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Accurate Estimate of Loss of Life and Property Damage Impossible.

THOUSANDS HOMELESS

Restoration of the City to Approach of Normal is a Matter of Weeks.

Pueblo, Colo., July 6.—Governor Shoup today asked the United States wernment to place \$20,000,000 at command of the state for use flood relief. ernor's request was contained

gram to United States Senais and Nicholson, of Color

telegram read. has large emergency fund which is urgently required ruction of 25 large steel and bridges in valley of Arkansas aries, on main east and west through most populous sec which inundated. Twenty reded now. Please take to place funds at com

Pueblo, Colo., June 6 .- (By the Press)-Flood-stricken entral Colorado today surveyed the avoc of the most disastrous flood the history of the West. An accurate estimate of the loss of life nd property damage is impossible t this time. With morgues crowded ons, and thousands homeless or uffering from exposure, every effort today was being directed toward the alleviation of suffering, eaving the work of survey and the lans for rehabilitation for the atention of outside forces en route the almost prostrate community. Restoration of the city to even an approach to normal conditions is a matter of weeks. Levees must be repaired before the business section

emed early today that rring another cloudburst. al Red Cross placed the num odies found at approximately asing its estimate on reports of l investigation of the devastated

# IN HOSPITALS.

can be cleared of water.

e number of persons in temorory d, secretary to Governor Shoup. d fever, pneumonia, diphtheria be or two cases of insanity were among the patients. complete field hospital unit from

logan was erected here. ad state officials, in which Governup took part, repair of the levees ecided upon as one of the first lems to be met. It was considered hat aid of the Federal govern-

lesser magnitude were rely by several towns in Kanare along the course of the Arwhich overflowed its Syracuse and Gardner, orted sweeping floods and all the Arkansas valley have been

the rising river. nimas, Colo., reported the Atchika & Santa Fe Railroad shops under five feet of water, d yards wrecked, two hunht cars swept away. of lives were believed to have

ndred residences in Las Anient under three feet of water night. Inhabitants fled to pub-

# dings and to the highlands.

LATTE BREAKS BANKS st of the flood from the rings reached Pueblo, In Henderson Roller Mills and Gordon Inthe Stratton Park dam near igway reservoir and Beaver ictor, coupled with a heavy of rain in the Arkansas river and in Pueblo, caused an-Again last night followed ansterday, however, did the wathe level of Friday night.

nout of railway lines leading Ken area created a menacto be overcome today. dies in Pueblo were cs-Rea Cross as being less | Charlotte. ent for three days. Roads are being made to transport

surrounding towns, by air-Several machines have already t out with blankets and med-

al embargo on all shipments has been affected by most is entering the city. king water available today is

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# FAIR

well I

alotte and Vicinity: Fair tonight Tuesday. Moderate northeast Carolina;-Generally fair toand Tuesday; somewhat warmer coast; moderate to fresh north-

gational church, celebrated his twentiand Tuesday; not much change eth anniversary as a minister Saturday. ast wind; moderate to fresh His entire ministry has been in Salis-

### SECRETARY OF WAR AND HIS WIFE ARE PHOTOGRAPHED ON RECENT TRIP TO N. Y



# FINANCE BODY IS QUIET CONTINUES ORGANIZED HERE IN MILL CIRCLES

Plants Open.

their jobs without molestation.

morning, had failed to reappear.

kins chain will resume operations.

