

FOREIGN SITUATION HAS DIRECT BEARING ON TOBACCO MARKET.

Farmers May Not Realize Good Prices for Weed, Says Mr. Foseley, Mullins Enterprise.

One of the features of the recent annual meeting of the Danville Tobacco association was the report on the past season's activities and prospects for the future drawn up by E. G. Foseley in the absence of J. Pennington, Peen, the vice president. The report is given in part hereunder and will be of interest to those connected with the tobacco industry.

In taking a retrospect of the eventful seven months in which the market was forced to sell and buy over thirty million pound of leaf tobacco, which six years ago required ten months to handle, we find that all records were broken, and it has been clearly demonstrated that the warehousemen and buyer are equipped for any emergency; that the strenuous lives lead by those engaged in the tobacco business during the seven months was a severe tax upon their physical, mental and financial ability. To think of handling a business in so short a period amounting to more than thirty million of pounds costing more than sixteen millions and a half of dollar, with so little damage to the stock and with as few errors made is a remarkable record on the Danville market.

The prices obtained for all grades including scrap tobacco sold was greater than ever known on this world-famed market. An average of \$55.40 per hundred pounds for all grades including syrap tobacco was realized, this went over the top

of any previous record of prices obtained on this great market. Never before have the producers and shippers who sold on the Danville market been so liberally remunerated for their offerings of tobacco. To revert to the fact that this vast amount of business was transacted by so large a number of men with conflicting interest without the least friction, is pleasing indeed and commendable in any tradesmen.

The banking houses of our city are to be commended for their ability as well as their liberality in providing the necessary money to pay the sellers for amount of their sales upon the immediate presentation of checks for same.

We venture to say it would have been a physical impossibility to have handled the amount of tobacco within seven months time had not the basket system been in vogue. The wonder is that this method of handling loose tobacco offered was not adopted many years ago.

The most liberal buyers on the Danville market where the five great companies who have established great plants in our city of tremendous capacity, which were used to the limit many of them running night and day during the seven months period to take care of purchases made the previous day. A large number of independent buyers bought very largely of the 1919 crop. The early purchases made were disposed of readily at satisfactory profits, but owing to foreign exchange conditions the demand later in the season was greatly reduced and their profits correspondingly so. This was the prime factor in bringing the decline in prices at the close of

the tobacco year. It can be truthfully said the producers who sold early in the season were the ones who derived the greatest profit out of the 1919 crop. They are to be congratulated upon reaping their deserved reward.

The foreign demand for tobacco is not nearly so great as it was this time last year. Most of the manufacturers abroad are largely stocked at present, indeed so great has been the congestion in England that the British government had to restrict the importation of a very limited quantity until prevailing conditions become more clearly normal. In Holland the receipts have so much exceeded the capacity to store that thousands of hogsheads are stored on the docks waiting disposition. In the Orient the quantity delivered has exceeded their capacity to handle and shipping instructions have been cancelled until provisions can be made to care for same. The item of foreign exchange is great against their buying more than their trade demands. The consumption of cigarette grades of tobacco have very greatly increased in Japan and China during the past few years, at the same time the area for the culture of such tobacco has greatly increased.

We are of the opinion that the demand for the better grades of Old Belt Virginia Cigarette Tobacco will continue for years to come but we are inclined to the belief that on account of the greatly increased cost of production, the producers will not make as much money out of the 1920 crop as was their good fortune the past year. The scarcity of labor and the great increase in wages conspire to make the cost of production at least

50 per cent higher than former years. To keep the farmers producing the needful quantity of tobacco without an actual loss to them demands the continuation of good values for their product.

The 1920 crop has been planted at a higher cost for labor than that of former years. The unequalled demand for farm labor by the construction companies throughout the country caused many to leave the country places to accept the extraordinary wage offered them. Those who remain on the farm are demanding and receiving greatly increased pay, so unless prices are fairly well maintained the tobacco crop will be anything other than a remunerative one to the producers.

