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McIntyre Head of Potato Federation

Elected President at Goldsboro—G. D. Burroughs Named as Manager.

Federation of Eastern Carolina Co operative Sweet Potato Associations was perfected at a meeting in Goldsboro, Tuesday, attended by representatives of the several associations. K H McIntyre and S. J. F. Ellen attended as representatives of the Rocky Mount Association, which was one of the prime movers in boosting the federation plans

All organization plans were perfected at Tuesday's meeting, the federation for the present being composed of sweet potato organizations at this city, Nashville, Goldsboro and Bethel Other organizations are expected to come in, however, so that the bulk of Eastern Carolina's potato crop may hereafter be marketed through the federation.

With the completion of organization plans Goldsboro was selected as the federation's headquarters because of its central location. H. K. McIntyre was named as president. Thos. H. Norwood, of Goldsboro, was elected secretary, and G. D Burroughs, of Nashville, who has taken such a prominent part in making the local storage house the success that it has been, was named manager of the federation.

It is estimated by the officials of the organization that 150,000 bushels of sweet potatoes will be controlled by the federation. With the coming in of other local organizations, the present amount is expected to be increased greatly until the bulk of Eastern Carolina's crop is marketed through the federation. Permanent offices will be opened in Goldsboro, while another important business meeting has been set for June 6.—Telegram.

Carter School Ends Successful Term

Carter's school, in Rocky Mount township, held its Commencement exercises on Friday, May 12. Notwithstanding the fact that farmer patrons of the school were exceedingly busy with their farming activities a goodly number assembled to to hear the address of Mr. Archie D. Odom. His theme, "The Value of an Education," was a splendid presentation of vital truths Mr. Odom held the attention of his audience by his direct and entertaining manner and convincing logic. He called to the attention of his hearers the fact that the present day calls for educated men and women in all professions, declaring that this call was but an evidence of an increasing complexity and organization of our social life. The speaker declared that any boy or girl with ambition could complete his or her college course without depending upon their financial resources, and particularly stressed the point that self made men and women were destined to fill positions of honor and trust and reflect honor upon their respective communities.

Receiving Station At Nashville Is Assured

A receiving station at Nashville is practically assured. The men who are behind the warehouse mean business and will successfully finance the proposition.

The stronger the sign-up for Co-operative Marketing in this territory the more tobacco will be handled at this point. It is to the interest of every business man in Nashville to encourage those who have not yet signed to do so. It means more money paid to the farmers here and that means more business for our merchants and better deposits for our bank.

It is to the interest of the growers who have signed to induce every non member they can to join our ranks; the greater the sign-up the stronger the Association and the surer the success.

It is to the interest of every grower to join the Association, because it insures better prices, standardized grades and stabilized prices. If any man is satisfied with the earlier prices, believes there is a dollar or two dollars per hundred to realize for the same tobacco he is selling, he is at liberty to do so. But the man who is willing to take the next man far below the limit for the same or better quality, because he happens not to have any pull, I would not ask him to join the Association, for he would surely be disappointed. The Association will see that every man receives the same price for the same quality of cotton or tobacco.

There are many growers who honestly believe in the principles of the Association and wish it well, but are holding off, want to see how it works.

My brother, if this is the way you feel, let me beg, urge and beseech you to join the Association the first opportunity you have. It is a sad fact, that however much you may favor the Association, how sincere a well-wisher you may be, if you fail to sign the contract and sell through the Association, you are giving your full strength against it. Every pound sold on the open market is that much help to the opposition and against the Association.

If cooperating marketing means better and stabilized prices, and this is the history of cooperative marketing wherever tried, are you true to yourself, your country, and your family, if you refuse to cooperate wish your fellow farmers and give your influence and patronage to the Association?

We are now asking every member who possibly can to induce as many as he can to sign the contract. I will be pleased to furnish contracts to anyone who can use them. If you haven't any write me and I will furnish them promptly.

S. F. AUSTIN.

Impressive Observance Of "Mothers' Day"

"Mothers' Day" was befittingly observed in a most beautiful service held in Nashville Methodist Church last Sunday morning, Rev. Eugene C. Few, the pastor, delivering a very powerful sermon and an altogether beautiful tribute to "Mother," whom he declared to be God's second greatest gift to the world, and in most beautiful language described her sacrifices and devotion to the great mission God had entrusted to her keeping. The discourse and service was made the more impressive by a musical program consisting of solos, duets and congregational singing wholly in keeping with the occasion. A duett by Messrs. Horace and Gorman Strickland, and the rendition of "Mother McCree," by Mr. Guy E. Bissette, and a duett by Mrs. W. G. Dozier and M. W. Lincke, were special features of the program.

