

## TRY TO GET FREE FEDERAL WHEAT

### Return Old Trail

#### Trade Balance of U. S. Is Favorable

25 Pct. Gain Shown in Cotton Exports

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 16.—The United States had a favorable trade balance of twenty-four million dollars in February, the commerce department today reported. Exports for the month totalled \$155,000,000, and imports aggregated 131,000,000. Cotton exports for the first seven months of the cotton season amounted to \$325,000,000, a 25 per cent increase over the corresponding period last season.

### FARM CENSUS AGENT COMING

#### State Wishes to Know Whether Service Should Be Continued

RALEIGH, March 16.—A series of conferences is being held among county commissioners in 24 different counties to explain the purpose and advantages of crop reports and of the farm census, taken by the U. S. state crop reporting service of the state department of agriculture, with a view to getting a reaction from farmers as to whether the farm census shall be continued.

Frank Parker, head of the crop reporting service, is personally attending all these conferences, to which the county commissioners, tax supervisors, superintendent of schools, tax lifters, farm agents, agricultural teachers and lending farmers have been invited. Mr. Parker is attending the conference in Boone, Watauga county today. Tomorrow he will attend conferences in Bakersville, Mitchell county and in Burnsville, Yancey county. Friday he will be in Asheville and Sylva and Saturday he will attend conferences in Bryson City, Swain county; Hayesville, in Clay county; and in Franklin, Macon county. The following week conferences will be held in Transylvania, Henderson, Polk, Rutherford, Burke, Lincoln, Mecklenburg and Wake counties, Moore, Lee and Johnston.

For several years there has been considerable opposition to the annual farm census, chiefly from the county commissioners, county auditors and accountants, and the list takers, largely because of the trouble entailed in securing the information required. These in turn have stirred up some sentiment against it by the farmers themselves. The state department of agriculture, however, regards this census as one of the most important things it does, since it regards it as nothing more than an annual farm inventory, without which the farmers could not tell how they stand.

It is maintained that it is making or losing money without an annual audit and inventory to tell just how it stands, and that the farmers need a yearly inventory just as much as do other business men. In these conferences it is proposed to let the farmers and county officials know the facts and then let them decide whether to continue it or not.

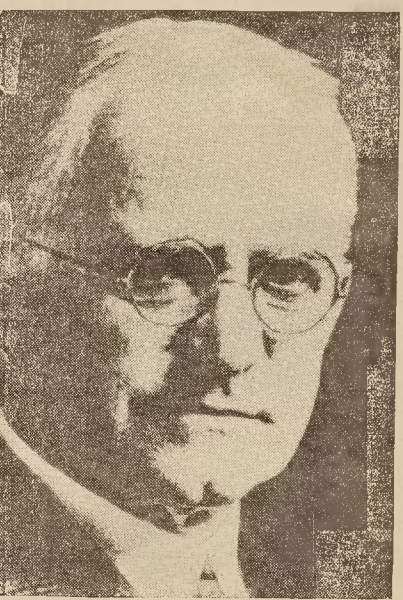
### Supplementary Readers Arrive

Announcement is made by Supt. J. B. Jones that supplementary readers and a supply of writing papers have been received at his office and are now ready for distribution. All principals of the county schools may call for these books; Supt. Jones' office in the court house at any time, it is announced, and distribute them in their schools as needed.

### INFANT GILLIAM BURIED SUNDAY

ROSMAN, March 16.—The infant G. B. Gilliam, born and died March 12. Funeral services were conducted at the home Sunday afternoon by the Rev. G. E. Kellar. Interment was in the Whitmore cemetery. Surviving are the parents and a number of brothers and sisters.

### EASTMAN COMMITS SUICIDE



"To my friends: My work is done. Why wait?" That was the brief note which George Eastman, 77-year-old multi-millionaire manufacturer and philanthropist, wrote before he shot himself to death in his Rochester, N. Y., home. World famous as a genius of the photographic industry, art collector and big game hunter, Eastman is shown above in a recent portrait.

### City Committee Unable to Act; Patton Is III

Owing to the illness of Harry Patton, city clerk, who has been suffering with "flu" for the past several days, the special committee of which he and Alderman Frank D. Clement were named to investigate an offer from C. F. Poole to pay the town \$5 per thousand feet for merchantable saw timber, and fifty cents per cord for acid wood, which has been proposed to cut on the Norton's Creek water shed has not yet been able to act.

