

WALSTONBURG NEWS

Mrs. Jason Shirley and sons, Charles and Ray, spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Ada Bass near Wilson. Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Creech and small son, Dickey, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jenkins, Sunday. Mrs. Mary Baker Anderson and daughter, Elizabeth Carr, are spending sometime with her sister, Mrs. D. D. Fields. Mrs. Trasphenia McKeel and son, Stewart, have returned home after a visit to relatives in Morehead City and Newport. Friends will regret to learn that Mrs. Nellie Mercer Lassiter is in Woodard-Herring hospital where she underwent a very serious operation Saturday. Friends will be glad to know that Bob Lang has been transferred from Northfork, W. Va., to Wilson. For the present Mr. and Mrs. Lang are staying here with Mr. Lang's mother. Mrs. W. I. Shackelford and son, Richard, will leave Thursday for Norfolk, Va., where they will spend sometime with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Davis and E. C. White of Windsor spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. Earl Lang. Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Marlowe and

children have returned from Carolina Beach where they spent their vacation. Rev. and Mrs. Gilbert Davis of Bell Arthur were in town Tuesday. Mrs. J. B. Henson and mother, Mrs. M. M. Lents have returned home after a visit to Charlotte and Bennettsville, S. C. They were guests of Dr. and Mrs. F. O. Lents of Bennettsville, S. C.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETS

The Woman's Missionary and Aid Society of the Christian Church met with Mrs. W. I. Shackelford Wednesday afternoon. The President, Mrs. A. J. Craft, presided. Rev. W. I. Bennett made an inspiring talk to the Society. The hostess served iced drinks with sandwiches.

RECORDS

Durham County 4-H Club members are keeping their project record books up-to-date much better this year than they did a year ago, says J. A. Sutton, assistant farm agent of the Extension Service.

When Ford begins to make 5,000 planes a day the age of the air will be present.

New Potato Variety Gets Wide Acclaim

The Sequoia Irish potato, one of N. C. State College's latest contributions to the field of horticulture, is receiving abundant praise in many sections of the United States where it has been tried on an experimental basis.

M. E. Gardner, head of the College's horticulture department and co-developer of the potato with Robert Schmidt, said research men in a large number of states as well as in Canada, Mexico, and Cuba have reported excellent results with the Sequoia.

A late potato, the new variety has outyielded established varieties consistently during a five-year test period in this State. During the past half-decade, the Sequoia averaged 347.5 bushels to the acre. In the same test, Cobler yielded 224 bushels, Katahdin 218 and Chippewa 263.

Gardner explained its high yielding ability is attributed largely to its marked resistance to leaf hoppers, flea beetles, and blight, all deadly enemies of the crop. It has been estimated that leaf hoppers alone reduce yields in Western North Carolina each year from one-third to one-half.

Approximately four acres of Sequoia were grown in 1939 in an isolated seed plot. From this, between 80 and 100 seed samples were distributed to cooperators and growers in the United States, Canada, Mexico and Cuba.

Practically all reports which have come in on the performance of the Sequoia have painted glowing pictures of its possibilities.

COTTON

The cotton acreage in cultivation in the United States as of July 1 totaled 25,077,000, according to the preliminary estimate issued by the U. S. Agricultural Marketing Service.

CHICKS

More than 782,000,000 baby chicks are produced annually by the commercial hatcheries operating in the United States, reports the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

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Washington Farm News

Domestic Demand For Farm Products Improved By Industrial Production

Improvement in business conditions, affecting the domestic demand for farm products has continued into July, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports in its monthly analysis of the demand and price situation.

Industrial employment and payrolls have risen along with the expansion of industrial output since April.

Domestic consumer demand for meats, dairy and poultry products, fruits and vegetables has been strengthened by this stimulation of domestic business and is expected to be better during the last half of 1940 than during either the final half of 1939 or the first 6 months of 1940.

The Bureau pointed out, however, that the recent rate of improvement in demand conditions is slowing down and that the greater part of the present rise in industrial production may be over. Whether the recent improvement of demand conditions will be followed later this year by further gains or by a temporary relapse is dependent in considerable degree on condition of the war by Great Britain — most important overseas customer for both industrial and farm products.

