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## FIFTEEN MILLION POUNDS TOBACCO

### WHAT'S THE MARK FOR THIS YEAR

Kinston Will Make a Long Reach for First Place as a Market.

Farmers from 100 Miles Around! Can Well Afford to Bring their Weed Here—The Strongest Corps of Buyers to be Found in the South Assure a Battle Royal for Highest Prices—Climax for Growers.

Kinston has far surpassed the claims of its most sanguine original supporters, and has grown until it is easily numbered among the first class markets for leaf tobacco in the United States. It has natural resources that are unequalled for the kind of tobacco raised, and coupled with a community of interests that dominates the progressive people in this section it is destined never to take a back seat but to go forward all the time. Kinston has never, as it has developed as a tobacco market, sold less of the weed in any year than it did the previous year, something that cannot be said of the other leading markets of North Carolina. But what has been done in the past is a mere bagatelle compared to the possibilities of the future, provided always the people pull together. The Free Press proposes to keep in close touch with these interests as in every other that tends to the upbuilding of this section and will aid in every honorable way in advancing them. We give below some of the facilities for handling the tremendous crop of the weed that is expected by everybody to be marketed here this season.

The old reliable Carolina warehouse under the management of Mr. L. P. Tapp, who needs no introduction to the people in this community, aided by a clerical force that by virtue of years of active experience in the tobacco business is equal to any in the market, is straining every nerve and making every effort for the convenience of their customers and can be relied on to get as high prices for the weed as any market in the state. Mr. Tapp's force consists of Mr. J. S. Bissell, who has lived in Kinston for years and all know him; Mr. J. W. Linsbeck of Pilot Mountain; with twelve years experience in the business; Mr. J. F. Cochran of Durham, who has fifteen years experience to his credit, and Mr. J. B. Hundley of Mt. Airy, the auctioneer, who has worked in the business seventeen years and is fully qualified to judge when tobacco is bringing its value. The capacity of the Carolina's floor space is about one thousand piles.

The Atlantic is right side up with care under the management of the old reliable firm of B. L. Crisp & Co. and with a capacity for handling from a thousand to twelve hundred piles with ease, is confident of doing her share of the great volume of business that is expected in Kinston this season. The Atlantic has with it this year Mr. C. D. Hicks and Mr. Sam Thompson as office forces, who are thoroughly competent to handle the business with expedition and exactness. Mr. W. J. Finch is the auctioneer and he is a hustler at the business.

The Eagle goes under new management this year but the farmers are assured that none but thoroughly competent men will have charge of the business and that their interests will be well looked after. The active management is under the supervision of a board of directors selected from the buyers' union and whose sympathies are entirely in the business. Mr. J. B. Stallings of Danville, Va., is the active manager and auctioneer and he is a thorough gentleman and one of the best auctioneers in the business. Messrs. W. H. Blalock, James Richardson and R. C. Wooten compose the office forces and they are right "up-to-now" in the work. The Eagle has a floor space of twelve hundred piles and a prize house attached.

The Central, managed by the well known firm of May, Farham & Co., as in the past can be depended upon this season to make a great showing, and it guarantees of disposition and right treatment of their customers count for anything they propose to be right in the front of the procession. These gentlemen are not strangers to the people, and are strengthened by a clerical force composed of Mr. Harry Berkeley of Danville, Va., and Mr. P. S. B. Harper of this town and is depended on to get the very highest prices for tobacco. The Central has floor space for a thousand and twelve hundred piles, and has a prize house attached where they price tobacco brought by themselves, as also most of the other warehouses here. Mr. A. B. Bandy will be auctioneer and knows how to get all available worth.

The Farmers', near the business part of town, is to be run by Wooten, Dixon & Co., and they have, by hustling for business and fair treatment of their customers, made for themselves a name in the tobacco market that is second to none. They have a floor space equal to any, and are better prepared this year than ever to handle their part of the business. Their office force consists of Mr. Shade Wooten of this town, Mr. J. L. Abbott, and Messrs. G. H. Pegram and A. S. Wooten. Mr. Sol Dixon will follow the sales to look after the farmer's interests and Mr. J. Y. Barber will be auctioneer.

