

GREAT PLANTATION TO BE ABANDONED

CALEDONIA FARM PRISONERS ARE TO BE TAKEN FROM THERE TO RALEIGH.

FARM WAS SOLD AT AUCTION

Plans Have Been Discussed by Which Several Hundred May Be Detailed to Highway Construction Work.

Raleigh. Several hundred prisoners confined at the Caledonia farm in Halifax county will be brought to Raleigh and placed in the state prison here until new quarters planned for all state prisoners on the prison farm eight miles from the city are made ready, probably some time later in the summer. The Caledonia farm will be abandoned by the state and turned over to the purchasers who bought it at auction last December.

Details of the abandonment of the Caledonia farm and the plans for the new prison in Wake county were discussed at the regular monthly meeting of the prison board. Nothing of definite nature has been announced by the board except that the work at the new prison will be prosecuted as rapidly as circumstances will permit, and that plans have been discussed for employing several hundred of the prisoners on highway construction work that have heretofore been employed on the farm and in other construction work.

Beware the "Something Better."

Although there are practically 500 companies and organizations licensed to do business in North Carolina, having complied with the law respecting such privilege, still there are many from outside the state who want to reach the people, and try to evade the law, never failing to so present their claims by letter as to make the impression they are offering something better than licensed operators are offering. In such cases, Commissioner James R. Young of the North Carolina Insurance Department, gives specific notice, that these contracts are not allowable under the law and cannot be enforced. Among this class, he says, the "Clergymen's Beneficial Association of Pennsylvania" should be rated.

Questionnaires Framed and Ready.

The State Federation of Labor wants to know how candidates for state offices in North Carolina and candidates for state offices in North Carolina and candidates for the state legislature stand on the proposed constitutional amendment greatly reducing the constitutional limitation on taxation. This query is included in the questionnaire of the State Federation, framed by authority of its last convention in Raleigh, to define for the benefit of organized labor in the state the attitude of various candidates for office toward questions of interest to labor forces. The questionnaire is now ready for distribution.

From \$1,800,000 to \$5,500,000.

The Rosemary Manufacturing company, Roanoke Rapids, operating several of the largest cotton mills in that section of the state, filed an amendment to its charter, trebling its capital stock, increasing it from \$1,800,000 to \$5,500,000. The corporation contemplates a large expansion of its business there.

Carrying on Income Tax Work.

Pending the reorganization of the Internal Revenue Department in the state, necessitated by the resignation of Supervisor A. D. Watts and a number of revenue agents who have entered the field as advisors in income tax matters, the income tax work in North Carolina will be carried on under the supervision of Captain Frank L. Boyd, collector of the Louisville, Ky., district. Captain Boyd has reached Statesville and assumed charge of the office vacated by Colonel Watts.

Much Flu and Pneumonia.

A total of 4,741 new cases of influenza were reported for the state board of health. Included in the report were 91 new cases of pneumonia and 30 deaths for the preceding day. To date there have been 30,184 cases reported to the state board of health with 131 deaths. For the month of October, 1918, the first month of the epidemic in that year, a total of 103,000 cases were reported with a total number of deaths of 6,066.

No Slap at President.

Washington, (Special)—Leading Democrats denied that the caucus action last night against universal military training was intended to be a slap at President Wilson. Representative Claude Kitchen said: "The action of the democratic caucus in going on record against compulsory universal military training of service was not taken to spite the President or because of him. It was simply an expression of the convictions of a majority of the members.

Influenza Takes New Hold.

Influenza has taken a new hold on the state, according to reports from many cities and counties reaching the office of Dr. F. M. Register. Early reports totalled 1,638 new cases of influenza, 34 of pneumonia and six deaths. Few additional reports are expected in the night mails. These figures do not include reports coming from mayor of Statesville and the health office of Guilford county. The Statesville mayor writes that influenza there has reached the epidemic stage and asks for help. He does not state the number of cases. The Guilford officer states that there are one thousand cases of influenza in the county, south of High Point and Greensboro. This is the first report received from Guilford county.

A health officer has been sent to Elkin, Surry county, in response to a request for aid in the fight since so many local doctors were ill that it was impossible to handle the situation.

Winston-Salem reports 332 new influenza cases, Lexington 205, Concord 147 and Smithfield 103. Other communities reporting have less than one hundred new cases.

Many Injured in Seaboard Wreck.

Savannah, Ga. (Special)—Fifty passengers were injured, more or less seriously, when four passenger coaches of a Seaboard Air Line train plunged down an embankment, near Savannah, and four others were derailed. It is not thought that any fatalities will result.

