

VOTE PLEASES AAA OFFICIALS

Agriculture Department Heads Jubilant Over Referenda of Farmers. Prepare to Put Into Effect Control Provision of New Federal Act.

Washington, March 13. — Agriculture department officials, jubilant over results of Saturday's referenda among farmers, prepared today to put marketing control provisions of the new farm law into operation to limit sales of three 1938 crops.

Authority to impose marketing quotas on all growers of cotton and flue-cured and dark types of tobacco was granted by top-heavy majorities of farmers who voted in elections conducted under terms of the new act.

Federal control of sales will start when the 1938 crops start to market in August. Farmers marketing in excess of their federally-allotted shares of the national quotas will be subject to heavy penalty taxes.

Unofficial but nearly complete returns from the three referenda:

Cotton: For marketing quotas, 1,189,828; against, 98,144. These returns were from a majority of approximately 1,050 cotton-producing counties in 20 states. The total number of growers eligible to vote was estimated at 2,360,000. Of those voting, the percentage in favor was 92.4. Most of the counties from which returns were delayed had only a small number of growers.

Flue-cured tobacco: For quotas, 213,487; against, 33,806. Five states produce the crop. About 300,000 farmers were eligible to vote. Of those voting, the percentage in favor was 86.4.

Dark tobacco: For quotas, 38,346; against, 8,259. Four states produce the crop. Farmers eligible to vote totaled about 100,000. Of those voting, the percentage in favor was 82.2. In each of the referenda, approval of two-thirds of those voting was required to put the quota system into effect.

Officials were pleased particularly by the overwhelming majorities in favor of cotton quotas. Returns indicated more than half of all farmers who grow the staple approved invocation of the sales restrictions.

They said such a vast majority should avert criticism that might have resulted had those voting in favor of quotas been a minority of all growers.

The "Old South" turned in the largest margins for the control program. Smallest majorities were recorded in Texas, Oklahoma and California, states which send the bulk of their production into foreign markets. Officials said opposition in this region was based largely on fears that the quotas would result in loss of export markets.

South To Try Again

Atlanta, March 13.—The land of cotton heard today that its farmers had voted a second time to control the crop.

Alabama's P. O. Davis, head of the state agricultural extension service, said the vote was "a positive expression farmers want cotton to be their servant rather than their master."

For cotton is king in Dixie, has been for generations. "King Cotton" has been harsh at times, breaking rich men and poor men; benevolent at others.

Whether nature smiles or frowns on the cotton farmer, he always has had to contend with the law of economics—the rule of supply and demand. And most often, when the crop boomed, the price sagged. Cotton now is selling at around 9 cents a pound and farmers say they can't make money at that.

Several years ago the cotton states voted on another cotton control measure—the Bankhead act. They voted for it overwhelmingly: 1,361,347 for, 160,540 against. Incomplete and unofficial returns from 735 of the 1,050 cotton producing counties last night showed 1,135,296 votes for quotas to 88,521 against.

In Washington, Senator John H. (Continued on page eight)

Thornwell Family Given Holiday

Monday was observed at Thornwell orphanage as a full holiday in honor of the birthday of the institution's founder, Dr. William Plumer Jacobs, who was born March 15, 1842. The holiday was given on Monday instead of Tuesday because of the special exercises in connection with the opening of the new Georgia-Beatie home.

The orphanage first opened for the admission of children in 1875. Since then, for sixty-three years, March 15th, or as close thereto as convenient, has been celebrated as a holiday for the children in commemoration of its founder and president until his death in 1917.

Clinton-Laurens Clubs Gather At Festal Board For Annual Inter-City Meet



Photo by Nichols

Pictured above is a group of Clinton and Laurens business men assembled here last week at the hotel for the annual inter-city meeting of the Clinton Chamber of Commerce and Laurens Business League. On this occasion the Laurens leaguers were guests of the local organization. The guest speaker was Representative J. B. Britton of Sumter county, who is seated third on the first row at the right.

A number of those present who were seated at the extreme left in the dining room are not shown in the picture.

Denny Opposes United Church

Bishop Warns Southern Methodists Against Unification At Laymen's Meet.

Columbia, March 14.—Eight hundred members of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, in South Carolina, assembled in the Washington Street Methodist church Sunday and unanimously adopted a resolution "unalterably" opposing the unification of the Northern, Southern and Methodist Protestant factions of the church.

The highlight of the one-day session was an address by the Rev. Dr. Collins Denny, retired bishop of the church, in which he opposed the plan and referred to the issue as the "most momentous question arisen in Methodism since 1844."

Unification of the factions, he declared, would mean the extinction of the Methodist church and said that if opposed with an organized front, the plan would not be adopted.

"It won't come if our laymen rise up and say it shall not come," the bishop told the congregation. "It is the most momentous question arisen in Methodism since 1844."

The speaker said he was not familiar with the plan or its meaning. "I do not know what the plan of unification means," he said. "You can't find two bishops that agree on what the plan means. I haven't found anyone who is willing to explain it to me. Who is church is it?" he asked. "Does it belong to the bishops or to the membership?"

