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Hon. Oscar W. Underwood, of Alabama, has indicated that he would accept the nomination for President in 1924 if given him.

The States deficit on December 31, 1922, as given out by the Auditors on a cash basis was \$2,863,068.88. This seems to be quite a big jump from the first figures.

The attention of some of our people who are continually kicking about taxes, is directed to the per capita tax burden of our neighboring counties, as published in the University News Letter, which are as follows: Wake \$10.00, Nash \$11.60, Vance \$10.80, Granville \$8.39, Warren \$7.91, Wilson \$16.10. Compare this with your own county Franklin, \$9.93 and you will see that others pay as much and more than we do.

Judge Beam, of Franklin County Recorder's Court is to be congratulated upon the manner in which he conducted his Court on last Monday, disposing of thirty-four cases. He so managed his decisions that the greatest satisfaction prevailed and a great good was accomplished in instilling the proper respect for law. At the beginning he convinced the defendants and the spectators that he had a determination to give sentences that would produce the desired results, and as a result no appeals were taken. In the case of the changes of sentence it was done upon recommendation of the prosecution. This days work will no doubt mean much for Franklin, and the people are indebted to Judge Beam for the wholesome spirit he has encouraged.

LOOK AFTER THE BOLL WEEVIL

From the reports being received in Louisburg there are many sections of Franklin County infested with boll weevils. In every case where they have appeared the squares that have fallen off should be carefully picked up every morning and burned. It would be well to keep plowing your cotton as long as you can as this will assist in destroying them by covering the squares with dirt which becomes too hot for them to survive in these long hot days. It would also be well to dust with calcium arsenate. In using this poison the greatest care should be taken as it is deadly poison. Do not let your stock come in contact with it. Remember that the work done now is of value, but if it is put off it will become a very expensive delay. The control you take of the weevil this year will be of greatest assistance in the future.

THE TAX PROBLEM

We believe the greatest problem before the American people today is the problem of taxation, says the Shenandoah, Ia., Sentinel Post. Two sane methods of relief are open. First discourage new governmental and fanciful which add unnecessary laws to our statute books with increased numbers of employes and more government overhead. Officialism spreads like the green bay tree if left to its own course, so trim it down to essentials. Second, see that all property pays taxes equally, which it does not do at present. Under our existing laws any person is at liberty to convert his property into non-taxable bonds and thus escape all forms of taxation. The necessity (if it ever existed) for tax-exempt bond is past and the day is here when no such loophole as this should remain to enable those most able to pay to escape taxation. Every dollar that tax-exempt bonds absorb cuts two ways—it doubles the tax on other people and removes a dollar from industries which need it for expansion and development.

NORTH CAROLINA WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

U. S. Employers need 60,000 workers according to reports of U. S. Employment Bureau. Improved wage conditions result from steadily operating industries. Sound conditions which encourage investments automatically increase employment. Hickory—Catawba county to erect new court house. Greensboro—New permanent stock exchange to be built to replace frame structure.

Charlotte—\$100,000 addition to be erected by First Baptist church.

North Carolina cotton fields reported to comprise 1,704,000 acres. Dunn—Work going forward on new school. Carbondon—Coal prospect in this locality to be included in this year's development.

Wilmington—Seashort Hotel to be enlarged. Siler City—High Point Bending and Chair Company's new factory to be built at once on present site.

Southern Pines—Planting of 50,000 long leaf pines along Pinehurst road under consideration. "N. C. LAW STOP" grade crossing lay put into effect.

Charlotte—York road completed. Wilmington—Market garden crops bring growers \$1,250,000 since January 1.

Charlotte—Contract awarded for improvements on Hoskins school, to cost \$20,000. Gastonia—Work going forward on \$50,000 Lutheran church.

Wilmington—Southern Power Company to receive 300,000 tons cement from Europe for use in plant construction. Hendersonville—New city water system nearing completion.

Smithfield—Tobacco market in this city to open August 21. Wilmington—Customs receipts at this port for past year totaled \$5,000,000.

Pembroke—Local tobacco growers to organize for marketing crop. Jr. O. U. A. M. to establish orphanage in this state, many locations under consideration.

Wilmington—Rose Hill-Warsaw-Clinton power transmission line to be constructed at once. Southport—Government coaling station to be established in this city.

Charleston—Clyde Steamship Company to add two new boats to New York-Charleston-Jacksonville run. New Bern—Craven county highway in this vicinity to be constructed of shellrock from local quarries.

Rutherfordton—Sewer system to be installed. Dunn—Duke road contract let, construction to start at once.

Spencer—New state bank organized with \$60,000 capital. Salisbury—Municipal building to be erected adjoining court house.

Canton—\$50,000 mining company formed to prospect for ores. Contracts let for 95 miles additional road construction in this state.

Wilmington—New fair building to be constructed for use in October. Elion College—Construction of Carlton library under way.

Chapel Hill—Graham memorial building to be erected at cost of \$400,000. Goldsboro—Electric car to Seven Spring proposed.

