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Local Citizen Dies Very Unexpectedly

Mr. Jos. D. Baker Stricken While Conversing With Friends.

The sudden death of Mr. Jos. D. Baker, late Friday afternoon, came as a severe shock to his scores of friends in Nashville and throughout the entire county and was indeed a terrible shock to his family.

During the day Mr. Baker had been out on his farm near town and was seemingly in good health as he pursued his duties. Returning to his home on Railroad street he was in his usual good spirits, only complaining of being somewhat fatigued from the duties of the day. He went to the store of W. E. Clark and was sitting on the step reading a newspaper when he was suddenly stricken and sank to the sidewalk a corpse. Friends tried to minister unto him pending the arrival of the family physician.

The deceased was about fifty five years old, having been born in this county and for many years has been a resident of Nashville. He was Assistant Register of Deeds of the County while his brother, Mr. J. H. T. Baker held the office as Register. For some years he was engaged in the mercantile business, having discontinued the business some years ago and has since devoted his time to farming near the city.

He is survived by a wife, who was formerly Miss Dora Hunt, of Wilson county. Three children, Herman Baker and J. D. Baker, Jr., and Mrs. Ronald Finch, of Bailey also survive. Of the living brothers and sisters there are eight, viz: Messrs. J. H. T. Baker, of Nashville; James R. Baker, Coopers township; Mesdames Rhoda A. Smith, of Nashville; Mrs. Bettie Winstead, of E. M. City; Mrs. Alfred Edwards, of near Westray; Mrs. T. J. Braswell, of Rocky Mount, and Mrs. H. A. Bone, of near Nashville.

For many years the deceased has been a member of Nashville Council, Jr. O. U. A. M., and always took a lively interest in the work of the Order. The funeral services were held Saturday afternoon from the late home, Rev. E. C. Few conducting the service. Upon reaching the local cemetery the exercises were conducted by Past Councilor M. W. Lincke and interment made with the rites of the Junior Order. Despite of the very threatening and rainy weather a large crowd were in attendance upon the last sad rites.

Eleven N. C. Counties Show 55 per cent

Growers of 55.5 per cent of the tobacco produced in 11 counties of the largest tobacco growing counties in Eastern North Carolina have signed contracts with the Tobacco Growers Co-operative Association, according to a statement issued by the Association yesterday in response to the charge that in these counties the average was 15.36 per cent.

The figures as presented by the Association, based on the records of January 1, 1922, since when thousands of contracts have reached Raleigh headquarters, follows:

- Wilson County, 5,164,800 pounds, 30 per cent.
- Duplin County, 3,987,634 pounds, 24.2 per cent.
- Sampson County, 1,562,360 pounds, 52.1 per cent.
- Wayne County, 6,740,514 pounds, 46.6 per cent.
- Warren County, 2,453,500 pounds, 44.6 per cent.
- Nash County, 11,666,176 pounds, 55.3 per cent.
- Lenoir County, 9,511,613 pounds, 68 per cent.
- Pitt County, 14,412,327 pounds, 60.5 per cent.
- Green County, 9,158,859 pounds, 87.2 per cent.
- Edgecombe Co., 8,180,000 pounds, 65 per cent.
- Johnston County, 5,887,992 pounds, 47.9 per cent. - News and Observer.

Attention! Ice Consumers

Beginning next week, deliveries of ice will be made by truck during the morning hours, beginning at 8:00 o'clock, when our trucks will traverse all the main streets of the town. Customers are requested to have their Ice Tickets convenient for the delivery man, or have the cash, as there will be no charge delivered on account of the ice house.

Some Quite Important Questions

Interesting Facts Concerning North Carolina's Varied Interests.

The outlook for steady development in North Carolina is most gratifying in spite of the hard sledding for the past two years. With good crops this year and good prices the State would go forward. We have made remarkable strides, but we have much yet to do. Some people think this is a very rich State and we are much more prosperous than others. Some tell us that we are very poor and far behind others. What is the real situation? The University News Letter gives some facts and asks some questions which should command attention. It says:

How rich in farm properties are the farmers of North Carolina? The answer is \$684 per country inhabitant, against \$1,836 in the United States, \$8,113 in Iowa, \$7,261 in South Dakota, and so on.

Why do we stand above forty states in crop totals and per-acre yields, and below them in the farm wealth saved and accumulated?

