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GROWERS URGED TO SELL TOBACCO AT WILLIAMSTON

Merchants and Warehouses Extend Welcome To County Farmers

Growers of the more than 900 acres of tobacco in Washington County are urged by R. W. McFarland, sales supervisor, to sell their tobacco in Williamston.

The Williamston market threw open its doors to the visitors on Thursday, and a large group of growers from Washington County had their tobacco on the floors of the three large warehouses. They attended the sales and found their weed going good.

On another page in this week's issue of the Beacon is an ad by the Williamston tobacco warehousemen and the merchants and supporters who are encouraging every one to sell their tobacco and shop in Williamston.

Renewed confidence has been expressed by the farmer, warehousemen, and merchants in the future of the Williamston market. It is the nearest to Plymouth and is patronized by Washington County people more than any other in this section.

Every preparation has been made for the efficient handling of the crop in Williamston this season. R. W. McFarland, supervisor of sales, has been brought into Williamston to serve the farmers and warehousemen. He will show particular interest in the Washington County farmer.

The three warehouses are as follows: Planters (Brick Warehouse, Cozart, Foxworth and Langley, proprietors. Sales are conducted by A. M. Perry, with aid from the proprietors. Farmers Warehouse, Barnhill, Ingram and Phaup, proprietors. Roanoke-Dixie Warehouse, Jimmie B. Taylor and S. Claude Griffin, proprietors.

These men all invite the Washington County grower to Williamston.

COTTON CHECKS ARE RECEIVED

Total of \$2,701.60 To Be Paid Out To County Producers

Washington County farmers will receive or have received a total of \$2,701.60 for the cotton reduction rentals.

These rental payments which have been made prior to August 1 constitute about half of the total rentals to be paid under provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration reduction contracts. The remainder is to be paid in the near future.

Growers who took options on government cotton for participating in the plow-up campaign last year have been paid a good-sized sum. Further benefits will come to the growers later in the year at the rate of not less than 1 cent a pound on the domestic allotment of the 1934 crop.

Elizabeth City and Mt. Lebanon Choir Contest

Music lovers who especially like the singing of the southern negroes will have a treat in store for them, when the Mt. Lebanon A. M. E. Zion senior church choir, of Elizabeth City, meets the choir of the New Chapel Baptist church here in a contest on Labor Day evening at 8 o'clock.

The contest is given by J. C. Jefferson, with Attorney P. H. Bell making the welcome address. Reservations will be made for white friends. The local church recently triumphed over the Williamston Baptist church, and the Elizabeth City church recently won over the Queen Street Baptist church in Norfolk. Both are classed as the best of their kind in this section.

Cherry Club Woman Makes Canning Record

Cherry—The Cherry home demonstration club can boast of a very active member in the person of Miss Ida Davis.

She canned and helped others to can during the month of July close to 300 quarts of fruit and vegetables. She helps others as well as club members. She has been known to take her cooker and go several miles from home to help others.

Miss Davis not only helps but she teaches those who have little experience. Her club members are proud of her.

To Begin Revival At Scuppernon Thursday

Scuppernon.—Rev. Roy O. Respass will begin a revival meeting at Scuppernon Christian church Sunday, August 26. The meeting will last probably 10 days or more. Rev. D. W. Arnold, of Washington, is expected to be here for the meeting. The public is cordially invited to attend these meetings. Good singing will be a feature of the services.

Opening Tobacco Prices Are Even Better Than Expected

Reports from several of the bright belt tobacco markets early Thursday were considered unusually encouraging to farmers and all of eastern North Carolina.

Early sales averaging around 27 1-2 cents on the Williamston market were declared the best since 1919, bringing smiles and chasing gloom from the faces of all. Last reports from the market there stated that not a single tag had been turned, and that the farmers were greatly pleased with

the prices. The offerings were considered of fair quality, prices ranging from 13 to 46 cents, with a few as low as 9 cents and one at high as 60 cents.

