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Tobacco Markets Will Probably Reopen Soon

Farmers Are Signing Pledge to Reduce Acreage For Next Two Years; Processing Tax Will Be Levied; It Is Hoped That Prices Will Go Higher

By M. R. DUNNAGAN

RALEIGH, Sept. 12—Probably by the end of this week, certainly by the beginning of next week, tobacco warehouses, closed for two weeks by voluntary action of warehousemen observing a proclamation to that effect by Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus, will be open for business again, but under very different circumstances from those existing at the closing.

During the interval much has happened. The proclamation declaring a voluntary tobacco holiday on the markets already opened, came the same day and almost before the ink was dry on a resolution adopted by some 1,000 tobacco farmers gathered in Raleigh, Governor Ehringhaus then headed a delegation to Washington, where he secured the cooperation of the national administration in the cause of the tobacco farmers. Virginia, South Carolina and Georgia joined the ranks.

Then another meeting of tobacco growers, representing almost every one of the 50-odd counties, which raise bright, flue-cured tobacco met in Raleigh, organized and arranged for county meetings on Monday of this week. At these and the campaign following, it was expected that by the end of the week every tobacco grower in the State would have signed the contract offered by the government to reduce his acreage a maximum of 30 per cent, the exact percentage to be determined later, for the years 1934 and 1935.

The Federal government, meanwhile, announced a processing tax of four cents a pound, average, to be applied October 1, in order to provide a fund to pay growers for losses from the reduced acreage for the next two years. Just what effect this will have on prices when the tobacco warehouses reopen is uncertain. Belief is that it will boost prices a bit, probably to the "parity" point, which is now figured at around 16 cents a pound for the present crop.

Regardless of the effect on prices this summer and fall, the joint action of Governor Ehringhaus and the Washington administration will, apparently, bring about a condition that has never existed before in the nearly 300 years since the first indignation meeting was held, the first resolutions and the first proposals for a tobacco growing holiday were considered, and ordered.

In many, many meetings, the tobacco growers have been as mad, stamped as loudly, resolute as vigorously, threatened as vociferously and ordered tobacco holidays as earnestly as they did in Raleigh two weeks ago. Numbers of times have they entered into solemn compacts to sow no plant beds and set out no plants the next year—while the current crop was being sold at ruinous prices. But as the next season rolled around, everything had been forgotten and all resolutions, threats or orders and agreements were forgotten. The usual crop was planted.

Now, the conditions are different. Now, while resolutions, threats, and agreements are being made, the Government, spurred on by the Governor's lead, is getting the names of the growers on the dotted line, a solemn pledge to their government that they will restrict acreage next year. This will be a pledge that cannot be disregarded, an agreement that cannot be broken. And, for the first time in nearly 300 years, something will undoubtedly result from the indignation meetings and price protests. The crop will be reduced to a maximum of 30 per cent for the next two years.

The inexorable law of supply and demand has always, is now and will work. The crop will be reduced, thus reducing the supply. The demand will continue, or possibly increase moderately. The result will be that growers will get the higher prices desired. It took three things to bring it about. The growers had to get mad; the Governor had to lead that madness into effective routes, and get the ear of Washington; and Washington had to act while the growers were still mad. Those three things will accomplish the desired results. They will accomplish success where history has recorded failure for 300 years.

Governor Ehringhaus issued a proclamation (Continued on page five)

IMPROVED MARKET CAUSES INCREASE SHRIMP INDUSTRY

Storms in Southern Waters Prevent Catching of Shrimp in That Section of Country

DEMAND NOW DECREASING

During the past ten days or two weeks, local seafood dealers have shipped more than a thousand boxes of shrimp to northern markets. It is said that these large shipments are due almost wholly to the temporary improvement in the market, and not to the fact that there has been an unusually good "run" of shrimp during these last two weeks. The numerous hurricane-like storms along the Gulf and South Atlantic coasts greatly curtailed the shrimp catches in those sections and resulted in a scarcity of this type of seafood in northern cities; hence the greater demand and the improvement in price. In the last few days weather conditions in southern waters have become sufficiently settled to permit catches to be made, and so the demand for the smaller shrimp from this section is rapidly subsiding.

Unless equinoctial storms in the south again bring a halt in the shrimp fishery in that area, shrimpers in this immediate section will be at leisure until the large shrimp arrive here a little later in the autumn. One of the main reasons local shrimpers cannot compete with those in the states south of here is due to the fact that shrimp caught in the Gulf and South Atlantic waters are of a superior quality.

Later in the season when the larger shrimp arrive here they will be of as good quality as the southern shrimp, and the local shippers will be in a better position, geographically speaking, to market the seafood, because of the fact that the express charges will be about half of what the southern shippers have to pay. Beaufort dealers have been paying the local shrimpers from one to about two dollars and fifty cents a box for the shrimp caught here recently; the average price being about one dollar and a half per box.