Our farmers produce enormous crop wealth, but somehow they do not retain it. Why? What is wrong? What is the richest farm county in North Carolina, per country inhabitant? It falls below the average for the United States by more than \$300 per person. Why?

How does your home county rank? Why is its rank high or low, the state average considered?

Here are important questions for the farmers, but they are just as important for the merchants and bankers and manufacturers, the teachers and preachers and social servants of every sort in North Carolina.

"Our farmers produce enormous crop wealth, but somehow they do not retain it—Why?"

This question of the News Letter unquestionably is answered in part by Co-operative Marketing. It is precisely because of the feeling that something had to be done to make farming more profitable that the effort to market so as to leave more of the returns in the hands of the farmer was attempted. Marketing of course is not all of the problem but it is an important part.

It is eminently desirable that the North Carolina farmer shall be more prosperous and permanently more prosperous. Therefore the news will be welcomed that a commission of farm leaders and specialists is to make a careful survey of a number of typical farm counties and see if it cannot suggest methods by which farming can be made to pay better returns.

In the meantime the advantage of diversified farming is apparent as always. Bion Butler points out that city and town demand is necessary to make farm diversification profitable. That is true, looking at diversification crops as money crops. But farm diversification, so far as it means raising home supplies in the home field, orchard and stock-pen does not depend in any way on outside co-operation or maintenance. Cutting down the number of things to be bought as one way of making money that cannot fail. It may not be the best way of making money that cannot fail. It may not be the best way of making money every year, but the experience of those who follow the practice shows that year in and year out it is the best plan. - News and Observer.

Notice.

We are expecting to install 600 lbs of repair parts, beginning Friday or Saturday, and may have to cut lights a few nights. After this we hope to have no more trouble with lights.

DR. JNO. A. WINSTEAD,
Chairman Light Committee.
S. V. T. CHAMBERS,
Supt. Public Works.

Administrator's Notice.

The undersigned having qualified as administrator of the estate of S. J. Sorby, deceased, late of Nash County, N. C., notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to present them to the undersigned on or before the 16th day of May, 1922, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

NO WONDER THEY FIGHT YOU.

These figures show what four North Carolina "auction" markets have cost the farmers in the last three years:

Market.	Year.	Pounds Sold.	Warehouse Charges.	Average Price.
WILSON	1919	32,000,000	\$500,000	\$50.75
	1920	50,000,000	475,000	21.36
	1921	36,000,000	350,000	28.54
			\$1,325,000	
GREENVILLE	1919	27,000,000	\$425,000	53.22
	1920	34,000,000	340,000	20.66
	1921	20,000,000	225,000	28.70
			990,000	
KINSTON	1919	23,000,000	\$850,000	50.71
	1920	26,000,000	260,000	18.80
	1921	20,000,000	200,000	23.54
			\$810,000	
ROCKY MOUNT	1919	20,000,000	300,000	51.12
	1920	20,000,000	240,000	18.76
	1921	14,000,000	160,000	25.00
			\$700,000	

These figures are conservative estimates, according to experienced warehousemen of the bright belt, and do not include charges from pinbookers and rebanded tobacco.

By Co-operative Marketing, farmers can save money each year and own the warehouses within five years.

Spring Hope Events

Mrs. Ida Marshburn visited at Rocky Mount last week.

Mrs. J. B. Gardner has returned from a visit to relatives in Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Meeks, from Rocky Mount, spent the week end with her sister here, Mrs. Ida Marshburn.

Gwendolyn, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Fanny, who has been sick recently is much improved.

Little Frank Lane Wilder has been quite sick the last few days and has been greatly missed by his many friends.

Mrs. E. S. Pearce returned Thursday from Washington, D. C. and Virginia, where she has been on a visit to friends.

Luther Dillard and Garland Morgan, from A. T. E. and Jack Brantley from Oak Ridge, are at home for the summer.

Memorial exercises were held in every section of the county Tuesday. Several from here joined the committee from Franklin county and attended a special service at the grave John N. Wilder, recently brought back from France.

Messrs. J. A. Tunnel, C. B. Brantley, H. Brantley, Roy Wilder, A. F. May, O. B. Moss, H. R. Talton, C. R. Speight and W. H. Griffin, drove over to Nashville, Thursday morning to hear the address on "Public Welfare" by Mrs. Clarence Johnson, of Raleigh.

