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Friday of next week is, in this country, by tradition, the day to plant beans.

Something that is as rare as a day in June: An agreement of the two North Carolinians on a vote in the United States Senate.

A garden well-planned, well-prepared, and well-tended is worth as much as an additional ordinary salary in any family.

"Brevard Men Get Numbers", says a headline. Yes, and Mr. Shipman, in his statement to the press, strongly intimates that he has got some other people's numbers.

Explorers announce that they have found the capital of the Queen of Sheba; but, practically, it would be worth more to the world, right now, if they would stumble on King Solomon's mines.

It is a question of whether Farmer Bob, as chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, thinks he should stand by the President on all occasions, or whether he is really Doughton the wisdom of paying the bonus now.

As we take it, Mr. Insull's idea, put in the words of Kipling, is: Ship me somewhere east of Suez, where the best is like the worst, and there aren't no Ten Commandments.

A sign, this side of Asheville, advertises "tourists 75c". The code must have raised the price of them, too. We might be interested in a half dozen tourists at six for a quarter; but 75c each is above our valuation.

Have conditions improved since Mr. Roosevelt took the reins of government? Remember back a year, and then read this: "Not a bank in the United States has failed in the past two months"

We'll lay a small wager that if the air mail were entirely discontinued, one hundred nineteen million, nine hundred and ninety thousand out of the total one hundred twenty million people in this country, wouldn't ever know a thing about it, except what they read in the papers. All of which shows how unimportant things about which a great ado is made really are.

Our private advice to the people of Jackson county is to raise every bit of food that they can, make the variety as large as possible, sell all that is not needed for family consumption, keep all the money we can at home, and live at the same place.

We haven't seen any plan to reduce cabbage production, and that's where Jackson county shines. They can't raise 'em anywhere else like the ones in Hamburg, and all that the cabbage lands in the county could produce, wouldn't make slaw for one day in New York. Don't be afraid to plant cabbages, boys—they fetch home the cash.

Every hog that is raised in the county this year will add that much to the family's and the county's food supply, next winter. We don't have to depend upon somebody else to feed us. We can feed ourselves, if we bestir ourselves. It is the fellow who wont work this spring and summer, who will be calling upon the welfare officers for assistance, next winter.

SALES TAXES AND SCHOOLS

The public press senses that the Republicans, in their State convention, will open fire on the sales tax, and wage their campaign along that line, in North Carolina.

It is admitted that the sales tax has its disadvantages, and that a smart talker can pick holes in it big enough to throw an elephant through; but just what will the Republicans propose to take its place? Will they advocate going back to the old system of public schools, and abandon the one set up by the last General Assembly, under which the smaller counties, such as Jackson, have, for the first time in their history, had an eight months school term for every child, one equal to that in any city in the State; and under which North Carolina bears the almost unique record, among the States, of having kept every school open, not a single one closing for lack of funds?

Will they propose that we go back to the tax on property, for the benefit of the schools, under which the owners of homes and farms had been carrying an almost unbearable burden,

under which the distribution of the opportunities for schooling were most unequally distributed, the country child most most unjustly discriminated against in favor of the city child, and the country property owner being most unjustly discriminated against in favor of the city owner of property, under which the system of property taxation had practically broken down of its own weight, and under which one third of the homes and farms in North Carolina had been sold for taxes, when the last General Assembly convened?

It we are to have a campaign waged around the sales tax, then let us have some constructive criticism. Let us have a proposal as to what we are to expect as a substitute, in case it should be repealed.

THE AIR MAIL

The cancellation of the air mail contracts by President Roosevelt has brought about his head the greatest storm that has yet arisen during his administration.

The unfortunate deaths of eight army flyers, in their attempt to carry the mail, has played into the hands of the Roosevelt enemies, and has added fuel to the flames of their wrath.

