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PRICES STILL HIGH

ON LOUISBURG TOBACCO MARKET.

Sales at Each Warehouse Show a Strong Demand For Weed—Farmers Well Pleased.

The sales at each of the warehouses on the Louisburg tobacco market the past week have been good and prices seem to have advanced slightly, with a strong demand for all grades. The farmers attending the sales show the greatest satisfaction at the prices received.

Louisburg is holding its own with many farmers as the leading market and our warehousemen are lending every effort to help the patrons of this market.

Get a load ready and come to Louisburg. A WELCOME awaits you.

NEGRO DROPS DEAD WHILE ON TRIAL

Shock of Accusation By Witness Provoked Fatal; Tense Scene in Court Room.

Greensboro, Sept. 16.—The death of Claude Gilmer, a negro while on trial in Superior Court here this afternoon, was one of the most spectacular occurrences ever witnessed in the State. Gilmer fell to the floor just as a witness testified against him to the effect that he was implicated in a highway robbery. At the mention of his name Gilmer groaned, gave a loud gurgle and fell to the floor, gasping for breath. Officers and fellow prisoners quickly rushed him into the hall, where he died just six minutes. Sheriff Starke and Jailer Gaffey said that he had been suffering from a leaking heart for several months. The incident created a tense situation in court for a while, though later the trial of Gilmer's co-defendants was resumed. Judge Bryson is holding the term of court.

DRY ENFORCEMENT BILL AMENDMENT

House Conferees Accept Senate Cider And Light Wines Item; Burden of Proof.

Washington, Sept. 16.—The principal amendment liberalizing the prohibition enforcement bill, to permit the manufacture for individual consumption of "non-intoxicating" cider and light wines, was accepted late today by the House conferees and placed finally in the bill subject to action on the conference report.

Other disputes between the Senate and House conferees went over temporarily, probably until late this week, when a complete agreement is expected. Enactment of the bill probably will be delayed until next week.

New Transportation Provision. In adopting the Senate amendment authorizing the making of light wines and cider for domestic use, conferees today added a further liberalizing provision permitting transportation of "non-intoxicating" ciders and wines for the purpose of conversion into vinegar.

The principal controversy yet to be settled is over the "burden of proof" in the case of persons found intoxicated. The House conferees, it is said, are insisting that the burden of proof should be upon defendants, while the Senate conferees are reported to hold the opposite view.

DUTIES OF FAIR PRICE COMMITTEE

From the letter below the public and business will learn the duties imposed upon the Fair Price Committee of Franklin County and it is to be hoped that they will co-operate with the committee in bringing about a desirable market condition.

Sept. 16, 1919.
To the Chairman of the Fair Price Committee:

Dear Sir: The telegram from Attorney General Palmer, copy of which should be in your possession, outlines pretty clearly the purpose of the Fair Price Committee.

You are a legal body and have the right to investigate excessive profits in your town.

It is anticipated that correction of most of these cases of profiteering may be accomplished under your direction, but if you find aggravated cases you will report the details to me for the use of the Department of Justice in prosecution.

I beg to suggest that you secure all the publicity possible for the purposes you expect to accomplish. I believe a campaign of publicity against extravagance and unnecessary purchases will be productive of results. Rebuke every case you find where merchants urge immediate purchasing on statement that future prices will be higher. We are sure this is not true, and it is an unfair campaign and should be rebuked by your Committee.

It is my opinion that the percentage suggested in my former letter for food, men's clothing, and shoes are reasonable maximums and should not be ex-

ceeded. There are some lines of fancy goods and women's furnishings that may take possibly a higher margin.

The amendment to the Lever Act has passed the Senate and is now in conference and will probably become effective within a day or two. I will at that time send you some notes on the Law, its scope and its enforcement. In the meantime, I hope you will get your Committee busy to prevent the exaction of excessive profits on food, clothing, shoes and fuel.

Very truly yours,
HENRY A. PAGE,
Federal Food Administrator
for North Carolina.

BUNN HIGH SCHOOL OPENED SEPTEMBER 1ST; LARGE NUMBER OF PATRONS AND FRIENDS PRESENT.

The opening of Bunn High School was held by Rev. Mr. Collins, Sept. 1st, 1919. Many of the patrons of the school was present. Great interest was shown. The enrollment for the first day was 157. Of this number thirty-three were High School pupils. Since then the enrollment has climbed up to 173, of this number 43 are High School pupils.

