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Republicans May Tobacco Acreage

Farm Leaders Point Out That One Can't Tell What Will Happen Now

Raleigh .- The death knell of of a Republican Congress.

This opinion has been expressed by agricultural leaders in several sections of the State during the past few days.

In discussing the tobacco acreage control program which was approved for the next three years by tobacco farmers of this and other weed-producing states last summer, former Governor J. M. Broughton, who is connected with several tobacco groups, said recently that, in his opinion, "Congress could not abrogate this three-year contract which it now has with the tobacco farmers."

However, some agricultural leaders-and many attorneys are not so sure. Broughton pointed out that he didn't know "what may happen after 1949-you just

On December 1 of each year the Secretary of Agriculture makes a study of tobacco conditions-and if the supply for tobacco exceeds the demand, he calls for quotas for the following year and sets them up for the tobacco growers. Since 1940 he has called for a quota each year.

In 1939 there was no control. That year tobacco averaged in this State \$15.66 per hundred pounds. The tobacco crop that year was the largest up to that

In 1940, tobacco had been back under control, but we were still suffering from over-production in 1939, and tobacco averaged \$17.27 per hundred pounds that year.

For the 1941 season, tobacco averaged \$29.31 per hundred pounds; 1942, \$38.40 per hundred; 1943, \$40.20; 1944, \$43.06; 1945,

G. T. Scott, director of the Production and Marketing Administration in North Carolina, believes that "Congress could pull to

bacco from under acreage control, but I oubt that this will be done. 1949, anyway." any agricultural leaders fee! any attempt to repeal the bacco acreage law would run into veto troubles from the White

House, which would require a two-thirds vote for passage. That's why they talk ominously of 1949. If the recent trend continues, the Republicans will be in control of almost everything

in Congress by that time. The Republicans can't say that the tobacco acreage control program is one of the more expensive items of Government, for only about \$600,000 was expended for measurement of flue-cured tobacco land this year in the states producing this type of to-

However, as one agricultural official remarked last week, "the GOP's could toss tobacco control out of the window and never lose

Sneaking into this county just a short time ago, a miniature "bandit"-slot machine gambling unit people. It is an opportunity to- been well organized into an eight and one each for drunken driving. -was captured by Office J. H. day for North Carolina citizens to team circuit and should afford Roebuck in Council's store on desire to help others. Highway No. 11 in the Hassell

section last Thursday. Placed there by Sam Person of Pinetops, the small and compact the State for so much needed asmachine, was expertly camouflaged. About the only feature assois open for visitors each day and ciating the machine with the bundreds of North Carolina citigambling racket was the slot for

zens visit this historic spot every the suckers' nickels. Since the big round-up of table slot and race horse gambling ma-Has Major Operation chines were confiscated in this county several years ago and fines amounting to \$800 were imposed in the recorder's court, few of the machines have been placed in operation, according to reports End, underwent a major opera- improving yesterday. tion in Duke hospital, Durham, coming from the sheriff's office.

It was pointed out that a few punch boards were making their would be taken in those cases.

Farm Bureau Drive Is Over N. C. Banks Given Primary Petition Stop Control On The Top In Martin County

period of ten weeks, the annual ty-tive other volunteers worked Farm Bureau membership drive hard and helped carry the drive was brought to a successful close over the top. The group held two last Thursday evening when the or three dinner meetings, but the the courthouse to .the assistant their time and spending their own secretary, Miss Mary Carstar- money traveling around, paid for tobacco acreage control and a 10- phen. Assigned a quota by the their meals, and the membership year era of farm prosperity in state organization of 2,080 mem- campaign was advanced without North Carolina may have been bers, the county unit exceeded its cost to the organization. sounded with the recent election goal by fifty-seven members, the Leading the field, Mr. Everett secretary's assistant announcing will have part of his expenses that 2.137 members had been en- paid to the national convention to rolled this year, the count ex- be held in San Francisco early ceeding the membership of last next month. Mr. Sam Everett was offered an allowance on a trip to year by nearly 400.

Reuben S. Everett, Roberson- the convention by the State orville farmer, led the canvassers ganization, but he will be unable when he signed 408 members, to attend, J. Marion Griffin was George C. Griffin was second drawn as an alternate, but he with 278; D. V. Clayton was third stated that he would hardly be with 211; E. C. Harrison, fourth, able to go. D. V. Clayton was with 138; J. M. Griffin, fifth, with drawn next, and he will go if Mr. 133 and H. U. Peel was sixth with Griffin is unable to make the trip.

