

Old Belt Co-Ops Open October 1st

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Last Chance Outsiders Have This Season

Over Four Million in Payments On 1923 Deliveries From Sept. 15 to Nov. 15.

The third season of cooperative marketing for Virginia and North Carolina bright tobacco farmers will be in full swing on Wednesday October 1, when thirty more warehouses of the Tobacco Growers Cooperative Association will open in Virginia and Western North Carolina.

Members of the association in the old belt are waiting eagerly for the arrival of the grade cards at their warehouses on the opening day. These show the Eastern Carolina and South Carolina co-ops that their organization is paying the highest cash advances in its history this season.

The association has been obliged to turn away hundreds of tobacco farmers who were too late in seeking admission for their present crop, since the directors ruled that no 1924 tobacco would be accepted from new members who signed after the opening date.

Many contracts to deliver the crops of 1925 and 1926 have now reached association headquarters from farmers who were too late to sign up their present crop after the cooperative floors had opened.

The tobacco farmers of the Eastern and Southern belts are finding that the increased cash advances and the privilege of every member to obtain an immediate loan of one-half the amount of his cash advance on every load is greatly to his advantage. Money was offered on an association warehouse managed by a farmer outside of the association last week for the privilege of marketing his present crop through the association but the directors and officials of the association continue to rigidly enforce their ruling that no more contracts for delivery of the present crop will be accepted after the opening day.

Membership books for the 1924 delivery season will close at all Old Belt warehouses of the association on October 1.

The association is now paying out millions of dollars to its members in various belts. Last week it was \$2,300,000 to Virginia and Western Carolina co-ops, on their last season's deliveries; this week it is \$600,000 to the members in Eastern Carolina on the 1923 crop and according to the latest announcement the deferred tobacco growers of Virginia within the association will divide approximately \$1,250,000, or thirty per cent of the value of their last season's deliveries, not later than November 15.

These payments will bring the cash receipts of every member in the association to three-fourths or more of the bankers' valuation on his last season's deliveries of tobacco to the cooperative floors.

American Flyers

Welcomed Home.

Four of the eight army aviators who hopped off from Santa Monica, Cal., in four planes last March on a globe-encircling expedition arrived in the United States on the last lap of their long flight. They are Lieut. Erik Nelson and John Harding Jr., who occupied one plane, and Lieut. Lowell Smith and Leslie Arnold, in charge of another. From California westward around the world to Indian Harbor, Labrador, where they again reached America, the route of the world flyers covered over 30,000 miles. To this must be added the distance from Indian Harbor to Washington, thence westward to Seattle, the terminus of the epoch-making journey. The president personally commended the aviators for their pluck.

On their triumphant flight home from Indian Harbor the four flyers were joined by Lieut. Leigh Wade and Henry Opden who had been forced down in the sea off the Pecos Islands in August with the result that the plane in which they had almost circumnavigated the globe was sunk while being salvaged. These two flyers were taken to Labrador on an attending U. S. naval vessel and there were supplied with another plane in which they continued the flight. In April Maj. Fred Martin, originally in command of the party,

was eliminated along with Sgt. Alva Harvey, his assistant, when their plane crashed into an Alaskan mountain during a fog. Maj. Martin was succeeded by Lieut. Smith as flight commander.

The longest stretch of the flight without a stop was from Alta island in the Aleutian Islands off Alaska to Paramushiri island, a northern island in the Japan group, a distance of 878 miles. Only three miles shorter was the hop from Bender Abbas, Persia, to Bagdad, Turkey. There was an 800-mile flight across one part of China. But the most perilous lap was that from Reykjavik, Iceland, to Frederiksdal, Greenland, in which open water and ice floes were crossed during bad weather. On the home stretch from Greenland to America Lieut. Arnold had to pump "gas" into the engine for four hours, two strokes a minute, when a forced landing was threatened.

The actual expenses of the flight (not including the cost of the naval patrol) was kept within the \$50,000 appropriated by congress. All the planes used were purchased during the war. They are known as Douglas cruisers. The first plane to fly around the world will be placed on exhibition at the Smithsonian Institution where the NC-4, the first plane to cross the Atlantic (in 1919), is on view. It is interesting to note that Lieut. Smith, Nelson, Wade and Arnold are unmarried.

Twelve navy ships headed by the scout cruiser Richmond in command of Rear-Admiral Magruder took stations along the flight course. To offer protection to the flyers the vessels had 70 steam 40,000 miles. It was the Richmond that rescued Lieut. Loessli, the Italian flyer, off southeastern Greenland. The same ship picked up Lieut. Wade and Opden after they had been adrift in their plane six hours.