Knott Bros.' warehouse will be under the management of Messrs. G. W. and H. T. Knott, than whom there are no better in the business. They have built this year, and own themselves, what is said to be the second largest warehouse in this country, are thoroughly in keeping with the times, and can be relied on to look after the interest of their customers. These gentlemen have a fully competent clerical force composed of Messrs. P. P. Meade, J. S. Farmer, G. H. Simpson, and Atwood Bizzell, who are experts in the art of handling big breaks of tobacco. A. E. Palmer assisted by S. B. Curran will act as auctioneer. The floor space of Knott Bros.' warehouse is large enough to handle fifteen hundred to two thousand piles of tobacco.

The public can readily see from this array of talent that the farmers' interests will be well taken care of and that he is greatly in his own light not to bring his tobacco to the Kinston market.

So much for the facilities for handling the product, and now just a word for the buyers. The American Tobacco company with \$85,000 invested in their business in Kinston, which means double their capacity of last year, and double their force of buyers in the market for business, and with unlimited capital at their command, will certainly make competitors pay well for what they buy. The Imperial is also in the market and although a new concern in this country, has shown signs, by their business activity that they will be right up to the scratch when the time comes for bidding on the weed. They have invested in Kinston, or will have when their work is completed, about \$40,000, and have over fifty millions in the business and of course they are here to stay. Besides these two mammoth corporations bidding against each other, there is a strong array of independent buyers who deal direct with the export trade and who have contracts ahead that cannot be interfered with this season. Some of these are: The Hoge Irving Co., T. E. Roberts & Co., H. J. Bass & Co., Randolph Meade Tobacco Co., C. R. Dodson and Col. W. A. Bobbitt, and there are numerous other independent buyers who have large orders from domestic dealers. All of these gentlemen are of highest integrity and admitted business ability.

Kinston fully expects, if crops conditions are favorable, to sell fifteen million pounds of tobacco and feels thoroughly able to do it with ease, with this fine array of tobaccoists.

It pays a good business man to pay a little more for his printing provided he gets better printing. Neat printing on good paper creates a favorable impression and helps draw business to you. Cheap and nasty printing is dear at any price. To get the best of anything you have to pay more than for inferior articles. It is the same way with printing. But THE FREE PRESS does nice printing at very reasonable price, and also has some cheap papers it would sell at bargain.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL HOSTS ARE HERE

### COUNTY CONVENTION IN FULL SWING

The Fine Vocal Music Makes An Attractive Feature.

Dr. H. D. Harper, Sr., Welcomes the Delegates, who Increase in Number at Every Session—Splendid Address by Prof. Crowell—Exercises Very Interesting—Tomorrow's Program.

The county Sunday school convention was opened at the Baptist church this morning at 9:30, Mr. Y. T. Ormond being president and Mr. J. J. Rogers secretary. The devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. N. E. Coltrane. Not as many delegates as were expected were at the opening service but more came in during the other services.

The address of welcome was delivered at 11 a. m. by Dr. H. D. Harper, sr. The doctor has a very pleasant way of speaking and his address was thoroughly enjoyed.

In welcoming the delegates he gave some facts about Kinston which have never before been collected together. As he well remarked we hardly realize what Kinston is doing because we see the progress around us every day. The statistical portion of Dr. Harper's address is published elsewhere in this paper.

The music during the morning was of a very high order. There is nothing that brings enthusiasm into an audience as when a well trained choir sings "Speed Away" as was sung this morning. The organ is under the hands of Mr. G. E. Kornegay, jr., who knows how to put life into it and thus transfer this life to the audience through the choir. Special music will be sung tonight.

Professor Geo. E. Crowell of High Point, president of the State Sunday School association, delivered a fine address this morning on "The Sunday School Convention: Its Purpose and Aims." Prof. Crowell has just returned from the international convention of the Sunday school convention at Denver. He gave some interesting notes on his trip. Prof. Crowell's speech was given close attention and was much enjoyed by those present.

The following is the program for tomorrow:

- 9:30—Devotional service conducted by Rev. E. D. Brown.
- 9:45—Song service.
- 10:00—Discussion: "The Demands of the 20th Century upon the Sunday School." Mr. M. H. Wooten and Rev. G. N. Cowan.
- 10:30—Discussion: "The Sunday School a Factor in Our Country's Welfare." Messrs. G. C. Vause and G. V. Cowper.
- 11:00—Address, "The Sunday School's Relation to Church and State." Mayor George E. Hood of Goldsboro.
- Afternoon Session.
- 3:00—Devotional exercises conducted by N. E. Coltrane.
- 3:30—Reports of officers. Election of officers.
- Adjournment.

