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Future for Agriculture Uncertain

Plans for continuing agriculture in the scheme of governmental affairs in the future are in a muddle just now with little being done by the farmers to assure themselves protection along with other industry.

Apparently agriculture has not fully recovered from the shock it received at the hands of the Supreme Court early in the year, and it is still laboring under the belief and hope that the Federal government will step in and take the situation in hand for the sake of agriculture.

It does seem that there would be little opposition to a control program when the manifold benefits are remembered. It is certain that the American people are getting more and eating more as a result of production control than they did just a short while back.

But there is opposition to a planned agriculture, and it is up to the farmers to tear down this opposition. How they are to do it may not be so simple, but it is safe to say that a good start can be made by joining the Farm Bureau Federation and have it seek favorable legislation in the halls of state and national law-making bodies.

Special Session Needed

Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus is again on the spot. This time the tobacco farmers watch from the sidelines while others point out the urgent need for a special session of the North Carolina legislature to pass necessary laws that would qualify this State to participate in unemployment insurance provisions under the social security act.

A short crop of tobacco was the result of weather conditions this year, but the fact that no efforts were made toward control cost Eastern Carolina farmers thousands of dollars this year. No one knows how successful those efforts proposed under the compact plan would have proven, but at that time the only open was through a special session of the legislature.

Now the state stands to lose \$2,500,000 if a special session is not held and certain laws passed. Remembering the fiery action of the governor earlier this year, one is the opinion that no special session of the state's law-making body will be held to save a mere two and a half million dollars.

If the gathering of the legislature is so dangerous, then why hold a session next January?

The governor never did explain to the satisfaction of tobacco farmers who he refused to call a special session of the assembly back yonder. Probably he can support his course when he acts or fails to act on the need of a special session now.

Preparing for Another Crop

The close of the 1936 tobacco marketing season finds farmers in this county making preparations for another crop. No one knows definitely how much acreage he will plant to tobacco, but it is certain that the farmers generally are planning plant beds on a larger scale than ever before.

Farmers in this county, with few exceptions, are strongly in favor of some type of control for the crop next season. Much has been said about control, but so far not one thing has been accomplished toward that end. And the prediction just now is that a large crop will be undertaken in 1937.

an effort to insure themselves against a bumper crop in 1937 and resulting starvation prices.

If some type of control is not advanced, every farmer will do well to cut his tobacco crop next year. By doing just that he is certain that his losses will be less, and the possibility that he will make money is increased.

It is a bit disturbing that farmers over the tobacco belt have not joined hands already and prepared to present an appeal to the law-making bodies of state and nation for protection. Pitt County has made a noble effort along that line, but this and other counties have made little or no progress to get in step with the movement.

Facing Starvation Prices

Speaking before a gathering of farmers in Wilson County recently, Howard Watson, president of the Wilson County Farm Bureau, said, in urging them to concerted action, "If we sit still and do nothing we are not only facing starvation prices for our tobacco in 1937, but a loss also of between 20 and 30 per cent of our tobacco base for next year."

With the possible exception of the farmers in Pitt County little has been accomplished in other counties in the tobacco belt by farmers in perfecting a strong organization to appeal for consideration at the hands of state and national legislators who meet just a few weeks from now.

Just what type of program could be effected through an organization of farmers is not definitely known. It is known, however, that unless the tobacco growers and other farmers wage the battle themselves little in the way of aid or even slight recognition can be expected.

The present situation finds the Federal authorities powerless to effect a very favorable program for agriculture, but they are anxious and willing to do all they can to aid agriculture. The appeals of farmers will be heard with sympathy, and all will be done that can be done, but the farmers must come together and formulate and direct their appeals to the proper authorities before any definite action can be taken in the way of control legislation by state compacts.

Watson also said, "If we don't have some kind of control next year, where there are 1,000 pounds of the weed this year there will be 10,000 pounds of it next year. How will 900,000,000 pounds affect the crop next year, and how will new acreage affect the tobacco base?"

Costly Practice

The general idea of measuring progress in terms of what we have today, with no regard of what we may have in the future, causes us to overlook some very important happenings. For instance, the 1936 soil-erosion bill will amount to \$60,000,000 in North Carolina, a fact that alarms only a few. The loss of a few acres of tobacco by hail will cause more excitement in a single county than a \$60,000,000 soil erosion loss will cause over the entire State.

