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EUROPEAN GRAPE OFFERS PROFIT TO THE SANDHILLS

Seaboard Railway Takes Active Lead In Experiments With The California Grapes Which Have Been Grown Successfully In The Sandhills

TODAY

AMERICAN BUSINESS INCREASES

LABOR SAYS 50-50.

OVER THE SAHARA SAND

WHAT MAN CAN DO.

By ARTHUR BRISBANE

If you know HOW you can do business anywhere. Sears-Roebuck, under its new president, General Wood, plans stores all over this country and in foreign countries, with constant expansion.

The Woolworth stores, growing amazingly, now have eighteen stores in Germany, called 25 and 50 pfening stores, the equivalent of 5 and 10 cents.

American business understands its business. And when it deals in foreign countries, thus keeping everybody happy while making profits.

On Saturday the executive committee of the American Federation of Labor will meet at Atlantic City and decide, probably, not to take sides in the national campaign.

Both national candidates are all right, says Labor.

This is sensible. Labor, race and religion should be kept out of politics. Besides, organized labor cannot deliver its men, and does not help itself by a declaration with no result. Mr. Green, head of the federation, is a wise American.

Miss Katherine Locke, of Youngstown, Ohio, travelled miles and miles over the sand of Sahara thinking the sun would bring back her voice that she lost. IT DID.

She visited the Goul of Marakesh, if you know who he is, in a dwelling 3000 years old in the Atlas Mountains. The Goul probably knows as little about us as we know about him.

More interesting to many Americans, Miss Locke saw at Timbuktu, pens where American slavers once brought slaves from native chiefs.

Young men, playing jazz music in night clubs now, would be amazed to see these pens where their ancestors once stopped on the way to America. They would bless the slave traders that brought the ancestors here. We never know what is for our good.

John Henry Mears and Charles B. D. Collyer have beaten the "Around the world record" by several days. They finished their journey, at Miller Field, Staten Island, in twenty-three days.

When Jules Verne wrote his book "Around the World in Eighty Days", he could never be done. Now it is done, in twenty-three days. And, in years to come, it will be done in twenty-four hours.

Man is a very able creature, a real credit to his Maker. What he can IMAGINE, he can DO.

Ellen Terry after eighty years of happy, successful life, told her friends, they must not put on mourning, but wear gay colors, and rejoice in her long life, with rest at the end.

She was a sensible woman, but mourning is more than honor paid to the dead. It affords relief to those that survive. The widow of India, if permitted, would be burned alive with her husband's body.

Savage widows cut and otherwise mutilate themselves to express grief. To many civilized women, a long black veil makes sorrow easier to bear.

Mr. Hoover, kindly, but firmly, says "I shall kiss no baby for publication." That is wise, and kind to the babies.

No intelligent mother allows ANYBODY to kiss her baby. All adults carry in their mouths disease germs, harmless to the carriers, but dangerous to the infant in whom the protecting white corpuscles are undeveloped.

Mr. Hoover did, however, hold the baby while its older brother took a photograph. He likes babies.

S. S. CONVENTION AT CHATHAM CHURCH

The Oakland township Interdenominational S. S. convention will be held at Chatham church, Sunday night, at 8 o'clock. The Asbury male quartet will sing. Mr. T. E. Beal will speak on "The Christian's Duty Toward the Sunday School." Prof. H. G. Self will speak on the "Elements of S. S. Success."

Prof. W. R. Thompson will speak on the Sunday School Teacher. All the Sunday school people from every Sunday school in the township are urged to attend.

Advices have been received from the office of J. N. McBride, general agricultural agent, Seaboard Air Line Railway, at Savannah, Ga., that the development department of that railroad will inaugurate in the late summer an extensive campaign throughout the Carolina Sandhills in the interest of grape growing. Fred P. Abbot, development agent, with offices at Hamlet, is interested in the grape campaign and it is understood that this campaign is the result of experimental work in grapes that the Seaboard has been quietly conducting for the past several years.

A few years ago it came to the attention of the Seaboard that European grapes were not cultivated on a commercial scale anywhere in the United States except in California. In fact, the industry is so firmly established in that state that in the United States the common name applied to the ciniferous or European grape is "the California grape."

Upon endeavoring to determine the reason for confining the European grape industry within the state of California, it appeared to be the general consensus of opinion that soil and climatic conditions prevented the culture of this crop in other states of the Union. Such an explanation did not appear plausible and representatives of the development department conducted an exhaustive study of the European grape industry, determining the requirements of this crop.