Raleigh—Lawrence Stone and Gravel Company organized with \$1,000,000 capital. The Supreme Court of the United States has twice within 30 days announced the doctrine that present costs must be given fair and just consideration in arriving at the value of a public service corporation's property for rate making.

Active agitation has been carried on to launch the government into the field of crop insurance, but a report just issued by Department of Agriculture, while emphasizing the necessity for crop insurance, does not favor a government agency.

During the first nine weeks of 1923, the Western Electric Company shipped three billion eight hundred million conductor feet of lead-covered telephone cable to the operating companies of the Bell System.

"The most effective medium of publicity is, and will continue to be the public press," says Philip H. Gadsden, president of the Eastern States Gas Conference and vice-president of the United Gas Improvement Company of Philadelphia, in advocating larger expenditures by gas companies for advertising in newspapers.

It Pays To Use Standardized Seed

Speaking before the Seed Breeders Association in session today at the State Farmers Convention, U. B. Blalock, General Manager of the N. C. Cotton Growers Cooperative Association, said, "A premium of one half cent a pound on North Carolina's total crop of cotton means over two million dollars to this state while a premium of only a cent a pound means over four million dollars for the cotton growers of the state over and above the market price."

Mr. Blalock was discussing the importance of using standardized seed, of carefully selected variety and suited to the climate and soil of the State. After discussing the importance of breeding in stock and seed, Mr. Blalock gave it as his personal experience as well as his observation, that the cotton growers should abandon staple cotton and standardize on varieties of a uniform staple of a heavy bodied type. He suggested the Mexican Big Boll as a seed which would give general satisfaction. Mr. Blalock told of having asked some English cotton mill men their opinion of the "Cotton Standard Act" and they replied that they were more interested in a real good variety and thought it would be better for the Carolinas to adopt a particular variety, name it and make it famous. They would always prefer a variety with a uniform staple and of a heavy bodied type.

In his address Mr. Blalock told of conversations with other large manufacturers and how they had advised that North Carolina farmers should break away from staple cotton and standardize on Cleveland or Mexican Big Boll.

The boll weevil is not responsible for damage done by the red spider and wilt disease. These are still additional troubles for the cotton farmer and require different treatment, say State College workers.

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MR. JUNIUS EDWARDS PASSES AWAY

A wave of sorrow passed over the community when it was known that on the evening of June 12th, the life of the above mentioned had ended. Mr. Edwards' health had not been good for several years, yet he had kept up most of the time and recently appeared to be in better health, therefore the shock of his death seemed great to his friends and loved ones. He was confined to bed but a few days. A trained nurse was summoned and with the united efforts of the physicians skill, dear ones and neighbors all that human power could do, was done, but to no avail, in one week the suffering victim yielded up his life and the spirit went back to the God who gave it life.

With this statement comes the fact that, his home, the church to which he belonged and the community sustains a great loss, because a good man has left us. He was born Feb. 1st, 1858, in Vance County, was the son of Sam Daniel Edwards and Elizabeth Harris Edwards.

On Dec. 13th, 1883 Mr. Edwards was married to Miss Mollie E. Bledsoe. To this union were born five children all of which survive him except one who died in infancy.

Besides the heart broken wife there remain to mourn the loss of this loved one his two daughters, Mrs. June Harris, Mrs. Arthur Harris, the sons, Messrs. Sam and Tom Edwards all living near his home at Laurel. The sisters living are Mrs. J. F. Knuckles, of Dabney, Mrs. Jim Adcock, of Warren County, Mrs. Sam Finch of Franklin County.

Two sisters, Mrs. Joe Phelps and Mrs. John Hicks, two brothers, Mr. Rufus Daniel Edwards and Mr. William R. Orrell have gone on before and in the land of the blest welcomed this good brother.

His christian gentleman joined the church when quite young. The first connection was with Mt. Carmel Protestant Methodist church in Vance County. A few years after their marriage these good people moved to Laurel and have lived here ever since. Mr. Edwards became interested in the Christian Church and was instrumental in locating the site and erecting the building known as Mt. Gilead Christian Church, near Laurel. For quite a while at this place the old time practice of preaching under an arbor was used. He was a charter member of this church, joining it among the first, remaining a consistent member until his death. Said one of the members, "A good man has left the church, we shall miss his presence and support in every way."

One of his near neighbors said, "I have never heard one word against June Edwards, we have lost one of our best men." In the home one saw this man at his best, a kind and loving father and husband, genuinely hospitable to his friends, ever ready to take in the stranger and lend a helping hand to pass by if needed. As a business man he was honest and square in his dealings his life was pure and clean, truly he was loved and respected by all.

It is hard to realize that we will not have this friend and loved one with us again, but when we know that he is with the angels and his Lord, where there are no trials and no afflictions, we can but say "Be it so, God knows best."

In the absence of the Mt. Gilead pastor the funeral services were most appropriately conducted by Rev. George May, at the home of the deceased. The interment was in the family cemetery near the home, those acting as pall bearers were, Henry Cottrell, B. G. Egerton, Tom Cash, F. W. Pernel, Edd Champion, Iry Cash. The large concourse of people and the many floral offerings as well as the tear filled eyes, all gave evidence of the real worth of the life of the deceased.

