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GEORGIA TO BASE SYSTEM ON OURS

Will Follow North Carolina's Example in Working Out a State-Wide System of Good Roads.

Asheville, N. C., July 20.—North Carolina's highway system, construction and maintenance methods, will be closely followed by Georgia in her proposed road building program, should the report of the joint highway commission of that state to the Georgia legislature be adopted, according to Representative Mann, of Brunswick, Glynn County, who is chairman of the twin committee.

The Georgia solons, with Georgia state highway officials and North Carolinians piloting them, arrived in Asheville yesterday afternoon shortly after 6 o'clock from Charlotte. They were much impressed with the condition of the roads they have traversed in this state.

Mr. Mann, who in addition to being chairman of the joint committee from the senate and house of representatives of the Georgia legislature, is also sponsor of the road building bill now before the Georgia legislature. It provides for a bond issue of forty millions maturing in 27 years, the sum to be expended over a period of five years at the rate of eight millions annually.

Under this bill, the total sum available for road construction, not including maintenance, in the five years period would be in excess of sixty millions, since considerable federal aid would be provided, and the counties are also allotted one million annually from the state gasoline tax for road construction apart from maintenance.

The bond issue of forty millions would be retired with the income derived from the state gasoline tax of three cents and the license tax.

The only criticism the Georgia legislators had to offer on North Carolina's road building program was that so great a sum of money was expended in three years. The Georgians believe that by spreading such a sum over a period of five years much better results can be obtained, in savings on interest and waste.

"We find the North Carolinians very optimistic, and especially proud of their road system," Mr. Mann told the Times. "And we all believe they have reason to be proud of such an achievement as theirs. Few states have made such remarkable strides forward in any period of history, and on every hand we are told that all the progress and prosperity dates back to the time when North Carolina began building good roads."

"Now it is up to Georgia to get in the procession, and we believe that the bill now before the legislature will receive favorable action. In our report to the legislature we will recommend following closely the methods used in North Carolina, financial as well as for the actual construction and maintenance."—Asheville Times.

Only the Early Lambs Return Profit to Grower

Raleigh, N. C., July 21.—"The present seasonal break in lamb prices is nothing unexpected to the trade. Western spring lamb has begun to run freely and the public appetite has turned more generally to young chicken, which is now available in large volume.

"Every year tells the same story," says G. P. Williams, Sheep field agent for the State College of Agriculture. "This lesson itself should be heeded by those having lambs to ship to northern slaughter markets. Unsteadiness of the lamb market, with progressive declines is just about certain to come early in June if not earlier.

"Eastern North Carolina can produce an extra early lamb that may be put into the market before prices decline; but unfortunately feeding conditions in the western part of the state under present management have made early lambing disastrous in a majority of cases because the farmer has not provided adequate feed to start the lambs till the arrival of spring grass supplies this requirement."

The marketing of lambs is much like the selling of any other early seasonal product states Mr. Williams. If the producer does not take advantage of seasonal earliness he must depend upon sheer bulk of product for his cash returns.

ROBERT ARMOUR GIVES A RECITAL

Large Audience Greeted New York Singer at His First Public Appearance Here Last Friday Night.

A large and appreciative audience from Franklin and the neighborhood greeted the first appearance of Mr. Robert Armour in concert Friday evening at the Court House.

Mr. Armour justified his reputation as a singer of high attainments. His flexible lyric tenor was shown to very beautiful effect, and also his versatility in style. He rendered with accuracy and polish a well-chosen program, ranging from famous old classics like Handel's Care Selve in sustained legato to most intricate modern composers.

One of his most applauded numbers was Brahms' Sapphic Ode, a beautiful piece of restrained poetic interpretation of a great musical work. His light modern songs appealed with great popularity, as well as some lovely Old English folk songs, and some brilliant operatic numbers.

Mr. Armour is accepting several concert engagements, and Franklin will look forward to frequent presentations of his artistic musicianship.

He was ably accompanied by our local artist, Mrs. E. C. Kingsbery.

Makes Good Success in Growing Red Clover

Lenoir, N. C., July 21.—That red clover can be grown with success as a hay and soil improving crop in Caldwell county has been successfully demonstrated by H. P. Robinson, a farmer of near Granite Falls reports D. M. Roberts farm demonstration agent for the State College Extension Service.

Mr. Robinson has a field of twenty-two acres to which he planted corn followed by crimson clover in the fall. The crimson clover was turned under and in the early spring of 1923, Mr. Robinson sowed the field to a mixture of spring oats and red clover. Just as soon as the oats would do for hay, the field was mowed and an average of two tons of good hay, half of which was red clover, was secured per acre. Later in the summer, he harvested another cutting of hay at the rate of one ton per acre making a total of three tons per acre for 1923.

In addition to the hay secured, a third growth covered the land and made a splendid winter cover crop.

