

TEXTILE MILLS IN SOUTHERN STATES ACTIVE LAST MONTH

Most of Cotton Consumed During January Was Used in States in Which Staple Was Produced.

INCREASE OVER DECEMBER SHOWN

During January, Says the Census Bureau, 583,192 Bales of Cotton Were Consumed in U. S.

Washington, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Cotton consumed during January included 583,192 bales of lint and 56,465 of linters, compared with 575,271 of lint and 55,701 of linters in December, and 594,010 of lint and 51,137 of linters in January last year, the census bureau today announced.

Stocks of cotton on January 31st were held as follows: In consuming establishments, 1,811,392 bales of lint and 156,875 of linters compared with 1,717,972 of lint and 135,448 of linters on December 31st, and 1,441,080 of lint and 137,367 of linters on January 31st last year.

In public storage and at compresses, 5,175,834 bales of lint and 60,588 of linters, compared with 5,008,066 of lint and 50,723 of linters on December 31st, and 3,800,333 of lint and 57,953 of linters on January 31st last year.

Exports during January totaled 740,967 bales including 15,306 bales of linters, compared with 984,061 bales including 10,221 of linters in December, and 1,076,075 including 24,214 of linters in January last year.

Cotton spindles active during January totaled 32,803,156, compared with 33,000,874 in December, and 33,220,558 in January last year.

Statistics from cotton growing states include: Cotton consumed during January, 412,242 bales, compared with 399,908 in December and 404,898 in January last year.

Cotton stocks on January 31st were held as follows: In consuming establishments, 1,122,280 bales, compared with 1,104,001 on December 31st, and 887,402 on January 31st last year.

In public storage and at compresses, 4,944,981 bales, compared with 4,389,070 on December 31st, and 3,582,245 on January 31st last year.

Cotton spindles active during January numbered 17,176,066, compared with 17,191,442 during December, and 10,950,516 during January last year.

Two Residences Are Burned at Spencer.

Spencer, Feb. 12.—Fire of unknown origin Thursday evening destroyed the homes of conductor B. A. Eakins and Engineer Seth Parker adjoining each other on Eight street in Spencer. The flames were fanned by a high wind and the firemen were powerless to save the buildings but did save a number of other dwellings in the vicinity. The loss is estimated at about \$4,000 each, including two automobiles, while Mr. Eakins is said to be the only one with insurance.

Double Tragedy Occurs at Grave. Gallipolis, O., Feb. 12.—While the body of a relative was being lowered into the grave in a cemetery here today Nelson Bonecutter, 35, shot and killed his wife and then shot himself, dying a short time later in a hospital.

Bonecutter had come here to attend the funeral of Mrs. Clinton Walker, and attempt a reconciliation with his wife. They had been estranged for some time. Mr. and Mrs. Bonecutter's home was in Point Pleasant, W. Va.

Give Dinner to Honor Editor Wade H. Harris.

Charlotte, Feb. 12.—A dinner honoring Wade H. Harris, editor of the Charlotte Observer, will be given at the chamber of commerce Saturday evening under the auspices of the Hendersonville chamber of commerce as an expression of appreciation for Mr. Harris' work in behalf of the development of Western North Carolina.

Wedding of Last July Announced at Salisbury.

Salisbury, Feb. 12.—A wedding announced this week took place at York, S. C., last July 27, when Miss Mary Baker became the bride of Charlie C. Owens. This youthful Salisbury couple guarded their secret well. Mrs. Owens is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Baker. Mr. Owens is a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Owens.

Pacific Ocean Lashed By Gales.

Delmondo Beach, Cal., Feb. 13.—(AP)—A 600-ton pleasure fishing barge, formerly a wind-jammer, was torn from its moorings two miles off shore and swept into the beach just south of the Municipal Pier today. A southeast gale, fishermen say, is lashing the ocean into the heaviest swells on record here.

Holmes and Woods Put to Death.

Chicago, Feb. 13.—(AP)—All night efforts to save them having failed, Joe Holmes and Jack Woods, members of a band of five who killed Frank Rodey, cashier, in the wild west holdup of the fashionable Drake Hotel last summer, were hanged in the Cook county jail at 9:44 o'clock today.

