

SOUTH CAROLINA

MEMORIAL PROGRAM

Columbia, April 2.—An urgent appeal has been addressed to the county chairmen of the South Carolina Memorial by Governor Cooper, requesting them to get behind the campaign to collect \$400,000 from the people of the State to erect a memorial building in commemoration of the heroic dead who gave up their lives that liberty might live on this earth.

Renewed interest is being manifested in the solicitation movement, particularly as practically all "drives" are out of the way, and many counties already have raised or oversubscribed their quotas.

The commission has decided to put on an intensive campaign, beginning April 19 and terminating April 30th, to raise the remainder of the \$400,000 needed to supplement the \$100,000 appropriated by the State. Practically all the counties are ready for the "drive," and ex-Governor R. I. Manning, vice chairman of the commission, is in the Piedmont section now lining up some of the counties there.

According to the headquarters of the commission here, the prospects are very bright for winding up the campaign by May 1st.

The following is a letter from the Governor:

"Though this letter is addressed to you personally, it is intended not only for you, but for those associated with you in the memorial organization, and for the people at large of your country.

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State memorial to the many thousands of men and women of this State who rendered service during the Great War. Only a part of the money necessary was made available from the State Treasury, the plan being for the people of the State by voluntary subscription to supplement the one hundred thousand dollars provided for by the General Assembly. Upon a moment's reflection the reason for this will be apparent to you. Had all the money needed for the memorial been raised by taxation, the structure would have lost some of its valuable characteristics, for taxation is highly unpersonal, and largely inexpressive of any particular wish on the part of the tax payer as to the purposes for which the money is to be expended.

"Six months or more ago, the campaign for popular subscriptions was announced, four hundred thousand dollars being the sum agreed upon. Approximately one hundred thousand dollars has now been subscribed. For various reasons the campaign was not pushed to a speedy termination. All of us had just experienced numerous other campaigns; we were resting, too, from the fatigue of high pressure incident to the War and necessary for its conduct. It is, however, not necessary for me to elaborate on this phase of the situation.

"The issue we now face is this: We must raise the four hundred thousand dollars. The purpose of this letter is merely to refresh your memory, to recall to you, and through you to the people of your county, the fact that this memorial is to be erected and forever stand as one of the tokens of our undying appreciation, of our everlasting gratitude, for the services rendered by our fellow Carolinians.

"The other 'drives' are now over, and we have rested from our nervous tension. We have passed through a year of unparalleled financial earnings, and have every reason to believe that prosperity, formerly scarcely dreamed of, will be vouchsafed to us for many years to come. Shall we, so happily situated as this, hesitate even for a few days when asked to raise money, a small amount of money, for a memorial? Shall we swell our bank accounts, add to our luxuries, expand our pleasures, and have never a gift in memory of those who gave their lives?

"The memory is necessary. The State must find means for expressing itself, else it stagnates, and memorials are a means of expression. The memorial will be erected; I am sure of that, because I know the history of South Carolinians. As a symbol it shall be raised, as a token of affection and as a perennial inspiration it will ever stand.

"I wish to urge that you give your time and thought to the completion of this campaign. April 19-30 are the dates selected for finishing the task. Just present the cause to your fellow citizens, and the remainder, I am sure will be easy.

FARM CENSUS RETURNS IMPORTANT

Realizing the importance to the farming industry of the agricultural census of 1920, the Secretary of Agriculture recently said in a letter to the Secretary of Commerce:

"Permit me to bring to your attention the vital importance of agricultural data collected by the Bureau of Census this year and the special interest of this department in having such data made available at the earliest practicable date.

"The United States Department of Agriculture, the State college of agriculture and experiment stations, the agricultural press, and organizations of farmers, as well as all agricultural and business interests generally, are interested in having the census data, with respect to acreage and production in crops in 1919 and the number

