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GEORGIA TOBACCO MARKETS OPEN

Tobacco Sells On 22 Markets 25 to 50 Per Cent Higher Than Opening Day Last Year—Prices \$12 to \$30.

Waycross, Ga., July 23.—Georgia's crop of bright leaf tobacco went on the market in 22 towns and cities in the Southern part of the State today, and early reports from the markets indicated that prices were substantially higher than last year, strengthening predictions that the total money received this season would establish a new record. Scattered reports from throughout the belt gave sales prices of from \$12 to \$30 per hundred pounds with the average from 25 to 50 per cent higher than the opening day of last year. Sales ranged from \$12 to \$30 per hundred pounds at Douglas, with warehousemen estimating the average at \$18, which they considered a good price for the quality of weed offered, mostly sand lugs. Douglas sales were estimated at approximately 500,000 pounds for the day against first day sales of nearly 1,000,000 pounds last year.

At Blackshear, prices averaged in the neighborhood of \$20 per hundred against \$11 last season, with approximately 750,000 pounds on the floors. This little town last year led the State in total pounds sold with more than 9,000,000 pounds of the weed changing hands.

Averages at Valdosta were estimated at \$17 per hundred with more than 900,000 pounds estimated on the floors, establishing a record for the market.

Opening prices were estimated to average \$20 per hundred pounds, nearly twice the opening day bidding of a year ago and the quality of tobacco was said to be low, growers holding their better grades of leaf until later in the season.

Claxton, with an estimated average of \$23, had the highest reported price, with 200,000 pounds sold at noon.

Quitman, Ga., July 23.—South Georgia's tobacco markets opened up today with reasonably heavy sales. The estimated average for the State was between \$16.50 and \$17.50, which is five and one-half or six cents higher than last season's opening. Ninety-five per cent of the offerings were primings and twenty or twenty-five per cent better in quality than last season. This means that grade for grade Georgia prices were from twenty to twenty-five per cent higher than the opening last season.

Farmers are well pleased. Georgia's crop is now estimated at seventy million as against eighty-five and one-half million last year. Georgia's average for their entire crop last year

LAYING BRICK AT WESTFIELD

Work Started On New School Building — Electric Power Available In August—Revival Begins Saturday Night.

Westfield, July 23.—Laying brick for the new school building here was started a few days since and the building, which will be a handsome one, will be completed in time for the opening of the school in the fall.

The poles for the electric power being brought here by the Southern Power Co. are almost up, and it is expected that power and lights will be available here early in August.

A series of revival meetings will begin at the Baptist church here on Saturday night of this week. The pastor, Rev. O. H. Hauser, will be assisted by Rev. Mr. Davis.

Crops in this section have improved wonderfully since the recent rains.

S. M. Walker was a visitor to Danbury Tuesday.

URGES NEGROES TO FORM OWN PARTY

De Priest Boasts Before Audience of His Own Color.

Chicago, July 22.—Congressman Oscar de Priest, negro, of the First Illinois District, yesterday exhorted an audience of his race to form their own political party.

Declaring that there were 100 or more Congressional districts in the United States with sufficient strength to send negroes to the lower House of Congress, de Priest charged his district with being "backward and unaccomplished politically."

"I'm in Washington to serve my race," he asserted, "and I haven't even begun to fight. I'm the only one of 435 Congressmen who will appoint a negro to Annapolis or West Point."

"I may go to Congress, for only one term, but in that term I'll be a Congressman. The other Congressmen go to the Congressional Barber Shop and I go there, too. They go to the Congressional Wash Room and so do I."

Four Tobacco Barns Burn

Goldsboro, July 20.—Four tobacco barns in Wayne county have been destroyed by fire within the past week. The last one reported here was that of Gurney Hollowell near Falling Creek. The barn was insured but its contents of fine grade of tobacco were destroyed. Thursday evening Mr. Nichols, of Grantham township, lost a barn of tobacco.

Robah Smith returned home from Ohio yesterday

was \$12.78 and the year prior \$13.92.

