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MAY SELL COTTON AS THEY PLEASE

Members Cotton Association Have This Privilege Till January 1, 1922

At the instance of a great many requests from farmers who have either signed the cotton, tobacco or cotton and tobacco growers co-operative marketing agreement to know what to do with this year's crop I am giving herewith a statement on the progress made in signing up growers and also urging a full cooperation on the part of our farmers and business men in the State campaign to complete the sign-up work this month.

The minimum requirement for the organization of the Cotton Grower Co-operative Marketing Association was signatures covering 200,000 bales. Already signatures covering over 250,000 bales have been secured giving us a surplus of over 50,000 bales. Johnston county alone has signed over 20,000 bales and will form one of the ten districts and will be represented in the State Association by a director.

Signatures necessary for the organization of the Cotton Growers Association having already been secured the Association will be organized at some time within the next 30 days. It will be up to the cotton growers in the county who have signed, or do sign, in the mean time, the marketing agreement to elect one of their own members as director to represent this district in the State Association. Also grower members will have the privilege of selling their cotton thru the Association this year where they choose to do so. However, no grower will be required to sell through the Association and may, up until January 1st, 1922, sell to any party or firm which he may choose. In other words, the binding part of the contract will not be enforced this year, though farmers who are members of the Association and elect to do so may avail themselves of the opportunity of selling through their own organization even this fall.

The organization of the Tobacco Growers Co-operative Marketing Association a way back in June was postponed until January 1922. The campaign for signatures to the marketing agreement has been waged most successfully but in that it requires 50 per cent of the tobacco grown in Virginia, North and South Carolina to give the minimum sign-up the goal has not been reached. Virginia has about 75 per cent of her entire crop signed up and North and South Carolina are near the top. Tobacco growers who have signed the marketing agreement in each of these three States are now working to get the additional number of contracts to put this organization over within a few weeks.

In this State the month from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15, has been set apart for the sign-up month for Co-operative Marketing. During this month every farmer who has not signed is urged to sign and every one who has signed is urged to go out and get his fellow farmers to sign with him. As stated above, the Cotton Association is over the top and the Tobacco Association is nearly over. There is no question in the world as to whether both are going over the top this year and the Cotton Association be organized within 30 days from now and the Tobacco Association organized in January, as called for in the contract. A number of leading farmers have already volunteered their services to go out and re-work their communities and to help every cotton and tobacco grower who has not joined the Association to get before the campaign closes.

Mr. Farmer, now is the time for you to take a definite stand on this very important proposition. You must say whether you are going to stand by your fellow farmers in this fight to get control of the business side of their work or whether you are going to play your crop against them. The fight is near the end. If you do not sign soon you are going to find yourself still saying it can't be done after it is already being done, that it can't be financed, after it is already being financed. This cause is right and just and must succeed and we solicit most earnestly your thorough consideration of the propo-

FOUR OAKS ITEMS

Four Oaks, Sept. 17.—Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Massengill and little Wilson Jr., spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Sallie Paschall. Mrs. Sophie Adams left Thursday for Goldsboro to visit relatives.

Miss Floried Woodard has returned from Durham where she spent some time visiting friends.

Mrs. W. H. Hudgins of Norfolk, Va. visited friends here last Sunday.

Mr. W. H. Lee, of Wilson, was here Thursday on business.

Mr. Reid Adams has accepted a position in Smithfield with the Sanders Motor Co.

Mr. Cleon Sanders, who is attending school in Buie's Creek, is spending the week end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Sanders.

Miss Clyde Sanders is visiting relatives and friends in Benson.

Mr. A. T. Sater arrived Friday to spend some time with his daughter, Mrs. C. H. Wellons.

Mr. Clarence Parker of Elizabeth City is visiting Mr. and Mrs. William Adams.

Mr. E. M. Massengill returned Friday from Cherry Point, where he spent a week fishing.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Sanders spent Thursday in Raleigh.

Mr. Loftin Tart of Dunn spent last Friday in town on business.

Captain, J. W. Stanley of Camp Meade, Maryland, is spending this week here with his family.

Mrs. E. B. Craven and children spent Friday and Saturday in Smithfield, the guests of Mrs. J. A. Keene.

Miss Mabel Coffenburger left Tuesday night for her home in Virginia.

Mr. Chester Cole has been sick for the past week.

Little Miss Edna Boyette entertained several of her friends at a birthday party last Saturday. Several games were played on the lawn, after which refreshments were served by Misses Martha Bandy and Rosamond Stanley.

Mrs. J. B. Creech who has been quite ill is improving rapidly.

Mrs. Martha Lassiter and children have returned from Smithfield, where they visited her brother, Mr. J. A. Keene.

Mr. J. B. Creech leaves Sunday for Baltimore and New York to buy his fall goods.