One of the most enjoyable occasions of the season was given Thursday afternoon from 4:00 to 5:30 o'clock, when Mrs. C. W. Lassiter entertained in honor of her sister, Mrs. Norman H. Shillings, a spring bride. Mrs. Jno. Pitts and Mrs. Lassiter received the guests who were asked to register, the bride's book being presided over by Miss Mildred Yarbro. Punch was served by Misses Eunice and Thelma Lamm. Next, a contest followed wherein Mrs. Glenn C. Walker won the prize, a beautiful basket of sweet peas. Recipes for the bride's cook book were written later, after which the guests were invited into the living room, which was most attractively decorated in Dorothy Perkins roses and pink and white sweet peas. The cutting of the cake made much mirth for the fun-loving, Miss Moinie Matthews getting the ring. Baked cream and minis were served, the favors being dainty crooks with a rose attached. Mrs. George Bunn, served as toast-mistress, many toasts being given the bride. Those attending were: Mrs. Glenn Walker, Misses Maggie Alford, Thelma Lamm, Mrs. Frank Bell, E. M. Essler, Geo. Walker, O. G. Edwards, L. T. Bartholomew, C. C. Martin, A. C. Farrer, J. E. McLean, Misses Esale Brantley, Mildred Yarbro, Minnie Matthews, Mrs. Jno. Pitts, E. L. Pitts, Katherine O. Bunn, O. B. Munn, Nonie Richardson, F. G. Chambliss, Roy Wilder, Misses Eunice Lamm, Eva Mae Lassiter and Mrs. J. A. Trapp.

Pres. Stone Replies To Leon Oettinger

Association Leader Discredits the Kinston Tobacco Clerks.

Leon Oettinger, an office clerk of the tobacco interests with headquarters at Kinston, and who sprang into prominence some weeks ago by contributing articles to the press of the state in opposition to the Tobacco Co-operative Marketing Association, has been called by President Jas. E. Stone of the Association.

The following letter from President Stone to a prominent planter of Walsenburg, N. C., and published in the Standard Locomotive, of Snow Hill, in reply to Oettinger's misleading statements should cause him to make an effort to conform his future utterances and effusions to facts.

Lexington, Ky., May 13, 1922
Mr. J. F. Smith,
Walsenburg, N. C.

Dear Sir—"I am just in receipt of your letter of May 10th, enclosing letter from Mr. Leon Oettinger, which is being published in many of the local papers in North Carolina, and I am sorry to say that Mr. Oettinger has not confined himself to facts in regard to what the Burley Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association has accomplished.

It is very easy to see why he would be against the association, because he is a warehouse clerk and speculator, and you can readily see that the Association, as a success, hurts him considerably from his own personal viewpoint.

Practically everything he states in his letter is untrue, and the only thing I regret is that it is not possible for every tobacco grower in North Carolina to come to Kentucky and see for himself just what our Association has accomplished.

The main thing our contract called for was for us to sign up at least seventy-five per cent of the 1920 acreage, and after making a house to house canvass of the entire territory by counties to get the real acreage for 1920, we signed approximately eighty-five per cent of that year's crop.

Up to the present time we have received 120,000,000 pounds of the 1921 crop. According to the records of the Secretary of Agriculture of Kentucky there has been sold in the state of Kentucky on the public auction markets 36,495,990 pounds of growers who were not members of the Association, and we have some tobacco yet in the hands of our members which has not been delivered but will be later.

As to the cost of our operation up to April 1st, when we closed all of our receiving plants and most of our expense stopped, the actual expense of operation, such as warehouse expense, common labor, grading expense, the expense of the general office, and all salaries amounted to 40 cents and 1 mill per hundred pounds. Whereas the warehouse charges on the few loose leaf floors which sold tobacco was considerably above \$1.00 per 100 pounds.

Castalia Happenings

Miss Evelyn Bartholomew, who has been attending college at St. Mary's, is at home for a vacation.

Miss Cora Chaplin, who has been teaching at Farmville, and sister, Miss Inez, who taught in Franklin are on their vacation with their parents here.

Miss Bettie Hunt has arrived from Currituck County, where she has been engaged in school work. She says politics is at the boiling point in the East and the women taking part.