Then in early June of this year, Mr. Robinson clipped the field again with the 22 acres again yielding hay at the rate of two tons per acre. At this time it looks if there would be a second crop of fine growth to be secured for hay. From this one sowing Mr. Robinson has already secured five tons of hay per acre and some of the best farmers from over in Catawba County who have seen the field stated that they had never seen its equal.

According to County Agent Roberts, it is expected that by the time the season is over this year, a record in hay production from this field will have been made that will compare most favorably with any in the State. "Good farming methods, thorough land preparation, and proper harvesting were largely responsible for the success attending Mr. Robinson's efforts," says Mr. Roberts.

Carson Chapel News.

Harvest is almost over and farmers are planning for their vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Frazier returned to their home at Gastonia, N. C., last week, after spending several days here visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. Ralph Moore has a terrible smile spread on his face. It's a girl.

Mr. Bernard Emory, who has been making his home in the West for the past several years, is visiting home folks here.

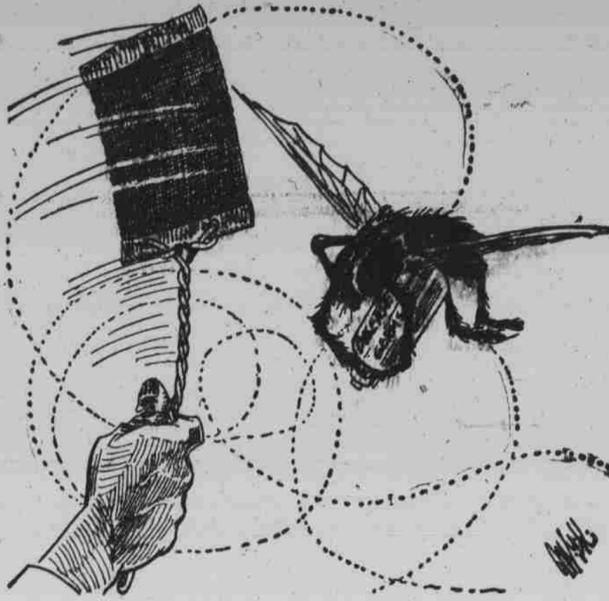
Rev. W. M. Smith filled his regular appointment at Carson Chapel last Sunday.

Misses Bessie and Lizzie Emory entertained in honor of their brother Bernard Monday night. All present reported a nice time.

The annual district conference will meet at Louisa Chapel beginning Wednesday night and will close Sunday. A large crowd is expected to attend.

JUNE BUG.

War Declared!!!



KILL MAJOR WHO GAVE THEM RIDE

Major Samuel H. McLeary Killed by Two Strangers He Picked Up, and His Body Hid in Woods.

Cheraw, S. C., July 20.—The slain body of Major Samuel H. McLeary, U. S. army officer, was found in a patch of woods near here, one of the confessed murderers directing officers to the hiding place.

Mortimer N. King, a young man living near Canton, N. C., where he was arrested, told a most gruesome story of how he and a companion, given a motor ride by the major, shot him to death, throwing his body overboard, and taking his personal effects and automobile to a place near Canton where the car was found wrecked.

King's companion, known to the police, is missing from his home near Union, S. C., and is believed headed for the west.

The army officer was missing two weeks before his car was found near King's home. King admitted being a deserter, from the army and navy. Robbery, he said, was the motive of the crime.

The trial of King will take place in Cheraw.

A clever piece of detective work on the part of City Editor Subert Holloway of the Asheville Citizen is said to have led to King's arrest and confession.

Major McLeary, when slain was en route, under orders, from one army post to another. He was a native of Texas.

HOGS DOUBLE PROFIT ON CORN

Raleigh, N. C., July 21.—Corn raised on land that will produce forty bushels per acre will cost around 70 cents per bushel to produce charging for man labor at 30 cents per hour. If sold as corn on the farm at \$1.00 per bushel there is a profit of 30 cents per bushel, or \$12.00 per acre.

When this corn is properly supplemented with balancing feeds and fed to hogs; the hogs sold at \$8.25 per 100 pounds, delivered at the farm, and the cost of the supplemental feeds then deducted, the returns for corn will be about \$1.30 per bushel. The profit per bushel is thereby doubled, and the plant food value of about 15 cents per bushel, will remain on the farm, thus paying handsomely for the trouble of selling the corn in this way.

When fed to hogs we have a per acre profit of \$24.00 and a return per hour for human labor devoted to producing the corn of slightly over \$1.00 or \$10.00 per ten-hour day. This is one of the reasons why properly fed live stock is more profitable than the customary method of figuring shows, states W. W. Shay, Swine Extension Specialist for the State College of Agriculture.

WHEELER TO RUN AS INDEPENDENT

Montana Senator Will Run for Vice-President on the Ticket Headed by Senator LaFollette.

