. Core, local singing leader, is spending a week's vacation in Wilson with friends.

Miss Pauline Morgan is improving after having been slightly ill for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Giddie and family spent the week-end with relatives in Fayetteville.

Frank Fairley spent the week with his parents in South Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. Royal Jones returned Sunday from Roseboro, where they visited relatives.

Roland Giddie spent the past week-end with his mother at Rose Hill.

Miss Lottie Byrd returned Monday from Warsaw, where she has been visiting friends and relatives for two weeks.

Rev. and Mrs. N. M. McDonald and children spent the week-end in Fayetteville with relatives.

Mrs. L. D. Adams left Monday for Wake Forest, where she will visit her parents.

J. Luther Jones, of Mebane, spent the week-end here with his old-time friends.

J. P. Davis, formerly connected with the Peabody Drug Co., of Durham, has accepted a position here with the office staff of the Erwin Cotton Mills Co., as paymaster. Mr. Davis assumed his new duties last week.

Miss Julia Wilson left Monday for Raleigh, where she will spend some time with relatives.

Lirwood L. Brown, of Greensboro, spent the past week-end here with friends.

Assisted by scores of local singers the Erwin Concert band gave a very beautiful memorial concert last Sunday afternoon in the Erwin park, in honor of our late President, Warren G. Harding, whose death occurred in San Francisco last week. The band opened the exercises promptly at 4 o'clock by playing a funeral march, while the estimated crowd of more than six hundred favored with bowed heads. The two favorite hymns of Mr. Harding, which are "Nearer My God, to Thee" and "Abide With Me," were very beautifully rendered by the band and local singers who sang these songs with much feeling.

Mrs. Haywood Lucas gave a birthday dinner last Sunday at her home on Church street in honor of the sixty-eighth anniversary of the birth of her mother, Mrs. Martha F. Ryals, who is still living. About one hundred and fifty of her friends were assembled to wish Mrs. Ryals many more such birthdays. A very sumptuous dinner was served in the front yard, followed with ice cream. Relatives and friends from Greensboro and Benson were here