Now that the vision of loved ones is over cast with gloom and sorrow because of the absence of this loved one, we can but commend you to the Heavenly Father, for it is He who grants the merciful reaper the privilege to thus deal with His creatures, then He must turn in the light that will pierce the dark cloud of bereavement and show you that there "is Balm in Gilead" and "Some day you'll understand." The only consolation is that, your loved one has heard the Father say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of thy Lord." Yes, your treasure is in Heaven.

A precious one from us has gone A voice we love is stilled A place made vacant in our home Can ne'er more be filled. Fare well dear; but not forever, There will be a glorious dawn We shall meet, to part, no never On the resurrection morn. May God be with and comfort every aching heart and grant that this may be an unbroken family in heaven, the prayer and wish of —A FRIEND.

MADE IN CAROLINAS EXPOSITION

"North Carolina Homecoming Day" Tuesday, October 2, and "South Carolina Day," Wednesday, September 26, have been decided upon as the two great days of the Made in Carolinas Exposition in Charlotte September 24-October 6, at which time the manufacturing and commercial interests of the two Carolinas will be on display in booths in the Made in Carolinas exposition building on Park Avenue.

For the programs of these two days Governor Cameron Morrison, of North Carolina and the two North Carolina United States senators and Governor Thomas B. McLeod, of South Carolina and the two United States senators of the Palmetto state, in addition to many other distinguished men of the two sister states, have been invited to attend the exposition. Civic clubs in the two states are arranging to send delegations, attended by bands of music, to the exposition on the two Carolina days. The North Carolina Day will be observed at the

exposition as a homecoming day for the sons of Tarheel state, and there will be special exercises to welcome them back to their native state. A program of the musical features of the exposition will be announced by a committee in charge in a short time. Some of the greatest artists of the country have been engaged for the period of the exposition, it is stated.

A meeting of the board of directors of the exposition was held yesterday, at which J. C. Patton was elected secretary and general manager of the show and J. C. Robinson named as field manager. The arrangements for the preliminary work of the exposition is being put under way rapidly.

Mr. Vaughan, Farmer, Tells How He Lost All His Prize Seed Corn

"Some time ago sent away for some pedigreed seed corn. Put it in a gunny sack and hung it on a rope suspended from roof. Rats got it all—how beats me, but they did because I got 5 dead whoppers in the morning after trying RAT-SNAP." Three sizes, 35c, 65c, \$1.25. Sold and guaranteed by Cash Grocery and Market. Adv.

DEWITTE MOORE, COL., DEAD

On Friday, July 27th, the angel of God touched Dewitte Moore, one of the best colored men of Franklin county and he died. He had been sick in his home for ten weeks. He was 62 years of age and was a member and deacon of Jones Chapel Baptist church. His funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. T. S. Henderson in his home. The text was selected from Rev. 20:12 and 2 Cor. 5th: 1st verse the theme used "Standing before God." Dewitte was also a faithful member of the K. of G. and the Masons which they carried out the usual performance. Then the body was taken to the family cemetery and laid to rest. Large numbers of friends attended these services. The pallbearers were Frank Fogg, J. H. Sillis, Plummer Davis, George Hargrove, John Alston and John Thomas. He leaves a wife, Laura Moore, five daughters, Mrs. J. P. Williams, Mrs. M. C. Allen, Mrs. V. B. Brown, Miss Clara Moore and Miss Martha Moore, and five sons, D. L. Moore, J. L. Moore, Ross Moore, J. R. Moore and Perry Moore. The grave was beautifully decorated with flowers that were given by both white and colored friends.

WILLINGNESS TO CO-OPERATE, REFRESHING

Active agitation has been carried on to launch the government into the field of crop insurance, but a report just issued by the Department of Agriculture which, while emphasizing the necessity for crop insurance seems not to favor a government agency, says: "Among the difficulties would be that of fixing equitable rates which would be acceptable as such as between different localities and different farms. Great diversity in rates is unavoidable on account of differences in the hazards of climate, plant diseases, insect pests and other factors. The government would almost certainly meet with bitter criticism as to the fairness of the rates charged."

The department gives many helpful suggestions for bringing about crop insurance. Although private fire insurance companies which wrote crop insurance in 1920 suffered heavy losses, it feels that the experiment was justified and that the same accurate data which insurance companies have obtained over a long period of years on which to base fire insurance rates, can be worked out in regard to crop insurance.

It is refreshing and encouraging to see the Department of Agriculture lend its assistance toward working out a feasible plan of crop insurance through private agencies which do not load the government with overhead tax burdens, instead of advocating government assumption of this line of private endeavor.

Voile Popular



Among the myriads of this summer fabrics shown for hot weather, flock dot voile is most popular. It is favored in dark colors and is without trimming except hand-drawn collars and cuffs. Figured batiste and cotton serge are also popular.

To My Friends and the Public
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