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Senator Watson Gets Damag-Ing Evidence Against Georgia Negro Politician

REPUBLICANS WILL NOT **PUSH HIS CONFIRMATION**

Court Records In Atlanta Show That Negro Lawyer, Now Republican National Committeeman, Committed Fraud On One of His Creditors; Makes Virtual Confession

> The News and Observer Bureau, 603 District National Bank Bldg. By EDWARD E. BRITTON (By Special Leased Wire)

Washington, Sept. 20. - Senator Thomas E. Watson, of Georgia, makes the positive declaration that Henry Lincoln Johnson's nomination for Register of Deeds for the District of Columbia, will be rejected without any wrangle on the floor of the Senate and without any hard reelings on either side

in his possession, which he has already shown to Republican Senators, involv ing the negro langer and National Committeemen's moral turpitude, a specific case being described where Johnson is charged with having defrauded a client out of money after he had been charged with the of fense returned the money on July 28, 1921, a date subsequent to the time he was nominated.

Senator Watson's objection to John son's confirmation caused the matter to be held up. He says that he did ho raise the color question, but that Johnson did. Johnson injected the race is-Frank A. Linney and forcing the latter to surrender and apologize for the ernven submission to Johason's de James R. Young in Raleigh. mands secured a favorable report on the Tar Heel's nomination, and opened gone conclusion and cach land been apprised of what was to follow. Tar Heels Can't Save Him.

The negro lawyer and National com mitteemen is facing quite a different from this fund. fight from the one he expected to face, Although no Lincoln Johnson on the plea that South- favor. ern Democrats are opposing him bemight follow fawning-even these can nance Board, for final approval. Senator Watson said that after John-

son was nominated he wrote to Atlanta pears in the office of the clerk of the Court Record Shows Fraud

Senator Watson, "and that as attorney his own use the money which his tion in Los Angeles. releved client had intrusted to him for

another purpose. elient who had been wronged by Johnson brought the matter before the Superior court of Fulton county and a jury trying the issue of fact be the negro lawyer and the negro client, had returned a verdict in favor of the elient.

The verdict was nearly three years old at the time I took hold of the matter in the Senate.

"A rule absolute had been grante against Johnson by Judge Bell, and Johnson could have been put in jail under it at the very time he was mak ing so much trouble for the white Re

blieans last year. "It was about the first of July this year that I obtained possession of the moral turpitude and his robbery of his

negro chents. Johnson Returns The Money. "From time to time the appointment it Johnson by the President had been secled on the calcudar and at gone ever without action on the objection of first one Democratic Senator and then another. I began to fear that a recess would be taken before Johnon's case could be disposed of, and a apprehend that he might be given a recess appointment in which case it would be very difficult to get rid of him because he would have possession of the office; therefore, after having explained my intentions to several of my Democratic colleagues, I went to some of the leading Republican Senators and proposed to show him the papers in my desk, this was done, and a subcommittee was appointed to examine the evidence. Immediately afterwards C. P. Goree, of Atlanta, acting for Johnson, refunded the money which Johnson had virtually stolen from his negro client. This was done on July 28 and I will repeat that the regtitution of the embezzled money took place after I had delivered the papers to the Republican Senators. In other words, Johnson confessed his guilt by return-

his client the money which he had fortunily stoleft. In conclusion, Senator Watson pertinently and pointedly says:

silvisted they would demand the resig-

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Ku Klux Klan Activities May Be Probed By Government

Department of Justice Considering Question-of Federal Ac-tion, Attorney General Daugherty Announces; Conference With Director William J. Burns Today To Decide On What Action To Take.

Washington, Sept. 20 .- The Depart- in the Ku Klux question had been ment of Justice is considering whether reached.