Dr. George C. Hussman, viti-culturist of the United States department of agriculture, became interested in the efforts of the Seaboard to prove or disprove their belief that European grapes could be successfully cultivated in the Sandhills of the Carolinas. Dr. Hussman secured indirectly from Europe a number of vines of a great many varieties and these, together with a number of American or domestic varieties of grapes, were planted at McBee, S. C., in the spring of 1923. The test planting was made in cooperation with D. L. McCoy, one of the leading farmers, and business men of the McBee section.

A Test Vineyard
The results of the test vineyard have been watched very closely. Some of the vines bore fruit in 1924 and all the vines produced fruit in 1925 and '26. The results gained in this work have astounded all those who are intimately acquainted with the grape industry and have proved beyond a doubt that European grapes can be successfully produced in the Sandhills on large commercial scale. A great future for these grapes in this section is predicted by those who are well informed in the industry of grape culture. The vines are even more prolific than in California, while the size of the berries and bunches, together with the flavor and quality, are said to surpass the all-around European grapes. With the eastern industrial centers being the largest consumptive markets for European grapes and taking into consideration the fact that the entire Sandhill territory is less than one third the distance to these markets as compared with the California grape-growing centers; one can readily visualize the possibilities the Sandhill territory holds for grapes culture.

Use Many Grapes
The six southeastern states, although large consumers of both European and domestic grapes, produce less than six-tenths of one per cent of the grapes grown and marketed annually in the United States. During the year of 1926, 77,585 cars of grapes were consumed in the United States, with California producing 63,539 cars or approximately 85 per cent of the total yield for the United States. The grape industry in the state of California alone amounts to a \$52,000,000 business annually. A representative of the development department of the Seaboard was sent into the larger markets of the northeast and middle west to investigate the marketing possibilities of Sandhill grown European grape. The results seem to indicate that such grapes would receive a hearty reception from the produce trade and consumers.

State Is Interested
The progress being made in the proposed development of European grapes as a potential, outstanding cash crop for the sandhill territory of the Carolinas gained still further momentum by a visit to the Seaboard vineyard, located on the farm of W. L. McCoy at McBee, S. C., by C. D. Matthews, chairman of the horticultural department of the state of North Carolina. Mr. Matthews, who has been in horticultural extension work for the past 12 years, was very favorably impressed with the work accomplished, and in a letter which he has addressed to J. N. McBride, general agricultural agent, Seaboard Air Line Railway, he has given a complete review of the results of his investigation, together with his opinion of the possibilities future commercial development of European grapes.

Tom (passionately): "The more I look at you, dear, the more beautiful you seem."

Anastasia (expectantly): "Yes?"

Tom (brutally): "I ought to look at you oftener."



Browns Chapel

Mr. G. C. Durham is spending a few days with her mother in law. Mr. O. T. Justice got a very painful hurt from a pitchfork's falling from a straw stack last week. A prong pierced his thigh for two inches, penetrating to the bone.

Little Maxine Justice while playing in the yard of her grandfather, C. N. Justice accidentally broke her arm just above the elbow.

A basket supper was given Mrs. J. T. Wright last Saturday evening by her children and friends.

Most of the members of the Sunday school attended a picnic at Lakewood Park, Durham. Also quite a number of former members now resident at Durham, Carrboro, and Raleigh joined us.

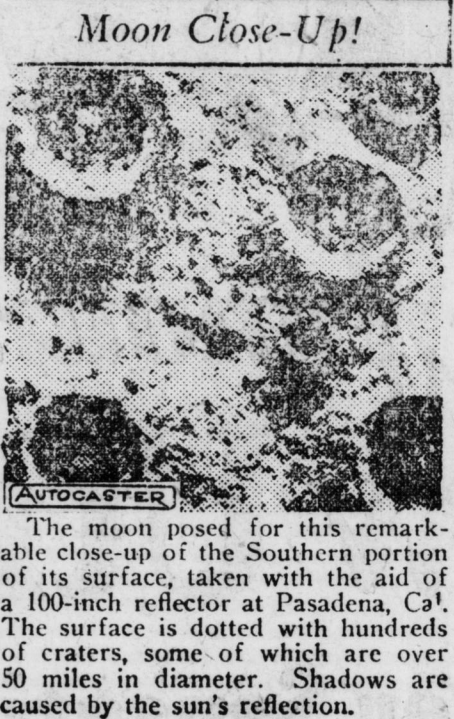
LINDLEY-ANDREWS

Miss Blanche Lindley of Alamance county, who will be remembered as a teacher in the Pittsboro school a few years ago, was quietly married to Mr. Harvey Andrews at her home last Saturday. The groom is a prosperous young farmer of Albright township.

