

### Eliminate Price-Fixing In AAA Amendments

#### Alteration Is Designed To Make Legislation Infallible in Court.

Washington, August 6.—Senator Smith, of South Carolina, chairman of the committee on agriculture, having been on hand yesterday after a visit to his home, the conferees of the house and senate yesterday afternoon concluded their labors on the much revised AAA amendments which, it is devoutly hoped in official circles, will henceforth be found to accord reasonably well with the constitution. The last revision of the celebrated amendments was made necessary by the decision of the Supreme court in the NRA case.

As agreed upon yesterday price fixing is eliminated, with a view to strengthening the amendments on the legal side, save with respect to milk and its products; suits against the government are permitted to processing taxpayers, through the George amendment, after the facts shall have been determined by the bureau of internal revenue, but the Warren potato bill, which has encountered considerable opposition even in official circles, goes back to the house for a separate vote.

Chester Davis, AAA administrator, recently said that administration of the details of the potato bill would present more difficulty than would be experienced in administering both the Bankhead cotton control bill, and the Kerr-Smith tobacco bill, which were retained in the bill by the conferees.

The export bounty provision, supported by Chairman Marvin Jones, of the house committee, and by Senator Bailey, was reinstated after it had been dropped out by the senate committee, presumably in agreement with AAA officials. Secretary Wallace has been disposed to look coldly upon this bounty proposition, and there has always been some question whether it would be possible for the government to promote the exportation of cotton goods and farm products without running in to the anti-dumping laws of a number of nations. Many have favored the bounty feature, however, because of the doubts they entertain about the validity of the AAA, or the processing tax system upon which the farm organization rests.

Senator Smith, who, as chairman of the senate agriculture committee, headed the conferees, had manufactured cotton eliminated from this export rebate provision, but the secretary of agriculture has full power to make payments on manufactured cotton goods shipped abroad and thereby stimulate consumption of cotton. The cotton textile institute strongly urged enactment of this provision.

It is estimated that the appropriation will amount to \$108,000,000 the first year. Those sponsoring the debenture provision are satisfied it will prove of much benefit to the cotton farmer, the manufacturer and textile labor.

The house conferees accepted the riders to the senate bill extending the life of the Bankhead bill one year, for tobacco three years. The Bankhead provision was amended to provide exemption for small growers who do not produce more than two bales. To get the two bale exemption, however, they must have a two bale base production. This provision is already in operation by President Roosevelt's order, but it is now made mandatory.

Another change provides payment of 25 cents a bale to ginners for their added work as a result of keeping records under the Bankhead act.

A change, as before stated, was made in the bill regarding rights of processors to sue for recovery in case the processing tax is declared unconstitutional. The George amendment to the senate bill giving the processors this right was adopted, but the conferees provided further that prior to the suit the processor must go before the collector of internal revenue, and show that the processing tax was not passed on the consumer, nor was it taken out of the price paid the producer.

A provision also has been written into the bill providing refunds to jobbers of merchants on floor stocks in case the processing tax is declared unconstitutional. This is put in to prevent any drop-off in buying because of the attack on the processing tax in the courts. It was pointed out that unless some provision was put in for a refund on floor stocks orders might be withheld until after the Supreme Court decision.

The Weaver Brothers of Catawba County have been asked to go to Sumner County and plan an electric generating plant similar to the one being built on their farm, reports County Agent W. L. Robinson.

#### Daniels, Jr. New State Commander

#### Mrs. R. Sam McClelland Elected President of Legion Auxiliary; Mr Daniels Elected by Acclamation

Fayetteville, Aug. 6.—Josephus Daniels, Jr., of Raleigh today was elected commander of the North Carolina Department of the American Legion by acclamation at its 17th annual convention here.

Election of officers was the final business of the convention which previously had gone on record for immediate payment of the adjusted service certificates and heard Frank L. Belgrano, Jr., National Commander, promise the legion would continue to press for legislation by the present congress for payment of this certificate.