LADY DIES AT SALISBURY

Word has been received here that Mrs. H. A. Welker's mother, who has been quite ill recently, passed away at her home in Salisbury yesterday morning. Funeral services were held in Salisbury this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The Rev. and Mrs. Welker have been in Salisbury for a week or ten days.

TOBACCO GROWERS ALMOST UNANIMOUS IN AGREEMENT

A tobacco-sign-up campaign has been conducted in the western part of Carteret this week under the direction of County Farm Agent Hugh Overstreet, and the News was informed last night by this agricultural assistant that all but two tobacco farmers in the county have signed the agreement to cooperate with the Federal Government for the marketing of this year's crop and to reduce the acreage next year.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Odolphus O'Neal, of Broad Creek, Sunday, September 10, a daughter.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Steve Mason, of Beaufort, Monday, September 11, a daughter.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Iredell Gaskill, of Sea Level, Tuesday, September 12, a daughter.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Corbett H. Davis, of Davis, at Morehead City Hospital, Tuesday, September 12, a son, Corbett Harvey, Jr.

Old-time poulterers found surprise in the performance of a pet chick of Mrs. W. R. Gilbert of Houston, Tex. The chick, when four days old, crowed like a rooster.

CAMPAIGN STARTS AGAINST REPEAL

Speaking Teams Will Cover The County Beginning Next Monday

Judging from preparations they are making the prohibition forces of Carteret county mean to make a real fight to hold the county in line against repeal of the 18th amendment. As told in the News last week a mass meeting was held Sunday the 3rd of this month and a county-wide organization perfected to conduct the campaign. D. B. Willis of Morehead City was elected county chairman and other officials were chosen.

In order to present their side of the question to the voters of the county four teams of speakers will shortly take the stump and a vigorous campaign will be made. Workers for all the precincts will undertake to line up the anti-repeal voters. Placards have been posted advertising the speaking. The following constitute the speaking teams that will shortly take the field: First team D. B. Willis and Rev. R. F. Munns, second team, Rev. W. P. Watkins and N. F. Eure, third team, Rev. A. P. Stevens and C. R. Wheatly, fourth team Gordon Willis and Rev. J. P. Harris.

The schedule for speaking dates as arranged so far is:

- Atlantic—team No. 1, Sept. 18.
- Peletier—team No. 2, Sept. 18.
- Sea Level—team No. 3, Sept. 18.
- Stella—team No. 4, Sept. 18.
- Stacy—team No. 1, Sept. 19.
- El Dorado—team No. 2, Sept. 19.
- Davis—team No. 3, Sept. 19.
- Bogue—team No. 4, Sept. 19.
- Williston—team No. 1, Sept. 20.
- Wildwood—team No. 2, Sept. 20.
- Smyrna—team No. 3, Sept. 20.
- Newport—team No. 4, Sept. 20.
- Marshallberg—team No. 1, Sept. 21.
- Wire Grass—team No. 2, Sept. 21.
- Straits—team No. 3, Sept. 21.
- Harlowe—team No. 4, Sept. 21.
- Otway—team No. 1, Sept. 22.
- Merrimon—team No. 2 and 4, Sept. 22.

Bettie—team No. 3, Sept. 22.
Harker's Island—teams 1, 2, 3 and 4, Sept. 23.

Poitsmouth, C. R. Wheatly, date to be supplied.

Cedar Island—Dr. F. E. Hyde and Mr. C. R. Wheatly, date to be supplied.

Salter Path, speakers and date to be supplied.

RECEIVES APPOINTMENT AS U. S. COMMISSIONER

A. T. Gardner, former deputy collector of internal revenue who recently resigned his position, has been appointed United States Commissioner by Federal Judge I. M. Meekins. Commissioner Gardner will maintain headquarters here in Beaufort.

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Carteret County Treasure Hunter Rather Successful

When Captain George Hay, the skipper of the "Popeye" dreamed that if he went to a deserted farmhouse at Crab Point and dug in the ground at a certain point that he would find a half bushel of red corn, he took this to be prophetic information. Shortly after this, Captain Hay went over to the dreamed-of spot on a recent Sunday afternoon. After finding the exact location, he began to dig a hole in the ground. It was a sultry, scorching afternoon, but he kept assiduously at work.

At about two feet beneath the surface, Captain Hay hit something hard, something on which his shovel grated ominously. He carefully removed the clay soil from around it and behold! it was a stone jar that would hold approximately a quart and a half. When the cover was removed, it was found that the jar did not contain red corn. On first sight, it looked as if there were about a dozen small objects done up separately in velvet. Captain Hay quickly covered up the hole he had dug and left posthaste for the "Popeye."