The outlook for farm product exports both for the immediate and the longer-time future is highly unsatisfactory—particularly for cotton. The loss of export outlets for farm products brought about by the closing of additional continental European markets will continue without effective offsets for the duration of the war, although the stoppage of supplies of dried and canned fruits and vegetables from the Mediterranean area may later result in larger United States exports of these products than in recent months.

Similarly, the shutting off of former European export supplies of pork may divert some business to the United States. Evaporated milk exports from the United States already have been increased as a result of the stoppage of continental export supplies.

Wholesale commodity prices receded further in June but at a slower rate than in May. Agricultural prices were again the weakest group although some improvement, particularly in livestock prices, appeared toward the end of June.

Though commodity prices appear to be low relative to the expanded rate of industrial activity, there is little reason to anticipate any early marked inflationary price advance. Two periods of inventory building within the past year have failed to bring about such a rise, the Bureau pointed out. Important export markets have recently been closed, and, except for some products needed in armaments, production capacities are not in immediate danger of being strained.

Farm prices have shown mixed trends this month, with grains, fruit and vegetables lower, and meat animals and eggs higher than in mid-June. Farm income, which was reduced in June by low meat animal prices and by the failure of new wheat marketings to start as early as usual, probably will rise in July by at least the amount usual for this season.

The situation by commodities:

WHEAT

Domestic wheat prices have continued the decline toward the new crop basis, but they are still above prices a year ago.

Contributing to the higher level are a smaller prospective world crop, high prices in Argentina as a result of very small remaining supplies and fixed prices in Canada.

COTTON

Domestic cotton mill activity has recently increased and further gains are expected as the defense program progresses.

Domestic exports, on the other hand, have been exceptionally low in recent weeks, especially so during the week ended July 11.

The reduced exports and the unfavorable export outlook were factors contributing to a decline of about 2-5 cent in domestic cotton prices from June-15 to July 15. Middling 16-16 inch which averaged 10 1/3 cents on the later date was, however, about 2-5 cent above a year earlier.

FEED GRAINS

The 1940 spring pig crop total indicated on July 1, the supply of feed grains will be the largest since 1932-33, except for supplies last year, and the 1940-41 hay supply will be the largest since 1927.

HOGS

The 1940 spring pig crop totaling 48 million head was about 8 per cent smaller than the 1939 spring crop. Indications are that the 1940 fall pig crop may be about 12 per cent smaller than that of a year earlier.

These decreases in the 1940 pig crops will result in a material reduction in slaughter supplies of hogs

during the 1940-41 hog marketing year. Hog prices advanced sharply in late June and early July.

BEEF CATTLE

Slaughter supplies of cattle are expected to increase seasonally throughout the balance of the summer and early fall, but total marketings may be a little smaller in the last half of the year than in the corresponding period of 1939.

A market decrease occurred in inspected cattle slaughter in June, and prices of most grades of slaughter cattle advanced sharply in the last week of June and in early July.

Looking at Washington

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(3) Commodity agreements to apply to surplus production along the line of previous efforts to stabilize wheat and coffee.

(4) Improvement of the standards of living in the Americas, with possible distribution of surplus commodities for the relief of needy populations in the world.

Emphasis was given to the serious intentions of the United States in attempting to promote economic solidarity by the message sent to Congress by President Roosevelt, who asked for an additional \$500,000,000 in lending power for the Export-Import Bank, which would be given a "free hand" in making loans to the Latin-American republics.

Referring to the trade distress resulting from the war, the President said that the interest of producers in this hemisphere will be served by eliminating a "disorganized or cut-throat market" in the commodities that all export. Apparently, officials of the United States recognize that the only chance to successfully promote a joint stand by all American Republics against economic and political encroachment from Europe depends upon financial assistance from the United States.

It is recognized that the governments of Latin-America, in the present economic distress, cannot abandon other trade ties unless they receive adequate support from the United States. If necessary, the United States, in its own defense, and to prevent European or Asiatic nations from taking advantage of the situation to acquire domination of the smaller nations, will spend some money in view of the importance from a national defense standpoint, of preventing Germany, Italy or Japan from acquiring certain interests and rights in this hemisphere.

So far as we can judge, it looks like Herr Hitler will have to fight before he can conquer Great Britain.

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