This bill is to be paid in time to come, and already a considerable amount is being exacted of the farmer as he starts his crop in the spring. The actual payment is made unconsciously, but it is being paid, and will be paid in full sooner or later. The western farmer is paying for foolish practice in a big way. He did not stop to consider the results when he turned the rich soil of the plains under year after year. But the winds came and with them went the loose earth, causing wreck and ruin. Years will be required to restore the land, and in the meantime the farmer will have to turn to other sections for a livelihood.

Soil erosion is a slow process in our section of the state. We do not recognize the loss so slow is the process. Erosion is underway just the same, and each year more commercial fertilizer is necessary to produce crops. New diseases appear, and already the raising of tobacco is the biggest gamble on the farm.

The soil conservation program in effect this year for the first time may not mean much today in actual dollars and cents, but it means everything to the future prosperity of this and every other section.

Trot Out the Candidate

Already, before Mr. Hoey begins a four-year term as governor of North Carolina, possible candidates to succeed him four years hence are being mentioned. Just who are these candidates? Are they representative of the interests? If they are members of the "ring," then let the people trot out a candidate of their own now and not wait until a few months before the primary.

The activities marked by bitterness in the last primary campaign should awaken the people now. If they are tired of having governors "handed down" to them, as they claim, then they should start their campaign when those whom they call their opponents start theirs. They should be on the job, take an interest in government year in and year out, and not stir up strife at the last minute in their own party ranks.

First Step for Peace

The trend away from guns and ware equipment in toyland this season is about the soundest movement toward peace of any reported in recent years, including all the proposals reported out of Geneva. The desired result may not be immediate, but surely in years to come the training centered around a harmless toy—one that exemplifies peace and merriment rather than murder and destruction—will make itself felt in all countries.

Hopelessly Discredited

Detroit News

We wouldn't trust some of this year's crop of straw poll operators to count the shopping days left till Christmas correctly.

NOTICE OF LAND SALE

Under and by virtue of the powers contained in and in execution of the duties imposed upon me by a certain judgment of the Superior Court of Washington County, North Carolina, entered in an action therein pending entitled "The Town of Creswell vs. Mrs. M. E. Smithson," I will on Wednesday the 30th day of December, 1936 at 12 o'clock noon and as long thereafter as the sale may require, at the courthouse door of Washington County in the town of Plymouth, N. C., offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described lands and premises, to-wit:

One lot on the Mill road in the Town of Creswell, two lots known as Farm Supply in the Town of Creswell, one lot on Sixth Street in the Town of Creswell, three lots on 4th Street in the Town of Creswell, one lot known as the T. C. Holmes and Company lot, and one lot No. 37 known as Louis Sprull in the town of Creswell, for more complete description see Books 84, 84, pages 556, 386 respectively, registry of Washington County.

The above property is sold subject to all taxes accrued since the year of 1932.

This 30th day of November, 1936. W. M. DARDEN, Commissioner.

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Two lots on Sixth and on Main Streets in the Town of Creswell, for more complete description see the will of the late William Wiley, of record in the office of clerk of superior court of Washington County in Will Book B, page 450.

The above property is sold subject to all taxes that have accrued since the year of 1932.

This 30th day of November, 1936. W. M. DARDEN, Commissioner.

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NOTICE

Having qualified as the administratrix of the estate of the late Mrs. S. S. Aumack, of Washington County, North Carolina, this is to notify all having claims against the estate of the said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Roper, North Carolina, on or before the first day of December, 1937, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the said estate will make immediate payment to the undersigned administratrix.

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Mrs. MAGGIE EVERETT

Administratrix of the Estate of Mrs. S. S. Aumack. n27 6t

NOTICE

North Carolina, Washington County; In superior court. John L. Roper Lumber Co. vs. John Bell, Et Al

Notice is hereby given to all persons concerned or interested that petition has been filed in this court by O. W. Williams, which petition sets forth that he is the owner of registered estate No. 139, certificate for which is recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Washington County in book 6, page 125, and is the owner of registered estate No. 359, certificate for which is re-