Getting Ready For Old Fiddlers' Carnival

Preparations still continue for the great musical carnival which is scheduled to be held in Nashville on Thursday evening, May 25th, when there will be one of the greatest gatherings of "Ye Old-time Fiddlers and Banjo-pickers" and specialty artists ever before assembled in the old home town. These mirth-makers will come from all sections of the county, and with their fiddles, banjos, harps, accordeons and divers other instruments, augmented by the Nashville Cornet Band will play before one of the largest audiences of appreciative citizens possible to assemble in one building. An effort is being made to secure the court house for the occasion, since there is no building in the city that is large enough to accommodate the crowd expected.

Cash and other prizes aggregating approximately fifty dollars will be awarded the contestants and the awards will be so arranged as to permit practically every contestant winning one of these prizes. Manager Lincke is bending every energy to make the event the greatest of its kind yet held in the county and this and is practically assured since a large number of fiddlers and banjo-pickers, clog-dancers, buck and wing dancers, etc., of the olden time will be among the performers of the evening. If there are others who desire to join in this great carnival, notify the manager.

In a seven-innings bout on the local diamond, Thursday afternoon, between Nashville and Red Oak, the home crowd 2 to 2, the game being called by Umpire Gateway on account of darkness. The seven innings played were not characterized by any special pep. However, the game in the main contained enough good playing to make it a good game.

PRES. STONE GIVES ANSWER

Interesting Facts Related Concerning Cooperative Marketing.

President Stone, of the Kentucky Burley Tobacco Growers Association, has answered the questionaire sent out by the Greenville, N. C. Tobacco Board of Trade in its efforts to discredit Cooperative Marketing in North Carolina. Saying that these questions are easy to answer, President Stone has sent the following to headquarters of the Tobacco Growers' Cooperative Association, at Raleigh, N. C.

1 What per cent of the Kentucky crop delivered to the Association has been sold by the Association?

Answer—Fifty per cent.

2 What per cent of the tobacco sold was the best tobacco delivered to the Association?

Answer—Leaving out the green grades, the tobacco sold was not above the average of what we still have on hand. This question will be be answered more fully below.

3. What per cent of the tobacco now in the hands of the Association is common tobacco?

Answer—There is approximately twenty per cent of the tobacco we have on hand unsold which is common tobacco.

4. What per cent of the 1921 crop of Burley tobacco that has been delivered to the Association is still in the hands of the Association unsold?

Answer—Same as number one.

5. When will the Association sell this tobacco, that is still in the hands of the Association?

Answer—We sold five million pounds of our re-dried tobacco last week, and judging from the demand we have for it, it all will be sold in the next sixty days.

6. When will the Association pay the farmer in full for his 1921 crop of Burley tobacco?

Answer—Soon as all the tobacco is sold in an orderly and profitable way.

7 When will the Association be able to tell the Kentucky farmer what his 1921 crop of tobacco averaged?

Answer—As soon as all the tobacco is sold.

8. What per cent of the value fixed on the Kentucky tobacco, did the Association advance the farmer?

Answer—Approximately 35 per cent in cash on the delivery of his crop to our receiving plants.

9. Does the Association require you to deliver all of your tobacco crop at one time, or can you deliver it one load at a time?

Answer—The grower can deliver it all at one time, or one load at a time, to suit his convenience.

10. Is the Association liable to you in case the tobacco you deliver to them damages before it is sold or redried?

Answer—No. When the grower delivers his tobacco to the Association, he is issued a receipt showing the number of pounds of each grade he has delivered and the identity of each man's tobacco is lost from that time on and each grower owns his pro rata part in the total number of pounds received by the Association of the grades delivered by the grower. If any tobacco is damaged in any grade all of the growers in the Association who own any part of that grade stands that damage pro rata.