Cabarrus county were coming to

ing the Savonna Mill. These rumors

were accepted as false when the police

failed to find a crowd gathered at the

plant when the workers arrived Mon

day. The guard of policemen during

the morning hours when the worker

in this plant are reporting on their jobs

will be continued while the strike lasts,

No apprehension is felt by officials

as to trouble in the city in connection

with the strike. The Savonna mill

where two or three minor disturbances

have occurred, is the only place from

which trouble has been reported to the

are located within the city limits other

than the Mecklenburg mill and the

Hoskins property in Pinewille. Follow-

ing the letter from Governor Morrison

it was said at Sheriff Cochran's office

that the situation in the county cou-

e taken care of as the sheriff has the

authority to deputize citizens if neces

sary. No trouble at the two mills

Sheriff Cochran was regretful of th

to Governor Morrison asking for advise

in the face of possibilities of strike

trouble. A copy of his letter to the

Governor was obtained Monday. It

merely asked as to the advisability of

calling out troops or calling on the

ity police force should trouble arise,

sue in obtaining military and police

In consequence of the announced in

tention of Chief Orr to see that per-

sons who want to work are given prop-

er protection, the number of operatives

reporting at the Savonna mill Monday

was in excess of the number which re

ported Saturday morning. It was stated

that disturbances of Friday morning,

prior to the arrival of policemen, caus-

ed several workers to fail to report on

their jobs Saturday morning. With the

increase of Monday morning, the mill

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AMERICAN PRO-STARS

Glenn Eagles, Scotland, June 6 .-

(By the Associated Press.)-Great Brit-

individual professional golf match play

The British won nine of the day's

matches and the American golfers

Emmett French, American, defeated

Abe Mitchell, Great Britain, and

Walter Hagen, American, halved their

Wilfred Reid, America, defeated A.

Josh Taylor, Great Britain, defeated

James McKenden, Great Britain, de-

feated George McLean, America, by 5

William Melhorn, America, by 3 up

ed here today.

up and 2 to play.

up and 4 to play.

match.

to lay

and inquiring as to the course to pur-

CAN HANDLE SITUATION.

is expected ,however.

Chief Orr stated.

officers.

Chief W. B. Orr ang a detachment

\$2,100,000 Company Author- Crowd Fails to Assemble at ized by Insurance Commis-sioner to Finance Business

The Southern States Finance Cororation, chartered under the laws of ters and officers of the corporation which is said to be the only one of its kind in the South and to be the only one in North Carolina authorized to The official authorization of Stacy W. Wade, insurance commissioner for North Carolina, permitting the corporation to sell stock in this of a repetition of the flood had state in accordance with Chapter 109, Revisal of North Carolina, and acts amendatory thereof, to the amount of \$500,000, is exhibited by the organizers and officers of the company.

The working capital of the company is to be invested in secured loans chiefly automobile paper which backed by the dealer's endorsement and a chattel mortgage on the car and loans are only placed where the purchaser has paid in cash on the car 33 1-3 per cent or more of the sa

Each loan, it is explained in the cor poration's pamphlet of announcement s to be passed upon by a banker in the vicinity of the maker of the notes advisory board and a stockholder in the corporation. A flat service charge is to be included in the loan to the automobile purchaser, this charge to include interest, insurance, cost of handling, and a fair profit to the company on the transaction. Loans are to be payable in ten monthly installments. Of the capital stock of \$2,100,000 au thorized \$100,000 will be common stock and \$2,000,000 preferred. The com pany is to offer for sale the preferred stock only at the par value of \$10

Among the Charlotte men in corporation, which expects to be a big factor in rehabilitating the automobil business in Charlotte from the partic depression which it has shared recently with other business, are Thomas Payne, C. N. Norman, A. M. Steinberg, and J. Robert Moog. The Monroe men in the corporation are J. E. Ashcrait,

W. S. Blakeney and E. G. J. E. Ashcraft is president of the company and F. G. Henderson and J. Payne are vice-presidents. J. Robert Cherry is secretary and treasurer after midnight, inundating sev- Messrs. Steinberg, Moog and Norman iks of the west side residential are directos and Messrs. Blakeney, from which people fled their Ashcaft and Henderson are trustees. Mr. Ashcraft is president of the Houston A. Heath Realty Company and st reports from Denver early the Joffre Hotel Company, of Monthe river was roe, as well as vice-president, director he foot of the bridge structures and member of the finance committee of the First National Bank of Monroe es yesterday came a renew- Mr. Henderson is connected in forflood here. At 4 o'clock in most capacities with the Farmers & water rose several feet Merchants' Bank, the Iceman Knitting Mills, the Henderson & Snyder Company, the Henderson Motor Company surance & Investment Company, all at

Monroe Mr. Payne is president of the Charlotte Auto Works here and a member of the Payne & Smith Company. M .: Cherry was formerly assistant secrerainstorm. In none of the tary of the Southern Public Utilities Company there, and Mr. Norman is real estate agent and merchant. Mr. Steinberg is vice-president of the Car olina Petroleum & Development Company and Mr. Moog is a member of the firm of Steinberg and Moog, of

## ity are impassable for miles STILLMAN DIVORCE CASE IS POSTPONED

New York, June 6.-The defense in the Stillman divorce case succeeded today in blocking the hearings scheduled three. to begin tomorrow at Poughkeepsie. John F. Brennan, counsel for Mrs. Anne U. Stillman, obtained from Supreme Court Justice Keogh at New Rochelle an order requiring Referee Daniel J. Gleason to show cause on Saturday why further hearings in the case should not be postponed. In the meantime, no hearings may

Mr. Brennan contended he had been be held. attorney of record for Mrs. Stillman only 72 hours and had not had sufficient opportunity to familiarize himself with the case instituted by James A. and 2 to play. Stillman, New York banker.

