

### Randolph Agricultural Department

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#### What About Pulling Fodder?

This is a question that several farmers have asked during the past week. There can be but one answer to this question, and that is "NO" in big letters. State College Experiment Stations all over the country have determined by repeated tests, weighing the corn where the fodder was pulled and where it was not pulled in order to determine the difference. In every test it has shown that the damage done the corn was far greater than the value of the fodder as feed. In the next place fodder is one of the very lowest grades of feed in food nutrients, although it is generally liked by stock and is easily fed. Every farmer should plan to have enough feed to run him through the season without taking the fodder. Sow soybeans and cowpeas if you do not have enough clover hay and other meadow grasses. If you see that you are now going to be short next spring, oats and hairy vetch will make fine hay early next spring and of good quality.

#### When Sow Red Clover

To my mind there are only two months in the year to sow clover, namely September and March. Since being in this county I find many farmers who say that they do not have any success with seeding clover in the fall. The reason for this is that they sow the clover with the wheat along in October. This is too late for best results. I realize that good results are sometimes secured by this practice especially if the winter is very mild. However I am sure that better results will be secured by an earlier seeding, or wait until spring. Clover can be seeded with oats in September, but I would certainly advise anyone who plans to seed clover in the wheat land to wait until March. I believe that if this practice is followed that we will have less trouble with getting good stands. In practically every case that I have observed where this practice was followed good stands have been secured. A good stand, however, does not mean that you will have clover. Your land must be in proper condition, and on most of our soils we need an application of a ton or more of limestone per acre to correct the soil acidity. Land will sometimes grow good clover for a while and then get so that it will not and the farmer wonders why. There are several good reasons, but here is a very common one. Clover, or any legume for that matter, is a heavy feeder of lime, and as none of our soils at best have much lime it is soon exhausted. Even in the great limestone belt of the central west they are beginning to use lime, because they have exhausted the lime from the top soil that they use. There is still plenty of lime lower down but it does not help the crop.

#### Use Good Seed

It is very important that Randolph farmers use the very best seed possible, for several reasons. First, a pure strain of wheat will make a larger yield provided it is adapted to our soils. The variety will differ according to the type of soil, and I will be glad to talk the matter of variety over with anyone interested. Second, pure strain seed is important from a market standpoint. Randolph is recognized the State over as a grain county. If we grew pure strain wheat we could market it to much better advantage as seed wheat than we can on the general market. In addition to this we will be able to get more on the general market, because the grain will be in better condition, as it will ripen more evenly.

#### Select Seed Corn In Field

Every farmer who has good seed corn should plan to select his next year's corn in the field this fall. If your corn is mixed, and of low quality this will not be necessary as you

should get new seed next spring. There is no reason however for our farmers going outside to get good seed corn. If you have good corn growing through the field now and study the type of stalk and ears that you want to save for seed. Do not select favorite stalks, but select stalks that grew under normal conditions along where there is a good stand. Select stalks with two good ears that grew reasonably close to the ground, and have short shanks. Cut the tops off of these stalks so that you will be able to recognize them later if you plan cutting the tops. Do not gather the seed stalks until you have gathered the other crop, as you want your seed stalks to stand in the field until the ears are thoroughly cured and dried out. Go over the field then and gather these ears and hang them up in a dry place where the rats cannot get to them. Let them remain in the shock until spring, then take them down and shuck them out and reselect the best developed ears.

#### Take Part In the Community Fair

Every farmer and his family should take part in the community fair if there is one in reach of him. There will be four in Randolph this fall and you should plan to attend one of these fairs. It should be the aim of every farmer and his wife to do whatever he can to build up his home community. The more he interests himself in work of this kind the better the community will be, and the better will be the place where he is bringing up his children. The aim of every father and mother should be to raise their children the best that is in their power. To give them the best opportunities possible, and in order to do this they must interest themselves in community betterment. Better schools, that their children may have the proper educational training and development. Better churches, that they may be directed into the right way of thinking and living while they are still young. Better community spirit, and things of interest for the young people so that we can hope to keep the young people on the farm. Some training on the things that will be their life work. Community fairs play their part in this great drama of life and we should take a part. Community spirit and interest helps to do the other things mentioned, and the friendly rivalry at these fairs between friends helps keep the boys and girls interested. Again the competition at the county fair to see who can get up the best community exhibit helps to keep the community spirit alive. Remember the dates and places of these fairs. Seagrave, Tuesday, September 16th; Flint Hill, Wednesday, September 17th; Holly Springs, Thursday, September 18th; and Farmer, Friday, September 19th. Bring out your exhibits and a big well filled basket and let's enjoy the day. Arrangements have already been made for the judges for these fairs, and good music will also be a part of the program.

