FARMERS PLAN BIG WAREHOUSE

Meeting Here Discussed Need For Warehouse to Hold Crops of Four Counties

One of the most interesting features of the farmers' meeting in the courthouse here last Saturday was a discussion of the necessity for a warehouse sufficient to hold the combined cotton crops of the four counties of Perquimans, Pasquotank, Camden and Currituck. The discussion was the outcome of a meeting of farmers from the four counties stressing the necessity for cooperation in the face of the present high prices of fertilizer.

For some time now the farmers have been agitated over high fertilizer prices and have held frequent meetings here in order to devise means to combat what they believe is a combine on the part of fertilizer manufacturers to keep the prices in the neighborhood of what they were last year.

About 100 farmers were present at last Saturday's meeting representing many sections of the different counties. R. E. L. Griggs of Powell's Point was elected chairman. W. G. Newby, an enterprising farmer from Perquimans was there and he was the promoter of the warehouse proposition.

The farmers believe that a centrally located warehouse of sufficient size to accomodate the crops raised on the farms in this section would be a big asset to the section and would add materially to its financial ability to launch bigger crops at the beginning of each succeeding year. They are beginning to realize the great impoverishing lack of organization among the farmer class, and are more able to appreciate the advantages of unity and cooperation. The average grower of cotton has no adequate buildings to house his crops, consequently much that might be held must be sold on nthat account. Then they lack means or prospects to tide them over the intervening seasons and must sell for what ever prices are available.

With warehousing facilities capable of the utmost in storage for their cotton or other products, they believe they would be able to store away the greater part of the agricultural output dependant on uncertain market conditions. With the safety of their produce assured, and with the money they would be able to raise on short time loans, they would feel secure enough to wait for higher prices.

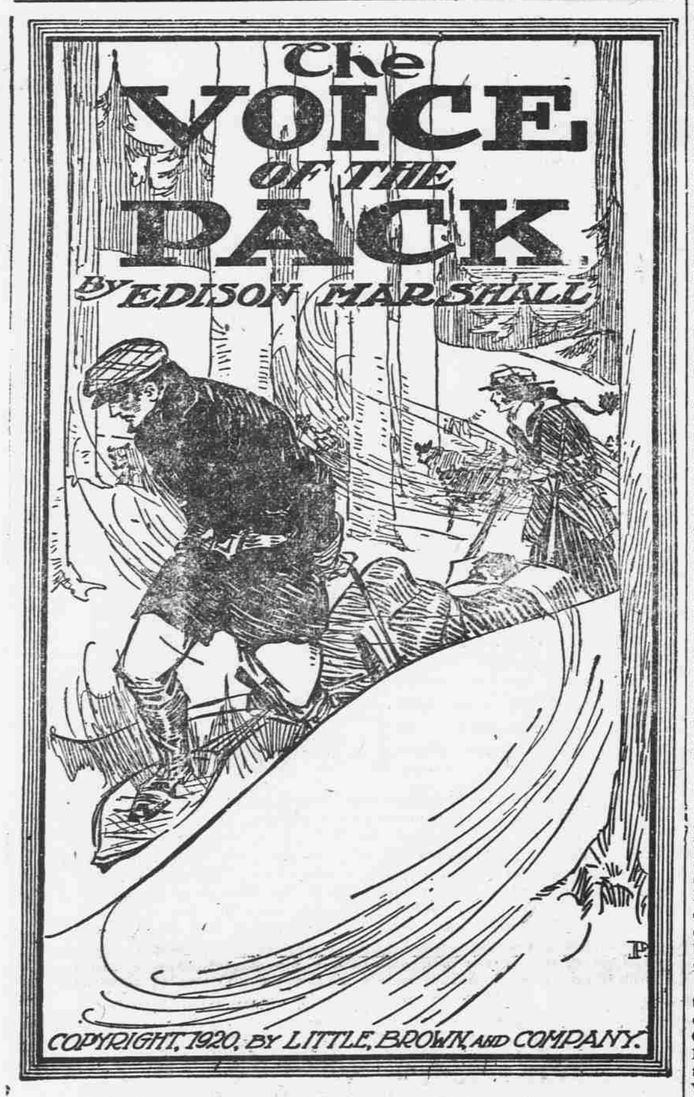
The propositiion has been encouraged for sometime and it is now believed the time is ripe to launch it. Another meeting will be held in the courthouse here Saturday, January 29, and further discussion of the matter is contemplated.

