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## High School to Open Thursday, Sept. 12th

### Registration and Faculty Meeting Days Announced; Successful Year Contemplated

The Farmville high school will open its first semester on Thursday, September 12, at 8:45 o'clock, according to Superintendent J. H. Moore, at which time the formal opening exercises will be held in the auditorium, with patrons and friends of the school requested to attend.

Supt. Moore, who comes to Farmville from Ahsokide and succeeds E. Boyd, together with the local school board, composed of J. W. Holmes, J. I. Morgan and Dr. E. E. Jones are contemplating a year of successful achievement with the cooperation of the community.

High school pupils are urged to register Saturday, September 7th, in order that schedules may be arranged and everything shaped up for smooth action as the school term gets underway. The office will remain open all day for the convenience of pupils registering in the respective classes of the high school.

The first faculty meeting has been called for Wednesday, September 11, the day prior to the opening. A full list of teachers will be given in these columns next week.

Boys, interested in securing jobs as bus drivers, should see Mr. Moore once, as the bus driver holds a responsible position and his selection is to have serious consideration by those in charge.

## Union Services Close; Regular Services To Begin Next Sunday

Union services, which have been held out of doors through the month of August by the ministers and various congregations of the town, came to a close last Sunday and announcement was made that regular services in all the churches here would begin on Sunday, September 1, at the usual hours designated for worship.

Rev. C. B. Mashburn, of the Christian Church, announces that his messages on Sunday will be in keeping with Labor Day, and will be based on the social security legislation recently enacted for the benefit of laboring people and the aged.

Rev. L. R. Ennis, Baptist pastor, states that he will be back in his pulpit after a month's leave of absence, and Rev. J. C. Wooten, Methodist minister, Rev. H. M. Wilson, Presbyterian pastor also expect to occupy their respective places Sunday.

Mr. Kloman, who supplied during the spring months as rector of the Episcopal church, has been called to take this position permanently and is expected to arrive early in the month.

## Thinks Tobacco Prospects Good

## Hudson Believes Crop Will Average Between 22 and 25 Cents This Year

Washington, Aug. 25.—J. B. Hudson, director of the tobacco, sugar, rice, peanut and potato sections of the AAA, today predicted that the 1935 flue-cured tobacco crop will sell for an average price of between 22 and 25 cents.

"Any price above 22 cents will mean that the total amount paid for the crop will exceed the amount paid for the 1934 crop and so I regard the situation as a healthy one," said Mr. Hudson.

Lower grades of tobacco are bringing less than the same grades brought last year and the lower price is also due in part to the fact that the quality of the crop is better than in previous years.

"I am sure that the permittee will be able to handle the crop as well as in previous years," said Mr. Hudson.

Dr. C. V. Willis, a native of Morehead City, has arrived here and is expected to begin his work in fitting up of a general practice, to begin next week.

Dr. Willis received his education at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, and graduated from Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, Pa., in 1910.

## Long Succeeds In Blocking Third Deficiency Bill

## Kingfish Holds Senate Floor Until That Body Adjourned at Stroke of Midnight; Leaders To Seek Millions Cut Off By Filibuster

Washington, Aug. 27.—Turbulent and tense to the very last instant of its strife torn first session the 74th congress headed homeward today leaving anxious Roosevelt leaders seeking ways to obtain millions in funds cut off by a 5 1/2 hour filibuster by Senator Long, democrat, Louisiana.

Talking on despite taunts, jibes and earnest pleas Long held the senate floor until the senate adjourned at the stroke of midnight last night thus succeeded in blocking the \$102,000,000 third deficiency bill carrying funds to start the new deal's giant social security program, utilities regulation, the Guffey coal control bill, the new neutrality plan and other major measures.

Declaring he wanted action on the 12 cent cotton and 90 wheat loan amendments which were abandoned when the AAA announced a compromise 10 cent loan plus subsidy program for cotton, Long was the center of a highly dramatic scene an instant before midnight as gay crowds in galleries held their breaths.

Long at that point was doming on in a leisurely manner reading from an old number of the congressional record. Previously he had shouted "I won't surrender," as administration leaders sought to get him to desist.

Senator Schwellenbach, democrat, Washington, who argued that Long was blocking funds for the aged and crippled arose to point an accusing finger at the Louisiana senator and say:

"It is now a minute before midnight. I ask whether or not because of his selfish desire for publicity the senator from Louisiana hasn't defied the hopes, aspirations and the desires of millions of people?"