Shows Battle of Gettysburg

Rev. Betram Brown, of Tarboro, to Give Illustrated Lecture at Early Date.

On Friday evening, October 10th, at 7:30 o'clock in the new High School Auditorium in this city, Rev. Betram Brown, of Tarboro, will deliver his illustrated lecture on the battle of Gettysburg. Mr. Brown is giving this lecture in Nashville in the courtesy of the Nashville Chapter of the Children of the Confederacy.

This lecture is founded on the results of many trips to the battlefield and special interesting information acquired through many years of study. It is excellently illustrated by Mr. Brown as he carries his own picture machine, screen, etc.

The work of the United Daughters of the Confederacy of North Carolina has been especially directed this year towards an effort to complete the fund for the erection of a monument to the North Carolina soldiers who fought at Gettysburg and the Children's Chapter of Nashville feel that they are most fortunate in being able to offer to the people of this city so able a presentation of this most gallant and heroic page of their history.

North Carolina has great cause to be proud of its share in this great battle and it would seem that, no more heroic examples of the eternal virtues, courage, honor and loyalty could be set before the eyes of those who have the upbuilding of the state will pass in the days to come.

Dear the date of Mr. Brown's visit to this city in mind and let our citizenry get a new vision of the past concerning the sacrifices of those who gave their all on the altar of their country.

Republican Senatorial Candidates to Speak in Nashville

The announcement is made that Hon. A. A. Whitner, of Hickory, N. C., Republican candidate for a seat in the United States Senate, will speak in Nashville on Tuesday, September 23rd, in the court house at noon. Secretary W. H. Proctor, of the Republican Executive Committee, and his associates are active in trying to get out a good crowd to hear the Hickory man.

Many Mills Resuming Operation, Says Chambliss.

Raleigh, September 23.—According to reports from cotton manufacturing centers, the curtailment program which has been effective among cotton mills is abating and particularly in this true of the Carolinas, said T. W. Chambliss, Director of Information of the North Carolina Cotton Growers' Cooperative Association last night. "The reports show that curtailment is a little less than two-thirds of what it was during the summer months."

"Mills that manufacture sheets, pillow case material and bed spreads are announcing resumption of full time operations with other mills increasing their output. Anderson, South Carolina, reports full time resumption of many mills that have been running only three days a week. Mills at Greenville and Woodruff, South Carolina, are now on full time and Greenville says that it will be only a very short time before all mills in that territory will be on full time."

"One significant fact is that the power records of the Southern Power Company furnishing power for approximately 5,500,000 spindles, operated by 800 cotton mills, show that the load has increased about nine percent. Mill men report that market conditions are better and that the mills that are going on full time have orders on hand to be cared for."

Greatest Fair Will Open Next Week

Everything in Readiness for Greatest Fair in History of Railroad City

In conference with Secretary N. Y. Chambliss, secretary of the Rocky Mount Fair, it was learned that all the detail work for staging the greatest fair in the history of Rocky Mount, have been practically completed and when the gates are thrown open on next Tuesday, October 29th, there will follow four days of real enjoyment and instruction for the thousands who will gather to view the display of resources of Nash, Edgecombe and all surrounding counties, since it is indicated that these counties will vie with each other in the displays in all departments. Especially active has the management been in securing for the speed contests many of the fastest horses in all the country and the racing programme is destined to be one of the features for all who like sport of this nature, while in the livestock department the showing will doubtless exceed anything heretofore afforded.

The poultry department is going to be another feature, for herein there will be the usual display by poultry raisers, and this will be augmented by the participation of the Poultry Clubs of Nash and Edgecombe in accordance with previous plans and announcements. In all other departments and under the direction of competent judges and managers there will be an endless variety of exhibits coming from the homes and pantries of the good women of the county who have been preparing for the event for the past several weeks.

Many free attractions have been provided for the midway and for those who crowd the grand stand, and there will be something doing all the time to furnish amusement and recreation and real instruction for the vast crowds assembled daily. As a special attraction Wednesday (Educational Day) the Fair Association will have two distinguished guests in Senator Thaddeus Caraway of Arkansas, and Mrs. Edith Vanderbilt, president of the State Fair and recently elected member of the State Board of Agriculture. Through the efforts of Senator F. M. Simmons and his secretary, Hon. Frank A. Hampton, Senator Caraway has been secured for this special day and will deliver an eloquent and interesting address. It is also announced that Mrs. Vanderbilt will probably be on the feature programme for the day.

