

FARMERS GET READY FOR VOTE ON COTTON CONTROL

Cotton producers of Wilkes county, all set to cast their ballots Saturday in the referendum on marketing quotas, and the accompanying loan program, were being urged by AAA committee men this week to acquaint themselves with their nearest community voting places, and to get to the polls early Saturday.

Every farmer who produced cotton in 1941, regardless of whether he is a tenant, sharecropper, or land owner, may vote in the referendum.

Quotas—and loans, which this season were offered at 85 percent of parity to AAA cooperators—have been in effect for the past four seasons. During this period North Carolina growers have witnessed a sharp increase of prices which, for this season, was more than double the discouraging eight-cent average of 1937, the last year in which there were no quotas. North Carolina cotton prices this year have been above 17 cents.

In an address to farmers last week, Governor J. M. Broughton, crediting the 85-percent-of-parity loan program as being "one of the main factors in the sharp increase of cotton prices in recent months," reiterated the previous warning of E. Y. Floyd, State executive assistant of the AAA, that "no loan program can be offered to farmers during any mak-

eting year for which quotas have not been voted in a referendum." The Governor explained that "to make loans on an uncontrolled surplus would be an unwise expenditure of public funds." The loan provides a method whereby producers can hold their cotton when prices are not satisfactory.

To be in effect, marketing quotas must be approved by more than two-thirds of the farmer voting in the referendum. North Carolina growers last year favored the use of marketing quotas and the accompanying loans by an overwhelming majority of more than 92 per cent.

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Mr. Iredell Henderson, of near Blowing Rock, spent the week-end in this community.

Misses Cora Bell and Flora Dell Henderson entertained a number of their friends at a lovely party at the home of their parents on Saturday night, December 6. The party was given in honor of their 18th birthday. Games were played and refreshments were served, which were enjoyed by all.

Those attending the party from a distance were Misses Margaret and Helen Mayberry, of Hiddenite, and Mr. and Mrs. Danah Prevette of Greensboro.

Civil Service Exams For Several Jobs

Three new examinations to secure Federal workers were announced by the Civil Service Commission today. Applications for the examinations must be on file with the Commission's Washington office not later than December 30, 1941.

Assistant Soil Scientist, \$2,500 a year, in the Soil Conservation Service, Department of Agriculture. Applicants must have completed a 4-year college course with major study in soils, agronomy, or a closely related subject; and must have had at least two full years of professional experience in soil classification and mapping.

Assistant Chief Nurse, \$2,000 a year, for duty at St. Elizabeths Hospital, the Federal institution for the treatment of mental diseases. The register established from this examination may be used to fill other appropriate vacancies in Washington, D. C.

Applicants must meet the requirements in education and experience prescribed by the Nurse-Examining Board of the District of Columbia. Those requirements are as follows: Completion of a full course in an accredited school of nursing requiring a residence of at least two years in a hospital having a daily average of 50 or more patients; and a bachelor's or master's degree with major study in advanced nursing education from a college or university of recognized standing. In addition, they must have had appropriate nursing experience, including instruction in the nursing arts.

Student Dietitian, for duty at the Army Medical Center, War Department. The student dietitians are paid \$420 a year less a deduction of \$360 a year for their subsistence and quarters, and are given a training course in dietetics lasting one year. After successful completion of the training course students may be eligible for retention in the service as dietitians at \$1,620 a year. Applicants must have completed an accredited college course appropriate for the profession of dietitian. Provision is made for the acceptance of applications from senior or graduate students.

Full information as to the requirements for these examinations, and application forms, may be obtained from the post office in this city, or from the Secretary of the Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners, at any first or second-class post office.

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