

Nobody's Business

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We Are Being Starved To Death Because Of Too Much Stuff

The South has again become famous by reason of the fact that—"It (or we) is the No. 1 economic problem of the day." That is possibly true, but there is a way out: If the government will furnish us with enough money to buy our cigarettes, our snuff, our tobacco, our automobiles and our gasoline, the worm will turn.

We make a good living except for the necessities enumerated above. We spend more for cigarettes alone than we do for bread and meat. We spend as much for snuff as we do for clothing. We spend more for cars and gas than we do for doctors, lawyers, school teachers, preachers, milk, shoes, hats, underwear and possibly rent on tenant farms and town tenant residences.

So, Mr. Government: you take care of the few items listed above, and then you'll see the South really go to town. We make plenty money to live on; it's things that we can't do without that keeps us broke. We have nothing left to buy homes and farms to live in and on after we stock up on our habit-forming requirements.

Some folks talk about "bumper crops" bringing prosperity. The only thing a bumper crop ever does is bump the 33,000,000 people who grows it. You have never heard of a cotton mill having to close down when cotton was 12 cents and above. You won't hear of any suffering and unemployment in the west when crops are small, but large enough to serve the purpose of crops. This will apply to all other parts of the country.

The Good Lord didn't expect us to grow enough stuff in one year to last three years. Had He considered that right and proper. He would have made the years much longer. You'll never see any good times anywhere in the United States as long as we make surplus crops. A large crop is the first step toward bankruptcy... regardless of what economists, politicians, or prognosticators say. Cheap food can't be bought by a guy who is busted.

We have big crops now of everything except money and religion. We have heard for years that our trouble is "crop control." Well, they weren't controlled last year, but nobody has decided what to do with the stuff we don't need. The republicans and liberty-leaguers were going to export billions of dollars worth of goods when produced, but evidently they have lost the address of those "furrin" buyers. Poverty will always follow in the path of bumper crops; when you stop half of the U. S. from buying (because they have no equity in their big crops) you simply put the rest of the country out of employment. Check your records: when you get thru you will find out that you have never seen any prosperity when excess crops were produced. It can't be done, that's all.

Flat Rock Is Asking For A New City Hall

hon. harry s. hopkins, member of his cabinet, washington, d. c.

We notice by the papers where the big spending - lending - borrowing - giving - taking - campaign is now in full swing, we want some of this money swayed down our way.

at a mass meeting which was held in front of the drug store last night, it was moved and seconded that we ask the government to build us a nice city hall at once, hence this request.

we will want you to put up our part and your part too. we will pay you as soon as we can get hold to some money. we can sponsor this project on credit, we suppose? anser, please.

mr. slim chance will sell his vacant lot for the city hall for 200\$, and all he asks is that he be given a first mortgage on the same before and after the said city hall is built and erected.

we can give you all a note or will print some bonds for you, if you prefer to have same, and will put the entire credit of flat rock behind the same. we have defaulted but three times so far.

we want the jail house put up in the second story of our building. mr. holsum moore has been arrested for driving while drunk 3 times here of late and he has broke out of our cally-boose every time he has been put in same, that will never do. we need a better place to incarcerate him in.

as soon as you get this letter, please set aside 30,000\$ for our city

Rhame Explains Tournament Change

E. Clarkson Rhame, district commissioner of the National Softball Association, has transferred the district softball tournament from Camden to Winnsboro.

This tournament brings many teams to the three-day tournament which will be held on August 16, 17 and 18. The teams are accompanied by hundreds of fans from the respective cities and it means a nice revenue for various business enterprises of the community.

In explaining the transfer of the tournament to Winnsboro, Mr. Rhame stated the lack of lights for night play at the local baseball field alone was responsible for his action.

"We were very sorry to have to make the transfer as Camden had been designated as a tournament city by the state commissioner for many reasons—chief being the accessibility of the city to the other communities in the district," said Mr. Rhame.

"We felt certain when we accepted the tournament that there would be lights installed on the athletic field where the softball game league teams are played. The city passed a resolution to install the lights, but the school trustees, having charge of the property, interposed restrictions and regulations which were impossible for the city to comply with. So we got no lights.

"The tournament is in progress for three days, and the players on the teams, together with the fans accompanying them, patronize many business houses, especially the restaurants, drug stores, ice cream and soft drink parlors. It also means the purchase of gasoline and oil at the filling stations.

"It does seem a pity that Camden was obliged to forego entertaining the tournament. Winnsboro, less than half the size of Camden, has a lighted field and so it got the meet."

SANTEE-COOPER LAND OFFICES AT MONCK'S CORNER

Charleston, July 27.—Land acquisition offices for the Santee-Cooper project will be opened at Monck's Corner next week, it was announced by Mayor Burnet R. Maybank, chairman of the South Carolina Public Service Authority.

First appointments in the land acquisition department also were announced. The staff is not yet complete, however, and the chairman said that announcement of future appointments in the development of the \$37,500,000 power and navigation project would be made as soon as possible.

