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ENCOURAGEMENT FOR MILK PLANT

J. W. PEPPER, OF CHRISTIANBURG, VA., DETAILS OPERATION OF SUCCESSFUL VIRGINIA MILK ESTABLISHMENTS — NEW PLANT AT WALNUT COVE BEING STARTED.

The promoters of the milk plant now being built at Walnut Cove under the sponsorship of County Agent J. F. Brown and his assistant L. F. Brumfield, backed by public spirited citizens of Walnut Cove, will no doubt be interested in the following letter from J. W. Pepper of Christiansburg, Va.

Mr. Pepper was a citizen of Stokes more than 50 years ago. He now lives at Christiansburg, Va., his native home, but still retains an interest and affection for Stokes, where he spent much of his early manhood.

His letter follows:

"Christiansburg, Va., Apr. 27.

"Dear Gene:

"I am mailing you under separate cover copy of our town paper giving account of the opening of our new milk plant. You will see from this that it is bringing in to the county a quarter million dollars a year, and we have another plant which is doing a fine business, but I have not the figures at hand. This business has been built up in the last twenty years, and there is no reason why Stokes should not do as well, for you have the advantage in climate, and the soil will grow better legumes than ours. Luck to you.

"Sincerely yours,

"J. W. PEPPER."

The copy of the Montgomery News Messenger of Christiansburg, sent us by Mr. Pepper, contains the following:

OPENING OF NEW PRICE DAIRY PLANT

"Speaking before a small crowd which had braved an all-day rain Saturday to attend the formal opening of the Southern Dairies plant in Christiansburg, Governor James Price called his critics wrong by pointing out that the state would have a surplus of \$750,000 at the end of the fiscal year, as compared to a \$500,000 surplus which had existed in the budget when he was inaugurated in 1938.

"Congressman Woodrum, on the program, 'paid tribute to the Southern Dairies management for its new plant here as an example of private industry.

"Prof. C. W. Holdaway of the V. P. I. dairy husbandry department, estimated that the new plant would pay farmers of the territory \$250,000 annually for their milk.

"Dr. John R. Hutcheson, extension director at V. P. I., declared that the new plant was an example of the cooperation of labor, agriculture and industry in making a prosperous nation.

"Elmer J. Mather, president of

Walnut Cove Class to Hear Hoey at Finals

Walnut Cove—Governor Clyde R. Hoey will deliver the commencement address at the graduation exercises at Walnut Cove High School to be held Saturday, May 11.

Dr. Howard Rondthaler, president of Salem College, Winston-Salem, will deliver the commencement sermon Thursday night, May 9.

The commencement activities will open Wednesday night, at 8 o'clock when the senior class presents its class play, "The Man in the Green Shirt."

The cast for the play will include Ardeyne Burton, Noranne Tuttle, Mary Vaughn Lewellyn, Jewel Voss, Robert Smith, Margie Petree, Rheumell Mitchell, Leslie Neal, Edwin Hill and Ruth Coleman.

The annual May Day festival will be held Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

The piano recital of Miss Tuttle's class will be presented Tuesday, May 7, and the class day exercises of the senior class will be held Wednesday, May 8.

Kirby Speaks

Dallas C. Kirby opens his campaign for the Senate from Stokes and Surry by a speech in Danbury court house next Saturday night.

DON'T MISS THIS NEW SERIAL STORY

"The Golden Stranger," gripping story of love and hidden treasure, begins on May 12th in

The American Weekly

the big magazine distributed with the

BALTIMORE AMERICAN

On Sale At All Newsstands

Southern Dairies, in a short talk, described the progress and expansion of his firm. R. A. Brodesser, vice-president of the concern, under whose direction DAIRIES NO. 2 ...

the new plant was built, urged farmers of the territory to make use of its facilities.

"R. T. Hopkins, manager of the local plant, acted as master of ceremonies for the event which was held indoors because of inclement weather.

"Several hundred patrons of the plant, whose expected numbers has been reduced by the downpour, inspected the new unit, and were guests of the company at a barbecue luncheon. Music was furnished by a Reanoke Legion drum and bugle corps. The streets of the town were decorated by a committee in honor of the occasion."

The Walnut Cove Dairy Plant is going forward rapidly to completion, and is assured of bringing dairy products from eight counties of North Carolina and Virginia, meaning the addition of many thousands of dollars yearly business to Walnut Cove and Stokes county.

(An Editorial.)

NATURAL RIGHTS OF AMERICAN CITIZENS CANNOT BE CONTRAVENED

There are two outstanding reasons why the Hatch bill should never have passed, and should now be repealed:

First—It was conceived solely in the iniquity of Roosevelt hate, and is the foul offspring of political prejudice, malice and vengeance.

Second—It is in direct contravention of the natural rights of free-born American citizens who are guaranteed under our constitution and our immortal Bill of Rights—FREE SPEECH, FREE RELIGION, FREE PRESS, FREE POLITICAL PREFERMENT.

The Hatch bill forbids any person who is on the pay-roll of the federal government, to exercise his inalienable right of choice of candidates, of free speech on men or issues or any activity in behalf of any political party.

It is plainly a GAG LAW patterned after the sinister doctrines of European dictatorships, where men and women are made dumb in the exercise of their civil liberties.

Nobody believes that because persons may be employed by the federal government, or even receiving a part of their subsistence from it, should be muzzled.

From time immemorial, since our government was established, any Republican, Democrat or affiliate of any other political persuasion, has enjoyed the privilege of participating in elections.