Before Long could yell his oft reiterated "that ain't so," the big clock hand moved to 12 and Vice President Garner's gavel cracked.

The senate in adjourned sine die, the vice president proclaimed.

## ADRIAN M. FURR

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## Flanagan Bill Gets Signature

### Measure Instituting Federal Tobacco Grading Service Thus Becomes Law

Washington, Aug. 24.—President Roosevelt's signature today made law the Flanagan tobacco inspection and grading bill, which required nearly seven months of Congressional consideration before enactment.

Representative Flanagan, (D-Va.), the sponsor, expressed belief the grading plan could be put into effect on some auction tobacco markets this season.

A \$200,000 appropriation was included in the third deficiency bill to meet the cost of operation.

"This bill, in my opinion, means more to the tobacco farmers than any other legislation ever enacted in their behalf," Representative Flanagan said.

"If administered by competent, honest graders the small tobacco farmers will for the first time in their lives, get an honest and square deal on the warehouse floors."

Before compulsory grading can become operative on any market two-thirds of the sellers must approve it in a referendum. If the producers favor the plan, 30 days must elapse before government grading becomes effective.

The big tobacco markets of North Carolina and Virginia were scheduled to open shortly and Flanagan indicated the Department of Agriculture would be asked to speed plans for referendums.

The new law would be of particular importance to these tobacco growing states as well as other large tobacco producing states such as Georgia, Tennessee and Kentucky.

Considerable opposition to the measure came from North Carolina, splitting the House delegation from that State, while practically solid support came from Virginia, Tennessee and Kentucky.

The House passed the bill only after lengthy and heated debate, but it rode through the Senate without a word said in opposition.

## Will Rogers Leaves All of His Estate to Widow

Hollywood, Aug. 23.—Twelve days before Will Rogers, cowboy actor and philosopher, took off for Alaska on his ill-fated plane ride with Wiley Post, he wrote his will.

This will, leaving the entire estate of the actor—officially estimated at \$5,000,000—to the widow, Betty Blake Rogers, was filed for probate.

The will, written on a single sheet of paper, was locked immediately in the county clerk's safe, and a typewritten copy substituted for the files.

It provides that, in the event of the widow's death, the estate will be divided "share and share alike" among the actor's three children, Will, Jr., 23; Mary, 22, and James, 20.

The petition accompanying the will said the estate was "community property" consisting of personal effects, money, travelers' checks, furniture, automobiles, tractors, horses, mules and ranch equipment.

The will read: "I, Will Rogers, hereby publish and declare my will: 'My wife's name is Betty Rogers. I have only three children' now living, namely: Will, Jr., James and Mary Rogers."

"I give, devise and bequeath all of my property, both community and otherwise, to my wife, Betty Rogers. In the event my wife should not survive me, I give, devise and bequeath all of my estate to my children who shall survive me, share and share alike; provided, however, that should any of my children predecease me leaving issue, the share to which such deceased child would have been entitled if living, I give, devise and bequeath to his or her issue."

"I hereby appoint my wife, Betty Rogers, C. N. Beasley of Beverly Hills, Calif., Oscar Lawler and James K. Blake as executors hereof. Should my wife not survive me, I appoint my son, Will, Jr., in her place as such executor and direct that no bond be required of my wife or son as executor."

"(Signed) WILL ROGERS."

Gates County farmers are working hard to eradicate Bangs' disease from their cattle herds.

## The Standard Milk Ordinance

### In view of the fact that the Standard Milk Ordinance has been adopted by Farmville and later by the County at large and in view of the fact that literal interpretation and enforcement of this Ordinance as far as equipment is concerned has the result of forcing out the small or beginning dairyman unless these small dairymen conform to mechanical requirements which have very little or no bearing on the quality of milk which they could sell to the public, it is high time the general public was apprised of the meaning of Grade A and Grade B milk as being or about to be produced under the supervision of the County Authorities.

Grade A milk means that the dairyman has conformed to all of the requirements or has given assurance that he or she will conform to all of the requirements of the Standard Milk Ordinance as far as health qualities of the milk and equipment to produce said Grade A milk is concerned.

Grade B milk as being enforced by the County Health Department in Farmville vicinity is that milk which is Grade A in quality but where the producer does not have all of the equipment required in the production of Grade A. Both grades are under the strict supervision of both the Farmville and County Health Departments. In this particular town we are assured that milk labeled Grade B will be just as wholesome as far as the bacteria count is concerned in conforming to the Grade A specifications as Grade A milk is. We feel that it is unfortunate that the different Grades of milk should be so marked as to give the large producer an unfair advantage in that they can afford the most modern equipment and in so doing stifle the dairy industry by preventing ownership of a few cows and production of milk when a person might be exceptionally clean in their methods whereas the larger producer might be just the reverse in carrying out sanitary procedure.

