

Tobacco Referendum July 23 For 8000 Tobacco Growers In Duplin County

Approximately 8,000 flue-cured tobacco growers in Duplin County are eligible to vote in the referendum to be held Saturday, July 23, on flue-cured tobacco marketing quotas according to Joe E. Sloan, chairman of the County ACC. The referendum will be held in accordance with the law which provides for marketing quotas on flue-cured tobacco for the 1950 crop. In the referendum, growers may vote for quotas for three years beginning with the 1950 crop; may vote for quotas for 1950 only; or they may vote against quotas. However, marketing quotas cannot be in effect unless approved by at least two-thirds of the growers voting in the referendum. Marketing quotas furnish growers with a method of adjusting supply to demand and help growers obtain fair prices for the tobacco they produce.

"Any person who has an interest in the 1949 crop of flue-cured tobacco as an owner, tenant, or sharecropper is entitled to vote in the referendum," Mr. Sloan said. "However, no person is entitled to more than one vote even though he may

be engaged in production of flue-cured tobacco in two or more communities, or states." Mr. Sloan explained that if marketing quotas are approved, individual acreage allotments will be continued in 1950. Individual allotments for 1950 will be about the same as the 1949 allotment for any farm which has produced up to 75 percent of its allotted acreage in any one of the past three years.

"If quotas are approved, price support loans at 90% of the parity price will be available on the 1950 crop of flue-cured tobacco if producers approve quotas in this referendum. Regardless of the outcome of this referendum, price support loans at 90% of parity will be available on the 1949 crop as a protection to farmers," Sloan said.

It was emphasized that the loan program affords growers the opportunity of obtaining loans based on grades. Loans furnish a protection that eliminates some of the price risks from tobacco growing.

Mr. Sloan said Duplin's 1949 crop of tobacco is indicated at approximately 20,000 acres.

Bust The Labor Trust

By: GEORGE PECK

In 1890 we passed the Sherman Act which made illegal monopolies of trade and commerce. Theodore Roosevelt used this Act as his "Biblical" to bust the business trusts.

In 1914 came the Clayton Act with amendments to the anti-trust laws. Labor unions thought this Act would exempt them, but the U. S. Supreme Court held that unions which monopolized or restrained trade or commerce were punishable under the Sherman Act in spite of the provisions of the Clayton Act.

In 1932 Congress passed the Norris-LaGuardia Act limiting the use of injunctions in Federal courts in certain labor controversies. Since the passage of this act the Supreme Court, in a series of decisions, has held that a union pursuing its own objectives and not conspiring with employers is not liable to punishment or penalty under the Sherman Act, for any restraints of trade or monopolies it may cause.

Theodore Roosevelt, during his Presidency, broke up the business combines and monopolies that were in restraint of trade. It was during the reign of another Roosevelt — Franklin — that monopolies far more injurious than business monopolies had been, were created. Today there is no legal restraint imposed by Federal law, other than short delays, on any action by a labor union which might have the effect of shutting down an entire industry.

As a result, industry-wide unions

have grown in power and number. The United Mine Workers now is able to shut off the supply of coal to the country any time John L. Lewis lifts his bushy eyebrows, without fear of any restraint under Federal statutes. The automobile unions can shut down all the automobile plants, the railroad unions can halt all the railroads, etc., etc. We have created a Frankenstein as a direct result of the passage of the Clayton and Norris-LaGuardia Acts.

Our system of government was devised to prevent concentration of power in the hands of any government group. But now we have erected, as a result of Congressional legislation, monopolies which can exercise arbitrary power and which can bring this nation to its knees whenever they desire to exercise that power.

The remedy is to strike at the existence of this power by breaking up big industry-wide unions into smaller unions, so that the economic power remaining to smaller unions will not be sufficient, if exercised, to do grievous damage to the country as a whole.

This can easily be accomplished by amending the anti-trust laws to provide that monopolization of the supply of labor in any industry engaged in interstate or foreign commerce shall be prohibited, notwithstanding the provisions of the Clayton and Norris-LaGuardia Acts, which the Supreme Court has decided exempt unions from the anti-trust laws. Under such a law, the courts would have the authority to adjust the remedy to the facts in each case and could, in each case of a dissolved union, prescribe the



MRS. JOHN LANDRUM HAWKINS, who before her marriage on July 9 at the Wallace Presbyterian Church was Miss Doris Ann Eyrd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Julius Wells of Wallace. Mr. Hawkins is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Paul Hawkins of Shelby.

limitation of size of any of the component parts, and the amount of cooperation which would be permitted between them.

The remedies which have been discussed in Congress, such as seizure of plants of employers whose employees are on strike or enjoining a strike impairing the national welfare, but only for a limited period, reach only the symptoms of the disease of monopoly and do not strike at its roots. Unless Congress and the people decide to eradicate the disease at its source, i.e., by breaking up the big unions, and limiting the size of their component parts, we shall continue to be afflicted with strikes, unreasonable labor demands, and continued turmoil, all in utter disregard of the national welfare.

The business trusts were busted

—it's now time to bust the labor trusts.

State College Answers Timely Farm Questions

Q. What is this Oxford type ventilator I've been hearing so much about?

A. It is simply a ventilator located along the ridge of the tobacco barn. It should be built to permit openings ranging from four square feet down to fully closed. Ridge-type ventilators have been found helpful in the close regulation of



REFERENDUM REMINDER—"I'm no tobacco farmer," says young Larry Allen of Wake County, N. C., "but Saturday, July 23 is an important date for everybody. That's the day every flue-cured grower—landowner, tenant and sharecropper—should go to his community polling place to vote on TOBACCO ASSOCIATES and MARKETING QUOTAS. My Daddy says tobacco farmers have the best program they've ever had, but they must vote Saturday, July 23 to keep that program."

temperature and humidity late in the season as the female line. All the pollen is furnished by plants being used as the male line.

Q. Why is it necessary to detassel corn being produced for hybrid seed?

A. The pollen from the tassel is likely to fall on the silk of the same plant, thus producing an inbred. To produce a hybrid, all tassels are broken off from plants being used

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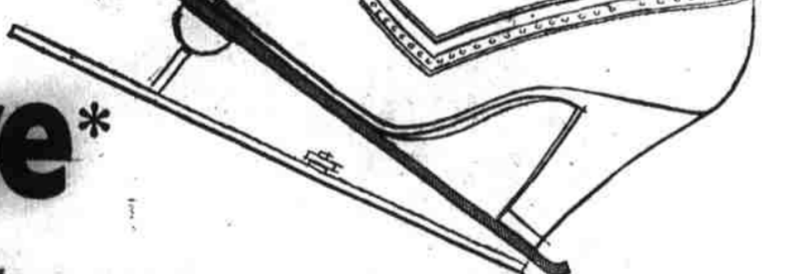
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