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Officials Assert Tobacco Control Chief Price Hope

cline; the Conservation Curb.

Washington, March 8. - Department of Agriculture officials today expressed the opinion that failure of flue-cured tobacco growers to adopt marketing control by a two-thirds vote in the referendum to be held on Saturday will result in the lowering of the average annual income of the 300,000 families engaged directly in the production of the crop from \$500 to between \$200 and \$300.

This opinion was based on the failure of the soil conservation act to secure any material reduction of acreage in 1936 and 1937 and the capacity of the area in which flue-cured tobacco is grown to produce crops far in excess of any potential de-

The new farm bill really contains two systems, acreage allotments based on voluntary compliance with the soil conservation act, which is continued, and poundage allotments, the latter subject to the referendum to be held on Saturday.

Farmers are offered payments under the agricultural conservation program for planting tobacco in line with the acreage allotments under the agricultural conservation program. If they plant in excess of these allotments, they merely fail to earn the ments are independent of the market- ficant figures which give a perspecpayments offered. The acreage alloting quotas, and regardless of whether a farmer plants in line with the bacco industry. allotments, his marketing quota would remain unchanged. By planting in line with the acreage allotments, however, a farmer could expect, with average conditions, to have a crop about equal to his market-

The marketing quota is a "poundage" quota and represents the amount of tobacco that a farmer can sell without payment of the penalty imposed by the new farm act. Sale of tobacco in excess of the quota in payment of any penalty on that tobacco would not affect the acreage allotments or the payments on the acreage allotments under the agricultural conservation program. The act authorizes the issuance of regulations under which the marketing quotas could be transferred and thus farmers who have excess tobacco would have a possiblity of obtaining additional quotas from farmers whose crops may be less than their quotas.

Experiences in 1936 and 1937 show clearly that the payments offered under the agricultural conservation program are not sufficient to induce farmers to keep production in line with market demands. In the opinion of department officials, there would be such a surplus within a few years that farmers would be faced with disastrously low prices if no action could be taken other than that under the agricultural conservation program. According to department officials, there is adequate evidence to indicate that the better than 300,-000 farm families growing flue-cured tobacco could soon anticipate a drop from an income of around \$500 per family to previous low levels of \$200 and \$300 per family.

As between states, the act provides for the establishment of quotas on the basis of production during the past five years, with adjustments for niversary of his marriage, Hyman D. the effects of blue mold and abnormal Stack was sued for separate mainteweather conditions, for small farms nance by his wife, Mrs. Ella Stack. and for trends in production. On Mrs. Stack charges desertion in 1932, the point of trends in production, the and asks \$2,000 a month alimony, principle is recognized that the act \$20,000 for lawyers' fees and \$2,500 may guide and direct production so court costs.

Believe Failure of Ref- as to avoid unwise and too rapid shifts or increases in production, but erendum Saturday Will that it cannot prevent the operators Bring Sharp Price De- of normal decreases or increases as

Policy Not Sufficient act provides that quotas will be established on the basis of past marketings of tobacco, with adjustments for the effects of blue mold and abnormal weather conditions, the land, labor and equipment available for tion of tobacco. The act contains held up by the broad river. provision giving protection to small

> cured tobacco marketed per family is eastern Shantung, killing 500 Japain itself very small. Under present nese. conditions, if supplies are to be kept in line with demand, each family will need to market slightly less than 2,-400 pounds. This means an acreage per family of less than three acres. Nonetheless, the act provides that the operator of a farm from which a quantity of tobacco normally marketed is less than 3,200 pounds may Japanese continued to pursue retreatcontinue to market his normal production without penalty.

