

FEDERAL GRANTS TO THIS STATE SCORED

Waynick Commends Baity, Says State Has Balance with Government

Raleigh, Sept. 25.—If the Government received as much in taxes and gave as little in relief payments to other states as to North Carolina, "Washington would not have a heavy deficit but a big surplus," declared Capus M. Waynick, chairman of the State Highway and Public Works Commission and of the State Planning Board, in a statement issued on Wednesday.

That remark was incidental to his comments upon the resignation of Dr. Herman G. Baity, of Chapel Hill, from the position of State PWA director. Dr. Baity's successor has not been appointed and Stanley H. Wright, assistant director, is now acting director.

"Speculation regarding Dr. Baity's resignation has included the suggestion that he quit because of the difficulty of getting a better deal for the State in the distribution of PWA funds," said Waynick yesterday. "I do not know whether this inspired him to resign or not but I do know that he has felt keenly the failure of many North Carolina projects to get final approval at Washington."

"Incidentally," continued Waynick, "if the balance sheet of the New Deal were as favorable to the Government in every State as it is in North Carolina, Washington would not have a heavy deficit but a big surplus. Altogether during the present administration somewhat more than 300 millions have been distributed in the State to combat the depression and to take care of the unemployed. During the same period the State has paid in Federal taxes in excess of 750 millions."

"Many states have received so generously from the Federal Government," he added, "that it has been calculated longer than a century will be required for them to repay the benefits through the flow of taxes at the present rate. North Carolina is unique in its big balance with the Federal Government."

"Of course," said the Planning Board chairman, "a large portion of our Federal taxes derive from manufactured tobacco but in answer to the allegation that all of the world pays the cigarette tax of North Carolina, the State might well point out that all the world pays the automobile tax of Michigan and the income tax of New York. No American state gets richer merely trading with itself and few heavily taxed commodities are as essentially native as the North Carolina cigarette."

Commenting on Dr. Baity's withdrawal from the PWA directorship to return to teaching, Waynick said: "The resignation of Dr. Baity from the position of State director for the PWA removed from the New Deal forces in North Carolina one of its finest agents. Dr. Baity worked diligently and with high intelligence to promote the distribution of the benefits of PWA in this State. The fact that North Carolina has received a relatively small share of these benefits in no wise reflects upon the capability and zeal of the State director."

"The State Planning Board had particularly good opportunity to observe Dr. Baity in his work and the privilege of some co-operation with him, and I know I speak the sentiments of the whole Board in expressing this appreciation of the retiring director."

Parent-Teachers Hold First Meeting

New President, Mrs. S. V. Lore, Welcomed the Members—Announcement of Long-Needed Clinic Is Made

On Friday afternoon, September 18, in Perkins' Hall, of the Farmville High School, the Parent-Teachers Association held its first meeting for the 1936-1937 school year.

President S. V. Lore, the new incumbent, opened the meeting with a welcome to the teachers and patrons. She expressed the desire that there be a closer contact between parents and teachers this year and that the parents learn of and become interested in all of the activities of the school for the ensuing year. Following Mrs. Lore's welcome, the assembly joined in singing "America," after which Rev. L. R. Innis, pastor of the Baptist Church, conducted the devotional exercises.

Acting upon the suggestion of the patrons of the school that they be introduced to the new teachers and have a chance to welcome those who had been in service before, Mr. J. H. Moore, Superintendent, recognized each member of the family, who, in turn, acknowledged the introduction by standing. In a short talk Mr. Moore solicited the co-operation of all present in aiding the more unfortunate children and in all the activities of the school.

During the business meeting Dr. John M. Mewborn, asking for the patronage and sponsorship of the Parent-Teachers Association, announced the beginning in Farmville of a pre-natal clinic—one of the five to be conducted in Pitt County this year.

At the calling of the grade rolls Miss Margaret Lewis's third grade was found ranking first with more patrons present, and Miss Elizabeth Norman's second grade was ranked second. Following this roll call, the list by grade mothers, which has not yet been fully complete, was read.

As a part of the program for the day an interesting paper on the extracurricular activities of the school was read by Frances Bivins Smith, tenth grade student. In this paper Miss Smith mentioned the existing Glee clubs, athletic teams, home economics activities and annual Junior-Senior Banquet. After pointing out the benefits to be obtained from such activities Miss Smith expressed the desire that other social and academic organizations, such as a dramatics club and a debating club, be established.