POSTAL INCOME

ing last year continues to de-

crease gradually in the office

here, it was announced a

short time ago. But money

order business continued an

upward trend, according to a

report covering activities in

the local office during the

third quarter of the current

076.20 in the months of July,

August and September this

year, were nearly \$700 less

than the income for the corre-

sponding period in 1945.

Money order business last

quarter amounted to \$76,336.97

Orphanage Makes

Plea For Gifts

The Oxford Orphanage at Ox-

been convicted and sentenced for

committing a major crime in

Orphanage in the State and re-

At the present time less than

forty percent of the population of

the Orphanage is of Masonic par-

entage. The home possesses valu-

able buildings, grounds and

equipment and has had no operat-

The annual budget of the Or-

phanage calls for an expenditure

of \$194,500.00. This provides

shelter, clothing, and food, recre-

ing in several departments, laun-

grounds, building and equipment

family of 308 children.

provide emergency repairs.

ing deficit for several years.

Stamp sales, placed at \$8,-

Malarial Section Of Nation Shifts Postal income after pushing toward a first class office rat-As Result Of War

Returning Servicemen Carry Parasites and New Cases May Follow

(The following is one in a series and sponsored by civic organizations.-ed.)

The malaria section of the United States used to be cescribed as ranging from the latitude of Richmond, Va., to the longitude of San Antonio, Texas, including 12 states. The return of many of cific may change all that. Many of them have had malaria. Some of them still carry malaria parasites in their bodies. If these men return to areas where the malaria-bearing mosquito - the female Anopheles-is found, new ford, North Carolina, has a record of seventy-three years of service

cases of malaria may follow. Here is how the chain of man-Had there been no ceiling for to the children of North Carolina. to-mosquito-to-man works: When Church Youth In 1943, 1944, and 1945, tobacco Over five thousand have been the female Anopheles mosquito would have gone to a much high- cared for and trained. Its gradu- bites a person who has malaria, walks of life and there is no re- own body. If she bites a well percord of a former pupil having son some two weeks later, she puts the parasites into his blood. After about 8 to 14 days, the well

ceives children other than those ferent from other mosquitoes that er wings, and when she bites she stand on her head. Other moquitoes bite in a position that keeps

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Martins To Open Play December 2

ation, heat, light, books, school supplies, health program, staff of Goober Belt semi-pro basketball trained workers, vocational train- league are rapidly rounding into shape for the season's opener on dry, repairs and upkeep of December 2. The Martins will and experienced case work for a ural contest on that date.

Led by Breezy Beaird, former pro star, the locals are welding a Liberal gifts are needed this year for operating expenses in smooth, fast ball handling attack order to maintain the Home and and should give the sports-minded public of this section a good

The Oxford Orphanage is more show. "Bandit" Captured than a philanthropy—it is an in-Carolina boys and girls who next two weeks, the Martins chance. It pays to the State and day night and Windsor here next week-end. its citizenship the high dividends | Monday night.

in character and trained young | The Goober Belt League has express in a substantial way their the fans throughout this section indecent exposure. The ages of a fast, interesting brand of ball the group ranged from 21 to 41 The orphanages of the state use but without the proper support years. Two of the five were the Thanksgiving season as an oc- of local interest this venture into white, including a white woman asked New Jersey officials for the casion to appeal to the citizens of lorganized ball will fall behind.

sistance. The Oxford Orphanage Farm Agent Ordered

Suffering with an ulcerated stomach, County Farm Agent T. B. Brandon was ordered to his home and bed for a month fol-In Durham Hospital lowing an hospital examination Mount hospital late yesterday for last Thursday. Adhering to a Mr. Dennis Hardy, a leading strict diet and a complete rest merchant of Williamston's West schedule, he was reported to be

Mr. Brandon was attending a last Friday morning. Last reports | meeting of farm and home agents received here stated that he was in Raleigh last week when he appearance, that possible action able to be up in a rolling chair was taken ill and had to return

Awards for Their Help To Farmers

This State Figured In Most Farm Programs

For the second consecutive year the banks of North Carolina have which is made annually by the Agricultural Commission of the American Bankers Association, according to D. V. Clayton, cashier of the Guaranty Bank and Trust Company, who represents the banks in Martin County as County Key Banker. Mr. Clayton was notified that the award was made today at the A. B. A. Agriwhich is being held at Louisville. Kentucky.

Each year the A. B. A. Commision rates banks in all of the states on the basis of country bank activities which benefit agriculture. In the numerical evalumission considers work done by ndividual banks, and programs which are carried out by the agricultural committees of the state bankers associations. Points are given for "regular" and "extra" services rendered by the banks.