> The second annual report on tobacco statistics, covering the 1935-37 marketing season and earlier years, was made available today by the United States Department of Agri- in Shansi province, but were forced

These annual statistical summaries, prepared by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, were authorized and requested by Congress in 1935. They are intended to bring together signi-

some phases of the industry in 1936-37. Cigarette production reached a Ming dynasty in 1368. new high; cigar production increased for the third successive year; stocks spokesman said the Chinese had lost of tobacco in most types were re-

On the other hand, an unfavorable ndication is cited in the case of exorts. The export trade has always been a major outlet for American tobacco, but greater and greater efforts are being made to duplicate popular American types in foreign countries. "Such efforts," it was stated, "backed by governmental funds and

proceeding along scientific lines, will probably bear more and more heavily on the foreign market for American

The report contains numerous tables on production, prices and other items relating to tobacco. New data not included in the first annual report relates to tax-paid withdrawals in the United States of tobacco products from the Philippine Islands and Porto Rico, 1917-37; tobacco acreage and production of the world and specified countries, 1900-34; data indicating use, dimensions and weights of tobacco containers for shipment and storage; and international trade tables by countries or origin and destination for the most important tobacco exporting and importing countries,

Copies of the "Annual Report on Tobacco Statistics, 1937"-Statistical Bulletin No. 63-are available from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D. C., at 15 cents each.

SUED ON GOLDEN ANNIVER-SARY

Los Angeles. - On the fiftieth an-

Here Are Chief Points In Marketing Proposal

marketing quotas for cotton and to- ranging from 10 to 30 per cent.

with consumption so as to protect his allotted acreage times the avergrowers from rumously low prices age number of pounds grown per

is to be produced this year, Encourage growers to participate On a farm where the planted and and all will be treated alike.

in the agricultural conservation pro- diverted cotton acreage has not been "The only cotton exempt from quogram and receive payments offered as much as five acres during the past tas is that with a staple length of change. Senator Byrnes, in charge in the United States? for limiting the acreage of soil-de- three years, the allotment would be one and one-half inch or more, and of the bill admitted at the outset that pleting crops and for carrying out the same as the largest number of the budget can is dependent upon governmental aid? bit in your favor. "Gross" doesn't ed income" credit. If your net insoil-building practices.

Provide penalties for farmers who these years, exceed their cotton and tobacco quo- On farms where five or more acres

In brief, the cotton and tobacco quotas would be determined for each an additional amount that would ening the cellar under the house of

Then the farmer's marketing quo-Endeavor to keep production in line to would be calculated by multiplying

er his fair share of the total crop amount of cotton the farmer can grow has arisen. "This is not true, on his allotted acreage.

acres planted and diverted in any of United States."

were planted and diverted, the cotton allotment would be five acres plus

Farms with 3.5 acres or less would thority to vary the allotments slight. Beers, the owner, divided \$200 with merce Commission and similar agenabout a 10 per cent adjust- ly, according to the different condi- the workmen, and kept the balance cies. Passing over titles two and that she hasn't got the time for a the factor and between 25 from from on different farms for for himself

Chinese Guerrilla **Bands Claim Further Victories**

Shanghai, March 9. - Chinese re-As between different farms, the ported today that guerrilla bands had recaptured a dozen towns in conquered territory north of the Yellow river while Japanes artillery bombarded strategic cities on the south

Most of the reported Chinese sucthe production of tobacco crop rota- cesses were along the Nonan-Hopeh tion practices and the soil and other border, 40 to 60 miles behind the physical factors affecting the produc- Japanese advance lines which were

The Chinese also said a Chinese cavalry detachment had repulsed a The available quantity of flue- Japanese drive against Lini, in south- tened by the report recently sub- sire to sell part of France's new \$477,-

Although handicapped by snow, the ing Chinese in Shansi province, preparatory to invading Shensi, the Communist stronghold.

ern Shansi had crossed the Yellow river near Paoteh and occupied Fuku back by a spirited Chinese counter attack.

ital of the Chinese empire.

built by Hung Wu, founder of the

In Shanghai, a Japanese army all "effective striking power" and duced to as low a level as was de- had been forced to start arming civilians. He estimated that Chinese casualties, killed and wounded totaled approximately in Central and North

> had struck in a new quarter, raiding Siangyang in northwestern Hupeh province for the first time and shooting down four Chinese planes during an air battle there. They said Chinese hangars in Siangyang were

Farmers Vote On Each Grop

Separate Tobacco Growers.