Mr. Nathan Massengill of Fuquay Springs is here on a visit.

Mr. C. H. Wellons spent Friday in Lumberton.

Mr. W. H. Tucker of Wilson is spending the week end here with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Strickland of Savannah, Ga., are spending some time here with their mother, Mrs. Lina Strickland.

Mr. Leon Adams spent last Monday in Raleigh.

Mr. Robey Adams left Monday for Raleigh where he will teach at A. & E. college and also take a special course.

Mr. C. Walton Johnson Moves

Friends here and in the county will be interested to know that Mr. C. Walton Johnson has moved from Asheville to Portsmouth, Va. For a number of years Mr. Johnson has been Community Boys' Work Secretary under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. at Asheville and only leaves that city for a bigger opportunity for work. His work in Portsmouth will be the same as that in Asheville.

Mr. Johnson is the son of Mr. Esrom Johnson, of Elevation township. He is the author of a history of his company in the World War. THE HERALD extends best wishes for continued success in his new field of endeavor.

Before you give it a black eye. Help us to complete the sign-up by October 15.

You can get blank contracts by calling upon or writing to the undersigned County Agent. If you want a meeting in your community get in touch with your county agent and arrange a date for it. Johnston county must come up to Harnett, Sampson, Wayne and Wilson and Nash in the sign-up work. She is up with a few of these in cotton but with hardly any of them in tobacco. Mr. Farmer, now is your chance to sign-up. The first time you are in Smithfield drop into the office of the county agent and sign the contract that nearly 4,000 farmers in Johnston County have already signed.

S. J. KIRBY, County Agt.

T. G. S. TO HAVE PUBLIC SCHOOL MUSIC

Music Teacher Is Already Planning for Christmas Carol Service

A new feature this year in the Turlington Graded school is public school music. Since the piano pupils have only two lessons a week there is one day each week when the piano teacher has no regular work. This year the music teacher, Miss Margaret B. Newell, will use this odd day, Wednesday, when she has no piano pupils for the purpose of introducing public school music. The entire day will be devoted to music in the grades, beginning with the first grade and extending through the fifth. The sixth grade and the high school classes will have two 20 minute periods each week for music. Graded music lessons have been ordered and the pupils will soon be studying the rudiments of music and learning how to sing. In addition to the lessons given on Wednesdays by Miss Newell, the teachers of the various grades will carry on some work in music during the week under the direction of Miss Newell.

Public school music is expected to be a valuable addition to the work of the Turlington Graded school. Learning to sing good music either secular or sacred, has a refining and elevating influence. Music has high value as a means for restful recreation and pleasure. A year or two of public school music will have a good effect upon Sunday school and church music. At present a great many young people in Smithfield do not sing for the simple reason that they do not know how.

Miss Newell is now planning a Christmas Carol Service for Sunday, December 18. Miss Newell has been very successful in training for concerts and her work here during the past week indicates that she will be able to show some splendid results in Smithfield. Both students and teachers have been particularly well pleased with the start which Miss Newell has made in music.

Store Robber Caught.

It will be remembered that several months ago two robbers entered a store at night at Clayton and were driven out by the town officers. One of the robbers was killed and the other man, Robert Tyson made his escape. Last week Tyson was arrested at Pembroke, N. C. The officials here were notified and Mr. J. D. Stephenson went to Pembroke for him and took him to Goldsboro where he was placed in jail.

Family Reunion.

An annual family reunion was held on Thursday, Sept. 15th at the Ransom Lee place in Bentonville township where Mr. Will Upchurch now lives. The several families met and enjoyed the day together. A fine dinner was served, barbecue, lemonade and other good eatables in abundance. Mr. W. H. Upchurch and family at whose home the reunion was held led in the preparation for the reunion. Robt. E. Lee, Joseph Lee, W. N. Lee, George Hayes, J. M. Beaty and their families were present. The children of Mr. Gaston Lee of Benson, Miss Bettie Woodall, of Smithfield and Mrs. Luby Royal were present also. Among the relatives present were: Mr. D. J. Rose of Rocky Mount; Mr. W. P. Rose, of Goldsboro; Mr. Wade H. Best and family, Mr. Gurney Rose and family, Mr. George Rose, Mr. J. J. Rose, Mr. Kagy Cox, Mr. H. V. Rose and his mother, Mr. J. W. Upchurch and wife, Mr. H. E. Upchurch and family, Mr. Robert Massengill and wife, Mr. R. H. Allen, Mr. James Butler and Mr. Jordan Batts.

Mr. Lindsay Standard Keeper.

On the first Monday in September Mr. Charles W. Lindsay who lives here was appointed standard keeper for Johnston county. He will make trips to the different towns of the county and to other public places to test the weights and measures and keep them weighing correctly. Persons wanting their weights and measures tested can bring them here to him to have them tested and put in order.

