

COTTON CONDITION IS 67.1 PER CENT

Government Report Indicates Production of 11,016,000 Bales

CONDITION IN NORTH CAROLINA 76 PER CENT

Forecast Shows An Increase of 30,000 Bales Over Last Month's Forecast, But Is Below Estimates From Other Sources Which Had Been Widely Accepted

Washington, August 1.—A cotton production of 11,016,000 bales this year was forecast today by the department of agricultural basing its estimate on the condition of the crop, July 25th, which it announced as 67.1 per cent of a normal.

A forecast of 10,998,000 bales was made last month on conditions existing June 25. Last year's crop was 12,040,532 bales.

The condition of the crop June 25th was 70.9 per cent of a normal and on July 25th a year ago it was 73.6, while the ten-year July 25th average is 76.1. Condition July 25th by states follows: Virginia, 80; North Carolina, 75; South Carolina, 71; Georgia, 67; Florida, 50; Alabama, 64; Mississippi, 63; Louisiana, 62; Texas, 67; Arkansas, 63; Tennessee, 67; Missouri, 67; Oklahoma, 75; California, 100; and Arizona, 93.

Today's forecast shows an increase of 30,000 bales over the forecast made a month ago. The condition of the crop showed a decline of 2.9 per cent during the month compared with the average decline of 4.2 per cent during the period in previous years.

Boll weevil damage to cotton is probably more widespread and serious at this time than ever before, the department of agriculture announced in a statement on cotton conditions prevailing July 25.

Heavy washing rains caused severe damage in the Carolinas, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, much of Louisiana and Mississippi and the eastern and southern portions of Texas.

Labor is scarce and high priced and an abandonment of acreage above the average has taken place. In Georgia the crop has suffered severely in the lower two-thirds of the State, but the northern third, which is still outside the boll weevil belt, has fine cotton. Sea Island cotton in Georgia is being plowed up in all counties where grown, and little of that type will be left by the end of the season.

A statement on acreage was included in the report, saying: "The bureau's estimate of acreage included the amount standing on June 25, and therefore does not include acreage planted but abandoned before that date. Usually very little abandonment occurs after June 25. This year, however, the adverse conditions affecting the crop, particularly excessive rains and boll weevil, have caused material abandonment since June 25; the amount has not been estimated in acres, but this factor is taken into account in the condition figures. The December estimate of acreage picked compared with the preliminary estimate of acreage as of June 25 will show the acreage abandoned since that date."

Damage By Boll Weevil. In its statement on crop conditions the Department of Agriculture said that the "boll weevil damage is probably more widespread and serious at this time than ever before. From southern and eastern Texas to the southeastern corner of South Carolina, weevils are reported as numerous and doing serious damage to a generally late cotton crop in all infested territory.

"In some sections they are already reported as puncturing all young farms. This is very early for boll weevils to be so numerous, but continued showers and heavy rains over much of the infested territory have been very favorable for a rapid increase in numbers. "The Carolinas, Georgia, Florida and Alabama, much of Louisiana and Mississippi and the eastern and southern portions of Texas suffered severely from rains during the month. In portions of the Carolinas and Georgia heavy washing rains between July 15 and 25 did great injury, many of the streams overflowing their banks, causing severe crop damage by washing away fertilizers, damaging the plants and drowning out the crop on lowlands.

"There is much complaint of grass. Labor is scarce and high-priced, and an abandonment of acreage above the average has taken place. Boll weevils and army worms are reported in portions of Texas.

HESTER'S COTTON CROP ESTIMATE IS 11,039,632

New Orleans, La., Aug. 1.—The commercial crop of cotton for the year which ended yesterday was placed at 11,039,632 bales by H. G. Hester, secretary of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange, in a statement issued today. The crop was somewhat smaller than the trade expected and compared with 11,000,073 bales for the preceding year and 12,040,532 two years ago.

Southern consumption for the year was counted at 3,533,777 bales against 4,508,743 during the preceding year and 4,897,685 two years ago.

LIBERTY BONDS.

New York, Aug. 1.—Liberty bond final prices today were: 5 1-2's, 99.60; first 4's, 94.30; second 4's, 92.55; first 4-1/4's, 94.50; second 4-1/4's, 93.98; third 4-1/4's, 95.06; fourth 4-1/4's, 93.09; Victory 3 1/2's, 99.94; Victory 4 3/4's, 99.88.

WESTERN POTATOES.

Chicago, Aug. 1.—Potatoes from arrivals, 38; Irish cobblers, Virginia and Maryland, ear lots, 7.25 to 7.35 barrel; California, White Rose, sacked, ear lots, 3.40 to 3.80 cwt; Kansas, Illinois and Missouri early Ohio, sacked, ear lots, 3.00 to 3.10 cwt.

POULTRY AND DAIRY PRODUCTS.

New York, Aug. 1.—Butter, firm; receipts, 9,854; price, 53 to 55. Eggs irregular; receipts, 29,478; price, 51 to 53. Cheese, steady; receipts, 1,187; average run, 31 to 32. Live poultry irregular; broilers, 34 to 41; fowls, 31 to 33; dressed, quiet and unchanged.