Raleigh, March 8. - E. Y. Floyd, AAA executive officer at State College, issued a warning today in which he reminded farmers that the vote on cotton and flue-cured tobacco March 12 will be separate.

"From many reports which hav reached me, I gather that a large number of cotton growers are depending on the tobacco producers to do the deciding, either one way or the other," Floyd stated.

"This misunderstanding should be cleared up at once," he continued "The vote on cotton and the vote on tobacco are separate and distinct, and one may be carried and put into ef-

fect while the other may fail," Two ballot boxes will be provided at each polling place, one for cotton and one for tobacco. Those who produced cotton will vote in the cotton balloting, and those who produced tobacco will vote for tobacco. If a farmer produced both, he is entitled to vote for both crops. If not then he can vote only for that crop which he

No one who did not produce one of the two crops last year will be allow-Raleigh, March 10-The proposed and 5 acres would make adjustments ed to take part in the referenda, Floyd explained, and will be challenged if he attempts to vote.

"In at least one place, it has been reported that Texas cotton growers will not be subject to quotas," Floyd said, in explaining other misunder-Give each cotton and tobacco grow- The cotton quota would be the standing and misinformation which all cotton growers in the belt will vote fect a bill would have to pass both

DIGGERS FIND GOLD

Bloomsburg, Pa. - Workmen deepbring the total allotment up to a cer- Elmer R. Beers found several gold first giving the Chief Executive hangar in the world? ments of about 30 per cent from their a bigger percentage than large growmorroal arrange, which is about the censes of about the county committees would have auaccordance to the county committee to the coun



FOR EDUCATION NEW FEDERAL AID STATES TO CONTROL RE-ORGANIZATION BILL FIGHT IN SENATE AN EXECUTIVE JOB NAVAL CONTROVERSY BATTLESHIPS SUPREME AIRPLANE ADVOCATES BRITISH DECISION

(Hugo S. Sims, Washington Corres-

mitted to Congress by the President 567,000 arms loan to Great Britain. who received it from an Advisory Japanese artillery attacks Committee on Education. Finding were concentrated on Chinese posi- "glaring inequalities in educational railway between Chengchow and Loy- tribution of \$855,500,000 in six years, cluding the Communists. divided into six major funds.

The first of \$40,000,000 in 1939, and increasing \$20,000,000 a year, ration and maintenance of public ele-Chinese said Japanese in Northwest- mentary and secondary schools. A by revolt among his Communist and for construction of buildings; the ficulties. The Japanese column, driving fourth, \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000, for rural library service.

> educational load to be borne on a low- Blum as Premier. er per capita income.

The National Education Association, the largest teachers' organization, the largest teachers' organization in the country, gave the report its official commendation after a committee reported that the President favored the main principles, that the money be distributed to equalize edu-Ballots For cational opportunity for the nation's children and that school control be and Cotton kept in the hands of the States and local school districts.

> It is interesting to point out that Federal grants for educational purposes already exceed \$50,000,000 a day as rain-plagued Southern Caliyear. They include vocational educa- fornia struggled to bring order out munity. tion in public schools, rehabilitation of last week's flood chaos. of the physically disabled, instruction home economics extension work. The Damage was slight. activities would not be interfered with, except possibly to be placed more clearly under State control, and the new grants are to be in addition to the sums appr priated for the purposes mentioned.

The Senate last week debated the administration's reorganization bill with the measure under heavy attack from a group of Senators, loosely identified as the insurgent, or antiourt-reform, Democrats and Repubicans opponents. Several Presid have attempted to solve the problem of administrative efficiency presented by the 135 separate agencies of the government in Washington. In 1932 Congress gave President Hoover pow er to rearrange the bureaus but with the provision that changes had to be submitted to Congress, without effect until sixty days, not even then if either house passed a resolution of disapproval.