Federal action shall be taken in connection with the activities of the Ku Daugherty said would probably be under

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tomorrow with Director Burns of the he explained, the literature of the Ku Bureau of Investigation who has been Klux K as was not in violation of the directed to look into the question, and law. if the facts warranted would seek a grand jury investigation of the Ku plained, was what went on behind the Klux Klan in some district and urge scenes; "the wink and the nod that indictment against any members where turns the trick."

justified. The Attorney General discussed the is ret to be run or intimidated by any matter today with District Attorney man or organization behind a mask-Hayward of New York and several of the assistant attorneys general, but said he added would be given the most care that no conclusion as to whether the ful consideration before any Federal Federal government should take part policy was decided upon

Klux Klan, Attorney General Daugh some statute covering conspiracy but the legal problem involved, he added orty said today. the legal problem involved, he added Mr. Daugherty said he would confer was somewhat complex. On its face

What was to be determined, he ex-The government, Mr. Daugherty snid,

Refreshing Rain Ushers In Second Annual Martin Fair

OANS AVAILABLE HORSE RACES FEATURE

nance Board Adopts Plans For Lending

Plans for making North Carolina's hare of the Wars Finance Board's billion dollar agricultural loan fund available to the farmers of the State were formusue by opposing the confirmation of lated at the initial session of the Board's State committee here yesterday, and attitude le had assumed for white farmers desiring to borrow money can supremacy in the State of North Caro- do so at their local banks. Application lina. There is no doubt that Linney's blanks can be secured from Charman

Use of the money is restricted to the for Johnson's nomination growing, harvesting, preparing for marwhich soon followed. Everybody now ket, and marketing of crops, or for raissees that the so called love feast be ing and marketing live stock. None of tween Linney and Johason was a fore- it may be used for any permanent improvement, and interest will be charged mit the rate of 6 per cent. The usual conditions upon which money is bor rowed from banks govern leans made

Although no fixed amount has been for he thought those who oppose his fixed to any State, North Carolina can confirmation would base their object borrow up to \$40,000,000 for cultivating the fair grounds commenced. The on the grave of the unknown soldier tofis to him on the ground that ha is and marketing its crops. Loans are negro and, therefore, offensive to the usually made for six months, but may and out on its extension to the fair similar nature will be held throughout Southern people, but no such question be extended to one year, or if circum has been raised against him, accord stances and collateral justify, carried ing to Senator Watson. Neither Linney for two years. Loans for this length nor any of his crowd can save Henry of time are looked upon with some dis-

Under the plan of operation, any cause he is a negro, for the charges, as farmer having crops on hand and desipresented by Senator Watson, are of ing to hold them, or in need of morey such a grave character that even the with which to finance the cultivation of a hundreds of school children from Mar-Tar Heel Republicans, who fondly and crop, may make application through tin and adjoining counties. This first affectionately took Johnson to their his bank for credit. The application is bosoms in order to compose their dif- passed on to the State committee for ferences on the race issue that thrift approval, and thence to the War Finot help the negro lawyer this time, money is then placed in the local bank to the credit of the applicant. James R. Young, former State In-

and get his record, "in so far as ap surance Commissioner, was named chairman of the State committee vesterday, and will be in direct charge of its Charles E. Taylor, resident "The document sent to me proved of the Wilmington Savings and frust that Johnson had committed a fraud Co., S F. Austin, of Nashville, Dr. B. W. on one of his colored creditors in a Kilgore and J. Elwood Cox are members real estate transaction," continued of the committee. Mr. Cox was absent vesterday, having left a week ago to for a negro client, he had appropriated attend the American Bankers conven

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COURT INVESTIGATION

New York, Sept. 20 .- The Knights of olumbus are ready for investigation ov any lawfully constituted authority Supreme Secretary William J. McGinley declared today in a statement deal ing with adoption yesterday by the city ouncil of Atlanta, Ga., of resolutions calling on newspapers investigating alleged un-American institutions to in clude the Knights of Columbus.

"Any man" said Mr. McGinley, "who states that the Knights of Columbus is unpatriotic and un-American must have and other States for the four days of been emulating Rip Van Winkle during the war. To base a demand for invest? sincuments which established Johnson's gation on the bogus outh attributed to the Knights of Columbus indicates the intelligence of the men voting for it."

