

FAIR WARNING TO COTTON GINNERS

COMMISSIONER GRAHAM CALLS
ATTENTION TO A RECENT
ACT OF LEGISLATURE.

THE TAX MUST BE COLLECTED

The Law Imposes a Fine of Five Dollars Per Day on Every Ginner who Operates Without a License.

Raleigh.

As there are a number of cotton ginner who have not complied with the law requiring them to take out license to operate, Major W. A. Graham, Commissioner of Agriculture, has issued notice warning delinquent ginner.

Major Graham's notice of warning follows:

"There are a number of cotton ginner in the state who have not yet applied for license to operate a cotton gin during this season. Their attention is called to the fact that the last season of the legislature passed a law requiring that all ginner make application for license to the Commissioner of Agriculture and that such ginner collect for the next two years a tax of twenty-five cents per bale on all cotton ginned, remitting this monthly to the Department of Revenue.

"The law imposes a fine of five dollars per day on all ginner who operate without securing state licenses. Therefore, it is directed that ginner who have not yet secured their license to operate write the Commissioner of Agriculture requesting a form of application for license which should be filled out and forwarded immediately.

Denies State's Jurisdiction.

Denying that it is a citizen of the state, and pitching its fight on practically the same basis adopted by the Southern railway, with the omission of the attack on the validity of the franchise tax, the Atlantic Coast Line railroad entered the Federal court for the Eastern District of North Carolina seeking an injunction to prevent the collection of taxes levied upon it in the thirty counties in which its lines are operated.

Postmasters Commissioned.

Washington, (Special). — Postmaster have been commissioned as follows:

Meege, Arnesen S. Bush; Ringwood, Jesse A. Harris.

Postoffice inspectors are making investigations with a view to appointing postmasters at Bushnell and Pinehall.

Metts Marshal at State Fair.

Col. John Van B. Metts, adjutant general of North Carolina, has been appointed chief marshal of the sixtieth state fair by Mrs. George W. Vanderbilt, president of the North Carolina agricultural society, according to an announcement by Col. Jos. E. Pogue, secretary.

Reduction for Cannon Mills.

Reduction of nine per cent from the values placed upon the Cannon chain of mills in Cabarrus county by the local authorities was granted by the State Board of Equalization. Approximately \$12,000,000, less the 25 per cent horizontal reduction the county commissioners ordered on all property in April.

Road Contracts are Awarded.

Contracts awarded by the State Highway Commission for the construction of 49.43 miles of road in the Ninth Construction district indicate still further decline in the cost of road building.

The total of the four contracts awarded was \$94,248.

State Notes Sell Readily.

Five millions of North Carolina notes were sold in New York by State Treasurer Lacy, according to advices received here, and the paper was handled for 5.95.

Man With Many Wives.

One hundred deserted women are claiming to be the widows of K. L. Carson, he of seven aliases, who died at the Montrose Sanitarium in Weaverville, September 4.

J. S. Styles, attorney for Dr. J. M. Crawford who was appointed administrator for the deceased, needs another clerk to attend to his mail, since the news of the demise of the "man of mystery" became public.

Women from Maine to California have written their claims to widowhood.

Work for Unskilled Problem.

Increased activity in textile and lumbering industries has brought continued improvement in the unemployment situation in North Carolina according to M. L. Shipman, State Director of the Employment service. Placements through the five offices maintained in the state totaled 252 during the past week. Tobacco factories are also operating nearer to normal, and employing more men and women.

Most of the trained workers have got jobs; the problem is finding work for the mass of unskilled workers.

McLean Declines Invitation.

Washington, (Special). — Angus Wilson McLean, of the war finance corporation, and democratic national committeeman from North Carolina, said, finally, that he could not attend the Charlotte exposition.

"I regret my inability to take part in that great affair," said he. "The holding of such an exposition marks a new era in the South. Were it not for very pressing business here I would accept the invitation to attend. Nothing would give me more pleasure."

Better Business Conditions.

A more rapid return to better business conditions throughout North Carolina is reflected in the increasing number of new enterprises which are daily being chartered at the office of the secretary of state here.