The present measure including the gist of two house bills, provides for submission of reorganization orders houses and, if vetoed, secure the nec- ment greated? essary two-thirds to thwart the be saved by regrouping agencies and 7. What percentage of railroad inclue, for instance, things like the come was under 33,000, this credit that the only way to save hig money mileage is being operated by re- life insurance you get when your un- is 10 per cent of the tall if your in-"is to stop appropriating money for ceivers? the agencies."

Paris, March 9th. - Premier Camille Chautemps announced tonight at Matigon Palace, as angry Communists stormed in the streets outside, that he and his 40-day-old government will resign tomorrow in favor of a cabinet turning to the right for support.

It was reported in the corridors of Parliament that Chautemps' decision to open the way for a wider coalition government that will com-Federal grants to the States for pletely banish the Communists from educational purposes have been has- its majority was dictated by a de-

According to these reports, as yet unconfirmed, Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain of Britain refused tions opposite Menghstien and Wenh- opportunities," which " can be ade- help France market her big defense sien, where the Japanese hoped to quately corrected" only by Federal loan unless a new government was cross the river and cut the Lunghai aid, the study recommends the con- installed, based on a majority ex-

Chautemps, who has headed two Popular Front cabinets and plunged from one crisis into another, said he appears before the Chamber of Depuwould be for general aid in the ope- ties at \$:30 a. m. (4:30 a. m. E.S.T.) He will explain the crisis provoked

second from \$2,000,000 to \$5,000,000 Socialist followers of the Popular annually, for improvement in the Front against his demands for powpreparation of teachers; the third, er to rule by decree in coping with

The Socialists, most powerful disouthward through Shansi, is aimed improvement of State Departments vision of the Popular Front refused Music for the event was furnished of white snapdragons, roses and fern. at Tungkwan, gateway to Shensi, at of Education; the fifth, \$5,000,000 to to grant full powers to the cabinet by Hod Williams' orchestra. the "big bend" of the river. This \$15,000,000, for civic, general and vo- in which they hold no seats and the ddrive centers attention on Sian, cap- cation part-time activities and the Communists withhold formal decision ital of Shensi and for 400 years cap- sixth, \$2,000,000 to \$5,000,000 for until after Chautemps' appearance in ever staged here, and partons were Seated at the table were Mrs. Bertha the chamber.

The committee insisted upon State by the Socialists and Communists be- entertainment provided throughout blossom and wedding bell motifs. Miss control, plainly and exactly establish- fore 9:30 a. m. notifying Chautemps the week by exhibitors and circus Bettie Joyner, Miss Margaret Lewis, ed by law, with the exception of a that they are willing to give him the performers. provision that States maintaining sweeping, almost dictatorial powers separate schools for Negroes provide he demands to fill the treasury and an equitable distribution of the funds rearm the nation, can avert the cabi-without reducing the proportion of net's collapse.

present funds spent on Negro schools. It appeared likely that Chautemps, So complete will be State authority easting the Communists aside and that local authorities will have to de- seeking support of the Centrists under Japanese reported their air force cide whether parochial and private Paul Reynaud, might eventually sucschools will share in the benefits, ceed himself, as he did in a similar However, the advisory group held cabinet collapse on January 18. There that the largest share should go to were indications, however, that the rural schools, because the farm pop- Socialists might decide to grab powulation has a disproportionately heavy er for themselves and reinstate Leon

Flooded Area

Hail and Lightning usher in New California Clean Up Campaign: Storm.

Los Angeles, March 8. - Hail and lightning ushered in a new storm to-

Lightning fired a Pasadena home promotes good health. at land-grant colleges, agricultural during the night and extinguished experimentation and agricultural and the lights in an Altadena residence. ters, and old tin cans holding water

Newport Beach.