11. When will the Kentucky farmer know what it has cost him to sell his tobacco through the Association?

Answer—As soon as all the 1921 crop has been sold and the final distribution made However, we have thoroughly demonstrated to the satisfaction of our members that the expenses of our first year's operation will not be as much as the grower in the past paid in actual warehouse fees to sell his crop over the loose leaf floors. Up to the first of April, 1922, by which time all of our receiving plants had been closed, and the largest part of our expense of operation had been paid, it cost 40 cents and 1 mill per 100 pounds for actual operation expenses And this operation expense includes all receiving plants managed by, including common labor, salaries of graders and general office expense, including salaries; but does not include the cost to the farmer in payment for the real properties which are being used for receiving plants. This will be about 1 cent per pound per year.

12. What per cent does the Association agree to advance the North Carolina farmer on his tobacco when delivered?

Answer—This no doubt will be answered by the Tobacco Growers' Association of Virginia. Which will depend on the amount received and the grade.

13 What per cent did the contracts signed by the Kentucky farmer agree to advance?

Answer—There was no agreement in the contracts of the Burley Tobacco Growers' Cooperative Association agreeing to furnish any particular amount but the amount to be advanced was decided by the officers of the Association who represented the members of the Association and expert tobacco men representing the banks who agree to furnish the money.

14. Who places the value on the tobacco delivered to the Association?

Answer—Answer in question 13.

15. Does the farmer see his tobacco sold?

Answer—No. Not unless he wants to. The Burley Association is not doing anything under cover and any member has a right to any information in regard to what the Association is doing.

16. Can the farmer refuse to accept the price the Association sells his tobacco at?

Answer—No. The members select the Directors in their respective districts in whom they have confidence, and those Directors direct the policy of the Association. You might add to the answer of this question, What could the farmer do under the old auction system, if he did not accept the price he got on public sale?

Telegram Commends Nashville's Action

Commenting editorially upon the action recently taken by the business men and citizens of Nashville and vicinity relative to the erection of a tobacco warehouse in this city to be turned over to the Cooperative Marketing Association, our esteemed contemporary, The Evening Telegram, of Rocky Mount, has the following to say:

"The announcement from Nashville that they have the money in hand or assurance of the money necessary for the building of a mammoth storage warehouse which will be offered to the co operative marketing organization is a step in the right direction and in the building of a greater and a better Nashville. Certainly no right thinking citizen will do other than feel a sense of gratification at their enterprise and the recent undertaking is in keeping with a program of progressive measures undertaken by that town in recent years which has come to cause it to be regarded as one of the best and out in the forefront in matters worth while as compared with others in the state. So far as a possible loss of tobacco to the local market is concerned, such a condition may result, but it will be likewise apparent with other markets in this section, and our position would be one of narrowness and selfish greed if we did not glory with our neighbor in a program of growth and prosperity."

If there is any one thing the business men and citizens of this town are in sympathy with it is any movement conceived and propagated in the interest and welfare of the agricultural masses, upon whose success is absolutely dependent every other class of business. If every other class of business and all individuals could become thoroughly inoculated with this conviction and all would encourage the farmer instead of knocking him, or any organization by and through which he seeks to better his condition, the sooner would depressed agricultural and financial conditions depart from the Southland and the strangling grip of combinations and leaches now sucking the vitality out of the agricultural masses be loosed and a square deal policy put in force which means for the betterment of all.

Negro Meets Death In Tar River

Arthur Collins, a local negro boy employed by Mr. W. R. Williams, and who was assisting in painting the steel bridge across Tar River at Strickland's Mill was drowned on Saturday last, when in some unaccountable manner he fell into the river while trying to adjust the scaffolding upon which he was standing; and although part of the scaffolding, a large plank, plunged into the river with Collins, and upon which he clinched temporarily, he apparently let loose the plank and disappeared beneath the surface of the water before Mr. Allisert Gordon, a white man, could reach him with a rope. The negro's body was recovered a few hours afterwards and brought to Nashville, where his mother lives, and on Sunday afternoon the burial took place in the "Big Ridge" cemetery.

LOCAL SCHOOL ENDS TERM

Baccalaureate Sermon at Methodist Church Next Sunday Morning.

Only one more week remains before Nashville High School will have completed its session and the doors of the institution will close until the opening again during September. No elaborate program has been arranged for the closing exercises this session; however, the event will be marked with simple, yet impressive ceremonies, the last scenes of which will transpire in the school auditorium on next Wednesday evening, May 24th.

The annual baccalaureate sermon will be delivered next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock in Nashville Methodist Church by Rev. Eugene C. Few, and this initial number attendant upon the program of closing is looked forward to with interest by all local people and patrons of the school, since Rev. Few will doubtless thrill his hearers by a most excellent discourse. Special music is being prepared for the occasion by a joint choir composed of members of the Methodist and Baptist Church choirs. It is expected the spacious church auditorium will be filled to capacity.

