

Fairmont News

Great Picnic in Honor of "Uncle Gus" Floyd—Fine Speech on Cooperative Marketing—Canning Peaches in Most Modern Way—Other Items of Interest.

By H. V. Brown

Fairmont, July 24.—The picnic held here last Friday in honor of A. E. ("Uncle Gus") Floyd was enjoyed thoroughly by those who were in attendance. All relatives of the honored man, the entire chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy and their immediate families and a few special friends were invited to attend and make the occasion a success, which was realized. The large crowd assembled in the grove on south Main street and then went into the First Baptist church near there, where a program was rendered which will be long remembered. The program started with the singing of America and a prayer by Rev. J. R. Miller. Next was a reading, "The Blue and The Gray", by Miss Lillie Kyle; a quartet composed of Mrs. P. R. Floyd, Miss Wrennie Floyd, Messrs. V. H. Taylor and L. D. Pittman sang "Carry Me Back to Old Virginia"; then the biography of Mr. A. E. Floyd was read by Miss Agnes Ashley, which told of his experiences during the war between the states; a poem, "Father Ryan," was given by Miss Mary Reeves of Asheville; a reading, "The Conquering Banner", by Miss Lois Miller; an excellent address by D. P. McKinnon of Rowland, next representative from this district. A few words were offered by F. P. Hobgood, president of Oxford college, and Dr. J. Y. Joyner of LaGrange. A large number of out-of-town friends and relatives were here and spent the major part of the day with the man for whom this occasion was given. Last, but by far not anything like least, was the dinner that was served in picnic style on tables just below the church in the grove where the crowd first assembled. Judge Floyd has just passed his 80th birthday and life and evidence of his popularity and friends was shown by the enormous crowd that gathered here Friday.

Dinner Party

A very enjoyable dinner party was given by Mrs. H. L. Price at her home on North Main street last Saturday morning in honor of Misses Annie May and Elizabeth Robbins of Gastonia. The Misses Robbins are guests of Mrs. Price's sister Miss Katharine Galloway, at her home on Iona street. Among those attending the party were Misses Annie May and Elizabeth Robbins, Lillie Kyle, Katharine Galloway, and Messrs. Vernon Lassiter and Jack Marvel.

Miss Stella Byrne of Raleigh arrived here last week and has accepted a position with Miss Lorena Lewis as manager of her millinery store. Miss Katharine Vesty, who has been manager of the business for Miss Lewis for the past several months, left last Wednesday for her home in Elkton, Md.

Miss Bertha Davis, popular milliner for Miss Annie McMillan for the past few seasons, left Wednesday for her home in Fredricksburg, Md. Miss Davis suffered ill health for a few weeks prior to her departure but her condition was greatly improved when she left.

"Co-op" Marketing Speech

One of the best co-operative marketing speeches heard here during the campaign was that on Friday night by Dr. J. Y. Joyner. Dr. Joyner stressed the point very forcibly regarding the tobacco grower who deliberately stays out of the association. This meeting was regarded as most important on account of the campaign for signers closing July 31. Just what per cent of tobacco-growers have signed in this immediate vicinity cannot be definitely learned yet, but it is a known fact that the percentage will not run as high as in other sections near here.

Messrs. E. A. Mitchell & Co., who have been conducting a livestock business in the Thompson building on the south side of Center street, have moved to the Brice building on the north side, a few doors east of the Thompson building. This building in which the firm is moving was used by Messrs. W. B. Brice & Son prior to their deaths during the influenza epidemic.

Another rattlesnake was killed last week by some workers of the Beaufort County Lumber Co. in the woods near here. Sometime ago a rattlesnake bit one of the laborers and although his condition is somewhat improved he is not yet entirely well. Mr. Avent, an engineer for the company who saw the reptile, said it was the largest he had ever seen outside of a circus tent.

Mrs. D. W. Galloway, who has been taking treatment at the Baker sanatorium, Lumberton, returned home last Saturday much improved.

Canning Peaches

Many Fairmont people have had the pleasure of seeing how Mr. J. A. Floyd, proprietor of Elrose fruit farm, cans peaches. The method used by Mr. Floyd is the very latest, and modern in every respect. He has employed a large number of helpers and his large orchard is being fast depleted. The peaches, especially the Elberta Rosa, are the finest to be seen anywhere, and he has been highly complimented by those who understand the fruit business.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Ratley and son, Mr. Warren Ratley, and little Miss Frances McNeill, grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ratley, of the Fairmont section were among the shoppers in town Tuesday.

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SHORT BUT SWEET



North Carolina Sets Fast Pace

Successful Mass Meetings Swept Hundreds of New Contracts Into Tobacco Growers Co-operative Association.

Raleigh, July 25.—Some 15,000 Piedmont farmers celebrated the progress of cooperative marketing in a series of successful mass meetings which swept hundreds of new contracts into the Tobacco Growers Co-operative association from Western North Carolina last week.

Col. C. E. Marvin of the Kentucky burley pool, who came directly from his successful campaign with the Wisconsin tobacco growers and aided in the 75-percent sign-up of the Wisconsin crop, addressed 2,000 farmers at Danbury on Monday, 4,000 at Keyville on Tuesday, 1,000 growers at Turnersville on Wednesday, 6,000 at Statesville on Thursday, another thousand at Greensboro on Friday and 2,000 farmers at Reidsville last Saturday.

The old belt with 75 percent of its tobacco in the Tri-State pool is now on fire with enthusiasm for cooperative marketing and Col. Marvin prophesied success like that which the organized Kentucky growers are enjoying.

At Reidsville, where the citizens built and turned over a warehouse to the organized growers, the banks of the town agreed to lend their legal limit to the association after a conference with Oliver J. Sands, general manager of the association, following his address to a record-breaking crowd of farmers.

