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## LOW TOBACCO PRICE RESULTS IN PROTEST

4,000 Farmers From The Northwest Counties Of The State Meet At Danbury And Protest Against Low Prices Being Paid For Their Product By The Tobacco Companies

### MEET AGAIN SATURDAY

Danbury, N. C., Oct. 10.—Asserting that tobacco growers of North Carolina's bright belt this year produced the finest crop in 15 years and were forced to dispose of it at half of what it cost to grow it, upwards of four thousand tobacco growers from the hills and valleys of the northwest assembled here today in concerted protest against the prevailing low prices.

Their protests were voted in lengthy resolutions adopted after the vast crowds had stood under the trees for two hours hearing leading tobaccoists condemn what they characterized as combines, citing alleged practices of some of the larger tobacco manufacturers, against whom their grievances seemed mainly directed as the main cause for the low prices.

Toward the close of the session the farmers unanimously endorsed a long set of resolutions in which they pledged themselves not to sell any tobacco on the Winston-Salem market until next week, to cut their tobacco acreage in half next year and further to hold an even greater meeting in the Forsyth county seat next Saturday.

At this meeting the leaders of the movement hope to bring tobacco producers and tobacco manufacturers, calling upon the latter for explanation for the prevailing prices.

In case such brings no favorable results legal action under the provisions of the Sherman anti-trust law against unlawful combines were suggested as means of action with the suit directed against the principal tobacco manufacturers of which R. J. Reynolds seemed to bear the brunt of the attack.

Efforts will be made to assemble all the aggrieved farmers from Stokes, Surry, Wadkin, Davie, Rockingham, Forsyth and Davidson counties, and from the settlements expressed here today all the farmers are aggrieved.

Governor A. W. McLean who will be in Winston-Salem Friday for the airport celebration, has been dispatched an invitation to remain over for the farmers' meeting. Another wire was sent to O. Max Gardner, asking him to come over for the discussion.

Incidentally the invitation to Mr. Gardner was accompanied by frank talk of his being North Carolina's next governor, along with report that he holds a great block of stock in the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco company.

The mass meeting was a serious affair to the farmers whose principal product has been bringing only around 12 cents per pound on the Forsyth market. Opening with prayer for divine aid in their undertaking which was for the purpose of raising the price, the crowd selected M. O. Jones, young Danbury banker, chairman and N. E. Pepper, banker of the same town, secretary.

From this gathering proceeded to the speeches of the day of which one by Thomas V. Kallum, Winston-Salem attorney provided the lead for the resulting action. Sentiment throughout practically all speeches was for law abiding action toward securing better prices for this year's crop and same consideration of means to prevent such conditions arising next year.

### Will Move to Pennsylvania

We regret to hear that Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Morgan will soon leave us going to Pennsylvania, where he has accepted a position with the Pennsylvania Highway Commission.

### Notice

Your 1927 taxes are now due. If you pay your tax this month you will save 1 per cent.

N. V. BROOKS, Sheriff.

Everybody pleased at the Pioneer Warehouse Monday with an average of 24 1/2 cents for \$1.38 pounds.

Bibles and Testaments. We have them, \$1.50 to \$10.00. The best line yet.

THE NEWELLS, Book & Sta. Dept.

### The Roxboro Tobacco Market

Last Week's Sale \$43,392. Average for Week \$20.10.

While tobacco is not selling as high as it did the past season those who sold in Roxboro have the satisfaction of knowing they got probably a little more than they would have received elsewhere, for the average for the first week was \$20.10.

The price seemed a shade better Monday, at this writing, and the chances are that as the season advances, and the ground primings get out of the way, the market is going to show a much better average. In any event, the buyers say they are prepared to give you as much money for your tobacco as you will get on ANY market, and we believe they intend to do that very thing.

### Meeting Of Township Highway Commissioners

A meeting of the Township Highway Commissioners of the several townships of Person County has been called and will be held in the Superior Court Room in Roxboro, on Monday, October 17th, for the purpose of electing members of the Central Highway Commission of Person County to succeed those members whose terms of office have expired, and for the transaction of such other business as may be brought before them. The meeting will be held immediately after the Court adjourns for noon recess.