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ANOTHER THRILLING RESCUE AT SEA NOW HAS BEEN REPORTED

All of the Members of Crew of German Ship Apis Rescued During Storm by Crew of Driebergen.

23 PERSONS IN RESCUED CREW

Rescue Was Made During Lull Between the Gales Which Had Swept Atlantic Ocean.

Portland, Me., Feb. 13.—(AP)—All of the members of the crew of the German steamship Apis were rescued when she was abandoned at sea, 1,380 miles east of Cape Race, on Friday.

This was learned here today with the arrival here of the Dutch steamer Driebergen, which removed the men from the sinking craft. The rescued party numbered 24. One of them was a stowaway.

The Driebergen which is bringing in 5,000 tons of German coal from Rotterdam, was anchored in the lower harbor and will not dock until early next week, but it was learned from the pilot who brought her in that all of the Apis crew were saved, and that none was injured. They will be cared for here until arrangements are completed for their return to Germany.

The rescue was accomplished during a lull between gales while mountainous seas were running and with great danger to the seamen from the Driebergen which stood by the doomed craft from 1 a. m. until 10 that night. When she left the Apis, a steel ship, was in a sinking condition.

The Apis experienced her first difficulties in the terrific storm of Thursday, February 4th, the day before the Dutch steamer reached her in response to distress signals. She registered 1,972 tons, and was owned by the Aldis Company, of Hamburg.

BOY SCOUTS RUN THE STATE FOR HOUR TODAY

Young Dan Stewart Was Governor For Hour and His Pals Were Advisers.

Raleigh, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Governor-elect Dan Stewart stepped down to the role of private citizen for one brief hour today while a small boy sat in the big arm chair back of the governor's desk in the executive's private office, the director of the State government of North Carolina from 11 to 12 o'clock.

Department heads and other public officials were likewise supplanted by youths in short trousers. Today is the sixteenth anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America and the Wake county council of Boy Scouts is celebrating by having members of the council occupy officials' posts in the State and city government for one hour.

The governor of North Carolina from 11 to 12 o'clock today was young Dan Stewart, Jr., of Troop 6, Angus W. McLean, Jr., ousted Pardon Commissioner Sink and held the latter's office. John Phil Cooper acted in the capacity of secretary of state, and Treasurer B. R. Ledy was also supplanted by Harold Glasecock, Jr., Attorney General Burmitt gave way to James Kurfess.

Practically all other department were headed for an hour by other Boy Scouts.

Mill Shares Continue Upward Swing.

According to figures released today by R. S. Dickson & Company on the average of twenty-five southern cotton mill stocks, there was a further advance of 80 cents per share, bringing the present average to \$121.30, compared with 113.28 in July of 1925.

The only change of importance in any of the stocks during the week occurred in Anderson Cotton Mills, which was traded in from 110 to 120, selling off toward the close of the week to 115.

The Belmont, N. C., stocks continued active and strong, but no further advance took place in this chain of mills, although the stocks were offered more freely as the dividend checks had been mailed out, and at least two of these stocks sold slightly lower.

The Elmira Cotton Mills 6 per cent bonds which were offered the latter part of January at 91.55 to yield the purchasers 7.20 per cent, is considerably more than half sold, and demand for this issue as well as various preferred issues has been exceedingly good.

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Hunters Kill 9454 Crows in Six Days



Crows near Okemaha, Okla., got so thick that farmers suffered. Consequently, the above members of the Isaac Walton League went out with their shotguns. They killed 9454 in six days, and T. E. Jacobs, at the left, is credited with killing 2000 of them. The other hunters, left to right, are Dan Willmont, Dan Boets, C. R. Geiss and Fred Scott.

DEFEAT OF WHITENER IS AScribed TO BUTLER

Former Senator Was Used Effectively By 'Hog Combine' Against Hickory Man.

Town Host in Greensboro News. Raleigh, Feb. 12.—Mike Whitener, a defunct for national committee in Durham when the Republican state executive committee met is ascribed to Marion Butler, but friends of the Catawba man cannot recall now ever having heard, the best pulp pulling and least fodder eating Republican in North Carolina or admit any fellowship with Mr. Butler.

