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## OVERPRODUCTION SERIOUS MENACE TO THE FARMERS

### Hardest Task of the Federal Farm Board is to Keep Crop Production Down to Demand, Otherwise Low Prices Will Result.

Through the activities of the Federal Farm Board the warning of the danger of overproduction is being carried forcibly and continuously to the farmers of the United States.

The Farm Board is only nine months old this April, but its contacts with the farmers of the United States are already more direct and widespread than those of any other governmental agency. This is natural, since the farm board's chief task is to keep the most sensitive part of the human make-up, the "proletariat."

The Farm Board's purpose is to help the farmer to get more money for his products, if not by increasing the cost to the consumer, at least by insuring that the grower shall get all of the price which has heretofore been wasted between grower and consumer, by unnecessary middlemen's tolls and the operation of speculators.

Somehow, as human nature is constituted, we pay more attention to the man or the organization which promises to make more money for us than we do to the institution that merely tries to teach us how to run our business better. The manufacturer of and commodity is likely to show much more interest in the reports of his salesmen as to what sort of goods the trade demands than he is to the engineer who merely shows him how to improve his product. And the Federal Farm Board—rather, the national cooperative selling agencies set up under its direction—is in the position of the farmers' salesman. In the course of time and perhaps a shorter time than some of the critics think, an overwhelming majority of all farm products grown in the United States will be handled from grower to consumer through these agencies.

And when these cooperative selling agencies tell their members that they are producing too much of this or not enough of that, and prove it to them by the prices which they get for the commodities designated, there is certain to be attention from the growers.

So far only eleven commodities have been designated by the Farm Board as requiring special national selling agencies to handle them exclusively. They are cotton, dairy products, wheat, rice, livestock, wool and mohair, tobacco, poultry and eggs, seeds, potatoes and coarses grains. There are of course dozens of other agricultural products which will be organized either singly or in groups. An entirely new kind of administrative machinery cannot be expected to get into full swing immediately. It is going to take three or four growing seasons, in all probability, before all of the farmers of the United States fully understand how the new system operates and how to take advantage of it.

Control of production, in the interest of more stable prices for growers, is a definite function of the Farm Board under the law which created it. And already the board has found the situation in some commodities, especially wheat, tobacco and cotton, to be such as to point definitely to lower prices because of overproduction.

The present decrease in wheat acreage is being advocated today by the board, which points to a surplus of a hundred million bushels in 1929 above the total demand of the world's markets, in proof of its statement that too much wheat is being grown. Farmers could make more money out of 650,000,000 bushels than they are making now out of 850,000,000 bushels. And when the entire wheat market is in the control of the farmers themselves, and that is what the cooperative marketing program is headed for—it will not be so difficult to convince growers that low prices are not always the result of manipulation by speculative interests. They will recognize, as many of them do now, that the remedy is in their hands.

The tobacco situation in the burley districts is so serious that the Farm Board the other day sent a long telegram to state agricultural extension directors in Tennessee and Kentucky warning them that planting reports for 1930 indicate a 15 percent increase over 1929, which would give 75,000,000 pounds more tobacco than last year's crop which was 50,000,000 lbs. more than the market for burley would absorb.

Cotton is much in the same situation with everything pointing to another large crop which, added to the carryover from last year, will force prices down to 1928 levels or even lower.

So long as each individual grower is a law unto himself, there is no practical way to prevent overproduction. But when the only market, or the best



GO AHEAD, SUCKER, GET HER TO COME OVER. SPEND YOUR MONEY TO KEEP HER HERE. I ENJOY HER COMPANY. BUT REMEMBER I AIN'T PUTTIN' OUT!

## REPUBLICAN DRYS OF SENATE CLASH ON PROHIBITION

### Criticism Directed at Mellon and Mitchell; Norris Makes Proposal for Senatorial Inquiry Into Enforcement of Dry Laws

Washington, April 9.—Senate Republican drys clashed today over the proposed senate investigation of prohibition enforcement and over two law enforcement chiefs—Secretary Andrew Mellon and Attorney-General Mitchell.

Senator Brookhart, Republican of Iowa, accused Mellon in the senate, with conducting a campaign against the dry law. He gave notice he would demand a record vote on the reelection of Senator Norris, Republican, Nebraska, another dry, for a senate inquiry into enforcement.

Senator Foss, Republican of Ohio, defended Mr. Mellon in the senate, with conducting a campaign against the dry law. He gave notice he would demand a record vote on the reelection of Senator Norris, Republican, Nebraska, another dry, for a senate inquiry into enforcement.

Attorney General Mitchell appeared before the Senate Judiciary committee earlier in the day and frowned upon the proposed inquiry. He pictured an improvement during the last year in administration of the law.

