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**COOPERATIVE MARKETING**

In this issue of The Robesonian will be found an advertisement of the North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative association which should be of interest to every business man as well as to every farmer, for, as the advertisement says, "solving the agricultural problem is everybody's business."

Cooperative marketing of cotton has been proved to be practical and a success. It is an altogether different proposition from cooperative marketing of tobacco. The North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative association has finished up its first 5-year contract. A brief history of this association is given in a little booklet issued by U. B. Blalock, general manager. This booklet is for free distribution to any farmer or any other business man who is interested in putting agriculture on an equal basis with other industries. Judging from the progress that has been made during the past five years, the cotton association seems to deserve the continued support of the cotton farmers of North Carolina.

Cooperative marketing seems to be the ideal way of handling the cotton crop. The only thing necessary to make it even a greater success than it has been is for enough farmers to join it to increase its power. If all cotton farmer, were in the association the farmers could plant cotton with pretty positive assurance that he would get a profitable price. In an article in the September issue of the Farm Journal of Philadelphia, U. S. Secretary of Agriculture W. M. Jardine says that "Success depends on the willingness of farmers to organize on a large scale and to adopt strong business policies. Producers must be willing to build from the ground up." Secretary Jardine in his article advocates creation of a federal farm board and a revolving fund to assist the farmer in the undertaking. The essential feature of the plan Mr. Jardine advocates is to take off the market for a time a certain amount of a commodity to prevent the price from falling to a ruinously low level.

"This plan," Mr. Jardine says, "would not put the government into the business of buying and selling farm products. It is in no sense a scheme of price-fixing. It would not interfere with the regular functioning of cooperative marketing organizations."

An effort was made last year to take off the market four million bales of cotton. If that could have been done last year during the dumping period it would have had a stabilizing effect upon the market and the producer of cotton no doubt would have enjoyed some of the 50 per cent or more advance in cotton during the past six months. The marketing association offers the best opportunity for the farmer to tie up with the forces that would help him avoid ruinous slumps in prices.

**CAN'T ALWAYS SOMETIMES TELL.**

Under the caption "Evidence of Strength", the Raleigh News and Observer rises to remark:

The steady progress and solidity of the financial institutions of North Carolina is evidenced in one substantial way by the architecture of the new banking buildings. The First National Bank of Wilson yesterday celebrated its fifty-fourth anniversary by opening its magnificent eight-story structure costing half a million dollars. It is an ornament to the prosperous and growing city of Wilson and an evidence of its own growth and service to the community and a large part of the most progressive section of Eastern North Carolina.

Nice things exactly like the above were said about the First National Bank of Fayetteville when it moved into its elegant new home less than two years ago. It was pointed out that this institution had had a long and useful career, was a bulwark of strength, and that it deserved to have this palatial home from which it could better serve a large and increasingly prosperous section, and more to the same effect.

The other day a man went into the

First National Bank of Fayetteville, deposited something over \$100, got a check cashed for \$35, and before he could get out the shades were drawn and doors closed. "Having a holiday?" inquired the patron of the bank. "No, bank closed", he was informed. Two minutes before that the bank had taken his deposit and he thought it was as safe there as it could possibly be anywhere on earth.

No, it is not always an evidence of half-million-dollar new home. Prudent people want "grounds more relative" than that. The character and standing of the men who officer a bank are better standards to judge by than elaborate temples erected to Mammon.

**MULES DELIVERED**

Well, they've gotten so they deliver mules sitting down, instead of under their own power. Saw a truck the other day with a large sign on it which gave the dealer's name and "Mules Delivered" in big letters. Been doing that a long time, no doubt; just never noticed it before. Man comes in and buys a mule and tells the dealer to deliver him at his home. That's no hardship on the mule nowadays. Mule takes his seat in a truck, or stands up if he feels so disposed, rars back and picks his teeth with not a thing on his mind but to enjoy the scenery and wonder what sort of home he's going to. Let gasoline do it. No tiresome journey on foot. Even the mules can enjoy and appreciate the delights of speeding over good roads in motor-driven vehicles.

**VALUE OF CHURCH**

The Robesonian already has received quite a number of articles submitted in its offer of prizes for the best papers on "The Value of a Church to a Community." It is a subject in which every intelligent person is interested. As will be seen from the standing announcement carried elsewhere in this issue, all articles must be submitted by September 15, and then they will be passed upon by impartial judges and the results announced as soon as the judges can grade the papers. The Robesonian expects to publish some interesting articles when the results of the contest are announced.

