

Piedmont Carolina Fortunate When Compared With East, Says Writer

(Ben E. Atkins in Gastonia Gazette)

We of the west who conceal our unfortunate hides beneath the unnecessary garb of sackcloth and ashes need but one sweeping glance of the desolate land that makes up Eastern North Carolina to cure all of our imaginary ills.

The groaning Piedmont is a veritable valley of milk and honey when we compare it to that gaunt stretch of territory that reaches from the outer edges of Central North Carolina to the Atlantic coast.

A week ago the writer left Gastonia for Morehead City to attend the 50th annual convention of the North Carolina Press Association.

He left under the spell of the long face of the depression that has occupied the better part of our thought and conversation for the past two years. Today, after having driven over two different routes covering, between them, the better part of Eastern North Carolina, he looks through rose colored glasses upon a promised land in disguise.

The people of the Piedmont have no idea how very fortunate they are. One day in the East would put a smile of optimism on the face of the most crabbedly pessimistic... one fleeting glance at our brothers on the coasts is enough to banish all self-pity.

Laurinburg to Beauford, with the exception of Wilmington, Fayetteville, Kinston and quiet little New Bern, is a wilderness that would defy any Moses who might attempt to lead his people from its fastnesses. There is no manna to feed the mouths of the hungry. On eight cent tobacco the brow-beaten farmer of the East must make his way.

Barfoot farmers and barefoot farmer's wives are scarce in the Piedmont. In the tobacco-dotted East the farmer who wears shoes is a civic leader and a king.

Aged women, tanned from many suns, stopped and prematurely aged from far too many times in childhood, work their lives away in the poorly paying tobacco fields that provide their only source of revenue. An unpatched pair of overalls is all but an unknown thing.

Houses that give threat of collapsing any moment into a great pile of rotten wood are inhabited by large families. Easily 75 per cent



ZION COMMUNITY BATCH OF NEWS

Rev. L. L. Jessup Conducts Revival
Mr. and Mrs. Husley Have
New Son—Personals.

Zion, August 3.—Our revival meeting is on. Rev. L. L. Jessup of Shelby is doing the preaching. Services each morning and evening.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Husley last Wednesday a fine son. Mother and son are doing nicely.

Mr. D. B. Simmons of Spencer is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Simmons. Mr. Simmons continues very sick.

Miss Texia Blanton and Miss Carrie Boger of Kannapolis are visiting. Miss Blanton's sister Mrs. Charlie Yarborough.

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The Flavor is just Right

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At The Change

A Critical Time In Every Woman's Life.

"During a critical time in my life I took Cardui for several months. I had hot flashes. I would suddenly get dizzy and seem blind. I would get faint and have no strength.

My nerves were on edge. I would not sleep at night.

"Cardui did wonders for me. I recommend it to all women who are passing through the critical period of change. I have found it a fine medicine." —Mrs. Hettie Murphy, Poplar Bluff, Mo.

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Newspapermen Out Of Work, Get Out Paper Of Their Own

They Are Accustomed To A Hard Life Without Money But They Must Write.

(Spartanburg Herald)

of the farm houses are badly in need of repair.

The face of the eastern farmer is gaunt with anxiety and despair... if not with actual hunger. He is the son and the sire of poverty, and want is so imbedded in his system that he has long since lost all hope of relief.

The poorest farmer in Gaston county is almost a lord of the manor if we compare him to the average run of men in the rural east.

The Piedmont farmers, we repeat, should rejoice, even in the face of ten cent cotton.

The depressing atmosphere which hovers about the vast rural stretches of Eastern North Carolina disappears in the more progressive towns and cities of the section. Wilmington, the seaboard's outstanding city, shows little wear and tear from the long era of financial difficulties. Apparently it prosters. There is bustle and bustle everywhere. The picturesque old homes remain in good repair. Passing from the rural wilderness into the outskirts of Wilmington is like passing from midnight into a glorious dawn.

Kinston, in spite of numerous bank failures, wears a smiling face. A new hotel, surpassing in beauty and grandeur almost every other hotel we have seen in North Carolina, rises fifteen stories above the wide main street. Everybody assumes a busy air.

Fayetteville, with its old slave market still in prominence, breeds an atmosphere of anything but depression. Great crowds throng the business streets at an early hour in the morning, and there is nothing to outwardly indicate that the people of Fayetteville are suffering from the depression complex.