He concluded his address by issuing a warning against a world church. "We don't want a world church if we want a religious church," he asserted.

The bishop recalled previous visits to the state and declared that he held nothing but pleasant memories of South Carolina and South Carolinians. The resolution opposing unification was introduced to the convention by Dr. F. H. McLeod of Florence and read as follows:

"Resolved: That we Methodists of South Carolina assembled on this occasion express our unalterable objection to the proposed plan of unification of the churches and beg our delegates to the general conference to do all in their power to defeat it." The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Two other resolutions, one thanking Doctor Denny for attending the convention, the other expressing the gathering's gratitude to Dr. J. W. Shackelford, pastor of Washington Street Methodist church, for use of the institution's auditorium for the meeting, were proposed and adopted. Ben W. Crouch of Saluda presided over the session. The speaker was introduced by the Rev. George A. Teasley of Ridgeville following invocation by the Rev. J. R. T. Major of Columbia.

TENNIS COACH RETURNS

William C. Luffler, coach of tennis at Presbyterian college, returned this week from Miami, Fla., where he has been working as tennis professional for the past four months. Spring racquet practice, under his direction, will get under way at once.

LAURENS COUNTY FARMERS VOTE OVERWHELMINGLY FOR QUOTAS

Laurens county farmers went to the polls Saturday and voted almost solidly in favor of cotton-marketing quotas for the 1938 crop as provided for in an elective section of the new federal farm program.

Returns from the ten township precincts showed that 2,284 farmers voted in the referendum in favor of the quotas and 75 against. The majority in favor of the quotas was 97 per cent of those voting. There were eight challenged and three mutilated votes, or a total vote cast of 2,370.

The county committee on AAA work consisting of Jack H. Davis, Sr., Clinton; E. A. Adams, Cross Hill, and Wallace L. Martin, Gray Court, met

at the county agent's office Monday morning at 10 o'clock to make the official check of the results. The following is the tabulation by townships of the election as announced by the committee:

	Yes	No
Cross Hill township (white)	62	13
Cross Hill (colored)	64	-1
Dials	525	1
Hunter	255	14
Jacks	68	3
Laurens	440	16
Scuffletown	100	1
Sullivan	220	2
Waterloo	173	3
Youngs	377	21
Total	2284	75

Anglins Forced To Leave China

News has been received by local friends from Chicago, that Rev. and Mrs. L. M. Anglin have arrived in America from Taian, Shantung, China, where an orphanage they head is under the guns of Japan. Upon their arrival in Chicago the Anglins were given a welcome service in the gospel tabernacle by several churches and societies of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Anglin, until they are able to return to China, plan to visit a number of churches in the United States and Canada, and it is probable that they will include Clinton on their itinerary.

Mrs. Anglin before marriage was Miss Ava Patton. She was reared and educated in the Thornwell orphanage and is pleasantly remembered here by a number of friends in the city.

P. O. EX. AT LAURENS

The United States Civil Service commission has called an examination for the office of postmaster for the city of Laurens. The position pays an annual salary of \$2,600, with the time for filing applications expiring March 22. Frank H. Caine has been serving as acting postmaster since the expiration in February of the term of C. A. Power.

DRIVE CAREFULLY SAVE A LIFE!

So Far This Year There Have Been

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FATALITIES from AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENTS in LAURENS COUNTY

Let's Strive To Make 1938 a Safe Year On the Highways.

This date last year, 6.

Orphanage Opens New Cottage

Special Exercises Held In Chapel, Followed By Reception At Georgia-Beatie Home.

Special exercises commemorating the opening of the new Georgia-Beatie home at the orphanage, were held Monday evening in the Thornwell Memorial church attended by the orphanage family and a number of friends from the city.

The exercises were presided over by W. W. Harris, secretary of the board of trustees of the institution, and opened with the singing of a hymn by the congregation. Prayer was offered by Dr. D. J. Woods, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, with an appropriate scripture reading by Rev. W. N. Long, pastor of the First Baptist church. Two anthems by the church choir added to the interesting program.

A brief address was made by Dr. L. Ross Lynn, president of the institution for the past twenty years. It was pointed out that since the orphanage was founded sixty-three years ago it has been served only by two presidents, its founder, Dr. William P. Jacobs for forty-three years, and by its present head since 1918.

Dr. Lynn in his address traced the growth and development of the orphanage and told of the erection of the homes on the campus which over a long period of years have been provided largely through the interest and generosity of friends in this state and elsewhere, and especially by the McCormick interests of Chicago. He spoke in the highest terms of the ideals of the institution's founder and of his marvelous wisdom in planning and building a Christian home for orphan children.

It was called to the attention of the audience that Dr. H. B. Stewart of Fountain Inn, was present and he was asked to stand. Dr. Stewart, a life-long and devoted friend of the institution, was present when the first building—the Home of Peace, was opened in 1875. Later in speaking of the marvelous changes made in transportation facilities, Dr. Stewart said that "it took us eight hours that day to come down to Clinton from our home for the opening exercises. Tonight we drove down in 45 minutes."