### OLIVER SNIPES AGAIN IS HELD

#### This Time He Will Be Taken to Detroit; Verlin in Prison

Oliver Snipes, 28, who was arrested here some weeks ago with Harry Verlin in connection with a "robbery with firearms" charge by Sheriff T. E. Patton, but who was released when an officer from Detroit came to Brevard, because of failure to identify him in connection with the case, was arrested a few nights ago in Jackson county by Sheriff Patton, and is being held pending the arrival of another Detroit officer who is bringing extradition papers with him.

Verlin, it will be recalled, was taken to Detroit for trial, and it is learned since that he was convicted and given a sentence of 15 years in the penitentiary for his offense. It was a second sentence to be pronounced on him by the court.

About ten days ago Sheriff Patton received a communication from a Detroit detective agency, asking if he could locate Snipes, whom the Detroit officer freed on his visit here.

Locating Snipes, he informed the Detroit agency that he could be arrested, and two messages received since have indicated the agency of the prosecution to have Snipes brought back to Detroit. Sheriff Patton did not have the warrant on which Snipes was arrested, but was under the impression that it was not in connection with the same offense for which he was sought on a former occasion. Snipes signified that he would not go without extradition, so Sheriff Patton is expecting the

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### MIXED COURT TERM TO OPEN MONDAY, APR. 4

#### No Outstanding Cases on Criminal Docket; Jurors Are Drawn

A mixed civil and criminal term of Transylvania county superior court will convene here Monday, April 4, with Judge J. H. Clement presiding.

There are no outstanding cases on the criminal docket, so something more than eighty suits, some of them being back cases. These, however, it is learned, will not be taken up unless there is some disposition of the cases already before the state supreme court on appeal, as yet not acted on.

The bar association, of which W. E. Brees is president, will be called at an early date when the civil docket will be set. It will appear in the next issue of the Transylvania Times.

The following jurors were drawn at a recent meeting of the jury commission, composed of L. E. Bagwell, E. A. Reed and Dan Merrill:

First week—B. M. Mull, Branch Tinsley, J. M. Gaines, P. W. Jenks, G. T. Frady, D. H. Winchester, C. E. Larso, A. C. Kitchens, R. F. G. Glazener, W. J. Raines, Charles Gravelly, Chas. W. Owen, George McGaha, C. G. Fisher, D. L. Holaday, W. B. Daniel, P. A. Brown, W. W. Day, R. L. Cansler, J. R. Hinkle, J. O. Cantrell, P. H. Galloway, J. D. Golden, V. P. Walker, Duncan McLaughlin, V. C. McCreary, Fred Nicholson, F. Corbin, V. H. Seruggs, C. C. Reese, C. W. Hendrix, Roland Fisher, C. Y. Manley, W. P. Fisher, J. C. Seruggs, Mitchell Golden, J. Frank Martin, B. Merritt, R. C. Postune, H. P. Chapman, G. H. Paxton.

### PARCEL POST RATES RAISED

#### Revision Increases Postage for Short Hauls and on Small Packages

Mail rates from the United States to foreign countries will be increased after April 1, according to an announcement from the local post office.

On this date there will be no two-cent letter rate from this to other countries, and no one-cent postal card rate to foreign countries of South and Central America, including Spanish possessions in northern Africa will be increased to three cents for each ounce or fraction, and on single postcards from one to two cents and from two to four cents on double postcards.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 16.—The Interstate Commerce commission has authorized a revision in parcel post rates which Postmaster General W. L. C. Brown predicted would net the government an increase of about \$7,500,000 a year in revenue.

No date was set for the changes to become effective. The revision will increase all short haul rates also those on small packages shipped to all zones. Rates on large parcels for long hauls will be decreased.

The recommendations submitted by Brown were opposed vigorously by express agencies who insisted they would have the effect of placing the government in closer competition with private companies. The commission authorized the postoffice department to effect similar revisions last fall.

Effects of the new rate will be: Zones 1 and 2 (up to 150 miles); rate on one pound increased one per cent, on 2 to 11 pounds two cents, on 12 to 21 pounds three cents and on 22 to 70 pounds from four to eight cents.