There has been a big increase in new corporations in recent weeks, which has put this department of the state government to work again after many months of idleness following the general depression which swept over North Carolina around Christmas, 1919. Today applications for charters to do business in North Carolina are coming to the secretary of state's office from all sections, money is getting decidedly easier and from a financial standpoint the state is showing an inclination to get back to pre-war conditions.

Governor Cameron Morrison has sent the pen with which he signed the commission appointing Judge William J. Adams, of Carthage, to the Supreme court bench to William J. Adams, Jr., son of the distinguished jurist. Because of the intensive campaign waged by friends of the two dozen "favorites" for the Supreme court vacancy, the pen itself will always be an interesting gift, and the governor thought that Judge Adams' young son should have it.

McLean Gets Appointment.

New York, (Special). — Appointment of Angus Wilson McLean, of Lumberton, North Carolina, to serve as chairman in that state for the Woodrow Wilson Foundation, was announced by Franklin D. Roosevelt. Mr. Roosevelt is national chairman of the committee in charge of raising a popular fund for endowing an annual award in ex-president Wilson's name.

Overman Introduces Farmer Bill.

Washington, (Special). — Senator Overman introduced a bill providing for semi-annual reports on the production and consumption of cotton and its by-products. He would add this information to the cotton reports brought out regularly by the department of commerce. His theory is that the more facts the producer, the dealer and the manufacturer have the better for the farmers.

Normalcy in Industries.

While in some states in the union there are still great numbers of unemployed, the problem of unemployment in this country is rapidly being corrected by a natural approach of industries to normal activity, according to a report issued by the advisory committee of the National Industrial Council. A copy of this report was forwarded to J. F. Trazzere, secretary and manager of the North Carolina Manufacturers' association, with offices in Charlotte.

Appointment of Postmasters.

Washington, (Special). — Postmasters have been appointed as follows: Flossie M. Jordan, succeeding Vinton L. Hunter, resigned, at Derita, Mecklenburg county; Beattie Logan, of Rutherfordton, at the new office of Item, and William A. Snowden, succeeding George M. Griggs, deceased, at Maple, Currituck county.

Vacancy is announced in Mount Holly office.

Commutation is Refused.

Ex-Governor Locke Craig's fine classic in behalf of commutation for T. J. Harris, well-to-do Ridgecrest merchant, who is under death sentence for slaying a wealthy Alabama churchman, F. W. Monnish, failed to move Governor Morrison, and Harris must pay the supreme penalty for his crime on October 20.

Warren is Not Peeved.

Washington, (Special). — Notwithstanding the reports and rumors from Raleigh that Tom Warren is peeved because he was not appointed a member of the supreme court by Governor Morrison and that he may run for Governor in 1924, his close friends here say that Colonel Tom has no idea of making the race.

Tuberculosis Workers Called.

The North Carolina Tuberculosis association is calling a conference of the leading tuberculosis workers in the state and all interested in and working for the cure and prevention of tuberculosis to meet with the officers of the National Tuberculosis association in Greensboro, October 6th and 7th and by a careful study map out a program.

Expert Advice on Drainage.

Professor M. E. Sherwin head of the Department of Soils at State College, left for Terra Ceta in Beaufort county where he will give expert advice on drainage problems to the farmers in the vast area of swamplands recently opened up to cultivation in that section of the state. During the last ten years approximately fifteen square miles of some of the richest farm lands in North Carolina have been cleared and drained in the northeastern part of Beaufort county. Other drainage projects are under way.

Several More Postmasters.

Washington, (Special). — New postmasters are as follows:

Hershel Garren, at Cedar Mountain, Transylvania county, vice Ralph W. Lee, removed; Etta F. Sebastian, at Rusk, Surry county, vice Nat B. Jones, resigned; Braxton Martin, at Tar Heel, Bladen county, vice Wm. T. Hall, resigned.

Examinations for postmaster will be held October 22 for the following places:

Elizabethtown, salary \$1,400. Flat Rock, salary \$1,100.

Work for Labor Organizers.

One hundred or more textile union organizers will go into the cotton mill centers of four Southern states organizing ne locals and strengthening those already in existence as the result of plans formulated during the conference of textile union officials and organizers and Southern labor leaders.