The Catawba man has not yet expressed himself on his treatment in Durham. Whether he will continue the fight against the folks who fought him in Durham and before that time, only he can say; but the Hayes supporters used Mr. Butler against Mr. Whitener, and it now seems that the ruling faction in the party is making him more an issue than the dominant party ever did.

It is known that Mr. Whitener could have been state chairman, but that job which Mr. Bramham is so shortly shedding is evidently not to the liking of the Catawba leader. The national committee's place is a first rate honor for any party man particularly the Whitener kind. The Catawba lawyer never has held any of the lucrative positions of his party. He has been accustomed to making its \$5,000 gratuitous races for it and paying his own expenses for the wear and tear on his own constitution.

The use of Mr. Butler was most effective. The whisper that Whitener never could hear until it was too late was that the Catawba had told Republicans: "If they beat me I will join Butler and take the control of the party from them." So the "hog combine" just combined against Mr. Whitener.

Regular here say that State Chairman Bramham held to the chairmanship to save the party from capture by Butler. The former senator has been talked about Democratically a great deal, but it is doubtful if he ever had such abuse as his own party has been giving him recently. Every man suspected of any friendship whatever for the enlarged state executive committee, is promptly given the personal classification— he is a Butler man.

The two favorites of Senator Butler are alleged to be Charles A. Jonas, of Lincolnton, and J. J. Jenkins, of Siler City. There is a very definite boom on for Mr. Jenkins. Jonas is perhaps the keenest man in the party west of Greensboro. He is accounted most friendly toward Mr. Butler. Sheriff Jenkins is a good insurgent, and so is Giles Meane, of Carteret.

The state chairmanship is an empty honor right now, yet it one of the prizes of the party. The biggest fights within the ranks take place over the chairmanship. But if there is among the "hog combine" any man who is anxious to take this position, he has not appeared. The combine seems willing to concede this place.

And it must be a whole of a job since the chairman names about three-fourths of the members of the state executive committee, according to Senator Butler. Why the "hog combine" doesn't wish to go the whole hog is the cause of much guessing. But nobody in the ranks of the elect has yet had his name presented.

The chairmanship may provoke the convention fight. Most busy members of the party do not wish the place. The last three campaigns have been major disasters and the Republicans in the state have been losing dreadfully while the party in the nation was mopping up. Senator Butler ascribes this contradictory condition to the plan of party organization. The "hog combine" credits much of it to the personal reappearance of Mr. Butler in the fight from the state convention, for Senator Butler only has carried. And he was the very bird that the "hog combine" decided it wished to hear sing.

Six Days Shalt Thou Labor in Cosmetics, But Not Seventh Day.

Lynn, Mass., Feb. 12.—The women and girls of Lynn are pretty enough to get through Sunday without treatments at beauty parlors, in the opinion of Mayor Ralph S. Bane. The mayor ordered the police today to keep watch over the city's beauty parlors to see that they refrain from operating on Sunday.

He contends that six days of labor with lipstick, powder puff, scissors and rouge should, in a general way, make any woman attractive enough to carry her over the seventh, without further treatment.

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had an even break with the Democrats, has been going almost solidly Jeffersonian for three elections. Louis Lipscombe and Frank Spake, Jr., both employees of the city water and light department asking damages of \$2,000 against each of these defendants for cutting down shade trees in front of the property of Robert L. Mode.

NARCOTICS WORTH \$10,000 SEIZED IN CHARLOTTE

Drugs Taken in Series of Raids Which Were Conducted in Five Homes—Five Arrests Made.

Charlotte, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Narcotics with an estimated value of \$10,000 were seized here today by Federal officers on a series of raids.

The capture of the narcotics was effected by Federal agents S. A. Williams and W. T. McGinnis, accompanied by Memory C. Cain, deputy U. S. Marshal and nine city detectives. The officers raided five homes and made an arrest at each home, and Lum Parham, one of those arrested, was described as being the "king pin" of the narcotic ring here. Others arrested were D. L. Sharpe, music teacher; John Allen, Sigmund Reid; and Fred McCorkle.

