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A SHORT TOBACCO CROP.

The Estimates Made by Secretary Department of Agriculture.

In response to inquiries made as to the probable size of the tobacco crop this year Mr. Elias Carr, secretary of the Department of Agriculture, estimates that there is planted this year in North Carolina 160,000 acres as against 215,000 last year. The yield, he estimates, will be about 450 pounds to the acre as against 600 last year, for while the tobacco is heavy this year the stands are reported as being poor.

Mr. T. B. Parker, Farmer's Institute conductor, agrees with Mr. Carr as to the possible acreage, but he estimates that the yield will be about 550 pounds to the acre. The estimate of Mr. Carr, he says, is based on reports received and on the figures which show that in August, 1909 and 1910, the sales were about eight million pounds, while August of this year show sales of about four million pounds. Both Mr. Carr and Mr. Parker agree that the crop has been cut off by very dry conditions during the planting season, this having continued very far into the cultivation period, both affecting the acreage and the yield per acre.—News and Observer.

Sow Wheat, Sow Wheat, Sow Wheat.

I often doubt whether it is worth while to offer advice as to any farm practice without first having been requested to do so. Every man should be allowed to do as he pleases, and to plant such crops as may appear to him to be wise. They will do this anyway whether a different course is advised or not and so what's the use. But it seems to the writer such an unwise policy to neglect sowing wheat that he proposes on every occasion to continue offering such advice. This advice is of course offered for what it is worth and no one is asked to accept it if he does not think it good.

There are several excellent reasons why wheat should be a regular crop. Two of them will be mentioned here and are enough to make every farmer think about it. First of all, it is necessary for the farmer and his family to have bread. Without bread all work will stop. It is true that bread can be bought from the West. We have been doing this a long time, until the Western wheat grower has become rich at our expense. We can make a better quality of wheat than the Westerner can make. That is, our home grown wheat contains a much higher percentage of protein than the other, and is much more valuable as food. Of almost equal importance is a system of crop rotation that will enable us to conserve our lands. There is no crop that fits into such a rotation better than wheat. If we are to continue to make a living for ourselves and families we will have to, sooner or later, recognize the necessity of taking better care of the land. Nature will not be cheated or deceived. We can not with impunity go on destroying the soil and not having to

There is But One Way.

Not long ago there assembled in Boston a mighty army of leading boomers and business men from every State in the Union to confer together upon how best to advertise a town and to organize effectively to secure the best advertisement of live towns. Raleigh was well represented in that gathering and last week an Ad Club with progressive men at the head was organized in Raleigh. Now how shall we all help that club to advertise the State's capital? In answer to that question the following is taken from the Wilmington Star:

"Says the Raleigh News and Observer: 'People ought to buy from home merchants, but if home merchants do not advertise how are they to know the home merchants wish their trade?' How are they to know that there are any home merchants at all? How are they to know what a home merchant sells, anyhow? How are they to find where a home merchant does business? How are they to know whether a home merchant sells the kind of grindstones that grind? How are they to know but what the home merchant would rather be idle than advertise and get trade?"

A few days ago a stranger coming to Raleigh bought a News and Observer on the train, looked in its columns for a hotel advertisement, did not find one, and said to a fellow-traveler that he was sorry to see that Raleigh had no hotel. The companion replied: "You are mistaken. It has good hotels." The reply was "I have been reading their only morning paper and no hotel visits patronage well enough to invite me to stop there." The best answer to the Star's question is that the only way for home merchants to get big trade is to advertise what they have for sale and invite home folks to trade with them. They need not expect to grow while they hide their light under a bushel.—News and Observer.

