

CIGARETTE PRICES MAY BE INCREASED IN NEAR FUTURE

Sources See Lifting of Cigarette Ceilings As 'Strong Possibility'

New York, March 19.—A rise in cigarette prices soon was seen today by OPA and industry sources as "a strong possibility."

The Office of Price Administration may lift the cigarette ceiling within the next two or three weeks to offset increasing costs of raw materials.

Industry sources said cigarette price increases were expected to range from 25 to 50 cents per 1,000.

Baker said OPA also is studying the smuff and scrap chewing tobacco situation, as well as cigar prices, and it is "entirely possible that some increase may be given one or all of these products under our earnings standards."

Tobacco industry sources said if OPA granted a 25 cents per 1,000 increase it would be difficult to pass it on to the consumer and wholesaler and retailers would have to absorb it.

WAREHOUSEMEN FAVOR RAISE Henderson, March 19.—Proposed increases in the selling price of cigarettes and other manufactured tobacco products are favored by the executive committee of the Bright Belt Warehouse Association.

Royster announced here today that the committee had adopted resolutions "favoring the granting by the Office of Price Administration and other appropriate government agencies of permission for such reasonable increase in the selling price of cigarettes and other manufactured tobacco products as will measurably offset or equalize the increased cost of production of such products."

The executive committee which adopted the resolutions consists of the presidents of warehouse associations in the five-county tobacco belt.

The resolutions pointed out that "it is apparent that the cost of production has substantially increased during recent years and "failure of such manufacturers to get some reasonable increase in price for such commodities will inevitably affect the price received by farmers" for tobacco.

Farmers Urged To Check Seed Stocks Reminding farmers that all hybrid seed corn is not certified, A. D. Stuart, agronomist of the North Carolina Crop Improvement Association, urged that seed stocks be checked for certification and germination before purchase.

With the fast approach of the corn planting season, Stuart said that there have been repeated reports of farmers buying seed of extremely low germination test just because it happened to be a hybrid variety.

Farmers have been enthusiastic to purchase hybrid varieties of corn adapted to the various sections of the state but available supplies of certified seed will plant only about eight per cent of the total 1946 crop in North Carolina.

In this connection the agronomist said: "In corn, as in everything else, you will get only what you pay for."

What some people eat when out riding to wonder what kind of stuff they eat at home.

At The Kiwanis Club

R. C. Copenhaver was program chairman for the Kiwanis meeting this week and had as guest speaker Silas Lucas, of Wilson, who spoke on "The Value of Civic Clubs".

Mr. Lucas explained the meaning of GOOD FELLOWSHIP, its importance to every community, the vital part it played in World War II, and the big part it will play in helping to win the peace.

Levis Allen and President Charley Hotchkiss were elected as delegates to represent the club at the National Convention, to be held in Atlantic City, June 9-13.

Army Enlistment Changes Reported

Recent changes in regulations governing the enlistment of former commissioned officers, warrant officers, and flight officers in the Regular Army in the first grade (master sergeant) were announced today by Lt. James B. Pagett, commanding officer of the U. S. Army Recruiting Station, New City Hall Building, Greenville.

"An applicant for enlistment whose last active service was in a commissioned, warrant or flight officer status," stated the Lt. "and who was released honorably on or after May 12, 1945, may now be enlisted in the first grade (master sergeant) provided such enlistment is effected within three months of the last day of terminal leave and before June 30.

After the first of July, 1946, the applicant must be enlisted within twenty days of the last day of terminal leave in order to be eligible for this grade.

Eligible men in this area are invited to write the Greenville Recruiting Station for further details concerning the new enlistment regulations.

JOUAM INITIATION

Farmville Lodge, Junior Order of the United American Mechanics, was host to the District recently at which time a number from Griffin and Farmville were initiated into the Order.

BIRD CLUB

Claude Tyson, who resided in Rocky Mount while his father was in service and returned to Farmville last week, read an article on the American or white-headed Eagle.

Most birds desert the nest at the end of one season; the Eagle each year builds a new nest on top of the old one.

It is unwise to kill, shoot at or capture Unde Sam's Bird, or to take single eggs or molest the nest.

Annual Music Festival In Greenville March 22

The annual District Music Festival to be held in Greenville TODAY, March 22, begins at 9:00 in the morning and ends about 9:00 in the evening, according to announcement made recently by J. H. Rose, chairman of the District.

At 3:30 all the bands will parade down Fifth Street and up Evans Street to the Court House Square, where there will be a mass band concert at 4:00.

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The Red Cross Reports Fund Beyond Quota

The local 1946 Fund Campaign of the American Red Cross, which was reported falling under the quota of \$2,750 last week, has gone beyond the goal, according to Mrs. B. L. Lang, chairman, who reports a total of \$2,917 in hand, with some pledges remaining unredemmed as yet.

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Marlowe-Heard Marriage Vows Spoken In Formal Ceremony

Miss Janis Eagles Marlowe, daughter of Doctor and Mrs. William Anderson Marlowe of Walstonburg, and Mr. Thomas Vincent Heard, the third son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Vincent Heard, of Jacksonville, Florida, were united in marriage Saturday evening March 16th, at eight o'clock in the Christian Church in Walstonburg.

The marriage ceremony was performed before an altar lighted with cathedral candles, banked with ferns, palms, and baskets of calla lilies. The center aisle was marked with fern and lighted tapers. Ivy, magnolia leaves and white candles were in each church window.