That there was fraud, corruption, and downright thievery in connection with the air mail contracts with commercial companies, there appears to be little doubt. At least the Administration was so persuaded, and following its way of going directly to the heart of things, the contracts were canceled. There has been so much graft and corruption connected with government in recent years, that the people had become distrustful of government. The Administration was warring against depression, fighting to beat back along the trail to prosperity, and one of the essential elements of permanent prosperity is confidence. Hence, when the stench of the air mail contracts reached the nostrils of the people and of the Administration, Mr. Roosevelt immediately performed a major operation, and cut out the cancerous growth.

Mr. Lindbergh, the lucky, popular idol by grace of blind luck, and recipient of aviation company stocks, so that he could be used by the masters, when they saw the need of using his popularity with the people for their own selfish ends, to the contrary notwithstanding, that is just what the Administration should have done under the circumstances, and meets the approval of honest Americans, who are sick and tired of seeing their government used by selfish men for selfish ends, disgusted with seeing their public treasury plundered by grafters of great wealth.

That the army flyers gave their lives in trying to carry the mails, is the first serious reverse that fate has dealt the Roosevelt administration. However, many thousands of young army men have in time-past given their lives in the service of their government for less-worthy cause than assisting in ending graft. That the army was not prepared to carry the mails but accentuates how far behind the times army officials have allowed the air service to fall. An army aviation corps that isn't able to carry the mails over routes that have been tested by commercial companies, would be of little use to the country in case of war, and its inability to do so is inexcusable, and is probably due to the tenacity with which the army holds to out of date methods and machines.

The responsibility for the deaths of the young men lies not at Mr. Roosevelt's door; but at the door of the army air service, who assured him, in their asinine complacency, that the army could carry the air

mails.

Much as the death of these young men is to be regretted, they shall not have died in vain, if they have given their lives in the cause of ridding the boy politic of the vermin of graft.

PROGRAM AT WEBSTER

A program will be given by the grammar grades at Webster High school. Each grade will give a contribution to the evening's entertainment, Wednesday, March 28.

SENIOR PLAY AT WEBSTER

The senior class of Webster High school will present the play "Girl Shy", by Katherine Kavanaugh, in the high school auditorium in Webster, Thursday evening, March 29, at 8 o'clock.

"Girl-Shy" is a snappy comedy of college life, and promises a full evening of enjoyable entertainment.

Included in the cast are: Odell Ashe, Cecil Deitz, Bonnie Cowan, David Parker, Lois Cobe, Thomas Woody, Helen Buchanan, Hazel Moore, Snowdy Belle Deitz, Edith Sheppard, James Tatham, and Harry Mason.

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Mrs. Benjamin Harrison



NEW YORK . . . Mrs. Benjamin Harrison, 76, (above) wife of the former President is still socially active and last week was honor guest at the New York City Women's Club. Mrs. Harrison was the second wife of the former president and niece of the first Mrs. Harrison. She spent two years at the White House as guest of her aunt, who died in 1892.

Lindbergh in Washington for Air Conference



WASHINGTON . . . Upon the invitation of Secretary of War, George H. Dern, Colonel Charles Lindbergh came to Washington to confer with the Secretary concerning army aviation matters and also the airmail flying, it was reported. Photo shows Secretary Dern greeting Colonel Lindbergh when the tall flyer arrived at the Army building, hatless and without overcoat.

FOR CLERK SUPERIOR COURT

Subject to the Democratic Primary, I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court, to succeed myself.

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WALT DISNEY'S "**MICKEY MOUSE**"

Chapter No. 9 Buck Jones' "**Gordon of Ghost City**"

Monday - Tuesday — March 26-27

Fredric March - Miriam Hopkins

Geo. Raft

"**ALL OF ME**"

There are two kinds of women but only one kind of Love! See

this fascinating picture. Also selected shorts —

"**LITTLE BROADCAST**" "**MARCH OF CHAMPIONS**"

Wednesday, March 28

H. G. WELLS' "INVISIBLE MAN"

The best thriller of the season. Also comedy "**Out of Gas**"

Thursday-Friday—March 29, 30

"**SITTING PRETTY**"

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