

Local Letters

with Turkish tobacco and that last year at Oxford, N. C., better Turkish tobacco—and more per acre—were grown than in Turkey. Thousands and thousands of dollars have been spent on the tests by the N. C. Department of Agriculture, Duke University, and the Agricultural Experiment Station.

Why the secrecy of the fact that North Carolina this year will have around 100 farmers producing on a trial basis Turkish Tobacco?

For more than a year now those in charge of the experiments at Oxford have planned to send out publicity on the work—and now it is coming out piecemeal... an item here and a hint about "aromatic" (that's Turkish) tobacco there. Why not a full story, or nothing?

Facts about Turkish tobacco: plants are set from four to six inches apart; it is never topped; the leaves are about four inches in length; it is air-cured; for curing, it must be "sawed" on the stick with a needle; after curing, it is arranged in small balls; it usually sells for about twice as much as ordinary flue-cured tobacco; it requires so much labor that it is tailor-made for small farms and large families; and it is planned for mountain farmers to grow it—two or three acres to a farm; the average yield is around 1,400 pounds to the acre; the best fertilizer is regular barnyard manure.

There was a short article about it in last Saturday's Greensboro Daily News—and in other papers last week.

LUNCH—The next time you come to Raleigh you may have the opportunity to have lunch with Governor Cherry. That's right. The late great Dr. B. W. Kilgore established Pine State Creamery here, and Pine State has a dairy lunch place on Salisbury Street which is frequently frequented by Mr. Cherry. It's not a big place, and it's very humbly appointed, as they say, but Governor Cherry looks right at home in there eating his doughnuts and drinking a pint of milk.

He goes in, stands in line with the others, and "lords it" over nobody. Come around some time and eat with our governor in the real, old democratic way. No stuffy atmosphere ever surrounds the new governor—quite refreshing.

FRIENDS — This column said last week that "the friendship between Roosevelt and Lindsay Warren may be against his being appointed successor to Meekins, rather than for it." The column was carried on Thursday and Friday in 20 non-daily papers, and on Saturday the news came from Washington that "Warren will not accept judicial post."

308 — Yes, 308 divorces were granted in Wake county Superior Court during 1944. There were 786 marriages. September, the high month, saw 42 divorces granted in your State Capital.

In one day during the past two weeks, the Wake court granted 14 divorces.

The bill to reduce the separation time from two years to one has been killed and now one to pull it up to three is being considered.

WHO? — The question now is who will be the new Federal judge for Eastern North Carolina. Well, this will be left largely to O. Max Gardner, who is very close to the President, and Comptroller General Lindsay Warren, also an FDA stalwart.

Any Congressman in the east would be glad to get the place, for there is not much money in being a Congressman, believe it or not, what with having to run

Eavenson Brothers Serve On Sea and In Air



MR. AND MRS. H. H. EAVENSON, of Waynesville, R.F.D. No. 1, have three sons in the service. They are: T. Sgt. Jim Eavenson, who entered the service in August, 1939, and served for 9 months and was discharged and then rejoined following attack of Pearl Harbor. At the time he entered the Air Corps the second time he was employed at Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company. He took his training at Keesler Field and from there was sent to Panama and then back to the States. Before being sent overseas he was trained at Fort Myers, Fla., Wichita Falls, Tex., a base in Louisiana, and Banger, Me. He has been overseas for the past eight months.

Lester H. Eavenson, seaman 2/c, entered the service in October, 1944, and was inducted at Camp Croft and from there sent to Bainbridge, Md. Upon completion of boot training he was sent to Richmond, Va. He recently visited his family here. His wife, the former Miss Margaret Sparks, and three children reside at Waynesville, R.F.D. No. 1. At the time he entered the service he was employed by the Unagusta Manufacturing Company.

Tom Eavenson, S 2/c, entered the service in April, 1944, and took his boot training at Camp Peary, Va., and from there was assigned to sea duty. He was with the forces in the invasion of the Philippines. He is entitled to wear three bronze stars. At the time he entered the service he was employed by the Navy Yards at Portsmouth, Va.

every two years and high living expenses in Washington. Despite the fact that some lawyers in Columbus county did a fool trick and endorsed Superior Court Judge W. C. Harris (Raleigh) for the place, instead of their own Congressman J. Bayard Clark, chances are that Clark or Former Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus will get the place. At least one high-ranking Democrat has already given his blessings to Clark.

FIRE—It now looks as if the General Assembly will take from State School Superintendent Clyde Erwin virtually all of the power which the two Broughton Legislatures gave him. If the bill now being considered is passed—and it likely will be—then count Superintendent Erwin out regarding anything concerned with the handling of school funds. In 1941 and again in 1943, and all along in between these years, Governor Broughton turned his big double-barrelled guns on the old State School Commission. If nothing goes amiss, the whole business will backfire and the State School Commission—call it what you will—will run the school finances of North Carolina, and Erwin will

have little say-so. It is apparent that he has little or no influence with the Legislature. Erwin is a very personable fellow, but is a babe in the woods when it comes to political maneuvering.

TRIAL—The trial of Dr. Leon R. Meadows, ex-president of Eastern Carolina Teachers College, is expected to run for at least another week. He is charged with failure to account for more than \$18,000 handled by him while he was the head man at E. C. T. C. Will he be found guilty? In considering this query, don't overlook this point: 10 of the 12 persons on the jury are farmers of Pitt county.

Those who have attended the trial are amazed at Dr. Meadows' calm manner even under cross-examination. "That fellow is just as much at ease as you would be at home listening to your favorite radio program," remarked one man in the audience last week. If Dr. Meadows is found guilty, he can look for more trouble from the Federal income tax folks. And the amount the State is now spending in trying him will not be much less than the \$18,000 the defendant is charged with misappropriating.

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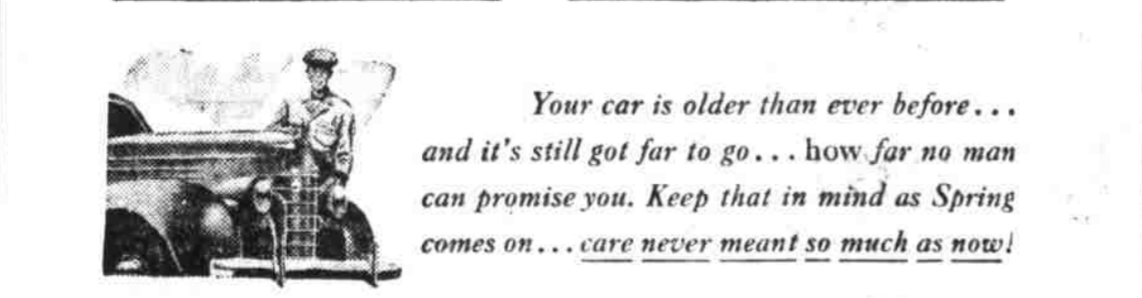
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