After hearing the Attorney General before his committee, Senator Norris contended he had no improvement in enforcement and said that politics was playing a part in it.

The committee took no action, however, and the whole prohibition situation is still in its hands, so far as the Senate is concerned. The committee will not meet again until next Monday.

Senator Brookhart contended that Mellon was conducting a campaign against prohibition through W. W. Atterbury, Republican national committeeman from Pennsylvania, and through the Union League Club of New York, to which he said the secretary belonged.

He cited the fact that Mr. Atterbury, who is also president of the Pennsylvania Railroad, was a director of the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment. He recalled that the Union League Club had adopted a resolution calling for the repeal of the 18th amendment.

### MISS LUCY JOHNSON AMONG MEDAL WINNERS

Cornages and gold medals were presented to six members of the editorial staff of "The Carolinian," college paper of the North Carolina college for women, at a banquet held recently at the King Cotton hotel in Greensboro, and among them was Miss Lucy Johnson of Farmville.

The medals were awarded for efficient service. Forty students associated with the paper and on the staff and twenty members off the faculty were present at the enjoyable occasion. Minutary typewriters and treasure chests were given as favors.

### NOTE OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends for the lovely flowers and many acts of kindness shown our daughter, Miss Amelia Lawrence Barnette during her recent illness.

## Merchants Association Gets Down To Business

### Church Army In Farmville

Three members of the church army will be in Farmville next week to conduct a preaching mission in the Episcopal church commencing on Sunday morning at 11. Services will be held in the Church every night at 7:30. The three Evangelists are young men with a burning message of the Gospel of Jesus, Captain Fred Turner, the leader, is an Englishman, and with him are two splendid young American men, Captain William Dwyer from Boston, Mass., and Cadet William Hosking from Portland, Oregon. Here is youth with a vision that you should catch, a vision that Farmville needs today. Everybody is invited to the mission and a special invitation is extended to the young people of the town.

### NAME RECEIVERS FOR 3 COMPANIES

Durham, April 8.—Judge Isaac M. Meekins has signed an order placing the New Hope Realty Company, the First National Company, and the Bankers Security Corporation in the hands of a receiver. The petition for the order was made by Stein Brothers and Boyce, a Baltimore brokerage firm. The order sets forth that the officials of the involved companies appear in New Bern on April 14 to offer cause why the receivership should not be made permanent.

The three companies are under the presidency of J. O. Cobb. The New Hope Realty company deals in real estate, owning extensive properties in the lately developed section of Durham, known as Forest Hill. The Bankers Security Corporation is closely affiliated with the First National Company. The securities corporation is a stock brokerage firm, while the First National Company owns stock in various mills, real estate and other corporations.

The petition states that the New Hope Realty Company has unrealized assets of more than \$227,000. The Bankers Security Corporation has frozen assets in the approximate amount of \$120,000, while the First National allied company's frozen assets are \$283,000. The three concerns are so closely affiliated that it is hard to distinguish the individual company's assets and liabilities.

The combined assets of the three companies amount to more than a million dollars, and it is possible that the liabilities of the companies will equal the assets.

Paul A. Moore and J. B. Mason of this city, have been appointed temporary receivers for the defunct companies.

### POSTMASTERS ARE NAMED FOR STATE

Washington, April 9.—North Carolina postmasters named today by the president are: Hillsboro, Theo. R. Snow; Madison, John M. Joyce; Raleigh, Chas. L. Walters; Lake Park, A. E. Ward; Carleton, Henry R. Head.

### Much Interest Is Being Taken In The Newly Formed Organization Whose Purpose Is To "Keep Your Money At Home"; Meet Again Tuesday Night.

The Home Merchants Association, recently organized here to educate the people of the town benefits derived directly and indirectly by "keeping your money in your home community," held its second meeting in the City Hall Wednesday night. The association now has 21 members—17 in Farmville and four in Franklin—20 of whom were present at the meeting.

J. W. Holmes, local business man, farmer, and candidate for the House of Representatives, made an interesting and instructive talk on "Merchandising and the Importance of Merchant Organizations."

The local organization was represented at the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce banquet held in Kinston last night. Among the speakers at the banquet were L. M. Bailey, J. M. Broughton and Larry L. Moore.

The Home Merchants Association of Farmville and Fountain is meeting with great success in forming a strong organization for the drawing of business to the community and combatting the Wall Street "vultures" who are sucking the very life blood out of business in this section by their chain stores. All merchants and business men called on by the membership committee have joined the organization, with the exception of one, and he said: "From a business view I can not afford to join, but when you need money, come to see me." The committee has been unable to see all the merchants but will call on the remaining few before next Tuesday night at which time the association will hold another meeting in the City Hall to complete its organization and form some definite plan of action. Already a move is on foot to put on a "Dollar Day" and other events to attract the buying public to our community.