INVESTIGATING SOURCE OF ARBUCKLE'S LIQUOR

San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 20 .- Seven vitnesses were questioned today by the Federal grand jury in an attempt to learn the source of the liquor consumed at the affair in Roscoe ("Fatty" Arbuckle's hotel suite here from which resulted the death of Miss Virginia Rappe and Arbuckle's arrest on a charge of murder.

"No indictments will be returned until all of the Federal department co-operating in the case have complet ed their several investigations," nounced Robert H. McCormick, assis tant United States attorney general. The investigation will be resumed by the grand jury Friday, he said.

LLOYD GEORGE DELAYS REPLY TO DE VALERA

London, Sept, 20 .- (By the Associated Press).—Premier Lloyd George's reply to Eamona de Valera will probably be delayed until after a conference with the Ministers at Gairloch, Thursday, and it seems certain that there will be no Irish peace conference at Inverness, for according to the latest reports, the Premier has decided to return to London at the end of the week

Thousands From All Over Eastern North Carolina Attend Williamston Event

ATTRACTIONS AT FAIR State Committee of War Fi- Exhibits of Great Variety From Home, Field and Farm Shown

To Advantage

Williamston, Sept. 20 .- After a refreshing rain, bringing with it the first fair of the Martin County Fair Association opened at noon today. Thousands lings of women's organizations and cereby Secretary R. M. Jackson and his

Truly it has been said that the grounds of the Martin County Fair Association are the most attractive in the State and, if possible the attractiveness has been increased this season. Promptly at 11:30 o'clock Chief Marthe fair grounds commenced. The

Opens With Big Parade.

President James G. Staton with the other officials headed the parade, attended by the marshals, bands, citizens in guily decorated automobiles and day was children day, and each child under 15 years was given a free en-The trance to the fair. Chief Marshal D. S. Anderson se

ected the following to attend him: Roy Hampton, Plymouth; Lloyd Horton, Plymouth; Herman Carrow and Herbert Bonner, Washington: Jack Reddick and Allison Dowell, Scotland Neck; R. W. Salabury, Hassell; T. B. Slade, Jr., Hamilton; Robert Everett, Palmyra; B. M. Wormsley and W. O. Council, Onk City; Garland Barnhill Everetts; Herbert Lilley, Jamesville; Sance Bunting, Bethel; Mabry Hart and Don Gilliam, Tarboro; Lewis G. Cooper, D. M. Clark and Madison Mc Gewan, Greenville; Dan Parker, Rob-Dr. Leggett, Hobgood; Wheeler Martin, B. D. Critcher, W. K. Parker, Dr. J. D. Biggs, H. A. Biggs, E. S. Peel, J. S. Peel, Wig Watts, C. D. Carstarphen, J. W. Hunter, C. A. Harrison, of Williamston.

Horse Races a Feature.

At noon came the formal opening, followed by a band concert, and every attraction on the grounds was thrown open for the delight of the people. Many free attractitons were to be seen, and there were on this first day 22 being among the fastest horses in this prizes offered by the association. Looking over the exhibits, one finds years.

here the prize of Martin county's production in field, garden, poultry yard STATESVILLE LUMBER and stock pen. Despite the extremely dry weather throughout the season, the exhibits are excellent, that of County Demonstrator J. L. Holliday being espeounty are doing in perfecting the

sfandard breeds. Women Have Fine Exhibit.

things which only the hand of woman largely in excess of last year, and gave evidence of the progressiveness of Martin county housewives. The West Bright Light Shews fur-

the midway is longer and more attractive than last year. A most noticeable improvement in exhibits is that of stock, which evidences the fact that the farmers are paying more and better attention to improvement of both cattle and hogs.

As an exponent of Martin's advance in

agricultural pursuits, the fair is great

and representative. Wednesday will be farmera, day, Thurnday everybody's day and Friday colored children's day. New features each day will draw the crowds, which promise to be record-breakers. Two nights during the week there will be magnificent display of fireworks, if his health is sufficiently restored. which can be seen for miles around.