**THE PASSING SHOW**

(By M. Monte.)  
 Seven years ago or such matter, a couple of wild-eyed homos of the spaghetti and garlic mastigating breed were convicted in due course of murdering an inoffensive paymaster. After appealing to everybody from President Coolidge to Recorder Korngay, they were bumped off the other day. Immediately other wild-eyed hombraes began celebrating by blowing up a subway in New York, a church in Philadelphia, and engaging in other playful gymnastics. All of which proves that even anarchists have fool friends. This was in classic Boston.

The gentleman who was president of Chili when the last cable was read on Doctor Shaw's window, knows a thing or two about handling these spaghettiies. He loaded up a shipload and dispatched it to San Fernandez island, which comes within about five hundred miles of being adjacent to anything, where they were duly and expeditiously dumped.

This Chili man told them that if they used as much energy in setting up their own government there as they did disturbing his rest in Chili, things should move on scrumptiously. Also he suggested that a few more boat loads would follow. That Chili senior has more humor than Will

**IT IS THE TALK OF THE TOWN--**

**OUR NEW**

**BUTTER-KISS-WICH SANDWICH TOASTER—OUR SANDWICHES ARE THE MOST DELICIOUS YOU HAVE EVER EATEN—FRESH—CRISP—TASTY—HOT—ALL KINDS ALL THE TIME.**

**Just The Thing For Parties—Each Sandwich Wrapped Individually—and Hot—When You Want Them—Let Us Help You With Your Next One.**

**HEDGPETH'S PHARMACY**  
 Hotel Lorraine Bldg. Lumberton, N. C.

Rogers, which is quite a bit.

While the county is making gestures that sound about as much like efficiency as that new V. & C. S. whistle, appointment of someone to dust mosquitoes off the cannon should not be overlooked.

A Charlotte paper announced the other day that extra police had been added to the force account of the Adventist convention. Some folks can be funny without half trying. A religious convention strikes one as about the last occasion for increasing the police. However, you never can tell, and we may call out the National Guard for the next Sunday school picnic.

It is becoming quite a parlous occupation—or is it les majeste, to use so vulgar an appellation as occupation in this connection—this of being an attorney and counsellor at, and so forth? One for embezzlement, one for assault and battery, and still another for perjury in this grand old Commonwealth within a short period. Nice time there would have been of it with these gentlemen trying to keep some other guy out of trouble. As illogical as for a medico to allow himself get sick.

Note in the fashion sheet: "Ladies will wear bouquets of valley lilies and rosebuds on their ankles." Gosh! Talk about painting the lily, or carrying coals to Newcastle!

Iron Station—maybe you haven't heard of the place—that doesn't matter greatly as few folks have, but anyway they are headed for prominence. A feminine curist is turning things upside down curing everybody thereabouts of everything. She cannot chase creeping paralysis or even just a plain "misery" without holding on to an apple limb with one hand while rubbing the patient with the other. Quite cute, this holding on the apple twig, since the fruit of that twig caused the human lipped a whole lot of trouble first and last, but if perchance the present misery has to do with the apple tree as a causus belli, as our friend Jule Caesar used to remark, then the nostrum of a certain Monsier Perry Davis will be more effective than holding to a twig.

Maybe you will note that we omit any rhyming at the top of this column. It is all because of our good friend Doctor Norment. All at once and without the beat of a drum he jumped into the middle of Colonel Harold Brown's "By the Way" album of song and just astonished the bunch with some, somewhat and sho' nuf, rhyming. We know when we are beat, and take our doll rags right along home.

**Rattlesnake Killed.**

A rattlesnake having 12 rattles and a button was killed Tuesday by Messrs. Luther and John McGirt, sons of Mr. A. D. McGirt, who live 3 miles from Maxton. The Messrs. McGirt ran over the reptile with a wagon carrying approximately 4,000 pounds of lumber, but the rattler did not die then nor even after they had thrown a 2 by 4 scantling on him. A truck belonging to the State highway commission came up, and a pitchfork was borrowed with which to corner the snake while he was killed with a shovel. The snake was 5 feet long and was 12 inches in circumference. It was skinned, and Mr. Luther McGirt stuffed the skin.

**NATIONAL MILL TEAM AND EAST LAURINBURG PLAY SAT.**

East Laurinburg will play a game of baseball with the National mill boys on the National mill grounds, Saturday, Sept. 3rd, at 4 p. m.

Mrs. B. G. Floyd and two children, Miss Helen and B. G. 2nd, are expected home Friday from Maiden, where for the last several weeks they have been visiting Mrs. Floyd's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Taylor.

