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Farmers Given Opportunity To Voice Wishes On Cotton Marketing Quotas Dec. 10

Means of Reducing the Carry Over and Maintaining Prices

DUTY TO VOTE

Farmers Who Raised Cotton in 1938 Eligible To Cast Ballot

County farmers will vote on December 10th on whether or not they want to keep on using marketing quotas as a means toward reducing the cotton carry-over and strengthening cotton prices.

Next week, in this newspaper, L. W. Anderson, county farm agent, will list the voting places, and the cotton allotments for 1939 will be in the hands of county farmers before the balloting date arrives, according to the agent.

The referendum, however, has nothing to do with cotton acreage allotments, which will be sent out this year as usual. Briefly, the Control program to be voted on is this: On February 15 of this year, Congress passed the new Farm Act. Even though it was late in the season, farmers immediately set about placing the acreage allotments and marketing quotas. Cotton acreage this year has been successfully held within the average allotment. Marketing quotas have proved to be an effective aid toward keeping market supplies more nearly in line with demand.

However, the large carry-over of 13 million bales of cotton resulting from the record 1937 crop still hangs over the market, and cotton prices are not yet restored to the levels of two or three years ago.

The question to be decided by cotton producers on December 10th is whether they want to keep on using the marketing quotas as a means toward reducing the carry-over and strengthening cotton prices. Under the control program, a farmer can sell, tax free, all of the cotton produced by him if he does not overplant his acreage allotment.

Every farmer who planted cotton in 1938 should carefully study the cotton situation and the purpose and effects of marketing quotas, and should express his decision by voting.

All farmers who raised cotton in 1938 are eligible to vote in the December referendum, and a vote not cast is simply counted as no vote, it does not count either for or against a continuance of the marketing quota setup.

According to Mr. Anderson, "If the (Continued on Page Five)

Betty Brinn Passes Away Monday Night

Funeral Is Conducted On Wednesday Morning

Mary Elizabeth Brinn died Monday night at the home of Mrs. George Chappell, where she had lived for the past two years. She had been in failing health for some time and for the past two weeks had been confined to her bed. She was 82 years old.

Funeral services were conducted on Wednesday morning at the home of a nephew, R. E. Brinn. The Rev. T. M. Sharpe, pastor of the Hertford Methodist Church, officiated, assisted by the Rev. L. E. Walston, of Center Hill. Miss Brinn was a life-long member of the Center Hill Methodist Church.

A choir of five voices from the Hertford Methodist Church sang at the funeral "Rock of Ages" and "Thy Will Be Done." At the burial services in Cedarwood Cemetery, "Abide With Me" was sung.

Survivors were nephews of the deceased: Dr. T. P. Brinn, R. T. Brinn, Robbins Blanchard, R. E. Brinn, Thad Chappell and Robert Elliott Brinn.

Surviving are several other nieces and nephews, most of whom live in this county. Miss Brinn was the last member of her immediate family. Her brother, the late J. T. Brinn, died

Sale Of Christmas Seals Progressing Nicely In County

Drive to Raise Funds Gets Under Way Friday Morning

IN SCHOOLS

Corps of Canvassers Hard at Work Covering Territory

The annual sale of Christmas Seals for the prevention of tuberculosis began last Friday morning in Perquimans County under the direction of Mrs. I. A. Ward, county chairman, who reports the drive as progressing nicely.

Seals have been placed in all the schools of the county by Mrs. F. T. Johnson, who is handling that end of the drive, while Mrs. C. A. Davenport has charge of the Seal sale in the business district.

Working in the town, canvassing with Mrs. Ward are, Mrs. J. R. Futrell, Mrs. R. T. Brinn, Mrs. V. N. Darden, Mrs. L. N. Hollowell, Mrs. L. C. Winslow, Mrs. E. L. Laughinghouse, Mrs. W. W. Umphlett, Mrs. John Zachary, Mrs. Oscar Felton, Mrs. Charles Skinner and Mrs. Durwood Reed.