Miss Eugenia Brown, who has been principal at the Wood Academy over in Franklin the past several years, has closed her school work and is taking a vacation with her parents here.

We are pleased to learn that Rev. Mr. and Mrs. John Brown, the Baptist minister will soon make their home among us. Mr. Brown and his charming wife will be quite an acquisition to Castalia Society.

The community sing held at Red Bud church last Sunday was well attended, and the many choirs taking part made the occasion quite entertaining. Franklin has many good singers, and it takes some experts to capture the laurels.

Mr. William Coggin a respected citizen and farmer, living near here aged about 60 years, was found dead in his bed last Friday, after having retired the night before in his usual good health. We sympathize with his stricken family.

Many are guessing the results at the polls Saturday. Many women and men are tired of so many useless and high salaried offices and will express their disapproval in the county of creating and establishing additional expenditures.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Edwards have made their residence with us, and Mr. Edwards, carrier on route one, upon the arrival of the Nashville mail makes the whole trip in the afternoon, 26 miles of Nash and Franklin counties, giving the natives the best delivery they ever had.

At the election for town officers the following were chosen: R. R. Taylor, Mayor; S. J. Bartholomew, J. P. Drake, H. J. Lancaster, J. H. Dickens and N. D. Williams, Commissioners. It is expected these new officers will have way-back lots and the public grounds cleared of the abundant trash and garbage.

PLAIN TOM.

To the Voters of Nash:

At the beginning of the campaign I announced to my friends that if I received the nomination for Sheriff of Nash County, that where a deputy was required I would let the people of that place or section select a man of their own choice, and I would appoint him.

There having reached me reports or rumors to the contrary, I desire to impress upon you that I have made no other promise than the above as to the appointment of any deputy, and I expect to stick to that promise, if I am nominated in the coming primaries.

Very sincerely,
E. W. BARTHOLOMEW.

Old Fiddlers' and Banjo-Pickers' Fete

Hundreds Could Not Gain Entrance to the Festival.

Vester's Hall was crowded to its capacity and hundreds who wanted to gain admittance to the "Old Fiddlers' and Banjo-Pickers' Carnival" on Thursday evening of last week, were turned away from the doors and forced to forego the pleasure of hearing one of the most enjoyable and amusing musical feasts yet brought to the people of Nashville. The restriction to admissions was necessitated on account of the building, which inspectors advised against overcrowding since the foundations were thought to be unsafe for as many as four hundred people. However, within half a hundred of that number were admitted and no difficulty was experienced in making them comfortable.

While the "Pickers" and "Fiddlers" were getting registered and "tuning up" for the contest, Nashville's Cornet Band entertained the audience with several selections and then gave way for the "cat-gut artists" and as they filed across the stage and took their seats rounds of applause greeted them from all quarters of the building. Among the array of "fiddlers" were such eminent old-time artists as H. C. Batchelor, J. D. Dickens, E. H. Joyner, L. C. Braswell, J. C. Pitts, John C. Taylor, and W. A. Nelms, while on the program of banjo-pickers were such celebrities as J. J. (Kale Seed) Jones, S. B. Mullen, J. W. Hobson, Lonnie Jones, Arthur Cooper, W. A. Nelms and J. D. Dickens, the two last-named also being among the "fiddlers." There was also a trio of dancers and shufflers, whose foot work would have made the inimitable Harry Ralls or Johnnie Mack grease their heels in order to keep up with the pace set by "Kale Seed" Jones, Elijah Drake and Herman Baker.

There were two rounds of playing by the contestants interspersed with two dancing stunts each by Jones, Drake and Baker and each feature was vigorously applauded, and judging from the applause accorded to each contestant it was difficult to determine which performer was the favorite.

Several pieces in concert wherein violins, banjos, mandolins and guitars were used, and augmented by the inimitable "bone-knocking" and tambourine juggling by "Squire" John C. Harper, created an irresistible "foot wiggling" throughout the entire audience and brought rounds of applause. Principal among the artists who took part in these special numbers were Wil Nelms and his band of musicians from Whitakers—Joe Dickens, S. B. Mullen and others, and while the last of these selections were being rendered the judges, Messrs. G. N. Bissette, J. L. Robertson and J. E. Lambert retired to an adjoining room to decide upon the winners. The decisions were:

Fiddlers—J. C. Pitts, first prize, \$5.00; W. A. Nelms, second prize, \$3.00; John C. Taylor, third prize, \$1.00.