President To Head Solemn President Harding Will Trans-Ceremonial To Be Observed From Coast To Coast

CENTRAL CEREMONY TO BE HELD AT ARLINGTON

First Meeting of Disarmament Conference To Be Confined To Briefest of Formalities. Leaving Delegates Free To Join In Solemn Observance of Peace Anniversary

Washington, Sept. 20 .- A solomn cereionial to voice at once the nation's gratitude to the soldier dead and its hope of deliverance from the burden of heavy armaments will be observed from coast to coast on Armistice Day under the leadership of President Harding and officials of his administration.

In honor of the occasion, the first meeting of the disarmament conference called for that day, is to be confined to the briefest of formalities, leaving the delegates of all the participating nations free to join with the President in the central ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery. On the next day, November 12, the real work of the conference will begin.

Nation-Wide Demonstration Plans for the two-fold observance

have not yet taken detailed form, but they are expected to include a nationwide demonstration for the limitation breath of autumn, the second annual of armament by organized labor, prayer services in many churches, special meetfrom all over the county and those ad. monies of various forms by civic, injoining thronged the streets early in dustrial and political bodies generally the day, later entering the gates to It is probable that presidential proenjoy the attractions prepared for them clamation will set the day aside as a national holiday.

It is the present purpose of the ad ministration to ask that the armament conference, called to meet here on Armistice day, do no more than assemble and the adjourn out of deference to the day's significance. Mem bers of the foreign delegations may Promptly at 11:30 o'clock Chief Mar-shal Oscar S. Anderson assembled his incounted assistants, and the parade to dent will make the principal address the fair grounds commenced. The the country while the wheels of government and of Industry are quieted.

Plan Devised by President By such an observance, officials are said to believe they can preclude the possiblity that the tribute to the soldier dead will be overshadowed in the public mind by the meeting of the unmistakable terms the sentiments for armament reduction. The plan is said to have been delivered by the Presitributes to those who gave their lives in the world war might well be mingled with a prayer for algaer international understanding.

In his Arlington address Mr. Hard ing is expected to touch on this conviction, although any definite declaration of the purposes and hopes of the armament negotiations will be reserved for the following day when he will officially welcome the delegates to the United States and set in motion the machinery

WEALTHY MAN BURIED IN PLAIN PINE COFFIN

Wilmington, Sept. 20 .- In accordance with his wishes, Dr. D. W. Alderman, of Alcolu, S. C., reputed to be one of the wealthiest men in that see tion of the State, who died last Friday, was buried at Wells Chapel, in Dublin county, Sunday afternoon, a plain pine box, unpainted and without ornamentation of any kind, according to a letter received from the dead entries for the races, the contestants man's son by S. F. Highsmith, deputy collector of customs in this city. The box was made from lumber sawed at the fair. There have been entered 80 the mill of the deceased and was built horses to contest for the handsome by a carpenter who had been in the employment of Dr. Alderman for 30

MAN DIES FROM WOUNDS

Statesville, Sept. 20,-Robert Dish man, 46, prominent farmer and lumber cially fine. A large assortment of man, who was mortally wounded Sunpoultry shows what the raisers of the day night by Beb Benson, negro, folday night by Beb Benson, negro, fol. and for admission of newspaper represent trucks and wagons lived both side-lowing a collision on the Chipley Ford sentatives to meet ugs of the full con- of the streets, with many more period Road, six miles from here, in which ference, Benson's buggy was partly demolished The woman's building was stocked by Dishman's automobile, died at 1:40 with final action on the Townsend was crowded with ungons, and the with flowers, fancy work and other o'clock this morning without regaining Dowell Federal aid bills expected next stables built for the accommodation of Mr. Dshman's skull was can fashion. These exhibits were fractured by a heavy stek or other been engaged day and night in searching for the missing negro. Cloodhounds have been brought into action alshed the amusement for the fair, and but without result.