In other words Grades A and Grade B of milk as being enforced by the County Health Department mean nothing to the General Public except that Grade A milk is produced by a dairyman who is financially able to equip his or her dairy with all the modern conveniences required by the U. S. Public Health Service. In actual fact Grade A and Grade B milk are under the same supervision, and Grade B must conform to every essential required as regards its health qualities as Grade A. Farmville citizens can rest assured of this since their milk supply is under the direct supervision of their own Health Officer who is acting under instructions of the Mayor and Town Aldermen.

The Town Officials have acted on the known facts that a local Health Officer is in a better position to know the kind of a product that is being offered to the public when produced locally than an inspector living several miles away such as one residing in another city is concerned. If the public sits idly by and lets the State Board of Health through its subsidiaries such as the County Board of Health assume all functions relating to the health of its own community, sooner or later the tentacles of Bureau centralized control will reach into the very homes of individuals whether it concerns the health of each of us individually or collectively or not. We feel that greater success in controlling the incidence of disease and mortality rates in this county could be had if the County Health Department would really try to eradicate disease-carrying insects than by trying to carry on a program which makes it illegal for anybody to sell to their next door neighbor a quart of milk even if that neighbor should go to them after it.

It is not generally known that the adoption of the Standard Milk Ordinance by Farmville and the County and literal enforcement of all of its provisions make it illegal for a person to sell any milk, or milk product such as butter, buttermilk, skim milk, etc., unless same has been graded under the supervision of the County Health Officer of his inspection.

It remains to be seen if the general public will accept this regulation without protest as this is evidently the intention of the County Health Officer in the future. We understand that Farmville Authorities were aware of this and hence their instructions to the Farmville Health Officer to use judgement in enforcing the Ordinance's provisions.

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## LOCAL MARKET OPENED MONDAY; RECEIPTS HEAVY--RECORD CROWD

### Farm Officials Figuring Cotton Subsidy Payments

Washington, Aug. 27.—Farm officials today began working out a solution to what is expected to be one of the government's greatest book-keeping jobs—figuring the 1935 cotton subsidy payments.

Later yesterday the AAA announced a compromise cotton loan subsidy plan to placate senators who, objecting to the 9 cent loan, blocked adjournment.

Under the new plan the government will lend 10 cents a pound on cotton of a stipulated quality produced under the Bankhead allotment. The loans will be made only to signers of cotton control contracts.

Signers also will receive a subsidy to equal the difference between the average price of cotton on 10 spot markets the day the signers sell their cotton and the 12 cents.

Loans will be made only on cotton grading 7-8 of an inch low middling or better.

The change was said to have eliminated about 200,000 bales from loan eligibility.

Loan forms, the AAA said, will be made available to producers next week and the subsidy payments will be made on all sales of 1935 Bankhead allotment cotton including those already made.

The guarantee of a final return of 12 cents officials said would not mean any increase over the guarantee assured in the previous plan. But the increase of a cent in the amount of the loan was said to have made available approximately \$50,000,000 more than could have been lent.

LAST RITES HELD FOR DOLORES MEADOWS

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Meadows home on Wilson street, for little Dolores Meadows, 4 year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Meadows, who succumbed Wednesday morning in a Greenville hospital to chest injuries sustained Tuesday when she was struck by an automobile in front of her home as she ran across the street.

Rev. C. B. Mashburn was in charge of the services attended by a throng of sympathetic friends and the favorite hymn of the little girl, "Praise Him," "Safe In The Arms of Jesus," and "Abide With Me," were rendered by a quartet, composed of Mrs. Mary Moye Patterson, Mrs. Alton W. Bobbitt, Rev. L. R. Ennis and Elbert C. Holmes. Interment was made in Forest Hill cemetery under a blanket of flowers.

Floral bearers were: Carolyn Reynolds, Janie and Lola Grey Kemp, Beatrice Dudley, Marie Cowan, Betty Joyce and Berdina Meadows, Hazel Porter, Grace Eason, Jean Bynum, Billy Judy, Rosa Reide Russell, Ellen Mae and Olive Taylor, Rachel Dixon and Madge Smith, Douglas Kemp, Calvin Earl and R. E. Braxton, Esko Dudley, Lewis Cowan, Jr., Maynard Porter, Graydon Liles, Branson Walls, and Waddell Eason.