Business and professional people all over Eastern Carolina should send their orders for printing to THE FREE PRESS. If they will do so they will get neat, tasty and appropriate printing at very reasonable prices.



### CURACAO, HEADQUARTERS OF VENEZUELAN REVOLUTIONISTS.

Curacao is just now very much in the public eye by reason of the fact that it is the headquarters of the Venezuelan revolutionists, who appear to be in a fair way to overturn the government of President Castro. Curacao has a small but excellent harbor well protected from the tropical gales and is admirably adapted to the uses to which it is just now being put.

### Cotton Mill Sold.

Fayetteville, July 24.—At the re-sale of the Fayetteville cotton mills by the commissioners, Messrs. C. W. Brundfoot and H. L. Cook, the property was bid in by Dr. H. W. Lilly, for the bondholders, at \$12,000, there being no other bidder.

### More Tobacco Sales.

News and Observer: There were two more sales of tobacco yesterday at the Capital warehouse, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. The piles were ground printings, of course, but they brought good prices. They come from Chatham, Durham, Johnston and Wake. The farmers were delighted with the prices and the treatment they received.

### Avoid Trees When Lightning Flashes.

Weldon, July 21.—Mr. John T. Harlowe, a well known farmer, who lives near Aurelian Springs, was struck by lightning and killed Saturday evening. Mr. Harlowe was sitting under a small tree in his yard, whistling sticks. A cloud came up and before it began to rain lightning struck the tree. Mr. Harlowe was instantly killed, and his dog, which was near him, was also killed. His daughter was knocked down and severely shocked, but recovered in a few hours.

### Sensational Elopement.

Greensboro, July 23.—This town woke up astonished this morning when it was learned that Mrs. Ida Stafford, one of the most attractive and highly regarded ladies in the city, wife of Mr. John E. Stafford, and mother of four bright boys from 8 to 17 years of age, had eloped with J. E. Harding, for years chief book-keeper for the Revolution mills, and a man of exemplary habits. The intelligence came like a thunder clap to the husband, the first intimation or suspicion of such a thing he ever had being the receipt last night of a letter of farewell.

### German Ocean Fisheries.

The fisheries of the German ocean yield \$40,000,000 a year.

### Carrier Pigeons.

The real carrier pigeon as distinguished from the common homing pigeon is the originator of the mask and goggles worn by chauffeurs. The bird's bill has on it a large fleshy carbuncle and a smaller one around each eye.

### Morocco Dervishes.

The dervishes or religious beggars in Morocco delight in sewing gorgeous colored patches on their garments so as to attract attention.

### Sweet Peas.

Sweet peas need particular culture if they are to bloom in full beauty. Frequent stirring of the soil about the roots is better than too much water. The dust which thus produced being good for the plants. Water regularly, however.

### A Heartbroken King.

Henry II. of England died of grief at the ingratitude of his undutiful sons, who for many years were in almost continual rebellion against his authority.

### Japanese Brides.

Japanese brides during the marriage ceremony wash the feet of the bridegroom.

### Longfellow.

The two largest sums ever paid to Longfellow for single poems were \$3,000 for "The Hanging of the Crane," which amount he received from Robert Donner in 1874, and \$1,000 for the poem "Keramos," which he received from Harper & Bros. in 1877.

### FEMININE CHAT.

Mrs. Calve several years ago designed and bought the monument which is to cover her grave.

Mrs. Middendorf, wife of a Baltimore banker, owns a portrait of Captain John Stone of colonial fame, an ancestor, painted by Rembrandt Peale.

Mrs. Bettie Dandridge, a daughter of General Zachary Taylor, seventy-seven years old, lives in Winchester, Va. She was educated in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Neve of Guernsey, Channel Islands, aged 111, is said to be Edward VII.'s oldest subject. Her birth is on record in St. Peter Port parish church on the island.

Dean Eliza M. Mosher of the woman's department of the University of Michigan has resigned and will resume her medical practice in Brooklyn next October. She left Brooklyn six years ago to take her present place.

Dr. Sarah Brown Belcher of New York, a bacteriologist of great ability, is credited with devising means for making the smallest dairy farm as pure a source of milk supply as the big equipped farms backed by great capital.