Other officers elected were: Junius Rose, Greenville, Burgin Pennington, Asheville, and C. G. Dowd, Sanford, vice commanders; Rev. Eugene Alexander, Manchester, Chaplain; A. R. Newsome, Chapel Hill, Historian; Lewis L. Rochelle, Oteen, Judge advocate.

Mrs. R. Sam McClelland, Wilmington, was elected president of the Legion Auxiliary. Vice presidents elected were Mrs. Marvin S. Bevell, Wilson; Mrs. Herbert W. White, Fayetteville; Mrs. W. Clay Hundley, Reidsville; Mrs. C. P. Andrews, Charlotte and Mrs. C. M. Taylor, Oteen.

Daniels, business manager of the Raleigh News and Observer, and son of Josephus Daniels, war time secretary of the navy and now ambassador to Mexico, succeeds Hubert Olive, of Lexington.

Mr. Daniels, who is 41 years of age enlisted in the Marine Corps as a private upon the entry of the United States into the World War and rose to the rank of captain. He served a year overseas with the 18th Marines and was aide to General Smedley Butler.

Active in the American Legion from its formation period, Mr. Daniels is a past Commander of Raleigh Post No. 1 and for several years was chairman of the Legion's luncheon club in the State Capital. He is past Grande Chef de Gare of the Grand Voiture of North Carolina of the 40 and 8, and also is past Chef de Gare of the Raleigh Voiture of 40 and 8. He has attended several national conventions as a delegate from this State. Mr. Daniels has also been a delegate from the Raleigh Post to several State conventions.

#### Mrs. Spillman Speaks To Club

#### Tells Club of Movement Looking to the Final Opening of Tar River To Navigation

Greenville, August 6.—The benefits which this community would derive from the movement looking to opening Tar river to navigation were outlined in an interesting way last night by Mrs. J. B. Spillman, speaking at the regular twice-a-month meeting of the Kiwanis club.

Mrs. Spillman was among a delegation of Greenville and Pitt county residents who went to Washington, D. C., several weeks ago to ask for another survey of the stream with a view to deepening the channel and to make it possible for seagoing vessels to ply to and from Greenville with their cargoes.

Introduced by J. Ficklen Arthur, who was in charge of the program, Mrs. Spillman declared the community would save thousands of dollars annually because of lower freight rates, and said another meeting was to be held at Norfolk at an early date to further consider the project.

The campaign to obtain a 12-foot channel from Greenville to Washington has been under way for several years, but not until about two years ago did the Eastern Carolina Association, sponsors of the movement, obtain any definite action. With the government showing more interest than ever before, Mrs. Spillman expressed the hope the program would be carried through to a successful conclusion.

Recent rains in Nash County will increase the tobacco yield by 100 to 150 pounds an acre, reports County Agent H. G. Wharton.

### Announce More Relief Projects

#### Roper and Tugwell Take Steps to Give Employment to Thousands of Workers of Nation

Washington, Aug. 6.—Two programs intended to supply work were announced simultaneously today by Secretary Roper's census bureau and by Undersecretary Tugwell's rural resettlement administration.

Roper said 72,000 white collar workers will be employed from relief rolls to list the aged, eligible for pensions, to make a census of business and to study retail distribution.

Tugwell's organization announced 30,285 families on impoverished lands would be given financial help in relocating themselves on fertile farms. The lands they now live on will be used in building up forest reserves and in fighting erosion.

Presidential approval, the commerce department said, has been given for the expenditure of \$9,881,948 of relief money for use in taking the new census.

Most of this will be spent in and about Philadelphia, which will be headquarters for the business and retail studies. In St. Louis, where \$1,804,948 will be spent, an alphabetical index of the 1910 census will be made. The census gives the birth date of every person in the United States as of that year. From the schedules will be listed those eligible for pensions under state systems as well as the pending social security program.

Enumerators will be required for the business studies, which will begin on January 2, 1936, and which will cover all business activities except manufacturing and agriculture. The retail census calls for the enumeration of about 280,000 establishments in 17 large cities and 258 small cities.