The Fair is going to afford a wonderful opportunity for the people of the county to have a regular get-together meeting, brush elbows with each other and renew old acquaintances and for this reason and the further fact that there will be plenty doing all the time will make the occasion a great one in the history of Rocky Mount.

Fifty-two farmers, members of the Randolph County Farm Bureau, have ordered 17,250 pounds of the new Government explosive, Pyrotol, for blowing stumps and rocks on 265 acres. This is the first order received by the extension division of State College for this cheap explosive.

DEATH CLAIMS NOBLE WOMAN

Her Life Was a Benediction to All Who Came in Contact With Her.

Nashville and all surrounding territory is indeed poorer while Heaven is indeed richer this evening on account of the death of Mrs. Collie Lyon Jenkins the venerable and honored wife of our townsman, H. H. Jenkins, which occurred at their home in this city about 3:20 o'clock, and the blow the town and the hosts of friends has sustained in the death of this beloved woman is incalculable while those of her family who were so near and dear to her are overwhelmed with a grief indescribable, only made endurable or alleviated by thoughts of the noble life she had lived and which is handed down to her children, relations and friends as a priceless heritage.

Only a few weeks illness brought about the dissolution of this Godly and beloved woman and the fact that "Mammy Jenks" is no more on this earth cannot blot out the memory of her in the hearts of those who knew her during the nearly three-quarters of a century she has spent among her friends and neighbors and wielded an influence that is everlasting.

To be more exact, Mrs. Jenkins was sixty-seven years old, and since her girlhood days had been a consistent member of the Methodist Church and by her exemplary life had enriched the Church in many ways. She was a daughter of the late Capt. Edward Lyon, a prominent Granville county citizen, and was the beloved wife of Mr. H. B. Jenkins, one of Nashville's most highly esteemed citizens, who with six children survive the departed one. These are, Messrs. P. W. Jenkins, G. D. Jenkins, Jimmie Jenkins and Mrs. S. A. Batchelor, Jr., of Nashville; Mr. Eddie Jenkins, of Winston-Salem; and Mrs. John A. Snyder, of Wilmington. She is also survived by one sister, Mrs. Pattie Lyon Moore, of St. Petersburg, Fla., while many grand-children and other relations yet living in Nash and Granville counties. Another daughter was the late Mrs. J. H. Griffin, wife of the present deputy sheriff of Nash county, with whom Mr. Jenkins and his just-departed wife resided.

After a long, busy and useful life she died as she had lived—honored, trusted and loved. With the eye of faith one could see through the fleeting clouds an invisible hand wave a signal, and a voice in softest accents on the gentle breeze, announce that the gates are open and that God's angels were waiting to escort her in. Yes, she left behind her a self-reared monument while she lived in the hearts of all who knew her. Her Christian life was beautiful from its beginning to its close and through all the trials and temptations and sorrows her faith in God never wavered and when the end came, she was ready with a peaceful motherly smile she met Him who had sustained her through all these years and made of her life an inspiration and blessing to others, who may take consolation and refreshing from the thought.

"He sees when our footsteps falter. When our hearts grow weak and faint. He marks when our strength is failing. Tho' there be no word of complaint, He bids us rest for a season. For the pathway has grown too steep, And folded away in green pastures He greets His loved ones sleep."

Since the passing of this good woman scores of friends have called at the home to pay their respects and look upon the quiet face of their departed friend, while about the casket many exquisitely beautiful floral tributes have been banked, speaking in silent eloquence the love and esteem in which Mrs. Jenkins was held.

The funeral services will be held from the Methodist Church this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, conducted by Rev. E. C. Few, pastor, and interment will be made in Forest Hill Cemetery. The pall-bearers will be J. N. Sills, C. C. Coakrell, J. S. Smith, J. K. Smith, M. W. Linck, S. R. Griffin, J. L. Robertson and B. G. Alford.

Democratic Executive Committee to Meet Next Tuesday.

Chairman Leon T. Vaughan, of the Nash County Democratic Executive Committee, has issued a call for a meeting of the committee to be held in Nashville next Tuesday afternoon, September 30th, at 2 o'clock, for the consideration of matters of importance. At this meeting the various township chairmen and all members of the township executive committees are requested to attend, and all Democratic candidates are also expected to be present.

Middlesex Suffers Fire in Principal Business District.

Fire of an unknown origin early Wednesday morning wrought destruction to the business district of the town of Middlesex and the loss is estimated to run in excess of thirty thousand dollars, including damage to stocks of merchandise and the destruction of buildings, five of the latter having been reduced to a mass of ruins. However, none of the structures destroyed were what might be considered modern edifices, yet well adapted for the purposes used.