#### Rev. N. M. Barker Dead

Rev. Nereus M. Barker, who died at his home in High Point Wednesday afternoon of last week, was born and reared in Randolph county. He was 74 years of age and fifty years of his life had been spent in the ministry of the Quaker church, having entered the ministry in his 21st year. For 10 years he was pastor of the Springfield Friends church near High Point. He was married in 1883 to Miss Mary E. Martin of Rockingham county and to this union six children were born, four of whom survive. They are, one son, Edgar C. Barker of Charlotte; and three daughters, Mrs. J. R. Purcell and Mrs. J. F. Hedrick of High Point, and Mrs. H. G. Whitaker of Surry county.

A few trees, flowers and shrubbery around any house help to make it a more attractive home and add to its value.

#### NORTH CAROLINA PICTORIAL ATLAS OFF PRESS

Albert Y. Drummond's Pictorial Atlas of North Carolina is off the press. It is a neat and attractive volume devoted to the displaying of subjects of statewide importance and contains many illustrations. It presents a concise, authentic, and complete story of North Carolina today. There are three sections to the book, one of which is devoted to statistics and illustrations of subjects of general importance and another section gives a sketch of each county, list of manufacturing plants, and features of the state that rank as distinct features in the world. Pictures of roads, bridges, schools and public buildings are included. One section of probably more interest is that devoted to two-page displays of each of the 56 towns and cities in the state having over 2,500 population. Due to the activities of the Asheboro Woman's Club Asheboro is included in this section. On these two pages are some interesting statistics with reference to Asheboro and it carries illustrations of the plants of the Home Building and Material Company, Randolph Chair Company, Asheboro Wheelbarrow Company, Acme Hosiery Mills, and the Central hotel, county courthouse, graded school building, and the First National Bank.

The illustration of Asheboro Wheelbarrow Company's plant appears not only in the Asheboro section, but also in that part of the book devoted to special features in the state, this company being the only one of its kind in the state. The price of the book is \$2.50. The Woman's Club will soon start taking orders for the book and it is hoped that a number of people will take advantage of the opportunity to supply themselves with a copy of this interesting work.

#### This Is Democracy's Year

Senator Vardaman of Mississippi in his first race for the United States Senate was told by one of his friends: "Governor, I am your friend. I am your strong friend. But I don't want you to run for the Senate. You are certain to be defeated." Vardaman's reply was: "Hell is full of such friends." Democrats who go around forecasting Democratic defeat this year have no passports to heaven.

This is Democracy's year. With a platform and candidates which appeal to the intelligence, the honesty, and the patriotism of the American people, with Republican officials soiled with oil and smirched with graft and corruption in its very center in Washington, success should and will be ours.

The Democratic Party deserves success. The Republican Party deserves defeat. Honesty and righteousness are on our side. Reason and con-

science are with us. Instead of being surprised as President Coolidge was, that there was not more graft and corruption, the people of the United States are surprised that there was any in high places.

The corrupt bargaining away of the Navy's oil lands aroused the good sense of the nation; the grafting of Forbes to the suffering of our disabled soldiers touched their very hearts; no amount of bombast and no appeals to common sense of the "Oh now, be reasonable" sort will blot from men and women's minds the shame, disgrace and loss.

The money changers must be driven from the Temple. Shall it be left to their friends, to the organization to which they belong and which installed them there, to put them out and to remedy the evil they did? Let Reason and Conscience answer.

#### State Averages One Homicide a Day For Year

For the year ending July 1, 1924, there were 232 convictions in the North Carolina superior courts for second degree murder, 130 for manslaughter and five for first degree murder, average one homicide a day, according to the biennial report of Attorney General James S. Manning.

Violations of the liquor laws led all the cases handled by the superior courts. The number was 4,322 as compared with 2,723 for the previous year.

Homicidal cases for the year ending July 1, 1924, totaled 272, so that the increase for the year ending July 1, 1924 was 95. The number of convictions for carrying concealed weapons from July, 1923, to July, 1924, was 805, compared with 782 convictions for the year ending July 1, 1923. Cases handled the past year involving assaults with deadly weapons aggregated 1,222.