Tugwell's division said it was considering the purchase of 20,664,838 acres of impoverished farm lands in scattered parts of the nation. It is estimated that some 20,000 families living on these properties will be able to settle themselves on new lands without government financial help.

Officials said 268 projects involving the possible acquisition of 920,664,838 acres at an estimated cost of \$104,381,117 were underway.

### Farmer Is Held For The Slaying His Son-In-Law

#### E. J. Peaden Faces San- ity Hearing After Slay- ing Bennie Smith Sun- day Night

Greenville, August 7.—E. J. Peaden, 63-year-old Falkland township farmer, was held in the county jail without bond today, charged with the slaying of his son-in-law, Bennie Smith, 38, in an altercation at a tobacco barn Sunday night.

Peaden was taken into custody by county officers shortly after he fired a bullet into Smith's heart, producing instant death. Two other bullets from a .38 calibre pistol missed the mark.

Coroner A. A. Ellwanger stated an inquest was conducted immediately after the shooting and that the jury ordered Peaden held without bond pending an investigation of his mental condition by a Superior Court judge or some other person with such authority.

Peaden, believed to have been mentally deranged from a stroke of paralysis suffered about two years ago, was said to have been mad with Smith because he did not go to the tobacco barn Sunday. When Smith appeared that night about 11:30, Peaden allegedly cursed him out and then opened fire with the pistol.

Coroner Ellwanger said the prisoner had become violent on a number of occasions since the stroke and was reported to "have lost his head" completely when angered.

Ellwanger said he would press for a sanity hearing as soon as possible—sometime this week. Funeral services were held for Smith at the home Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock with Rev. J. C. Moye, Free Will Baptist minister of Snow Hill, officiating. Burial was in the family graveyard near the home.

He is survived by his wife and two small children; one brother, Arthur, of the U. S. Army; three sisters, Mrs. Hubert Gaylord of Martin county; Mrs. Lonnie Ange of Martin county; and Mrs. Mattie Mercer of Craven county.

#### MRS. MURPHERY ENTERTAINS

Last Thursday evening at 8:30 o'clock group three of the Missionary Society of the Christian church, met with Mrs. F. M. Murphery at her home near town.

After the business meeting the hostess invited the group out on the lawn where electric lights and Japanese lanterns indeed made a pretty setting.

Delicious watermelon, lemonade and fancy cakes were served by Miss Bernice Johnston and Master W. E. Murphery from lovely arranged tables in the Gardiner bushes.

Those attending the meeting were: Meedames J. O. Pollard, W. A. Barrett, Joel Moye, George Ballew, Lizzie Flanagan, Blanche Paschall, Acey Parker, Lizzie Caraway, Fred Smith and Lula Joyner.

### Commissioners Approve Huge Building Program; \$275,000 To Be Spent

Greenville, Aug. 7.—A building program involving an expenditure of \$275,000 was tentatively approved by the Pitt County Board of Commissioners in adjourned session at the court house here yesterday afternoon.

The program, which is just in the embryonic stage, calls for a building to house the public health and farm departments, new school buildings and additions and repairs to several others in all sections of the county. Both white and colored schools are involved in the program, which was outlined to the board recently by members of the Board of Education.

R. T. Cox, of Winterville, chairman of the board, stated today applications has already been filed with the WPA administration for the required sum. Forty-five percent of the government fund would be a direct grant to the county and the remaining fifty-five percent would be in the nature of a loan.

The board plan to spend \$50,000 for a health-farm building. Although a site has not been chosen, it is probable the structure will be located on the corner house yard in front of the jail. The building has been declared absolutely necessary because of the cramped quarters of

### Marketing Cards For Leaf Growers Soon

#### County Agent Arnold Announces that Pitt Tobacco Growers May Receive Their "Books" Friday, August 16th or Thereafter in Ample Time for Opening

County Agent E. F. Arnold announced today that marketing cards for Pitt county tobacco growers will be ready by August 16th, ten days before the opening of the leaf markets.

There are more than 3,000 contract signers in Pitt county which calls for a total of between five and six thousand marketing cards, Mr. Arnold stated. The cards call for slightly more than 36,000,000 pounds of tobacco this year as against about 30,000,000 last year.