A report at the end of the meeting established the fact that the Association already had thirty-one paid members and that the attendance for the day numbered ninety-one.

Immediately following the adjournment of the meeting those present were entertained at a tea, at which time parents and teachers were given a chance to become better acquainted.

This first meeting proved both interesting and inspirational, and it is the desire of the Association to add, at all future meetings, to the membership of the organization.

—Contributed.

FARMVILLE MARKET PAYS OUT HUGE SUM; OFFERINGS HEAVIER THIS WEEK

AROUND ONE MILLION AND HALF DOLLARS PAID GROWERS TO DATE — BETTER TOBACCO CONTINUES TO BRING GOOD PRICES — COMMON GRADES DRIVE AVERAGE DOWN

Farmers selling tobacco on the Farmville Market this season have been paid \$1,260,189.13 through Thursday, according to reports of J. T. Bundy, sales supervisor and G. A. Rouse, secretary-treasurer of the Farmville Tobacco Board of Trade, as revealed today, Friday. Receipts today will doubtless carry the sum paid out near the one and a half million figure.

Through yesterday the offerings, sold on the warehouse floors here this season, had reached a total of 5,837,953 pounds, with the average of \$21.59 shown. Thursday's sale was reported as 237,984 pounds, which brought \$48,713.93—an average of \$20.47.

Great quantities of the sorry grades of tobacco, now being thrown on all the markets of this belt, are blamed for the drop in prices, which has been general throughout East Carolina for the past several days, although the Farmville market, with others, felt the surge of new life as some of the companies began buying a greater variety of types on Monday.

Vying with Friday as the most popular sales day, the volume on Monday was again the heaviest of this week, when 546,276 pounds were sold for \$112,705.56—at an average of \$20.63.

Offerings were reported as heavy in volume again today, and a capacity sale is expected when sales are resumed again on Monday, following the week-end.

The opening of the market was featured by better prices than last season and tobaccoists are of the opinion that they will show a definitely higher range when the good grades begin to show up. Top prices on every grade continue to be paid here and warehousemen are bending every effort towards obtaining the highest dollar for customers on the Farmville Market.

RADIO AUDIENCE HEARS ADDRESS RELATING TO FARMVILLE MARKET

Mayor Lewis Is Elector Chairman

Is at Head of Roosevelt Committee Here — Campaign Work Already Begun

The appointment of John B. Lewis as local chairman of the Roosevelt Elector's Committee has been announced by A. D. Folger, State Finance Director and National Committeeman for this State, from his headquarters at Raleigh.

The Roosevelt Electors Committee, of which there will be one or more in each county, is the official agency designated by the Democratic National Committee to raise funds for the re-election of President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

In selecting Mr. Lewis as one of the Committee Chairmen of this county, Mr. Folger pays a fine tribute to the qualities of leadership, ability and Party loyalty that are possessed by Mr. Lewis.

As Chairman of the Roosevelt Electors Committee he will be in charge of the work of raising funds in this section for the campaign. Every person contributing will be enrolled as a member of the Roosevelt Electors Committee and presented with an Elector's Certificate. Details of the drive for funds will be explained by Mr. Lewis, who asks the help and co-operation of the people of his section.

Among local Democrats who will assist Chairman Lewis are: Dr. Paul E. Jones, Mrs. J. L. Shackelford, John T. Thorne, George W. Davis, John W. Holmes, J. H. Paylor, J. W. Jowner and W. J. Rasberry.

Chairman Lewis points out the fact that the election is only about seven weeks away, and that, while all indications are that the Democratic campaign in the State and Nation is progressing nicely, funds are very necessary in conducting a successful campaign, and he is expecting citizens of this community to co-operate wholeheartedly and to give as much time and money as possible to assist in the re-election of Franklin D. Roosevelt as President.

John T. Thorne Tells of Town's Growth and Points Out Great Benefits Reaped By Farmers Selling Tobacco Here

Ladies and Gentlemen of North Carolina: Back in 1905, in one of two small frame structures, which then constituted the Farmville Tobacco Market, it fell to my lot to offer for sale the first load of tobacco; that marked its beginning. I have watched with interest every phase of development of the market from that day to this, and last year our market sold more than 28,000,000 pounds of tobacco.