Mrs. Stillman accompanied Mr. Brennan from his office in Yonkers to New Rochelle, where the order was issued.

TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY. Salisbury, June 6,-Dr. W. B. Duttera, pastor of the Salisbury Congre

# ATRIVER BRIDGE OVERTIME PAY IS Successful Business Mar Chosen for Post by Pres.

Colorado Sheriff Was One of Few of 200 Passengers on Train to Survive.

MANY WERE CRUSHED

Many People Seen Clinging to Numerous Buildings Carried Down Stream.

Colorado Springa Colo., June 6 .-Frank Ducray, sheriff of Mesa county, whose home is at Grand Junction, was one of the few survivors of 200 passengers on Denver & Rio Grande train No. 3, which arrived in Pueblo in Friday night at 8 p. m. Just as the train pulled up to the bridge over the Arkansas river, leading into the union station, it was stopped, he said, "We were left there." he said.

coach steps and began rising rapidly. It was soon rushing through the car Some of us went up and down in the cars quieting the passengers, many of and praying.

'A young girl was sitting in her seat crying. I stopped to reassure an" Savona Mill; No Other She said she was from Quiet continued in cotton mill circles after her and it cheered her. But-- stances, the largest area to be considerwell I saw her swept away as the wain effect reopened for operations other

ried us out through windows and doors. "An old lady sat in her seat, smiling, just before the water flooded in on us She declared that, if it were her time a part of the operatives struck last to go, she was prepared and kept on I reckon she died in her week. Workers in this plant went on I saw a young man sitting in an upper berth with his mother, con-

soling her. She was praving. "In the water we, clung, to coaches of the train which were sway ing back and forth with the waves and striking the coaches of the Missouri Pacific train.

### SCREAMS OF ANGUISH

The Mecklenburg mill in North C' ar 'Screams and cries of anguish rose lotte mentioned in Sheriff W. J. Cochsaw some people go to their deaths crushed between the two trains. to open Monday, did not attempt to regreat pile of lumber came crushing sume operations. It was stated at the down upon us, sweepting over us, strik office of the plant that no data had ing some of those clutching there with precarious hold on the cast. They een se for reopening. No announcenent has been made as to when the were torn loose and went floating down Johnston mills and the Chadwick-Hos-I saw a man break his way through the top of a coach only to Rumors were current Sunday night be washed down the flood. that a crowd of strikers from milis

"On either side of us houses and parns and other buildings were swirl-Many people were clinging I saw two women on the to them. top of a house. The structure struck the bridge and crumbled like an egg-I saw their white hands a moment on the water.

"Morning came. been receding. Those of us who were eft-about sixty-were able to reach the ground and walk around in water above our knees.

Some of the unconscious women and children were left in the dark. It was a scene of devastation and death. It was awful. "I cannot say what the loss might

I know it must be far over a hundred lives, for at least that many, 1 am sure, were lost off our train and the Missouri Pacific train, though more from the last named train were found Pueblo disaster is one of the worst in the history of the West."

# KANSAS BRIDGES ARE

Topeka, Kan., June 6.-The first wave of the Arkansas river flood today was sweeping down from eastern Colonterpretation placed upon his letter rado upon Kansas. The river at Syracuse was bank-full at nightfall last night and rising rapidly. Farmers and ranchmen living in the bottoms early Sunday moved their stock to the high

Men on horseback are patrolling the river west of Syracuse, warning the people to flee. The telephone operator reports the

town of Amity completely washed away with a possible loss of life. keep driftwood from the piers of a wagon brigde, are reported to have versed. gone down with the bridge into the

main current of the river. The Santa Fee Railway Company notified the communities on its line in the Arkansas valley of Kansas that the rush of Colorado flood waters had crossed the state line and local representatives of the company were instructed to be prepared for any emer-

gency that might arise. "The warning has been ample and LOSE, 9-3, TO BRITISH "The warning has been ample and there need be no loss r life in Kansas," said F. C. Fox, general manager of the Santa Fe.

# ain defeated the United States in the OBTAIN FACTS UNDER

in some instances as hazardous as Edward Ray, Great Britain, 2 up and those which the suffering people of that city themselves underwent. The last telegraph operator to brave the rush of the waters wired to the

Denver office: "I am going to beat it, the water is around my feet."