Ten thousand pounds of alfalfa hay was secured by N. A. Beaver of Iredell county from the first two cuttings, on one and one-fourth acres of land.

"Nothing."
"And you?"
"I take after my father."

To Iron Soft Collars
Iron men's soft collars on a Turkish towel folded four times and the collar will be smoother and shine like new when finished.



Kimbalton News

Gus Webster went to hospital at Greensboro Monday and was operated on Thursday.

C. E. Russell and family of Greensboro are spending their vacation with Ernest Brewer.

Hickory Mountain team played Oakley team at Oakley Saturday. Their score was 6 to 16 in favor of Oakley.

The Winston-Salem Methodist Orphanage gave an interesting program at Sapling Ridge Sunday morning.

Elevator Man: "Billy, your face is dirty."
Billy: "What is it to you? You're not my pa."
E. M.: "No, but I'm bringing you up."

Dr. Frank Crane Says
The Best Conditions For Work
I suppose every writing man or any successful man is constantly in receipt of letters asking him about his personal habits. The correspondents all want to know under what conditions he does his work best. They even inquire as to what he eats and what kind of clothes he wears. One of these correspondents once wrote to Bill Nye, asking what clothes he wore and how he dressed. He answered, "In the morning I wear morning dress and in the evening I wear evening dress and at night I wear night dress."
About the best rule for doing your best work is to find those conditions that suit you best, wherein the brain functions most effectively. What these conditions are varies in the case of different people.
Elie Metchnikoff, the little Russian Jew who became one of the famous "microbe hunters" and discovered that in the human body are cells hostile to disease microbes, said he could always carry on his experiments best when pretty girls were close by. In your case, however, this kind of surroundings might have a disturbing effect.
Paul Ehrlich, another experimenter used to have the grindorgan musicians play dance music outside of the laboratory. He said that his best ideas came when he heard gay music like that.
Dickens always had to have the same kind of slips of paper, blue ink and a quill pen when he wrote.
Stephen Foster, an American song writer, composed his melodies in a silent room with heavy carpets and draperies.
Newspaper men, used to the ceaseless noise of typewriters, and the bustle of a copy room, sometimes find they can not work so well where all is quiet.
Mark Twain used to write his best stuff lying in bed wearing an old-fashioned night gown. Frank E. Stockton produced his famous "Rudder Grange," dictating it while he lay in a hammock and sipped lemonade.
Hazlitt, the essayist, spoke enthusiastically about the benefits of a brisk outdoor walk. Many other people cannot think while walking.
Schubert scratched off some of his best songs at odd moments. One of his famous pieces was jotted down on the back of the bill of fare of a beer garden as he waited for a friend.
So the best thing to do is to not try to imitate somebody else, but to find the time when your own thoughts flow with the greatest ease and then work hard.

Moncure News

Misses Catherine and Elizabeth Thomas, who have been visiting friends at Apex, returned home last Friday evening.

Mr. C. D. Orrell of Yamassee, S. C., was in town last Saturday. Mr. Orrell and daughter, Miss Barbara, who has been visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Watkins, spent last week-end at Wilmington, enjoying the ocean breeze.

Mrs. John Bell, who was operated on for appendicitis at Watt's hospital last Tuesday is getting on fine, we are glad to say. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Ailen Money of Haywood was rushed to the hospital at Raleigh, last Friday. As his appendix burst before operation, he is getting on as well as could be expected.

The following Girl Scouts under Mrs. J. V. Davenport, as leader left today, for Lakeview, where they have rented a cottage for a week: Misses Camelia and Ruth Stedman, Dorothy, Roberta, and Mary Helen Lambeth, Lois Ray, Lois and Beatrice Wilkie, Hettie Wombie, Margaret Strickland and Fay Sawyer. Misses Elizabeth Thomas and Frances Thompson also went with them. They are looking forward to a most pleasant time.