We think our market has had a phenomenal growth, remarkable indeed, when it is recalled that Farmville is flanked on every side by much older and larger markets. The credit for Farmville's fine record may be given to a splendid spirit of co-operation on the

part of its citizenship and experienced warehousemen—however, we are not unmindful of the faithful patronage of numerous farmers from no less than twenty tobacco counties throughout Eastern Carolina in helping us to make the Farmville market the best.

With the self-same co-operation found in the starting and building of our market, our farmers and warehousemen accepted the program advanced by the United States Department of Agriculture in 1933, with every farmer entering the sign-up; and the crop was reduced in 1934, according to the previous agreements; then after the collapse of the AAA, the farmers of our township, having recognized the value of co-operating with the Federal Government, accepted the soil-conservation program one hundred per cent.

Early this year the farm leaders of Pitt County, realizing that legislation must be immediately enacted to supplement the Soil Erosion program to make it effective after 1937, sought a militant organization for all North Carolina farmers, and decided upon the American Farm Bureau Federation. Farmville township has sold more memberships in this organization than there are farmers therein; the Farmville warehousemen having bought 200 memberships, and other business men co-operating in a similar manner.

I commend this organization to all farmers and business men of North Carolina as a local, State and National organization, constantly at work on legislative measures tending to benefit our farmers, thereby restoring their purchasing power.

The Farmville Tobacco Market has a habit of excelling: First—last year—1935—the average price of \$21.72 per hundred pounds paid on the Farmville Tobacco Market for all tobacco sold there was the highest of any market in the State.

Second—the Farmville Market made the largest gain in pounds over the previous year, of any market in the State, namely, over 30 per cent increase, being 28,000,000 pounds for 1935 as compared with 21,000,000 for 1934.

Third—Monk's Warehouse sold more tobacco than any other warehouse in the State during the 1935 season.

Folks, listen to this—Mr. S. W. McKeel, of Gates County, some 80 miles from Farmville, says: "I drive through four markets to sell with Knott's Warehouse in Farmville." One day this week Mr. W. E. Peterson, of Sampson County, sold at Bell and Bobbitt's Warehouse in Farmville, 3,140 pounds of tips for \$1,061, averaging \$33.80 per one hundred pounds. He said, "I can afford to drive one hundred miles to sell tobacco in Farmville." At Webb's Warehouse in Farmville, you will find an experienced sales force, who know how and will take care of your every interest. There must be a reason for all of these things—tobacco growers like the Farmville Tobacco Market.

Now again, seeking as always to look after all of the interests of the farmers, this market has sought and obtained, year after year, the Government grading service. The Government graders are now serving their sixth consecutive year on the Farmville Market. This means simply that a farmer may be advised, free of charge, as to the grade and equality of his tobacco, and whether the price offered is in line with the market average for that grade.

Here is the way it works—let us suppose that John Smith, of Jones County, has a pile of tobacco on the floor of one of the warehouses in Farmville and the bid on it is 20c per pound, and John Smith thinks it is too low; he refers to his grade sheet as placed thereon by the Government grader and finds that this particular grade had an average of 30c for the previous day. Mr. Smith promptly rejects the sale and places the pile on another row and resells it. In other words, it saves you the loss usually occasioned when a pile is over-looked.

Mr. Farmer, bring your next load to Farmville, ask the Government graders to explain the service to you,

Oct. 1 Final Date Crop Conserving

Farmers Should Check Conserving Crops to See If Sufficient to Qualify Payments

All soil-conserving crops to be counted in the 1936 soil-improvement program in North Carolina must be planted by October 1.

Conserving crops planted after that date cannot be used to increase the amount of payments a farmer is allowed to earn, said H. A. Patten, State compliance supervisor at State College.

A number of farmers have reduced their acreage of soil depleting crops and carried out soil-building practices, but have not planted enough conserving crops to qualify them for the full amount of the payments they have earned, Patten added.

Each acre of conserving crops qualifies the farm on which they are grown to \$1 in soil-building or diversifying payments.

If a farmer has diverted enough depleting crops to earn \$25 and has conducted enough soil-building practices to earn \$25, he must have 50 acres in conserving crops to qualify for the \$50 he has earned.

