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FARMERS SHOULD CURTAIL THE TOBACCO CROP

The appeal issued by the Tobacco Association of the United States calling upon the farmers of Eastern North Carolina to curtail the tobacco crop very materially this year is one of the greater importance. Plainly, there is no underlying motives in this appeal, other than a desire of the tobacco men to strike a blow in the interest of the farmers effected. The planting of a larger crop this year, than was put in last year will mean a condition of the tobacco market similar to that of the cotton crop this year, and the farmers will do well to consider the matter before setting out too much tobacco.

Every community in which tobacco is produced is involved, and the following ideas are set forth by the tobacco men for the careful consideration of the farmers:

1. That almost any land in our section can produce bright tobacco and has done so to an extent of over production.

2. That the increase, to an amount beyond consumption, has come about in the cotton raising section.

3. That, on account of two large crops, the surplus now on hand is all that can be cared for, and any further over-production will bring about serious consequences, especially to the farmers.

4. That as the Old Belt can only raise tobacco, and as the cotton section is where the production has so largely increased, this section should, for its interest curtail planting, as compared with the last two years, to a very considerable degree.

5. That the over production this year decreased the value of the value of the crop about one third.

6. That a moderate crop, which can be properly cared for, for 1915, will bring much more money than a large crop which will mean over-production of an article of which there is now all the surplus that can be properly cared for.

7. That the high price of all food-stuffs, which is likely to continue for some time, should give farmers every incentive to make home supplies first, rather than spending all their energies and taking long chances in the over-production of tobacco.

BURLINGTON MAN APPRECIATES THE TIMES-NEWS

Burlington, N. C., Feb. 26, 1915. Editor Creedmoor Times-News.

Dear Brother Hart: I was pleased to find a copy of The Times News on my desk this morning. I have missed it so much, it is like an old friend come back. Hope it will continue to come.

Glad you resumed publication and hope you may continue to make a good paper. Now to the people of Granville County, (and they are good people), pitch in now and help the editor to make a good county paper. The editor is all right, but he can't do it all, give him news items and also dollars. That's what makes a good paper. If my brother Hester the clever but "ugly" carrier on Route 1, and the "other fellow on Route 2 were not so lazy they would give some route news. Nothing helps a county paper more than news from the rural routes. Brother Hart knows this from his former experience, so brother carriers get busy and help out the editor, also help your routes. The Postoffice Department is after the weak routes anyway. Every patron of a rural route ought to take a county paper.

Everybody enjoys reading news from the routes. I have been giving a few items to our county papers for 10 years or more, and I enjoy reading, even my own stuff.

With best wishes for you, your paper and the good people of Creedmoor, and Granville County.

I am yours truly,
J. M. HAYES.

Blind tigers are as thick in the State as blackberries in an old sedge field. At Durham the other day 12 were gathered at one swamp, making a total of 30 in as many days. And still there are those who are foolish enough to think that prohibition does not breed crime.—Ex.

BURKE COUNTY FARMER MURDERED IN HIS HOME

Morganton, Feb. 25.—George Bowers, an aged and well-known Burke County farmer, was found dead in his home near Glen Alpine this morning, it being reported at first that he had dropped dead; but the coroner's report tonight indicates that he was brutally murdered.

Coroner Dr. C. E. Ross, reports that the dead man had been struck a terrific blow on the back of the head, and blood was found in several places, while the body was lying by the fireplace with head and hands buried in the ashes in a manner to indicate he had been thrown there. Blood mingled with grey hair was found on the edge of the fire-hovel, indicating that the blow was dealt with it.

The coroner says it is possible that, instead of being killed instantly by the blow, he was rendered unconscious and smothered with pitched into the warm ashes. The deed was evidently done last night, as Mr. Bowers had removed his shoes and coat and turned down the bed, but had not used it and one shoe was found quite a distance away, indicating that something displaced it.

No cause can be given for the deed, as there was no sign of robbery and several dollars were found in his pockets. If robbery were the motive, the robbers became frightened and fled, leaving the door open behind them. Mr. Bowers was a peaceable old man and was not known to have had a single enemy. Since the marriage of his children he had lived alone on his farm.