Reports indicate the sales were comparatively light, the late curing season and advanced opening delaying farmers in their operations for early marketing. Williamston estimated its opening sale at 180,000 pounds, with selling scheduled to be completed by about 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

MUST HAVE CARDS

All tobacco farmers are required by the Agricultural Department to bring with them their marketing cards when they sell their tobacco. This is required so the Federal inspectors may check up on their sales and make adjustments should they be necessary.

The farmers should bring their cards every time they sell tobacco. Their cooperation in presenting cards promptly will assist all parties concerned and will avoid delay in receiving their checks for tobacco. The cards should be presented to the office force of the warehouse where they sell immediately after the tobacco is sold on the floor.

LIVERMAN HEADS DEBT COMMITTEE

To Make Adjustment of Farm Debts If Called Upon by Parties

E. H. Liverman was named chairman of a farm debt adjustment committee that was organized here last Friday.

Associated with Mr. Liverman on this committee are L. E. Hassell, who was elected secretary, J. W. Starr, L. S. Thompson, and E. S. Blount. Present at the meeting was E. R. Buchan, of Sanford, field representative of the State Farm Debt Adjustment Committee, who explained the purpose of this organization, which has such a committee in every county of the state.

Farmers who have perplexing debt problems with mortgaged farms or any such difficulty are urged to come to any of these committees and report his condition and these men will seek aid to help the man in some way or another.

This committee is not to intervene in debt cases unless requested. Their purpose is to offer suggestions for settling debts when the debtor or creditor or both wish counsel. Debtors should first go to their creditor and lay their cards on the table before applying to the committee.

In this way many debts can be straightened out without the aid of committees. If the committee's counsel is sought, then the debtor and creditor are on better terms and likely to be in the right frame of mind to reach a satisfactory agreement.

This committee will be prepared to offer suggestions regarding debt settlements so that they can help when the debtor and creditor do not see a good way. It will be advantageous for the creditor to scale down the debt as low as possible so that the creditor can pay.

The main object of the committee is to relieve farmers and help them along on the road to economic recovery.

FASHION SHOW HERE AUGUST 30

To Be Staged at Theatre; Thurston's Orchestra Will Play

Everything is in readiness for the fall fashion show that will be held in the New Theatre here on the evening of August 30.

Mrs. Edison Swain, owner of the Woman's Shoppe, who is sponsoring the event, will have smart living models to display the clothing. She will show the latest designs in fall dresses, coats and hats.

Hal Thurston's orchestra, of Rocky Mount, will provide the musical background of the stylists as they parade the stage. Afterwards he will play for the fashion show dance.

Revival Begins Monday At Mount Zion Church

Roper.—Rev. R. H. Mason, of Ayden, will conduct a series of meetings beginning Monday night after the fourth Sunday in August at the Mount Zion church in Roper. Everybody is invited. "We are expecting some special music and singing," L. L. Phelps said this week.

MINSTREL SHOW HERE TUESDAY

To Be Staged Under Auspices of American Legion Post

Something new in minstrelsy will be presented at the Plymouth High School auditorium here on the evening of August 28 (Tuesday), at 8 p. m., when the James E. Jethro Post, No. 164, American Legion, presents the "Dixie Minstrels," according to Dr. C. McGowan, commander.

This show has been presented in several of the large towns, including Raleigh. They come here from Washington and Williamston. The troupe consists of seven men with their own musicians. They are old seasoned troupers and, according to Dr. McGowan, "know their stuff."

In addition to the minstrel dancing specialties will be presented by the Gibon sisters, of Roper.

"They have a clean, snappy show, and we would recommend them to any legion post. The boys in this show are all thorough gentlemen and hard workers, and it gives me pleasure to recommend them," says S. Selby Jones, secretary and treasurer of the Bell Jewelry Company at Washington.

Quincy Sawyer, 86, Dies At His Home in Creswell

Creswell.—Mr. Quincy Sawyer, long a resident of Washington County, died at his home in Creswell August 11. He was among the oldest citizens of the county, being 86 years of age when he died.

Surviving are a wife and three son, Matthew Sawyer, Renzy Sawyer, of Creswell, and Alton Sawyer, of Columbia; and one daughter, Mrs. C. G. Phelps, of Creswell.