The annual Literary address will be delivered Tuesday morning at 11:00 o'clock, by Prof. Chas. L. Coon, of Wilson, and this will doubtless be one of the main features attendant upon the closing exercises.

On Tuesday evening, beginning at 8:00 o'clock, in the auditorium, the annual recitation contest will be held and this promises to be an interesting event. This will be followed by a debate and then will come the presentation of certificates and announcements.

Class Day exercises will be held in the school auditorium on Wednesday evening, beginning at 8:00 o'clock, and these closing scenes promise to be of unusual interest.

State Councilor Visits Nashville Juniors

Last Thursday evening, May 11th, was the occasion of a very interesting Junior Order meeting, when Hon. L. D. Mendenhall, State Councilor, of Greensboro, N.C., delivered a splendid address to a large audience in the court house. Rev. Eugene C. Few, Pastor of the Methodist Church, offered the invocation, after which Mr. Archie D. Odom introduced the speaker in a very pleasing manner. Mr. Mendenhall held the rapt attention of his audience for an hour or more with his eloquence, and a recital of indisputable facts pertaining to the work of the Order. Delegations from visiting councils and quite a number of visitors helped to swell the assemblage and make of the occasion a pronounced success The local council of the Junior Order is one of the strongest fraternal organizations in the state, and its sure and steady growth is a direct result of its splendid and enviable record as it relates to the performance of Samaritan deeds and beneficial results accorded to its membership.

Stanhope High School Ends Prosperous Term

As is usually the case a large crowd was in attendance upon the closing exercises of Stanhope High School on Friday last, and the usual standard of excellence marked the many features scheduled for the occasion, which marked the completion of a very successful session under the direction of Principal R. D Gray and his strong corps of assistants in every department of the school.

It might be said the exercises began on Thursday evening, when the children of the primary department entertained by a series of musical selection and the presentation of a highly creditable cantata, "Mother Goose," and a most pleasing festival wherein the "May Queen" was crowned.

On Friday, beginning at 11:00 o'clock, there was a resumption of the festivities, when the pupils of the Music Department led the singing of "America," wherein the assemblage joined and showed clearly the patriotic spirit of the occasion. The exercises were interspersed with a number of very pleasing numbers by the various classes in music, which were very creditable to the pupils and their teachers. The rendition of "Oh, Beauteous May," by the class, attuned the audience for the splendid address delivered by Col. Fred A. Olds, of Raleigh. The speaker was presented by Mr. M. W. Lincke, editor of The Graphic, who briefly referred to the great work Stanhope School had accomplished in sending from its doors some of the brightest men and boys who are now making history for their county and state.

The real feast of entertainment came when Col. Olds launched into his subject and scattered many rich gems of thought which found lodgment in the hearts and minds of his hearers and made a wonderful impression, especially upon the young people, to whom he showed the individual responsibility resting upon them in making worthy men and women who should reflect the highest standard of citizenship.

At noon there was a great spread of the choicest delicacies coming from the bounteous boards of the good people of that section and the great crowd feasted on barbecue, chicken, ham, "Tom Thumb" pickles, cake, etc., etc., until they had taxed their capacity, and then there was much to spare.

A very fine climax to the festivities attendant upon the closing was the feature entertainment given on Friday evening, beginning at 8:00 o'clock, when a novelty entertainment in three acts, "Uncle Ephriam's Summer Boarders," was presented by a cast of about thirty characters, and which furnished great pleasure to a crowded auditorium. The "May Pole Dance," by the intermediate grades, was one of the features of the evening.

Civic League Meets With Mrs. Will Ward

Mrs. W. W. Ward, assisted by Mrs. M. W. Lincke, was hostess to the membership of Nashville Civic League at their annual meeting held Monday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Ward, on Railroad street, and the occasion proved one of great interest and pleasure to about thirty members who answered to the roll call. The meeting was presided over by the president, Mrs. J. T. Strickland, who succeeds Mrs. B. J. Downey, who has served in that capacity during the past year. After short devotional exercises and singing the regular business of the League was gone into and disposed of. Mrs. L. T. Vaughan made an interesting talk on the question of welfare work and Miss Lucia Freeman, County Red Cross nurse, gave a brief yet comprehensive outline of the great work in which she is engaged and sought the continued cooperation of the League membership in further advancing the work in the county. Mrs. B. J. Downey spoke along the line of civic pride and the needs of the city in the matter of greater regard for the sanitary condition of the streets and premises and in carrying out the plan to secure action on the part of the City Aldermen, a committee will lay these matters before them at their next regular meeting. Mrs. P. L. Greathouse gave a glowing account of her attendance upon the meeting of the State Federation of Women's Clubs held in Greensboro. The membership was served with dainty fruit sandwiches and tea.