League For Peace Meets Saturday In Court House

Important Committees Will Be Named at Meeting

MORE JOIN

National Member Is Expected to Speak to Group

Important committees will be appointed at the next meeting of the Perquimans County branch of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, according to Miss Mattie Saunders, president of the newly-formed organization.

It is expected that the League will hold its meeting in the courthouse on Saturday, December 3rd, at 2:30 P. M., when the history and work of the organization will be more fully explained.

"It is urgent," says the president, "that as many members and prospective members attend this meeting as possible, since a National member of the League who is forming a State organization, will probably be present to speak on the work of the League. We are not sure she can be present, but indications lead us to believe that the National member will be here, and if she cannot, we hope to have her meet with us soon."

Members of the local branch will be prepared to give accounts of the history and work if the National speaker is not present, and everyone interested in Peace, both members and non-members, are urged to attend.

Membership increases daily, and Miss Saunders is anxious to begin effective work in affiliation with the International League.

Miss Ruth L. Riddick Weds Chas. R. Riddick

The wedding of Miss Ruth Riddick to Charles Robert Riddick was quietly solemnized Sunday afternoon at 12:30 o'clock in the Baptist Church at Gatesville. The vows were spoken before the Rev. J. M. Jolliff.

The bride was attractively attired in a forest green ensemble with grey fox trimming. Her accessories were black, and she carried an arm bouquet of bronze chrysanthemums.

Mrs. Riddick is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Mills Riddick, of Gatesville.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Riddick, of Hertford. Mr. and Mrs. Riddick left immediately after the wedding for a short trip, after which they will be at home at 504 Cleveland Street, Durham.

Hertford Stores Bidding For Holiday Business On Competitive Basis And Not Playing On Sympathy For Home Merchant

\$7,500 Distributed In Christmas Savings By Bank In Hertford

Sizeable Amount Will Make For Cheery Christmas; 1939 Club Members Offered Cash Prizes For Slogans

After the Hertford Banking Company distributes \$7,500 in Christmas Club checks on Monday of next week, the 1939 club will form immediately. This year, the Christmas Club corporation will offer added inducements to save. Every member of the 1939 Club is entitled to compete in a contest which offers 359 cash prizes totaling \$5,000, according to R. M. Riddick, Jr., cashier.

The amount to go into circulation here Monday represents 250 savings accounts, and makes all the people who failed to join the club last year very sorry that they didn't. The checks, coming in quite handily at the Yuletide season, range all the way in amounts from \$5.00 to \$250.00, representing weekly deposits of ten cents to five dollars each.

The club which closes Monday is the largest in the Banking Company's history, and was formed early in December of 1937. No doubt all the checks will be rapidly cashed and disposed of, the funds finding their way into the tills of local merchants. The sum to be turned over next week to systematic savers is larger by one-third than last year's Christmas Club total, according to Mr. Riddick.

The 1939 Club will offer cash prizes for the best slogans, as original ideas of not more than 15 words, which best express the thrift value and usefulness of the Christmas Club. The entries must be mailed on or before April 1, 1939, to The Slogan Editor, Christmas Club, New York. The prizes will be awarded on July 1, 1939, and every club member is eligible.

They've Arrived, The Season And Hunters

Arriving promptly one jump ahead of the quail season as usual, New York state's most regular visitors, A. A. Pearsall, Frank Loudan and Cliff Baxter, checked into the Hotel Hertford Wednesday night on schedule for the opening of the bird season Thursday.

The Long Island sportsmen, bringing their bird dogs, have been spending several days here during each open quail season for more than twenty years. This year a fourth member is with the party, Adolph Lottman. All four men are from Amityville, New York.

State Normal Glee Club Sings Dec. 6th

At the high school building on December 6th, at 8 o'clock, the Glee Club of the Elizabeth City State Normal School, will give a concert. A small admission fee will be charged and funds received will benefit the Methodist Church. The State Normal's Glee Club was heard recently from the stage of the Carolina Theatre in Elizabeth City, and the concert was well-received by a large audience. The sponsors are urging a big attendance for the worthy cause, at the same time offering a program of splendid entertainment in return.