NEW MEXICO ELECTION

FOR SENATOR IS CLOSE Albuquerque, N. M., Sept. 20,-Returns received by the Albuquerque Morning Journal up to 9 o'clock to night from the Senatorial election held today, indicate that the South ern part of the State is showing unusual strength for Richard H. Hanna, Democrat, and Republican majorities are being cut down while in the northern counties Senator H. O. Bursum, Republican, is strong. Indications are that the result will be close.

mit Treaties To Senate For Immediate Action

TAX REVISION BILL TO TAKE THE FIRST PLACE

Anti-Beer Measure and Railroad Debt Funding Bill Among Those Having Priority Place On Legislative Program; House Will Transact No Business Until Oct. 4.

Washington, Sept. 20 .- Congress will reassemble tomorrow noon, after recess since August 24, with a full program for the remainder of the extra session which may lapse into the regular December session.

Activity at first is to center in the Senate, which will consider the tax re vision bill, the peace treaties with Germany, Austria and Hungary; the anti-beer, railroad debt funding, the Raleigh market during the opening allied debt refunding, and other bills. The treaties are to be transmitted by by warehousemen and tobaccouists at President Harding tomorrow and are 20 cents a pound. A large percentage to be pressed at once.

The House will reconvene under, a gentlemen's agreement to transact virtually no business until October 4. Comparatively few representatives were in Washington tonight and the leaders were not expected until next month. The bill to reapportion the House membership is slated to be taken up when the House begins work. To Present Peace Treaties

Presentation to the Senate of the peace treaties and the revenue bill vere expected to be the principal tomorrow, although leaders onight indicated a possibility that the sessions tomorrow might be perfunctory and business put over one day. Death of House members during the recess, it was said, might, out of respect, cause an immediate adjournment of both Senate and House. Vice President Coolidge was here

tonight ready to open the Senate, but the House will be presided over by ably slightly improved. As there is a Representative Walsh, Republican, demand for the lower grades, the Massachusetts, in the absence of Speaker Gillett, who will not return figures for the better tobaccos and conbefore October. The House agreement provides for three-day recesses until farmers. Ostober 4-

To Arrange Legislative Program A definite legislative program for the rest of the session is to be arranged soon by Republican steering committee, whose members will confer with President Harding. The tax bill is to have Senste precedence, according to present plans, although debate on it is not expected to begin until next \$45, and some piles \$50 per hundred. week.

In view, however, of the administration's desire to press the peace treaties, it was said by leaders tonight that the sold at prices highly satisfactory to tax bill and the treaties might be conconference and at the same time give siderel virtually simultaneously by than expected in view of the showing asing the treaties during debate on the tax bill. leaders, it is understood intend to have the treaty debate, after action by the dent himself because he felt that the foreign relations committee, in executive session but efforts to open the doors are planned by Democrats and by some Republicans.

The arti-beer bill also is to be pressed at once, according to Senator Sterling, Republican, South Dakota, who is in charge of it. As the conference report was adopted by the House just before the recess, the bill has parliamentary priority in the Senate, even over the tax bill or the treaties-

No Tariff Bill Before Spring. After disposal of the tax bill the Senate finance committee is to resume work on the suspended tariff revision measure, but with little prospect of final enactment before early Spring.

The railroad debt funding bill to be urged at the first opportunity in the Senate, according to Republican leaders, It passed the House just be fore the recess.

On October 10, under a formal agreement entered into last month, the Sen ate will vote on the Borch bill to restore to American coastwise vessels free tolls privileges in the Payama Canal. Passage of the bull is predicted by several, but the House is not exarmament conference -Much Senate and some House discus-

ment conference is in prospect. Senators are to renew the movement for fore all of the trucks and wagons ocrat, Mississippi, author of the Copen and placed on the floors. session" resolution which Senator A person journeying out South Blount Lodge caused to be withdrawn has pre-

month

Several investigations are to be conweapon. Officers and ctizens have timued and some concluded. Among the to trees, telephone poles and wagons latter are inquiries into the West Virginia cool mining situation and the Michigan Senatorial election contest between Senator Newberry, Republican, and Henry Ford, Democrat. The joint congressional committee in

restigating agricultural relief is to continue hearings in October

LLOYD GEORGE NOT TO

Press. 1-it has disarament and Pacific problems, in days being nothing unusual to them, tabulated at a late hour this after-view of impending developments in Merchants and local citizens of other noon, and the average cannot be given domestic politics, it was learned this ! afternoon,

GOOD OUTLOOK FOR TOBACCO MARKETS IN THE PIEDMONT

ELIZABETH CITY YOUTH DIES FROM INJURIES IN

PRACTICING FOR FOOTBALL Elizabeth City, Sept. 20 .- William Prichard, 16, only son of Mrs. Jennie Prichard of this city, died at his home here at 5:30 o'clock this marning from injuries received in practice with the local high school, football squad late yesterday. Prichard's neck was dislocated and the respiratory center paralyzed.

