

# Capital News Letter

(By Thompson Greenwood)

**GOOD WAY TO GET IT**—M. G. Mann, general manager of the North Carolina Farmers Co-operative Exchange, has been making public statement recently to the effect that the organized merchandising industry in the State is talking of a man to beat W. Kerr Scott, State Commissioner of Agriculture, next year.

Chances are that Mann is talking through his bonnet this time, for officials of the N. C. Merchants Association say that neither Scott's name nor any possible opposition to him was mentioned at the recent convention of the merchants held in Raleigh. A representative of the N. C. Merchants Association who travels a great deal of the time calling on merchants, throughout the State declares he has not heard one iota of any "talking of a man to beat W. Kerr Scott."

If Mann's purpose was to excite his listeners, he probably succeeded nobly. Perhaps he has heard of such talk, but officials of the merchants, who should be in a better position to hear of it, have missed out altogether on these anti-Scott discussions. The merchants were sorely disappointed last spring when Scott lashed out at them in his pro-coop talk during the Legislature. They were blazing mad at that time. Mann is a good man—fair and honest—but his talk of possible opposition to Commissioner Scott can do more than anything else to create it. That's a good way to get it. The merchants as an association have never taken an official position for, or against, any candidate—not even on Dr. Ralph McDonald, whom they

loved for his anti-sales tax stand, in 1936.

**DOWN TO A WALK**—Midsummer vacations plus a great deal of humidity has slowed Raleigh down to a walk. Governor Cherry has been out of town attending the Governors Conference. Carl Goersch reports on having seen flying saucers from Mars. Attorney General Harry McManis last week issued a ruling saying that dueling is against the law. Lynn Nisbett, newspaperman, had to go to Washington to find political news (he found quite a bit, too). Tom Bost was looking for ideas last Friday for his every-Sunday sermon in the editorial columns of the Greensboro Daily News, complaining that they are sometimes hard come by. The newspaper guys in general were thanking heaven for that Ahsokie Kiwanis story about the Negro and the Cadillac. They had a big time with it. The heat killed one of the biggest snakes in the State Museum. Raleigh just has to keep something moving—even though most of its news-makers were out of town.

**NEW CONCERN**—Your State Capital, which for so many years has labored under an inferiority complex for its lack of manufacturing plants and relative scarcity of business activities, is getting a big firm. Cooper Taylor, who as vice president in charge of sales for Lance for many years helped build that company into one of the largest cracker sandwich concerns in the country, has broken away from this company and has erected an enormous cracker sandwich plant of his own at nearby Cary. They say he



**MAN OF ACHIEVEMENT** . . . "Worker Father of the Year" is an appellation any father might well envy, so John Van Hoose of Richardson, Ky., can be excused for showing a little pardonable pride over being given that honor by the national Father's Day committee. Van Hoose, shown here being interviewed by two ladies of the press, is the father of 15 living children and the grandfather of an additional 15.

took about six Lance salesmen with him, too. Now he is ready to go, will employ around 150 people. The Raleigh Chamber of Commerce has its chest stuck out to yonder—particularly Lester Rose, its ball-of-fire secretary. Taylor will use a slogan "tailored to taste" for his crackers.

Aside to some newspapers: He is getting ready to do some high-powered advertising, it is said. On the other hand, Lance is expected to push up its advertising budget to combat Taylor. Some fun!

**NOTES**—Cooperative tax hearings will be held in Washington in November. A repetition of the fight held here last spring is expected to occur—except on a broader scale . . . Meantime, this nation's first cooperative tobacco warehouse will soon open its doors in Wendell, Wake county . . . One of Whiteville's top-flight merchants is considering converting his far-flung enterprises into a profit-sharing cooperative if Congress lets these things go as they are now moving . . . One will get you five that additional taxes are placed on cooperatives within the next 10 months . . .

Educational leaders in Raleigh are frankly worried about the fact that college students just aren't going into the teaching field . . . Ads fill the papers: "Teachers wanted" . . . Although the State Board of Education announced a few days ago that teachers would get a raise of about 30 per cent on an average next year, the fact is that the money appropriated for teachers—will run in the neighborhood of 36 per cent more for next year than for last. This of course includes experience increments, etc., but that is still money going from the State to the teacher.

**OFF THE CUFF**—State records show that unemployment is at an all-time low . . . Firms which last spring expected the usual summer slump and a general slackening on top of that find that products are moving faster than in April and May . . . The current issue of Good Housekeeping has a cute little story by Chapel Hill's James Street, the title: "Symphony in Siler City" . . . He wrote "The Gauntlet," of course, and his "Tap Roots" is now being filmed. Although the scene is laid in Mississippi, much of the scenery is now being shot in Asheville . . . Art Jones, secretary of the Asheville Chamber of Commerce has led the Hollywood visitors on forays all over the mountains and hills around Asheville, Hendersonville, and down as far as Brevard. But when the picture is finally released, Jones mourns, everything will be Mississippi.