DURHAM TO BURLINGTON CAR LINE IS CHARTERED

Durham, Feb. 25.—Durham people are very much interested in the bill which has been introduced in the Legislature to charter a company to run an electric line from Durham to Burlington by way of Chapel Hill, Swepsonville, Haw River and Graham.

The charter is being asked for by a number of capitalists to whom Secretary C. G. Creighton, of the Commercial club gave a lot of information about the towns touched and other important information about the country. Mr. Creighton had about given up hope that anything of his prospects for an electric line between Durham and Chapel Hill, and while the granting of the charter does not necessarily mean that the line will be built, still it is a step toward that line, which greeted with a great deal of satisfaction by people of this city.

Durham people and Chapel Hill citizens have believed for a number of years that a car line between Durham and that town would be one of the best paying investments in traction lines that could be made in North Carolina.

TO PUT 15,000 CITIZENS AT WORK ON N. Y. SUBWAY

New York, Feb. 27.—Work on New York city's new \$300,000,000 subway system will be continued by American citizens, pending a decision of the United States Supreme Court on yesterday's decision by the State Court of appeals, in which the constitutionality of that section of the labor law forbidding the employment of aliens on public work was upheld, says an announcement today by C. A. Crane, secretary of the General Contractors' Association.

Mr. Crane said the contractors decided they would comply with the law and immediately begin to weed out all aliens, pending the appeal to the United States Supreme Court.

Walter L. Sears, superintendent of the Public Employment Bureau, said that in a few weeks he could procure from 10,000 to 15,000 able-bodied American citizens for subway work.

During the half year since vodka has been prohibited in Russia more than 1800 secret distilleries have been discovered. Many of them have been refining shellac and converting methylated spirits into alcoholic beverages.

IF WE ONLY KNEW

If we knew the pain and sorrow,
Waiting along our path,
If we could only see the reaper
As he gathers in his chaff,
Would we not be more careful
In sowing along our way?
So's to plant all that's noble
For our reaping another day?

If we knew the friendly figure
Daily toiling by our side,
Would be cold and stiff tomorrow,
Ne'er again that place abide,
Would our ways again be parted
In anger and in pain?
Would love not be the dweller
In pain and anger's name?

Ah, that ice-cold figure,
How it sends our memories back
To the angry words and actions
Sown along our hasty track;
How that friendly figure tells us
As cold in death it lies—
To be careful, far more careful,
Than we would be otherwise.

Let us then in our daily labors
Strive to attain a noble end
With an ever increasing vigilance
Keeping anger from entering in—
Surely our pathway will be brighter,
Love will illuminate the way,
And our progress filled with joy
As we travel day by day.

--Herbert B. Utley.

MOONSHINER KILLED IN FIGHT WITH POSSE

Hamlet, Feb. 27.—Acting upon information that an illicit distillery was in operation about six miles below Hamlet on the line between North and South Carolina, Sheriff Patterson of Marlboro county, South Carolina, and two deputies together with Deputy Sheriff Brown of Richmond county and Policeman Miller of Hamlet made a raid on the still Friday night about midnight.

Upon reaching the edge of the swamp near the location of the still the officers found a man who was carrying a 35 gallon still away from the swamp. He was arrested and immediately three of his companions ran out of the swamp and opened fire on the officers. The officers returned the fire and Colon Mcintosh was killed by the officers. Mr. Fry, the man who had the still was a brother-in-law to the man killed.

The other two members of the party fled and have not been captured.

The inquest was held today by Coroner Smith and the jury exonerated the officers from any blame.

The deceased together with Fry were formerly residents of Moore county above Carthage and have been living a short time in the neighborhood of the scene of the killing. The place where the killing occurred is in a neighborhood where at least a dozen homicides have occurred within the last few years.