"North Carolina banks," Mr. Clayton said, "have received national recognition for their fiveof articles prepared by the North | point program as being carried on Carolina Tuberculosis Association this year in the interest of agri-tively scheduled for December culture in the state. This program is as follows:

1. To cooperate with the governmental agencies in an effective soil conservation program. 2. To promote more bankerfarmer meetings

3. To reemphasize to farmers our fighting men from the Pa- Savings Bonds as financial re- young clubs in the state.

4. To encourage and, if possible, agricultural products. (In other al industries to process and to sell

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person comes down with malaria. 22) met at the church for the purplaces in town by the local Wo- as plentiful now as it was a year Miss Gladys Whitley conducted a attendance prize, of membership of the supporting do not carry malaria. She does short devotional after which she not sing, she has small spots on introduced Mr. Thomas P. Inabinett, director of religious education in the State. Mr. Inabinett gave the purpose of the C. Y. Fel-

The group voted that they wanted the organization and then President, Ruth Haislip; vice president and chairman of the prosecretary, David Etheridge, Jr.; ist, Eleanor Eubanks; enlistment November 8. chairman, Catherine Haislip. The time for meeting was se

Five Persons Are **Jailed In County**

1 7:30 for the winter months.

Five persons, four men and a woman, were arrested and placed By Ccunty Officer | Carolina boys and girls who next two weeks, the Martins on the Martin County jail by local, would not otherwise have a meeting Jamesville here Wednes-

Two were detained for drunkenness and disorderly conduct, assault with a deadly weapon and | who was booked for drunken return of Nicholson, but one re

To Bed For A Month Enters Rocky Mount Hospital For Treatment

Suffering an attack similar to Plebitis a week ago, Mr. C. G. Crockett was removed to a Rocky treatment. After suffering the attack, believed to have been the aftermath of an appendicitis opimprovement later in the week, evening at 6:30 o'clock in the Wo- F. L. Fussell, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph ton Edenton, president; Jim hospital was considered advisable. day.

Records Show Banks Of Jaycees Hold Their Regular Meeting In Macedonia Community Building

The regular meeting of the Junior Chamber of Commerce received the 1000 point award was held last Friday evening at the Macedonia Community building, with a large number of members and guests attending and enjoying a delightful turkey

The meeting was presided over by President Ernest Mears, while Jack Manning led the opening song and John Hollowell pronounced the invocation. Following the meal, guests Charles H cultural Commission meeting, Manning, Bill Bolling and Buddy Wier were recognized and wel-

Quite a bit of business was reported on, including a report on full meaning of the action. the progress of the petition being circulated among the town's votation of these activities, the Com- that approximately 47 per cent of the voters have signed.

Plans for the annual Thanksgiving eve dance for the benefit along with the various committees in charge of this project.

T. F. Davenport and Exum Ward outlined plans for the seced to handle this affair.

A report on the recent second Wheeler Manning, in which it was noted that the Williamston Jay- work Sunday. cees were recognized at the meetthe importance of holding U. S. ing as one of the most active, for the slump could be had. How-

Three new members were inducted into the local chapter, by ing to a downward trend in to develop more local markets for Chairman J. Paul Simpson, these prices. three being Jaycees Alton Pleaswords, to help establish more rur- ants, George W. Corey and Cecil Brown. A transfer member, Hoke Roberson, was accepted, moving to the candy manufacturers and week-end when the enforcement a Dodge parked on the Everetts Robersonville club.

On Tuesday night, Nov. 12, at pledged their aid in arranging tain that sugar used in the manu-7:30 o'clock, the young people of barricades around the young trees facture of peanut candy is scarce. self area were within the hospital. the Hassell Church (numbering that are being planted at several Others point out that sugar is just pose of organizing a youth group. man's Club. Cecil Brown won the ago.

No Developments In Attack Case

"We have not slackened our eforganized, electing the following ly gathering additional evidence, downward trend reported recentofficers for the first six months: but there abve been no marked ly in cotton and tobacco prices. developments during the past few gram committee, Ruby Goodrich; this week when questioned rela- bought before the slump virtualtreasurer, Eleanor Eubanks; pian- Floyd Moore of this county on market.

County camp on the night of November 3, had been questioned by handled. Federal Bureau of Investigation agents in New Jersey, but no report has been received here. Ragland, now in Central Prison, Raleigh, stands charged with the at tack, but he maintains that one of with him on November 8. One alone. It was intimated that Nicholson was questioned in New Jersey about Ragland's move ments following the prison break.