Fire Department Saves Burning Automobiles

A lively time occurred Saturday afternoon, when an automobile driven by a colored man named Sidney Williams, of Hollister, was discovered to be on fire when the car reached "Calvin's Branch" while coming from Rocky Mount. Williams put the "juice" to the machine in an effort to reach town where he could extinguish the fire, which was eating the framework and cushions. He succeeded in getting almost in front of the Collins Hotel when the seat became so warm and the flames beginning to eat his coat-tail, that Williams and a trio of other negroes did a couple of summersaults for a place of safety as the Nashville Fire Department responded to the call and with the aid of their chemical apparatus put out the fire before the car was completely ruined.

There will be a meeting of the Robert H. Ricks Chapter, U. D. C. with Miss Nina Collins at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Alford, next Monday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock, at which a full attendance of the membership is desired.

Acreage Listing To Help Growers

Secretary Wilson Hopes the Tobacco Growers Will Help Tax Listers.

Tobacco farmers of North Carolina will benefit directly from the recent state law requiring assessors to list the acreage of each farmer's crops, says M. O. Wilson, Secretary of the Tobacco Growers' Cooperative Association.

In an interview at Raleigh headquarters of the Tobacco Growers' Cooperative Association yesterday, Mr. Wilson expressed the hope that tobacco farmers would give every assistance to the tax assessors, whose official statement of the acreage of the planted crops will so clearly indicate production as to protect the farmers against the ever repeated claims of over-production used by speculators and buyers to beat down the price of tobacco regardless of whether there be under-production or over production.

"Information hitherto unobtainable by the tobacco growers, but carefully compiled by those who buy his tobacco, will be at his disposal hereafter, provided he cooperates whole-heartedly in supporting the present effort of the state to aid him in gaining accurate crop estimates which have nothing to do with any increase in their taxation," said Mr. Wilson.

In line with the recent editorial in the News and Observer, pointing out that an annual census of crop acreages bears the same relation to agriculture as an industry that an inventory does to other forms of business. Mr. Wilson said. "The farmers of North Carolina and Virginia are tired of hearing the old cry of 'Wolf!' 'Wolf!' with which the speculators have always tried to scare the growers into sacrificing their products."

Who Has a Home For this Little Boy?

Since there are several homes in Nashville and vicinity where there are no children to gladden the hearts of some good man or woman, and in most instances these homes are amply able to provide for some motherless child now crying for protection, the following letter should appeal to some good woman or man who could prove a blessing to this little boy. The letter reads:

Greensboro, N. C.,
May 10, 1922.

Dear Mr. Editor:

I am a little boy six months old and I want a Mother. A kind providence sent me to the Children's Home Society and I am growing fat and will soon be a big boy.

There are so many babies here I want some good woman to write to the superintendent of the Children's Home Society of Greensboro, N. C., and ask him to give me to her. I am sure he will do so as he has so many motherless babies and more want to come to the Home. Write him today and I will come to some childless home.

With love,
"A Homeless Baby Boy."

Of course the above letter was written by some devout man or woman who has at heart the future destiny of this little one, who is appealing to the mother instinct of some good woman in an effort to bring gladness to some childless home and insure the future of this little boy. Who will respond to the appeal?

Aged Lady In Coopers Dead

Mrs. Analina Rackley, wife of the late Frances Rackley, and a woman well known throughout the county, died at the home of her son, Mr. E. R. Rackley, about two miles south of Nashville, early Tuesday morning after having been in feeble health for some time. The deceased was about eighty-eight old and is survived by a large number of children and grandchildren and other relations, which number more than a score. For some years the deceased resided in Nashville and had many friends here who regret to know of her death. The funeral services were held on Wednesday afternoon from the home of her son and were conducted by Dr. J. C. Hassell, of the Christian church, of which the deceased was a member. The interment followed in the family burying ground near the home of her son, Mr. E. R. Rackley.