The indications are, judging from the expressions of people living in various parts of the county, Nash will be more largely represented at the Great State Fair this year possibly in the history of the county. The Atlantic Coast Line should endeavor to furnish convenient schedules and special trains on this division. If this is done, the attendance will be large during Fair week, beginning Oct. 16th.

bear the consequences. We can not eat our pie and keep it too. We must adopt a moral rational system of farming. It can not be put off many more years. As we go on from year to year destroying the humus of the soil, nature is rapidly locking up the available plant food. When all the humus is gone then all plant food will be practically unavailable. Why not change when we may, rather than be reduced to the necessity of doing it after pursuing such a wasteful and unwise policy. Why should we be such poor business men? Wheat, when given decent treatment, bays as well or better than cotton.—W. L. Williams, in Southern Cultivator.

VAUGHAN - RANDOLPH NUPTIALS.

The Bride is Very Well Known in Nashville.

The Scotland Neck Commonwealth gives the following account of the marriage of Miss Pattie Vaughan, sister of Mr. Leon T. Vaughan, of this place, to Mr. J. H. Randolph: On Wednesday morning, Sept. 29, 1911, at eleven o'clock, friends witnessed at the residence of Mrs. Pattie Vaughan a beautiful home wedding, when Mr. James H. Randolph, of House, N. C., was united in marriage to Miss Pattie Vaughan, the charming daughter of Mrs. Pattie Vaughan.

The house had been decorated for the occasion with ferns and potted plants, and promptly to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, played by Miss Mabel Vaughan, sister of the bride, came the little boys, Francis M. Vaughan, Jr., and Leon T. Vaughan, Jr., nephews of the bride, bearing the ribbons to form an aisle to a beautiful arch under which the bride and groom were to stand, then came the bride gowned in blue cloth with hat, gloves and shoes to match carrying a large bouquet of white asters, leaning on the arm of her sister, Miss Emma Vaughan, of Whitakers, who was handsomely gowned in white voile over messaline with bead trimming, carrying pink asters. The bride and maid of honor were met at the altar by the groom and best man, Mr. Leonard Randolph, of House. The words that made them man and wife were spoken by Elder A. J. Moore. After the ceremony the party left in an automobile for Hobgood to take the South bound train for Port Tampa, Fla., and other points south.

The handsome and useful display of presents betokened the esteem in which the young couple were held. Among the out of town guests were Mrs. F. M. Vaughan and children, of Norfolk, Misses Ruth Moore, Emma Vaughan and Elder A. J. Moore, of Whitakers, W. L. Vaughan, L. L. Stancil, Charlie Stancil and Miss Carrie Simmons, of Washington, Dr. and Mrs. F. M. Register and Miss Jannie Sewell, of Tillery, Messrs. L. A. Randolph, T. E. Randolph, and Mr. Shelton, of House. Miss Roland Jenkins, of Greenville, Mr. and Mrs. Leon T. Vaughan and children, of Nashville.

Eighty million dollars a year for cotton seed adds a considerable amount to the income of the individual southern farmer. It is a big item and when we remember that it has only been a few years since cotton seed were practically wasted, it is almost like finding money. The turning of the cotton seed into edible products is proving a good thing for the southern farmer, as it is also proving a good thing for the "ultimate consumer."—News and Observer.

Parson's Poem A Gem.

From Rev. H. Stubevill Ia., in praise of Dr. King's New Life Pills. "They're such a health necessity, in every home these pills should be. If other kinds you've tried in vain, Use Dr. King's, and be well again. Only 25c at Nashville Drug Co."

Marketing Cotton.

Admirable in its tone and valuable to every cotton grower who may apply it to his individual case is the advice given by Mr. W. P. G. Harding, president of the First National Bank of Birmingham, to the gathering last week at Montgomery, Ala., to consider the question of marketing cotton. Included in his wise counsel were these words:

My advice as to financing of the present crop of cotton is to fix no figure at which you will sell your crop, but to market it gradually. If the price is not satisfactory and you are obliged to pay an urgent debt, sell enough to meet your needs, but hold on to the balance of it, letting it go month by month until the entire crop is sold.