The fertilizer discussion brought out figures gathered by a representative that a good grade guano of 5-7-4 annalysis could be bought at the rate of about $39 a ton F. O. B. Norfolk, Va. Other figures showed that 7-6-5 analysis would cost around $48 a ton F. O. B. Elizabeth City. The farmers figure they will be able to mix these materials at an added cost of one dollar per ton plus extra brokerage charges and incidental expenses and save around $10 on the ton.

Further plans for purchasing materials to mix fertilizer will also be discussed Saturday, and if anything definite is agreed upon, some of the farmers will undertake the venture. Many farmers, however, are not taking stock in the plans because few farmers have the means to do so, and must necessarily buy their guano on time, depending on making payments when the crop is sold.

Local fertilizer men believe the farmers will fail to accomplish much with their proposed plans to mix their own fertilizer on a cooperative basis. They think lack of organization among the farmers will prevent successful distribution, with consequent delay in getting their crops under way and, further, that after mixing the fertilizer, it will not be as effective nor as cheap as the factory made fertilizer mixed by experienced chemists. They were not represented at tthe meeting as they are of the opinion that the farmers will give up the project.

But some of the farmers are determined to try the plan and see what can be done. Certain farmers in this section have reported good results inexpensively gained by the home made article. They believve the manufacturers should be willing, along with other business men, to share the losses incurred from stocking up with raw materials when conditions were abnormal. Considerable feeling is rife against the manufacturers, and one farmer expressed his intention of cutting down a proposed potato planting from 125 to 50 barrels.



A Fascinating Outdoor Fiction Serial

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Zane Grey says:
"'The Voice of the Pack' is clean, fine, raw, bold, primitive; and has a wonderfully haunting quality in the repeated wolf-note."

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"Taken all around, 'The Voice of the Pack' is the best of the stories about wild life that has come out in many, many moons."

STARTING SOON IN THIS PAPER!

EXPORT IDEA GAINING FAVOR

Cotton Association Urging Acreage Reduction and Support of American Products Export and Import Corporation

Raleigh.—Reduction of acreage and support of the export corporation are the two principal measures urged by the North Carolina branch of the American Cotton Association to better existing conditions. To enable the export corporation to function properly, the people of North Carolina have been asked to subscribe to a quota of $1.50 worth of stock for each bale produced and from the way in which the corporation's office in the State Agricultural Building at Raleigh is receiving subscriptions there is every reason to believe that the quota will be subscribed.

Indication of State-wide confidence in the export corporation was recently given in the senate, where Senator Joe Brown, of Pender, made a ringing speech. He introduced a bill to have the State of North Carolina subscribe to $1,000,000 of the export corporation's stock. To meet the payment Senator Brown urges the State to issue four per cent bonds.

Richard I. Manning, former governor of South Carolina, who heads the American Products Export and Import Corporation, has been in this State for the past two weeks speaking in the interests of the organization. Everywhere he has been he has met with a cordial reception. The meeting in Charlotte recently, under the auspices of the county cotton association, was productive of about $20,000 in subscriptions.

Governor Manning spoke before the mid-winer meeting of the North Carolina Cotton Manufacturers' Association in Raleigh Tuesday and explained the purpose of the export company at length. Following his address the cotton mill men went on record as unanimously endorsing the movement and commending the purchase of stock in the export corporation to the various mills of North Carolina.

W. Banks Dove, Secretary of State of South Carolina; L. S. Tomlinson of Wilson, president of the American Cotton Association; Senator Joe Brown and A. W. McSwain, secretary of the Cotton Association are some of the prominent men who have spoken throughout the State during the past week in behalf of the export concern. They have all stressed the fact that the export movement is a self-preservation movement as well as an opportunity for a good investment.

"There is not a doubt in my mind," said Mr. Dove the other day, speaking of the American Products Export and Import Corporation, "but that this organization will do much to stabilize the cotton market. One important thing in any concern of this kind, is the management. The export corporation is particularly well off in this regard with Governor Manning as its president and Joseph Walker, one of the best known cotton men of the South, as its general manager. The corporation is already doing business, and with increased facilities, made possible by additional stock subscriptions, will do much to remedy present conditions and make for permanent prosperity in the South."