All were placed in jail in default of bond to await preliminary hearings next week.

JOHN GRAY IS CHARGED WITH WATKINS SLAYING

Arrested at Request of Albemarle Officers Who Say Robbery Was Cause of Crime.

Albemarle, N. C., Feb. 13.—(AP)—John Gray, of Dillon, S. C., today was lodged in the Stanly county jail here, charged with the murder of "Dad" Watkins, whose charred body was found last October.

Robbery was held by investigating authorities as the motive for the slaying. Officers have not given any indication of evidence against Gray. He lived here at the time Watkins' body was found, but later moved to South Carolina. He is about 40 years of age.

With Our Advertisers.

Fire insurance is 100 per cent reduction from loss. See ad. of the Feltzer & York Insurance Agency. The Merckon Shoe Store has an extensive variety of spring footwear. Paine 899.

Smart headwear at Fisher's at \$2.95. Dresses and coats, \$9.75. Straus-Schaffer Co.'s made-to-measure clothes are sold here by the Richmond-Flowers Co. A representative will be at this store next Monday and Tuesday. Go and make your selection.

The Concord Plumbing Co., 74 Kerr street, can place good plumbing in your house from cellar to garret.

The modern way is the electrical way. See ad. of W. J. Hethcox. The Citizens Bank and Trust Co. will lend you money on the weekly payment plan. See schedule in the ad. on page five today.

Girls' gingham dresses, made of Amoskeag ginghams, only 98 cents. Sizes from 7 to 14 years.

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THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Steady at Unchanged Prices to an Advance of Three Points on Buying.

New York, Feb. 13.—(AP)—The cotton market opened steady today at unchanged prices to an advance of 3 points on buying apparently inspired by relatively steady Liverpool cables, the settlement of the coal strike, and reports of a good opening tone in the stock market. The census report showing domestic consumption of 504,000 bales last week established an 583,192 bales for January against 594,010 last year disappointed recent buyers however, while the week-end figures also made rather a bearish impression on sentiment. After selling at 19.77 for May and 18.34 for October, the market eased off 4 or 5 points under realizing or liquidation, and southern hedge selling.

Cotton futures opened steady, March 20.28; May 19.70; July 19.05; Oct. 18.34; Dec. 17.98.

Closed Barely Steady.

New York, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Cotton futures closed barely steady, net 6 points down to 4 up. March closed 20.23-24; May 19.68-70; July 19.03-04; Oct. 19.33-37; Dec. 17.90.

BERGDOFF IS UNDER ARREST IN GERMANY

Philadelphia Draft Evader in Custody on Charge Involving Love Affairs.

Mosbach, Baden, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Grover Cleveland Bergdoff, rich Philadelphia draft evader, who since a sensational escape has evaded efforts to return him to 4 up. March closed 20.23-24; May 19.68-70; July 19.03-04; Oct. 19.33-37; Dec. 17.90.

Bergdoff was arrested upon the complaint of a private detective, and is held on an open charge while the police are investigating allegations of indecent conduct. They are preparing to confront him with persons alleged to have been his victims.

Police said today they believe the complaint was based on the desire of certain persons to be revenged for his shooting of members of a party who attempted to kidnap him at Eberdach several years ago.

New Ray Found; Bridges and Ultra-Violet Gap.

London, Feb. 12.—The discovery of a new type of rays, supposed to lie between the ultra-violet and X-rays, is announced by C. E. Wynn Williams of the University of North Wales at Bangor.

It is said the new rays penetrate the air for several inches, but are stopped by all solids, even by gold-leaf, while X-rays can penetrate a half inch in lead and the recently discovered millikan rays pass through six feet of lead.

There are two important gaps in the long scale of wave lengths, and the new rays, according to Prof. Williams, fills one of them, namely that between the X-ray and the ultra-violet.

Months in Hospital Following Accident.