Upon arriving on board he began to satisfy his curiosity by unwrapping one of the largest of the tiny velvet bundles—and alas and alack!—Captain Hay found what was obviously a diamond of the first order. It was as large as the nail of a man's little finger. He unwrapped the rest and found that he had ten small and four large stones, all perfectly cut. Each one was first covered with tissue paper, then with silk and lastly

SEVERAL SENT TO THE STATE ROADS

Judge Paul Webb Tries Full Docket Here Tuesday in Recorder's Court

Vaughan Bedworth was tried in Recorder's Court here Tuesday on a charge of striking Arthur Smith, of Bogue, with a deadly weapon several months on the State roads. This case was consolidated with one in which Arthur Smith was charged with striking Vaughan Bedworth with his fist. The evidence offered was rather contradictory and confusing.

These alleged offenses were said to have taken place at Bedworth's filling station on the highway above Morehead Villa on the ninth of September. Both defendants at first pleaded not guilty to their charges. The following witnesses testified: Arthur Smith, J. W. Foy, Gray Conway, Carlton Piner and Vaughan Bedworth.

From the testimony of these witnesses it appeared that Arthur Smith stopped at Bedworth's filling station last Saturday afternoon. Liquor figured in the case. During the "meeting" Smith punched Bedworth's nose and then apologized for this unkindness. Shortly thereafter Bedworth slipped up back of Smith and crowned him with a club. This lacerated a gash that required the attention of a doctor and five stitches.

The witnesses in these cases were strong in asserting that their defendant—which ever it happened to be—was right. The court seemed to think that the witnesses on both sides were stretching the truth considerably, but believed that both defendants were guilty as charged and so found them.

Bedworth was sentenced to serve the four-months road sentence, but gave notice of an appeal, stating to the court with a laugh that by the time it is tried in October term of Superior Court it will be cooler and road work will therefore not be so irksome. In the case of Smith, prayer for judgment was continued as to the fine and the defendant held for only one half the costs of the consolidated case.

For accidentally shooting James Anderson in the knee on the fifth of September during an exhibition of his firearm technique, Alex Wilson was given four months at the County Home. Both young fellows were colored. Wilson pleaded guilty to the shooting, but said that it was accidental. Evidence given the court was that Wilson carried a concealed weapon. James Anderson, George Petway, Leonard Fenderson and the defendant all testified.

Bedford Dudley and Robert Raynor, both Morehead City colored men, were charged with the transportation of liquor for the purpose of sale on the 27th of August. Officer Salter told the court that on the night that the arrest was made (Continued on page six)

Deputy Collector of Customs Dies

Mrs. Lydia Parkin, 65, passed away here late Monday afternoon as a result of a heart attack. At the time of this fatal attack, she was sitting on the side of a bed playing with a baby and talking with Mrs. Roy Eubanks, with whom she had been making her home for the past several years. She had been in declining health for the past few years and had not been as well as usual during the past month.

Mrs. Hudgins was in her seventieth year. She was the daughter of the late Thomas Edmund and Sarah Whitehurst Parkin. In early womanhood she became the wife of the late Wesley Hudgins, and to this union was born three children, all of whom died in infancy or early childhood. Mr. Hudgins passed away about the time of the death of his last child.

For sixty-two years Mrs. Hudgins had been a faithful member of the First Baptist Church here and up until the condition of her health ceased to permit she always attended the services and took an active part in the church life. Her friendliness and Christian character won her many friends in Beaufort, Carteret County and elsewhere.

After the death of her husband, Mrs. Hudgins was employed as a milliner by several local merchants, and for a time she conducted her own millinery business here. During the past eleven years she has served in the capacity of the Deputy Collector of Customs in the local office.

The funeral services were conducted from the First Baptist church Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock by the pastor, the Rev. J. P. Harris, assisted by the Rev. Worth Wicker, rector of the St. Paul's Episcopal church. "It is Well With My Soul" and "Asleep in Jesus" were sung by the choir. Mr. Leslie Davis sang "Unanswered Yet." At the grave in Ocean View Cemetery the choir sang "Abide With Me."

A large crowd of friends and relatives attended the last rites and the many floral tributes attested to the high esteem with which Mrs. Hudgins was held by her host of friends. The deceased is survived by the following sister and brothers: Mrs. Julia Brooks, of Beaufort; Edmund Parkin, of Philadelphia; James Parkin, of Swansboro; and Harry Parkin, Herbert Parkin, Sr., John Parkin, and George W. Parkin, Sr. all of Beaufort.

PEANUT IN CHILD'S THROAT RESULTS IN DEATH TUESDAY

William N. Lewis, two year and three month old grandson of Will Lewis, of Marshallberg, passed away early Tuesday morning in the Memorial General Hospital at Kinston after an operation was made in an effort to remove a peanut from the throat of the child, which was choking it to death. Funeral services were conducted at one-thirty o'clock Wednesday afternoon from the home of the grand father by the Rev. C. A. Lineberger. Interment was in the Marshallberg Cemetery.