The faculty is composed of seven teachers: N. E. Wright, principal; Miss Alda Howard, assistant in High School; Miss Annie Wester, 6th and 7th grades; Miss Lillian Beasley 4th and 5th grades; Miss Florine Boone, 2nd and 3rd grades; Miss Lena Gill, 1st grade; Miss Gladys Peace, piano. The music class is one of the largest we have ever had. Our school is progressing nicely.

Those wishing to see the County Welfare Officer about attendance can see him Friday afternoons at the school building.

Bunn is planning for a big Community Fair this year. Begin making your plans now for your part of the exhibits. The fair will be held at Bunn High School, Oct. 10th, 1919.

Several boarding students are here already. Several have asked about board. Mrs. C. H. Mullen has opened a boarding house for the pupils who wish to enter our school. She lives just opposite the school building. If you are interested see her at once.

UNCLE SAM REPORTED TO HAVE CALLED THE HAND OF JAPAN AS TO SHANTUNG

Honolulu, Sept. 16.—The United States has asked the Japanese government to fix a definite date for the return of Kiaochow to China, according to cable advices received here today by the Nippon Jiji, a Japanese daily newspaper. The cable added that the Japanese government had not answered the communication.

WASHINGTON KEEPS SILENCE.

Washington, Sept. 16.—Officials here in the absence of President Wilson and Secretary Lansing, will not comment upon the report that the United States has asked Japan to set a definite date for the return of Kiaochow to China. The general impression in official circles is that the report is well founded.

Japan's answer to such a request by the government would have an important bearing on the Senate's consideration of the peace treaty as one of the objections to it on which opposition is being centered is the Shantung provision.

PRESIDENT WITHHOLDS COMMENT

On Board President Wilson's Special Train, Sisson, Cal., Sept. 16.—Associated Press dispatches from Honolulu quoting Japanese sources to the effect that the United States had asked the Japanese government to set a definite time limit for the return of Kiaochow to China, were shown President Wilson en route to California this afternoon.

The President declined to comment on the news report, but it was understood that he has not yet received any information from the State Department relative to any action it may have concerning the Shantung situation.

RURAL CARRIER EXAMINATION.

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an examination for the County of Franklin, N. C., to be held at Louisburg on October 11, 1919 to fill the position of rural carrier at Alert, and vacancies that may later occur on rural routes from other post offices in the above-mentioned county. The examination will be open only to citizens who are actually domiciled in the territory of a post office in the county and who meet the other requirements set forth in Form No. 1977. This form and application blanks may be obtained from the United States Civil Service Commission at Washington, D. C. Applications should be forwarded to the Commission at Washington at the earliest practicable date. Admission of women to this examination will be limited to those who are unmarried and to the wives of soldiers and sailors serving in the present war.

VISITS SCHOOLS.

Supt. E. L. Best informs us he visited schools the past week named below and found them in a flourishing condition:
Monday—Youngsville.
Tuesday—Bunn.
Wednesday—Mapleville, Cedar Rock and Hickory Rock.

IN SAN FRANCISCO TODAY PRES. WILSON HAS 4 SPEECHES SCHEDULED

HAS COMPLETED HALF OF SWING AROUND CIRCLE

Two Luncheon Speeches and Two Set Addresses Tonight; May Speak at Los Angeles Saturday; Oregon Towns Presents President With a Deer Now in Home State of Hiram Johnson, One of the Bitterest Opponents of the League Covenant in the Senate.

On Board President's Special Train, Sept. 16.—Plans completed today for President Wilson's two-day stay in San Francisco provide for two luncheon addresses in addition to the two night speeches of his original program.

Although the President's advisers had insisted during the trip to the west coast on his adhering strictly to his official schedule of speeches, it was said more latitude was possible now in view of the comparatively few public meetings that have been arranged during the coming week. It is likely also that he will speak at a dinner to be given him in Los Angeles Saturday and at other public functions during this week and the week following.

Day of Continuous Travel.

For the first time since his speaking trip began there was no stop scheduled during all of today, and the President slept late while his train was winding southward through the Cascades of Western Oregon. He left Portland late last night and is due in San Francisco tomorrow. With his arrival in San Francisco the President will complete half of the ten thousand mile swing around the circle.

Grant's Pass and Glendale, Oregon, each presented Mr. and Mrs. Wilson with a large deer. A tag tied on the one put abroad at Glendale was signed by "The Citizens of Glendale," and read:

"As a token of our high esteem and appreciation of your devoted efforts for the benefit of mankind."