The fire is reported to have started about 1:30 o'clock on the morning of the 24th, having its origin on the outside of a building located near a filling station but not adjoining. When discovered it had gained such headway as to prevent checking by the small crowd that gathered at that early hour and within a very short time the store of J. W. Wilder & Son, grocers; C. H. Murray, grocer; Jas. H. Moore, cleaning and pressing; Strickland's Cafe, and the Roscoe Gaston barber shop were almost completely destroyed by fire.

The general belief prevails in Middlesex that the fire was the work of an incendiary, but no clue as to the identity has thus far been ascertained.

The path of least persistence does not lead to success.

Congressman Ward Enthused Co-Ops.

Spoke in Nash County Court House Saturday to Large and Enthusiastic Crowd

Speaking to an audience that nearly filled Nash County's splendid Court House, Hon. Hallet S. Ward, of Washington, N. C., delivered one of the most forceful addresses on cooperative marketing last Saturday that has been made hereabouts. He was presented by Mr. Archie D. Odum, local attorney, who described this as one of the most able exponents of cooperative marketing in the South; a lawyer of recognized ability; a statesman who had established an enviable reputation in Congress and an orator of whom North Carolina was proud.

The speaker captivated his audience at the outset as he delved into the ancient and time-worn custom of an antiquated marketing system. His two terms in Congress, he declared, had convinced him that from every agricultural section of the United States there was a pronounced trend towards the adoption of the cooperative marketing method. That business men, financiers, high government officials and, in fact, every one except the men who had a pecuniary interest in the old system had expressed themselves in favor of the new system. He scored with his audience when he read from the platform of the three presidential aspirants their bold assertions in favor of cooperative marketing and declared, "Whether you are in favor of cooperative marketing or not; whether you like it or dislike it, if you vote in the November election, you will vote for this modern, intelligent method of marketing your crops and against a system that has been weighed in the balance and found wanting."

The speaker declared that the margin between the amount the producer received and the amount the consumer paid was too great and declared that the government figures showed for the year that the consumer paid \$21,000,000 for food-stuffs, when the producer only received \$7,000,000 and that the tremendous difference was going into the pockets of the distributors.

He put to shame the man who would aid and urge contract violations and classed him as a bad citizen.

In closing his address, Mr. Ward, asserted that only after careful study and contact with men of affairs did he declare for the new system. That he believed in it and would fight for it to the end that the agricultural masses of North Carolina might inherit a new freedom. Pledging himself to be the first to expose any semblance of fraud or corruption, he expressed confidence in the ability and integrity of the management of the Cotton and Tobacco Associations and declared the day not far distant when these and kindred organizations would be in their hey-day of success, returning to the producers of this land their legitimate share from the proceeds of their labors.

Two hundred tons of lime have been ordered cooperatively by farmers of Anson County to use with legumes this fall.

Nash Will Have Special Term Court

Slayers of Arthur Joyner, Hollister Jitney-Driver, Will be Among Cases Disposed Of.

Home-Grown Furniture For North Carolina.

Asheville, N. C., Sept. 22.—Home-grown lumber to supply North Carolina's important furniture industry is one of the State's greatest needs, according to Director E. H. Frothingham of the Appalachian Forest Experiment Station. "This leading industry of the State," declared Mr. Frothingham recently, "makes demands upon the forest for high-grade lumber not called for by any other local wood-using industry. Where 16 years ago practically all of this lumber was grown within the State, today as much as a third comes from outside, mainly from the Mississippi Valley."

"The furniture industry of North Carolina has grown tremendously of late years. In the decade 1909-1919 the value of manufactured furniture increased nearly four-fold. North Carolina is one of the leading furniture manufacturing States in the Union, far outranking any of the other Southern States in consumption of raw material, value of finished product, number of plants, and number of wage earners engaged. Mr. Frothingham believes that the Mississippi Valley supplier, drawn upon as they are by other States than North Carolina, possibly in increasing amounts, can not be counted upon for much more than 30 or 25 years longer. When labor and transportation costs of imported timber are also considered, the urgency of maintaining and increasing the local timber supplies is obvious. The Forest Service experts are confident that North Carolina can grow ample domestic timber supplies if there is sufficient public interest in setting at work present idle timberlands within the State."