Training School Students Remember Less Fortunate

King Williams, energetic head of the Perquimans County Training School at Winfall, reports that his students this year donated forty baskets of foodstuffs to the less fortunate colored people on Thanksgiving Day.

The faculty and student body of the prominent Negro school contributed the following produce, divided into provisions baskets: one and a half pecks of white potatoes, five bushels of sweet potatoes, 15 heads of collards, twelve quarts of canned fruit and vegetables, one bushel of rutabagas, one half peck of kale, one peck of peanuts, ten pounds of sugar, 12 pounds of rice, 12 pounds of flour, one bushel of meal, one peck of pod peppers, dried beans, salmon, oatmeal, molasses, milk, beef soup, butter, flavoring extracts, cabbage, tea, pork and beans, fruit cake and several bushels of fruit.

The baskets, which undoubtedly lightened many a dark day for needy county Negroes, were filled and distributed by members of the student body.

With Less Overhead Prices Lower Than In Larger Stores

ASK INSPECTION

Shops Attractive With Latest Christmas Items

Stores that have not already decorated for Christmas are in the process of prettifying up for the holiday season now, and because of their extensive Christmas stocks, their popular prices, the quality of their merchandise, and the all-round attractiveness of their stores, Hertford merchants are urging shoppers to buy at home.

If the home merchants were to adopt a slogan for the holiday trade, it could easily and truthfully be, "You can buy it in Hertford—probably at a saving!" They haven't a trade slogan, but the shopping public will do themselves a favor to visit the local stores before embarking on tiresome and disappointing "shopping trips" to foreign markets.

One prominent dealer flatly refused to discuss the "buy-at-home" business: from a home-town-duty standpoint. Said he, "I do not believe Perquimans County people should feel obligated to patronize the home merchants, but I firmly believe that the people who pass up the local stores this year to shop out of town, are definitely missing something."

"In the first place, the local merchant can always be relied upon to correct any discrepancy in merchandise at a moment's notice, competition makes it imperative for our prices to compare favorably with out-of-town prices for the identical item, and last, shopping is a leisurely business here, no rush, no long expensive motor trips, and no 'after-Christmas exchanges', because the exchanges can be made here before Christmas."

In the opinion of other dealers, this merchant is right. They all urge a trip through Hertford stores, where gifts of highest quality are attractively displayed. "If Christmas shoppers will buy out of town only those items they cannot duplicate here at the same, or a lower price, we are convinced they will immediately see the advantages to be gained through 'buying at home,'" said a clothing dealer, who also is anxious that shoppers see the Christmas goodies here first.

The local dealers are not playing on sympathy for the home-town merchant as a means of gaining trade that formerly went out of town. Instead they are offering merchandise and prices that larger stores in larger towns with larger overhead expenses, will find hard to compete with.

County Presented With Two Flags

Beautiful Emblems Given by Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Whedbee

When the County Commissioners met with the Sheriff to settle tax matters Monday, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Whedbee made use of the occasion to present the county with two beautiful flags.

Chairman Earl Perry accepted them on behalf of the county, and the flags were immediately set in place, flanking the judge's bench in the courtroom. The flags, one the American banner, and the other, the State flag, are of silk, trimmed with yellow fringe, and beautifully mounted on flagstaffs eight feet high. Rich tassels dangle from the top of the staffs which are set in handsome stands.

A bronze eagle perches atop the American banner, and the top of the staff supporting the North Carolina flag forms a spearhead. The banners were especially manufactured by professional flag makers, and covers are provided to protect them when not in use.

"Fine Cooperation" Is Report Of Roll Call

Chairman S. M. Whedbee himself is handling the Red Cross Roll Call in the business district, and he reports the membership drive as "progressing satisfactorily."

Returns today, however, are still considerably short of the quota set for this county, and canvassers appointed by the chapter chairman, will call on everyone within the next few days.

Winfall Couple Quietly Wed In Chowan County

Miss Celesta Godwin and Mr. Harold Hurdle, both of Winfall, were quietly married Sunday, November 20th, at the home of the Rev. J. T. Byrum, at Cross Roads, Chowan County. The impressive ring service was used.