A prominent banker of Pittsburg, Pa., who came South for conference with Mr. Sands and attended the Reidsville meeting, was so impressed with the demonstration of the Western Carolina growers in favor of co-operation and the action of the Reidsville banks in backing the association to the limit that he offered a loan of half a million dollars to the association in behalf of his bank.

At the annual picnic of the Piedmont farmers at Statesville, 1800 vehicles passed the gates of the experiment farm, including two-seated carts, school busses crowded with children, flivvers and automobiles. This record gathering of 6,000 persons heard Col. Marvin of Kentucky tell why 90 percent of the Kentucky farmers have joined the burley growers' association and why others are eagerly signing up today. Col. Marvin stirred his large audience at Danbury, Turnersville, Greensboro and Keyville, Va.

At Keyville another record celebration took place last week when Charlotte county farmers celebrated the 97.5 percent sign-up of the association in their county, which now boasts of 2704 members out of 2762 tobacco growing farmers.

Opposition to the organized growers withered throughout South Carolina last week as merchants, bankers and committees of Citizens joined the

campaigners from four States in the meetings and house-to-house campaigning which have brought in more than a thousand contracts from the Piedmont State.

A great mobilization of tobacco growers from Nash and Edgecomb counties is predicted for next Saturday, July 29th, when Oliver J. Sands, general manager of the association, and Dr. J. Y. Joyner are scheduled to address the Eastern Carolina growers in the cooperative warehouse at Rocky Mount.

Mr. Harding Appeals to Force
Abandoning all efforts to effect a peaceful settlement of the coal strike, Mr. Harding now makes his appeal to force.

The operators are instructed by the President to reopen their mines. The Governors of the various states concerned are advised by the President to use the militia, if necessary, to protect the property of the operators and give security to the non-union employees who are hired to take the places of the strikers. The corollary is that if the governors fail to provide the protection that the President suggests, Federal troops will be employed.

The President, of course, has no authority over the coal-operators.

AS TEDDY JR SEES IT

Editor's Note: The recent triumph of progressive Republican candidates in various states and upset of other Old Guard leaders brought forth the following comment from Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Navy, when approached by the Washington representative of this newspaper:



I AM delighted with Gifford Pachot's victory in Pennsylvania. It indicates a general trend toward progressive ideals. In this connection, however, it is necessary to bear in mind that since 1912 lines are blurred considerably on progressive policies. For example, a very large part of the 1912 progressive platform has already become the law of the land. In this, woman suffrage is a specific incident.

Thomas Rowley



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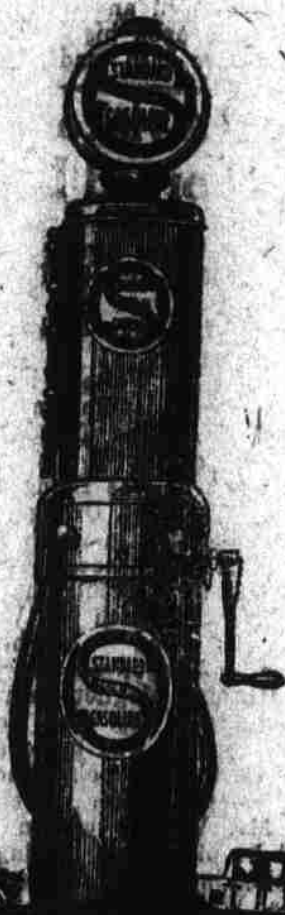
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They can reopen their mines or not as they please, and there is much that they will take into consideration beyond the Presidential mandate. Many of them will be influenced by local sentiment, particularly in the districts in which the unions are strong and their sympathizers numerous. They will also be influenced by labor conditions in their districts. A coal-operator who knows that there is no non-union labor to be hired is not likely to reopen his mines merely as a gesture of respect to Mr. Harding.

As for the Governors, they too will be subject to various influences. Neither their responsibility nor their power nor their discretion is increased or diminished by the advice of the President. Their obligation to protect life and property is neither greater nor less today than it was yesterday. Those who have not done so were either unwilling or were incapable, and are likely to remain unwilling or incapable.

The third recourse is the use of the military power of the United States to end the strike, and once embarked on that course Mr. Harding will be compelled to follow it through regardless of consequences. That is the grave danger of his plan, and we must assume that he has adopted it reluctantly with a full recognition of the gravity of the responsibility that he has incurred.

The chances are, however, that Mr. Harding now believes that he has brought the issue to a head and that the strike will be ended without the use of bayonets either by the Governors or by himself. The World hopes that he is right. In spite of the President's appeal to force there is still time for a settlement of all the issues involved. They must ultimately be settled around a table by peaceful methods, and an agreement will not be the more easily reached.

if blood has been shed in miniature civil war between soldiers and strikers.

The strongest weapon in Mr. Harding's arsenal has never been used. He has never made a clear statement of the facts in the case to the country and appealed to the moral sentiment of the country for support in a definite plan of settlement. He presented a programme but it carried no strong public conviction because the President restricted the issue to the operators and the strike leaders.

Whether he will succeed better in his new programme remains to be seen. Judgment must rest on events and not on conjecture.—New York World.

Raleigh News and Observer: When two cars crashed on the Fayetteville road late Sunday afternoon, Miss Patty Dorrett, of Simms, was pitched through the wind-shield of one of the cars and almost instantly killed. Miss Dorrett, who was only 15 years old, was visiting W. W. Burnett, who lives near Hollins chapel on the Fayetteville road.

Fayetteville, July 24.—The first battalion of the 116th field artillery, Florida National Guard and Battery D of the 115th field artillery, South Carolina Guard, arrived here this afternoon for two weeks training in the national guard camp at Camp Bragg, vacated Saturday by the 118th field artillery, Georgia National Guard.

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