The weather bureau's forecast of riers of Typhoid and other filth dilocal showers indicated rain today seases.

the flooded San Gabriel river lay on the basis of Self-protection. ahead of rescuers in attempts to re- It is unclean places that harbor move Mrs. Ethel Troy, wife of the germs. Governor of Alaska, to medical at

dition made extremely serious by exposure in last week's deluge, was reported at a forest ranger's station in upper San Gabriel canyon.

WHO KNOWS?

income tax returns this year? prevent any of them from taking ef- istence of the germ of syphilis?

6. What portion of the population government stresses the meaning a ple fail to take. It's called an "earn-

relief rolls of WPA?

(Continued on page 4) table of bridge. If you are single take off \$1,000 but "means tax."

Silver Anniversary **Observed By Joyners**

Crowned Oueen By Secretary of State

Coronation Ceremonies and Ball Bring Legion and Merchants Exposition to Successful Close

with Secretary of State Thad Eure white in the sun parlor. conducting the coronation ceremon-Skinner, a compact.

corsage of roses and valley lilies.

\$20,000,000 to \$30,000,000 annually the nation's financial and social dif- Manager Grey. The Ball attracted Mr. and Mrs. A. Q. Roebuck and Mr.

apparently delighted with the fea- Joyner Gardner and Mrs. Louise Dix-Only a surprising change of front tured attractions and the good, clean

paign To Begin March 15th

As Pitt County Health Officer I wish to heartily endorse the countywide "Clean Up Campaign" under the chairmanship of Miss Ethel Nice, Joyner. Pitt County Home Demonstration Agent. This campaign is to be carried on in connection with "Better Homes In America" week. It is planned that the campaign begin Monday, March 14th and continue until all communities have been reached. There are several reasons for a

home and the grounds. 2. It increases one's self-respect.

3. It increases the value of pro-4. It boosts the pride of the com-

5. And most important of all, it

Weeds in the yard, clogged up gutare favorable breeding places for Heavy hail struck Redondo Beach mosquitos and of course mosquitos after an electrical display. Rain was carry Malaria. Unclean stables and reported from Santa Barbara to garage are favorable breeding places for flies. Flies are dangerous car-

would be of short duration, however, It is hoped that every citizen and enginers said flood control dams Pitt County will take a personal incould handle average precipitation. terest in this Clean Up Campaign on A 30-mile hike over soggy, slip- a basis of what is good for the compery trails and a perilous crossing of munity but, if not on this basis then

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Joyner Entertain; Literary Clubs Meet During Week.

NUMBER FORTY-THRE

The largest and most delightful of social events held here during the spring season was that of Friday, when Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Eli Joy ner entertained in observance of their Silver Anniversary. A profusion of spring bloom, daf-

fodils, hawthorne, snapdragons, roses and camillias, filled the home on North Main street; the rose and gold color note being emphasized in the Exposition Week, held by Legion- music room, shades of pink in the naires and merchants here, came to living room, white and silver in the a brilliant conclusion on Friday night, dining and gift rooms, and red and

Greeting guests were Mr. and Mrs. ies, crowning Miss Mable Barrett, at- Claude Barrett, and directing them to tractive and talented daughter of Mr. the music room were Mr. and Mrs. and Mrs. Robert G. Barrett, as queen J. I. Morgan, Sr. Mr. and Mrs. John and presenting her with a lovely dia- B. Joyner introduced guests to the mond ring. Miss Aileen Flanagan, receiving line composed of Mr. and who was runner up in the contest, Mrs. Thomas Eli Joyner, their daughreceived an Elgin wrist watch, Miss ters, Misses Verona Lee and Fran-Annie Lawrence Skinner, a compact cs, and son, Eli Joyner, Jr., Mrs. and bracelet set, and Miss Dorothy Bertha Joyner, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Barrett. Roanoke, Va., Mrs. Nonie Miss Barrett wore a pink lace dress Barrett, Mack Barrett, Canton, Dawith blue accessories and a shoulder vid Barrett and the Rev. and Mrs. D. A. Clarke.