Bob Small Much Better.

Robert T. Small, Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Public Ledger, one of those hurt in yesterday's automobile accident in Portland, was able to continue the trip with the President and today was much better. Last night President Wilson walked through the train and visited Mr. Small in his compartment and congratulated him on his escape from death.

Body of Allen Taken Home.

The body of Ben. F. Allen, of the Cleveland Plain Dealer, who was killed in the accident, is being taken East by one of the secret service men at the direction of President Wilson.

Signs American Legion Act.

President Wilson today signed an act of Congress incorporating the American Legion, an organization of veterans of the world war.

Shakes Hands of School Children.

On Board President Wilson's Special Train, Horn Brook, Cal., Sept. 16.—President Wilson met his first Californian crowd at Horn Brook when the train was met by a crowd including many school children. He stood on the rear platform for several minutes shaking hands. The crowds cheered.

WATER REPORT.

The following is a report on the condition of the City water of Louisburg just received from the State Board of Health:

Sent by Dr. J. E. Malone.
Location—Louisburg, N. C.
Source—Spigot, drug store.
Collected—Sept. 12, 1919.
Received—Sept. 13, 1919.
Reported—Sept. 16, 1919.
Sediment—v. sl.
Color—Platinum-cobalt standard—0.
Turbidity—Silica standard—v. sl.
Odor, cold—0.
Alkalinity (in terms of Calcium carbonate)—21.2.
Colon bacilli in 1 c. c.—0.
Colon bacilli in 10 c. c.—0.
Total number of bacteria at 20d C. per c. c.—750.
Total number of bacteria at 35d C. per c. c.—360.
Total number of acid-producing bacteria—0.
State Laboratory of Hygiene.
By J. W. Kellogg.

REVIVAL SERVICES.

We are requested to state that Revival Services will be commenced at the Methodist Church in Louisburg on Sunday, September 28th, 1919. Rev. W. W. Peels, pastor of Edmont Street Methodist Church, and who bears the reputation of being one of the best preachers in the Conference, will preach. Services will be held at 11 o'clock a. m. and 8:30 o'clock p. m. The ladies will hold prayer meeting in the different homes each afternoon during the next week. The public is cordially invited to attend any and all of these meetings.

HIGH POINT AGREEMENT THAT SETTLED LOCKOUT

The agreement signed by employers and employees of High Point putting an end to about seven weeks' of industrial demoralization follows:

In order to bring about a settlement of certain differences between the men who work with their brain and hands and the men who work with their brain and money in the manufacturing business in the city of High Point and in order to insure the future friendly business relations between all parties engaged in such manufacturing business and to place the same on a basis of enduring peace and prosperity, the manufacturers and employees of High Point, each acting through the committee who signs this paper hereby contract and agree as follows:

1. The manufacturers frankly and in good faith concede that the employees have a right to join any labor union they see fit and the manufacturers pledge that they will not in any way, directly or indirectly, discriminate against such employees in his employment or in his treatment because he may belong to a labor union.

2. Each manufacturer agrees at all times to receive and give careful and considerate hearing to any duly appointed representative of his employees on any question in which such employees may be concerned.

3. The employees frankly and in good faith concede that every employee has the right to decline to join any labor union and all employees hereby pledge that they will in no way maltreat, offend or be discourteous to any employee because he does not belong to a labor union; that the purpose of this article and of article one is to secure for the manufacturers of the city of High Point the permanent application of the principle of the open shop and this principle must be applied alike to union and non-union men.

4. All parties to this contract believe that in order to build up any business and to develop the character of the men engaged in it a premium should be placed on industry and efficiency and to this end it is mutually contracted and agreed that paying for piece work and otherwise rewarding the industrious and efficient employee shall in no way be interfered with.

5. It is believed by all parties to this contract that walkouts and lockouts results in friction and waste that properly reward those who are engaged in it, and that both walkouts and lockouts should be avoided wherever possible. To this end it is agreed by all parties hereto that should any differences arise between any manufacturer and his employees not specifically covered by the foregoing articles then a serious and conscientious effort must be made by the management and the employees to adjust such differences, and if this should prove to be impossible then such differences shall be submitted to a board of arbitration composed of one man named by the employees, and one man named by the manufacturers, both of whom shall have been a resident of the city of High Point for a period of two years at the time of his appointment, and if these two cannot agree they shall select a third disinterested party who at the time of his selection shall have

Point for a period of two years, and in the event the first two cannot agree on a third party, then the Governor of the State of North Carolina shall appoint the third party subject to the same residential and disinterested limitations. That the employees of the manufacturers of the city of High Point shall not go on strike in sympathy with any outside organization or be subject to orders from parties who have not for two years lived and maintained a residence in the city of High Point for a period of two years.

