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TOBACCO LANDS VALUABLE ASSETS

Eastern Carolina Cannot be Improved Upon in Natural Conditions --- Rotation of Crops is the Key to Economical To- bacco Production

Tobacco and cotton are twin supports of much of the prosperity of the South. They are the foundation stone upon which the new South is building the greatest prosperity temple of the ages.

Not every locality, however, can grow both of these crops, and neither can every section produce either with profit. A good tobacco territory, like a good preacher must be born and not made. There are so many natural conditions that are required for a good tobacco territory that it is useless to attempt the production of this crop where any of the essentials are lacking. There is a belt of country which has its northern end in Virginia and which extends down across North Carolina that favors tobacco culture, cannot be improved upon in the way of natural conditions. This territory can be described as an eastern mid state location, neither mountain foot hills nor coast country. It is a truly middle connection between these conditions. It is represented by a country moderately rolling but without the abruptness or the extremes of the Piedmont section, neither does it embrace the levelness of the coast country conditions.

In North Carolina good tobacco conditions are found, particularly in the territory east from Raleigh, with New Bern, Washington and Plymouth as its eastern limit.

The United States department of agriculture at Washington has demonstrated that the tobacco yield can be greatly increased by a proper rotation of crops, a rotation such as will precede the tobacco plant with a crop which will leave the soil in a condition naturally fitted for tobacco plant growth. It is a well known fact that the tobacco plant is a great soil robber, that is, it takes from the land without giving anything in return. Another crop grown on the same land in rotation with tobacco can be made to produce and return to the soil the very elements necessary for the tobacco plant and already used by it in its growth. Unless these are supplied through a commercial fertilizer, or otherwise, the tobacco yield must decrease with every crop.

Restoration by the commercial fertilizer method is very expensive and the department at Washington has proven that other methods are not only far cheaper, but much better for the lands. The proper rotation of particular crops is therefore the key to economical tobacco production. Here again the real quality worth of the land becomes prominent.

In the special tobacco belt before referred to, located in Virginia and North Carolina there is a strip of gray soil along its eastern border which is peculiarly adapted to the growing of a high grade of bright tobacco. Throughout the center and on the western portion of this soil belt, the land is better adapted to the growing of dark tobacco. This description holds true through all the Norfolk Southern territory in North Carolina, as between Raleigh and Washington, and in the Goldsboro-Kinston-Newbern fields. All these lands have an ideal fitness for such a crop rotation as will not only increase tobacco yields per acre, but will at the same time reduce the growing cost of the tobacco and consequently increase the profits of the crop, but at the

Martin County Club Organized

On the evening of January 21st, 1911, the Martin County boys at the A. & M. College organized a County Club with eight members. George D. Burroughs served as temporary chairman. The following officers were elected: President, James R. Everett; Vice-President, L. J. Andrews; Treasurer, W. R. Everett; Secretary and General Correspondent, George D. Burroughs.

While the number of members are few, there is no doubt that much diligent work can be performed by the Club in helping to raise Martin County to a height not attained by other counties.

The A. & M. College is the place to learn how fertile a land is, and Martin County is the place to bring the science into operation. It is thought that probably the class of 1914 can bring a new county representative each year, thereby increasing the number of members in four years, from eight to thirty two. If any citizen of the county should desire to receive pamphlets, bulletins or general information, the Club will be glad to be of aid in helping secure the same. The Club has the Faculty the Library and the Experiment Station for reference, and would be glad to help solve any problem that might come before the people of their county.

GEO. D. BURROUGHS,
Secretary.

If you will carefully count your expenses you will seldom have occasion to ask the bank to discount your note.

Corn Belt Moving South

The Department of Agriculture officially reports that nine States, Virginia, the Carolinas, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas and Texas show an increase of 158,234,000 bushels of corn, which is forty five per cent of the total increase for the year 1910 in the entire United States. These nine states raised 660,748,000 bushels of corn during that year. This report shows where the great corn belt is moving. No longer will the West and Middle West claim so much. Agriculturists in the South are paying more and more attention each year to corn-growing. North Carolina has some sections that can equal, if not surpass, any in the country in the production of corn both in quality and quantity. With the proper drainage now in the State. The whole South is attaining to that place it should have held all the years, for its crowning glory is the broad fields of every product necessary to man and for the commerce of the world.

same time will improve and build up the land year by year.

There is no better alfalfa, clover and wheat land known than can be obtained in this section of the country. Alfalfa fields in this locality are good for six cuttings a season, and some fields this season yielded as much as 8 tons per acre. Tobacco yields can be increased from a third to a half without additional cost for fertilizers when following these successful hay crops. The clovers, cow peas and other legumes, that grow so abundantly on these lands are all natural nitrogen gatherers and while yielding their crops of hay will at the same time add a very large percentage of nitrogen to the soil. This same nitrogen is the greatest essential to the growth of the tobacco plant, hence a soil that is a natural clover grower is the proper selection of lands for the man who seeks to buy a farm in the tobacco belt.

