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REFERENDUM COMING

The government of the United States in this "land of the free and the home of the brave" does not want to impose on the rights of any of its citizens, nor deprive them of one iota of their blood-bought liberties.

Instead the government is doing everything in its power to guard the liberties and to improve the condition of its citizens.

Especially is this so in the case of the farmers and the tobacco growers, who never before in the history of this government have been shown so much consideration, and who have enjoyed more protection, than the New Deal at Washington has accorded them.

The government through its agricultural administration so fixed the law that the farmers if they chose could themselves curtail their crops to produce keener demand and consequent higher prices, and offered its services to enforce the law, if the farmers themselves chose to exercise their power. So careful was the government of the farmer's rights that it even required a TWO-THIRDS vote of the farmers before it would accept their decision.

Now that the farmers by taking the advice of false and misleading prophets, have brought disaster again to themselves, the government again offers its services, and gives the tobacco growers again the right to say whether they will have control of production and higher prices, or unlimited production and lower prices.

The referendum will be held in a couple of weeks, we are promised, and the farmers are again offered the opportunity for their own betterment.

Will they accept it, or will they listen again to the false prophets?

WHO KILLED TOBACCO ?

There were intelligent and honest people who voted against the control of tobacco production in the last referendum. No question about that. But the bulk of those who voted against it were ignorant people whose fears were preyed upon by false leaders who made them believe that tobacco control was an agent of government to deprive them of their rights and their liberty. These false leaders did not tell the ignorant voters that their privilege in the production of tobacco was a thing absolutely of their own wishes and their own discretion, and that only they themselves could impose any restrictions on their acreage or pounds in the production of their staple crop.

The result was that enough growers who did not know the truth, killed the goose that had been laying the golden eggs, and brought disaster upon themselves and their brother farmers.

Know the truth, and the truth will make you free.

SUPPLY AND DEMAND VINDICATED ONCE MORE

A dispatch from Martinsville, Va., says Patrick, Henry and Franklin counties, Va., met Monday to discuss plans for referendum to be held shortly on tobacco control.

John R. Hutchinson of the V. P. I. extension department, addressing the meeting said government figures now show that Virginia farmers paid 4 million dollars this year for the privilege of doing extra work to produce 40 per cent. more tobacco.

Virginia farmers like North Carolina tobacco growers, while voting in the majority, were infected with enough false prophesy in the name of "libertee," to kill the goose that had been laying the golden eggs for them.

COSTLY ERROR

Stokes county farmers stand to lose probably a million dollars because wild production swept all the tobacco belts this year.

Probably those false prophets whose specious argument led to this disaster, experience now a twinge of conscience because they misled their brethren.

The majority of Stokes county farmers are innocent of this wrong done to their country. They voted a good majority for the control of production, but thanks to a fair and liberal administration, even a majority of the growers didn't count. The limit was put at two-thirds, so that if the tail would wag the dog it could wag it. It wagged it, to the sad undoing of the dog.

HIGH SCHOOL FOR DANBURY

The citizens of Danbury are asking the Stokes County Board of Education for a standard high school, alleging that the central location of the county seat deserves equal educational advantages to other communities of the county.

Danbury has for years been only a second or third rate entity in the county's fine educational system. Under the plan of consolidation of smaller schools and bringing their students to the larger units, thus creating first class institutions at a number of points in the county, some of the largest and most efficient schools in the State have been established. The Danbury school advocates claim that the students of several outlying districts adjacent to Danbury could be transferred to a central unit at the county seat to enlarge this school to one of the largest and most efficient institutions of the county. A meeting of the local school committee is called to convene at the court house Friday night to make plans for further activities in association with John H. Folger, member of the State educational commission.

Corporation to Buy and Store Surplus Tobacco is Proposed

Raleigh, Sept. 18.—Proposed plan for a corporation to buy tobacco and store it until a profitable market can be found were revealed here tonight as officials continued their search for a solution to problems created by low prices and withdrawal of British markets from the flue-cured belt.

E. Y. Floyd, executive AAA officer at N. C. State College, said this was only one of several plans to be considered by a group which will meet in Washington tomorrow with agricultural officials to seek means of reopening Carolinas' markets closed this week by a self-imposed "selling holiday."

Included in the group will be growers, warehousemen and bankers.

Floyd emphasized that though the proposed corporation has met with favor by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, it and other proposals cannot be adopted unless quotas are approved for the 1940 crop.

He quoted Secretary of Agriculture Wallace as having said "it is realized that it would not be sound to undertake to sustain prices unless farmers decided to support the "agricultural adjustment program by regulating marketings in 1940." Also, the executive officer said, J. B. Hutson, chief of the AAA tobacco section, has asserted that "farmers cannot expect help in pegging prices unless they agree to restrict their 1940 crop."

It is definitely known, Floyd said, that a referendum on mar-

keting quotas for the 1940 crop will be held between September 30 and October 7. "Any assistance in the form of government loans," he added, "will be contingent upon approval of quotas for next year."

Floyd explained that the proposed corporation would operate in this manner:

It would be financed with \$1,000,000 worth of stock to be sold to bankers, business men, farmers and others, and \$39,000,000 in stock to be underwritten by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

The Imperial Tobacco Company, which withdrew its buyers September 8, has agreed to turn over its personnel and facilities to the corporation to buy "Imperial grades" of tobacco the remainder of the season, Floyd said. The British company would handle the tobacco on a "cost-plus" basis, and the prices for the "Imperial grades" would be at an average paid by Imperial before the markets closed.

Leaf bought in this manner would be stored until a profitable market could be found.

Floyd also revealed that a series of conferences would be held in 60 counties to arrange for educational meetings to acquaint tobacco growers with plans to relieve the situation. Plans for the gatherings were made by agricultural leaders here today.

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Stuart, Virginia

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Charles Starrett—Iris Meridith

Sunday, September 24th

"The Lady and the Mob"
Fay Bainter—Ida Lupina—Henry Armetta

Monday Tuesday Sept. 25-26

"Yes, My Darling Daughter"
Priscilla Lane—Jeffrey Lynn

(This show 15c and 30c.)

Wednesday & Thurs. Sept. 27-28

"Its A Wonderful World"
Claudette Colbert—James Stewart

(This show 15c and 30c)

Shows start 7:00 p. m., except

Sunday, 8:45 p. m.

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