

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

HIGHER COTTON PRICES

Unfavorable Crop Reports and Improved Situation in Spots Stimulated Buying—Wide Ranges.

New Orleans, La., May 12.—Higher prices prevailed in cotton last week, buying being stimulated by unfavorable crop accounts and the better situation in the spot department.

In the spot markets of the south the highest basis on record was reported on hedged cotton as the result of a demand which appeared to come chiefly from American mills.

FOOD ADMINISTRATION ADDS NEW DIVISION

Manager Appointed to Handle the Sugar Department. (Special Star Correspondence.) Raleigh, May 12.—To take care of the large volume of work that will be entailed through the "rationing" system under which a use of sugar, except private consumers, hotels, restaurants and bakeries, will be required to purchase sugar only upon certificate supplied by the food administration.

FUNERAL OF MRS. BANNERMAN.

Held Thursday Afternoon at Ivanhoe. Large Number Present. (Special Star Correspondence.) Ivanhoe, May 12.—The funeral services of Mrs. Edith Dobson, Bannerman, wife of George Bannerman, of Ivanhoe, who died Wednesday morning in the Harper-Tankersley sanitarium in Wilmington, after an illness of several weeks, were held Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock from the late residence.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.) STAR OFFICE, May 12. SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nominal. CRUDE TURPENTINE—\$4.00, \$4.00, \$3.00. ROSIN—Nominal. TAR—\$3.25-14 1/2 c.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nominal; rosin nominal; tar nominal; crude turpentine nominal, \$3.40, \$2.40.

RECEIPTS: Spirits Turpentine (—) Rosin (—) Tar (—) Crude Turpentine (—) Receipts same day last year—Spirits turpentine 5 casks; rosin 19 barrels; tar 123 barrels; crude turpentine (—) barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Quotation—Nominal; same day last year 13 1/2 c. Receipts (—) bales; same day last year (—) bales. Receipts since August 1 to date, 86,199 bales. Total receipts to same date last year, 65,861 bales.

PRODUCE MARKET.

May 12, 1918. (Prices Paid by Wilmington Dealers.) PEAS—Blackeye, 10c lb; lady peas, 10c lb; field peas, firm \$3.75 bu. CORN—\$2.10 per bu. BEEF—Native dressed, 18c to 20c lb. WOOL—Burry, 40c; first-class white, 55c to 60c lb. HIDES—Green, 11c; green, salt, 12c. 11c.

PERSHING VETERANS TO SPEAK FOR WAR SAVINGS

Washington, May 11.—The 50 American soldiers sent home by General Pershing to aid in the third liberty loan campaign will start from Fort Myer, Va., tomorrow on a speaking tour over the country in the interest of the sale of war savings stamps and the American Red Cross drive for another \$100,000,000 war fund.

ONE OF LARGEST WOOD SHIPS EVER PLANNED IS LAUNCHED

Orange, Tex., May 11.—The City of Bonham, one of the largest wooden ships ever planned, was launched successfully here this afternoon. The vessel is 350 feet long and 47 feet wide. It was designed by A. A. Daugherty, whose design of a vessel has been accepted as a model by the United States shipping board.

PRESIDENT WILL REMAIN IN WASHINGTON ALL SUMMER

Washington, May 11.—President Wilson has decided to spend the entire summer in Washington this year as he did last year so that he can keep in constant personal touch with all the nation's vast war-making machinery. He and Mrs. Wilson plan to take occasional week end trips down the Potomac river on the Mayflower and motor journeys in the nearby country.

STOCKS GAINING STRENGTH

Better War News, British Vote of Confidence and Exceptional Crop Prospects the Causes.

New York, May 12.—(With little interruption, despite incessant selling for profits and on a steadily increasing volume of operations, last week's stock market registered many high records for the year, while here and there actual new maximums were established.

Better war news, the vote of confidence extended to the British ministry, exceptional crop prospects and the encouraging industrial outlook were among the factors which contributed in large measure to the substantial upswing.

These developments were reinforced by technical conditions, most of which favored a forward movement. The success of the Liberty loan, which exceeded the most sanguine expectations in its broad distribution, made available an enormous amount of capital previously held in reserve.

With the steel industry getting into its war stride, the dominance of that group was regarded as a matter of course. United States Steel furnished not fewer than 1,400,000 shares to the week's total of about 5,200,000, making an extreme gain of 12 points.

PIG DIVIDEND 600 PER CENT.

Mrs. Graves of Wake Forest, Champion Swine Grower of State. (Special Star Correspondence.) Raleigh, May 13.—If you ask Dan T. Gray, the best swine expert in the country, if 600 per cent can be made on an investment in pigs, he would unhesitatingly say "No." Yet this is the percentage that Mrs. R. P. Graves, of Wake Forest, figures that she made on three pigs for which she paid \$15 a year ago.

In addition to the \$15 the additional cost to Mrs. Graves in raising and finishing her pigs was \$15, which she paid for four bags of mill feed and one bag of velvet bean meal. Mrs. Graves fed her pigs upon the scraps from her kitchen and on refuse from the garden. In December her pigs had become hogs and she sold one of them for \$37.35. In February she sold the second one for \$50. She has just recently sold eight pigs from the third for \$8 a piece, making the total returns from sales \$141.75, and a brood sow which is left is worth not less than \$50. Another litter of eight or ten pigs is expected the latter part of the summer and will make nice porkers by mid-winter or early spring.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau. May 12, 1918. Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending yesterday at 8 P. M.: Temperatures at 8 A. M. 73 degrees, at 8 P. M. 75 degrees; maximum 80 degrees; minimum 70 degrees; mean 75 degrees.