A central executive committee headed by Jerome Jones, editor of The Atlanta Journal of Labor, will direct the activities of these organizers, which will be extended over a year.

MAKE APPLICATION FOR HALF MILLION

FARM OWNERS OF LENOIR AND
ADJACENT COUNTIES ARE
APPLYING FOR LOANS.

NO DIFFICULTY IS EXPECTED

The List of Applicants to the Local Farms Loan Association for Loans is Steadily Increasing.

Kinston.—Farm owners in about 15 townships in Lenoir and adjacent counties have applied for nearly \$500,000 in government loans to date, it is estimated by officers of the local farm loan association. The list of applicants is increasing. It is expected that no difficulty will be had in securing the entire sum.

The majority of the members of the association are residents of Lenoir county, and the bulk of the money asked will be expended within this county.

While tobacco in the eastern belt is bringing an average price of less than 25 cents a pound, hundreds of market reports tell of superior leaf selling for sums ranging from 40 cents to nearly \$1, indicating that were the 1921 crop fully up to the standard of which the region is capable the average would be considerably higher.

Greensboro.—The election of C. A. Reynolds of Winston-Salem, chairman, was the only happening of any note at the call meeting of the executive committee of the republican party in North Carolina, which was held here.

Woman's place in the committee and the party was gone into, but nothing of a definite nature was done, the committee deciding it best to wait the state convention next year.

Charlotte.—An unusual case, perhaps the first of its kind ever tried in Mecklenburg county, involving the prosecution of a minister or justice of the peace for neglecting to file a marriage license with the register of deeds within the prescribed time, occurred.

Rev. C. M. Graham, a well known negro minister of Charlotte, was tried on this charge before Magistrate F. B. Alexander, convicted and fined \$200 and costs.

Charlotte.—Pledges and cash totaling \$30,000 were received in a campaign to raise funds for the construction of the proposed Dilworth Methodist church.

The total amount in sight is now \$100,000. This is composed of a gift of \$50,000 made by J. B. Duke, the \$30,000 raised Sunday and about \$30,000 to be realized from the sale of the church property. The new church will cost about \$300,000.

Davidson.—Hugh Orrell of Knoxville, Tenn., member of the advance guard of the fifty-first artillery, now moving overland from Camp Jackson, S. C., to Camp Eustice, Va., was accidentally killed at Davidson College when he and another soldier were caught between two heavy army trucks.

Asheville.—Fay Hampstead of Little Rock, Ark., was elected general grand master of the general grand council of the Royal and Select Masters of the United States, in their final business session. O. Frank Hart of Columbia, S. C., was elected general grand principal conductor of the work.

Greensboro.—Roy B. Wagner of Greensboro, a traveling salesman, was instantly killed on the outskirts of Burlington, near here, when the automobile in which he was riding side-swiped a telephone pole, crushing his head.

Asheville.—The Asheville Merchants' association formulated plans for promoting a new hotel for the city. Resolutions embodying the action to be taken by a special committee were adopted.

Neal Will Caveat Dismissed.

Winston-Salem.—Judge B. F. Long, of the superior court, rendered decision in which he dismissed the caveat filed by Public Administrator C. E. Hamilton in the John Neal will case. The court's decision sustained Clerk McKaughn in appointing the Wachovia Bank and Trust company, of this city, trustee of the Neal estate, estimated to be worth \$600,000, the bulk of which will be divided between the Methodist Children's Home here and the Masonic Orphanage at Oxford provided the will is sustained.

Child Labor Act Again.

Greensboro.—It was learned here that one of the first cases to come before the United States supreme court when it convenes for its fall session will be one from Judge James E. Boyd's court here. The case is one in which Judge Boyd has held the present act of congress regulating child labor unconstitutional. It was tried in the spring of 1919, going to the supreme court in December and after being argued was ordered re-argued.

Wants Verdict Set Aside.

Winston-Salem.—Counsel offered a motion asking Judge Long to set aside the verdict for \$15,000 against the defendants in the \$50,000 suit of L. P. Tyree against George C. Tudor and his son, Bynum, for the death of plaintiff's daughter, Ruth, who was killed three years ago while returning from a dance at the Country club with George and Bynum Tudor, sons of George C. Tudor. Notice of appeal to the supreme court was then given for defendants.

