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The Co-Ops have done one thing recently: they have forced the independents in the open and the Co-Ops now know just where to direct their fire.

The editor of the Wilson Times objects to the pitchfork game between the Co-Ops and the independents. It seems to be natural for some people when they get to arguing is got to fighting right straight. Well you know it is hard to arouse enthusiasm among some folks until there is a fight. The average man loves a scrap. The independents have got a scrap on their hands and that is exactly what they do not want. Well boys, stand to the rack like men and take your medicine.

Independents, do not try to muddy the water by the slings at Sapiro. In this campaign Sapiro is not the issue. The producers have made up their minds to sell their tobacco on the cooperative system and all the slurs against Sapiro and the other leaders will not swerve them from their intentions.

When cooperative marketing leaders of Kentucky came into North Carolina to the assistance of the tobacco producers of the state, they came singing that old Moody and Sankey hymn. "Hold the fort for I am coming."

### SAPIRO'S CAMPAIGN.

The Wilson Times in a recent issue expresses itself as not at all impressed with the campaign that has been waged in Eastern North Carolina by Mr. Sapiro of California.

His objection to this campaign is that Mr. Sapiro seeks to arouse the feelings and prejudices of those in his audience against the warehousemen who dare to conduct their business as they have a right to do.

The Times places the emphasis on Sapiro's campaign as if the whole performance was the doing of one man. Why does not the editor come out and say that he does not like the way the farmers are doing in signing the cooperative contracts? This campaign to which the editor of the Wilson Times and the printer in which it is conducted is not a campaign of Mr. Sapiro's, but a movement of the people for a specific purpose.

The Times says that Mr. Sapiro seems to be hurrying his cause when he criticizes the warehousemen who dare open their houses, etc. As it seems to us, it is not Sapiro's criticism that hurts so much as the fact that the new system of marketing is going to hurt the warehousemen.

It is not Mr. Sapiro's criticism of anybody that has turned the trick in Eastern Carolina, as it is the truth he is telling the people about the old auction system of selling their tobacco, a system that will have to go sooner or later.

Another peculiar thing about this cooperative marketing campaign is that the independents have not as yet had a man who will meet Mr. Sapiro or any other proponent of the new system on the stump. At Farmville, Sapiro made a special request

for some one to get up and ask any question and he would try and answer it, but no gallant swordsmen appeared. The truth about the whole affair is that the independents are absolutely outgeneraled and they know it.

The Times again says: "We have noticed that nearly every farmers' movement ends in an appeal to prejudice and passion rather than reason."

Ye gods and little fishes, where did the Times get this information? And to cap the whole situation, the Times concludes this editorial by saying:

"We are simply writing this editorial to say that any campaign that seeks to array one class of people against another is not properly conducted. The Times has always sought to keep our people together that they might cooperate in the best sense of the word, they cannot cooperate with their hearts full of bitterness toward each other. We feel that we must condemn such tactics whenever they appear. The appeal should be to reason and not to passion."

So the Times really does believe in cooperation, but in that sort of cooperation between the buyers and the producers whereby the producer will be forced to sell his stuff on the old fashioned auction floor system. This is a splendid editorial from the standpoint of the old auction system but it gives the proponents of the cooperative marketing system a cold shoulder.

If ever the Southerner did hear a speech that was filled with facts and figures, thrilling with a passion for humanity and free from prejudice it was Sapiro's speech at Farmville. To be sure he went after his enemies with a pitchfork but how else could he do, when they were after him with the same weapon. Those little side remarks only served to put spice and ginger in his speech.

The fly in the ointment is not Sapiro but the fact that the independents in the past are now on the run and the tide has turned upon them.

Why should the Wilson Times worry?

### NO PROTECTION FOR DAUGHERTY.

This Senate was discussing amendment to paragraph 316 in the Fordney-McCumber tariff bill, when Senator Caraway interjected the subject of Attorney General Daugherty to allege that the attorney general was having members of the senate and house shadowed. At the conclusion of Senator Caraway's speech the following criticisms were exchanged:

Mr. McCumber: Mr. President, there is no Harry Daugherty amendment proposed to paragraph 316.

Mr. Caraway: No; he is on the free list.

### BRITISH ARTILLERY ADVANCE.

ELFASST, June 8.—The British military column comprising artillery, infantry and engineers, advanced into the Beleck district on the Fermanagh-Donegal border this morning, with the reported intention of occupying Beleck by nightfall. Republican forces are said to be falling back before the British.

### BISHOP KILGO TO BE TAKEN TO HOME IN CHARLOTTE.

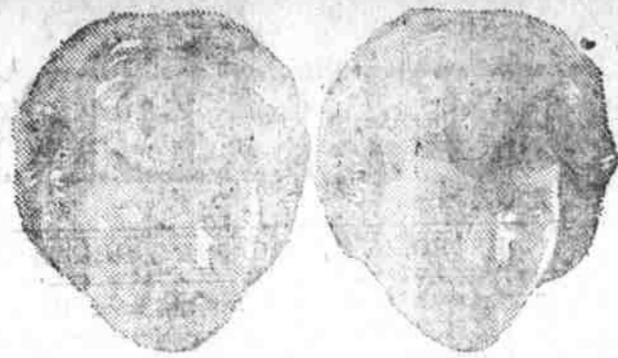
MEMPHIS, Tenn., June 8.—Bishop John C. Kilgo, of the Southern Methodist church, critically ill in a hospital here, will be taken to his home at Charlotte tonight, unless a turn for the worse in his condition is noticed, physicians stated today.

### BANKERS GIVE UP IDEA OF BIG LOAN TO GERMANY

PARIS, June 8.—All idea of an international loan to Germany has been given up by the committee of bankers, who are meeting today to agree upon the form of their note to this effect, which will be submitted to the reparations commission.

### HITCHINSON ELIMINATED

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