Although a few growers were required to destroy a portion of their acreage to meet their allotments, Mr. Arnold said there were no serious violations and that no complaints followed orders to this effect.

### Good Offerings And Satisfactory Prices Continue

#### One Man Sells 21,700 Pounds for Total of \$6,295 with Prices Ranging from 25 to 32 Cents

Valdosta, Ga., Aug. 6.—Reports of good offerings and satisfactory prices continued over the Georgia bright leaf tobacco belt today.

Warehousemen at Statesboro unofficially estimated total sales yesterday at 220,000 pounds with an average of 23½ cents. One farmer sold 7,498 pounds for \$2,340.78 they said adding that the Statesboro market is "far ahead" of last year.

At Nashville one man sold 21,700 pounds for a total of \$6,295, with the prices ranging from 25 cents for his lower grades to 32 cents for his better grades. Buyers said unofficially that the sale probably was a record one for the section.

#### RETURN FROM TOUR

Mrs. L. P. Thomas, Miss Agnes Moore and Miss Penelope Lewis have returned from an eighteen day educational tour as members of a party of 102 arranged by the East Carolina Teachers College, of Greenville, as a "summer school by travel."

The tour included visits to Richmond, Washington, Philadelphia, New York, Providence, Boston, Waterville, Quebec, Montreal, Toronto, Niagara, Williamsport, Winchester and Lynchburg, and college credits in American History, Geography and American Literature were given those making the tour.

Starting with six pairs of Louisiana Giant bull frogs, J. C. Adcock of Wake County expects to supply frog legs to all comers within the year.

### Prepare To Drain Small Areas In Pitt County

#### WPA May Build Rural Centers

#### Coan Favors Recrea- tional Building Pro- gram; To Forward 202 More Projects

Raleigh, Aug. 8.—Declaring his expectation of developing a recreational center program in at least 40 or 50 of the 66 so-called rural type counties in North Carolina, Administrator George W. Coan, Jr., of the State Works Progress Administration also announced yesterday that 20 project applications calling for a total expenditure of over \$1,000,000 would be forwarded to Washington for approval Thursday night.

Mailing of the additional projects this week will increase to over \$8,000,000 the value of projects proposed by the State WPA since July 18. None of the projects have yet been given approval in Washington.

Projects have been forwarded to Washington as follows: Two on July 18, calling for \$424,000 in Federal funds, \$20,000 in local funds; ten on July 25, calling for \$1,921,000 Federal, \$2,258,000 local; 27 in August 1, calling for \$1,501,000 Federal and \$1,461,000 local. Projects to be forwarded this week will call for over \$500,000 from local agencies.

The interest of the State WPA in a recreational center program was stated in a letter from Administrator Coan to Miss Sally Ringe, Professional Service Projects, Washington. Mr. Coan wrote: "We think a State-wide recreational center program is as desirable as a State-wide armory building program (under which the WPA plans to build 47 armories) and shall use our best efforts in that direction."

Recreational centers are needed in various rural type counties as meeting places for American Legion posts and auxiliaries, Boy Scout troops, civic clubs and other organizations, stated Mr. Coan.

To cost from \$5,000 to \$15,000, the centers could be constructed where local agencies would be willing to furnish land and a fair proportion of material costs, said the State director. The WPA would be disposed to furnish labor for such projects and money for materials up to 20 per cent of the total labor cost.

Facilities suggested for such centers would include a clubhouse with a large central assembly hall, conference rooms, indoor playroom, shower baths and improvement to the grounds including landscaping, construction of lakes and playgrounds.

### Tobacco Program To Be Continued

A four-year tobacco adjustment contract, covering the years 1936-39 inclusive, will be offered this summer to flue-cured tobacco growers in North Carolina.

The new contract, in effect, will be a continuation of the present adjustment program, said E. Y. Floyd, of State College. A few minor changes will be made, he added.

The new contract will be established on acreage and production bases already determined for the present contracts. Adjustment of acreage and production during any one year will not be more than 85 per cent of the base.