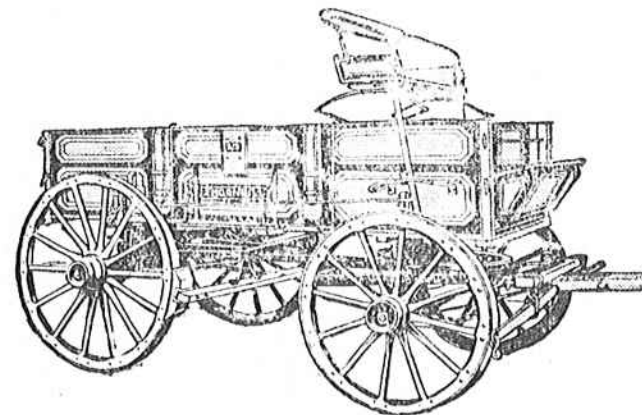
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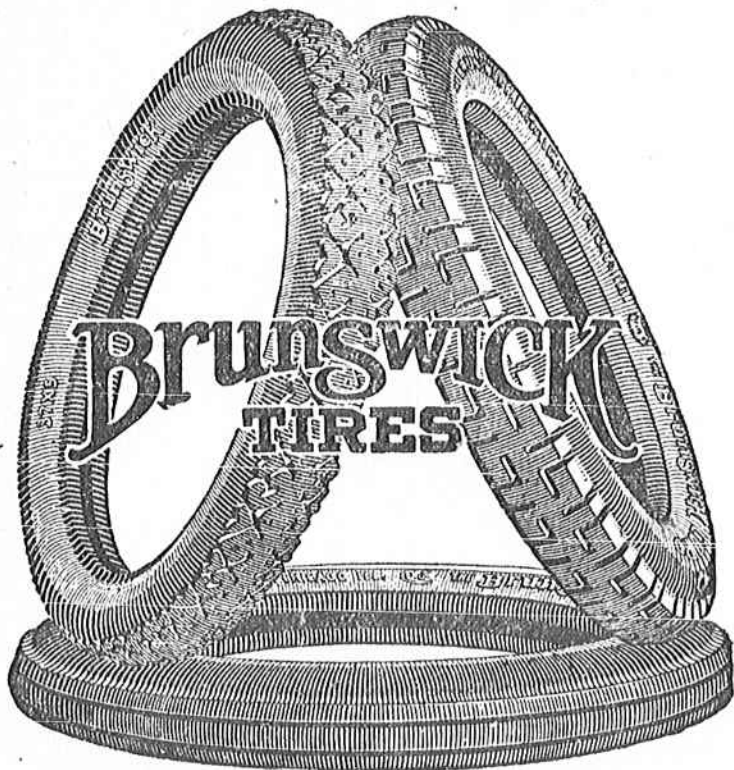
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"These data are used as the basis for the monthly and annual crop and live stock estimates of this department, which are of current value in the marketing and distribution of farm products. Because of the fact that crop and live stock estimates bridge the gap between the decennial census and because the estimates of acreage and live stock are made on the percentage basis, these estimates are liable to get out of line with the facts nearing the close of a 10-year period. It is highly important, therefore, that the results of the new census for agriculture shall be available for use by the department as early in the present year as possible, in order that the necessary corrections may be made in estimating this year's crops.

"In addition, may I also emphasize the importance of completing with the least possible delay the major tabulations dealing with land values, land utilization, tenancy, and farm population. Certainly information on these subjects would greatly assist the Department of Agriculture in its present work of attacking the problems confronting the Nation in the field of agriculture."

SUPT. SWEARINGEN WILL HEAD THE LIST

Supt. J. E. Swearingen, of the South Carolina State Department of Public Instruction, will head the committee to select the prize thrift posters sub-

mitted by the school children of the Palmetto State. Six cash prizes are offered in South Carolina by the district War Loan Organization, and, in addition, the boys and girls here have a chance to win the two district grand prizes. The contest closed March 31. The best posters submitted in the various schools of the State must be in the hands of the State Central Committee, of which Supt Swearingen is ex-officio chairman, by April 12. Printed rules furnished the teachers throughout the State explain in detail how the posters are to be handled.

WIFE COMES TO AID
Statesboro, Ga., April 4.—In an apparent attempt at jail delivery while prisoners were being fed this noon, Charlie Smith 18 year old negro, struck down Sheriff DeLoach. A window weight to which a rope was attached, was the weapon used. Mrs. DeLoach heard the cries for help and rushed in with the sheriff's pistol, shooting the negro twice, once in the hand and once in the thigh. The sheriff will recover. The window weight came from the cell of John H. Hoover, a white man from Ohio, who is held on a charge of forgery.

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