

COMPLETE MARKET REPORT

COTTON

New York, Dec. 5.—There was a renewed investment demand combined with a little trade buying in the cotton market today and after opening steady at a decline of two points to an advance of four points, active and advanced a shade higher. Encouraging trade accounts from Manchester and talk of a further improvement in export demand probably encouraged scattering support of the late months, while offerings were limited and there was not enough southern selling here to suggest any material change in the spot situation. Further advances in ocean freight rates, while partly reflecting a reduction in available tonnage, are also supposed to induce a further improvement in the volume of international trade, and it is said that recent hedge selling here has been by exporters against their purchases rather than by southern merchants.

Trade buying which appeared to come largely from houses with German connections gave the market a firm undertone later in the morning and the close was steady at a net advance of 2 to 3 points.

Close New York Futures. New York, Dec. 5.—Cotton futures closed steady.

Table with columns: High, Low, Close. Rows for January, March, May, July, October.

New York Spot Cotton. New York, Dec. 5.—Spot cotton quiet; middling uplands 7.50; Gulf 7.75, no sales.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New Orleans, Dec. 5.—Better cables than expected put local prices of cotton up around the opening of the market today. Sellers of the earlier part tried to even up and little fresh selling made its appearance. At the end of the first half hour of business prices were five to seven points over yesterday's close.

The demand for covers from the short side increased and at 10:30 prices were 9 points up. Mill takings this far this season were estimated at 3,365,000 bales against 5,200,000 a year ago and 4,987,000 two years ago. The figures, while bearing little attention and had no influence.

CLOSE NEW ORLEANS FUTURES

New Orleans, Dec. 5.—Cotton futures closed steady at a net advance of 7 to 8 points.

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NEW ORLEANS SPOTS

New Orleans, Dec. 5.—Spot cotton steady. Sales on the spot 250 bales; to arrive 700.

Good ordinary 5 11-16; strict good ordinary 6 3-16; low middling 6 11-16; strict low middling 6 13-16; middling 7 5-16; strict middling 7 7-16; good middling 7 13-16; strict good middling 8 3-16.

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Table with columns: Liverpool, Dec. 5.—Cotton spot dull; prices quiet. American middling fair, Good middling, etc.

LOCAL COTTON MARKET

Local cotton 7 1-4c. Receipts at local platform 265 bales.

NEW YORK COTTON SEED OIL

New York, Dec. 5.—The cotton seed oil market closed irregular. Spot 5.92 1/2; January 6.09a.10; February 6.15a.22; March 6.28a.31; April 6.37 1/2; May 6.50a.51; June 6.59a.60; July 6.62a.65. Total sales 8,500.

MISCELLANEOUS

Naval Stores. Savannah, Ga., Dec. 5.—Turpentine firm 44 1/2; sales —; receipts 351. Boston firm: sales —; receipts 1,217. Quote: B 2.25; D 3.27 1/2; E 3.27 1/2a. 2.0; F 3.00a.35; G 3.30a.35; H 3.35a. 2.0; I 3.40a.50; K 4.00; M 4.55; N 4.55; W 5.60; WW 5.80.

Metal Market

New York, Dec. 5.—Copper firm; electrolytic 12.37 1-2a.13c; iron unchanged.

Kansas City Poultry

Kansas City, Dec. 5.—Butter, eggs, poultry unchanged.

New York Sugar

New York, Dec. 5.—Raw sugar steady; molasses 3.24; centrifugal 3.89. Refined steady.

"They say that that young rascal Speeditz has committed suicide." "Yes, the doctor says he swallowed enough poison to kill fifty men." "Just like him! Extravagant to the last."—Boston Transcript.

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PROBATION OFFICER GETS FIRST CASE

"Mr. Jones, if you-all will just fine me a little fine that I can pay I'll go get the money and pay you-all right now," said Henry Davis, a negro, in police court this morning when he pleaded guilty to having been drunk in the Howell Arcade yesterday.

"Been on the chaingang," asked the solicitor. "Yes, sir, Mr. Wilson, I done been on the chaingang 'till I got sick and tired of the chaingang. If you-all will let me pay a fine this time I won't never get drunk no more."