For North Carolina: Showers Monday; Tuesday probably fair.

The Port Calendar, May 13, 1918. Sun rises 6:12 A. M. Sun sets 8:05 A. M. Days' length 13 hrs. 53 min.

THE TIDES. High Water Low Water A. M. P. M. A. M. P. M. Wilmington 10:58 11:23 8:35 5:07

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

Monday, April 13. Temperature: Stations: Abilene clear 74 76 68 0

Table with columns: Stations, Weather at 8 P. M., Highest, Today, Lowest Last Night, Precipitation, Wind at 8 P. M.

Wedding at Lumberton. Lumberton, N. C., May 12.—A wedding of interest was solemnized here this afternoon in the office of the registrar of deeds at the court house.

NOTICE—SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

State of North Carolina. County of New Hanover. In the Superior Court. City of Wilmington vs. Henry Williams and wife, Kate Williams, and the Co-Operative Building and Loan Association, Mortgagee. The defendant, Henry Williams, above named, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of New Hanover County for the purpose of asking the court to condemn certain real estate in which the said defendants above named claim an interest.

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FOR HEADACHE TAKE BROMALGINE HITS THE SPOT SAFE ABSOLUTELY 5c AT PHARMACIES

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SUBURBAN SCHEDULE IN EFFECT MAY 11, 1918. WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE, WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH. EAST BOUND, WEST BOUND. Leave Electric Center for Winter Park, Leave Electric Center for Wrightsville, Leave Electric Center for Beach.

FREIGHT SCHEDULE DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

Leave Ninth and Orange streets, 3 P. M. Freight depot open Daily, except Sundays from 2:00 to 3:00 P. M.

SPECIAL NOTICE—This table shows the time at which trains may be expected to arrive at and depart from the several stations, but the arrivals and departures are not guaranteed.

UNION PASSENGER STATION

Arrival and Departure of Trains February 1st, 1918.

SEABOARD AIR LINE DEPART DAILY ARRIVE 8:45 P.M. Charlotte 1:10 P.M. Falor Car. 5:15 A.M. Charlotte 12:30 A.M. Sleeper opened 10:00 P. M. For Information Phone 174.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE DEPART DAILY ARRIVE 5:45 A.M. South and West 12:40 A.M. Sleeper to Columbia (Open 10:00 P. M. 7:45 A.M. North 6:05 P.M. Falor Car to Norfolk. 8:45 A.M. Fayetteville 8:00 P.M. 8:05 P.M. New Bern 12:30 P.M. 3:30 P.M. South and West 1:00 P.M. Sleepers to Augusta, Atlanta 6:45 P.M. North 10:15 A.M. Sleepers to Washington, Norfolk. For Information Phone 180.

Steamer Wilmington Leaves Daily and Sunday at 9:30 A. M. Image of a steamship.

Just Received — Car Load LEDBETTER PLANTERS PLANTS "ONE SEED" JUST WHERE YOU WANT IT--ANY DISTANCE APART. This machine plants with accuracy and certainty and insures a full stand without waste, because the seeds are evenly spaced.

WE CAN MAKE PROMPT SHIPMENTS—ORDER NOW Ledbetter Planting Makes Bigger Crops With Less Cost. This planter is so simple in construction that it eliminates every chance for trouble, even when placed in the hands of inexperienced or careless users. WRITE FOR DESCRIPTIVE FOLDER. N. Jacobi Hardware Co. 10 and 12 South Front Street. Wilmington, N. C.

Purchasers of Liberty Bonds Are requested to call at the bank and arrange payments by close of business May 9.

HOME SAVINGS BANK (Security and Service) To Subscribers of Liberty Bonds As the bonds will be dated May 9th, payment should be made to us on or before that date. Those wishing to make part payment should call and make their arrangements. The MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK

SIX STARS In Our Service Flag All good men and true! But we, who are left, can serve you with the same care and attention as ever. GOOD MEN GOOD TOOLS CAPE FEAR MACHINE WORKS Foundry Machine Shop Mill and Marine Work

FRESH CANDY 50 to 55.00 Mary Garden Talc Perfume and Face Powder Djerklas Talc Face Powder and Toilet Water Azurea Face Powder Sachet and Toilet Water Houbligan's Extract and Toilet Water Melba Face Powder, Lov' Me and Toilet Water Florida Water Toilet Waters, Etc.

J. HICKS BUNTING DRUG COMPANY Second and Princess Streets

"Sans Souci" MEATS Raised, Killed, Manufactured and Sold in the South. Why not patronize a Home Industry? CAROLINA PACKING CO. Meat Packers WILMINGTON, N. C.

INVESTORS 10% Would you be interested in purchasing a security that will pay you not less than 10 per cent, and where your principal is well secured and will increase in value? Write for further particulars. P. O. Box 57, Wilmington, N. C.

AMERICAN SOLDIERS "OVER HERE" IN POISON GAS DRILL



SOLDIERS TRAINING FOR THE ENEMY'S GAS ATTACK. A NATIONAL ARMY CANTONMENT UNDER WOOD UNDERWOOD, N.C.

In preparation for battles against the deadly gas used by the Germans, the American soldiers throughout the United States are being taught daily just how to best combat the fumes. British and French officers, who have been at the front and many who actually have been gassed, are teaching American soldiers what formation should be observed, how best to adjust their gas helmets and what action should be taken when an attack of this kind is launched against them.