E. C. T. T. School Items

Folders giving information concerning the spring course for teachers, which begins March 14th, have been issued.

The cooking class is proving a great success. Much pleasure as well as profit is being derived from the work.

Class spirit has developed rapidly since the completion of the class organizations under faculty advisers. The classes are planning for various social affairs during the spring.

Misses Muffy and Bishop will give an informal musical to the students on Saturday evening.

Mr. C. W. Wilson will attend the meeting of the North Carolina Association of City Public School Superintendents and Principals which meets in Raleigh January 26-28. He is secretary of the Association.

Miss Dabney, teacher of Primary Methods, has charge of one section of the first grade of the Greenville Graded School for half the day during the absence of the regular teacher. The Senior Class is observing her work. Two members of this class have recently done substitute work in this school.

The observance of Lee's birthday was marked by an earnest, true appreciation of the meaning of the day. The school sang appropriate songs with spirit. Miss Sallie Joyner Davis, teacher of History, made an excellent talk on Lee, stressing his character, spirit and ideals, touching only lightly but skilfully upon his career of action. Her talk showed fine discrimination and appreciation of her subject.

The second biennial report of the Board of Trustees has been issued. This is a complete report of the affairs of the Institution, its receipts and expenditures, the work done and proposed to be done, including the urgent needs of the school for the next two years. The report shows that during the year and a half since the opening, six hundred ninety one students have been enrolled, three hundred thirty of whom were summer school students. Nearly four hundred of these are now teaching in the public schools. This proves that the school is fulfilling the mission for which it was established.

When buying a cough medicine for children bear in mind that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is most effective for colds, croup and whooping cough and that it contains no harmful drug. For sale by All Dealers.

HAMILTON ITEMS

Mr. Robert Baker left Monday for Kinston and other places.

Miss Delba Lanier is the guest of Miss Fannie Mathews on Front Street.

We are glad to know that Mrs. M. I. Fleming is able to be on our streets again.

Mr. Sherrod Salsbury has moved to his beautiful country home at the foot of Front Street.

The Book Club was delightfully entertained by Mrs. J. B. Williams Tuesday afternoon last. The programme was intensely interesting as usual. It consisted of ten questions, the answers to which were words ending in "ice." The prize was awarded to Mrs. C. H. Baker. After the programme, refreshments were served. The afternoon was much enjoyed by all.

It will require more than one coat of whitewash to renovate some politicians. Indeed, some of them need a disinfectant added to the lime.

University Notes

Chapel Hill, Jan. 23, 1911. The past week has been spent in hard digging on the part of most of the students. Those who were behind have been catching up. Those who had kept up well during the term have been studying in the hopes of making higher grades. All have been standing examinations. With the close of the period, next Thursday, everybody will start with a clean slate on a new term's work. The spring will soon be opening up. The baseball practice will begin.

The track men will be going out. The debaters will begin preparations for the hard schedule of debates which include such worthy rivals as Georgia, Tulane, Vanderbilt and Virginia. Everybody will be making a fresh start.

The glee club and orchestra are practicing under the instruction of Professors Sneath and Diggett. Manager R. M. Hanes is trying to arrange for two trips to the western part of the State. An effort will be made to organize and train a mandolin and guitar club. The first concert will be given during the February dances which came February 16 and 17.

The University has been very fortunate in securing Governor Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey to deliver the Commencement address at the 1911 Commencement. Another member of the Princeton faculty, Dr. Henry Van Dyke will deliver the John Calvin McNair lectures in March. Bishop Collins, D.D. of Nashville, Tenn. will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at Commencement.

At the meeting of the American Association of Zoologists held at Cornell recently, Dr. H. V. Wilson was honored by being elected to the President of the Eastern Division. Dr. Wilson stands high among the scientists of the country. In a book, American Men of Science, recently revised, which gives a list of the thousand leading scientists of the United States, seven men were accredited to North Carolina and Dr. Wilson is one of the number.

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"Murder in the First Degree"

The farmers will commit financial murder if they plant their whole farm in cotton and peanuts. I left Williamston three weeks before Christmas and have been out West trying to take in the situation.

Kentucky will plant no tobacco crop in 1911. South Carolina will plant cotton and Eastern North Carolina will have less than one-half of a crop of tobacco. We have had two short crops and Leaf Tobacco will sell well. There will be a greater demand for Eastern Brights than ever.

I am writing this letter from Greensboro to my farmer friends. Taking everything in consideration, my advice to them is to plant tobacco this year. It will prove to be the very best money crop they can raise.

You can get my tobacco seed by calling at the store of Harrison Bros or on W. T. Meadows at the Peanut Factory office.

Hoping that all my friends will have a good crop, I am,

Your friend,
THOS. S. GRAHAM,
(Old Tom.)