ENGLISH EXPLORER ON TWO YEAR TRIP

Expects to Explore Antarctic Seas and Will Try to Locate "Lost" Island

London, Sept. 17.—The Quest, the small ship on which Sir Ernest Shackleton will explore the uncharted sections of the South Atlantic, the Pacific and the Antarctic seas, left the Thames today on the start for her two years voyage. Large crowds gathered on the decks to wish Sir Ernest and his party a successful voyage.

The voyage of the Quest, the quaint little 200-ton ship which is carrying Sir Ernest Shackleton and his party to frozen mysteries, in the South Polar Seas, has for its objectives not only oceanographic research but the exploration of a petrified forest, and the location of a "lost" island—Tuanaki—the adjacent waters of which have not been sailed for more than 90 years. In addition, soundings will be taken of the ocean plateau surrounding Gough's Island in an effort to determine the truth regarding a supposed underwater continental connection between Africa and America.

Nineteen persons, representing each of the British self-governing dominions, are expected to be aboard when the tiny but staunch craft "built for tight corners," leaves Capetown, South Africa, for two years' of buffeting its way through the Antarctic ice.

The Quest, which uses both sail and steam, and which may cover more than 50,000 miles before its return home, was constructed according to the personal ideas of Shackleton, who has made several voyages to the Antarctic. He commanded the British expedition of 1907-09, which reached within 97 miles of the South Pole and also the expedition of 1914-15 to Weddell Sea. His present ship is 111 feet long, 25 foot beam and 12 feet in depth. She was built in Norway in 1917 of oak, pine and spruce and has been tested in heavy ice. Her sides are two feet thick and her bows are of solid oak sheathed with steel. Her steaming radius is 9,000 miles and, under sail, in a stiff breeze, the Quest can make eight knots. She carries wireless equipment and an airplane with a 25-foot wing speed. She has a glass-enclosed bridge and a lookout that resembles a flour barrel.

Major C. R. Carr, an English soldier of fortune, the aviator, of the expedition, plans to fly above the Antarctic fogs to scout out passages between the fogs through which the Quest may pass. He is also the photographer and naturalist of the expedition. The biplane he will use is one of only three that were ever built. The other two were flown, respectively, by Colonel Borton V. C., the pioneer flyer from England to Mesopotamia and by Sir Ross Smith, the first man to fly from England to Australia.

Other members of the Shackleton party, besides those already mentioned, include Frank Etild, second in command; Frank Worley, commander; Major A. H. Macklin, biologist; R. Stenhouse, lieutenant commander; Captain L. Hussey, meteorologist; J. S. W. Marr and N. E. Mooney, cabin boys.

The petrified forest that will be explored was found by Shackleton on the island of Trinidad at a certain point where he landed from Captain Robert F. Scott's ship, the Discovery, more than 12 years ago. Gough's island is eight miles long and 4,000 feet high and in 1904, when visited for the first time on record by members of the Bruce expedition, was found to have at least four hitherto unclassified species of birds. Tuanaki, the "lost" island, has been mentioned in old natural records, but apparently has disappeared. A spot in the Pacific where it is supposed to be will be dredged for evidence to show that it is recently submerged land.

There is already in the South Polar regions, another British expedition. It is led by Commander John L. Cope, who left Norfolk, Va., on October 27, 1920, for a six years' sojourn in the ice fields. The party is aboard a 7,000-ton whaler, the Thor I, and three auxiliary ships and numbers more than 100 men. One of its pur-

NEWS FROM THE CITY OF SELMA

Selma, Sept. 17.—L. R. Poole, well known contractor who lives on Webb street, accidentally fell from the roof of a house he was inspecting yesterday afternoon and was seriously injured. He is confined to his home and is not expected to be out in several days.

A great deal of interest is being manifested in the revival meeting at the Methodist church. The pastor is being assisted by Rev. Mr. Buffalo, of Dunn.

The building of new homes in Selma goes steadily on although nobody can be found hereabouts who will boast that we have a building boom. It was stated in this correspondence a few weeks ago that about 25 new homes had been built during the few preceding months, and that other homes would be erected in the immediate future. Here are buildings not heretofore mentioned:

P. C. Worley, a leading business man, is building a pretty bungalow at 127 Pollock street.

J. A. Moore has purchased two lots from the Selma Manufacturing Co., and stated his intentions to build attractive brick bungalows on each of them.

Mr. George Siler has bought two lots in the suburbs and will begin to build his new home on them about November 1.

H. H. Johnson will begin the construction of a new home on Raeford street on October 1.

Another addition to the town is the handsome new building of Ernest Foster on Webb street.

Charlie Hicks is having a cottage built on the lot next to his new home on the Ray addition.