Salisbury, Feb. 12.—Miss Pauline Caster, of the county has recovered sufficiently from injuries to be removed to her home from the Salisbury Hospital, where she has been for the past nine months. Last May while on her way to get married, Miss Caster was severely injured and her sweetheart, Charles M. Lomax, was killed, when a train struck the automobile in which they were riding.

Sues Town of Shelby For Removing Trees.

Shelby, Feb. 12.—A civil action against the town of Shelby, also Louis Lipscombe and Frank Spake, Jr., both employees of the city water and light department asking damages of \$2,000 against each of these defendants for cutting down shade trees in front of the property of Robert L. Mode.

Principal Changes Made by the Senate in the House Tax Bill

Washington, Feb. 13.—The principal changes made by the Senate in the House tax reduction bill were: Repeal of the inheritance tax.

Repeal of the taxes on automobile passenger cars, admissions and dues. Increase in the normal income tax rate applying on incomes between \$24,000 and \$100,000, involving an additional savings of \$23,000,000 of these taxes.

Repeal of the capital stock and the one per cent, increase in the present 12-1/2 per cent corporation tax.

Increased reductions in the stamp and cigar taxes. Both the Senate and the House agreed on the following general provisions which therefore are sure to become law: Repeal of the law allowing publication of the amounts of income tax pay-

ments. Increase in the personal exemptions from the income tax from \$1,000 to \$1,500 for single persons and from \$2,500 to \$3,500 for married persons, which will relieve 2,300,000 federal tax payers of all taxes. Reduction of the normal income tax rates from two to one and one-half per cent on the first \$4,000 of taxable incomes, from four to three per cent on the next \$4,000 and from six to five per cent on the remainder. Reduction in the maximum surtax rate of 40 per cent applying on amounts of income in excess of \$50,000 to 20 per cent on the amounts of income in excess of \$100,000 with corresponding reductions on the lower rates or the graduated surtax schedule which now starts at one per cent at \$10,000.

PAPER WINDOWS BANISH DISEASE

Johns Hopkins Professor Finds Cheap Substitute for Quartz Glass. Baltimore, Feb. 12.—Winter sunlight for children—not the denatured light that comes through ordinary glass from which the healing ultra-violet rays have been filtered—but the real thing with virtually all of its health giving qualities may now be obtained inexpensively.

Dr. A. Herman Pfund, associate professor of physics at Johns Hopkins, has found that between 60 and 70 per cent of the medicinal value of the sun's ultra-violet rays remain in the sunlight that passes through a type of transparent wrapping paper ordinarily used on candy bars.

The advantage in this discovery is the cheapness with which ultra-violet ray treatment may be made available in homes, nurseries and sanitariums in cold weather. Scientists many years have realized the curative value of ultra-violet rays.

Several years ago one of the large corporations manufacturing electrical appliances presented the children's section of Johns Hopkins Hospital with a window-made of fifteen quartz glass panes costing \$1,000 each that admit passage of ultra-violet rays.

This window has been used largely in the treatment of rickets, but full use of a \$15,000 window handicapped general treatment elsewhere.

The paper is made of cellulose, the substance that forms the cell walls of plants, and gives stiffness to the stalk of wheat as well as the tall spruce. By the use of a routine developed in Switzerland several varied rays are treated by the sun's ultra-violet rays applied under medical supervision.

For years Dr. Pfund has been conducting researches in the action of light. His discovery affecting violet rays was made recently while testing the transparency of numerous substances.

Until practical tests over a period of time have been made and the results observed by physicians, he said, the fact that the paper allows the healing rays to pass should not be regarded as a certain indication of effectiveness particularly as ultra-violet rays are much weaker in winter than in summer.

More Money Needed For Charity

Asheville, N. C., Feb. 13.—(AP)—Along with Governor McLean's appeal to Mayor Cathey to provide assistance for the families of the 15 men who must serve sentences for participation in the mob which stormed the Buncombe county jail in September, the appeal of the local Association of Charities for more funds.

The organization has told the city commissioners that the appropriation of \$350 a month for city hospital aid was quickly used up, and that more funds are required to take care of indigent families in distress.

Judge Henry P. Lane to Leave the Bench.