Morehead City and Beauford, simple fishing villages, show far more outward optimism than has Gastonia for the past year and a half. Their businesses thrive. Their fishermen make good catches. Possession is at a minimum.

New Bern, whose cobblestone streets felt the weight of feet heavy with financial worries and depressions long before Gastonia had attained proportions of a crossroads village, is serene in its lethargy. Nothing worries New Bern. It has grown calloused toward depressions. It has learned through experience the best way to treat them. It ignores them.

But we of the Piedmont, the Eden of the Southland, grow gray over debts, deficits, and depressions. We should blush.

County Has Two Men Studying Ministry

L. P. Barnett and W. F. McGinnis of Cleveland County at Wake Forest.

(Special to The Star.)

Wake Forest, Aug. 4.—Of the 14 ministerial students who were members of the graduating class this spring at Wake Forest college, six will do advanced work at either universities or theological seminaries, Dr. W. R. Culom, dean of the School of Religion announced today. Four will enter pastorate, Max Klein figures 6,000 copies sold at 25 cents each will furnish those who turned out the first issue with about half what they used to get.

And one gathers from that just why all newspaper men are so rich.

The main weakness of any Smith-Raskob plot that may be brewing is that Democrats all through the south and west are grimly determined to thwart any Smith-Raskob plot. It begins to seem doubtful whether Smith and Raskob, assuming as many do, that Smith is opposed to Roosevelt, can get enough delegates behind anyone to wreck the governor on the two-thirds rule.

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Roosevelt Seems Far In Lead Of Other Candidates

If He Continues To Gain He Is Sure Bet For Democrat In 1932.

(Spartanburg Herald)

At this movement the city of New York harbors 5,000 unemployed newspaper men. Two-thirds of them are good as any in the country.

That's probably the largest percentage of unemployed men in any industry or vocation. Of course, the army found a battalion of recruits when the World came to an end, but that's neither here nor there—just another panic blow.

There isn't a chance for a handful of these poor devils to get a job. Every department of every newspaper is slashed to the core. One desk man is rending copy, two or three read B. D. (Before Depression). One reporter is sniffing around ten office buildings as compared to the three or four he loafed around two years ago. They even follow.

The party has other good material, but Roosevelt appears to be accumulating the support. Many Democrats would like to nominate Newton D. Baker and there is scattered backing for Owen D. Young and Al Smith.

Following. There will have to be a more concentrated opposition to Roosevelt than now appears to exist if the New York governor is going to be stopped. The trend of sentiment and strength has been largely in his direction for many months.

Guffey's Boost

Some observers have considered Roosevelt almost as good as nominated since Joe Guffey, Democratic boss in Pennsylvania, flatly declared for him. The Guffey declaration reminded one of the effect created when Boss Bill Vare of Pennsylvania declared for Hoover on the eve of the Kansas City convention three years ago, although Vare really only gave the band-wagon a final, unnecessary shove. Guffey, however, was able to promise 60 or more Roosevelt delegates and he has put a serious crimp in the supposed hopes of the Smith-Raskob faction to form an anti-Roosevelt faction among the very practical Democratic bosses in such states as Illinois, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey and Massachusetts who control a very large flock of delegates.

The Otootan, the latest bean in the test, is an excellent hay bean. The Laredo, an early bean, is very common for hay production. This bean is showing up very fine. The Virginia is a good bean for another good hay bean and is also showing up well. The Black Beauty is a bean bred at the Coker Farm in Hartsville, S. C., and is showing to be a real soy bean. I think that the cross between the Otootan and the Biloxi made this bean. The Mammoth Yellow as you all know from experience is below all the other varieties. The Mammoth Brown is a bean something similar to the Mammoth Yellow but is showing up better results in the test than the Yellow. The Illinois is ordered from Illinois this spring and is the earliest bean in the test. These beans were planted June 6 and July 22 there were small soy beans on the variety. The Harbinsoy is another Illinois grown bean and is showing up nicely in the test. This is another early variety and an excellent bean for planting in corn.

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She Doesn't Mind.

"Your Otto had a fight with my Jack."

"Oh, well, boys must be boys."

"I'm glad you take it like that—I'll get the ambulance to bring your Otto home."

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by the possibility that he might carry Hoover's own state in the election.

Nor can anyone suggest that Roosevelt is weak