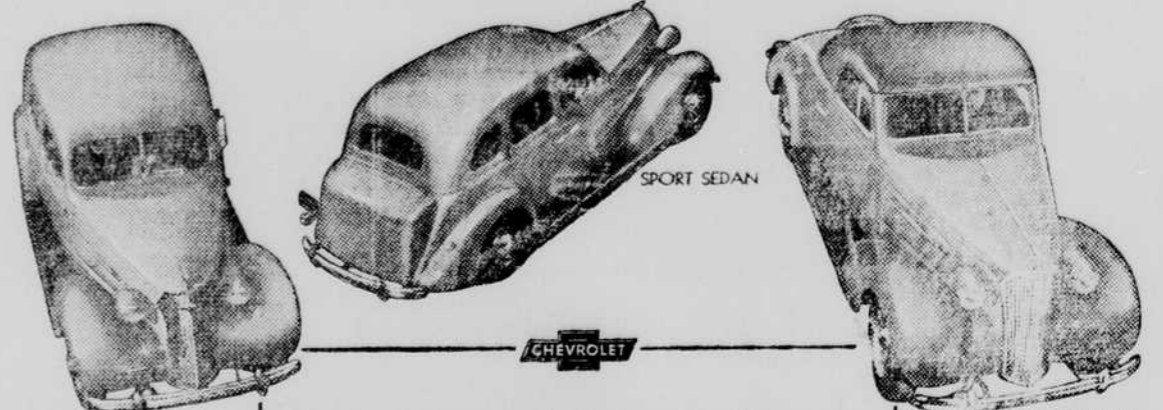
corded in the office of Register of Deeds of Washington County in book 6, page 101, both of which certificates are referred to and made parts of this notice, and that both of said certificates have been destroyed by fire. That said O. W. Williams claims to be the owner of the lands described in both of said certificates and to be entitled to new certificates therefor in lieu of said destroyed certificates, and that said petitioner prays that an order be made directing the issuance of new certificates as provided by section 2392 of the Consolidated Statutes. All persons interested are notified to file their objections, if any, to said petition on or before December 21,

1936, or same will not be considered and said petition will be granted.

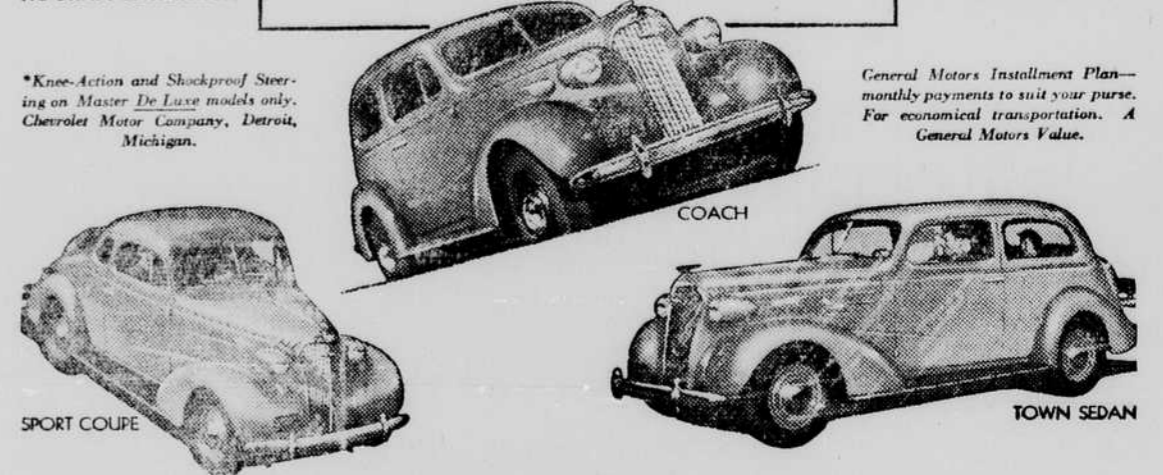
Witness my hand this November 21, 1936. C. V. W. AUSBON, Clerk Superior Court. n27 4t

DR. V. H. MEWBORN OP-TOM-E-TRIST Williamston office, Peele Jewelry Co., Monday, Dec. 21. Robersonville office: Robersonville Drug Co., Tuesday, Dec. 22. Bethel office, Rives Drug Co., Wednesday, Dec. 23. Plymouth office, Liverman Drug Co., Thurs., Dec. 10, Thur., Dec. 24. Eyes Examined — Glasses Fitted Tarboro Every Saturday

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