The bride was beautifully attired in a navy blue outfit.

The wedding was attended by only a few intimate friends.

Mrs. Hurdle holds a position at Darden Brothers, while Mr. Hurdle is a prominent Perquimans County farmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Hurdle will make their homes in Perquimans County.

Grit Publishing Co. Compliments Local Salesman

Gaither Hendricks Recognized For Large Sales

The Grit Publishing Company recently recognized Gaither Hendricks, local young man, as an outstanding salesman, and pointed with pride to his enviable record in the sale of the weekly publication in Hertford.

According to an item in the weekly which he sells, "North Carolina has produced many fine Grit salesmen and one of the outstanding ones is Gaither Hendricks. He sells 135 copies of Grit a week in a town of about 390 families. In fact he has maintained a sale of well over 100 copies a week for a number of years past. To sell such a large number of papers weekly in a town so small is a record that marks Gaither Hendricks as a first-rank Grit salesman."

The item did not mention the name of the town, but Gaither Hendricks is a familiar figure in Hertford.

Special Christmas Edition Next Week

The Perquimans Weekly's Special Christmas Edition will appear next week, December 9th. As a sort of shopper's guide, the edition will feature the advertisements of Hertford's leading stores, offering gifts for every member of the family and the house itself. Holiday table delicacies will also come in for their rightful share of publicity . . . and if The Perquimans Weekly should forget it in the rush of events, it takes the opportunity now to wish its readers and others "A Very Merry Christmas" . . . and "Happy Shopping."

Club Meetings

Released this week by Miss Gladys Hamrick, Perquimans Home Demonstration Agent, is the schedule of Demonstration and 4-H club meetings for the month of December:

Chapanoke—Monday, December 5, at 1:30 P. M., with Mrs. Talmage Lewis.

Winfall—Wednesday, December 7, at 2:30 P. M., with Mrs. Joel Hollowell.

Whiteston—Thursday, December 8, at 7:00 P. M., with Mrs. Dewitt Winslow.

Home and Garden—Friday, December 9, at 7:30 P. M., with Mrs. Riddick Chappell.

Ballahack—Monday, December 12, at 4:00 P. M., at the school house.

Beech Spring—Tuesday, December 13, at 2:30 P. M., with Mrs. Wayland Howell.

Durants Neck—Wednesday, December 14, at 7:30 P. M., at the Community House.

Helen Gaither—Thursday, December 15, at 7:30 P. M., with Mrs. C. P. Morris.

Snow Hill-White Hat—Friday, December 16, at 2:30 P. M., with Mrs. Mattie Barclift.

Bethel—Friday, December 16, at 7:00 P. M., with Mrs. Charles White.

Belvidere—Wednesday, December 22, at 7:30 P. M., at the Community House.

Burgess—Thursday, December 15, at 2:30 P. M., with Mrs. Dennis Godwin.

4-H Club Meetings

High School—Thursday, December 15, from 9 to 18 A. M.

Winfall—Thursday, December 15, from 10:45 to 11:45 A. M.

Grammar School—Monday, December 19, from 11 to 12 A. M.

New Hope—Tuesday, December 20, from 10:30 to 11:30 A. M.

Interesting Meeting Tonight At Belvidere

Of interest to the Belvidere Community is the announcement of a meeting scheduled for Friday (tonight) at 8:00 o'clock, according to Miss Gladys Hamrick, county home demonstration agent. The meeting will be held in the Community House at Belvidere where the home demonstration club will present interesting features, together with community singing.

Miss Hamrick is looking forward to a full meeting, and wishes to call special attention that the meeting is called to include the entire Belvidere community.

Skeptical

A Negro shoe-shine boy was handed a new Jefferson nickel as a tip for services rendered early this week. He took one look at the coin and at the first opportunity left his stand to trade the "slot machine slug" for "real money."

He finally found someone willing to trade, and was feeling pretty good about the whole transaction until his employer told him that the "slug" could be cashed anywhere for five good cents.