Zone 3 (150 to 300 miles); All rates increased one cent.

Zone 4 (300 to 600 miles); Rates on 1 and 2 pounds increased two cents; on 3 to 4 pounds, one cent; on 5 to 6 pounds, no change; and rates on 7 to 50 pounds, decreased one to 22 cents.

Zone 5 (600 to 1000 miles); rates on 1 to 2 pounds increased two cents; rates on 3 pounds one cent; on 4 to 5 pounds no change and on 6 to 50 pounds a decrease of one to 32 cents.

Zones 6, 7 and 8 (1000 miles or more); Rates on 1 pound increased two cents; on 2 pounds increased one cent; on 3 pounds no change; on 4 to 50 pounds decreased one to 47 cents.

### Soviet Troops Move On Japs

#### Injuries Fatal To Grandmother Of Mrs. McClure

#### Shelby Woman, Age 100, Had Been Church Member for 73 Years

ROSMAN, March 16.—Mrs. Elizabeth Houser, age 100 years, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. C. Boarders in Shelby, Thursday, March 10. Funeral services were held the following day at Shelby by the pastor, H. Waldrop, at the Baptist church, of which she was a member 73 years. Mrs. Houser celebrated her 100th birthday anniversary August 9 of last year. Two weeks ago she fell fracturing her hip and suffering other injuries.

She was the grandmother of Mrs. G. M. McClure of Rosman. She had been married twice. The following children survive: Mrs. E. C. Boarders, Mrs. C. W. Hambrick, Mrs. Tom and Frank Wilson, Mrs. Minnie Webb of Shelby, and C. J. Houser of California.

### HUNTER FEARS EDUCATION IS DUE SETBACK

#### People Must Work Against Plan for Parents to Pay High School Costs

"The Unsolved Problem of Education in North Carolina" was the theme of an address by Dr. H. T. Hunter, president of Western Carolina Teachers College at Carolina, before the Parent-Teacher association here this week. Dr. Hunter had both praise and censure for the work of the state legislators in dealing with education in North Carolina last session, and in the end summed up the situation as a "challenge to education in North Carolina." "Our system may be wrecked," he declared, "if our citizens prevent it. Our teachers cannot stem the tide, for they would be accused of selfish motives," he declared, in closing his discussion.

### GLAZENER ON RADIO FRIDAY

#### Will Speak From Asheville on 5-10 Year Farm Program

J. A. Glazener, Brevard high school vocational agriculture instructor and chairman of the Transylvania county general committee on the 5-10 year farm plan, will speak over the radio from Asheville Friday night during the 8:30 o'clock period when the farm promotion plan will be on the air from WUNC. Mr. Glazener was invited to speak three weeks ago, but intervening engagements prevented him from accepting. Mr. Glazener will devote his discussion to the slogan which has been adopted in Transylvania county 5-7-7, which summarizes the Transylvania program.

### Fire Damages Rosman House

ROSMAN, March 16.—Fire which broke out during the noon hour Thursday, damaged the home of Mrs. W. C. Minters of Chester, S. C., and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Cole Pangle. The house is on Main street here. The fire started from a spark on the shingle roof and was discovered by A. M. Paxton, who was walking up the street.

Neighbors, equipped with buckets and fire extinguishers, rushed to the scene of the blaze and aided in putting out the fire. The house is a two-story frame structure. The damage was principally confined to the roof with the exception of that caused by water.

The members of the Pangle family were in the kitchen preparing luncheon and did not know of the fire until Mr. Paxton gave the alarm. The loss was covered by insurance.

### MANCHURIA SEEN AS BATTLEFIELD

#### Russians Use Frontier Railway to Transport Army; Washington Not Alarmed

TOKIO, Japan, March 16.—Soviet military activities along the Manchurian frontier were reported today by reliable foreign sources.

The soviet authorities cancelled regular traffic on part of the Ussuri railroad, which runs along the Manchurian frontier, to make way for movement of a military force, the messages said.

The Russian officials were said to have declared the military required the use of the railroad as a result of the Japanese movements toward the Siberian frontier of Manchuria on the pretext of subduing the Chinese mutiny at Heiho, or Taihoi, directly across the Amur river from Blagovestensk.