G. Havers, Great Britain, 2 up and 1 That was Friday night. After that, it was hours before communication between Pueblo and the rest of the country was restored. From the tops of buildings newspaper men in Pueblo witnessed much of the disaster. They also used the boats. Fred McLeod, America, defeated The military wigwagged information I. H. Taylor, Great Britain, by one when distance made it impossible to hear the human voice. Fire whistles served as signals for more urgent mat-Harry Vardon, Great Britain, defeatters. Church bells also played their ed Tom Kerrigan, America, 3 up and part in the transmission of emergency information. Half nude and intrepid James Braid, Great Britain, defeated Tlarence Hackney, America, 5 up and swimmers, many of them negroes, served as couriers.

# SURVIVOR TELLS Lasker Accepts Chairmanship PRODUCTIONAND OF EXPERIENCES Of UncleSam's Shipping Board MARKETING ARE

Its Abolition is Demanded by Railroad Executives Before Labor Board.

Chicago, June 6.—The American railroads, dissatisfied with the new labor board wage reduction order of June 1, stand squarely on their request for wage cuts which will wipe out the entire \$600,000,000 increase granted last year, J. W. Higgins, speaking for the Western railroads declared before the board today.

entire country were denounced and their abolition demanded by railroad representatives appearing before the United States Railroad Labor Board today. About 175 roads appeared before the obard in the second wage reduction drive this spring, by which the roads are attempting to cut their labor bill. Over the objection of W. S. Carter, head, of the enginemen and firemen, John G. Walber, representing the Eastpro rata payment instead of time and one-half pay, the present rate for overtime in freight and yard service. Mr. short time when we heard the roar of and had no place in the present hearmeasure" the railroads felt that it at the head of the shipping board was should have attention now.

classes of railroad employes which disregards local conditions is a serious violation of economic lag's," Mr. Walber continued. "Conti untion of such wage scales should be the rate regions as established by the Interstate Com-

merce Commission.

### LINCOLN UNIVERSITY VISITED BY HARDING

Lincoln University, Penn., June 3day and were greated by President Rendall, of the institution, and 400 negro students.

The President was shown the granite arch erected in memory of the negro soldiers who died in the World war and, in a brief talk, said the negro soldiers earned this honor by their cf-The President also spoke of the great benefits of education in furthering the welfare of the negroes, and contrasted the scene presented at the university with those enacted in race disturbances.

ed the recent race riot at Tulsa, Okla. and all similar outbreaks of race feel

## CAN DEDUCT ESTATE TAX FROM INCOME

income, the Supreme Court ruled 'o-The court affirmed a decision of the government. It is a task of selling ships

state's income for 1918.

volved, the case was one of the most further worry. the current term. The Woodward estate alone was assessed \$165,000 alditional taxes as a result of the Internal Revenue Bureau's ruling.

# WESTERN UNION CO.,

Washington, June 6 .- Contention of the Western Union Telegraph Com- ican Jewish Committee the first of his pany that it cannot be held liable for race to be summoned to a high place in damages caused through errors in the Harding administration. He has the city, is reported to have given way. transmitting messages while its lines been active in politics about three years, were under government control was but in that short time has come to be upheld today by the Supreme Court. A recognizer as an asset of the party-a decision of South Carolina courts, driving force and genius for organiza-Four persons, who were detailed to awarding damages to S. B. Poston, a tion, a man who is destined to climb cotton dealer, on this ground, was re- higher some day in the Harding admin-

# INSUFFICIENT REASON FOR SPECIAL SESSION

Asheville, June 6.-Governor Morrison, here for a week's rest, said he believed the Supreme Court's ruling in leclaring the municipal finance act invalid did not constitute sufficient reason to call a special session of the

Washington, June 6 .- Another fight between manufacturers of soft drinks TRYING CONDITIONS was closed today when the Supreme Court refused to review decrees of Vir-Denver, Colo., June 6.-Information ginla courts restraining the Old Doin regard to conditions in flood-strick minion Beverage Company from in-J. G. Sheerlock, Great Britain, dee en and isolated Pueblo was obtained fringing upon the trademark of the feated Charles Hoffner, America, by 3 and forwarded to the outside world un- Coca-Cola Company and from unfair der conditions that were as trying and trading practices in imitating the "packages" of that company.