There are two phases of the stock offering that are finding especial favor. One is the fact that subscriptions are being accepted in cotton or Liberty Bonds at the market price, as well as in cash. The other is a profit-sharing plan that has been instituted by the corporation. All stockholders are to be entitled to eight per cent cumulative dividends when earned and after deducting this from the total amount of net profit realized during any one year, one-half of the remaining profits are to be set aside as "patronage" dividends. These patronage dividends are to be paid out to the individuals or firms furnishing business for the corporation, pro rata to the amount of business furnished. The remaining half of the net profits in excess of eight per cent will be credited to the stockholders.

It has been announced that North Carolina will be given full representation on the Board of Directors of the export corporation. The corporation is in no sense confined to any one State but is a South-wide movement, destined to benefit the entire South. Public-spirited citizens are at work in every Southern State to raise their quota. One shipment of cotton to Europe has been made and many more will follow in quick order.

The export corporation idea, fostered by the American Cotton Association, was originally suggested by Governor W. P. G. Harding of the Federal Reserve Board, who is an enthusiastic supporter of the movement. W. G. McAdoo, former Secretary of the Treasury, has volunteered his services free of charge to the corporation. From all sides come strong endorsement of the work.

The North Carolina campaign for stock subscriptions is now well underway. Through the courtesy of the North Carolina Press Association, which has endorsed the organization and its purposes, the details of the corporation's program are being presented in the various papers of the State and public meetings are being held in every cotton growing county.

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ELIZABETH CITY LOSES A SPLENDID CITIZEN

George Washington Twiddy Succumbs to Heart Disease at the Age of 65

This city suffers an irreparable loss in the death of George Washington Twiddy, who was for 38 years one of its most useful citizens. Born in this county 65 years ago, he had led an upright life, and since coming to this city had been a well known business man. He died Sunday evening.

Mr. Twiddy was once a partner in the firm of Weatherly & Twiddy, but has for some years been conducting a grocery store on Poindexter street, which is noted for its splendid service.

He was a member of Achoree lodge of Odd Fellows and also Talula Encampment. He was a loyal church worker and was a deacon of the First Baptist church.

The funeral was conducted from the home Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 by the pastor, Rev. H. K. Williams, and the body was buried in Hollywood Cemetery.

The deceased is survived by Mrs. Twiddy, who was Miss Pauline Jackson, of his county; five sons, Pat D., George A., William C., Raymond and Calvin H.; two daughters, Mrs. W. T. Deans and Miss Bernice Twiddy; one sister, Miss Nancy Twiddy, and seven grandchildren, all of this city.

A WREATH OF FLOWERS

In the passing of George W. Twiddy our community loses one of its most esteemed and useful citizens. To know George W. Twiddy was to respect him; to know him well was to love him. He leaves five sons and two daughters—all honest, refined and useful citizens, among whom the proverbial black sheep is not. All know, who knew him, that George W. Twiddy was a loyal and faithful husband and father. But it is not my purpose to speak of him in his relations to his family; I wish to speak of him for his name's sake.

Always gentle and considerate; clothed with quiet dignity, bordering upon timidity, yet if you knew him as I knew him you know that back of all was a reserve force which no power could break or swerve. Mindful of himself, when he saw his duty, he stood squarely and firmly before the bar of a strong man's conscience. I never saw George W. Twiddy that I did not call to mind Carlyle's famous observation, "The mild shining of the sun accomplishes that which the fierce blustering of the tempest in vain essayed."

A loyal friend? There George W. Twiddy shines! Many times have I seen the acid test applied and as many times have I seen him stand unafraid and unshaken. He loved his friends and they love him, not only for what he did for them, but more for what he was to them. I am glad I can count him my friend, tried and proved.

George W. Twiddy's manner of living and thinking was plain, direct and pure. His faith was simple and his loyalty to it superb. Nothing could shake his trust in his Redeemer, and he practiced what he preached. Indeed, it may be said of him as of Nathaniel, in him there is no guile. His main concern was to live right, let the consequences be what they might. It is no wonder, therefore, that during one of his recent attacks, thinking he was going then, he said to one of his splendid boys, "When I leave here I will leave you boys nothing to live down." Fine! How fitting then his favorite Scriptural text — "Blessed are the pure in heart." Link this text to that glorious Gospel hymn—"How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord," and you have a composite of George W. Twiddy—man, citizen and saint.