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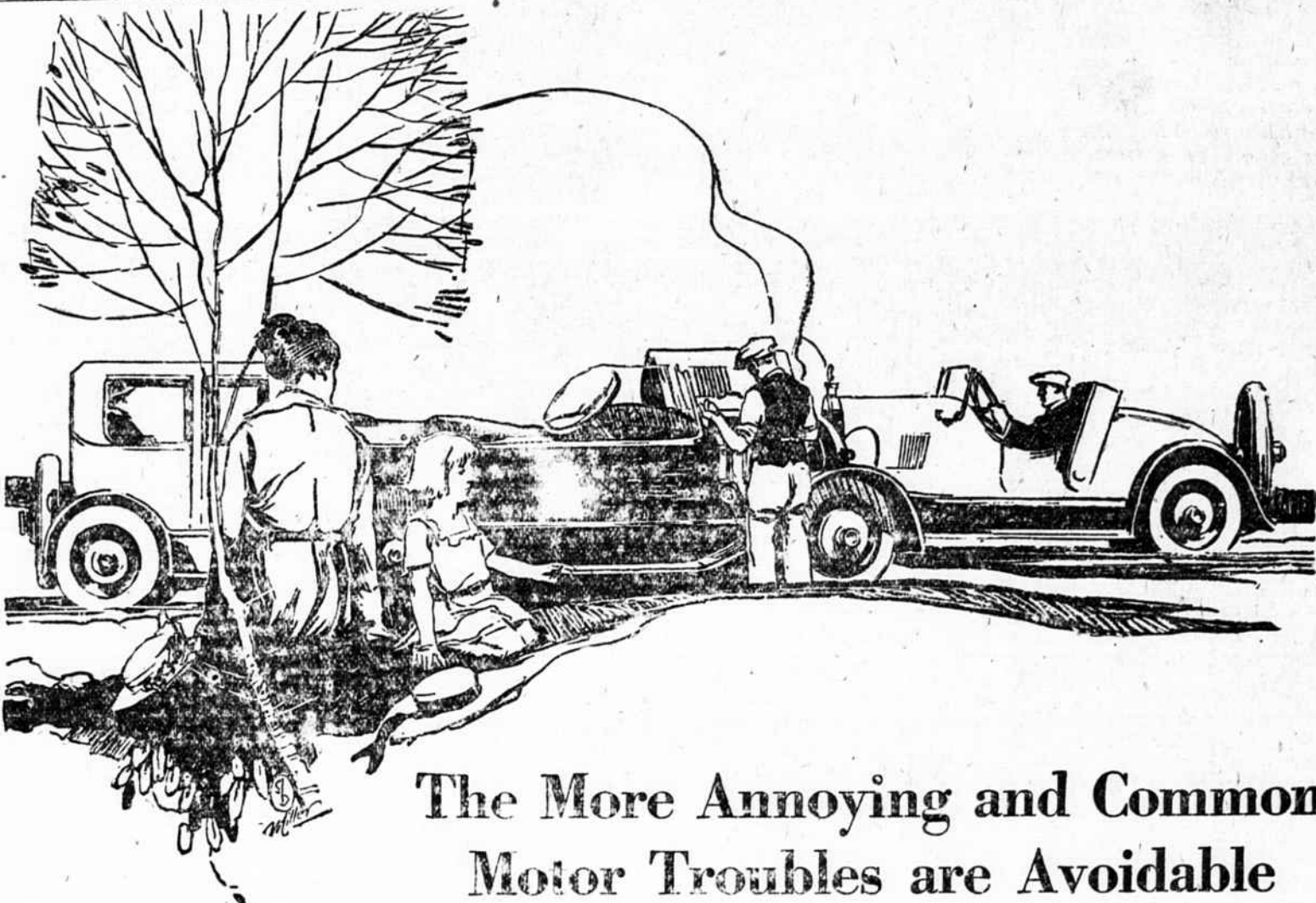
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