All regular traffic on the railroad from Vladivostok, near the eastern border of Manchuria, to Blagovestensk, on the northern frontier, was halted. The railroad runs along the northern border from Vladivostok to a point near Chita where it connects with the trans-Siberian road. The main route on the trans-Siberian runs through Manchuria, and the Ussuri road is much longer, although entirely in Russian territory.

### 3 STILLS IN COUNTY TAKEN

#### Two Men Accused as Result of Raid in Boheny Section

Three stills have been captured in the county the past week, both the county and federal prohibition officers having been busy.

The first of the series of raids came with the seizure by Deputy Sheriff Tom Wood and W. M. Stroup, chief of police in Boheny, of a 50-gallon capacity copper still off in the Boheny section.

The following day, Friday, W. Owen, federal prohibition officer of Hendersonville, and Mr. Stroup captured a sheet iron still of 45-gallon capacity, in the Diamond Creek section.

On Quebec mountain, the same day, a 25-gallon still was captured.

### HEALTH WEEK MARKED HERE

#### P. T. A. Offers Prize for Best Composition on Benefits of Milk

Brevard is having its "Milk for Health" campaign this week. The Parent-Teacher association offered a prize for the best composition on the healthful benefits of milk drinking in each of the grammar grades, and in the lower grades the children are making posters and rhymes for the promotion of interest in milk drinking. They have been engaged in this diversion since Monday.

Meantime, if one wants to know just how the Parent-Teacher association feels toward milk drinking, a peep into the rooms of the graded school at noon will show scores of children being provided with a glass of milk by the organization, to go along with their noon lunch. Often the children of the undernourished group have more than enough milk to go around and the overflow is given to other children.

### Honor Pupils of H. S. Announced

With the naming of Jane Pearce, as valedictorian and Louise Gillespie as salutatorian of the Brevard high school senior class this week, another promotional step in the commencement exercises for the year was made public. Superintendent J. B. Jones now states that he will be in a position to name the full list of graduates, and the commencement speakers at an early date.

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### MISS WEAVER HELPS IN NEW RELIEF PLAN

#### Free Seeds for Gardens To Be Provided Through State, Red Cross

#### MOVE TO AVOID BAD WAVE OF PELLAGRA

Gardens for the needy and for those who will feel the depression in the interim between the full recovery, free United States wheat, which will be distributed under the congressional act appropriating 40,000,000 bushels of wheat for the hungry of the nation and the provision of yeast for pellagra cases are all in the program for Transylvania county which will be distributed by the Red Cross chapter for the county. It was learned Wednesday in connection with the visit of Miss Pearl Weaver. The quota of wheat which will be received here has not been determined, since wheat must first be applied for by the local Red Cross chapter and will be distributed here through that agency, it was learned. Whether it will be direct in the form of flour, or whether the wheat must be milled after it comes here is another angle of the problem which, the local Red Cross people are yet to solve.

There are 136 families in the county who have been helped through local relief agencies during the current year. Some of these have not needed help all winter, but some have been given aid in previous winters. Some of them, in fact, are a continual charge of the county which they need help here to any degree, and one of the things that the Red Cross will endeavor to do will be to have these people provide for themselves in future.

Miss Weaver has made two trips here in the past 10 days in connection with the relief work in progress here. She will be here again on Thursday and go into the matter of gardens, how they will be supervised and the care to be taken in connection with the production of them as they are grown. She is a personal representative of Gov. Gardner.

It is learned now that there will be no sources from which garden seeds will be available in this county. One is the state agency for relief, the other is the Red Cross. In order to obtain these garden seeds, the local Red Cross must be able to assure the sources from which they are obtained that the seed will be planted and that they will be available for use in future by the families planting the seed.

Thus one of the first steps that must be taken by the local Red Cross or welfare agency is to procure the help of a worker or workers in the county who can handle the production and supervision of the garden seed, to see that the people planting them are carrying out the program as needed.

A. H. Kizer, with whom Miss Weaver conferred on her brief visit here Wednesday morning, said that it was likely the monarchical Farmer of America might be asked to help to some extent in the supervision. They can, it was thought, help carry on this, it was thought, the communities (Continued on page three)