Washington, D. C., July 19.—Senator Burton K. Wheeler, of Montana, democratic prosector of the senate Daugherty committee, today announced his acceptance of second place on the independent presidential ticket headed by Senator Robert M. LaFollette.

Although he previously had declared he would not accept such a designation, Mr. Wheeler yielded and reversed his decision after he had been urged to do so by Senator LaFollette and by several of his principal advisers.

A special committee from the group of LaFollette followers in conference here called on the Montana senator yesterday and formally tendered him the endorsement of the conference for the vice-presidency. He promised to reply today and he did so soon after he reached his office.

Efforts to get Senator Wheeler on the ticket were suddenly renewed yesterday after the national committee had assembled here to select a candidate and map out campaign plans and the Daugherty investigation prosector promised a definite answer within 24 hours.

It generally had been supposed that Mr. Wheeler had eliminated himself from consideration, but Senator LaFollette appealed to him personally to change his mind, and a delegation called on him with word that the committee, instructed by the Cleveland convention which agreed to support LaFollette's candidacy to endorse a vice-presidential candidate, was unanimous in desiring his name on the ticket.

Committee members were a bit at sea as to where they would turn for a nominee should Senator Wheeler decline to run.

The national committee, in addition to disposing of the vice-presidential question, had a number of pressing campaign problems to work out today, among them the question of finance.

W. M. U. Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Baptist Women's Missionary Societies was held with the Burningtown Baptist Church in an all-day session July 18th. Reports of the last year's work and plans for the new year were discussed. A special feature of the day's program was a demonstration of the Sunbeam Band of Iota.

Mrs. Randolph, of Bryson City, represented our State, with a talk on \$75,000,000 campaign achievements.

All will be sorry to learn that Miss Bertha Moore will not be able to serve another year as Superintendent. Mrs. A. J. Smith was elected to serve until Miss Moore can return. The women accepted the cordial invitation from the church at Coweta to meet there next July. The hospitality of the Burningtown people was very much appreciated.

CAMPAIGN PLANS BEING ARRANGED

John W. Davis Turns Over Details to Clem Shaver and Other Party Workers—Is Taking Vacation.

New York, N. Y., June 18.—Having selected his campaign manager, Clem L. Shaver, of West Virginia, and fixed August 11 as the date for his formal notification, John W. Davis was speeding northward today along the rockbound coast of Maine in search of solitude in which to study out his address accepting the democratic presidential nomination.

His destination is Seven Hundred Acres Island, off Rockland, the summer home of Charles Dana Gibson, whose guests he and Mrs. Davis will be for the next ten days. Returning to New York at the end of that time, he will put his address in writing before departing for Clarksburg, W. Va., where the notification ceremonies will be held, probably on the lawn of his sister's home.

In determining upon August 11th as the date of his official notification of the action of the New York convention, Mr. Davis has elected to fire the first broadside of the 1924 campaign, at least so far as the two major political parties are concerned.

President Coolidge will not be notified formally of his nomination until a week after the exercises at Clarksburg. Both ceremonies will take place at night, so that the vast radio audience over the country may listen in without interruption.

During his stay at the Gibson home Mr. Davis will not devote his time wholly to work. There will be frequent rounds of golf and the nominee may try his hand at deep sea fishing. That would be sport in rough and choppy seas, but Mr. Davis is what is known as a good sailor, having known the agonies of seasickness but once in his life.

With Mr. Shaver now actively on the job, the nominee has laid aside, for the time being, at least, the cares of campaign organization. He has no engagement to confer with party leaders while in Maine, but will, of course, receive any who may call on him.

Mr. Davis is accompanied by his close friend and confidential adviser, Frank L. Polk, under secretary of state in the Wilson administration, and they have discussed political matters during part of the trip, but Mr. Polk is making the journey to join Mr. Polk and the children, who are spending the summer at Dark Harbor, Islesboro.

TAKE CARE OF THE POULTRY SURPLUS

Raleigh, N. C., July 21.—Much valuable information has been given to poultry producers relative to the value of culling the flocks, how done, and the time when it should be done.

Before the summer is over, farmers who are awake to the value of this work will not fail to look after the marketing of the culls and surplus spring chickens and will keep only those that will be profitable for egg production this fall and winter.

"Then," says V. W. Lewis, Livestock Marketing Specialist, "don't forget that the State Division of Markets is intensely interested in this Poultry and Egg Marketing project. If you have a poultry club in your community, organize one. Get other clubs organized and unite your efforts to make up a carlot of poultry for sale. When you do this, your market is any point in the United States where the most money can be had. Until you do this, your market will be largely local and at the mercy of some huckster or local dealer.

"It is well to patronize local markets and we advise that you do not overlook them, but any wise class of producers will have to look beyond his home town and community for even a small surplus of products. It may be the small surplus that breaks the market if you are not prepared to dispose of it wisely.

"The carlot marketing of poultry takes care of this surplus in a very satisfactory way, paying you market price at the car door. Try it on your surplus this summer."