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It isn't true because the COURIER-TIMES says it,
but the COURIER-TIMES says it because it is true.

WHAT THE MARKET IS

The Roxboro tobacco market has a good reputation in market circles and is regarded with proper appreciation by citizens here, some of whom have themselves no direct connection with the market, but we wonder if any local citizens, connected or otherwise, have thought seriously enough about what the Roxboro market can become in the next five to ten years.

The late and last war, as we have previously intimated in these columns, has benefited local warehouses. In times of gasoline and tire shortages the smaller markets such as Roxboro, gained advantages over larger but more distant marts, with the result that more tobacco and at better prices has been sold right here at home, and some of it by people who previously made it a habit to go to other centers.

Sometimes, such going appears to have been based on nothing but the fact that any way from home market looked better. The old idea that distance lends enchantment to the view, etc.

The war is over now, which means that such a feeling can crop up again and that folks who like the Roxboro market ought to be concerned more than ever with holding onto prestige gains made by this market. Market reputations are based on amounts sold, prices received and courtesies rendered. We know what we have here now, but now is the time, also, to plan for an avoidance of any postwar slump and for a retention of gains made. Only by such planning can smaller markets hope to keep their rightful place in the economic sun.

THE SPORTSMEN HAVE THEIR CHANCE COMING UP

Announcement of the coming examination for game warden for Person County, we hope, will be heeded by the local hunting and fishing fraternity, members of which have for these several months been wanting, and right zealously, a restoration of the old system of game protection hereabouts. Anxiety, without too much thought as to plans, appears to have messed things up in any recent previous attempts to secure a Person game warden. The coming examination at Hillsboro should mean a straightening out of the situation. But it is only fair to say that citizens who have any particular fellowcitizen in mind for the job had better get busy in urging him, or her, to apply for the job.

Less pleasing results, if they occur, can have only an excuse of indifference on the part of persons who have been deeply interested in seeing a capable man get the job. And while we are talking about quality, a word ought to be said for the present tri-county game protector, Tom Simmons, of Graham, who is just as anxious as anybody to see a revival of the one-man warden system in his county and our own. Commissioner John D. Findlay, of Raleigh, has announced more details about the proposed district plan that is to be put in operation, but even that new system will allow for continuance of the individual warden basis wanted by Person County.

October 1, is date for that Hillsboro examination and those who are interested ought to remember it.

TRAILER TAIL-LIGHTS AND OTHER LIGHTS

Mild-mannered but not meek, John Hudgins, State Highway Patrolman for the Person area, has it right when he urges tobacco haulers, growers, that is, to have tail-lights

on their trailers, if and when they come pulling along roads and streets during night and early morning hours. Trailer accidents, when they do happen, with telescoping thrusters from behind by motorists who cannot see lightless vehicles in front of them, can be both tragic and disastrous in terms of life and property.

Greater congestion on roads, what with market and football seasons at hand, plus the greater freedoms of highway travel in peace time, calls for more care about lights, fore and aft, on all vehicles. And as a footnote to manners of the road, we know another infraction which irks Patrolman Hudgins, namely, the unnecessarily large number of adults and young people who persist in operating cars on highways without having for themselves so much as a sign or shadow of a driving license. Person courts and other courts are cluttered up with "no operator cases". And one case costs each offender more than whole sets of permits for a large family. Each license, ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls, costs one dollar.

Hardheaded people may not care about their lights or their licenses, but they could help themselves no end by putting up compliance outside of court, before they have to be stopped by Patrolman Hudgins.

NOT QUITE SCRAPPED, AND SHOULD NOT BE

The Charlotte Observer has recently had an editorial, "Peace Casualty", dealing with abandonment of oil pipelines from the Southwest used to bring oil to the East during the war. Thesis of the Observer is that these lines are casualties of war, that they should not be abandoned and could be useful in any time of national emergency.

We feel like going further than that. The pipelines were costly to build, comparatively cheap to operate and ought in peacetimes to do much to keep down the costs of fuel oil and gasoline. When the lines were being built there was hue and cry from organized transportation services such as railways and truck lines anent cutting of their economic throats, and this despite the fact that both rail and truck lines had all they could carry. Now that peace has come such congestions may soon be wiped out. This will mean the removal of one of the pressing war-time points originally used in favoring the construction of pipelines, but most potent argument in favor of continuing the use of such lines remains the one of cheaper fuel and gasoline, easily obtained.

