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SWEET POTATOES.

Used as a Money Crop in Catawba and Around Charlotte—Interesting Figures.

Moore County News.
We take the following excerpts from "The Side Table" column of the Charlotte Observer of Sunday:

The sweet potato industry of Catawba county is made the subject of an interesting article in the November number of Southern Field, the industrial publication of the Southern Railway Company.

The average yield in Catawba county is about 200 bushels to the acre. This is the highest average in the State, although in isolated cases the production has been much larger. The potatoes are marketed at various times during the winter months, the period extending from February to May. Little of the crop is sold before the cold weather starts. That part of the crop that is not marketable, the smaller tubers, is not sold but is fed to stock and makes an unusually nutritious food during the cold months.

Boston, Pittsburg and Cincinnati are the best of the Northern markets. The average price received is about \$2.25 a crate, or about 75 cents a bushel.

Growers in this section estimate the cost of cultivation and harvesting at about 20 cents a bushel.

Land on which crops can be produced are valued at anywhere from \$25 an acre to \$150 an acre, the latter for highly improved places near town. Most of the land can be bought, however, at about \$50 an acre. It requires little mathematical calculation to show that it will require but a short time to pay for land that cost \$50 an acre when the land itself produces crops valued at probably \$100 a year. Here sweet potatoes is a crop which is always sure and unaffected to any great extent by droughts or any other climatic variations. And it is a fact that is verified by the bankers of Hickory and Newton that those farmers who engage in the cultivation of sweet potatoes have money in the bank and are prosperous tillers of the soil in the community.

Statistics compiled by the last census shows that the total value of the crop in the United States was about \$35,429,176. Of this total the value of the crop from the nine Southern States was about \$25,318,729. North Carolina and Georgia alone had in acreage the immense total of about 170,000 acres. New Jersey had an acreage of only 22,504 which is but one-third of the acreage in the State of Mississippi or Alabama.

Statistics show that the value of the crops in the South Atlantic States has increased greatly during the last 10 years, in many instances doubling in value. Before improved methods of cultivating, treating and marketing sweet potatoes had been adopted in this section the crop was a valuable one to the farmer, but now farmers in most of the Southeastern States are finding the "yam" a money maker. In many sections it is known as a "money crop," as cotton, peanuts and tobacco are in other sections.

We suppose no place in the world is so well adapted to the sweet potato as the sand hills of Moore. Here they grow to greater perfection with the least attention of any crop which our

people raise. The sand is clean and dry and does not discolor them and the appearance of the potato can be nowhere better preserved than when grown in our soil. Yet our farmers do not ship any. They supply the local market and hardly that. What the people in Mecklenburg and Catawba make could be bettered here for we can produce a higher grade of potato. It looks better and like our water it tastes better. Why not some of our progressive farmers try sweet potatoes next year? They would not need fertilizer and their returns would nearly all be profit.

John Turner Bridgers.

On the morning of November 5, 1913, just when all nature was being clothed with the brilliant rays of the golden sun, and everything was astir with the duties of the day, Mr. J. T. Bridgers was called from his earthly home to be forever with the saints in Glory.

Mr. Bridgers was fifty-four years of age and had never known of the bitter pangs of personal illness until early spring at which time he fell a victim of Bright's Disease and since then his declining steps caused his anxious friends and near ties to watch him as if it were the fading of the last rose on the bush. In May his affliction took him near Death's door and for weeks he struggled between life and death, when in answer to prayers of loved ones, he was raised from, what once seemed, his death-bed, to enjoy his accustomed place in the family circle for a few months longer. The most pathetic part of his whole affliction was the almost total blindness of which he complained, for often when asked how he felt would reply, "I would be feeling pretty good if only I could see." At times when he called his only daughter, the joy of his life, to his side and embraced her, his tokens of love would often end with a desire to see her sweet smiles again.

On the morning of October 27, he suffered an epileptic stroke from which he never recovered. All that friends, an untiring nurse, faithful physicians and a devoted companion could do was done to stay the awful hand of Death, but all of no avail, God knew best and called him to the "Great Beyond." At the age of twenty-nine he was happily married to Miss Nan Garriss, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. H. Garriss of Margarettsville, who is left with one daughter, age eleven, and several nieces besides a number of friends to help mourn their loss.