ARMY WORM IS RUINING CROPS IN WILSON COUNTY

Colored Soldier Dies in Asheville Hospital; Buried With Military Honors

Wilson, Aug. 1.—The remains of Charlie Barnes, a colored soldier of this city, who saw service overseas, died from natural causes in a hospital near Asheville last Monday, was brought here under military escort and on Tuesday the funeral service was conducted by Rev. R. P. Coward. The guard of honor was composed of 10 soldiers.

A strange pest, supposed to be army worms, are creating havoc in different sections of Wilson county. On the plantation of Sheriff B. E. Howard, Wilson township, strange green worms from one to one and a half inches long have nearly destroyed his soy bean and alfalfa crops, all within three days time. In Cross Roads township, within the same period of time, the same kind of worms have completely destroyed three acres of miller for Mr. Oscar Simpson and are now at work in his cotton field. With the destruction caused by the recent flood and that expected by the ravages of the new pest and the appearance of the seven-year locusts now due, the outlook for the farmer is anything but encouraging.

DAILY COTTON TABLE.

Table with columns for Port Movement, Interior Movement, and Surprise Their Friends. Lists various locations and their respective cotton statistics.

Surprise Their Friends. Burlington, August 1.—A marriage of complete surprise to the people of Burlington and Alamance county occurred about 9:30 o'clock last night when Miss Annie Morrow became the bride of Mr. Charles V. Sellers. Just before dusk, the bride and groom selected three intimate friends and took them for a ride, but instead of riding the car drove up to the Baptist parsonage and the pledged parties were made man and wife. This union is the culmination of a long courtship. Rev. Martin Buck officiated.

Early this morning the couple departed for Mr. Seller's former summer home at Montreat, where they will spend a month. Mrs. Guggs—"Lots of women wish they had been born men." Mr. Guggs—"And lots of men wish these same women could have their wish."

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TROLLEY LINE TO BE IMPROVED SOON

Kinston Baseball Team Ditched White En Route To Goldsboro To Play

News and Observer Bureau, 104 South John Street, Telephone 428-J. By EMMETT R. BROWN.

Goldsboro, Aug. 1.—John Lane, an alleged desperate negro, whose home is said to be in Mount Olive, was arrested in Goldsboro last night by Sheriff R. H. Edwards, following a message received by the sheriff to the effect that the negro Lane had attempted to rob a negro merchant near this city. When arrested Lane had a pistol in his hip pocket but made no attempt to use same.

The management of the Goldsboro street railway stated today that it is contemplating making extensive improvements of the entire system at an early date, which will include the placing of new rails, an extension of the line and an addition of several new cars.

City Manager Canbrell has issued an appeal to local business men and manufacturers to co-operate with him in urging their employees to get vaccinated against typhoid fever. Manager Canbrell says anyone desiring to get vaccinated can secure the treatment free between the hours of 5 and 6 p. m., at the office of Dr. Richard Spicer, on East Walnut street.

Baseball Players Hurt. While journeying to Goldsboro yesterday afternoon an automobile occupied by members of the Kinston baseball team turned turtle and several of the players were badly injured according to a report received here last night. The Kinston boys were scheduled to play a game in Goldsboro yesterday but owing to the accident the game was called off and will be played at a later date. The local exchange of the Southern

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In the United States District Court, for the Eastern District of North Carolina. United States vs. Forty cases of whiskey and twenty thousand pounds of hay, shipped by Carter Hay & Grain Co., Haverfield, Mo., consigned to Geo. Cook, Virginia. In violation of the Criminal Code—offense against Internal Revenue.

In obedience to a Writ of Habeas Corpus, I have returned, in the above-entitled case, I have seized, and taken into my custody the following described goods, to wit: Forty cases of whiskey and twenty thousand pounds of hay, shipped by Carter Hay & Grain Co., Haverfield, Mo., consigned to Geo. Cook, Virginia. For the causes set forth in the brief now on file in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, at Raleigh, I hereby give notice to all persons claiming the said described forty cases of whiskey and twenty thousand pounds of hay, or knowing or having anything to say thereon, to appear in person or by attorney before me on the 10th day of August, 1919, at an adjourned session of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, at Raleigh, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause why they should not be committed to the State Prison for the term of one year, and there to undergo a year for the same, and to sign their names to a return on the return to be made by me on the 10th day of August, 1919.

U. S. Marshal Eastern District of North Carolina.

Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company is now occupying their new building on John street, which is said to be one of the most modern and up-to-date exchanges in the south.

The Peedin Brothers Floral Company is a new enterprise for Goldsboro. Mr. Geo. W. Peedin is president and manager and Mr. John L. Peedin, vice president.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Gray have returned to the city from a pleasure trip to Asheville.

Mrs. Julia Quinley and daughter, Miss Margaret, of Baltimore, are guests near Goldsboro at the home of Col. Wiley B. Fort.