Mr. Maybank announced the following staff already named for the department:

W. P. Montague, of Charleston, director; P. G. Gourdin, Kingstree, assistant director; William G. Hazelhurst, Columbia, office manager; and Benjamin R. Tillman, Edgefield; T. C. Williams, Columbia; and T. D. Ravenel, Charleston, senior land agents.

The following land agents were named:

L. Brinkley, of Georgetown; D. T. Blackwell, Due West; Edward Saners, Summerville; John N. Hardee, Eastover; S. Lord Hyde, Charleston; C. F. Saner, Laurens; J. W. Wall, Ridgeland; C. W. Cummings, Conway; W. T. Beasley, Lanes; Phil J. Watson, of near Anderson; H. P. Miles, Summerville; W. J. Muldrow, Bishopville; H. C. Crum, Denmark; E. Mortimer Boykin, Camden; John Franks, Spartanburg; William Harper, Estill; R. E. Gressette, St. Matthews; D. H. Hydrick, Orangeburg; M. F. Stack, Ellore; E. E. Gasque, Ellore; D. C. Mason, Summerton; Ira C. Cox, Russellville; T. P. Crawford, Bonneau; and Harry B. Matthews, Monck's Corner.

Mr. Maybank pointed out that the limited number of appointments was made at this time in order that several thousand men can be put to work by fall and expected force of 10,000 by winter. Land acquisition and settlement with the Columbia Railway and Navigation company, which once tried to develop the project, are necessary before large numbers can be put to work.

Mr. Maybank's announcement followed a meeting here Monday by the Authority. The Authority decided to ask the PWA for money to build two additional dams to the couple already included in the project.

"The chairman and the Authority are determined to see that the letter of the law requiring division of the work proportionately among the counties is carried out," Mr. Maybank said. Several of the land agents were

hall, and we will ask the w. p. a. to begin to draw on you as soon as our foundation is laid. don't put this off, please, like they done when the last money was gone with the wind before we ever found out it was available. rite or foam for more information.

yores trulle, mike Lark, rd, town clerk

Growing Pullets Need Attention

Pullets sometimes become infested with lice very quickly when on range and should be examined for these parasites often, says County Agent W. C. McCarley, who advises the use of sodium fluoride as a powder or dip to rid the flock of lice. For use as a dip, he advises one pound of the powder dissolved in ten gallons of lukewarm water. It is wise to wait until young chicks are completely feathered out and weigh around three pounds before dipping.

A clean range providing some shade, a good growing mash, plenty of grain, and an abundance of water will help greatly in growing out a good crop of pullets.

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ARTHUR SLADE TO RETURN TO HOBKIRK INN THIS SEASON

The Chamber of Commerce has been advised that Arthur Slade, who has been manager of the Hobkirk Inn for the past several seasons will again be in charge of this popular tourist hotel during the 1938-1939 season.

Mr. Slade has a host of admiring friends and acquaintances in Camden who will rejoice in the announcement of his return here in the fall. It will also be good news to all patrons of the Hobkirk Inn.

So far as is known at this time, Milton Smith, successful manager of the Kirkwood hotel last season will again have charge of this hostelry the coming season. Mr. Smith made many friends among Camden business men and citizens and was universally admired and liked by all guests at the Kirkwood.

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Care in Harvesting Handling Cotton

Clemson, Aug. 1.—There is a tremendous loss to South Carolina farmers each year in the way seed cotton is picked and handled, this loss being due to rough ginning because of excessive moisture in the seed cotton, according to B. E. G. Pritchard, extension agronomist. Cotton should be thoroughly dry before it is picked, or if it is picked damp or wet, it should be allowed to dry in the sun for several hours, he states. Drying should be repeated for several days in order to get the cotton thoroughly dried out.

Picking cotton damp and packing it down in sheets or wagons is a very bad practice, the agronomist says. Ginning cotton wet causes the ginner more grief than any other one thing. No matter how good the gin equipment may be, it cannot handle green or wet cotton and produce a good sample.

"Pick only well opened bolls, Pritch-

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

All parties indebted to the estate of Phyllis Warren Williams are hereby notified to make payment to the undersigned, and all parties, if any, having claims against the said estate will present them likewise, duly attested, within the time prescribed by law. DAISY MILES CRAIG, Administratrix, C. T. A. Camden, S. C., August 1, 1938.

E. A. G. Wylie, retired lawyer, a son of the late Dr. Gill Wylie, native of South Carolina, died Friday at his summer home on Long Island, New York, Friday, aged 51 years.

ard advises. "Pick your cotton when it is dry. If you must pick damp cotton, allow it to dry in the sun for several hours or spread in very thin layers in a building and stir often. Do not allow the cotton to heat as this will damage the fibers."

"In short, a little care in harvesting and handling of your wet cotton will mean more money to you when you sell your cotton bales."

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