Telegrams of congratulations from the Brotherhood class of Central Presbyterian church, and the Woman's Bible class of Druid Hills church, Atlanta, were read. A message of regret in not being able to be present for the occasion was read from Dr. Thornwell Jacobs of Atlanta, who raised funds in 1905 in the Synod of Georgia for the erection of the old Georgia home destroyed last year by fire. Members of the executive committee were seated on the rostrum, together with Joel S. Morse of Abbeville, a member of the board of trustees.

At the conclusion of the chapel exercises, the friends present were invited to go to the new Georgia-Beatie home for an inspection. The handsome two-story granite building to be occupied by eighteen small boys, was made possible through a (Continued on page eight)

HITLER TAKES OVER AUSTRIA

Nazis Assume Charge of All Functions of the Absorbed Nation. Million Viennese Form Mightiest Military Parade In Their City's History.

Vienna, March 15.—With the imperial palace of the Hapsburgs as a background, Adolf Hitler today proclaimed the end of Austrian independence and "the entrance of my native land into the German reich."

Madly cheered by hundreds of thousands of admirers, the Fuehrer rode into Heroes' square outside the palace through the great stone arch of the emperor which bears the inscription, "Justice is the foundation of government."

While Hitler presided over the greatest triumph of his meteoric career, his lieutenants took over all functions of the Austrian government.

The Austrian treasury was absorbed by the German treasury. Hitler's foreign minister took over all Austria's foreign relations with the outside world.

Austria became merely a gau-district—of the German realm, Vienna a provincial German city, Chancellor Arthur Seysz-Inquart merely "governor of Austria"—so addressed significantly by the Fuehrer himself.

The new government announced that Jews no longer can vote.

Seysz-Inquart, introducing Hitler to the throng in Heroes' square, solemnly proclaimed to the world Hitler had come in this significant hour as "Fuehrer and Reichschancellor in the Hofburg (palace) of the old imperial capital, the ladian of the crown."

Some of his hearers took this as a hint that Hitler one day might assume that crown.

Hitler, who reached Vienna yesterday for the climax of his triumphal journey from Berlin, announced for Austria, "the most thoroughly German outpost of the German people"—its "new mission" to be henceforth "the newest bulwark of the German nation and therefore of the German reich."

"Through centuries in troubled times of the past," he declared, "storms of the east have broken on the border of the old eastern outpost (Ostmark, the old name for Austria)."

"In centuries to come, for all time, there shall be an iron guarantee for the security and freedom of the German Reich and therewith a guarantee for the happiness and peace of our great people."

Many saw in this a hint of revival of the pre-war German "drang nach osten"—march to the east.

Hitler concluded: "In this hour I report to the German people the greatest achievement of my life. As leader and chancellor of the great German nation, I declare to history the entrance of my native land into the German Reich."

Hitler spoke from the spot from which Engelbert Dollfus and Kurt Schuschnigg often spoke in exhortation to the Austrians to cling to their independence.

He spoke within sight of the chancellery at Ballhausplatz where Dollfus, trying to save his Austrian countrymen from Hitler, was assassinated in 1934.

But when these Austrian countrymen today heard Hitler they cheered him as a redeemer.

Hitler referred to neither Dollfus nor the recently ousted Schuschnigg by name, but spoke of the previous regime as one whose object was "to prevent the formation of a great German people and thus was a barricade to the path of the German people into the future."

The great roar which greeted this assertion could be heard half a mile away in Belvedere palace, where Schuschnigg was held captive by the new masters of his country.

As Hitler told his 7,000,000 new Austrian subjects to meet their new responsibilities, his officials expunged the Austrian national government.

College Finals Speakers Named

Announcement is made that the Rev. Peter Marshall, pastor of New York Avenue Presbyterian church, Washington, D. C., will deliver the baccalaureate sermon before the Presbyterian college graduating class in the First Presbyterian church on Sunday morning, May 29th.

Mr. Marshall is one of the prominent young ministers of the Presbyterian church. Before accepting his present pastorate a few months ago he was pastor of Westminster Presbyterian church, Atlanta. Two years ago he conducted a series of special religious services at the college here.

The annual Y.M.C.A. address at the night service on the same day will be delivered by Sampel S. Howie, director of public relations at Southwestern Presbyterian university, Memphis, Tenn.

Field Day Events Here April 1st

Laurens county field day exercises will be held in Clinton on April 1st, under the auspices of the county teachers' association. The day will be observed as a holiday for all school children of the county.

Declamation, speaking and spelling contests will be held for grammar and high school students. Track events will be held on Johnson field at 10 o'clock in the morning and at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, with both boys and girls competing.

NEW TEACHER ADDED AT LYDIA SCHOOL

Mrs. Carroll Spencer of this city, has been added by the board of trustees as a first grade teacher in the Providence (Lydia Mills) school. Mrs. Spencer before marriage was Miss Julia Quattlebaum of Columbia, and has made her home here for the past several months.