It is too early to make a prediction regarding the 1920 crop. The season for planting was about ten days late, the weather being cooler than usual for the month of May and the dampness necessary for successful planting was lacking but early in June the season became more favorable. On account of the scarcity of labor we do not think that the acreage planted has been increased over that of last year. The outcome of the planting cannot be otherwise than guessed at this early in the season, there being so many contingencies to reckon with before the harvesting season. A decrease in acreage would be greatly to the advantage of the producer.

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TOMATOES GROWING ON IRISH POTATO PLANTS

Several Bushels are Producing Irish Potatoes on the Roots and Tomatoes on Top.

Pee Dee Advocate.

Robert J. Rogers, Jr., a young farmer of the Blenheim section, brought to The Advocate office Monday morning a plant curiosity. It has Irish potatoes growing on the roots and tomatoes growing on top. The leaves and stalk are those of the Irish potato; but from a joint in one of the limbs, a stem extends upward about eight inches, and on top of the stem are three green tomatoes, about the size of partridge eggs.

Mr. Rogers says that he has several plants of the same kind in his garden. He has cut open some of the tomatoes and found them to contain the seed and interior of real tomatoes.

This may be the origin of a new and valuable plant which nature is working out in the evolution of plant life. It may be one of nature's ways to increase production and relieve the food shortage, by growing two

crops on one plant, one beneath and the other above the ground. Many improvements in plants have been made by crossing and special methods of cultivation, by Luther Burbank and others.

The probability is that the tomatoes on Mr. Rogers' potato plants will not mature and ripen as the plants, along with all other Irish potato plants are now dying. This will prevent obtaining the tomato seed for planting. The only hope of reproducing these plants will be from the potatoes that grow on the roots.

Perhaps in the future, if similar plants can be grown again, some way may be found to prolong the life of the plants till the tomatoes mature.

AIRPLANE ON LONG NON-STOP FLIGHT.

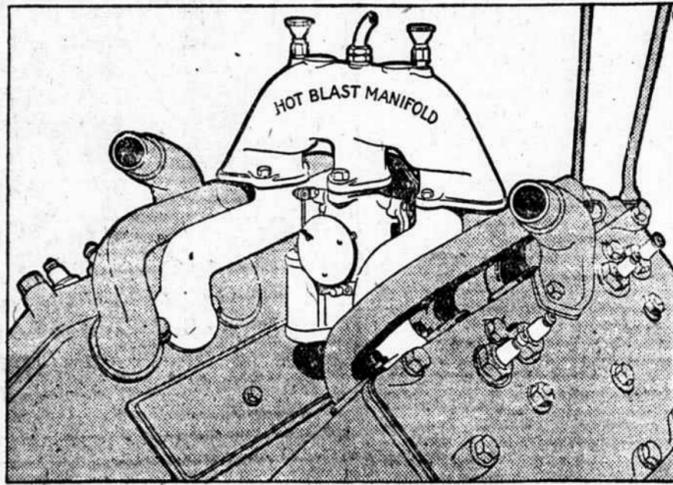
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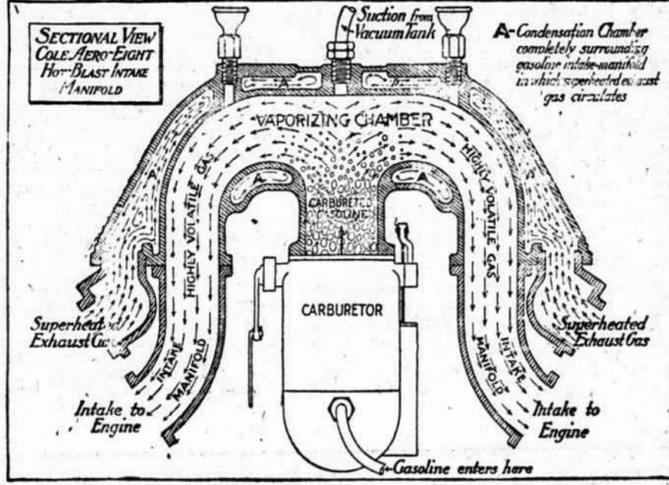
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