The pipeline, now closed, running from Greensboro to Richmond, Va., passed through both Caswell and Person counties and gave employment to a number of local citizens, some of whom are at the moment taking it easy and still getting paid while they wait for business transfers to other areas. At least one local resident has resigned his job rather than be transferred and another may do so, which makes it a sort of neither here nor there proposition as far as Roxboro and Person county are concerned. And Caswell, too. But only bright spot in the picture is that the line from Baton Rouge, La., to Greensboro is still in use and apparently will be continued, while on up to Richmond and through here the line has in it nothing but water.

The pipelines, in other words, are not yet complete casualties of war, as pictured by the Charlotte Observer. There are communities where the pipelines are in use, and that is answer enough as to the practicality of the lines. Having had one here, Roxboro and Person County, to say nothing of Caswell, ought to be interested in keeping it. Filling our pipeline full of water strikes us as an unnecessary form of reconversion.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

INVESTMENTS IN AIRPORTS

Greensboro Daily News
The United States senate has passed and sent to the house a bill "authorizing the expenditure of \$75,000,000 a year for the next five years to build 3,000 new airports" and improve 1,600 existing landing fields. This is a stimulating fund, not a gift; local governments that want to take advantage of it will have to match the federal funds on a 50-50 basis. There is little doubt, we should think, that the house will pass the bill as it stands or with immaterial modifications.

For Guilford county it means that the Greensboro-High Point airport could get \$300,000 for needed improvements, that \$140,000 would be available for a smaller landing field at Greensboro and \$110,000 for one at High Point. The smaller fields are needed for private fliers whose numbers will multiply in the near future and the Greensboro-High Point airport will have to be enlarged and modernized if it is to continue to

be a stopping point for the evergrowing planes of the big airlines which use it.

Guilford, Greensboro and High Point can count on no "angels" to provide their matching funds for them. A vote of the people on a bond issue or for increased taxes is the alternative. It may not be a pleasant one, but there is this to consider: A modern airport is going to be a practical necessity for a progressive city: if one city turns down the federal aid, other cities will be glad to grab it in order to put themselves on the air map; and those cities which invest in airports in order to keep up with changing conditions are likely to forge ahead of those that do not. The horse and buggy town in the railroad age may have as its counterpart the railroad town in the air age.

LET'S PAY ENOUGH TO GET VOLUNTEERS

Progressive Farmer
"How soon shall the boys come home? Just how should soldiers be picked for the occupation of Germany and Japan? Should the draft be continued any longer?"

All three of these questions should be settled in accordance with two fundamental

OPEN FORUM

SERVICE BOARD

Courier-Times.
Roxboro, North Carolina.
Gentlemen:
Unfortunately, the other day I stumbled across an article in the Stars and Stripes with Roxboro, North Carolina as the heading. Naturally being a hometown boy of Roxboro, I read it avidly. But after reading it my feelings turned to disgust rather than admiration for the Selective Service Board of our local town. The above mentioned article was in reference to the resignation of the members of the board. The reason given was that they felt that since the war was over there should no longer be any more inductions from the Person County Board. Now isn't that something. Here we are veterans of 5 campaigns, some many more and some a few less, but nevertheless overseas veterans. Men who have given a good many years of their life to the service of their country. Also men who have returned incapacitated and handicapped. I am proud to have served my country, to have the knowledge that I was an implement in the overthrow of the Nazi regime. Yes, I have served many months in the service, most of them overseas. I, as millions of others feel that my time has come to go home. To settle down and enjoy the privileges of one who has done his share in taking part in the affairs of his community. Is that not what we have fought for? But instead what do I find? I find that the very Draft Board which so conveniently drafted me into the service, now refuses to induct someone who might replace me overseas. An Army of occupation is needed over here. We all know that. But why shouldn't some of the fortunate individuals who served their country so gallantly in defense of Plants, not do their share of the policing job that has to be done overseas? They were the ones who earned the money while we sacrificed our lives and depleted our bank accounts. Now we would like to go home. So naturally we have to wait for replacements before we can go. Now can there possibly be any replacement sent over here if people feel the way the Roxboro Board feels? No. Definitely not! So let's get on the ball over there, people of Roxboro advocate continuation of drafting men without responsibilities, men who fortunately were deferred because of their occupation at the time. There is no longer any need for the defense worker, the need is now for the soldier, so citizens don't let the overseas soldier down, get him home.
A Native of Roxboro,
Flynt A. Oliver.