By order of the Central Highway Commission of Person County.

M. R. LONG, Chairman.

### Stewart-Bradsher Motor Co. Moved

Owing to the expiration of their lease on the building on Lamarr Street the Stewart-Bradsher Motor Co. has moved to the Roxboro Laundry building, next door to Hotel Jones. This is a temporary move, as the new building on Depot Street will soon be completed and will be occupied by this firm as soon as completed. For the present those having business with the firm will call on them at the above address.

### Tobacco From Guilford

Mr. Noah V. Brown, young tobacco farmer from Guilford County brought a nice load of tobacco to Roxboro Tuesday. Mr. Brown farms in a section where nearly all the tobacco is primed and he stated that when he began to harvest his crop with the knife he thought he was making a big mistake. He cured his whole crop with good color and is now showing his neighbors the best place to sell.

### Building 12 New Houses

From all appearances it is not going to be very long until the A. T. Baker Company is going to be one of the large manufacturing plants located in this good County. They are erecting twelve new houses for tenants, and these houses are not of the ordinary kind, but are roomy and comfortable to the last degree.

### Notice

I wish to announce to my many friends that I have accepted a position with the Farmers Warehouse at Mebane. I will be there every day and will look out for the farmers interest. Come to see me.

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10-5, 2p W. C. WARREN.

Sell your next load with the Pioneer Warehouse.

To My Friends In Person County: I am pleased to inform you that I have accepted a position with the Singer Sewing Machine Co., and will appreciate your patronage.

Herbert W. Bowen, Roxboro, N. C.

### Tank Aviation Record



Capt. S. C. Brett, U. S. Army, holds the unusual record for altitude in a 5-ton army tank. His job is to ride over TNT-bombs to see how high they will blow the tank. 5 feet is the record.

### Christ's Entry Into Jerusalem

Shown By Niblo In Film Version Of "Ben-Hur" In Color

AT PALACE THEATRE 17-18

In the picturization of General Lew Wallace's famous novel and stage play, "Ben-Hur," comes to the Palace Theatre for a two days engagement, a singularly fine conception of the entry of Christ into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday was filmed in technicolor by Director Fred Niblo for the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer spectacle.

The entry of Christ into Jerusalem was handled very delicately, though impressively. The face of the Christ is never visible. It is shadowed and hidden by the branches of a palm. As He enters through the Joppa Gate, a huge structure built in Rome, Italy, along the lines of the lines of the original Joppa Gate of Jerusalem through which Christ is said to have entered the city some 1900 years ago, the enthusiasm of several thousand people breathlessly waiting the coming of the Messiah rose to a crescendo.

An excellent cast of screen players enact the principal roles. Ramon Novarro plays the part of Ben-Hur, May McAvoy is seen as Esther and Carmel Myers as Iras, the exotic vampire.

Palace Theatre Monday and Tuesday, October 17-18th. Matinees daily 2:00 p.m. Evenings 7:15-9:15. Matinee 25-50c. Night, all seats 50c. Please come on the hour.

### Good Behavior

There was an unusually large crowd in town for the opening of the tobacco market, and Chief Oliver says it was the best behaved crowd he ever saw, as not a single arrest was made, and no one caused any trouble whatsoever. Sam says the man who says prohibition is a failure has never been on the police force, and Sam knows.

### Court Next Week

Person County Superior Court will meet next Monday morning, Judge Bynhill presiding. The docket, especially the civil, is very full and if the cases are heard will occupy all of the week.

"BEN HUR" The World's Mightiest Attraction of Stage or Screen, coming to Palace Theatre Monday & Tuesday, October 17-18th. Matinees at 3:00 p.m.

### Fire Prevention Week

Let every body clean up their premises, fix all flues, get a metal ash box and match box. If there be no fires in the country this week, it will save millions of loss to the country and tend to lower fire rates. Then see Satterfield Insurance Agency for the right protection.