Mr. J. H. Holloway, of Louisville, entered suit last Friday for \$10,000 against Anson and Brown proprietors of the Grand Theater in Raleigh. The cause of the suit is said to have been the ejection of Mr. Holloway from the theater the night before, because of a newspaper criticism of a show written by Mr. Holloway.

FAT HOG FOR EDITOR IF HE FINDS MAN A WIFE

Mountain Home, Ark., Feb. 27.—George Bodenhamer, widower, and one of the largest hog buyers, raisers and shippers in Baxter county, made an advertising contract with a local newspaper, in which he agreed to give the editor a prime fat, 200 pound hog next fall, if, through the advertising columns of the paper the editor secured for him a wife by that time. The editor, believing in the pulling power of his advertising columns, accepted the offer on the spot.

Mr. Bodenhamer's specifications are very liberal. The requirements are that the wife must be under 40, healthy, a good cook and housekeeper, with a sentimental and lovable disposition. He will not object to a little temper, but does not want and will not have a spitfire, or any one who has a nagging disposition. What he wants is a good woman who will make a pleasant and congenial home. If she has a little money to put into the hog business it will be acceptable, but it is not necessary.

Mr. Bodenhamer owns a good 160-acre farm near that place that is well stocked with hogs. He also has cows, horses, etc. He has seven children, the oldest 17 years and the youngest six years.

On his side he agrees to keep plenty of rump steak and other provisions in the pantry and to maintain the home. He is not prejudiced against widows. He is not bad looking, is 40 years old, healthy, sober and a man of good morals and reputation. He gives as his reason for advertising for a wife that he is too busy to run around the country looking one up and going through a prolonged courtship. He is using advertising space as a short cut.

J. W. Bailey, Collector of Internal Revenue of the Eastern District of North Carolina, at Raleigh, last week appointed Connor Aycock to a clerkship in his office. Young Aycock is the second son of the late Governor Charles B. Aycock.

ROBESON COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFF KILLS FUGITIVE

Maxton, Feb. 26.—This morning about nine o'clock Deputy Sheriff W. W. Smith, while attempting to arrest two negroes for a hold-up committed at Pemroke in the early morning shot and almost instantly killed one of the negroes, Jesse, or Henry Stewart, who was attempting to draw his gun on the officer. After being shot he ran about a hundred yards before he dropped. Mr. Smith did not know that he had hit the man and was placing the other negro under arrest.

The dead negro was from Hamer, South Carolina, and was considered a desperate character, and from the healed wounds on his body, bore evidence of having been engaged in other shooting scrapes.

Mr. Smith immediately surrendered to the officers and Sheriff R. E. Lewis came up from Lumberton to take charge of the case. Coroner L. R. Kirkpatrick impanelled a jury, which, after viewing the body and hearing the evidence, exonerated Mr. Smith from all blame, saying that Mr. Smith shot in self defense and that the shooting was justifiable. The body of the negro is being held for advices from Hamer, and unless claimed will be buried by the county.

SPEAKER E. R. WOOTEN DIES FROM INJURIES

Raleigh, Feb. 27.—Speaker Emmett R. Wooten of the lower house of the 1915 general assembly, died this afternoon about 3:45 as a result of injuries sustained in the automobile wreck that killed William T. Aycock and injured Senator Rivers D. Johnson.

The wreck that resulted in the most tragic circumstances of all legislatures of recent years occurred Thursday morning, February 18, two miles from Raleigh as Mr. Wooten, Mr. Aycock and Mr. Johnson were returning from the Country club in an automobile. Mr. Aycock was killed instantly and Mr. Wooten suffered fractured ribs and a rupture of the right kidney. This latter injury was not known until the natural development exposed the condition of the patient and an operation followed. He stood that well and every day showed improvement enough to give hope. Thursday he suffered a chill not known until yesterday when physicians announced great danger of pneumonia. This morning at 2 o'clock definite diagnosis removed all doubt of his strength to last long.

Throughout the day his feeble powers continued to fail him and at noon it became apparent that he could not live through the day. He died painlessly, perhaps the only hour since his injury that has not been one of suffering, though he betrayed it but seldom. His mother and wife were with him, as were other relatives.

