

### Review Of State's Crop Condition

Raleigh — Wheat millfeed prices were slightly higher at the close of the period but prices on most high protein concentrates were unchanged to slightly higher, according to the U. S. and North Carolina Departments of Agriculture in the Weekly Market News Service Review.

Prices of farmers' stock Virginia type peanuts in eastern North Carolina are lower this week with few lots bringing more than 3 3-8 cents per pound for best jumbos and few bunch bringing more than 3 1-4 cents per pound delivered. In contrast, the fished goods market ruled slightly stronger for fancy, due to scarcity, but slightly weaker for other grades. Meanwhile many lots of peanuts are coming to market too wet and are being turned down as unacceptable.

Creamery butter production apparently reached a seasonal low during the week ending November 14, and has now started an irregular seasonal upturn. Last year's low production was reached during the week ending November 23. The earlier date this year was primarily caused by the big storm of November 11 to 13 in some of the principal butter producing states of the Middle West.

Sweet potatoes showed little change. At the close Porto Rican sweet potatoes brought 1.35 to 1.60 a bushel basket and 1.60 to 1.65 a crate; radishes 1.50 to 2.00 a crate; cabbage 40 to 75 cents a 1-1-2 bushel hamper, and broccoli rabe from 75 cents to 1.25 a crate.

Farm prices of poultry and eggs were unchanged in the Raleigh area when compared with a week ago. At the period's close candled and graded U. S. extra large whites held at 35 cents per dozen and ungraded henner whites at 30 to 32 cents. Live poultry prices were unchanged at 16 to 17 cents a pound for colored hens, fryers and tom turkeys and at 17 to 19 cents for hen-turkeys.

At Chicago, beef steers grading good and better, especially those with weight, continued to gain price ground, a generally 25 cents upturn having been accumulated during the week thus far. In addition some good heavies made gains up to 50 cents, these consisting mainly of kinds of value to sell 10.75 to 12.00. As a whole the fed steer and yearling trade was a dependable affair throughout, with well finished bullocks with weight drawing more competition than others. Hogs sold actively at higher prices, before midweek, lost many of the advance, but closed steady to 10 cents higher than late last week. Fat lamb prices varied little, in spite of increased numbers. Top steers reached 15.35; hogs 6.30; fat lambs, 9.60.

#### Tenants

Higher agricultural income is the principal reason why an increasing number of tenant farmers have brought farms this year, says the Farm Credit Administration.

Total American crop production this year was the second largest on record, being surpassed only in 1937, reports the U. S. Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

### Giant U. S. Bomber Tested for the British



Returning from a test flight, at San Diego, Cal., is one of the 26 long range four-motored Consolidated Aircraft B-24 bombers, recently loaned to the British air force. The 20-ton craft has a cruising range of 8,000 miles, and a top speed of more than 300 miles an hour. The plane already bears the British markings.

### Place 200,000 Under Civil Service



President Roosevelt signs the Ramspeck bill ending 10-year fight to bring the bulk of the non-policy making government jobs under civil service. The bill blankets 200,000 federal employees into the civil service. Watching the President sign are (l. to r.): Rep. Robert Ramspeck, of Ga., author of the bill; Senator James M. Mead, of N. Y., co-author of the bill; and Rep. Jennings Randolph of W. Va., chairman House District of Columbia committee.

#### Meats

A long range procurement program for the purchase of meats to meet demands of the 1,400,000 men who will soon be under arms or training is being developed by the National Defense Commission.

### Rule Threatened



Shortly after this picture was taken of Queen Mother Helen and King Michael of Rumania, the streets of Bucharest ran red with blood. The Queen Mother and her son are shown reviewing a parade. A dispatch brands as false reports Michael is preparing to quit in the face of the terror provoked by the Iron Guardists. Queen Helen has left Rumania.

#### Yancey Farmers Continue Interest In Tree Planting

Yancey County farmers continue their interest in forest tree planting as orders for 300,000 tree seedlings through the TVA are expected before the winter is over, says Farm Agent R. H. Crouse.

#### Birth Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Robertson, Jr., announce the birth of a son on Saturday, December 7th.

### Now Is Good Time To Move Shrubs

Most trees and shrubs are dormant during December, and John H. Harris, extension landscape specialist, says plants usually must be in a dormant stage to be moved successfully. A few plants, he says, have special times to be moved, but you are almost sure to be right in moving the plant while it is dormant.

If the plant to be moved is deciduous (drops its foliage in the winter) it is not necessary to remove a ball of earth with the plant. Care should be taken, however, to remove all the roots possible and avoid bruising the roots, Harris advises.

It will be found helpful in moving a native plant to dig a trench around its base one season before removing it. This trench should be dug 18 to 24 inches deep, the distance from the plant varying with the size of the plant. The object in digging the trench is to stimulate the growth of fine roots near the base of the tree or shrub.

After the plant is removed from the soil, Harris says it should be immediately planted in its new position. If it is to be transferred some

tents of cesspools and sewage depositories far and wide. A study of 2,216 occupied houses in Imperial County in 1935 showed 76.9 per cent of the houses with fire hazards, 70.4 per cent with inadequate ventilation, 63.8 per cent vermin infested, 61.1 per cent with inadequate light, 60.7 per cent strewn with garbage and other refuse.

distance before replanting, it should be packed in shavings or at least a wet sack kept around its roots. It is very essential that the roots be kept moist until the plant is re-set.

Evergreens should be treated similar to deciduous shrubs except that they are usually dug with a ball of earth. A two to six-foot native plant is usually the best size to move. "However," the State College specialist declared, "this does not mean that larger shrubs or trees cannot be moved successfully. Full grown trees and shrubs can be transplanted, but a tremendous root system must be taken up with the plant which makes the job expensive and laborious."

#### Systematic Rotation Shows Big Increase In Corn Yield

The use of lime, legumes and phosphate in a systematic rotation increased the corn yield from 20 to 60 bushels an acre in five years for Lawson Lunsford, a Cherokee County demonstration farmer.

### Francis Proctor Selected 1940 Corn Club Champ

Francis Proctor, president of the Red Oak 4-H club, has been selected as the 1940 corn club champion of Nash County, reports L. M. Stanton, assistant farm agent.

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