**Some Things To Consider On Eve Of School Opening**

Supt. Crumpton Calls Attention of Parents to Some Matters They Should Think About Before Beginning of School Year.

In the following communication Supt. W. B. Crumpton calls attention to some matters of interest and concern to every patron of the Lumberton schools:

"Please let me call attention to a few things which the parents should think of before the beginning of the school year on Wednesday, September 7.

"While there is no definite requirement, I would certainly suggest that the children should be vaccinated for smallpox before the opening of school. "Where a person knows what grade his child is to attend this next year I would suggest the purchase of as

many second-hand books as he can get. Should you have books you desire to sell, if the child will notify the teacher the opening day I am sure they will do all in their power to help dispose of them.

**Enter First Day.**

"Make arrangements for your child to enter the opening day. This will serve as a great help in making room assignments. Should there be a definite teacher whom you would like for your child, please do not wait until the last minute to let me know. I do not know that I will be able to grant all such requests but will do so if I can. Do not take your child to any particular room on the day of opening as it will be confusing and may possibly cause some friction when I shall have to make a change to another room.

**Tuition Fees.**

"Should you live outside the school district bear in mind that there is a tuition fee to be paid before the child is entered. This fee should be paid to Mr. Russell at the city hall and the

receipt turned over to the teacher. In years gone by we have waited some little time for this receipt. This has caused a good deal of trouble and in some cases overlooked and not paid until almost the close of the session. We can not allow anyone to enter his or her child unless they have this receipt. I am following out the requirement as set forth by the school board in a meeting a year ago and have no intention and no right to change it. The tuition fees are as follows: Grammar and primary grades, \$12, high school, \$15. This is the fee for the entire session and is payable in advance.

**Home Study Necessary.**

"It is the earnest desire of the teachers to see that real benefit shall come to the children in attendance at school. No one can expect to do good work who is absent from their duties. No student can expect to advance as they should who does not do a certain amount of home study. Too many of our boys and girls are allowed to loaf on the streets at night and are not required to study at home.

This has hurt the record of the school and has, in some cases, been the cause of absolute failure by the student. If parents will see that their children do some home study and are not allowed to be away from home and loafing there would be fewer who fail of promotion at the close of the year. "Give the school teachers the best support you can by seeing that there is more done than just attending the school during the day, and the benefit to the boy and girl will be very evident.

**Visit the School.**

"Make your plans to visit the school and see just what is going on. Too many are willing to take things for granted. It would surprise you to know just what is taking place in the school. The methods used, the problems solved and the thoughts directed in the proper channels would be of great interest to many of us. Too many of us are proud of our schools and yet we could not tell just why. It will help you to come and see the work and know the teacher of your child."

**Rest Up Labor Day \$6**

Round Trip Ticket To Norfolk Or Richmond Sept. 2nd. From Lumberton

— Via —  
**Va. & C. S. R. R.**  
 and  
**A. C. L.**

Other Point: Proportional Final Limit Midnight Sept. 6th. Tickets And Information J. B. NORDAN, Ticket Agent V. & C. S. R. R. Phone 300W  
**ATLANTIC COAST LINE**

**Weinstein & Schaeman's**

**Big Money Saving Sale is still Going On**

**EVERY DAY FINDS MANY NEW BARGAIN SPECIALS ON DISPLAY—COME AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THESE PRICES—AND SAVE MONEY.**

**SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY**

**GINGHAM CLOTH 5¢ PER YARD**

**ONLY 5 YARDS TO A CUSTOMER THERE ARE MANY OTHER SUPER-SPECIALS. COME AND SEE**

**Weinstein & Schaeman**  
 LUMBERTON, N. C.

**TIES SOX HATS**

**OUR SNAPPY LINE OF MEN'S YOUNG MEN'S AND BOYS' FALL CLOTHING AND HABERDASHERY IS NOW ON DISPLAY**

Suits Of Beautiful Patterns and Weaves—In All The Popular Shades Of Blues, Greys and Browns—Cut In The Latest Fall and Winter Styles Any Size—and To Suit, Father and Son.

**We Are Sure These Suits Will Satisfy You In Every Way—They Are All Wool—and**

Show Excellent Workmanship. We Have Clothes For Every Student From The First Grade Thru' College. Let Us Fit You Up Fellows Before You Go Away.

**Ideal Cash Store**

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 Hotel Lorraine Bldg. Next To Hotel Barber Shop 4th Street  
 SHOES — SHIRTS — SUITS — TOP COATS