THE BUYERS

The selling system is smoothly organized. "Sets" of buyers are assigned to each market, the number of sets depending upon the number of warehouses and the sales volume. Each set must contain representatives of all major buying companies. In addition, there may be independent buyers for small manufacturers—each buyer usually representing a number of them—and speculative buyers sometimes called "pinhookers."

THE PINHOOKER

The pinhooker is a very sharp citizen, and often is considered by the farmer to be an interloper, because he profits by the mistakes of either the farmer or the buyer and by his superior judgment.
Due to the speed of auctions, a pile of good tobacco may be underbid. The pinhooker bids it in and sells it again the same day for (he hopes) a profit. The pinhooker also watches for poorly graded tobacco and buys it, later regrading and selling it in several lots. There are a multiplicity of types and grades, and since manufacturers have to regrade improperly sorted tobacco, they are reluctant to buy such piles. The pinhooker is strictly a small-time speculator; he cannot hold or process his purchases, and his success depends entirely upon his ability to profitably make a quick turnover.

Back To School

Now since World War II has come to an end it is expected that unemployment will increase and that available jobs will go to those who are better prepared. This means that youth who have not completed their high school education will be gradually dropped from employment rolls. It is of the utmost importance, therefore, that every young person, including those who have been discharged from the armed services of the nation be fully informed of the necessity for thorough preparation for the job which they expect to secure in the years that lie ahead.
In an effort to keep high school boys and girls in school and to get back in school those who for one reason or another left school before high school graduation, a back-to-school drive is being sponsored by the U. S. Office of Education, the National Student Association, the Children's Bureau and other national organizations. State and local organizations have been requested to implement this drive in whatever way possible in order that favorable "results" will be obtained. Appeals are being made to youth, to school people, to employers and to parents,

principles this war itself was fought to preserve. The first of these is freedom. The second is equality. How then do the principles of freedom and equality require that these questions be answered?

The principles of freedom and equality require, now that the national emergency has passed, that the principle of force, compulsion, conscription should be scrapped, done away with, and flatly repudiated just as fast and quickly as is humanly possible.

If men are needed to occupy Germany and Japan, let's call for volunteers upon the present pay basis. If that pay basis does not get volunteers enough, then let's offer wages sufficiently high so that enough American boys and young men will go of their own free will and accord. Americans will resent having part of their army happy and free at home again while another part is virtually conscripted for a service that adequate pay would turn over to free and sovereign American volunteers.

Let's make all soldiers free and equal again by putting all peacetime services on a voluntary basis. Freedom demands such action. Equality demands it. Now let the people demand it—and let Congress give it to the people.

Auction History In Tobacco Has Long History

Tobacco is auctioned only in certain "market" towns which have from two to a dozen warehouses. A tobacco warehouse, contrary to the usual connotation, is a place where tobacco is sold, not stored, and the warehouse owner is the middleman in the system. He provides the selling place, the auctioneer, an official weighing service, and the shallow baskets in which the tobacco is displayed. He furnishes immediate cash for the seller, later to be reimbursed by the buying companies.

He also provides a traditional and somewhat theatrical service in making the first bids. Sometimes when the buying line reaches a pile, he will say: "Now, boys, you all know old Jim Green. He had tough luck this year—lost two cows and had a barn to burn. Let's bid him up a price. 20 cents." Thus, a warehouseman's ability to remember the economic and domestic situations of his patrons counts substantially in his success. Many farmers sell regularly at one market and at one house at that market, though when the prices are fluctuating they will shop around in the hope of getting better prices.