After the sale of the crop each year, the adjustment payment will be determined by the amount required to make up the difference in the actual farm price received and the established parity price on the domestic portion of the crop.

Where necessary, adjustments in the base acreage and production figures will be made in the contracts to place all growers on an equitable footing as possible, Floyd stated.

The new contracts provide that the number of tenants and sharecroppers on the farm and the percentage of the tobacco grown by tenants and sharecroppers may not be below the number and percentage in 1935.

To encourage soil improvement, the contracts provide that an increase in the amount of land to soil-building crops may be made on the farm equal to the number of acres withdrawn from tobacco cultivation under the contract.

Any grower who wishes will be allowed to terminate his contract at the end of any year during the 1936-1939 period.

#### Health Department Requests New Projects Be Submitted by August 26

Following the Health Department's efforts in the larger malarial drainage projects such as Swift Creek, Contentnea Creek, Hazard's Pond, etc., the department has now turned its attention to the smaller areas throughout the county to be drained by ditches and canals.

Since Pitt County is generally a malarial-ridden county, it is thought by Doctor Emmett, the health officer, that nothing will improve the health conditions of Pitt County like adequate drainage.

The health department has learned from Mr. Edwin J. Hill, Works Progress Administration Director for District No. 2, New Bern, N. C., that the drainage of these canals and ditches will not call for large organizations such as Swift Creek, Contentnea Creek, etc., where citizens bear a very large proportion of the cost of such drainage, but that it will be necessary for only a small organization, for each organization will cover only a small area and that the cost of such project to the citizens will be very small. For instance, instead of the citizens having to put up money for expensive equipment, it is planned that perhaps enough spades, shovels, grading slips, etc., can be secured in each neighborhood for this work.

It appears to the health department that this is an opportunity which may not again be available to our people, for the Government will furnish all actual labor for this drainage without one cent of cost to the citizens themselves. As indicated above, the plan is that the interested citizens of each locality of small neighborhood which has a malarial drainage project, should organize and send in a request to the health department, asking that such drainage project be included in the county-wide malarial drainage program. Of course each project will be judged on a health basis.

And we would like to urge one thing, and that is, that you not delay or put off action in this matter, desires that all projects be submitted in the Pitt County Health Department prior to the opening of the local tobacco market, which is August the 26th. We take it to mean that the projects submitted on time will have first consideration, and that projects submitted after this date may not be approved.

It is requested that such citizens as are interested in having this work done in their communities get in touch with one of the following members of the joint committee representing the Pitt County Board of Health and the Pitt County Board of Agriculture. The members of this committee will be glad to advise or confer with any interested citizen at any time.

The members of the committee and their addresses are as follows: Board of Health Committee—Dr. N. Thomas Ennett, Health Officer, chairman.  
Dr. M. T. Frizelle.  
Dr. Paul Fitzgerald.

Board of Agriculture Committee: J. E. Winslow, Chairman, Greenville, N. C.  
J. T. Thorne, Farmville, N. C.  
M. O. Blount, Bethel, N. C.  
J. P. Davenport, Pactolus, N. C.  
A. L. Woolard, Stokes, N. C.  
F. M. Kilpatrick, Ayden, N. C.

#### GOLF COURSE OBTAINABLE

Mayor John B. Lewis and B. O. Taylor, members of a committee to look into the possibility of securing a Golf Course for Farmville, went to New Bern one day this week investigating the matter. They report the project met with favorable comment by those of the WPA of this district, and stated today that with a little effort now by interested citizens, a course can be had with but little expense, other than the cost of the land. Local land owners with suitable property are now being contacted by the committee, and it is hoped this much needed recreational project can be obtained at this time.

Rental checks amounting to \$16,852.28 have been received and delivered to cotton growers in Bertie County who signed adjustment contracts last year. Checks for 1935 signers are expected within a few days, says County Agents B. E. Grant.

Cotton growers in eastern North Carolina are reporting heavy infestations of boll weevil on low lands. Some of the cotton on high fields shows a slight damage.

It is impossible to get best calves too far for exhibition purposes.