He was a blacksmith by trade and had enjoyed good health all his life until the last two years, during which time he was confined to the house.

He was buried in a casket made by himself before he became unable to work. The material was selected from old growth black walnut.

Club Women and Club Girls At Camp Leach

By Miss Eugenia Patterson
Last Wednesday morning a party of 4-H girls and 5 club women went to Camp Leach for the remainder of the week. This was a joint camp with Beaufort County women and girls. A well-planned program was carried out each day. The campers returned on Saturday, all reporting a fine time.

Tarboro Glee Club To Sing At New Chapel Friday, 24th

The Tarboro Glee Club will sing here in the New Chapel Baptist church on Friday evening, August 24, at 8 o'clock. A five-year-old boy vocalist will be featured. Ritzy popular music, classics you favor, and old time spirituals. A small admission will be charged. Reservations will be made for white people.

Creswell Church Planning Revival During September

Creswell.—A series of revival services will begin at the Methodist Protestant church of Creswell Monday night, September 3, and will last thru September 9. Rev. B. M. Williams, of Etland, will assist Rev. P. E. Bingham, pastor of the church, in these services. Special music and congregational singing will be featured. Every one is urged to attend.

Amount of Silage Per Dairy Cow Outlined

The amount of silage to be stored to carry a dairy cow through the winter depends, of course, upon how long the animal is to be fed, but the usual way is to figure 3 pounds of silage a day for each 100 pounds of live weight. A dairy cow weighing 1,000 pounds will consume about 30 pounds of silage a day in addition to the hay and grain feed. This is a most economical feed and should be used liberally during the winter months.

COUNTY TURNS IN \$11,000 SALES TAX TO STATE

Amount Is For Period From July 1, 1933 To 30th Of June, 1934

Washington County has turned over to the North Carolina Revenue Department \$11,325.43 in sales tax in the period between July 1, 1933, and June 30, 1934.

Martin County, next door neighbor, turned over \$32,761.49 in the same period, while Tyrrell County, on the other side, paid into the sales tax fund only \$3,976.66.

Merchants in this county turned over \$9,638.25 of this amount. It appears on the surface that the merchants have been doing right well as tax collectors. The money spent in this county by the inhabitants shows that the sales tax method of determining prosperity is fairly good.

Out-of-State offices have contributed \$1,618.63 to this fund. This means that this fund has been paid into the sales tax treasury by the firms doing business here, but having their offices out of the state. This is probably a fairly good index to the business of local merchants and the out-of-state competitors.

Registration fees amounted to \$68.55 for the period.

The statistics reveal that the total collections for the state for the period through these sources was a net gross of \$6,011,700.16. This fund has resulted in the state being in a position to pay the school teachers when it was due, even though they were forced to hold the salaries down to a low level.

School Notes

Here are some school notes that were released today by James W. Norman, superintendent of public instruction of Washington County:

Truck Drivers To Meet

A meeting of the truck drivers will be held at the courthouse in Plymouth at 9 o'clock on the morning of Saturday, September 1, with the superintendent of public instruction and the chairman of the board of education present. Also a state highway patrolman will attend. Drivers will be assigned their trucks and given instructions.

White Teachers To Meet

All of the white teachers in Washington County schools are asked to meet in the Roper school building at 10:30 in the morning of September 1. J. Henry Highsmith, director of instructional service in the State Education Department, is expected to attend. Teachers will get acquainted with each other and plan their work for the coming year. Mr. Highsmith will give instructions on their work in his talk.

Colored Teachers Meet

Colored teachers in the Washington County schools will meet at the training school in Plymouth at 2:30 on Saturday afternoon, September 1. They will plan and arrange their work, probably with some member of the State Department present.

To Improve Grounds

Efforts are being made among the colored people to have the school grounds improved and to check the destruction of public property. Committees in two districts have already met and will support the move and are making plans for contests on beautification of school grounds.

Vocational Teachers Sought

Efforts are being made to secure a vocational agriculture teacher for the Plymouth High School. There is not an available man in North Carolina. However, one applicant from the outside is being seriously considered.

