

FARMERS HOLD OFF BEST GRADES OF TOBACCO

North Carolina tobacco farmers held their best grades off the market on opening day last week, but a total of 10,393,246 pounds were sold on opening day on the 16th markets of the Eastern North Carolina tobacco belt, at an average estimated by North Carolina and U. S. Departments of Agriculture at \$34.21.

The average was \$1.68 above last year's opening day average and exceeded the previous high average for the belt of \$49 which was set in 1919.

Wilson, largest market in the belt, reported an average of \$53.90 for total sales of 1,577,608 pounds. Tarboro's average was \$54.46, while Farmville sold 175,306 pounds at a \$51.22 average. Highest average of all was reported by Kinston which sold 1,310,322 pounds for an average of \$55.50 per hundred pound.

Bright belt tobacco markets are Ahoskie, Clinton, Farmville, Goldsboro, Greenville, Kinston, Robersonville, Rocky Mount, Smithfield, Tarboro, Wallace, Washington, Wendell, Williamson and Wilson.

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GREENVILLE IS VERY BUSY CITY

GREENVILLE — Greenville, generally conceded as the world's greatest tobacco market, is a "hustling, bustling" community these days, with farmers coming in from every county in the Eastern Belt.

Officials of Keel's, Center Brick, Victory, Smith and Suggs, Gold Leaf, Harris and Rogers, Dixie, Empire, Merton's, McGowan's, New Carolina and Star Warehouses are on hand to see that each farmer is made welcome and that his gold leaf brings the best prices.

Each merchant and tradesman in Greenville, the friendly city, has dedicated himself as an ambassador of goodwill and cooperation in welcoming the growers of the valuable gold leaf to the city.

Local banks are busy receiving deposits and payments on loans, theatres, restaurants and barber shops and all other vendors of merchandise and services are receiving their share of patronage from the farmers and their friends.

N. C. Students Get Hampton Scholarships

Hampton, Va. — Alphonso Knight of Henderson, Ezekiel Patterson of Kinston and Leonard Heywood of Warrenton have been awarded scholarships totaling \$150 each to study at the Institute during the 1946-47 school term, the Office of Public Relations announced last week.

AME BISHOPS CONFIRM CHANGE

WASHINGTON (ANP) — Indicating firm support and determination to retain Bishop R. R. Wright as the New York district prelate, replacing Bishop Sims, a majority of the AME Bishops' council here on August 15 signed a resolution confirming the appointment.

When Bishop W. A. Fountain, former a "reactionary" member of the group, refused to put in the form of motion the nine-signature resolution presented by Bishop S. L. Greene, he dealt a blow to the unity of the denomination, an authoritative source declared. At no time in the previous history of the council has a chairman refused to put a resolution signed by a majority of the bishops up to the entire group, the statement continued.

The resolution, to clarify the council's stand on the change from Bishop Sims to Bishop Wright, was signed by Bishops R. C. Ransom, J. A. Gregg, S. L. Greene, N. W. Williams, R. R. Wright, D. Ward Nichols, Frank M. Reid, C. W. Barber, and J. H. Clayton, Bishop Wright, speaking to the council, declared:

"I want it clearly understood that this is not a personal matter. I am the Bishop of New York, not because I asked to be or wanted to be, but because the Bishops' council appointed me. I have gone to my appointment in New York just as any loyal pastor goes to his. As a Methodist preacher and where the church authority sends me, I go. As I went to far away South Africa, I go to New York.

"I am pained that Bishop Sims sees fit to rebel against the bishops' council and to contest its authority above his church. The matter is a climax to a struggle between two concepts of the bishopric: the old, non-progressive, reactionary group and the new, church above the individual, sector. The progressives are tired of airing the church troubles in civil court, and of suits for accounting such as Bishops Davis and Sims have faced. They are determined to stop it."

The council unanimously approved minutes of the June 21 meeting when Bishop Wright was named to replace Bishop Sims.

EPPE'S HIGH ESTABLISHES SCHOLARSHIP

GREENVILLE — An memorial in the form of an annual college scholarship has been established for an outstanding graduate of the Eppes High School each year, school officials have announced.

The effort has the goodwill and cooperation of citizens not only in Greenville, but throughout Pitt County as well. The scholarship was founded in recognition of the 39 years of faithful, unselfish and loyal service that the late C. M. Eppes who died in 1942 rendered to the community.