Among the injured are the following:

South Carolina—Mrs. F. P. Truesdale, Kershaw; Mrs. W. H. and W. T. Oliver, Matthews; J. S. Mathews, Rock Hill; R. B. Quarterman, Limerick.

North Carolina—Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Johnson and Mrs. E. R. Daughter, all of Charlotte; C. D. Tucker, Raleigh; W. H. Fant, Hamlet; Mrs. J. A. Kelly, Henderson.

The following are listed among the injured without addresses: Benny Clayton, John Evans, Wallace Carr, Charles Fuller, L. Landrum, W. W. Golden, Jno. C. Wesley, Annie Cheatham and Conductor I. Lamb.

D. A. R. Elects Regent.

Miss Mary Hilliard Hinton, of Raleigh, was elected regent of the Daughters of the Revolution at a state meeting held at the Woman's Club, at which the organization made plans for the year's work and adopted an Armenian orphan.

Hotels Forced to Close.

Profitable as is the hotel business, two North Carolina hostilities will go out of business at the end of February at the behest of the State Board of Health, unless immediate steps are taken to improve the sanitary conditions under which they are operated. The New Central Hotel, at Hamlet, and the Hotel Aberdeen, at Aberdeen, are the places that have incurred the disfavor of the hotel inspector, Mr. John F. Gordon.

Survey of the Insane.

A thorough survey of the number of mentally defective people in North Carolina, and of the means and methods for their care has been undertaken under the auspices of the National Committee for Mental Hygiene, in co-operation with the State Board of Charities and Welfare and Dr. Albert Anderson, superintendent of the State Hospital for the Insane. The announcement was made by Mr. R. F. Beasley, welfare commissioner. The survey will be made by Dr. William McDonald.

Census Takers Needed.

Asheville and Raleigh will be headquarters for the chief special agent sent out from Washington by the census bureau to supervise the taking of the industrial census in North Carolina, which starts on March 1. There will be thirteen special agents located in the following seven cities: Wilmington, New Bern, Durham, Greensboro, Winston-Salem, Randleman, Charlotte, Statesville and Shelby. The census starting March 1 will include the manufacturers, mines and quarries, and oil and gas wells. More than 1,000 special agents will be needed by the census bureau.

Judge Pell may be Named.

Washington, (Special)—North Carolina, seeking anew a seat on the Interstate Commerce Commission, has presented the name of Judge George J. Pell, of the North Carolina corporation commission, to its representatives in Congress with the request that Judge Pell's name be offered to President Wilson.

Already the Pell boom is in such shape that a de-legation could, with propriety, appear before the President just as soon as he feels well enough to receive callers.

Bankers Want Branch Bank.

About 800 letters have been sent out by ten of the leading bankers of North and South Carolina to the banks of the two states regarding the establishment of a branch bank at some point in one of the states, the location to be designated by Richmond and Washington.

Enclosed also is postal card on which is an expression favoring the establishment of a branch bank, with the request that it be signed and sent to any one of the ten men signing the letter.

FABRICS INSPIRE NEW COSTUMES



NEARLY all afternoon gowns for the season now passing have been made of plain cloths and the spring finds us prepared to welcome something different. New figured silks and light weight wools, in dull plaids or cross-bars, foretell afternoon frocks traveling away from one-color cloths and familiar designs. Their creators, dealing with new fabrics, are inspired to delight us with models as original and handsome as appears in the dignified dress shown in the picture above. Any of the finer fabrics, whether of silk, wool or cotton, might be successfully built into a dress like this. In this frock the straight-hanging skirt is arranged in wide box plaits, with the distance between them equaling their width. It is the regulation shoe-top length with three-inch hem, and these brief details cover its description. A very graceful overgarment amounts to a short coat, with front and back panels extended to the knees and finished with embroidered motifs in silk floss. The coat is shortened over the hips, where a little fullness in the material suggests something of the fashionable flare at the sides. Three-quarter length sleeves are finished with a band and tabs of ribbon, in which the band slips through the tabs. The neck is finished in the same way with long ties of ribbon hanging at the front. Round, satin-covered buttons are set in a row at each side of the front, where the overgarment opens over a vest of plaited white georgette. Black satin ribbon, like that used for the ties, makes the narrow, plain girdle.