Request was made that the body be placed in state here, but the wish of the family was that the dead speaker be sent to his home, in LaGrange, where the funeral will take place tomorrow. Senatorial and house committees will attend the burial.

Mr. Wooten was born in Craven county November 2, 1878, and was therefore 36 years old. He studied at Wake Forest and completed his course at the University of North Carolina. He studied law under Judge Alphonso Calhoun Avery and also at the state university, being admitted to the bar in 1900. At Wake Forest he was prominent in college athletics and was a member of the baseball team.

In the state legislature of Kansas a bill has been introduced making it a misdemeanor for a woman under forty-five years of age to wear earrings or false hair, or to use face powder perfume or cosmetics of any description. They are evidently contemplating the installation of the suffragettes as police-women, as district attorneys, on the juries and on the bench in that state, for no man alive would dare tell a woman her hair or her complexion was false—unless, indeed, she had so far passed the age limit of forty-five that such an accusation could be regarded as a compliment.

CREEDMOOR WAREHOUSE MAN WILL GO TO DURHAM

It was learned yesterday that Messrs. R. G. Umstead, W. L. Umstead and Maynard Mangum, proprietors of the Planters warehouse for the past few seasons have sold their lease on the Plapter warehouse building to Messrs. W. S. Newton and Sim Meadows.

The new proprietors of the Planters warehouse will take charge of the house the first of September. The present owners of the lease and proprietors of the house will finish out this season.

The deal for the warehouse next year was made about a week ago and was known to members of the tobacco trade in the city, but the news did not gain a general circulation till yesterday. Messrs. Umstead and Mangum have not announced what they intend to do during the coming season, but they will probably continue in some phase of the tobacco business in Durham. All of them have large business interests, and devoted only a part of their time to the warehouse.

The Planters is the second oldest house in the city and has done a tremendous business in the past. It was erected several years ago and was run by Messrs. Umstead and Carrington till the death of Mr. Carrington. Later Mr. Mangum went from the Banner warehouse to the Planters.

The two men who will have charge of the house next year are well known in the tobacco circles of the city and this section of the State. Mr. Newton has lived in Durham for many years and has been engaged in the tobacco business in one way or another all of these years. He knows the business as well as any man in the city and has a large following among the farmers. For the past few seasons Mr. Newton has been buyer for the Export Leaf Tobacco company on the Apex market.

While Mr. Meadows has not made Durham his home he has spent a good deal of time here and is well known to the farmers of this section. This year he is running a warehouse at Creedmoor and has sold a large amount of tobacco on this small market.

So far as it is known there will be no other changes in the personal of the other warehouse. While it is a little early to begin making alignments for next season the general understanding on the outside is that the Banner and the Farmers' warehouse will be run by the men who have been in charge of these places for the past few years.—Durham Herald 24th.

VANCE COUNTY NEGRO KILLS HIS BROTHER

Henry Cooper, a Townsville negro, was lodged in jail here this afternoon for killing his brother, Brodie Cooper, this morning at Townsville. The death wound was inflicted when Henry Cooper stabbed Brodie in the neck, severing his jugular vein, according to reports received here by telephone this morning. It is said that Henry had been drinking, and that the killing occurred after a quarrel between the two negroes.

After his brother had dealt the blow that ended his life a little while later, Brodie ran a short distance, and dropped to the ground near the railroad track, where he died before anything could be done for him.

Henry Cooper surrendered himself to the officers without making any attempt to get away, and claimed that he killed his brother in self-defense. The negro who did the killing is a painter by trade. The affair happened shortly after 9 o'clock this morning.—Henderson Daily Gold Leaf, 26th.

President L. L. Hobbs, of Guilford College for thirty years, has resigned and will be succeeded at the end of the school year by Dr. Thomas Newlin, now president of Whittier College, Pasadena, Cal., formerly dean of Guilford. Dr. Hobbs is one of the State's most prominent educators and his successor is a splendidly equipped man.

The Laplander who marries a girl against the wishes of her parents may be severely punished.