Once George W. Twiddy said to me, "Sometime when you are going to New York let me know. I want to go along with you." He had never been to New York and I kept in mind his request. At length we took the trip together. I enjoyed every moment with him. We went to Wallacks' Theater one night. The play was melodramatic and the villian was up-to-date. The thread of the story was a protest against crime by portraying crime from its sources down. I wondered whether my friend got the philosophy of the play. All doubt vanished as we were passing out of the theater after the play was over when he quietly said, in response to my question, "what do you think of it?" "Sin is the curse of the world and I believe sin is mostly ignorance." As illuminating as a flash of lightning in the dark.

And George W. Twiddy has passed out to sea! A sea on whose shore no incoming wave ever breaks, on whose bosom no homeward sail was ever seen, and whose tides always flow and never ebb—always out and never in. And yet such was his faith, and may ours grow like unto it. I know how impossible it is here to run into cold type the measure of my obligations for George W. Twiddy's friendship. But I shall always know that the generous deeds we do the fellow travelers, met on the dusty highway of life, carry their own reward to which our feeble appreciation can add little. So, friend, with love and appreciation, I lay this wreath upon your tomb.

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N. C. STATE NEWS

A Digest of Everything Worth Knowing About Old North State Folks and Things

—The Methodist Protestant Church in North Carolina plans to erect a $4,000,000 hospital in this state.

—The Fisheries Products Company has enlarged its plant at Wilmington so as to supply the farmers of Virginia, the Carolinas and Georgia with fish scrap fertilizer.

—Investigation of chicken robberies at the Pentecostal Holiness settlement of Falcon, near Dunn, disclosed that the sons of some of the leaders of the church had been swiping fowls from their father's flock in order to get candy and cigarette money. The church, known as the "Holy Jumpers," makes incessnt war on the weed, and the youngster are made to fetch switches from the nearby swamps for their own larruping.

—Due to over production, the tobacco crops of eastern North Carolina brought less than half of what last year's crops brought.. The number of pounds of tobacco sold on the Wilson market for 1919 totaled 42,330,590 pounds, bringing a total in sales of $22,720,280.44 an average of $53.37 a hundred. To date, the crop sold on the Wilson market has amounted to 45,418,557, bringing $10,258,920.55, an average of $22.28 per hundred. A canvass of the farms this week is intended to cause the farmers to reduce their acreage by 33 1-3 per cent.

—That versatile jurist, Judge Frank A. Daniels, of Goldsboro, preached quite a sermon at Fayetteville the other day, when he charged the jury and the people to keep away from dannce halls and keep their children from movies where they see portrayed on a screen the infidelity of marriage made a joke, where Jesse James and outlawry are impressed upon the youth, causing them to break in some hardware store as the movies suggested. He urged parents to take more care of their daughters who learn immoral lessons from the movies and take automobile rides with men of questionable character, and urged the pastors to stand upon the watch towers like sentinels and point the way tha' youth should follow. A great part of the judge's talk dealt with the liquor traffic, which he said was worming its way into homes and bringing highly respected citizens before the law of the land.

—Two negroes were lynched and five white men and three negroes were wounded at Warrenton Monnday, as an outcome of race riots beginning more than a week ago over the sale of ten cents worth of apples. A negro named Plummer Bullock went into the store of J. P. Williams, a Norlina merchant. The negro expressed dissatisfaction with the purchase and wanted his money back. He obtained his money after exxchanging words with Brady Trailor, the clerk, and cursed nnd threatened him as he departed. Sunday afternoon about a score of negroes gathered at the depot to make good the threat, and Raby Trailor, a brother of the clerk, asked the leader of the negroes what the trouble was about. Some of the negroes were armed with shot guns and fired upon Trailor as he and the negro leader were talking. The shootng then became general, and finally the police managed to capture 13 of the negroes who were placed in the Warrenton jail on default of bond after a preliminary hearing. Monday morning about 75 masked men, supposed to be citizens of Norlina, coming from all directions, entered the town of Warrenton and gathered around the jail. The jailor was overpowered after refusing to give up the keys, and two of the negroes were taken from the jail and lynched. The two negroes lynched were Plummer Bullock and Alfred Williams, supposed to be the leaders of the riot. Very little disorder other than the lynching took place at the time. Troops called out by Governor Morrison failed to reach the scene in time to prevent the occurence.

A new civilian wireless telegraph record was made the other day when Hiram Maxim sent a message from Hartford, Conn., to Los Angeles, Calif., and got an answer in six and one-half minutes.

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