Banjoists—S. B. Mullen, first prize, \$5.00; J. J. Jones, second prize, \$3.00; J. W. Hobson, third prize, \$1.00.

Dancers—J. J. Jones, first prize, \$5.00; Herman Baker, second prize, \$3.00; Elijah Drake, third prize, \$1.00.

A cash prize of \$1.00 was awarded "Squire" John C. Harper for his very clever manipulation of the bones and tambourine.

Numerous requests for repeating the Carnival have been made, but this will not be done within the next few weeks; but the management will announce even more amusing and entertaining features similar in nature but on a much larger scale later.

Dr. Howard Smith, Eye-sight Specialist, of Monroe, N. C., will be with us again on Monday, June 5th. The advantages of having him to fit your eyes with glasses are that you will know that you are getting the services of one of the best known and most widely experienced eye specialists in the State; that he is here regularly to look after your Eyes and your Glasses, that he makes no charge for examination, that his prices for glasses are very reasonable and that you have our personal guarantee of satisfaction with each pair of glasses fitted by him. Think it over. Here on where date only. Nashville Drug Co., Nashville, N. C.

Judge S. F. Austin Appeals to Farmers

Join The Association And Thereby Help Your Fellow Farmers.

Many of our farmers are experts in growing cotton and tobacco. The same land that produced one-fourth of a bale of cotton, two barrels of corn and five hundred pounds of tobacco twenty-five years ago, now produces a bale of cotton, eight barrels of corn and one thousand pounds of tobacco per acre. We sell this expert or scientific farming.

How about selling? We do not sell at all but blindly dump our crops. Co-operative Marketing means using the best business methods in marketing our crops. It means intelligent, scientific and expert marketing. You who are afraid of Co-operative Marketing, who are taking the advice of the interested and selfish warehouseman and speculator, and refusing to join hands with your fellow-suffering farmer and sign the contract, stop and consider. Do you use the same methods in other things? When you or a member of your family are sick, do you trust yourself to prescribe the treatment you shall take or do you call in the best trained physician you can secure? If you get in trouble, do you plead your own case or do you employ a lawyer learned in the law and a trained advocate to handle your case for you?

We, as farmers, are certainly sick financially and greatly in distress. We have met with the same success marketing our crops ourselves in competition with each other as the very sick man does who prescribes for himself or the man in trouble who pleads his own case! There is just as much reason and common sense in the one as the other.

My dear friend, let me beg you to be sensible. Sign the contracts and let us use good judgment and employ honest expert salesmen to market our crops for us. You help yourself and neighbor both and hurt no one by so doing. Don't wait to see how your neighbor is going to come out; help your neighbor by signing yourself. The devil always urges us to put off doing good. Don't put off declaring your independence by signing the co-operative contracts.

S. F. AUSTIN.

The Home Paper

The Exchange has nothing to say about its splendid constituency, its clientele of loyal readers and subscribers, its progressive band of loyal advertisers and friends generally, except to in a feeble way express its appreciation of the loyalty and generous praise of the good people of the town and county that inevitably find their way to this office, in some form or other. We work hard, we do not do the best we can, but we try to make your newspaper worth while. We reprint the following in justification of the splendid interest that readers of this paper take in it and its work:

"Anyone who can read the Lord's Prayer should take the home paper. The newspapers and the public schools are the universities of the people."

"I believe the reading of the news of your own neighborhood, as well as that of the world at large, is one of the primary requirements for an educated man or woman."

"If I were blind, deaf and dumb, and could not read, I would take the newspaper and have it thrown at my gate, so that people passing my house would say, 'There is one person who is interested in the welfare and upbuilding of his own community.'"

"Good schools, good newspapers, and good roads mean a country that will always stand first among the nations of the world." - Laurinburg Exchange.

Nashville Methodist Church

SUNDAY, JUNE 4, 1922

An interesting and instructive Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. T. B. Damron, Supt.

Divine services at 11 a. m. Sermon by the pastor. Subject: "An invitation from Jesus."

Services at 8:00 p. m. Preaching by the pastor. Subject: "The Health Reform."

We welcome all to our services.