It is only since Stalin, Hitler and Mussolini that the contagion of European or Asiatic suppression of people's rights has caught in the system of American Senators and Congressmen.

The divine privileges of free thought, free press, free speech, free politics must be preserved if the great democracy "west of the border" stands

This is a free country newspaper speaking its honest convictions. How long before we shall be afraid to accept a check of \$15.65 for publishing the sale notice of a federal land bank, for fear of confiscation, debarment from the mails or banishment to one of the South Sea Isles?

How long before you are afraid to take your pay for digging a ditch for the government at 30 cents an hour, because you may be taken for a ride by the Gestapo or the Ogpu. And your offense: That you criticised some issue or expressed a preference for a candidate.

The ramifications of the Hatch bill are far-reaching, and are a growing menace to the liberties of the people.

Will the Hatch bill prevent federal employes from being solicited or from contributing?

No. Fences are made only for THOSE WHO CANNOT FLY.

Compress steam, and you create a dangerous force.

A great American law was passed a few years ago on supposedly moral grounds, and the people demanded its repeal because they said it infringed on their natural rights. A few years later it was repealed.

The courts allow communists to preach sedition and the overthrow of the government, in college and on the soap-box, because of the people's constitutional rights of free speech.

Will the poor federal employe be proscribed, not because he is against the government, but only for the reason that he wants a change in administration or a continuance of the same.

Commissioners meet

The board of county commissioners will be in session at the court house next Monday, May 6.

J. L. Mitchell, Moir Hawkins

and P. O. Fry, committee on field loans to farmers from the Seed and Feed Loan office, were in session here Saturday.

Social Security Accounts of Workers and Claims For Insurance Payments Checked Without Cost

Workers who wish to check the accuracy of their social security accounts for old-age and survivors insurance, or those past 65 who wish to file a claim for insurance payments, do not need to pay anyone to assist them, Mr. J. N. Freeman, manager of the Social Security Field office in Winston-Salem, pointed out today. He said that procedures established by the Social Security Board furnish employees with every assistance in checking their accounts and in filing claims for insurance payments.

Recent inquiries received by the field office, Mr. Freeman said, indicate a belief on the part of some workers that they need to pay for the services of an outside person in order to be sure that their rights are protected. He explained that the Social Security Board has the duty of keeping accurate wage records and paying insurance benefits to all eligible persons and that it has established procedure to carry out these responsibilities fully. He added, however, that the Board's procedures do not prohibit the worker from being represented by an outside person if he so wishes.

Mr. Freeman explained that the field office is prepared to give all claimants—workers past 65 and the families of workers who have died—all possible assistance in filing their claims for this insurance. These services are given free of charge.

He further stated that the Board has established procedures by which anyone who questions the decision of the bureau concerning his rights to insurance payments can ask for a hearing on his claim before a regional referee. If he is still dissatisfied after this review, he can appeal his case to the Appeals Council in Washington. Thereafter he, of course, would still have recourse to the Federal District Court for his district.

In explanation of procedures established by the Board, Mr. Freeman stated that any worker who wishes to check the wages credited to him can get a self-addressed form for this purpose at the field office. If he fills this in and mails it, he will promptly receive a report from the Board's central wage-record office at Baltimore, which will show the wages reported by his employer and credited to his account. If he believes there is any error in the amount of wages credited to him, the field office will make every effort to clear up the matter. The Winston-Salem office of the Social Security Board is located at 433-438 Nissen Building.

A. E. Southern was in town from Germanton Route 1 Saturday.

BANDIT VISITS DANBURY MONDAY

YOUNG WHITE MAN AFTER ROBBERING TWO LADIES IN WINSTON-SALEM, TOURS THROUGH STOKES AND ESCAPES WITH CAR AND MONEY.

Monday afternoon at one o'clock a Ford coupe, 1936 model, bearing a New York license, stopped here inquiring the way to Madison.

The car was driven by a bare-headed young man, some 22 years of age.

A number of citizens saw the car and occupant, who left hurriedly without explicit instructions.

An hour later two highway patrolmen and several deputy sheriffs of Stokes were gathered here on the quick trail of a person who had robbed two ladies near Reynolda, in the suburbs of Winston-Salem, taking \$20 and the car.

The ladies who had inquired of the man the route to Reynolda, were forced under the point of a gun to let the man into the seat with them. He then compelled them to drive northward into Stokes county near L. R. Pulliam's, King, where he forced them to dismount. He took the car and left them standing in the road.

The ladies were Mrs. Adelaide Lyon and Miss Miranda Bertram, women tourists on their way to their home at Wawarsing, N. Y.

L. R. Pulliam took the ladies back six miles to Rural Hall. Here the alarm was given and through the Winston radio the description of the robbery, the man and the car was broadcast.

The bandit left Danbury going in the direction of Walnut Cove.

No traces of him have yet been found by the officers.

Big Crowd At Sunday's Sing

Nearly a thousand people attended the Sunday afternoon singing at the Danbury school, coming from half a dozen counties. The singers were in groups from different counties, and were presided over by Silas Tuttle of Winston-Salem.

SEVENTH GRADE OF DANBURY SCHOOL VISITS RALEIGH

Principal Jack Smith of the Danbury school treated the members of the seventh grade with a trip to Raleigh Friday of last week. J. J. Booth assisted in looking after the students. They made a thorough tour of the Capital City, from the Governor's Mansion to the State Penitentiary.

Death of J. M. Hill

News is received Tuesday of the sudden death of J. M. Hill at his home in Germanton.