Satterfield Insurance Agency "Old and Tried"

### Boosters Club Awards Prizes For Opening

Mess. T. D. Winstead, W. A. King and Jim Talley Receive \$25.00 Each

### SELL YOUR TOBACCO HERE

The Roxboro Booster Club was not organized entirely in the interest of the Roxboro tobacco market, but is interested in anything which looks to the upbuilding of Person County and Roxboro, and believing the tobacco market means much to both the County and town it offered certain prizes for the opening day, and many farmers competed for these prizes. They were awarded as follows:

Mr. T. D. Winstead of Roxboro, received a check for \$884.35, was awarded \$25.00 for receiving the biggest check.

Mr. W. A. King, of Granville County, who brought his load 42 miles, was awarded \$25.00 for bringing a load the longest distance.

While to Jim Talley of Person County, went the honor of bringing in the largest load, his load weighing 2718 pounds, and was awarded \$25.00 also.

Mr. C. H. Hunter, secretary of the Booster Club, was most happy at the manner in which everything moved off on opening day, and while he does not buy a pound of tobacco, is easily one of the newest men on sale, and if he can be of help to any farmer he is at your disposal.

### Dedication Of Edgar Long Memorial Methodist Church

Presiding Elder, Rev. M. Bradsher, Dr. Soper and Revs. J. B. Hurley and O. W. Dowd Present.

MRS. Z. V. GWYNN SANG

The members of the Edgar Long Memorial Methodist Church, and the Pastor, Rev. F. M. Shamburger, with all of the good people of Roxboro greatly enjoyed the dedication services last Sunday evening. This beautiful church building was completed several years since, but was not ready for dedication until recently. When Rev. Mr. Shamburger came as pastor there was a debt hanging over it, and this venerable man of God was determined that he would not leave the field until the house was dedicated to God, and he has been successful in his efforts. Sunday evening being the crowning day for his splendid work.

The services began at 7:25 with an organ prelude, which was followed by the opening Anthem, "Arise, Shine!" After devotional, Mrs. Z. V. Gwynn of Danville sang that beautiful song, "Holy City," and sang it in her usual sweet and tender manner, her voice never seeming better than on this occasion. The next musical number was an anthem, "My Faith Looks Up To Thee," and as Dr. Bradsher remarked to the choir after the services, they never sang better.

The sermon was by Dr. Edmund D. Soper, Dean School of Religion of Duke University. It was a great sermon, pronounced by many as easily one of the biggest sermons ever delivered in Roxboro. This was the second time Dr. Soper has appeared before a Roxboro audience, and he is assured of a full house when he comes this way in the future.

### Will Entertain Teachers

The Woman's Club will entertain at tea from 5 to 6 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, October 18th, at the home of Mrs. E. V. Boatright, complimentary to the teachers of the Roxboro schools.

### Correction

Elsewhere you will see it stated that Mr. W. A. King was awarded the prize for bringing a load the longest distance. This is an error, and should be B. D. Eaks & Co. Mr. King being the company.

The World's greatest Motion Picture is coming "BEN HUR" to The Palace Theatre, Monday & Tuesday, October 17-18th. Matinee daily 3:00 p.m. (The one picture you cannot afford to miss.)

### Daughter Born to Belgian Princess and Crown Prince

Brussels, Belgium, Oct. 11.—The ears of all good and loyal Belgians were gladdened today when a little daughter was born to Crown Prince Leopold of Belgium and Princess Astrid niece of the king of Sweden.

Everybody would have been happier if it had been a boy, for a male child would have been in a direct line to ascend the throne, whereas, the little princess can never rule this kingdom for the royal succession is restricted to the male line.

The first born to the Crown prince and his Swedish bride weighed seven pounds.

### First Baptist Church

Sunday School 10:00 a.m. R. L. Wilburn, Supt.

Preaching 11 a.m. Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Anders, who expect to sail soon for Africa, where they will do missionary work, will speak at the morning hour. This is a rare privilege and we are sure that all who can will avail themselves of this opportunity of hearing Dr. and Mrs. Anders.

Preaching 7:30 p.m. Subject: "Reverence for God," or "The Third Commandment."

B. Y. P. U.'s 6:30 p.m. Miss Julia Yancey, General director.

"The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the Harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest." Matt. 9:37-38. W. F. WEST, Pastor.