DISMISS GOVERNMENT APPEAL. Washington, June 6 .- On motion of Solicitor General Frierson, the Supreme Court today dismissed the government's appeal from lower court decrees holding that the American Can Company did not constitute a monopoly under the Sherman anti-trust law.

REDUCE QUARTERLY DIVIDEND. New York, June 6 .- The Chandler Motor company today declared a quarterly dividend of \$1.50 per share. This was a reduction in the annual dividend rate from \$10 to \$26.

HARDING REACHES CAPITAL. Washington, June 6-President Harding returned to the White House at It's got so a girl takes th' same chances 12:43 p. m. today from his week-end as a calf when she steps in a strange motor trip to Valley Forge, Pa.

an organizer and a business man.

famous Lasker plan, by which the war-

fare in baseball which developed last

winter was finally settled. It was Lask-

and affection.

PROMINENT IN POLITICS

The job ahead is one of liquidation

without sacrifice to the interests of the

tached viewpoint, and serve the govern-

Mr. Lasker is a member of the Amer

From what we've been able t' gather

WANTED AN OUTSIDER

in the operation of ships.

is ended.

WHAT IT ORY)

By DAVID LAWRENCE. Staff Correspondent of The News. Copyright 1921, by News Publishing Co Washington, June 6.-Albert D. Lask

er, of Chicago, has accepted the chair manship of the United States Shipping Board. President Harding first offered the place to Mr. Lasker a fortnight ago but the latter came to Washington and urged the president to appoint Walter C. Teagle, president of the Standard Oil Company of . ew Jersey. Mr. Lasker believed that Teagle knew more about ships and the particular problems of Chicago, June 6 .- Extra pay for overthe government than anybody else, and time and uniform wages for the same was even willing to act as an assistant to Mr. Teagle in order to persuade the

latter to take the job. The president yielded to Mr. Lasker's advice and made a final effort to get Mr. Teagle. Everything was arranged satisfactorily when the man who was to take over Mr. Teagle's work in the Standard Oil Company suddenly became ill and the doctors advised a prolonged trip to Europe. Mr. Teagle couldn't therefore leave his work and declined ern railroads, asked for substitution of the position. Mr. Harding consequently fell back year. on Albert Lasker and insisted that the Carter declared such a proposition was a matter of rules rather than wages latter accept as originally planned. Mr. Lasker admitted that he didn't know a ing. Mr. Walber, however, insisted that thing about ships but the president was time and one-half was "injected into of the opinion that technical assistance the wage schedules as a pay increase could be procured so long as the man

"The standardization of wages for all Chicago and sobbingly called out: 'Dad a policy would be in violation of the dy, Daddy.' I told her we would look transportation act. In any circumed by the Labor Board in determining Chicago Cubs Baseball Club and several interested in the plans for co-operative

> Mr. Walber declared that changing costs of living and wage scales would soon require still further reductions

President and Mrs. Harding, motoring of dollars of reward in the business away what interest there was in cotfrom Valley Forge, Pa., to Washingworld were turned to politics. He made ton, ton, stopped at Lincoln University to-

The President, in his address, deplor

"God grant," he said, in referring to the riot, "that we may never have another spectable like it."

# service he was rendering as a business

Washington, June 6 .- An estate tax is an "allowable deduction" from the ident Harding wants the Lasker energy income of an estate in computing net turned on to the shipping problem.

court of claims in the case brought by and salvaging as much as possible of executors of the Alan H. Woodward the proceeds for the government. Mr. estate, in Alabama, which held that Lasker is a shrewd negotiator and posthe government erred in refusing to ap- sessed of a loyalty which makes Presprove such a deduction from that ident Harding feel absolutely safe that From the standpoint of money in- question to the new chairman without

important decided by the court during

North Carolina General Assembly.

# INFRINGEMENT REFUSED.

we don't believe th' people are half as much interestein in th' return o'Grover

# Harding.

These Expected to Prove Salvation for Farmers in Experts Opinion.

Sapiro's Visit Likely to Prove of Vast Benefit to North Carolina.

PRESENT CONDITIONS.