Mrs. Charles W. Fairbanks, president general of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, is a descendant of James Cole, a soldier of the Pennsylvania line, of Captain David Blakely and of James Blakely.

Senora Juana Rosa de Edwards of Chile shows her love for her country by building schools, churches, asylums, hospitals and dwelling houses for the poor. Her grandfather and her husband were Americans who helped the Chileans to win their independence.

Allied Adelaide Needham has won the first prize of £100 in the competition instituted by the Earl of Mar for the best coronation march song. Mrs. Needham's music was composed to accompany the words of "The Seventh English Edward," a song written by Harold Begbie.

### COLLEGE AND SCHOOL.

Professor Harlan Updegraff of Columbia university has been chosen head of the Girls' Latin school in Baltimore.

Dr. D. K. Pearsons of Chicago has given \$30,000 to Whitman college at Walla Walla, Wash. This brings Dr. Pearsons' gifts to the college up to \$250,000.

Senator T. H. Carter has presented to the University of Montana his private collection of Congressional Records, which give a complete history of government from the meeting of the first congress to the close of the last.

Dr. George A. Barton, professor of Biblical literature and scientific languages in Bryn Mawr college, will go to Palestine to take charge of the School of Oriental Research at Jerusalem, an institution supported by twenty-one schools and colleges in the United States.

### SPORTING NOTES.

Queen Allah, 2:15, is dead.

Charter Oak is to have a new grand stand.

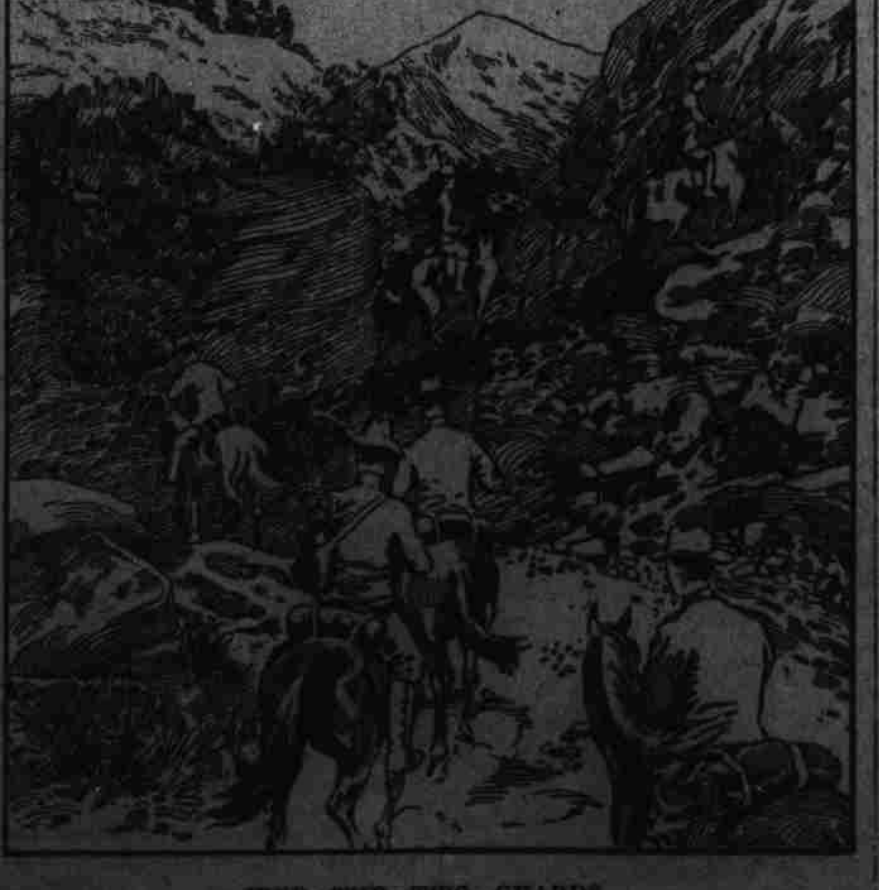
Berkett has missed but one game in three seasons.

Tenney is hitting the ball in better shape than ever before.

Dolan of the Brooklynns will be married in the fall and reside in Chicago.

It looks as though the New York Driving club is to become the leader in matinee racing.

Dougherty's stick work is one of the surprises of the American league. Bating at a .305 clip, his first year in the league will take a lot to beat.



FIND THE TWO GUARDS.