The recorder decided to give the young fellow a chance and fined him \$5 and the costs. He claimed to be only 15 years of age, but looks to be 19 or 20.

W. C. Smith, an orphan boy, was charged with having entered a residence belonging to Mr. J. Arthur Henderson yesterday and tracking mud over the floor. It was shown that some one pried the windows open and did damage to the locks inside the house.

The lad who is known as "W. C." is about 12 years of age, and is said to have been in company with other boys, and entered this house which is vacant. Mr. Henderson was in court and declared to the recorder that he did not want to put a hardship on the lad or his foster mother, but that houses are entered in various parts of the city by boys who do damage and he asked that the lad be given a whipping in the presence of the chief of police and lectured against this practice.

The recorder remanded the boy to the charge of Chief Probation Officer Wright, and directed that he be punished before he left the court. This is the first case to come to the attention of the chief probation officer since Mr. Wright was selected for this position and the outcome will be watched with a great deal of interest.

Special Licenses. Lee McNeely was taxed with one-half the cost and ordered to secure a license to operate his wood yard at Second and Alexander streets and Hazel Porter, a white man, was given the same treatment for operating a meat market without having paid the special tax.

"The best way is to keep a drunk and one's money separate," remarked Solicitor Wilson as the recorder dismissed a charge of larceny against George Norton, who was charged with having taken a sum of money from Mr. W. D. Baker at a rooming house here Thursday night. The evidence showed that Baker, who lives in Lower Steel Creek, was drinking and that there were a number of men in the room with him. He claimed to have lost his money but his condition was such as prevented him fixing the guilt upon any specific individual.

William Davis was convicted of having "swiped" a toy pistol from the basement of Ivey's new store.

HOLIDAY SEASON AND FIREARMS—A WARNING

The approach of the holiday season says the Greensboro News, and the possibility of toy firearms being in use during that season more generally than at any other season brings forth a word of warning from Municipal Court Judge S. Glenn Brown and Prosecutor E. D. Kuykendall. The warning is intended especially for parents and calls attention to the laws governing use of fire arms by children under 12 years of age.

Judge Brown said he would hold this year as he did last that the toy pistols in which cartridge or any dangerous missiles or other sort can be fired are deadly weapons and that punishment will be meted out accordingly. The law will be applied to parents of children under 12 years of age when the children are in possession of dangerous firearms with the knowledge of the parents for use in any manner.

The law covering this was passed by the legislature of 1913 and is given in chapter 32 of the Laws of North Carolina as follows: "Sec. 1.—That any person being the parent or guardian of, or standing in loco parentis, to any child under the age of 12 years, who shall knowingly permit such child to have possession or custody of, or use in any manner whatever, any gun, pistol, or other dangerous firearm, whether such firearm be loaded or unloaded, or any other person, who shall knowingly furnish such child any such firearm, shall be guilty of misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not exceeding \$50, or imprisoned not exceeding 30 days."

There is another law governing the sale of weapons to a minor in section 3832 of the Revised as follows: "Weapons to a minor—If any person shall knowingly sell or offer for sale, give or in any way dispose of to a minor any pistol or pistol cartridge, brace knucks, bowie knife, dirk, load-cane, or sling shot, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor."

During the holidays of last year several accidents were reported from the use of firearms and not a few were inflicted by the toy pistol. It is the intention of the authorities to keep a rigid surveillance and to keep a watch on all places likely to sell any of the dangerous weapons.

Shriners Plan Big Celebration. Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 5.—The twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of Yaarab Temple, the Atlanta organization of the Mystic Shrine, will be celebrated next Tuesday by a grand ball and reception to which Shriners all over the south will be invited. It will be one of the most important affairs of the order ever held in this city, except, of course, the great national convention last spring.

BAPTISTS REPORT A GREAT YEAR'S RECORD OF WORK

The coming Baptist convention which meets in Raleigh on Tuesday next, December 8th, will no doubt be a record breaking session as to numbers because of the central place of its meeting. Raleigh is regarded the Baptist Hub in the state as its Board of Missions and secretaries are located there and also the denominational paper, the Biblical Recorder, and Meredith College. Then also because of its close proximity to Wake Forest College. The program of the convention calls for one day of its session to be held in the new Baptist church at Wake Forest, which has just been completed. The report of Secretary E. L. Middleton, who compiles the statistics from the minutes of the 64 associations for the convention is the best report ever made of the continual work for one year. The growth of the denomination during the fifteen years' work under Secretary Livingston Johnson is without a parallel in the state. The present year has been attended with many hindrances as to the mission work. It has been an unparalleled year in church building and the foreign war with its depression upon finances and the great drop in the price of cotton has for the first time in many years curtailed a debt of five thousand dollars on the Board of Missions.