### By JULE B. WARREN.

Staff Correspondent of The News. Raleigh, June 6.-Reduction in the amount of cotton and tobacco produced, either through lessening the acreage or poor development of the amount planted, and marketing organizations will prove the salvation to the farming interests during the coming year in the opinion of agricultural experts who have been trying to draw some conclusions from the disastrous condition of the average farmer this

Indications now are that a reducion of acreage and the poor condition of the cotton crop will help boost prices of the staple during the coming harvesting season

There is little avaliable information about the condition of the tobacco crop, for in most sections of this state the farmers are just beginning the planting, and it is too early to tell much about the condition of the Mr. Lasker is president and owner of crop. But the tobacco association is the Lord & Thomas Advertising Agency, but is one of the principal owners in interesting the farmers in a sharp many big business enterprises. He is a reduction in the amount of land plantpart owner of the Mitchell Car Com- ed to tobacco, and the farmers thempany, Quaker Oats, Van Camp's, the selves are becoming more and more marketing of their produc other companies. He is author of the

standstill. The mills are shutting down or running fewer hours in this couner who first suggested Judge Landis as try, for there is little demand for the arbiter of baseball disputes and he cotton goods. Even the market for has the happy faculty of being able to future is practically at a standstill, settle tangled problems without much according to reports from the brokers' offices in the state. The phenomenal jump in the price of wheat during Throughout the last three years, Mr. the past few days has caused the spec-Lasker has stood beside Will Hays-a ulatively inclined to turn their attensort of man behind the gun. His advice tion to this feature, thereby drawing and judgment, which won him millions

With this condition prevailing a large several trips around the country with cotton crop in North Carolina and Will Hays when the latter first started the cotton belt generally would be very out to win congress for the republicans disastrous. While there is considerearly in 1918. He was a staunch supable difference in the estimates of porter of Hiram Johnson for president, and is said to have financed the latter's organizations representing the cotton campaign at Chicago. After the convention, however, Lasker alongside of Hays amount of cotton that will be carried continued his work for republican suc- over into the next year, it is generally cess and was the genius of the repub. agreed that the cotton mills of the country will not use all of the wresent lican advertising and publicity camcotton crop before the next one is harpaign last summer. In the work he frevested. If the condition of the crop quently came in contact with President remains about 60 per cent of normal Harding and won the latter's esteem when the harvest comes, it will mean that there may be a demand for the crop that is somewhat in line with the supply. In other words what now Mr. Lasker is prominent in Illinois seems to be disaster to the cotton politics and is one of the principal supfarmer, whose crop is considerably beporters of Senator Medill McCormick. hind, much of it rotting in the field As a business man his greatest faculty and much of it failing to come up, is quick action and penetrating judgmay prove the salvation of the indus ment. Many a big business concern has gone to him for advice. It is said that try for a short crop will certainly help stabilize the market, or help at the age of twenty-five, Lasker was boost the prices somewhat in line earning \$1,000 a week for the personal

### with the cost of production. adviser. Unusually alert and keen, Pres- THE TOBACCO SITUATION

ing expert from California, who was instrumental in organizing the citrus fruit growers of California into the most compact selling concern the agricultural world has known, has stimulated interests of tobacco and cotton tive marketing organizations in North he can turn over the whole shipping sections of the state, and had a good sized audience at every speaking. The farmers agreed to join the marketing organizations in large numbers. The North Carolina leaders are hopeful that The tales of graft and irregularity in the farmers will stick to their marketthe shipping situation have come to the agreement, and believe that with a ears of the president, who has felt sufficient number putting their crops that some one who wasn't tied up with the shipping interests would have a deganizations, it will be possible to stab-

alize the prices of these two crops. ment better than one who was engaged Before the visit of the Californian to North Carolina the North Carolina Topacco Growers Association had organized a large part of the tobacco farmers in the state, had pledged them to a reduction in the amount of tobacco tion have been in practically all of the large tobacco growing counties of the east and have signed up the farmistration when the job of selling ships ers with pledges to plant considerably less tobacco than was planted last sea-If the farmers stick to these pleoges, and it is believed they will stick, the tobacco crop will be planted a third less acres this year than Other observers express belief that the tobacco reduction will run around twenty-five per cent. It is understood that representatives of the bigger buyers of tobacco figure a twenty-five per cent reduction in to-

This reduction, with normal growing conditions, should put the production of tobacco somewhat on a parity with the possible needs of the manu-

### facturers for the new year. LABOR IS CHEAPER

These reductions will enable the farm er himself, provided he is a dirt farmer, to tend more of the crop himself. He will not have to pay out so much for labor, and what labor he does have to hire will be secured at a lower wage than was paid last year. One of the things that made the slump in the price of tobacco so disastrous last year, was the fact that the crop was produced with high priced labor on the expectation that the tobacco would bring a high price.

This year there is more labor avail-(Continued on Page Six.)