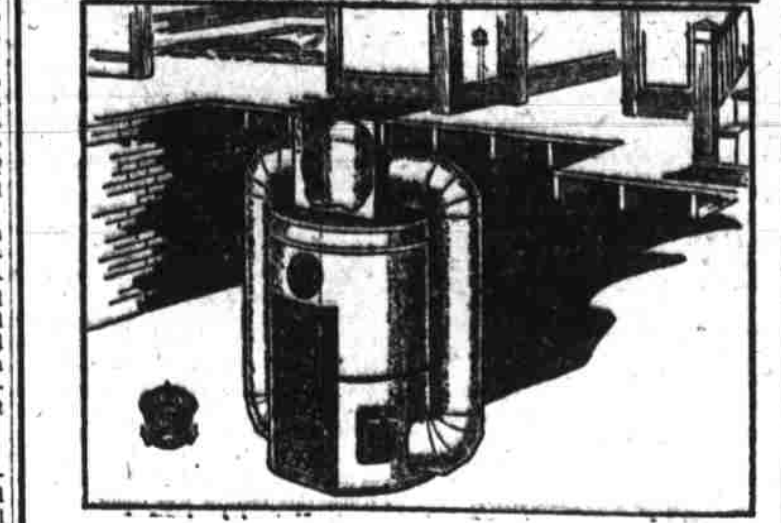
Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Tuttle have returned from their bridal trip to the western part of the State and are now living with Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Joseph.

Mrs. J. J. Otto, of Philadelphia, is visiting in Goldsboro at the home of her

niece, Miss Margaret Foreb, daughter of Mr. E. M. Foreb, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Middleton.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Joseph left yesterday to spend several weeks in the western part of the State.

Pittsboro Merchant Robbed. Pittsboro, August 1.—J. C. Lanier, a merchant of this place, was knocked down and robbed and left for dead when going to his home from his store late Thursday night. He was robbed of about \$70 or more. He was found on the street two hours later unconscious. Blood wounds were brought at once from Raleigh and took up a trail, they kept it to Hills creek bridge where the robber got in a car and made his escape. One negro, Lianus Scurock, living near town has been arrested and is being held for trial. This robbery took place in the heart of town.



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Why You Are Paying High Prices for Meat

The comment of the American press on the Federal Trade Commission's report on the packing industry would tend to show that the people do not seem to be worrying over the precise percentage of profits made by Mr. Armour and Mr. Swift and Mr. Wilson and the rest, nor are they so deeply concerned lest these gentlemen branch out too widely into the grocery business. What they do ask is: are the packers profiteering; are they keeping up the price of meat and other products they handle; are they one of the props of the High Cost of Living? While the packers have their defenders among the newspapers, there is a widespread belief that the "Big Five" can not be held guiltless of all blame for the continuance of high food-prices, as is shown in the leading article in THE LITERARY DIGEST for August 2d.

Other features of more than ordinary interest in this number of "The Digest" are:

Peace Can Only Come When Everybody Goes to Work Again

and when "the healing processes of trade" have a chance to make themselves felt. So we hear on every hand. Here's a common-sense prediction of the future of America and the rest of the world, and a discussion of "the great volume of reconstruction business which Europe is expected to send here."

Austria Paying the Fiddler

She writhes and kicks against the terrible punishment but will submit. While the American dollar, quoted before the war at five crowns, is now worth thirty-two, "the future is not so black, even for Austria." A map accompanying this article shows proud Austria before the war and the shred of territory that now remains.

Japan Rattles the Saber in Korea

Japanese journals are publishing articles in which the failure of that country's authorities to administer affairs in Korea is pointed out in harsh terms. Korea through the Korean National Association appeals to the world for freedom and makes charges against Japan that are startling, to say the least. Be sure to read this "close-up" account, which includes translations direct from the Japanese press.

A Race Riot At President Wilson's Door

strikes some observers as a touch of irony, inasmuch as he had just returned from looking after the needs of suppress nationalities and subject races in Europe. In this article the opinions of various editors, including representatives of the colored race, are given as to the causes and tendencies of the race riots in Washington.

Does Germany Consider the Treaty A "Scrap of Paper"?

The Brussels Nation remarks cynically that the Germans have signed the Treaty, but they "will never execute it" as they consider it "a scrap of paper." Read this series of translations from the German, Austrian, and Italian press, and you will get an answer to a question that affects the future safety of the world.

"Dry" America As An Example to England

The Manchester Guardian says American prohibition is the "biggest blow at the use of alcohol that has been struck since Mohammed banned liquor among his followers," but other English papers are not so sure. It may be all right for America, but for England—perish the thought!

The Uproar Over Shantung

"The blackest page in all our history," cries Senator Hiram Johnson, of California, "was written when our name was signed to the Treaty delivering Shantung to Japan." Many newspapers agree and run such headlines as "Japan the Possessor of Stolen Goods," "Far Eastern Alsace-Lorraine." Others defend the Shantung Treaty. This article will give you the basic facts of the dispute and the leading opinions on both sides.

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