LOCAL MARKET HAS GOOD OPENING

Tobacco Is Sold In Raleigh For First Time In Fifteen Years

Approximately 125,000 pounds of the golden weed was sold on the new sales yesterday at an average estimated of the offerings consisted of trash lugs and nondescript leaf and pulled down the price average considerably. However, the better grades of the weed sold at figures far above last year and even better than tobacconists and ware housemen had expected.

An air of satisfaction was noted among warehousemen and business men following the first sales yesterday, and all agreed that the Raleigh market got an auspicious start, with all indications pointing to a successful season. Farmers generally were highly pleased with the prices, and appreciative of the welcome and courtesies extended them by local business men. The opening of the market was attended by a crowd that almost filled the big warehouse.

Prices for the common grades were about the same as last year, or prob sequently unsatisfactory

The weed yesterday sold about as follows: Nondescript or trashy and "blue"

tobaccos, \$3 to \$6 per hundred pounds. Trash luga, \$6 to \$10 per hundred. Sand lugs, \$10 to 29 per hundred. Bright lugs, according to grades, \$20 to \$55 per hundred. Cutters, acording to grades, \$30

Wrappers, according to grades, \$45 up to \$80 per hunded. Bright lugs, cutters and wrappers

Republican Carolina, Bright lugs and cutters were in evidence in fair quantity, but there were comparatively few piles of wrappers on the floors. One pile of over 300 pounds of wrappers sold for \$60 per hundred. Several fancy piles brought fancy prices. The offerings consisted of first and second curings and the lower grades predominated. The effect of the drought in this section was "blue" tobacco, which seen in much was burned before it matured and cured a bluish green color.

Light sales are expected for the next week or ten days. The dry weather is unfavorable to heavy marketing, and a damp atmosphere is accessary to put the tobacco in good order before much of it can come to market.

Tobacco marketed here yesterdacame from all parts of this section, and the bulk from Wake county, however. Farmers brought tobarco from Nash, LOWER GRADES PREDOMINATE Wilson, Durham, Chatham, Franklin Granville and Johnston countries:

Large Crowds Gathers.

Long before the time for the open ing sale in the Raleigh Warehouse a large crowd had gathered, mostly farm ers and visitors from the county sections and points in the eastern part of the State. Monday afternoon and night nearly fifty wagons and tracks loaded with the golden weed came in and carly sions of questions involved in the armas coming reductes continued until shortly and Santer Barrison. Dem had been unleaded, the tobucco weighed

pared a modified conduction. The sub-directions as to the location of the stitute would disclore against conser- two warehouses. From the Smithfield half million pounds ship of the conference for public street intersection south a block herecords of proceedings and decisions, vond the hig warehouses automobiles m the two side streets nearby Good roads legislation is in confirence Litching for between the tap building-

the farmers' horses and mules were taxed to especify, with many hitched There were over three hundred vehicles AVERAGE OF 20 CENTS. of all kinds gathered in the vicinity of the warehouses.

thousand persons, farmers, tobaccon ton tebacco market. ATTEND CONFERENCE of the soil were interested in what the local buyers being present. The London, Sept. 10 By the Associated in the form of cash, while the natural estimate furnished by one of the local on definitely decided farcination of the market drew busi warehousemen, about 29,000 pounds of that neither Mr. Lloyd George, the ness and professional men and others prime minister, nor Lord Curzon, the to the warehouses. The tobacco all of the warehouses. The average secretary for foreign affairs will at men took the situation as a mat price was also estimated at about 20 tend the Washington conference on ter of course, big crowds on opening cents.