### Commands Legion

Edward E. Spafford of New York, the unanimous choice of the American Legion for Commander, 1927-28, elected at the Paris Convention.

### Wheat Treating Demonstration Against Smut

There will be a wheat treating demonstration at Bethel Hill School-house Tuesday morning, Oct. 18th, at 10:30 o'clock and one at 3 p.m. at Timberlake P. O., with copper carbonate for the prevention of smut, which has been causing a great loss.

Mr. G. W. Fant, Specialist in Plant Pathology, will assist with the demonstrations at the above place. Those desiring a few bushels of wheat treated are asked to bring it to the meeting. Copper carbonate is easier to handle than the old bluestone soaking method and is more efficient.

Meet us at the above places, Bethel Hill at 10:30 a.m. and Timberlake at 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 18th, and bring your neighbors out to the meeting.

When we came to the sewing and fancy work department it didn't take an expert to tell that somebody is mighty handy with the needle around this section of the country. This was a very pretty department of the fair and attracted much attention and merited praise.

Every grade in school and the high school had work on display in the school department. From the first grade up skill and talent was perceptible.

The poultry department showed that a variety of pure bred poultry is in this community. Some nice Leghorns, Anconas, Plymouth Rocks, Orpingtons, Wyandottes, R. J. Reds and others were exhibited.

A few nice cows were on exhibition at the rear of the buildings.

The women of the community did a hard days work to furnish something good to eat for the fair visitors. The County Agent, H. K. Sanders, and his corps of judges rendered valuable service in their judging.

Mr. C. H. Hunter of Roxboro, gave a helping hand, the day previous to the fair, which was much appreciated.

Last but not least was the Bethel Hill-Roxboro football game which was close and exciting from beginning to end. The final score stood six to six.

Gen. W. Smith, Voc. Agric. Teacher.

For satisfactory prices sell at the Pioneer Warehouse.

### The Bethel Hill Fair Surpasses Expectations

Booths Of Humphries And Rogers Would Be Creditable At Any Fair

### MANY PRIZES GIVEN AWAY

Every one who visited the Bethel Hill Community Fair was surprised to see the splendid exhibits displayed by the various departments. Many expressed themselves as thinking it was the best community fair they had ever seen. The officers and directors of the fair made every effort to make it a success and are gratified with the excellent cooperation received from those who advertised, contributed and exhibited.

The exhibits demonstrated the fact that much progress is being made by the farmers and farm women in producing quality products on the farm. It was hard to tell which department excelled in the displays and also close competition existed between the individual competitors for prizes.

The two individual farm booths by J. Y. Humphries and W. W. Rogers were attractive and showed quality of produce. These booths would make a creditable showing at any state fair.

The farm crops showed that as good seed corn can be obtained in this section as any where and we have extensive diversified farming.

Mr. Gus Woody's display of apples seemed to be outstanding.

This is a time when vegetables are usually scarce but many and a good variety were on hand. One especially interesting thing observed by the writer was that of a basket containing a dozen or more varieties of vegetables and these were grown by a lady over eighty years of age. Exercise and vegetables are both conducive to old age.

Lovers of art and flowers had a rare treat. Above a beautifully arranged stand of pot plants, cut flowers, etc., was a fine collection of paintings by Mrs. Sampson and Mrs. Fontaine.

A table fifty feet in length was covered with numerous kinds of canned fruits, pickles, preserves, jellies and jams, the sight of which might have revived the appetite of any one. The odor of the large brown hams and the sight of the many other appetizing eatables would lead one to believe that the good farmers of this section fare sumptuously.

The cooking department demonstrated the fact that not only are they capable of producing things on the farm but are able to prepare for the table food for the most discriminating appetite. The daughters as well as the mothers showed their ability in this department.

The vocational agricultural department showed a model farm shop equipment for the farm boy and some of the things the boys had made in the school shop since school started in the fall, such as milking stools, feed scoops, poultry self feeders, book stands, seed corn racks, etc. This department also showed a model flea beetle proof tobacco plant bed and some of the produce from a few of the projects.

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