The sewerage will be completed soon and the plumbers are at work putting in the necessary plumbing. This work is being pushed and will be ready to turn over to the town commissioners in record time. The favorable weather and availability of labor have been contributing factors in carrying on the sewerage work so expeditiously.

Sydney Worley has gone to Washington-Lee University to pursue a course of study. Miss Elizabeth Earp has returned to Meredith; Miss Rosa Waddell is again at Trinity for the second year; Miss Lelia Straughn is studying music at the Southern Conservatory at Durham, while Jennings Talton and Baxter Ray will be off for Chapel Hill next week to resume their studies at the University.

Hales-Parnell.

A quiet marriage took place at the Methodist parsonage here Saturday afternoon, Sept. 17, at 3 o'clock, the contracting parties being Miss Lillie May Parnell of this city and Mr. Jno. W. Hales, of Selma. Rev. D. H. Tuttle performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Hales will reside in Smithfield.

Plan To Organize Church.

At the close of a weeks' revival meeting held by Rev. Neil McInnis in a tent near the old Davis Mill toward Pine Level, plans were laid for the erection of a Presbyterian church in the near future. During the meeting, there were seventeen conversions, six joining the Presbyterian church. The revival was the outgrowth of a service held in the spring by Rev. Mr. McInnis, at the close of a Sunday base ball game. In the meantime, several services have been held, and now a church is to be erected as a culmination. Mr. W. H. Austin has donated an acre of ground and people in the locality have subscribed a good lot of material.

Go To Work Only Salvation

"Thousands of women and children in Russia starving," says a newspaper headline. Of course, and the same would be the case in America or anywhere else, should we all quit work and go to fighting each other. We know no better medicine to bring the Russians to their senses than starvation. Time some of those starving Europeans were learning that their only salvation is to go to work. Possibly they have been fed by us liberal Americans too long now.—Stanley News Herald.

poses is the commercial development of the mineral wealth of Antarctica.—Associated Press.

ENGLISH PREMIER SENDS ULTIMATUM

Repeats Declaration That Ireland Must Remain in The Empire

London, Sept. 18.—David Lloyd George, the British premier, in a telegram sent today to Eamon De Valera declared that unless the Irish leader's claim to the right to meet the British representatives as the head of an independent, sovereign state is withdrawn, a conference with the Sinn Fein delegates is impossible.

The text of his telegram follows:

"I have received your telegram of last night and observe it does not modify the claim that your delegates should meet us as representatives of a sovereign and independent state.

"You made no such condition in advance, when you came to see me in July. I invited you then to meet me, in the words of my letter, as the chosen leader of the great majority in southern Ireland, and you accepted the invitation.

"From the very outset of our conversations I told you that we looked to Ireland to owe allegiance to the throne and to make her future as a member of the British commonwealth. That was the basis of our proposals, and we cannot alter it.

"The status you now claim for your delegates is in effect a repudiation of that basis. I am prepared to meet your delegates, as I met you in July, in the capacity of the chosen spokesmen for your people to discuss the association of Ireland with the British commonwealth.

"My colleagues and I cannot meet them as representatives of a sovereign and independent state without disloyalty on our part to the throne and the empire. I must therefore repeat that unless the second paragraph of your letter of the 12th is withdrawn, a conference between us is impossible."—Associated Press.

Attention, Ladies and Girls!

Everything is in readiness for the short course in dress designing and millinery that is to be given at Smithfield this week, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The committees appointed by Mrs. Thel Hooks, president of the Woman's Club, are working to make the course a success.

Miss Garrison, home demonstration agent, is expecting Miss Maude E. Wallace, assistant state home demonstration agent, and Miss Mamie Sue Jones, district agent, to arrive Tuesday evening to assist with the work.

On account of the interest shown on the part of the girls and ladies who cannot attend the day session, it has been considered wise to have a day and night session. The day session will be held from 3:30 to 5:30 in the afternoon. The evening hours will be from 7 to 9 o'clock.

The work will be in two sections, so that those wishing to take one subject in the afternoon, will have the opportunity to take the other in the evening. The classes in millinery will be conducted in the Woman's club building and those in dress designing, in the basement of the Methodist church. It is hoped that as many ladies and girls as possible will attend the first session on Wednesday afternoon, as important announcements will be made at that time concerning the program for the meetings that follow.

Storage Prices Lowered.

Effective September 1st, the prices for storage at the cotton warehouse in Smithfield were lowered from 50 cents a bale to forty cents a bale per month. The charge now for the cotton already in the warehouse and for that which may be carried there is only 40 cents per bale per month. This reduction ordered by the warehouse managers was more for the benefit of the patrons of the warehouse and with a view of getting more people to store their cotton in the warehouse.

Mr. E. F. Crump is there every day to weigh your cotton and see to it that it is insured and properly housed. Forty cents per month includes all expenses except weighing.