Patten urged every grower to check his acreage of conserving crops and make sure he has enough. If not, he should plant the required amount before it is too late.

Among the soil-conserving crops are crimson clover, vetch, Austrian winter peas, red clover, and other legumes, if planted on land where no depleting crops were grown this year.

Patten pointed out that there is an exception to the regulation limiting payments to \$1 for each acre of soil-conserving crops.

The minimum payment a grower will be allowed to earn is at least \$10, no matter how small the farm and regardless of the acreage of soil-conserving crops grown, if the planting of soil-depleting crops have not been greater than the base acreage.

The payment will be made for carrying out soil-building practices and for the diversion of land from soil-depleting to soil-conserving crops.

MRS. W. J. BEAMON

Funeral services for Mrs. W. J. Beamon, 77, widow of the late W. J. Beamon, Sr., were conducted Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock, from the home of her son, W. J. Beamon, near Farmville, by Elder Ernest Cobb, Primitive Baptist minister, of Wilson, and interment was made near Walstonburg. Mrs. Beamon had been in good health until a week prior to her death on Tuesday.

She was highly esteemed and one of the oldest citizens of Pitt County, and had been a member of the Primitive Baptist Church for many years.

Mrs. Beamon is survived by two daughters, Mrs. George Meeks, Raleigh; Mrs. W. H. Owens, Fountain, and three sons, Albert, Fountain; W. J., Farmville, and Ed Beamon, Stan-tonsburg.

Comparative

Contemporary says that during the recent cold spell, sea birds flocked to London in search of warmth. They must have been Arctic penguins.

They Can't Take It

Modern romance: Love at first sight—divorce at first fight.—Norfolk Virginian-Pilot.

and you will be pleased and will profit by the transaction.

You will pardon me if I seem too anxious to tell you of all the fine things of our market, but, you see, I started with it; I have lived with it; I believe in it, and I know it is just as ready to serve you as me. I thank you.

Crack-Up Victim Succumbs to His Injuries Saturday

Ledyard E. Ross Dies As Aftermath of Airplane Crash on Washington Highway

Greenville, Sept. 24.—Ledyard E. Ross, 36, who was injured in an airplane crash on the edge of Greenville Saturday afternoon, died in the local hospital at 2:20 o'clock this morning.

E. F. Pullen, the pilot of the plane, who also suffered serious injuries, was taken to a hospital in his home town of Rocky Mount Monday, but is reported to be recovering.

Mr. Ross suffered breaks to both legs, one of them having been broken in three places. He also sustained serious injuries about the face, his nose having been broken and his teeth knocked out. Other injuries consisted of a crushed chest and fractured hip.

The plane crashed when the pilot was unable to pull it out of a tailspin as it flew over the eastern edge of the city. It fell on the Washington highway and was completely demolished.

Funeral services for Mr. Ross will be held Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock from his home, with Elder J. L. Ross and the Rev. R. F. Pittman, Freeville Baptist minister, of Ayden, in charge. Burial will follow in the Moore cemetery near Stokes, in this county.

He was a life-long resident of Pitt County and operated the Court View Filling Station, across from the courthouse for the past four years.

Surviving are his wife, formerly Miss Mildred Dupree; one son, Ledyard Ross, Jr.; a daughter, Leah Mildred Ross; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Ross, of the Stokes community, and one brother, Blanco L. Ross, of Greenville.

FARMVILLE TO HAVE CHORUS

Lewis S. Bullock, director of the Eastern Carolina Symphonic Association, made this announcement Wednesday evening after receiving a promising report from the committee selected to look over the situation.

There will be a meeting Monday evening at 7:30 at the Presbyterian Church to further the plans for the coming year. All who are interested in choral work are urged to be present.

Crying Need

Another two-thirds rule that needs repeal is the one that provides one-third for the people and two-thirds for the politicians.—Norfolk Virginian-Pilot.

William Lemke, presidential candidate: "I don't care a continental whether I take more votes from Roosevelt or Landon."

Williamston Fair Begins Next Week

Starts Monday, for One Week — Many Big-League Attractions — Major Exhibits and Premiums

Williamston, Sept. 23.—A full week of gala entertainment and instruction has been arranged for the Williamston Fair, beginning Monday, Sept. 28.