At present the following are acting as officers: W. L. Smith, of Smith Grocery Co., President; A. C. Hodges, of Hub Hardware, Secretary; Geo. Holston and W. L. Smith, Membership committee; G. A. Rouse, of the House Printing, W. C. Holston, of Holston Oil Co., and Mr. Yelverton, of Smith Yelverton Co., of Fountain, Advertising committee.

## NEW HOPE LOOMS FOR NAVAL PACT BY FIVE POWERS

### France Receptive as U. S., Britain and Japan Approach Agreement; Developments Rapid During The Day.

London, April 9.—New hope for a five power naval agreement was held out by the French tonight as the U. S., Great Britain and Japan within one step of a "three-power" pact.

Developments followed each other quickly throughout the day, as follows: Britain and American agreed to permit Japan to replace a given number of cruisers and destroyers prior to expiration of their age limits so as to keep Japanese shipsyard employed.

A further meeting was fixed at which Japan's request for the right to transfer some destroyer tonnage to the submarine class was expected to be settled.

The committee of the whole agreed that abolition of submarines was impossible, but decided that each nation could have only three subs and no more than 2000 tons and bearing 6-inch guns. All other submarines must be smaller and must carry smaller guns.

The committee adopted the first committee's report on humanization of submarines.

A subcommittee of experts was appointed to define and classify air-sea carriers.

Last, but not least, was the new French hope for a five power treaty and after a 90 minute conversation at the house of commons between Briand and MacDonald, the French delegation issued the following letter:

"Mr. Briand informed Mr. MacDonald of the result of his conversation in Paris, ending this morning, and Mr. MacDonald outlined the discussions that had occurred in London in the meantime. The present situation resulting from the conversations of the two delegations was examined.

It was agreed to hold another meeting at 5 p. m. tomorrow to continue to search for a method which might permit of a five-power accord."

An authoritative French source said this meant that the French and British had reached an agreement on an interpretation of Article 15 of the League of Nations covenant based on Annex F of the Locarno Treaty. It also was known that the French and English governments had agreed to unite in doing their utmost to harmonize the Kellogg Anti-War Treaty with the covenant.

The French optimism was based on the feeling that England would now feel free to enter a security pact permitting France to reduce its own tonnage figures.

### A PLEA FOR TEMPERANCE

Whoever heard of a poor old man that had to go reeling home, because he had taken a drink too much of somebody's potent rum. Whoever heard of a drunken cow, or even a dizzy cat, or whoever heard of a bloated pig that was not a temperance eat. No, each of the creatures God has made, on earth, in sea, in air needs nothing over to quench its thirst but water pure and fair. So when we are grown big grown up folks, and while we are children small, we'll have as much sense as the dogs and cats, and we will not drink at all.

## District Meeting Firemen Held Here Tuesday Night

### MANY PROTEST AGAINST PARKER

#### Socialist Party Jumps In Opposition; Manufacturers Record Favor Him

Washington, April 8.—Senator Overman continues to get a jolt of mail daily in regard to confirmation of Judge John J. Parker. He heard yesterday from Norman Thomas, chairman of the Public Relations Committee of his party against confirmation.

Another vigorous protestant is Thomas F. Molloy, president of the United States Federation of America, who has tried unsuccessfully to break into North Carolina. He charged Judge Parker with lack of sympathy with the intense interest in industry.

Business labor organizations in all parts of the country have sent in protests against confirmation, including the steel workers union at Pittsburgh, the Indiana State Federation of Labor and Iron other States.

The Manufacturers Record, published in the interest of capital, has written a vigorous editorial in support of Judge Parker, stating that labor must not be allowed to dictate.

George Clement, Secretary of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, said that a determined campaign will be started to outlaw such labor agreements.

### MERRY MATRONS MEET

An effective arrangement of red tulips and yellow geraniums added charm to the home of Mrs. J. O. Pollard on Tuesday afternoon when she was hostess to the Merry Matrons.

Mrs. J. W. Watkins presided. The subject of "Early American Colonial Home Furnishing and Building" in a most interesting manner, and Mrs. A. C. Rouse's paper, "The Green Church" brought many novel and helpful ideas to the club members. A frozen calico course was served in tempting style. Mrs. Joe Moore, Mrs. Otis Taylor, Mrs. L. E. Flowers, and Mrs. E. S. Tandy were special guests of the hostess.

### SANFORD BANKER ADMITS A DEFICIT

#### H. C. Newbold Confesses to Shortage of \$4,000 in His Accounts

Sanford, April 8.—The people in and around Sanford were greatly shocked this morning when it became known that H. C. Newbold, cashier of the People's Bank, had confessed to a shortage of approximately \$4,000.00 in his accounts, and had been arrested and placed in Lee county jail.