The total number of cases handled in the superior courts for the year ending July 1, was 14,321, and for the previous year 11,313. Criminal offenses most frequently committed from July 1, 1923 to July 1, 1924 included the following:

- Abandonment, 168; abduction, 44; affray, 221; arson, 221; assault and battery, 744; assault with a deadly weapon, 1,222; assault with intent to rape, 59; bigamy, 45; forgery, 227; gambling and lottery, 559; larceny, 1,747; official misconduct, 9; rape, 18.

#### Married

Miss Sula E. Brady and Mr. Arch Cranford were married at the home of J. A. Neighbors, J. P., August 21st. Mr. Cranford is the son of Mr. Dennis Cranford. Mr. and Mrs. Cranford will make their home at Central Falls.

#### PORT BILL WILL NOT BE MADE PARTISAN ISSUE

William G. Bramham, chairman of the state republican executive committee, gave out a statement last Thursday with reference to the referendum on the Water and Transportation bill as follows:

"The Port bill is not a political question and should not be injected into the forthcoming political campaign. The republicans of the state will most certainly not make it an issue. Its acceptance or rejection by the people should only be after a thorough study of it. Its passage will be of material benefit to the state and all our people regardless of political alignment should support it.

"The report of the commission has just reached me and I am not sufficiently conversant with it at this time, to express an opinion upon it in detail.

"Laws which are for the betterment of the state should never be defeated, while laws which are not good for the state should never be advocated for mere party purposes. My understanding, from those having the bill in charge, is that the question will be handled with a view of thoroughly informing the people upon its merits and absolutely free from politics."

#### A FRIEND OF LABOR

Honorable William B. Wilson, Secretary of Labor during the Wilson administration, has accepted an invitation from the Democratic National Committee to assist in the campaign for the election of John W. Davis as President.

In a recent letter to Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor, suggesting that the Federation postpone its formal endorsement of any Presidential candidate until after the candidates had had an opportunity to voice their attitude towards Labor, Mr. Wilson, in

#### SUNBURN

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#### speaking for the Democratic nominee,

"I first came in contact with him when I was International Secretary of the United Mine Workers of America, and he was a young practicing attorney at Clarkburg, W. Va. Innumerable injunctions were being issued against us by Judge Jackson at the instance of the Coal Operators of the State; many of our organizers were cited to appear to show cause why they should not be held in contempt—among them, Mother Jones and Thomas Haggerty, a member of the International Executive Board from Central, Pa. Our people holding many meetings protesting against the action of the coal operators and the Courts. Large numbers of them were arrested and hauled before the local courts. John W. Davis volunteered his services to defend them. I did not see him again until he entered the Sixty-Second Congress as Representative from West Virginia.

"This work undertaken personally by Mr. Davis without solicitation, clearly indicates his attitude of mind toward problems affecting the wage worker and farmer.

"When the 8-hour law for railroad men was passed in 1916, the officials of the railway organizations feared that it would not stand the test of the Supreme Court. That was made evident by the fact they had declared a strike on the members of the Brotherhood to take effect in the early part of 1917. The manner in which John W. Davis prepared and presented the case to the Supreme Court in behalf of the government, resulted in a favorable decision that came just in time to prevent the threatened strike. This attitude of mind has been backed up by the action of the

Democratic party in federal legislation during the last 30 years. It has not enacted everything that the wage workers and farmers have demanded, but it has planned upon the statute books more well thought out constructive legislation that opened the doors of opportunity to wage workers and farmers, than all other parties, block or groups combined. I shall not, at this time, attempt to enumerate them, which would only be refreshing your memory on what your official records show."

#### Republican Papers Soft Pedal Dawes' Damns

Scattering "hells" and "damns" before and around him Charles G. Dawes a few days ago stopped over in New York on his way to Maine. He swore at the moving picture artists, copiously cursed the camera men, and liberally riddled profanity up and down the railroad platform. He puffed his pipe, shot out short, staccato sentences, damned and double-damned pretty nearly everything in sight—all because they wanted to take his picture. In the end he posed all right. The pictures were taken, good ones, too, but to the accompaniment of a lot of rough growling, tough language, and a protest so violent that once or twice he almost got out of focus.

The amazing thing about it, however, is that the Republican papers in giving an account of the arrival of the General quotes his language in the loudest English with no mention of the "hells" and "damns."

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