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Endorse Proposal To Place Control On 3-Year Basis

Bankers and Tobacco Men Hold Meeting in Raleigh and Vote to Ask Congress to Amend Control Act So As to Allow a Growers' Referendum in July on Question of Continuing Control Through 1943

Raleigh, Feb. 18.—A proposal to place tobacco control on a three-year basis was endorsed unanimously here Saturday by a group

of bankers and tobacco men from six states.

The group, which included presidents of six tobacco warehouse associations, voted to ask Congress to amend the control act so as to allow a growers' referendum in July on the question of continuing control through 1943.

At present a referendum is held each year, and the result of the vote—which determines whether the size of the tobacco crop will be limited by AAA quotas and applies only to the following year.

Tobacco farmers and warehousemen, meeting after the joint session with the bankers, said they believed control was "absolutely necessary" if farmers

were to receive profitable prices for their crop.

The tobacco men also asked that a farmer be allowed to grow less tobacco than his quota this year, without having his voluntary reduction affect his quota for 1941.

Officials of the AAA, who said they called the meetings to "find out what the farmers want," were urged to work out some sort of plan so that foreign buyers would be represented on tobacco markets this year.

Last year, after British buyers were withdrawn from the markets, the Federal Commodity Credit Corporation purchased 170,000,000 pounds of tobacco, on which the British firms have options. Hope was expressed that a similar arrangement could be made for 1940.

J. B. Hutson, assistant AAA administrator, said the resumption of tobacco buying by the British was "largely a matter of stocks." "And when they have reduced their stocks, they may resume purchases," he added. "The Turkish purchase is only a small replacement of American tobacco."

He referred to a recently concluded British-Turkish treaty, under which England will use 20,000,000 pounds of Turkish tobacco annually.

Much of the session was devoted to discussion of enforcing the control plan this year. Hutson pointed out that allotments this year were on an acreage, rather than a poundage, basis, and said this change would necessitate changes in enforcement.

The AAA, he said, was anxious to administer the program as economically as possible, and was considering the removal of enforcement men from tobacco warehouses.

Several of the warehousemen quickly turned thumbs-down on that proposal, however, declaring they did not want the responsibility of enforcement.

W. E. Fenner of Rocky Mount, president of the Eastern Belt Warehouse Association, said the AAA should check up on sales to prevent "bootlegging" of tobacco raised in excess of quotas. His stand was endorsed by D. B. Suggs,

Greenville warehouseman, who asserted, "There's always going to be a little stealing and a little bootlegging, and we want to minimize it."

J. C. Eagles of Wilson, said the AAA should provide a checking clerk for each set of buyers, but no action was taken.

Hutson said he believed prices would be stabilized if control were placed on a three-year basis.

Asked whether his statement meant he favored the three-year control plan, he replied: "If it's what the growers want, I'm for it."

The Bankers organized the Bright Tobacco Bankers Association, and elected Wayles R. Harrison of Danville, Va., as their president.

Harrison said the association would "co-ordinate all bankers in the bright tobacco districts in cooperative efforts to promote the welfare of tobacco growers and tobacco-growing communities."

AAA men present, besides Hutson, included J. E. Thigpen, acting chief of the tobacco section; E. Y. Floyd, North Carolina administrator; S. K. Cassell, Virginia administrator; J. T. Lazar, South Carolina district extension agent, and S. Durden, Georgia administrator.

Presidents of the warehouse associations represented were Fenner; W. B. Daniel of Henderson, middle belt; W. H. Daniel of Mullins, S. C., South Carolina-border belt; F. P. Davis of Winston-Salem, old belt; F. W. Brown of Danville, Va., Georgia-Florida belt; and John Buckley of Lexington, Ky., burley belt.

Accidents In Rural Areas In State Are Heavier

Raleigh, Feb. 15.—Records of the highway safety division reveal that from four to five times as many people are killed in traffic accidents in rural areas of the state as are killed in cities and towns, despite the fact that the total number of accidents, fatal and non-fatal, is approximately the same in cities as in rural areas.

Last year, for example, records show that 182 fatalities occurred in 4,026 traffic accidents in North Carolina cities and towns, while 761 people were killed in 4,131 accidents in rural areas of the state.

Speed "too fast for conditions" is held accountable for a large proportion of the highway fatalities in rural areas.

"Too many drivers regard an open road as an invitation to step on the gas and see how fast their cars will go," Ronald Hocutt, director of the highway safety division, declared after a study of statistics relating to rural and urban traffic fatalities. "Through a statewide educational program and stricter enforcement of our motor vehicle laws, we can materially reduce this wide margin between deaths on our city streets and those on our rural highways."

Rare Line-Up of Planets To Be Seen This Month

A rare and spectacular celestial "line-up" of the brightest five planets in the solar system will begin in the western sky about February 23 and will continue through the first week in March.

Mercury will be near the western horizon shortly after sunset, followed in order by Jupiter, Venus, Saturn, and Mars. They will be, almost evenly spaced, "hanging one above the other in the twilight glow like a necklace of colorful jewels," according to William H. Barton, Jr., of the Hayden Planetarium. Mr. Barton added that the spectacle would be so unusual that even eclipses would seem commonplace by comparison. No one living, he said, will see a repetition of the phenomenon.

Motto on Door
Boss: Son, do you know the motto of this firm?
New Office Boy: Sure, it's "push."
Boss: Where'd you ever get that idea?
New Office Boy: I saw it on the door as I came in.

Fast Driving
Nervous Passenger: "Don't drive so fast around the corners. It frightens me."
Taxi Driver: "Do what I do—shut your eyes when we come to a corner."

On Installment
Allan: Look at Mary, isn't she jolled up. I understand she bought that dress on the installment plan.
James: I suppose that's the first installment she is wearing now.

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