Likewise, Sheriff C. L. Johnston and his deputies are active in the service of justices on jurors and witnesses who are expected to appear at the term, this work having almost been accomplished within a very short time, or at least a sufficient amount of it to assure no hitch in the proceedings from this score. The request for the term was made some time ago by the Board of County Commissioners, who laid the matter before Governor Morrison and the necessity of a term fully impressed. Then came the matter of an available presiding judge and, it being ascertained that Judge Lyon was available for the term, there was very little trouble in arranging for same.

While there are numerous cases of minor importance awaiting the criminal docket, there are some of more moment, especially that of Dorsey Rideout, alleged slayer of Mr. A. A. Hedgepeth some months ago in the Taylor section, when Mr. Hedgepeth was raiding a still in that community. Another case which aroused the entire state and brought Nash and Halifax counties into the limelight is that of Chestnut Evans, the alleged slayer or participant with Tom and Ernest Lee in the murder of Mr. Arthur Joyner, the Hollister taxi-driver, in July. This tragedy, it will be remembered by The Graphic readers, attracted state-wide notoriety and brought about some lively scenes in the vicinity of Taylor's Store, in Griffin township, where the negro Evans was held and was finally coaxed into revealing evidence leading to the arrest of several other negroes implicated in the affair, among whom were Tom and Ernest Lee.

It is not definitely stated whether or not the term will continue for more than one week and in the event it does not it is quite likely that the entire term will be consumed in thrashing out the two above-named cases, with the probability that a few other minor ones may be reached. The term will begin on Monday, October 27th and all witnesses who were to appear in Nashville for the September term are being subpoenaed to appear at the October 27th term, the jurors drawn for the term having already been summoned by the Sheriff.

Masons of District Meet in Nashville

Grand Educational Secretary Addresses Local and Visiting Members of Order.

Pursuant to a call by Dr. J. A. Winstead, District Deputy Grand Master, A. F. and A. M. for the 17th Masonic District of North Carolina, there gathered at Nashville, Wednesday, September 24th, representatives from the various lodges of the district, which is composed of Nash and Wilcox Counties, for the purpose of attending and participating in the District Masonic Educational Meeting held here on that day.

In the afternoon Morning Star Lodge of Nashville entertained the visiting brethren with an exemplification of the Third Degree, with Dr. W. C. Wicker, Grand Educational Secretary of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, presiding as Master, and at the dinner hour was host to the visiting brethren at a sumptuous barbecue served with the various trimmings at the Nashville Co-Op Warehouse. Immediately preceding and during the serving of dinner those attending were entertained with music furnished by the Nashville Concert Band, which very graciously tendered their services in aiding the local Masons play host to the visitors.

After dinner the District Meeting was called to order in the Masonic Lodge by Dr. J. A. Winstead, District Deputy Grand Master, who introduced Dr. Wicker, Grand Educational Secretary. Dr. Wicker made a very stirring address in which he stressed the importance of the educational work now being sponsored by the Grand Lodge of North Carolina as well as by the Grand Lodges of most of the other states of the Union. He spoke for about two hours but his speech was so full of interest for Masons that not a single one of those present showed the slightest sign of growing tired of listening to him.

After his speech a district organization for the advancement of Masonic Education was perfected with Dr. Winstead, ex-officio, its head and with D. W. Perry, of Nashville, District Educational Secretary. Following this a number of short but interesting talks were made by various ones until the meeting adjourned about 10:20 P. M.

Hon. C. C. Lyon Will Preside During Term

Arthur Joyner Murder Case Among Number to Be Tried Out At This Term

For the past several days, especially since the order for a special term of Nash Superior Court has been made, the Clerk of the Superior Court has been busily engaged issuing papers of every description in order to bring to the term those cases that would have been disposed of at the September term, had such a term been held, but which failed to materialize on account of conflicting term to be held in Martin county and the further fact that in making schedule of the courts in Eastern Carolina the September term for Nash in some manner got sidetracked.

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U. S. Commissioner Court Held At Proctorville.

United States Commissioner W. H. Proctor will convene his court at "Proctorville," formerly known as Eason, on the hard-surface road between Nashville and Rocky Mount, to-morrow (Friday) and three cases for violation of the prohibition law will be investigated.

Zeh, Lucas, an old offender, who has been in the toils before, and Nathan Speight, also colored, will have to do some explaining to the court concerning certain alleged violations of the liquor law. It being alleged he presided in these violations in face of the fact that he has before appeared before Magistrate Proctor for these offenses.

On Saturday morning at 9:00 o'clock, a white man, K. D. Leonard, will also have a hearing on a similar charge and also whether he is charged with an assault with a deadly weapon on the one when a still on his place was being raided some weeks ago.

A somewhat later in the day from Proctorville, two more violations and their punishment, charged.