Charlotte, Feb. 12.—Judge Henry P. Lane, of Reidsville, here today definitely announced that he would retire from the Superior Court bench at the end of the present term, when he will have completed 16 years on the circuit. The necessity for his absence from home a great portion of his time, he gave as the reason for his decision.

Well Known Druggist of Charlotte Is Dead.

Charlotte, Feb. 12.—James A. Henderson, president of the Tryon Drug Company and one of North Carolina's best known druggists, died suddenly Friday morning at the Presbyterian hospital. Funeral services will be conducted Saturday noon at the Second Presbyterian church. Mr. Henderson's death followed an illness of several months. A native of Mecklenburg county, Mr. Henderson was 48 years of age. He studied pharmacy at the University of Maryland. He had been associated with several drug firms in Charlotte prior to the time he became one of the organizers of the Tryon Drug Company, founded fifteen years ago. He was a member of the examining board of the North Carolina Pharmaceutical Association and one of the most prominent pharmacists of the State. He is survived by his wife and one child.

Doughton Makes Warm Attack On Public Buildings Measure

Washington, Feb. 12.—"The most brazen attempt that I have ever witnessed to grossly misapply the public funds," was the description of the administration public buildings bill made by Representative R. L. Doughton, who is vigorously opposing the measure.

Interest in the bill among members of the North Carolina delegation was aroused again today by a letter from Representative Jeff Busbee, of Mississippi, who wrote: "Did you know that your State—North Carolina—is one of the twenty states which will get nothing out of the \$100,000,000."

Representative John H. Kerr, member of the committee on public buildings and grounds, is leading the half of the state delegation which is supporting the measure.

"This statement made by Mr. Busbee," Judge Kerr wrote to members of the state delegation, "is not founded upon fact, and should not disturb you in the least."

"That the people of North Carolina may know just what is proposed," Mr. Doughton stated, "What to expect and what not to expect if the public buildings bill should become a law, I have made a very thorough and careful investigation as to the practical workings of this bill and submit the following facts, based upon information adduced in the hearings and from statements made by authorities in the Treasury and Postoffice Departments."

Mr. Doughton stated that under the former omnibus bills any towns in which postal receipts amounted to \$10,000 per year was entitled to consideration. He stated that, according to information from the Postoffice Department, there are nine towns with receipts of \$20,000 a year, twelve with receipts between \$15,000 and \$20,000, and twenty-five with receipts between \$10,000 and \$15,000 in the State.

"If this becomes a law, there is not the slightest reason to hope or expect that a single one of these towns, save and except Wilson, will receive one cent. The town of Wilson is fortunate in that it owns a site and the building has been authorized, and this is one of the places mentioned by the authorities to receive benefits under this act. The only other two towns in North Carolina that have been mentioned by officials of the Treasury and Postoffice Departments are the towns of Greensboro and Asheville."

He stated that Asheville will get about \$700,000, Greensboro \$800,000 and Wilson \$185,000, all that North Carolina will get out of the \$105,000,000 carried in the bill. Twenty states will not receive a cent, he said.

He declared that the bill was framed "to tax and burden all the people for a few large towns and cities."

MAJOR GENERAL FOX CONNER GIVEN HIGH POSITION IN ARMY

Major General Bryan H. Wells, Brigadier General George, will become an assistant chief of staff to fill the place now occupied by General Conner.

SEVERAL CHANGES AMONG OFFICERS

Major General Nolan Will Command Division, and Brig. General Drum Gets Brigade.

Washington, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Major General Fox Conner has been selected to become deputy chief of the staff of the army, the second highest post in the military service.

The change is one of several decided on in the general staff as a result of expiration of assignments.

General Conner will succeed Major General Dennis E. Nolan, who will take command of the first division with headquarters at Fort Hamilton, New York, effective March 8th.

Major General Bryan H. Wells, now commanding American forces in China, has been assigned to command the second division at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, effective upon his return from the Orient.

Brigadier General Hugh A. Drum, assistant chief of staff in charge of operations and training, will take command of the first infantry brigade headquarters at Fort Wadsworth, New York, effective April 8th.

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