Rev. Offie Seymour preached two good sermons at the Baptist church yesterday. They have called him to preach for them.

Little Annie Mae Wilkie returned Saturday from a week's visit to her aunt Lillie Mae Wilkie, of Raleigh. Misses Wilkie, Bradley, Barnhill, Parker, and Beardim of Raleigh stopped over to see Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Wilkie Saturday afternoon en route to Southern Pines.

Mrs. E. C. Wilkie of Raleigh is visiting Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Wilkie this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Womble, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Womble, Mrs. Mary Barringer, Mrs. Ella Speed, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Womble and Mr. A. B. Clegg attended Home Coming Day at Cedar Grove Methodist church yesterday.

The people, who have worked for Highway Engineering Construction Co., and their families will move in two weeks to Catawba.

Mrs. H. R. Forines and children have returned from a visit to relatives at Virginia.

Mrs. T. R. Wilkie of Laurinburg, spent the week-end with relatives here.

Mr. J. M. Ketchie of High Point was in town on business one day last week.

The Junior Department had charge of the Epworth League service Sunday evening at eight o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Durant and children of Raleigh visited Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Moore yesterday. Miss Mary Francis Durant will spend this week with her Aunt, Mrs. Moore.

Three new rooms are being built to Moncure school building and will be ready to use when school opens, Sept. 11.

The sale at C. B. Crutchfield's store is progressing nicely.

Unique Radio Pleas



Goldie K. Litchie of New York, in whose \$100,000 alienation suit against Mrs. Theresa Rosenfeld radio messages were read entreatings Mrs. Rosenfeld not to steal her husband's love.

TOWN AND COUNTY BRIEFS

An entertainment will be given by the Earnest Workers class of the Browns Chapel S. S. at Gug Springs school house, Friday night, August 10th, beginning at 7:30. Admission 10c and 15c. Everybody cordially invited.

Mr. A. R. Webster has been in St. Leo's hospital, Greensboro for the past week for treatment.

Veteran John B. Thomas is visiting his son at Bennettsville.

The following named veterans were listed as expecting to attend the Confederate Veterans Reunion this week at Tarboro: W. H. Cross, T. Y. Mims, J. Dan Dorsett, D. Monroe Smith, E. M. Edwards, T. H. Gilmore, E. D. Blackwood.

Mrs. Numa Bright, who has been seriously ill for three weeks, was reported better Monday by Mr. Bright who also reported the condition of his father, J. R. Bright as somewhat improved.

Miss Jennie Connell is spending a few days at Asheville.

Mr. J. W. Moore and family returned happy from a vacation in the mountains.

Mrs. Effie Sikes spent last week with her father, Mr. A. W. Dawkins, Goldston, Rt. who was seriously ill, but was better when she left.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Butler, of Raleigh, spent Sunday with Mrs. Butler's father, Mr. A. B. Perry.

Mr. I. P. Upchurch, father of attorney F. C. Upchurch, was here on Monday from over in Wake, and when asked if F. C. spent the week-end with him, said that he passed by home going somewhere else. So these Pittsboro girls may understand that the handsome young lawyer is not going home every time he heads toward Wake.

Mr. B. Nooe came in from Ridgeway, S. C., the first of the week but returned Monday afternoon.

Preaching at the Baptist church on Sunday morning by Rev. Mr. Corpening of Wake Forest.

The Baptist Sunday school picnic at Lakewood Park, Durham, last Thursday was greatly enjoyed by a large percentage of the school, of all ages.

A protracted meeting will begin at Mt. Zion Methodist church Sunday and continue next week.

Mr. R. C. Ross says that there are 22 members (Democrats) in the anti-Smith club. We gladly make the correction, though they have not joined at the public meetings and have not been present.

Miss Beatrice Burgess of New Hope township visited Mrs. J. R. Goodwin and Mrs. W. M. Perry, in the Brown Chapel community, last week.

Mrs. L. D. H. Mitchell of New Hope township, who has been quite ill, was reported better Monday.

There will be an ice cream and box supper at Hank's church Saturday night, August 11. Proceeds go to the building fund. The congregation expects to get inside work finished and seats in early enough for the church to be used during the protracted meeting to begin the 4th Sunday of this month.

Mr. J. L. Taylor and family of Bynum wish to express their appreciation to their neighbors and friends for kindness during the illness and at the time of the death of Mrs. Taylor.

