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## The Use of Laurel For Pipes Investigated By Farmers Federation

Representatives of pipe manufacturers have recently turned to the mountains of North Carolina looking for a substitute for the briar block which they have been importing. There has been some discussion in the papers about the possibility of using *kalmia latifolia* roots for this purpose and its effect on Western North Carolina.

The Farmers Federation is especially interested in the preservation of the beauty of this mountain country, because of the fact that all of our members live right here and our future is here. We have, therefore, looked into this matter with great care and deliberation.

Apparently the opportunity has come, because of the cutting off of imports from Europe, for this country to develop the business of supplying pipe blocks to supplant the briar blocks which have been imported for years. Fortunately rhododendron roots are too soft. The only thing that will make pipe blocks is a certain growth that occasionally comes on the roots of the *kalmia latifolia* which we call "ivy" or "laurel."

Very occasionally a peculiar, disease growth called a "burl" occurs on some *kalmia latifolia* roots. These burls are usually found on *kalmia latifolia* growing in a boggy or damp place and usually in a very remote place. The burl is about half above ground so that it is easily seen and no other

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## RED CROSS MEETING THURSDAY AFTERNOON

The local chapter of the Red Cross will hold its quarterly business meeting at the Parish House on Thursday afternoon, January 9th, at 4:30. Walter M. Howell, Chairman.

## BEER TAX BARED

Raleigh, Jan. 6.—The beer industry has contributed \$7,834,103.36 in taxes to the State of North Carolina and its various political subdivisions since beer sales were legalized by the 1933 state legislature.

According to figures compiled by the Brewers and North Carolina Beer Distributors committee, the state collected \$6,471,578.96; the cities and towns \$375,000 (estimated); and the counties \$987,525 for the period ended last December 31st.

## Dr. Edsall At Kiwanis

Dr. David L. Edsall will be the guest speaker at the Tryon Kiwanis club on Tuesday at 1 p. m., at Hotel Tryon.

## Bardia Falls

Bardia, African city of Libya, controlled by Italy was captured by the Australians fighting with the British on Saturday night. 25,000 prisoners taken including several generals.

A great-great nephew and two great-great-great nephews of the famous frontiersman, Daniel Boone, are active in Cubbing in Shreveport, Louisiana.