6. That under the above conditions the manufacturers agree that the factories shall be re-opened on the 17th of September, 1919. All employees agree to return to work on a basis of fifty-five (55) hours constituting a week's work and that hourly wages shall be paid on this basis.

7. It being herein and hereby distinctly understood and agreed that this agreement shall not be understood as any sort or kind of collective bargaining with either agents, committees or representatives of union labor.

FRED N. TATE,
For the Manufacturers.
R. E. HEFFNER,
G. C. WORKMAN,
For the Employees.

T. W. BICKETT, Witness.

This the 14th day of Sept., 1919.

TWO MEXICANS ARE TAKEN FROM PRISON AND HANGED

Pueblo, Colo., Sept. 13.—Two Mexicans were taken from the city jail tonight by a mob of armed citizens, driven in an automobile to the Fortuna street bridge at the city limits and hanged. The bodies were found 45 minutes after their capture. The lynching followed the arrest of two Mexicans charged with the murder today of Patrolman Jeff Evans.

The two men, Jose Gonzales and Santos Ortiz, section hands, were arrested today. Reports that the men had been transferred to the county jail and that two other Mexicans had been hanged proved erroneous.

It's all right to advise others to pick good company, but they're gonna be mighty lonesome.

AMONG THE VISITORS

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW.

Personal Items About Folks and Their Friends Who Travel Here And There.

Mr. B. B. Egerton left Tuesday for Statesville.

Mr. Ben T. Holden left Tuesday for a visit to Richmond.

Clerk of the Court J. J. Barrow is on a visit to Baltimore, Md.

Supt. J. C. Jones attended the State Council held at Chapel Hill this week.

Col. W. T. Hughes, of Chase City, Va., was a visitor to Louisburg yesterday.

Miss Julia Davis Hand, of Baltimore, is visiting at the home of Dr. H. H. Johnson.

Messrs. C. C. Hudson and J. Allen Harris went to Raleigh on business Tuesday.

Messrs. F. W. Wheless and W. B. Cooke visited Raleigh on business Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Holmes left Wednesday for a trip to Atlantic City and New York.

Mrs. J. S. Lancaster, of Newton, is visiting friends and relatives in and near Louisburg.

Mrs. W. T. Person returned Monday from Blackstone, Va., where she visited friends.

Ex-Judge E. W. Timberlake, of Wake Forest, was a visitor to Louisburg Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Hicks are on a visit to their daughter, Mrs. C. M. Howard, at Danville, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Thomas and Miss Elizabeth Webb visited Blackstone, Va., the past week.

Mr. J. D. King and family, of Cape Charles, Va., visited his brother, Mr. John W. King, the past week.

Messrs. R. F. Fuller and E. S. Ford left Tuesday for Richmond to purchase a lot of horses and mules.

Mr. F. N. Egerton, Jr., left the past week for Athens, Ga., where he will teach in the University of Georgia.

Miss Kathleen Egerton left the past week for Elizabeth City, where she will teach in the Graded School at that place.

Mr. W. M. Person returned the past week from Washington City, where he arranged for a hearing of the case of *Boyd v. Person* and is opposed to moving the postoffice.

Mrs. W. P. Cooke, son Charles, and little daughter, Vivian, passed through town this week on their way to their home at Cedar Rock, after having visited Henderson and Middleburg.

Rev. G. F. Smith returned Monday from Southmont, Davidson County, where he conducted memorial services of a soldier who died in France, and will conduct services at the Methodist Church here Sunday at the usual hours.

ATTEMPTS TO BRING WHISKEY INTO STATE

Mrs. Jackson, Found With 26 Quarts In Her Possession, Bound Over To Court.

Fayetteville, Sept. 16.—Mrs. Alex Jackson, who was arrested here early Saturday morning, returning from Baltimore with 26 quarts of whiskey in her possession, was today bound over to the United States District Court on a charge of transporting whiskey, by Commissioner W. S. Cook.