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Generally Light Offerings On Opening Day of Sales With Prices Averaging Around Twenty Cents

LARGE CROWDS ATTEND TO STUDY THE MARKET AND WATCH THE SALES

Fuquay Springs Tops Piedmont Markets With Average of 30 Cents While Winston-Salem Leads In Quantity With 350,000 Pounds; Raleigh Opens Market For First Time In 15 Years With Of. ferings of 125,000 Pounds at An Average of 20 Cents; General Average at All Markets of Around 20 Cents; Prices Expected To Improve

Piedmont tobacco markets opened yesterday with generally light offerings, The prices averaged around 20 cents, which on the whole was considered quite satisfactory and especially pleasing because it was better than the opening prices for last year.

The outlook for the Pledmont markets is considered distinctly entimistic and the large crowds attending the openings of the different markets are described as having been greatly pleased with business conditions as reflected in the sales.

Fuquay Springs seems to have topped the markets in the Piedmont with an average of 30 cents for a hundred thousand pounds, but this is explained with the better grades of tobacco offered. Other markets reporting smaller aver! ages expect to improve as better grades are offered.

The Raleigh market got into action yesterday in fine style with offerings of 125,000 pounds averaging around 20 This is the first time Raleigh has had a tobacco market in 15 years and the heavy offerings give promise of a fine season.

Henderson had a 100,000 pounds at 20 cents a pound and the crowds in the Vance capital were just as enthusiastic as were the crowds in the State capital. Oxford reported sales of 73,000

pounds though the common and intermediate grades were said to have predominated and the average was not given. Oxford, expects a falling off from its record of six million pounds last year owing to the shorter erop. Between four and fiva million pounds is looked for this year.

Winston Salem, the biggest tobacco center in the Piedmont, reported sales of 359,000 pounds at an average of 25 cents, and with prospects for the future much brighter than had been hoped for.

Louisburg reported sales of 30,000 pounds at an average of Mebane reported 17,000 pounds at an average of 13 cents. The lower averages of these towns is probably explained by the lower grades of tobacco offered. With approximately 200,000 pounds of tobacco on the floors of its four

warehouses, Durham reported an aver-

age of 24 cents with much sorry

objacco in evidence. Big crowds came

to see and hear, and there was a dis-

tinct feeling of optimism comparing with two years ago, when the hopes of the tobacco farmers reached its topmost round. Sanford got into action with 75,000 pounds at an average of a little better

than 23 cents, which was considered especially good. Eurlington reported sales of 20,000

pounds at an average of 20 cents with big crowds on hand to watch the sales.

AT THE OXFORD OPENING

Oxford, Sept. 20 .- The Oxford tobac co market opened today. The sales were attended by an unusually large number of farmers, probably 2,000, as well as merchants, bankers and professional men from every section of Granville and admining counties. There was about 7.1,000 pounds on the sale, the common and intermediate grades predominating with only a small quantity of the better grades. As the season before ten o'clock. It was nearly II be advances the prices will be much higher is the prevailing opinion but they erop in Granville is very stort on account of the severe drought and those well informed predict that the Oxford mark t will sell not over six and a half million pounds this year against

LUISBURG OPENS WITH

30,000 POUNDS OFFERED Louisburg, Sept. 20 .- The Louisburg opened today with 30, 1000 pounds of the weed offered for sale. The graden were poor. The average was around 15 cents. Prices considerably shead of last year. There was a large growd present.

F. AT BURLINGTON OPENING Burlington, Sept. 20 .- Several hun-At 10 o'clock - the time set for the dred farmers of Alamance and adjoinopening—the juterior of the two ware | ing counties gathered here this morning houses were crowden by well over two to witness the opening of the Burlingists, business and professional men, at 10 o'clock and continued until the with a fair sprinkling of ladies, all middle of the afternoon, all four of the eager for the sale to begin. The tillers warehouses conducting sales and all of their offerings were going to not them bidding was lively. According to an tobacco were sold during th The total sales had not been

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