Mr. Harding set forth tersely the difficulties in the way of banks in the larger cities aiding directly in the holding back of the cotton crop even if they should be willing to do so. He said that the merchants and local banks to whom most of the farmers' debts are due and who can best secure accommodations from the larger banks must do their part, and he added:

Many of the stockholders of these banks, several thousand in number, are farmers, and many are merchants, and almost all of them are directly interested in the price of cotton, upon which the money supply of their community so largely depends. Their interests are identical with yours. Your prosperity last year and in previous years had made them prosperous. You are able to help yourselves. You are able to give good security. They are able to help you and they will do so.

Mr. Harding is fully persuaded that the people of the South can be greatly benefited by co-operative methods in producing and marketing crops, one feature of which is mutual consideration of merchants, local bankers and farmers for one another. Such co-operation worked out successfully in the marketing of cotton a decade ago when the bear interests in New York attempted to rob the cotton growers in of the legitimate returns for their crops, and that co-operation marked the beginning of a wiser policy, like that outlined by Mr. Harding, on the part of growers in getting their crop to market. This policy was made possible by the change from the poverty prices of the period between 1890 and 1900 to the prosperity prices of the past 10 years. The cotton grower with money in bank is in a position to hold his cotton until a reasonable price is offered for it. It gives him an advantage in bargaining. The development of a system for warehousing cotton still in control of the farmers would tend to place them upon an equality with the cotton mills with their cotton in warehouses.

While the warehouse system and a definitely defined policy of co-operation among local bankers, merchants and farmers are bound to benefit all parties concerned, including the buyers of the staple, the surest reliance of the individual cotton farmer is the making, wherever possible, of home supplies of foodstuffs, so that whatever the cotton may bring there will be the least expenditure for the necessities of life from the cotton money. With this raising of home supplies should go the most approved methods of cultivating cotton, so that each acre of land may produce to its fullest capability. Cotton farmers would be saved much anxiety at the beginning of every marketing season if each individual should adopt the policy of concentration of effort in making the crop and of co-operation in selling it.—Manufacturers Record.

KILLED HIS RIVAL.

Terrible Tragedy at Rockingham by a Jealous Lover.

Rockingham, Sept. 28.—Resenting the efforts of his jealous rival to persuade his sweetheart, whom he was escorting, to leave him, Clyde Childers shot and killed Hank Morse, at the girl's feet here to-night, and then turned the pistol upon himself, inflicting probably fatal wounds.

Competition for the hand of pretty twenty-year-old Beulah Stone had been keen for months and on the strength of a promise that she is said to have given Morse, he secured a marriage license to-night and started to her home. She had gone for a walk with Childers and when Morse, in his buggy, overtook them he alighted and tried to persuade the girl to go with him. To this Childers demurred and Morse struck at him. Childers then drew his pistol and fired. As Morse staggered away desperately wounded, Childers fired two more bullets into his body, and then shot himself twice, falling within a few feet of his victim. Rallying on his way to the hospital, Childers declared he had no regrets, except that he had not finished himself.

American Tobacco Company.

New York, Sept. 28.—Plans for the re-organization of the American Tobacco Company to conform with the mandate of the Supreme Court, it was said today, provide for the disintegration of the parent company into its several parts and a re-assembling of these parts into three separate companies to be known as the American Tobacco Company, the Lorillard Company and the Leggett and Meyers Company.

The holders of six per cent bonds of the American Tobacco Company will receive \$1,200, it is said, for each bond, to be paid \$600 in cash, \$300 in five per cent Lorillard Company bonds and \$300 in five per cent bonds of Leggett & Meyers Company. It is reported that holders of the four per cent bonds will receive \$900 to be paid \$400 in cash, \$250 in five per cent Lorillard bonds and \$250 in five per cent bonds of Leggett & Meyers Company.

What the preferred stockholders will receive has not become known, but it is said shareholders in the American Tobacco Company will receive proportional holdings in each of the three new companies.

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