LOCAL ATTORNEY INJURED WHEN CAR RUNS IN TREES

Yesterday afternoon white C. R. Wheatly was driving along the Bogue Sound road, something happened to the steering gear of the automobile and caused it to swerve off the roadway sideswipe a line of trees that were growing alongside of their road. This almost completely demolished the automobile and injured Mr. Wheatly considerably. When he was brought here to the Potter Emergency Hospital it was found that he had sustained a fracture of the second finger of the left hand, a badly lacerated left ear and bruises and scratches about his body. After receiving treatment, Mr. Wheatly was released from the hospital.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Mary V. Bell and husband to C. W. Fodrie, 6 acres Beaufort Township, for \$240.
Groves Thread Co., Inc to H. H. Groves, part 2 lots Beaufort, for \$1.
Charles D. Harris and wife to D. R. Lewis, 1 tract Marshallberg, for \$63.

INJURES KNEE PAINFULLY

Miss Oleta Davis, of Marshallberg, received a painful cut on her left knee when she stumped her toe and fell down on some glass. She was taken to the Potter Emergency Hospital where she received treatment.

They grow big cucumbers in Holdenville, Okla. Ed Phillips, of that town recently exhibited one from his garden 7 1/2 inches long.

COUNTY BOARD ADOPTS BUDGET AND SETS RATE

Tax Rate Fixed at \$1.50 by Carteret Commissioners Here Monday

INDORSE ROAD PROJECTS

The Board of Carteret County Commissioners was scheduled to take definite action either for or against the proposal of the representatives of the Bond Holders' Committee when it met Monday morning for its regular monthly meeting, and although J. T. Clifton—auditor for the bond holders was present at the meeting—no mention was made of this proposal by any of the five commissioners present.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Smith, which was seconded by Commissioner Guthrie and passed, the budget for the fiscal year 1933-1934 was adopted by the Board. This budget carries a rate of \$1.50 on the hundred dollar valuation.

A committee from Cedar Point appeared before the Board and requested that it pass a resolution indorsing the proposed hardsurfaced spur from the new highway at Cedar Point down to where the inland waterway comes right up to the mainland. Andrew D. Ennett, who was the spokesman, said they had been given to understand that this would be done by the state highway commission if proper indorsements were procured.

Mr. Ennett further stated that if this road was run the third of a mile to the point where the inland waterway runs parallel with the bank at Cedar Point, a freight station would be situated there. R. Hugh Hill, local agent for the Norfolk, Baltimore and Carolina Freight Line was present and let it be known that the N. B. C. boats would then stop at Cedar Point. Mr. Ennett said that this would give western Carteret and Onslow county a better and cheaper means of moving the weighty, non-perishable freight. Other members of the Cedar Point committee were: Alex Weeks, W. F. Taylor and J. S. Jones.

The board also passed a resolution asking the State Highway Commission to take over the mile and a half road from Pettiford's Creek to Ennett's Cross Road which intersects Highway No. 20 and make it a part of the State's primary system. It was stated by the Cedar Point committee that the road is used by both the school buses and the mail truck and that it is all but impassable.

Charles S. Davis, of Harkers Island, was allowed a reduction of \$157.00 on the valuation of a five-hundred acre tract of Harkers Island outland.

Officials of the Tide Water Power Company appeared before the Board with their legal representative, Julius F. Duncan, and asked that the thirty-three and one-third percent reduction in the valuation of real estate be applied to their lines in Beaufort, Morehead City and other parts of Carteret County. The commissioners and County Auditor (Continued on page six)

TIDE TABLE

Information as to the tides at Beaufort is given in this column. The figures are approximately correct and based on tables furnished by the U. S. Geodetic Survey. Some allowances must be made for variations in the wind and also with respect to the locality, that is whether near the inlet or at the heads of the estuaries.

High Tide	Low Tide
Friday, Sept. 15	
4:50 a. m.	10:50 a. m.
5:05 p. m.	11:09 p. m.
Saturday, Sept. 16	
5:39 a. m.	11:37 a. m.
5:49 p. m.	11:43 p. m.
Sunday, Sept. 17	
6:19 a. m.	12:21 a. m.
6:29 p. m.	12:31 p. m.
Monday, Sept. 18	
6:59 a. m.	12:59 a. m.
7:08 p. m.	1:16 p. m.
Tuesday, Sept. 19	
7:37 a. m.	1:36 a. m.
7:48 p. m.	1:58 p. m.
Wednesday, Sept. 20	
8:15 a. m.	2:11 a. m.
8:29 p. m.	2:40 p. m.
Thursday, Sept. 21	
8:57 a. m.	2:45 a. m.
9:11 p. m.	3:22 p. m.