The bank did not open for business today and a notice on the door signed by the officers and directors stated that the institution had been closed temporarily until the bank examiners and auditors could make an examination of the books of the bank. This course was taken so as to prevent the possibility of a run on the bank today.

Examiners W. L. Williams and John A. Campbell of the state banking department arrived late last night and at once began work on the books. It is understood that Newbold had recently placed in the bank his unsecured personal note for the amount of the sum taken. The confession was made on Saturday night to President F. B. Sulper, and to Vice President H. L. Gavin, who together with Newbold was committed to jail. He was to have had a preliminary hearing this afternoon before J. R. Byles, judge of the peace, but this was waived and he will remain in jail until the next term of court unless a hearing is granted in the meanwhile.

It is not known what became of the money as Newbold has defiantly refused to talk about the matter. Upon being questioned he replied "there are the books, look at them." There is a feeling among a number of people here that he is shielding some one outside the bank.

Newbold, a native of Elizabeth City came to Sanford in September 1919, when the bank was organized and became cashier of the institution and has been in charge since then. He has no bad habits and has been held in high esteem in the community. He and his wife and three children have lived simply in a modest dwelling on Chestnut street. He is a member of the board of trustees of the First Baptist church and is church treasurer and also a member of the choir.

### More Than 200 Firemen Attend District Meeting Tuesday Night; Local Fire Company Furnishes a Barbecue Supper; Prominent Speakers on Program.

One of the best district firemen's meetings ever held in the Eastern Carolina district took place here last Tuesday evening, with an attendance of approximately 200 firemen from the 16 towns comprising the district.

A barbecue supper, furnished by the local company of which Haywood Smith is chief and E. A. Jones, secretary, presided over the meeting, which was called to order at eight o'clock in the hall of the municipal building by A. C. Leach of Washington, district chairman. The address of welcome, delivered by attorney R. T. Martin, was responded to by Frank Harper of Kinston, who met the situation with his usual buoyant optimism.

Foremost among the distinguished guests was A. L. Dunnett, of Asheville, state chairman of the Firemen's Association, who was making his first official visit to the district, and was honored with first place on the program. His address related to the general improvement in fire fighting apparatus in the state. He stressed the importance of neighboring companies assisting each other in large configurations and called attention to the disadvantages suffered by his own city in this respect, owing to its isolated position.

John L. Miller of Concord, vice secretary, was next introduced. His remarks chiefly on the financial condition of the organization; advised the district that it stood on a solid basis financially, and told of the Firemen's Relief Fund, and of the insurance features connected with it. The vice president of the state association and a member of the district, R. C. Whitley of New Bern spoke on the motive, and benefits to be derived from a district association.

Shawford Brockwell of Raleigh was placed prominently at the end of the program "to wake 'em up," and he did it. Known throughout the state as an entertainer, and being mounted above his fellows with the "roll of good feeling," he scattered a bit of good humored chaff along with his announcement of the firemen's school to be held in Wilmington this month and the purpose of the school.

Attention was called to the James D. McNeill monument, which is to be unveiled at Fayetteville, June 5, and a tribute was paid to the veteran firemen, who passed several months ago.

The district voted to accept Ayden's invitation to hold its October meeting in that progressive little city of the East before adjourning.

### EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN CLOSED SUNDAY-NIGHT

The simultaneous evangelistic campaign closed last Sunday after eight days of united effort on the part of the pastors and congregations to call attention to the spiritual needs of the hour. The campaign was principally designed to build up the spiritual assets of the community at large and in particular to quicken the spiritual life of the churches and to hasten all for finer Christian living and service, in these trying times through which we are passing.

The response to the program of the campaign was gratifying. The services were largely attended by the congregations of each church, and it has been said that more people attended the services each evening than during any other evangelistic campaign ever held in the city.

Music was furnished by local chorals and the results were very effective and telling. The campaign was a decided success and can but result in much lasting good.

That New York author who has moved to France because he says America isn't a fit place to live in since prohibition can be added to the list of people who never will be missed.

of this church. He is a member of the American Legion and of the Sanford Kiwanis.

The Carolina Insurance and Realty Company, a fire insurance agency, owned by Newbold, has offices in the rear of the bank building but has no connection with the bank. Newbold is believed in a surety company for \$50,000.

The bank has a strong board of directors. It is not thought that the depositors will lose anything unless the audit shows a large amount of frozen assets. It is probable that plans will be made so that the institution will soon be resumed. Page Trust Company, Sanford's one remaining bank enterprise, is not to be sold. Officers this afternoon announced that deposits exceeded the withdrawals.

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