For ten years the subject of this sketch had lived a consistent member of Sharon M. E. Church and while his pew was often vacant, his life was one of christian influence, ever believing it better to attend strictly to his own business. Thus we realize the loss of a good and worthy citizen.

The interment was beautifully conducted by his pastor, Rev. D. L. Earnhardt, on Thursday evening at his old home place amid a host of sorrowing relatives and friends.

Thus another tie is severed, and another chair left vacant 'Round the fireside which he gathered. When the evening chores were ended, God knew best and called him thither. From this sinful world of duties, Making Heaven seem much nearer. Now that thou art there to beckon.

FROM JACKSON.

Candidates for The Roads—Lumber Camp to Move—Sale of Large Farm—Other News.

Mr. J. M. Flythe, Superintendent of the County Farm, reports that he has 90 hogs on the farm and he has made 175 barrels of corn this year, and about 200 bags of peanuts. No cotton is planted on the farm.

Mr. Henry K. Burgwyn has sold his Ogem farm of 2200 acres situated on the Roanoke at Boone's X Roads for \$31,500. His father, the late Geo. P. Burgwyn, bought this farm about ten years ago for \$7,300. Mr. Burgwyn owns another large farm.

Sheriff Joyner placed two alleged blind tigers in jail last week in default of \$200 bond. One of them, Sam Jones, has the reputation of being an old offender. The other, Sol Smith, gave bond last Friday. Both are colored and lived near Bryantown.

Mr. J. T. Archer, who is now 86 years old and lives two or three miles from town, who has been in poor health for some time, was out to town Monday though still feeble. Mr. Archer has two year's cotton crop on hand and about fifty nice cured old hams for sale.

The various county boards were in session here Monday. Mr. J. O. Flythe, the new road commissioner, qualified and entered upon the discharge of his duties. His wife accompanied him to town Monday and was a guest of relatives.

Prof. Ware has secured a rare treat for the people of the town and the county for the dates Dec. 21, 22 and 23rd when Dr. Elmer U. Henshel will deliver three lectures here in the school auditorium, the subjects being "Where the Master Trod," on Sunday night, "Where the Shamrock Grows" on Monday night, and on Tuesday night "The Passion Play." The admission to these lectures will be 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children.

Elijah Jordan and Richard Stephenson of Severn were placed in jail last week on failure to give a \$100.00 bond for their appearance at next term of Superior Court to answer the charge of shooting Grant Swett. The latter was sent to a Norfolk hospital and it is not expected that he will recover. All colored.

Mr. J. T. Flythe has gone to Oxford to attend the Methodist Conference.

Dr. R. H. Stancell of Margarettsville, who has been unwell for some time, was able to come to town Monday.

The Camp Manufacturing Company will likely finish cutting and shipping their timber in this vicinity in about two months and move their outfit to Rich Square where they have a large lot of standing timber. They are likely to remain there three or four years.

Prof. W. D. Baroe of Seaboard spent from Wednesday until Saturday in town.

Miss Fagge of Seaboard High School was the guest of Miss Williams Thanksgiving.

Miss Rebecca Long, a student of Southern Female College, spent the Thanksgiving holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Long.

Misses Harriet Bowen and Ethel Kelly returned Saturday after attending the Teachers' Assembly at Raleigh. Misses Lucy Buffalo and Ethel

Stancell spent Thanksgiving in Branchville, Va.

Miss Lizzie Moore returned home Monday after spending Thanksgiving in Boykins, Va., the guest of her cousin, Louise Moore.

Mr. P. J. Long returned home Friday after attending the Teachers' Assembly at Raleigh.

Mr. J. T. Flythe and family and Mrs. Annie Burnette spent Thursday in Conway.

Dr. and Mrs. W. B. North left Monday for Oxford to attend the Annual Conference.

Mr. R. G. Parker went to Richmond Wednesday to attend the football game.

Miss Williams and Mr. Mason Taylor entertained a number of their friends Friday evening at the home of Mr. R. J. Burnette.

The boys and girls of the Jackson High School stormed Miss Rebecca Long Friday evening.

Mrs. C. A. Ehrhart will entertain the members of the Bright Jewel Society at her home on Friday evening, Dec. 5.

Conway Locals.