Governor R. Gregg Cherry has Teachers Favor port intimated that Nicholson had ocmmitted a serious crime in New Jersey, that possibly he would be called to account for the crime there before he would be turned over to this state.

Insurance Commissioner To Address Kiwanians

William P. Hodges, Williamston bonus. native and Insurance Commiseration performed some years dress the regular meeting of the G. Stewart, Mrs. C. J. Goodman, officers were elected for a sixago, Mr. Crockett showed much local Kiwanis Club Thursday Miss Hessie Jaynes, Mr. and Mrs. month term of office: Walter Hol-

Primary Petition Is Signed By Half Of Town's Voters Slump Hits Peanut Market Over Night

Buyers Went Off Market Suddenly Without Warning

Definite Explanation For Antic Has Not Been Made Public

Marked by bullish activity durng the first few weeks of the season with prices ranging as high as eleven and three-quarter to twelve cents a pound, the peanut market went into a slump last week-end. Buyers were called off suddenly and without warning creating some doubt as to the

After figuring prominently on the market during the early days ers, in which it was pointed out of the current season and going strong last Wednesday one of the companies went off the market the following morning. Others withdrew their buyers a few of the Jaycees' Underprivileged hours later leaving only one or Children Fund were announced, two active. The slump was said to be general, reports explaining that no purchases were considered immediately at any price.

The withdrawal was not effectond annual Christmas party for ed in its entirety until after much underprivileged children, tenta- of that portion of the crap already harvested had moved to market. 18th, and committees were nam- Deliveries locally approached old records last Friday and Saturday, but they were not general. One quarterly state directors meeting company unloaded farmers' stock held in Asheville, was given by until after midnight three nights in a row and caught up with its

Lecally, no definite explanation ever, several guesses were advanced, the most general report-

few weeks ago, cleaners were ed goods hit the market, the ac-A committee was named to tivities were marked by increashandle the re-displaying of the ing caution, and unofficial reports the local POW camp last Christ- not moving in the expected vol- Friday. mas season, and the members ume. The manufacturers main-

Some maintain that the crop has been moving to the market a bit wet and clogging the mills. assigned in an effort to justify on to believe that either speculation entered the picture or that forts one bit, and we are gradual- the move was associated with a

Peanuts continue to move this days," Sheriff C. B. Roebuck said week but in most cases they were tive to the attack made upon Mrs. ly resulted in the closing of the

Rains over the week-end halt-It was learned that one of the ed the harvest and very few farprisoners, Arthur Nicholson, who mers have peanuts ready for marescaped along with Otis Ragland | ket. A few inquired about the and six others from the Martin market Monday, but as far as it could be learned no sales were

Local buyers when questioned College Alumni esterday frankly admitted that they could not account for the opinion as to the future of the market. However it is the conthe prisoners, Chester Marsh, was sensus of opinion that the market will reopen shortly and at a price of the recaptured prisoners was around ten cents a pound. "It is quoted as saying that Ragland left all guess work because we really don't know," an independent buyer said here yesterday.

Salary Increase

Meeting in Greenville last Frilay, school teachers of northeastern North Carolina approved the and friends of Wake Forest, inrecommendation of the North terested in joining the club, are to two nearby tobacco curing Carolina Education Association's invited to attend. legislative committee calling for a twenty percent increase in pres- of the college at a recent meeting fully carried water in tubs and ent salary schedules, plus the war

The local schools were represioner for North Carolina, will ad- sented by Principal and Mrs. B.

DELAYED

The opening of a one-week term of the Martin County Superior Court scheduled for Monday of this week was delayed when Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn advised Clerk L. B. Wynne that he was ill that morning. The nature of the judge's illness was not disclosed, but the clerk was advised that the judge planned to take his seat on the bench this morning.

Well over one hundred jurymen, witnesses, litigants and lawyers from nearly every section in the county were present for the opening session when they were advised that a delay was neces-

Officers Pushing Drive On Illicit Liquor Making

Nest of Plants Wreeked In Hassell Section Last Week-end

Apparently advancing plans on a larger scale for the holiday chief of the county's ABC control added to the enforcement personnel during the next few weeks.