Mrs. Jackson stated on the witness stand that she brought the whiskey to friends of her husband, who had purchased it before the war prohibition law went into effect and declared she was unaware that she was breaking the law.

She was placed under a \$300 bond to await trial at the November term of the district court at Raleigh.

Her husband, a well known clothing merchant, and his nephew, Raymond Scarborough, who met Mrs. Jackson at the train, were dismissed by the commissioner.

FROM CEDAR ROCK.

Miss Ruth Edna Stallings left Friday for Durham, where she will enter the Durham Conservatory of Music.

Miss Annie Lee Stallings has gone to Rocky Mount, where she will become a pupil in the Graded Schools of that place. While there she will make her home with her brother, Mr. W. A. Stallings.

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GOV. CATTS SAYS CAN'T BE MADE TO RETRACT STATEMENT.

Tampa, Fla., Sept. 16.—Governor Sidney J. Catts tonight made reply to the demand of the Tampa city council, made some ten days ago, that he retract or deny the statement attributed to him at a labor day meeting which he addressed at Pensacola that P. O. Knight, a prominent Attorney of Tampa, would be in danger of his life if he walked the streets of Tampa.

The Governor's reply, read to the council tonight, was as follows:

"Messrs. F. W. Ball, president city council; W. A. Johnson, city clerk, and D. B. McKay, Mayor, Tampa, Florida:

"Dear Sirs: Your contemptible resolution concerning what I said about Peter O. Knight, has been received. If you think you can make me take back what I said suppose you come up to Tallahassee and try it, or the next time I am in Tampa, suppose you try it there. Respectfully, S. J. Catts, Governor.

Worth Framing. The city fathers passed a resolution ordering the letter framed, to be hung on the walls of the council chamber, as "a fine example of the retort discourteous."

Mr. Knight is chief counsel for the several phosphate mining companies whose employees went on strike several months ago and are still on strike, their demands for higher wages and shorter hours being refused. He is also vice-president and general counsel of the American International Ship Building Corporation of Hog Island and Philadelphia, and is spending some time at the latter place. He is one of the most prominent attorneys in the State. The council in its resolution denounced the statement of the Governor.

CAR SITUATION.

Walker D. Hines, Director General of Railroads, today authorized the following statement relative to the car situation in the United States:

"The Railroad Administration is full alive to the importance of the car supply situation in the United States and is handling the matter energetically."

"Instructions have been issued to all the Regional Directors urging them to bend every effort

1. To speed up road and yard movements;

2. To secure heavier loading of equipment;

3. To establish and maintain complete and accurate yard checks;

4. To reduce the number of bad order cars;

5. To make prompt delivery to connections;

6. To effect early deliveries at freight houses and team-tracks; and

7. To expedite the movement of grain cars in terminals.

"Instructions have also been issued for the establishment in each important terminal of a committee of officers of the Railroad Administration whose duty it will be to study and expedite the movement of cars, empty and loaded, in their respective terminals."

"Every effort is being made to speed up the construction of the 100,000 freight cars ordered by the Railroad Administration last year and to place in service such of these cars as are still in storage. The Railroad Administration has decided to place all these cars in service irrespective of whether or not the allocations are accepted by the railroad corporations."

"On September 6, 1919, 54,063 of these cars were completed and in service and 17,469 were in storage awaiting lettering and numbering. The total number of cars in storage was reduced from 34,245 on August 1, 1919 to 17,469 on September 6, 1919. During the week ending September 6th, cars in storage at the rate of 218 per day were completed and placed in service, thus making a total of 834 cars per day placed in service."

"All available railroad shops are being used for the purpose of supplementing the work of the car shops in stenciling cars in storage. The total number of these cars placed in service daily will increase during the next few weeks."

DIES AT HOME OF FATHER.

Mrs. J. B. Joyner, of Benton, Fla., who has been on a visit to her father, Mr. C. E. Gupton, near Sandy Creek, for some time, passed into the great beyond on last Saturday. Her remains were laid to rest Sunday in the family burying ground near by in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends. Rev. J. H. Harper conducted the services. Mrs. Joyner was an estimable Christian woman and besides her husband and family consisting of four children, she leaves hosts of friends.

The bereaved family has the sympathy of the entire community.

Still Looking After Stock.

Church—When he was a boy he lived on a farm and he used to feed the stock.

Gotham—I understand.

"Now he's in business in Wall street."

"And doesn't have to feed the stock any more?"

"No; only water it."

Even a crook may cast a straight shadow.