Quite a number of visitors were in town Thanksgiving, among them were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gay of Seaboard, Misses Ida Lou Futrell, Mary Fleetwood and Lizzie Atkinson of Chowan College, Mr. J. T. Atkinson, Branchville, Mr. Gurney Grant, Boykins, Miss Gertie Gay, Seaboard, Misses Spivey and Martin of Milwaukee.

Mrs. Milton Flythe and children spent from Saturday until Monday with relatives in Severn. Mr. Clarence Vick of Norfolk, Va., was a caller in the home of Mr. J. T. Bristol Saturday.

Mrs. S. D. Hedspeith and Miss Mattie Sykes attended the Philathea meeting at Woodland Sunday.

Mrs. G. K. Freeman and daughter Frances visited relatives in Littleton last week.

Mrs. J. P. Garriss and children spent Thanksgiving in Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Stephenson spent Saturday and Sunday with her mother, and was accompanied home by their daughter, Miss Elizabeth, who has been visiting "Grandma" White.

Mr. and Mrs. Dock Davis from Richmond are visiting relatives here.

Miss Brownie Martin of Youngville, N. C., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. W. Lassiter.

Mr. Elias Vick visited his "Lady Love" in Askewville Thursday and Friday.

Mr. T. B. DeLoatch left Friday for Richmond and Baltimore. Mrs. J. T. Rice and Miss Gertrude Futrell were in Murfreesboro Friday shopping.

Mr. Troy Taylor is again in school.

Mrs. R. T. White is sick at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Flythe of Jackson were in town Sunday. Mr. Flythe gave a very interesting address in the M. E. church. Quite a number were present.

Dr. P. C. Brittle left Sunday afternoon for Norfolk to take a patient to the hospital.

Teacher's meeting was held in the academy here Saturday. The discussion proved to be very interesting and instructive. They failed to discuss the "Needs of Kirby Township that we Should Supply," but Mr. W. J. Beale was left on the program as leader of this subject at the next meeting. Miss Mattie Sykes was corresponding secretary of meetings and will serve at future meetings. The next meeting will be held January 10, 1914, at Milwaukee.

JUDGE CARTER'S GOOD WORK.

Setting Good Example for Superior Court Judges, and Other Officers.

The Statesville Landmark.

Judge Carter of Asheville is after the "higher up" blind tigers and he is getting results. It is too often true in many communities that negroes and the common class of whites are held to fairly strict account for the observance of the law, while white people of prominence and influence are allowed to do pretty much as they please. So often is this true that the class of whites who think they are prominent and who have friends at court, feel that they are privileged to do as they please. Judge Carter deserves the more honor for his work at Asheville because it is his home town. He is sweeping first before his own door. When his charge to the grand jury failed to bring results he didn't fold his hands and say he was helpless. He set a force of auditors and stenographers to work examining the records of the railroad and express companies in Asheville and all nearby railroad points in Buncombe county. The records showed that thousands of gallons of liquor had been shipped in, much of which was necessarily illegally disposed of. This resulted in the arrest of druggists, prominent hotel men and others, who are either charged with the illegal sale of liquor or with aiding and abetting in the offence. A raid on one drug store disclosed 300 gallons of intoxicants. Bar fixtures were seized in the basement of the Battery Park hotel and evidence found to indicate that a regular retailing place had been conducted there. The proprietors of the Langren, another prominent hotel, and the operators of the drug store connected therewith are among those charged with violations of the liquor law.

Judge Carter is not only doing his duty and setting an example to other Superior Court Judges and all law officers, but he is maintaining the principle that justice should know no individual or station; that the law is made for all and should be enforced without discrimination; that the wealthy who stop at the first class hotels have no more right to privileges in violation of the law than the humble who live in cheap boarding houses, which the police are ready to raid on the slightest intimation of wrong-doing.

A Cruel Joke.

The Louisville Courier-Journal.

A high spirited girl played a cruel joke on her mother, and this is how it happened. She found a love letter that her father had actually written to her mother in the halcyon days of their courtship. She read the letter to her mother, substituting her own name and that of her lover. The mother raved with anger and stamped her foot in disgust, forbidding her daughter to have anything to do with a man who would write such nonsensical stuff to a girl. The girl then gave the letter to her mother to read, and the house became so suddenly quiet that they could hear the cat winking in the back yard.

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