Blind Tigers Caught

John Price, a white man living in Poplar Point Township, was tried here before Justice B. F. Godwin, Tuesday, for retailing liquor. He was bound over to court. Will Brown, colored, from the same township was tried also and bound over.

Resolutions

The Smithwick Creek Debating Society at its last meeting, January 21st, 1911, passed the following resolutions of respect. Whereas God on the 21st of December 1910, caused the "black camel" to kneel at the door of the Smithwick Creek Debating Society, and carried the spirit of Clyde S. Griffin to its eternal abode, and in his death the Society loses one of its most useful members, who was always present unless providentially hindered.

He was a good debater and stood for fairness and equality. He was an abstainer from immoral company, for he believed that a man measured by his companions.

While the veil of sorrow is still over us, we bow in humble submission to His will, believing that our loss is his eternal gain. Therefore be it

Resolved, That our hearts are saddened by his departure, yet we feel there was no sting in death.

That in his death resulting from typhoid fever, a faithful yoke fellow, whose example is worthy of emulation, has fallen.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, a copy to THE ENTERPRISE for publication, and a copy be recorded on our minute book.

N. S. Harrison,
N. R. Peeler,
N. T. Tice,
Committee.

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Constitutional Convention

The bill providing for a Constitutional Convention, introduced by Representative Stubbs, of Martin, was before the House of Representatives on Wednesday for discussion. Mr. Stubbs ably presented the merits of the bill. Representative Evans, of Henderson, opposed the adoption of the bill in an able speech. Mr. Stubbs said that the bill that he desired to propose the liquor question was not to him, that he would embrace in his bill a provision that the convention should not take up this question at all. The further consideration of the bill was postponed until the night of February 1st.

Medicines that aid nature are always most effective. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy acts on this plan. It calms the cough, relieves the lungs, opens the secretions and aids nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition. Thousands have testified to its superior excellence. Sold by All Dealers.

The Crown of Character

There is a loftier ambition than merely to stand high in the world. It is to stand down and lift mankind a little higher. There is a nobler character than that which is merely incorruptible. It is the character which acts as an antidote and preventive of corruption. Fearlessly to speak the words which bear witness to righteousness and truth and purity; patiently to do the deeds which strengthen virtue and kindle hope in your fellow-men; generously to lend a hand to those who are trying to climb upward; faithfully to give your support and your personal help to the efforts which are making to elevate and purify the social life of the world—that is what it means to have salt in your character.—Henry Van Dyke.

ROBERSONVILLE NEWS ITEMS

Local Happenings and People who are Coming and Going, Here, There and Yonder as Gathered by our Regular Correspondent.

A. R. Dunning was in town Saturday.
Roy Carson is in town for several days.

J. A. Mizell is on the sick list this week.

B. H. Bight, of Tarboro, was in town Monday.

Johnnie Gardner, of Bethel, was in town Sunday.

Emmett Parker, of Williamston, was in town Thursday.

L. T. Roberson, of Ayden, is at home for several days.

Miss Lina James returned home from Scotland Neck last week.

Mrs. W. F. Parker, of Williamston, visited friends here last week.

Mrs. Will James and children, of Williamston, are visiting in town.

Miss Pearl Jenkins, of Oakley, was in town several days last week.

On January 23d, 1911, the Death Angel entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Bailey and bore from earth to heaven the spirit of their two-year old babe, Rossie. He was sick only a few days with gastritis. He was a good, quiet and sweet child, a patient little sufferer. His remains were laid to rest in the old family burial ground near Everett. His pilgrimage on earth was short, but long enough to endeavor himself to all. May the comforting grace come the heart broken ones, and may they meet their precious babe in the home of everlasting bliss, where ties are never broken and where they will never say good bye.

Constipation is the cause of many ailments and disorders that make life miserable. Take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, keep your bowels regular and you will avoid all such troubles. For sale by All Dealers.

Junior Auxiliary Elect Officers.

The first meeting of the Junior Auxiliary for the transaction of special business in the new year, was held at the residence of Mrs. F. L. Roberson, Friday evening.

Following was a collection of offerings which resulted in the choice of Miss Louise F. Warden for President, Miss Irene Smith, Vice-President, Miss Annie Kate Thowrey, Secretary, Miss Hannah McFowden, Treasurer. Mrs. Barnes, at the request of the Juniors, will be their Leader and the meetings will be held at her home. They are very fortunate in securing the help of Mrs. Barnes, as she is one of the most active workers in the parish, being Vice President of the Woman's Auxiliary and Parish Guild. The young girls composing the Juniors Auxiliary have done much good work in the past years and under such a Leader will, no doubt, go forward in their labors.

Mrs. J. O. Guthrie Improving

"It will be with great pleasure that friends will learn of the improvement in health of Mrs. J. O. Guthrie. She has been at Rex Hospital for some time after an operation which proved successful."

The above from The News and Observer of Tuesday will be very gratifying indeed to the friends and acquaintances of Mrs. Guthrie here, who have been pained to know of her continued ill health.