**STEP UPWARD**—There is already conversation to the effect that Kenneth Royall's appointment as Secretary may help him if he wants to run for Governor—and he has been thinking about it. His well-wishers say there is a possibility he may hold this new position only a few months and will then return to North Carolina for a whirlwind try for Governor. Royall takes his new

job if he gets the Senate's confirmation on July 24, his 53rd birthday.

**HOW MUCH BETTER!**—Reports are looking into Raleigh that Charlotte and Mecklenburg county law enforcement officers are determined the ABC system is going to look like a definite improvement, whether it actually is or not. A Queen City visitor said the other day he had "never seen so many arrests for all sorts of crime" in Charlotte.

"What they are going to do is this," he said with a sharp twinkle in his eye. "They will compare arrests next July, for instance, with this one. By that time ABC stores will be booming. And they will say words to this effect: 'Just look how our legal liquor has reduced crime in Charlotte and Mecklenburg county. Why, in July of 1947 we had so many arrests. But look at this July, how much better!'"

Could he, Hickory votes on liquor in September and will likely make it legal. That's the trend. Charlotte will open its stores not later than September 1.

**THE HUMAN TOUCH**—A little tow-headed boy about 11 years old boarded a crowded Raleigh city bus at the rush hour one afternoon last week. He said a few words to the driver, meantime blushing furiously. One or two passengers on the front seat saw he didn't have any money for the fare. There was an awkward one-minute pause. Then the conductor muttered something to the embarrassed boy, who walked slowly to the rear to find his seat. As the driver edged the bus out into the street, he turned the feelings of his rider from pauper to man-of-means with these words, spoken so all could hear: "Sorry I couldn't change that twenty, son. Just pay me next time."



**HATES TAXES** . . . So violently opposed to "excessive and confiscatory individual income taxes" is E. B. Tilton of Milwaukee, Wis., that he voluntarily cut his own income to lower his taxes. President of a manufacturing company, he says he will work without pay in November and December so that he may lower his tax contribution.

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## Davis Milling Moves Office To New Plant

The general offices of W. A. Davis Milling Company of High Point have been moved to the newly constructed plant on South Perry Street according to Robert Davis, general manager of the company. Production of high grade flour, meal and feeds have been underway in the new mill since February, but installation of the offices was delayed pending completion of interior construction.

The general manager also announced that Davis Milling Company has resumed the purchase of all types of local grains to supplement its regular shipments of Western grains. The new mill has also resumed custom grinding of grains for farmers in the vicinity. Increased yard space allows parking and loading of many more trucks and wagons than previously.

The new plant at 110 South Perry Street replaces the original mill at 115 South Hamilton Street which was destroyed by fire in December 1944. Located on a larger site, the new mill is more accessible to truck and freight car loading than previously. Due to shortage of equipment and building supplies the new Perry Street mill was constructed under difficulties, but it now houses the latest and most modern milling machinery obtainable. Its production capacity is over twice the pre-war plant and its facilities produce a better quality product in much faster time. The millers now have complete control over production and quality from the time the grain enters the mill until the finished product is distributed to the dealers in central and eastern sections of North Carolina.

The original mill on South Hamilton Street, which has been used as distribution headquarters, is now being used for storage.

### MRS. LILLIE MAE WEAVER

Miss Lillie Mae Weaver, 47, wife of June J. Weaver of Dunn R-2 died in Rex Hospital, Raleigh, Thursday night. She had been ill for about four months and seriously ill for the past two weeks. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the Bethesda Primitive Baptist Church near Benson. Elder Lester Lee and Elder Luther Turner officiated. Burial was in the family cemetery. Mrs. Weaver, a native of Harnett county, was the daughter of the late Henry Timothy and Rebecca Tart Johnson. She was a member of the Bethesda Church. Surviving are her husband; six sons, William G., H. T., Granville J., Jessie Coolee and Wade Corbett Weaver, all of Dunn R-2, and Edward Weaver of Dunn R-3; three daughters, Mrs. A. B. Parker of Dunn R-2, Mrs. Albert Brown of Dunn, and Betty Sue Weaver; and 12 grandchildren. Deeds for sale at The News office

### JOHN SUNDAY

Relatives in Harnett County have been notified of the death of John Sunday, 33, retired real estate broker of Delray, Fla. Mr. Sunday is survived by his wife, the former Lizzie Shaw of Lillington and eight children. Death followed an illness of several years. He was born in Fayetteville, son of the late John Shaw and Sallie Margaret Sunday. He

moved to Florida 50 years ago shortly after his marriage to Miss Shaw, daughter of the late Colonel Ben Shaw of Lillington. For many years Mr. Sunday was a frequent visitor to Harnett County and to Western North Carolina, where he had various interests.

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Tom Conway — Madge Meredith—in  
"THE FALCONS ADVENTURE"  
Cartoon Chapter 14 Jack Armstrong

**SUNDAY—Starts 2—4—9 MONDAY—Starts 7—9**  
Wallace Berry — Edward Arnold—in  
"THE MIGHTY MCGURK"  
NEWS SHORT

**TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY Starts 7—9**  
Eddie Albert — Constance Moore—in  
"HIT PARADE OF 1947"  
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