In exchange for these practical and fanciful services, the warehouseman collects (from the farmer) a small fee for weighing, an auctioneering fee, plus 2-1/2 per cent of the farmer's gross sales. This overhead last year ran around a cent a pound, or more.

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The fact that tobacco may be stored only after a regrading process has greatly influenced the technique of transferring the crop from the producers to the manufacturer, and its nature also, strangely enough, has fostered the tenant farming system in the south. Because of inability of the farmer or an un-equipped speculator to hold tobacco very long, it must be sold quickly to a specialized buyer. The consequence is that tobacco, alone of our great American crops, has practically no steady demand from the investing public, which forms a measure of stability for cotton, grains and other produce. Substantially, the only people who buy tobacco are the people who process it or professional buyers acting for manufacturers. Attempts to establish future dealings in tobacco have met with failure.

Tobacco likewise is a commodity which a tenant farmer is not tempted to eat, wear, hide or otherwise appropriate to his own use, and it

This is AMERICA!
PERCY FONTENOT
EVANGELINE
PARISH, LA.,
10 YEARS AGO
BOUGHT AN
INCUBATOR ON
INSTALLMENTS,
HATCHED CHICKS
IN HIS BEDROOM!
BUSINESS GREW.
HE STARTED A POULTRY
AND EGG PRODUCTION
PROGRAM WITH CO-
OPERATION OF LOCAL
FARMERS...
WITH PRODUCTION
INCREASED SURPLUS
HANDS, FONTENOT BOUGHT TRUCKS,
SOLD TO WIDER AREA...
NOW HE HAS \$300,000 CHICKEN
AND EGG BUSINESS ANNUALLY.
NOT ALWAYS MONEY BUT
COURAGE AND INDUSTRY START
A MAN ON THE ROAD TO SUCCESS.

LEGAL NOTICE

SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY
As administrator of the estate of Joe T. Hamlin, deceased, I will on Saturday, October 13, 1945, at 11:00 a. m. at the premises of the deceased on Highway No. 158 just west of Roxboro sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash certain personal property of the deceased, the same consisting of one mule, various farm tools and instruments, one double barreled shot gun, one cross cut saw and other tools, substantial number of shocks of corn and one lot of lеспедеа hay. This September 19, 1945.
I, T. Stanfield, Administrator
R. P. Burns, Attorney.
Sept. 24, Oct. 1-8.

EXECUTORS NOTICE
Having been duly qualified as executors of the estate of D. W. Knott, deceased, late of Person County, North Carolina, (this is to notify all holders of claims against the said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned executors on or before August 27, 1946, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to this estate will please make immediate payment.
This August 23, 1945.
A. E. FOGLEMAN,
W. R. SHERMAN,
Executors.
Lunsford & Burke, Attys.
6-15-Aug 27, Sept 3-10-17-24, Oct 1

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
Having been duly qualified as administrator of the estate of Mrs. Edna B. Bullock, deceased, late of Person County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons holding claims against the said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned administrator on or before August 16, 1946, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payments.
This August 16, 1945.
R. A. Bullock,
Administrator.
Aug. 20, 27, Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24, pd.

NOTICE NORTH CAROLINA, PERSON COUNTY.
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT BEFORE THE CLERK
NOTICE
Harold Gentry and wife, Allene Gentry
vs
A. E. Horne, individually and A. E. Horne, executor of Ella Slaughter Horne, deceased, Mrs. Nola Clayton, widow, et al.
The defendants, A. E. Horne, individually and A. E. Horne, executor of the estate of Ella Slaughter Horne, deceased, and Mrs. Nola Clayton, widow, will take notice an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Person County, North Carolina, for the purpose of the plaintiff's securing an absolute divorce from the defendant based upon the grounds that the plaintiff and defendant have lived entirely separate and apart for a period of two years immediately preceding the filing of the complaint. This being one of the cases in which service of summons by publication is permitted and it appearing that the defendant is a non-resident of the State of North Carolina and cannot after due diligence be found within the state he is hereby directed to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Person County, North Carolina, within twenty days after the 24th day of September, 1945, and answer or demur to the plaintiff's complaint.
This August 31, 1945.
R. A. BULLOCK,
CLERK SUPERIOR COURT
Sept 3-10-17-24

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