Three of the plants in the Hasfourth was along the Martin-Edgecombe boundary line. All ins hit the left rear of the Dodge four of the plants were crudely parked there by the owner, Delequipped with oil drums for kettles and cheap pipe for connec- when it broke down, tore down a tions. The officers poured out 400 gallons of cheap molasses beer.

were expecting a visit and they equipment. The officers found and poured out 150 gallons of mo- mated at \$100. lasses beer and confiscated ten gallons of white liquor.

trend in commodity prices received by farmers, illicit liquor costs are said to have weakened, some association the drop with the recent sweep made by the Republi cans in the November 5 congres-

Will Meet Here Barn And Sweet

club meetings of the recently formed Eastern North Carolina Deacon Club of Wake Forest College, will be held here Tuesday night, November 19, in the Woman's Club, starting at 7:30. Wake's popular Athletic Direc-

tor, Jim Weaver, will be the principal speaker at the gathering and will show pictures of the Wake Forest-Tennessee football game. Martin County Membership Chairman, George Harrison, Jr. who is in charge of the meeting, has announced that all alumni

Formed by alumni and friends here for the purpose of rendering material assistance to the college athletic program and other undertakings in general, the following

er, secretary-treasurer;

Several Injured In Two Highway **Wrecks Saturday**

ESTABLISHED 1899

Attorney Placed On His Feet And Three Treated In Hospital

At least five persons were hurt, hree painfully, in a series of automobile-truck accidents on the highways in this county last Saturday night. Three of the victims were treated in Brown's Community Hospital but were released a short time later. Other victims were able to limp away and continue without medical treatment, Patrolman W. E. Saunders

Returning home from a visit with Attorney Wheeler Martin who continues ill in a Rocky Mount hospital, Attorney Clarence W. Griffin, accompanied by Mr. Luther Hardison and Howard Cone, was driving between Robersonville and Everetts, a short distance out of Robersonville, about 5:30 o'clock when LeRoy Williams, colored of Winterville, turned into the approaching line of traffic and ripped the left side off and knocked the chasis out of ine on Griffin's 1941 Ford club coupe. Mr. Hardison bruised his knee some but was able to continue on his way. None of the others was hurt.

Williams, operating a 1940 Chevrolet truck belonging to W. O. Flynn of Ahoskie, said that the car he was trailing slowed down suddenly and that he turned into the path of the approaching traftrade, illicit liquor manufacturers fic to keep from crashing into the are certain to experience difficult | rear of the car he was trailing. operations during the next few The Griffin car, damaged to the weeks, according to reports com- extent of \$300 or \$400, almost ing this week from J. H. Roebuck, turned over, Patrolman Saunders program. "We have our hands on that the attorney had driven two the pulse of the illicit business," wheels of his car off the hardsurthe officer said, one unofficial re- face onto the shoulder of the road. port stating that possibly one or Very little damage was done to more special deputies would be the truck. Williams was booked

About half an hour later Theo A fairly heavy blow was dealt Roosevelt Jenkins plowed his old the illicit liquor business last 1933 model Ford into the rear of officer, assisted by Deputy Roy Bear Grass Road at Jenkins' Peel, wrecked a nest of plants in Branch near Everetts, and scatthe Hassell section and followed tered his passengers. Jenkins, section of Jamesville Township on his passengers, Annie, James and arms cut when thrown through sell area were within yelling dis- the windshield, were treated in

Driving toward Everetts, Jenkmus Williams, earlier in the day three wheels before coming to a Operators of the plant in the stop in a ditch. No one was in the Free Union section apparently parked car which was damaged to the extent of about \$100, accordsuccessfully hid the kettle and ing to Patrolman W. E. Saunders, some of the other operating the investigating officer. Damage to the Dodge was also esti-

Driving a new 1946 model Dodge panel body truck, Frank-In keeping with a downward lin V. Modlin lost control of the machine and turned it over on the road leading from Highway 64 to Skewarkey that night about 11:30 o'clock. A Miss Edmondson, rid-ing with Modlin, was hurt but not badly. While he was not hurt, Modlin was smeared with grease

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Potatoes Burned

Starting when an oil burner apparently went out of control, fire destroyed the potato curing barn and 700 bushels of choice sweet potatocs on the Mayo Hardison farm in Poplar Point between Williamston and Hamilton Monday night.

The barn, constructed of logs and boarded on the outside, burned for more than two hours. Williamston's volunteer firemen, called there, poured several thousand gallons of water on the fire and kept it from spreading barns. Members of Mr. Hardison's family and neighbors faithbuckets to maintain the water

supply. No exact estimate could be had mmediately, but the potatoes were easily worth \$2.50 a bushel, running the loss to around \$2,500. neluding the barn. No insurance bue he suffered a relapse over the man's Club hall, acting president, Gorham, and Misses Mary Whit- Bonds of Windsor, vice president; was carried on the property. week-end and his removal to the W. H. Carstarphen announced to- ley, Mildred Byrum and Mamie Herbert Jenkins, Jr., of Auland- Farmer Hardison lost a tobacco curing barn last summer.