New Principal At Roper

I. J. Kellum, of Pender County, who has had several years' experience in managing and directing high schools has already moved into the residence formerly occupied by E. N. Riddle at Roper. The Kellums have one son, who is a student at Campbell College, Buies Creek. Principal Kellum is a graduate of Wake Forest College.

Agriculture Teacher at Roper

Charles M. Floyd, of Northampton County, Va., has already arrived in Roper and assumed his duties as vocational agriculture teacher in the Roper High School. Mr. Floyd is a graduate of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute. He succeeds B. G. O'Brien, who has been in charge of this work

Property of 1,150 Taxpayers Will Be Sold on September 3

LEAGUE SEASON ENDS SATURDAY

Locals Have About Conceded Second Half Honors To Edenton

Plymouth today had just about conceded to Edenton the privilege of playing Williamston, first-half champions, in the five-game post-season championship series for the pennant in the Albemarle League.

Edenton stuck it to Williamston yesterday, 11 to 1, to clinch the second half honors. Manager Brown, of the local club, was calling President H. W. Early in Windsor today seeking to enter a protest of the Williamston-Edenton game Wednesday, as it was alleged that Edenton had seven non-county men in uniform.

Thursday morning at 10 o'clock Mr. Brown had not been able to get Mr. Early on long distance telephone and was almost ready to concede to Edenton the second-half leadership. If President Early were to allow the protest of Wednesday's game, then Plymouth again would have a chance.

Anyway, Mr. Brown announced the locals would conclude the week of games by playing Williamston here Saturday afternoon, and then they would go to New Bern Sunday for an exhibition game. Also efforts are being made to arrange a seven-game series with either Tarboro or New Bern.

R. W. MCFARLAND



Supervisor of tobacco sales at Williamston, Washington County's nearest tobacco market, Mr. McFarland is recognized as one of the best tobacco men in the field. He extends for the market a cordial invitation to our farmers to visit the Williamston Tobacco market.

VOCATION CLASS MEMBERS GO TO TAR HEEL CAMP

Jamesville Young Men Had Enjoyable Outing At White Lake Camp

The members of the Jamesville Chapter of Future Farmers of America attended and spent an enjoyable week at the Young Tar Heel Farmers' state camp at White Lake last week. Twenty-eight of the boys made the trip, going down Monday and returning Saturday. Those attending were: Philip Blount, Edward Carson, Hubert Hardison, Burden Holliday, Jno. Leary Hassell, Thomas Holliday, Grady Hardin, U. S. Hassell, Edward Brown, Onward Gardner, Marvin Corey, Alexander Corey, William Lillie, Charlie Sexton, Marshall Griffin, Roy Williams, Carrol Modlin, James Raleigh Manning, N. R. Manning, Joseph Martin, Edward Lee Martin, F. C. Stallings, Tommy Gaylord, Eugene Ange, Henry C. Walters, James Walters and C. C. Walters.

The group was accompanied by Professor R. C. Jordan, teacher of vocational agriculture at Jamesville, and Linwood Knowles, of Dardens.

The White Lake camp is the meeting place for students of vocational agriculture in North Carolina. It is owned by them and deeded to them, all debt having been paid off about four years ago. The camp has a capacity of three hundred and fifty boys each week of operation. It has been operating now for eight to ten weeks each summer for the past seven years. The attendance at the camp this season will very closely approach two thousand farm boys, according to its director, J. M. Osteen. The attendance for the past week was two hundred and forty-one farm boys.

The camp not only furnishes a week of vacation and recreation for farm boys who have worked hard during the crop season, but also furnishes a splendid opportunity for the boys of the different sections of the State to associate and more or less become acquainted with each other. The boy from the Coastal Plain enjoys the friendship and acquaintance of the boy from the Piedmont or from the mountains, west of Asheville even. The camp is now under the direction of J. M. Osteen, of Rockingham. He is assisted by Coach Bob Warren, of State College, who is in charge of all camp activities, and by Miss Kinnett, camp dietitian, and by "Red" Brown of Raleigh.