Hats for Crisp Springtime



SUMMERTIME may bring big and wide-brimmed hats, and already rumor is making generous promises in that respect, but for early spring the number of small hats hardly leaves room for the consideration of anything else. The small tailored hats for early wear, are brilliant in inverse ratio to their size. Everything, almost, that finds place in their construction or trimming is "shiny." Straw and silk braids, and many fabrics have a varnished, high-luster surface. Many off-the-face shapes provide spirited small hats developed in the new materials, and there are a few models with moderately wide brims, like the hat made of silk shown at the center of the group above. Above it, at the left, a straight-brimmed sailor of braid has a top crown of georgette. Bands of ribbon and metal buckles make its neat finish. The little hat at its right is of black and white satin straw braid and has a cut-out upturned brim with little rosettes of straw posed against it. A similar braid covers the round crown of the hat at the left. The upturned brim is faced with a military patent leather, banded and crossed with braid. This is a sturdy looking little model which invites the use of a veil. Patent leather is a courtesy title for a thin, shiny fabric which is soft and very popular. Highly lustrous straw braid and crepe georgette make the trim hat opposite.

Julia Bottomley

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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LESSON FOR FEBRUARY 22

PETER'S DELIVERANCE FROM PRISON.

LESSON TEXT—Acts 12:1-19. GOLDEN TEXT—The angel of the Lord scampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.—Ps. 34:7. ADDITIONAL MATERIAL—II Kings 6:17; Luke 22:39-46; Acts 16:25, 26; Heb. 1:14; James 5:16-18.

PRIMARY TOPIC—How an Angel Helped Peter.

JUNIOR TOPIC—Peter Delivered From Prison.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—How Prayer Helps.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Things Wrought by Prayer.

I. Peter's Imprisonment (vv. 1-4).

1. By whom (v. 1). Herod, the grandson of the wicked Herod who slew the innocent children at Bethlehem.

2. The reason (v. 3). It was to gain the favor of the Jews. Herod was not a Jew, and therefore knew that his success was dependent upon having the good will of the Jews. He did not particularly hate the Church, but loved popularity. Herod, for the sake of popularity, assumed a deep sympathy for degenerate Judaism. Since the Church had developed into a successful rival of Judaism—indeed was already displacing it—he saw an opportunity to curry favor with the Jews by putting his hand forth against it.

3. The method (v. 4). Peter was arrested, put into prison and guarded by four quaternions of soldiers. A quaternion is a guard of four soldiers on duty at the same time. Four quaternions meant that a special group was on duty each watch of the night. It was the custom for two soldiers to be in the prison, one on each side of the prisoner, bound to his arms with chains (v. 6). The third one to watch outside the door and the fourth to be near the outside gate. Humanly speaking it was impossible to escape. However, they made one fatal mistake; they left out God.

II. The Church of God in Prayer (v. 5).

The Church was in a crisis; her situation was most grave. James, one of the pillars of the Church, was dead, and Peter, the most prominent of all, was in prison. In this desperate strait they did the wise thing; they betook themselves to prayer. There is nothing too hard for God. Theirs was a noteworthy prayer:

1. It was unto God, not unto men to be heard of men. This is a very common fault today. All true prayer is unto God.

2. It was united prayer. It was made by the Church. God hears the prayers of individuals, but there is peculiar power in the united prayer of God's people.

3. It was an intensely earnest prayer; it was more than unceasing prayer; it was the yearning desire of the soul as it stretched itself out toward God.

4. It was definite prayer. They specifically interceded for Peter. Their prayer was concentrated, definite and specific.

III. Peter Delivered by an Angel (vv. 6-11).

This occurred the night before Herod's plan to make a public display of him.

1. Peter sleeping (v. 6). The angel found Peter asleep. The Lord keeps in perfect peace those whose minds are stayed on him (Isa. 26:3). Again, he gives his beloved sleep (Psalm 127:2).

2. Peter leaving the prison (vv. 7-10). The heavenly light shone in the prison. The angel smote Peter on the side, the chains fell off, Peter put on his clothes, passed by one guard after another, through the iron gate out into the city.

3. The effect upon Peter (v. 11). Although the event was so wonderful to Peter, and at first he thought it a vision, when he came to himself he was assured beyond peradventure of a doubt that God had miraculously delivered him from Herod's wicked hands.

IV. Unconscious Unpellef (vv. 12-19).

1. The behavior of Peter and the Church (vv. 12-17). Peter went to the house of Mary and knocked. The knock was answered by Rhoda, who was so overjoyed at hearing Peter's voice that she forgave to open the gate and ran in and told them that Peter was at the gate.