The following is the report of Secretary Middleton: Raleigh, Dec. 4.—E. L. Middleton, statistical secretary of the North Carolina Baptist State convention that meets in annual session here next Tuesday makes public an interesting summary of the work of the denomination for the past year. It shows 64 associations, comprising 2,095 churches and 256,599 members, gain of 39 in the number of churches and of 11,060 in individual members. These gains are unprecedented in all the history of the state convention.

There were 14,716 baptisms during the year, a gain of 1,452 over the previous year. Numbers of the churches did not report as to baptisms and it is estimated that there were really as many as 20,000 baptisms in the state.

In the matter of finances the denomination raised \$49,494 for state missions; \$32,893 for home missions; \$51,365 for foreign missions; \$3,187 for Sunday school missions; \$47,857 for the orphanage; \$5,834 for ministerial education, and \$5,956 for ministerial relief. These give a total of \$195,637 for all purposes, a gain of \$5,892 over the previous year. It is explained that this financial statement is from association reports that closed at different times during the past six months and will not tally with the report of Treasurer Durham of the convention, whose report closes with all receipts right up to the close of the convention's fiscal year.

Of the 2,095 churches in the convention 1,744 made contributions of some amount for general church purposes other than local support. As to Sunday school work the summary shows 2,052 schools, a gain of 118 for the year. The membership is 201,224, a gain of 10,443. It is stated that in the Southern Baptist convention there are 8,000 fewer Sunday schools than churches, while in the North Carolina convention there are only 41 fewer Sunday schools than churches. The Sunday schools contributed \$40,000 to convention purposes.

There are 1,072 Women's Missionary Unions reported in the state and contributed \$40,255. There are about 900 pastors in the state and 200 ordained ministers, and Secretary Middleton finds that there have been between 300 and 500 changes in the location and addresses among them, some of them changing as many as three times during the year. Mr. Middleton ventures the assertion that the Baptist ministers average more changes than do the Methodists under conference rotation.

AMERICAN STUDENTS AID IN RELIEF WORK

London, December 5.—The American students at Oxford who have volunteered for relief work in Belgium leave today for the continent to take up the work of assisting the American relief commission in the distribution of food. Since the first squad of volunteers was chosen the commission has received applications from many other Rhodes scholars, whose services will be accepted if they prove to be qualified for the work.

Mrs. J. G. Lamb. Asheboro, Dec. 5.—Mrs. Jesse G. Lamb died at her home in Randleman this week. She was 22 years old. She leaves a husband, father and two sisters.