Each school is in competition with every other school from the time it enters until the time it leaves the camp. Each school is rated for the week and for the season by a camp scoring system. Such scoring system includes the following activities or events: baseball, playground ball, volleyball, morning calisthenics, horse shoe tournaments, swimming contests, cottage and camp clean-up and stunts.

Such a schedule of activity furnishes the boys a full week of competitive entertainment and recreation. The Jamesville school tied with Aurora for the highest rating or for first place for the week. Mt. Alla was rated second, Mocksville third, Candor fourth and Franklin fifth. The Jamesville Young Tar Heel Farmers have expressed themselves as being well pleased with their camp and especially their rating for the week. They hope to return next year for another week of camp life.—Reporters.

LIST ABOUT SAME SIZE LAST YEAR; TOTAL DUE \$63,000

Plymouth Township Has Largest Number of Delinquents

Real estate valued into the hundreds of thousands of dollars will go under the hammer at the courthouse door here on the first Monday in September to satisfy penalties and 1933 taxes due Washington County, in the sum of \$63,354.80.

This amount is due by 1,151 taxpayers, who have several tracts of land in some instances in their possession on which the taxes have not been paid. The amount differs very little from the amount that was sold last year, as the same number of names was listed as delinquents.

The total amount of unpaid taxes and penalties that lay at the door of the white people is \$57,849.50, while the total unpaid by the colored people is \$4,505.30. However, only a small amount of the real estate in this county is owned by colored people.

Plymouth Township—with 28,628.96 due from white people and \$2,459.65 due from colored land owners, making a total of \$31,088.61—leads all other townships in the county in unpaid taxes and penalties. However, there is considerable more tax value in this township in any of the others.

The Lees Mills Township, which is second largest and always follows Plymouth in valuation, if not almost equal, has a total of \$16,508.26 due from delinquents, with the white people responsible for \$14,698.71, and the colored taxpayers in arrears charged with \$1,809.55.

Scuppernon, with a total due in unpaid taxes and penalties of \$8,528.92, with \$7,785.65 charged to the white people and \$743.27 owed by the colored people comes third; with Skippersville due the county government \$7,229.91, with \$6,736.18 charged to the white and \$493.73 to be paid by colored land owners.

Of course, during the advertising period some in arrears may be paid and the total amount to be sold on the first Monday may be decreased, but in the aggregate the amount that will be paid before it is sold will be insignificant although it will be a great help to the county government.

It appears now that the tax rate will be cut from \$1.87 for last year to \$1.80 for this year. Of course, this is not definite. It is only tentative and the commissioners who are going out on the expiration of their time in December are making one more effort to help the county by arranging the budget under a lower amount than was the case last year.

It is thought now that the commissioners in the first Monday in September will be ready to ratify their budget at \$1.80, but there are many things that can happen before that time.

Home Agent Announces Schedule for Next Week

The following schedule of meetings for next week has been announced by Miss Eugenia Patterson, home agent: Tuesday afternoon, August 28, at Cross Roads. Wednesday afternoon, August 29, at Cool Springs. Thursday afternoon, August 30, the Roper club picnic at Collins Beach. Friday afternoon, Lake Farm club. Saturday morning, curb market.

Clinic To Be Held At Tarboro Next Monday

Cripples in Washington County are urged to attend the Tarboro Rotary Club clinic, which will be held in the Sunday school room of the Presbyterian church on Monday, August 27, beginning at 1 o'clock. Dr. A. R. Shands, of Duke University, will be in charge.

Examination and treatment will be afforded the worthy indigents. The civic organization of Tarboro urge that all who need attention to attend.

Sunday School Convention Of Lees Mills Sunday, 26th

Roper.—The Lees Mill Township Sunday school convention will be held at Zion's Chapel on Sunday, August 26, 1934, at 3 p. m.

The devotional will be led by F. D. Wilson, and the address of welcome will be made by Bob Lewis. Mrs. J. E. Singleton will make the response. Reports and a five-minute program will be given by each Sunday school. Rev. Luther Ambrose will give an address on Sunday school work.