Resident Manager Harvey Walker, who was in charge of the exposition last year, emphasized today that the Williamston Fair would present more extensive and varied displays of Eastern North Carolina products and that some of the highest class entertainment available had been booked.

Premium money will total \$1,400, and will be limited strictly to residents of Martin, Pitt, Edgecombe, Washington, Beaufort and Bertie counties. This policy was inaugurated to protect local exhibitors from the stiff competition of professionals.

Manager Walker is being assisted in the supervision of farm exhibits by Miss Lora E. Sleeper, of Martin County, Home Demonstration Agent, and T. B. Brandon, Martin County Farm Agent.

On the midway of the Williamston Fair will be the Cetting and Wilson Shows, a colorful, wholesome outfit, featuring 20 interesting shows and 15 popular rides. Grandstand entertainment will be enlivened by 10 novelty acts and a glittering revue of talented performers.

School children of Martin and surrounding counties will be admitted to the Fair grounds and to the grandstand without charge on Tuesday evening after 4:30 P. M. A special program for children is being arranged by Miss Sleeper.

Harness racing will feature the arena program on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Races will be run under the supervision of Joe McGraw, the veteran starter, who functions at the famed Hambletonian classic and also at the North Carolina State Fair, which will begin in Raleigh on October 12. A number of horses coming to the State Fair will run at Williamston.

Professional automobile races will be held Saturday afternoon to top off a week of gala entertainment.

If you wish to be independent, keep money in the bank and so live as to be able to tell your creditors to go wherever you have in mind.

When mail order catalogs come in to town, it is a good sign that a few weak-minded citizens are helping to build up another city.

Champion to Chop Wood in Farmville

The Turnage Co., Local Merchants, Secured Famous Chopper to Appear in a Contest Here Sept. 30

Peter McLaren, who claims the wood chopping Championship of America, will stage a log-cutting contest and demonstration here on Wednesday, September 30, at 9:30 A. M.

This contest has been arranged by The Turnage Co., Inc., who is to be congratulated for arranging for the visit of this colorful champion, McLaren, whose wizardry with an axe has carried him from a poor farm lad in Australia, to the peak of his profession.

In chopping tours covering a score of years he has chopped before hundreds of thousands, both here and abroad. McLaren, who is nearly 50 years old, claims that outdoor chopping is a great physical developer. His own condition bears out this claim.

The contest is open to any local man who has not previously competed against McLaren. A prize of \$50 will be paid to any contestant if McLaren fails to chop through a log in two-thirds of the time the contestant takes.

The handicap gives all good choppers a sporting chance to win the prize money, as it is just like giving 33 yards in a hundred yard dash.

The only restriction made is that no contestant be permitted to use a Plumb axe. This is the only axe that McLaren ever uses, and he refuses to chop against a Plumb axe and also allow the handicap.

Every one is cordially invited to attend the demonstration. Choppers wishing to compete should bring their axes with them. It costs nothing to enter the contest.

Cotton is still a great favorite for evening and one notices tissue gingham, piques and other attractive cottons on the smartest dance floors.

Plaid woollens in bright colors are worn for jackets over solid woollen dresses. Box pockets are good, as well.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

Mrs. W. M. Willis and Mrs. J. L. Creech were hostesses at the September meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary, held on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Willis, who is also the president of this group.

The business session was marked by a discussion of the proper display of the American flag, and Mrs. M. V. Jones and Mrs. A. W. Bobbitt were appointed as a committee to urge merchants, who do not have flags for the sidewalks, to purchase same in order that national holidays here may be observed with fitting street decoration. The Auxiliary voted to send a special contribution to Oteen this month.

The program, based on September and viewed in the light of a musical month, was developed with interesting sketches of favorite songs, read by Mrs. J. W. Joyner, and with articles, read by Mrs. Arthur F. Joyner and Mrs. C. A. Tyson, which related to the subject of music.

A delectable salad course was served after adjournment.

Velveteen is back again and bids fair to be popular with the college girl. It is not only used for dresses, skirts and jackets but for odd coats

But vacation clothes will soon be forgotten and the college girl is beginning to assemble her wardrobe for the coming season.

Japan, we are told, continues to work for peace in the Pacific provided no other nation gets in the way of her progress.