A program of wedding music was rendered by Mr. Ed Stallings, violinist, Mrs. Stallings, pianist, and Miss Laurale Stallings, soloist; all of Wilson. Miss Stallings sang "My Hero" and "Wedding Morn." At the conclusion of the ceremony she sang "The Lord's Prayer."

The bride entered the church with her father, by whom she was given in marriage. Her wedding dress of imported brocade satin had long sleeves that ended in points over the hands; a fitted bodice with sweetheart neckline.

The bride wore a crown of scopolia and orange blossoms. She carried a cascading bouquet of white roses and orchids tied with showers of white satin ribbon. She wore a jeweled studded bracelet, gift of the bridegroom.

Miss Alta Barnes, of Raleigh, cousin of the bride, was maid of honor. Her dress was Nile green marquisette, with sweetheart neckline, three-quarter length sleeves, full skirt and pleated suffle, extending from the shoulder to the hemline.

The bridesmaids were Miss Joan Eagles, of Fountain, and Duke University, Fannie Redick, of Walstonburg; Mrs. E. F. Brooks, of Walstonburg. Their dresses and hats were identical to those of the maid of honor.

Miss Minnie Smith, of Walstonburg, was best man. Her dress was of white satin and net, fashioned similar to that of the bride. She carried a bouquet of white roses tied with satin ribbon.

Mr. Heard had his father for best man. The groomsmen were Mr. Charles Fleming, of Wilson; Mr. Billie Marlowe, brother of the bride; Mr. Lester Chambers of Raleigh and Mr. Ed Davidson of Jacksonville, Fla.

Miss Marlowe had the following honorary bridesmaids who wore white smyrnagones in their hair: Misses John Cockfield, Ann Barkley and John Brunson of Wilson; Mesdames Truett Lamb, Cameron West, and Charlie Letchworth, of Walstonburg.

Miss Marlowe attended the Woman's College of North Carolina. She was a member of the 1944 graduating class of the University of South Carolina at Columbia. She was a member of the Junior Dumas, Senior Dumas, Co-Ed Association, and the Euphrosyne Literary Society.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Vincent Heard of Jacksonville, Florida. Prior to entering the Army Air Corps in 1941, Mr. Heard attended the University of North Carolina, where he was a member of the Sigma Epsilon Social Fraternity. He is now connected with the Southern Bell and Telephone Co. in Florence, South Carolina.

Following the wedding trip to Palm Beach and Miami, Florida, the couple will make their home in Florence.

For traveling the bride changed to a brown Swiss check suit with white blouse and brown accessories. She carried a canary yellow topcoat, and wore a corsage of white orchids lifted from her wedding bouquet.

Immediately following the wedding the parents of the bride entertained at a reception at their home, for friends, relatives, and out of town guests.

CHARGES AGAINST RUSSIA FILED WITH UNO BY IRAN

Washington, March 19.—Iran filed a bill of particulars with the United Nations Security Council today, formally charging Russia with maintaining troops on Iranian soil in violation of its internal affairs in Iran.

The solution, it said, "is of the greatest importance to the preservation of the good relations with the USSR which Iran wishes to maintain as an independent and sovereign state, and to the survival of the purposes and principles which the members of the United Nations have solemnly undertaken to respect."

The formal complaint was contained in a letter from the Iranian ambassador in Washington, Hussein Ala, to the current chairman of the Security Council, Dr. Quo Tai-shan of China.

Iran specifically accused the Soviet Union of: 1—Maintaining Red Army troops on Iranian soil after March 2, 1946 in violation of the British-Iranian-Russian treaty of Jan. 29, 1942.

2—"Continuing to interfere in the internal affairs of Iran through the medium of Soviet agents, officials and armed forces." It said these acts violated the 1942 treaty, the Big Three Tehran declaration of 1943 which pledged Britain, Russia and the United States to respect Iran's sovereignty, and the United Nations charter.

Ala, in a letter statement, emphasized that his government's action should not be interpreted as "an act of unfriendliness" by Russia.

The government of Iran feels compelled to take this course," he said, "because of its responsibilities to its people and because of the obligations imposed upon it by the constitution of Iran. No Iranian government could take any other course."

The United States recently protested to Moscow the retention of Russian troops in Iran beyond the March 2 deadline. And it subsequently asked an explanation of reports that the Russian troops, instead of being withdrawn, were being re-inforced. Moscow has not answered.

The dispute has brought relations between the Soviet Union and her wartime allies to their gravest point since before the war.

HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUBS HOLD MARCH MEETINGS Mrs. J. E. Gowans, president, presided at the Ballard's Home Demonstration Club this week which was held in the home of Mrs. Clarence Little.

Principal business concerned future plans for a community building at Lang's. A building committee appointed is composed of Mrs. L. E. Jones, chairman, Mrs. C. C. Harris and Mrs. Howard Moya.

Mrs. Moya was program leader for the afternoon and gave an interesting paper on "Family Relations."

The hostess served co-cold and chicken salad sandwiches.

Mrs. G. T. Westbrook and Mrs. L. W. Andrews were hostesses for the Farmville Home Demonstration Club's March meeting at the Clubhouse.

Entertainment of the Walstonburg Glee Club on April 5 was discussed and committees appointed. In the local hour, home-made cake, nuts, pickles and a cold drink were served.