Miss Margaret Smith, of Elizabethtown, and Mrs. Paul W. Radcliffe, of Long Beach, Cal., have been guests of Misses Mabel and Elizabeth Thomas.

Parents of the Pittsboro district who have children who will enter the first grade this fall and did not take advantage of the opportunity a few days ago to have those children vaccinated.

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M. L. Shipman's Raleigh Letter

(By M. L. SHIPMAN)

RALEIGH, August 6.—At last "the cat is out of the bag." The reason Senator Simmons quit the National Democratic Executive Committee as the member from North Carolina is plainly set for in a letter to A. B. Croom, of the Wilmington News Dispatch, in part as follows:

"I am deeply interested in the election of the Democratic state, district and local tickets, and I earnestly hope they may receive the undivided support of the democracy of the State, but I feel that because of Governor Smith's action since his nomination with reference to the platform, his organization of the national Democratic executive committee and his alliance with interests and groups hostile and antagonistic to the fundamental principles of Democracy, all Democratic voters should be free from coercion or restraint in the exercise of their conscientious conviction and judgment with respect to the national ticket."

This statement from the Senator squares with the position assumed by the State Democratic Executive committee two weeks ago when objection was offered to a resolution pledging support to all democratic nominees from constable to president. It is considered by many regulars as a new brand of democracy which would not have been countenanced even by Senator Simmons in their earlier days of his political activities. But considering half a loaf preferable to no bread the Committee concluded that the part of wisdom not to "read out of the party" those who fail to support the national ticket. Frank Nash, assistant attorney general, thinks a split ticket would be legal, but fails to see either normal or political consistency in that kind of practice by those considering themselves regular democrats. Meanwhile anti-Smith democrats in Wake and other counties are organizing for a determined drive against him and expect to join a State-wide movement to be launched here on August 10th.

Despite rumblings of discontent in party growing out of developments following the resignation of Senator Simmons as national committeeman, State Chm. Mull is rapidly mobilizing his forces for a battle that is expected to hold in tact the organization which has kept North Carolina in the forefront since resuming the reins of government 30 years ago. It is his business to hold the State in the Democratic column but, true to form, he must not desert the national Democratic ticket. The chairman is now forming personal contacts with county and district organizations preparatory to an intelligent, energetic campaign in the interest of all democratic nominees. News trickling into the capital city is to the effect that Mr. Mull is greatly encouraged by the favorable conditions existing in the counties recently visited and that he confidently expects the Democrats of the State to give a good account of themselves all along the line on the 6th day of November.

Twenty-five applications for salary increases were allowed by the Salary and Wage Commission at its semiannual meeting held here during the week of the 199 presented, the increases totalling \$4,498 which goes almost exclusively to those who had threatened to accept better offers elsewhere, according to reports. One increase of \$180 per year was granted an employe of the Department of Labor and Printing; one for \$300 to an employe of the Revenue Department; one for \$120 to an assistant in the State Welfare Department; one for \$600 to an employe of the Treasurer's office; two totalling \$660 a year were granted the Motor Vehicle Division; one increase of \$300 to the Department of Agriculture, two totalling \$350 per annum to the Department of Education; four totalling \$240 a year to the State Laboratory of Hygiene; and one for \$120 to the Insurance Department. Six of the applications granted and amounting to \$1,100 were to employes in the Department of Conservation and Development and were largely to foresters who threatened to accept better pay for similar service in other localities, it is said. The classification of Henry Burke, was changed to "budget accountant and special assistant to the budget director," and the salary fixed at \$25 a day for not exceeding 25 days in any one month, or \$7,500, per year, the second highest paid employe of the state. Prior to the appointment last spring of State Senator P. H. Williams as assistant director of the budget at a salary of \$5,000, Mr. Burke held the position of assistant to Governor McLean, director of the budget, at a salary of \$4,500 per year. His new work calls for him to audit the books of the various state institutions and keep them within their budget appropriations.

Mike, who was advancing rapidly in his work, was stopped one day by the foreman, who said:

"Mike, you are doing fine. I am going to raise your wages."

Mike, all excited, said: "No, no, no, babblers, no. I lose enough now when I'm off a day."

New Assistant: "Gentleman asks if this flannel shirt will shrink."

Proprietor: "Does it fit him?"

"No, it's too large."

"Yes, of course it shrinks."

"What does your father do?"