The Queen's Ball was formally Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Monk directed opened by the Queen herself and the way to the dining room, where more than two thousand people from and Mrs. R. H. Knott received. The this community and nearby towns. table was centered with a silver bowl White tapers in silver candelabra The Exposition was regarded as burned on the table and mantel, all among the most successful benefits appointments of which were silver. Miss Bertha Lang, Miss Hazel Bass, Miss Geraldine Gardner, Miss Jean Cannon, Miss Lucy Barrow and Miss Nellie Butler assisted in passing individual cakes, iced and decorated

with white roses, nuts and mints. Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Lang were in the hallway, and Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Joyner received in the gift room, where the register was presided over by Mr. and Mrs. John T. Thorne.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Thorne received in the sun parlor, where punch was served by Mrs. Daisy Holmes Smith, Mrs. Kathleen H. Moore, Miss Elizabeth Lang and Miss Bertha Ray

Mrs. Joyner is the only daughter of Mrs. Nonie Smith Barrett and the late C. L. Barrett. Mr. Joyner is the son of Mrs. Bertha Barrow Joyner and the late R. L. Joyner, Sr.

This popular couple reared in Farmville, has been very active in religious, social and civic circles here

from their youth. Mr. Joyner has been the secretarytreasurer and successful manager of the Farmville Furniture Company for the past twenty-five years, this firm, prominent throughout Eastern Carolina, also celebrating their Sil-

ver Anniversary this year. Around four hundred friends called from eight-thirty to eleven, with the following out-of-town guests registering: Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Stewart, Wilmington; Mark C. Lassiter, Snow Hill; Roy Lassiter, Greensboro; Mrs. C. L. Finch and Miss Lucille Finch, Henderson; Mrs. H. H. Benson and Miss Ruth Benson, Lenoir; Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Henderson, Wendell; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Waters, Rocky Mount; Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Cannon, Ayden; Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Carr, Durham; Mrs. Dunbar Lamar, Beach Island, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Harrington, Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Fleming, Mr. and

The 52-year-old woman, her contion made extremely serious by ex-Return Yet? Here's How

Washington, March 8. - Have you as your personal exemption. Married pecially if you go to an internal rev- counts for another \$400 exemption. enue expert for help.

At least that's what one expert—been living off you while carefully to Congress for sixty days but to 3. Do blood tests reveal the ex- a gentlmena with white hair and avoiding work, is over 18 and in good old-rimmed glasses—said today. health, Uncle Sam counts you a suck-4. When was the Labor Depart- Briefly, as he put it, this is all you er and counts John nothing at all in have to do:

deduct the \$10 you gave last year to dit.

made out your income tax return men get a break and can take off \$2,500. Every child or other depen-Making out returns is a cinch, es- dent necessarily supported by you However, if cousin John, who has

5. How many physicians are there | First figure your "gross" income. There's one more deduction which "Gross" means total, except that the the experts say many salaried peo-

come was over \$3,000, deduct 10 per ceivers?

8. How many persons are on the Then the fun begins. You start cent of either your salary or your deducting items to get what the gov- net income whichever is smaller The Senate bill is in five titles, the 9. What is the largest airplane ernemnt calls "net" income. You except that \$300 is the minimum cre-

Farms growing more than five tain percentage of the crop-land.

To figure the tax, you take—rathcoins. Excitedly, they began to dig power to reduce or consolidate exacres of tobacco would make adjustscreen agreement takes—four per
men pay each year in hunting lipaid the city on real estate taxes, er, the government takes—four per
men pay each year in hunting lipaid the city on real estate taxes, er, the government takes—four per the interest you paid on that note at cent of what's left. If your net inthe bank, the uninsured less on your come minus personal and family exgarage that blew down and the \$50 emptions is more than \$4,000, there's