2. The behavior of the soldiers (vv. 18, 19). There was great agitation among them over Peter's disappearance. This was a serious matter, since they were responsible for him. Not being able to account for Peter's escape, Herod commanded that they be put to death.

Be Not Too Sure. Be not too presumptuously sure in any business; for things of this world depend on such a train of unseen chances that if it were in man's hands to see the tables, still he would not be certain to win the game.—Herbert.

Care of Today. The cares of today are seldom those of tomorrow; and when we lie down at night we may safely say to most of our troubles, "Ye have done your worst, and we shall see you no more."—Cowper.

The DAIRY



REMEDY DEFECTS IN BUTTER

Use of Churn Numbers Would Enable Inspectors to Sort Out Various Churnings.

Some of the defects noted by butter inspectors of the United States department of agriculture are: old cream, flavor, wavy or mottled appearance, too much salt, and tenderness in the butter. These defects are reported by the shipper when the inspection certificate is sent him, so that he may know why his butter scores low and may remedy the defects.

The use of churn numbers, so that the receivers can more readily sort out separate churnings, is urged by food product inspectors of the bureau of markets. United States department of agriculture. In one lot of butter, for example, the score varied from 85 to 92. As no churn numbers were shown, the only way the receiver could separate the butter was by examining every tub. If churn numbers had been shown it would have been a simple matter to separate the various churnings and sell them according to score.

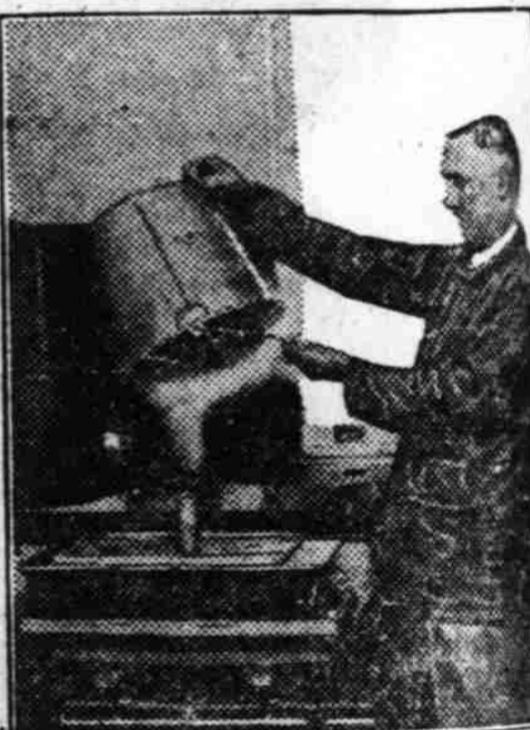
It is not possible to take time to examine every tub, so the butter is sold according to the samples taken, and at a discount if the samples vary much. If there should happen to be just one poor tub in the shipment and the scrapper found it the whole shipment would suffer; while if churn numbers were used, only the tubs in that churning would receive the lower score.

DON'T WASTE FUEL IN DAIRY

Exhaust Steam Can Be Advantageously Used in Pasteurizing Milk and Sterilizing Cans.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Many factory operations of the dairy industry require the use of heat, although they demand little power. An exhaust steam contains about 90 per cent of its original heat. It can be



All Dairy Utensils Should Be Carefully Sterilized for Use.

Advantageously used in pasteurizing milk and cream and in sterilizing dairy equipment in the average commercial plant, according to specialists. They advise that all dairy factory men utilize this waste steam during the current winter, when fuel is scarce and high in price. Information on how to use steam effectively will be furnished free of charge when request is made to the United States department of agriculture, Washington, D. C.

VALUE OF BULL AS BREEDER

High Average in All His Daughters is Final Measure—Four Years Are Needed.

The number of daughters a bull has in the advanced registry is not sufficient measure of his value as a breeder. Neither can his value be measured by a few high-producing daughters. High-average production in all his daughters is the final measure, and that cannot be determined by using the bull two or three years. Four years are needed to measure the value of any bull.

CARE FOR CREAM SEPARATOR

It Should Be Thoroughly Washed and Sterilized After Being Used—Particles Harmful.

The cream separator should be thoroughly washed and sterilized after each time it is used. Particles of milk or cream left in the separator act as a "starter" to hasten the souring of the cream.

SOME ESSENTIALS FOR COWS

Animals Will Do Better If Not Confined Too Closely—Warm Stables Necessary.

The cows will do a great deal better if not confined in too close quarters. They require above everything else plenty of exercise, fresh air, and good clean water. Good warm stables are a necessity.