Prof. Eppes' influence did not

DEAN MacRAE TO HEAD COLLEGE CENTER HERE

Wilmington — Dean James B. MacRae of Fayetteville State Teachers College will head the emergency college center when it opens here September 23, it was announced this week.

Approximately forty students, half of whom are veterans, are expected to attend.

Dr. J. W. Seabrook is president of Fayetteville State Teachers College.

F. J. Rogers, principal of Wilmington, has worked with Dr. Seabrook and Superintendent of Schools H. M. Roland, in laying plans for the new school.

SHRINERS URGE IMPEACHMENT OF SEN. BILBO

PHILADELPHIA (ANP) — A special session of congress to impeach Sen. Theodore G. Bilbo (D. Miss.), pass federal anti-lynch laws and order federal troops to Mississippi and Georgia "to preserve peace on the home front" was demanded Wednesday by Shriners in convention here.

A petition listing these objectives and signed by 6,000 members of the Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order of the Mystic Shrine was presented by Imperial Potentate Raymond E. Jackson, Buffalo, N. Y., to Edgar G. Brown, director of the National Negro Council.

About 2,200 members of the order, in red fezzes and tailcoats, paraded through the central section of Philadelphia Wednesday with two Zouave bands and half a dozen other musical units before a lunch-time crowd estimated at 100,000.

Brown told the convention that 300,000 citizens, Negro signed petitions to President Truman for the special session.

He urged that a signer be obtained for each of the 1,000,000 Negroes who served in the army and navy in World War II, and the Pennsylvania quota of 150,000 signatures would be sought in a campaign Sunday at churches throughout the state.

The federal anti-lynch law asked by the petition would provide a death penalty and \$100,000 damages from the county in which the lynching occurred. Brown said that in the recent Georgia lynching of four Negroes, two of them women, no arrests have been made, although the crime was committed in daylight by 30 unmasked whites.

end in Greenville, citizens point out, but bore fruit throughout North Carolina where it tended to create greater educational opportunities for Negro youth.

Sponsors of the foundation are extremely anxious that the effort will inspire the student like the late Prof. Eppes to aspire to the highest ideals of citizenship and leadership.

TWO FIERY CROSSES BURNED IN S. C.

COLUMBIA, S. C. (ANP) — The burning of two other fiery crosses in this state in recent weeks was reported here during the week, but indications are that neither was aimed at Negroes in customary manner.

At Bennettsville, where three crosses were burned two months ago, leaders reported that two weeks ago, the fiery emblem of the Ku Klux Klan was set glowing on the lawn of a Negro woman suspected of "going with" a prominent white man in the town.

About the same time a cross was reported burned within five miles of Columbia as another warning but this one was burned for a white man who had been suspected of "go-

ing with" the wife of another white man in the community.

In the latter case, which occurred in West Columbia, Negroes who fired several shots over the heads of the rioting group gathered about the burning cross, were assured, "this ain't for you all. We don't aim to bother you. It's for Mr. So and So. You all can go on home."

NO VETS HOUSING BEFORE OCTOBER

Charlotte Housing Administrator Harold Dillehay told the EAGLE last week that the of-

fers for receiving applications for housing units at the recently started Morris Field barracks will not be open before the middle of October, and that positively no applications for units would be received from anyone until then. He further stated that it was probable that the units themselves would not be available for occupancy before November.

In order to get housing at the former army air base, the applicant must appear at the field office in person, bringing his original discharge papers and the for the home himself. The office will be open approximately two weeks prior to the opening of the units for occupancy," said Mr. Dillehay. "No applications will be taken before the opening of the office, and any other state (Continued on back page)

Sam Fulmore Found Wounded By Pistol

Fayetteville, N. C. — The mystery of a fall play was removed when Sam Fulmore, of 243 Worth Street, admitted to police that the wounds inflicted upon him by a .32 calibre pistol on Saturday night August 24th, came as a result of an accident by himself.

The shooting took place just beyond the city limits at a house near Courtney's Dairy.

Fulmore was shot in the abdomen accidentally, by a .32 calibre pistol according to a reported admission by Fulmore to police officials. The pistol was found on the mantel piece of the home in which he was allegedly shot. The accident victim was carried to Highsmith's hospital for treatment.



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