Active pall bearers were fellow employees of Mr. Meadows in Kemp's barber shop; Herbert W. Kemp, LeRoy Dudley, Bill Worthington, L. W. Cowan, Sr., and Ray E. Braxton.

MARKET ATTRACTS GEORGIA TOBACCO

Mrs. James Barnes, a resident of New Jersey drove to Farmville this week accompanied by a truck loaded with tobacco from her farm of 1650 acres near Brunswick, Ga., and which she proposes to have graded and sold on the Farmville tobacco market. Mrs. Barnes is staying at the home of Mrs. Jack Smith while in town.

ATTEND MYATT FUNERAL

The entire force of the local plant of R. J. Reynolds and a number of other tobaccoists and Farmville friends attended the funeral of Troy M. Myatt, held in Wilson, Tuesday, Mr. Myatt, who was stricken suddenly while on the opening sales Monday, was branch manager and also manager of the Wilson plant, and had been honored with the position of president of the Wilson Chamber of Commerce.

## Prices Range From 2c to 40c on First Sale; Market Swings Into Regular Smooth Routine on Tuesday

With thousands of farmers and their families here to witness the opening activities, and tobacco rolling into this market in record quantities, Farmville shared the limelight with the other New Bright Belt markets on the opening, Monday, averaging \$19.64 for 555,554 pounds, which brought growers \$109,102.20. Bidding was spirited and greater strength was observed in the buying during the afternoon.

Inferior grades, which were blamed on weather conditions, predominated, and a great change was noted in the price of these, which go largely into the export trade. Prices for weed, deemed good enough for domestic use, held up well when compared with last year's figures, but lowered prices for domestic cigarette tobaccos appeared general throughout the belt.

Some farmers were apparently satisfied while others grumbled at the opening averages, which fell from 7c to 9c below those of last year, the 1934 opening figures for the market being 199,366 pounds, which sold at an average of \$28.28, as against \$19.64 Monday.

Sales were lighter Tuesday, following a flooded market on Monday, and the block was fully cleared up, a total of 201,058 pounds being sold on the four warehouse floors here for \$39,484.88 at an average of \$19.64, the identical average of Monday's sale. A great quantity of inferior grades also dominated the offerings on this sale. The huge crowd of opening day was missing on the floors and the market was able to swing into its regular routine of smooth action.

Heavy rains in this section slowed the movement of tobacco on Wednesday but prices were some stronger on this market, Bell and Bobbitt, the first house reporting, giving an average of \$21.44, and the total figures for the four houses being released officially by Supervisor of Sales J. T. Bundy as 204,086 pounds, which brought \$40,219.39, at an average of \$19.71.

Sales are medium heavy today, Thursday, the poundage being estimated at 285,000 with a slight upward trend noted in prices.

With a new warehouse, Bell and Bobbitt's, and a new firm, Ferrell and Webb, operating here this season, augmenting the tremendous business of Monk's and Knott's warehouses, Farmville expects to sell far more tobacco than it has in any previous season.

Urge Growers Withhold Low Grades

J. C. Lanier Says Farmer Loses at Less than 6 Cent on the Pound

Greenville, Aug. 28.—In a statement issued today, J. C. Lanier, formerly tobacco specialist with the AAA, urged flue-cured tobacco growers not to sell any tobacco at a price of less than six cents per pound. He stated that farmer having a poundage production in excess of his allotment actually loses money whenever he sells tobacco at a price less than six cents per pound. In Mr. Lanier's opinion, the marketing of this low grade tobacco also tends to depress the price of the better grades. Mr. Lanier's statement follows:

"With the 1935 production of flue cured tobacco considerably in excess of the allotment to contracting growers, it is to the interests of every tobacco grower not to sell the low, trashy grades which bring less than six cents per pound.

"Growers having excess poundage will be required to pay four cents per pound for additional allotment cards. By adding to this four cents the cost of grading, tying, handling and selling the tobacco, it can be readily seen that it costs the grower at least six cents per pound to sell tobacco in excess of his allotment. Growers who will have to purchase additional cards actually lose money whenever they sell tobacco below a six cents average.

"The sale of this low grade tobacco also tends to depress the price of better tobacco. The withholding of this nondescript, low grade tobacco from the market will help considerably in reducing the surplus production for this year and will make for better prices."