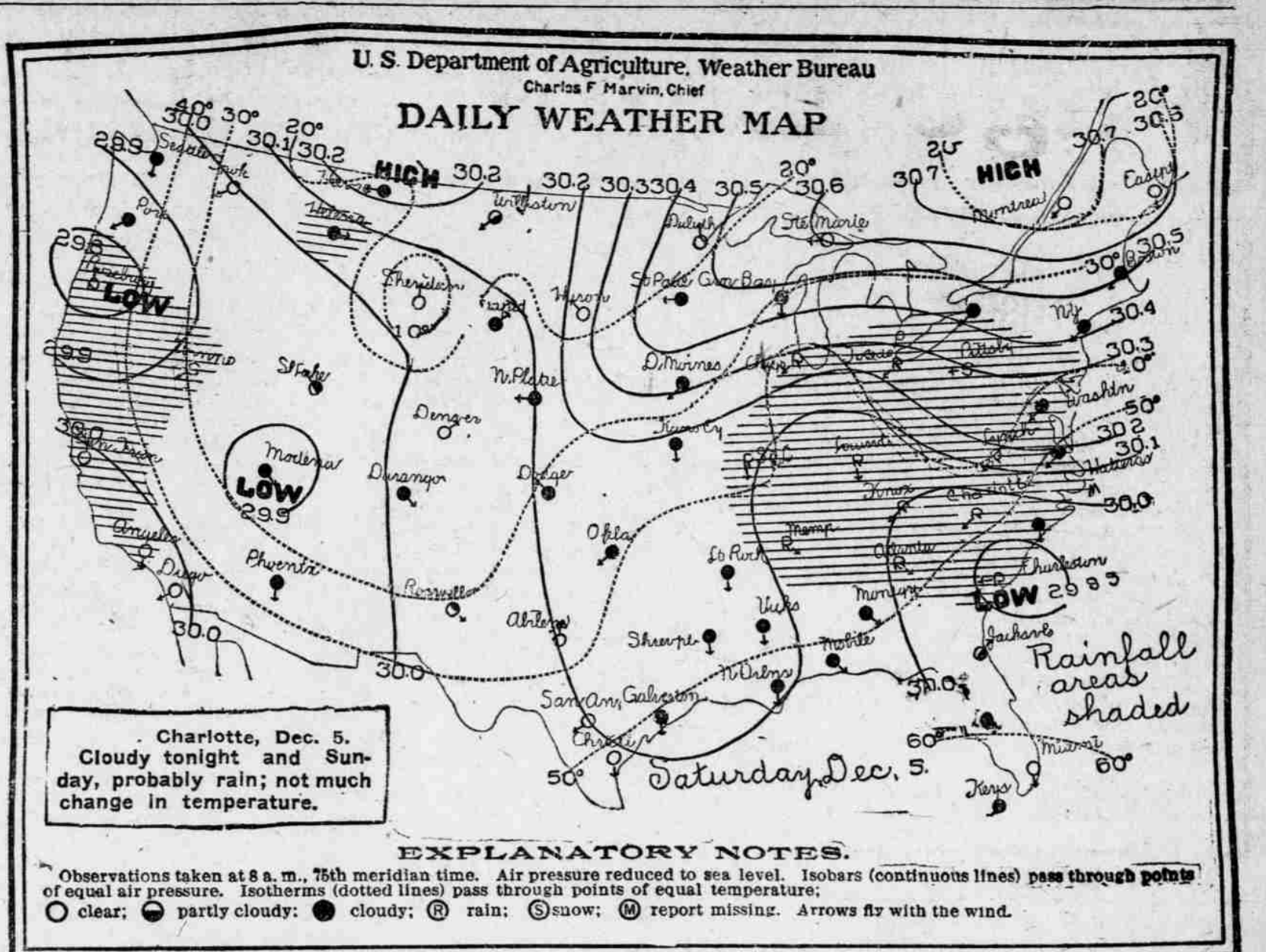
ACADEMY Monday, December 7th. Matinee and Night. The Always Popular Drama

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THE WEATHER

Weather Conditions. The southern low pressure area has moved slightly to the eastward, appearing central today off the South Carolina coast. Rains have been general from South Carolina northward over the middle Atlantic states and westward over the Ohio valley. The northern high pressure area has increased in strength, its centre appearing today over the St. Lawrence valley. Cold weather is reported from the northern border states, but over the greater part of the west, the temperatures are moderate.

The indications are for cloudy weather tonight and Sunday, with probably rains; not much change in temperatures. O. O. ATTO, Local Forecaster.

December 5.

Table with columns: Stations, A. M., Highest tonight, Lowest tonight, Yesterday, Precipitation. Rows for Atlanta, Augusta, Birmingham, etc.

CELEBRITY SOON TO ENTER ATLANTA PRISON

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 5.—The "clever" forgers and confidence men now sojourning in the Atlanta federal prison are looking forward to welcoming a fellow artist in the person of Frederick Nugent of New York, "supreme ruler of the Irridescent Order of Iriis" and head of the "Occult School of Sciences." Nugent is also known as Prof. Jean D'Astro, and he will spend eighteen months in Warden Meyer's keeping, less time off for good behavior.

The professor did such a heavy mail order business that it took six clerks to keep up with his orders. He ran a secret order with grips and passwords, and sold a "lucky stone" for a dollar which was made of glass and cost a few cents. His mistake was made in using the mails.

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