PEACH CROP IS FAILURE

Stokes Man Finds Fruit Poor and Scarce in Sand Hills and Prices High.

Alex Mabe, of the Meadows community, has just returned from a trip to the peach orchards in the sand hills around Carthage.

Mr. Mabe found the peach crop almost a complete failure, the fruit being scarce and faulty. Some orchards had no peaches on them, the fruit having all fallen off. All the fruit Mr. Mabe saw was wormy, but the price asked for the best peaches was \$2.50 per bushel, while the culls, which he considered worthless, were offered at 75 cents per bushel.

Mr. Mabe has been buying peaches in the sand hills and hauling them here for some years, but he found the fruit so poor and so high that he did not purchase any.

The continued wet weather in the peach growing section is attributed by the growers as the cause for the failure of the crop, which means a loss of much money to that section of the country.

Eight Tobacco Barns Burn In Sampson During One Week

Clinton, July 20.—Eight barns filled with tobacco were destroyed by fire in Sampson county during the past week. Five of the eight were burned in a single night. The total loss is estimated at close to \$10,000 with very little insurance.

The eight people who have lost barns during the past week are Henry Vann, Milford Lee, W. M. Cannady, Ed Faircloth, R. E. Bradshaw, Mrs. George Fowler, A. B. Gilbera and Guy Dawson.

It is estimated that Sampson farmers will produce at least 10,000,000 pounds of tobacco this year. Curing is now under way.

Lindsay Alley, here from the Hartman community Monday, stated that crops were good in his section. Mr. Alley said he had the best crop he had had for years.

A Domestic Revolution

Automatic heat is causing a minor domestic revolution. Oil and gas burners are replacing old-fashioned furnaces. The once-despised cellar is being converted into a den, or a smoking or reading room.

The tremendous progress made in the past few years in automatic heating is indicative of the American genius for finding new and better means to perform old tasks.

Twenty-two boys and girls in Chatham county now have pure bred dairy calves being cared for under the 4-H plan.

N. C. FARMERS ASK FOR HELP

Rockingham Delegation Goes to Reidsville as Result of Storm.

Reidsville, July 22.—Fifty farmers from the eastern end of Rockingham county came to the Chamber of Commerce office here today and asked Secretary Calhoun to use his efforts to secure Government financial aid for them as a result of their terrific hail storms which have played havoc in many sections of this county during the past few days.

Secretary Calhoun appealed to Senators Simmons and Overman and Congressman Stedman. Major Stedman wired immediately that after an investigation he finds that no relief may be obtained before the next session of Congress.

BOYS AND GIRLS CAMP AT MOORE'S

Thirty-Two Members Of 4-H Club Spent Four Days Of Recreation And Pleasure At Stokes Resort.

A party of 32 boys and girls of Forsyth county camped four days last week at the 4-H encampment at Moore's Springs returning to their homes on Friday. The party consisted mostly of girls and they enjoyed swimming, various games, educational recreation and instructive methods in cultural subjects.

The encampment has been under the general supervision of R. W. Pou, county agent, and Miss Alice McQueen, home agent. They were assisted by Miss Georgia Piland, of the State Landscape Division of the Extension Service, and Miss Flora Wakefield of the Forsyth county Health Department.

Tobacco Curing In The East

The process of preparing more than \$50,000,000 worth of leaf tobacco for the market is in full swing in the eastern section of North Carolina known as the "Bright Belt."

Fires are blazing in thousands of barns as practically all the crop has been cut and housed. Conditions of the crop improved rapidly in recent weeks and while the yield may be off in some counties on the whole a normal crop is expected. The 1927 and 1928 crops were both above normal.

The prospects for better prices is very encouraging to the growers. Authorities have expressed the opinion that the leaf will bring more than last year. Dealers stocks are not large and the demand for the better grades of tobacco should be good.

E. L. Bryan, of Durham county, has contracted to sell his 3,000-bushel apple crop for \$1.50 per bushel.

BAPTISTS MEET AT WALNUT COVE

Pilot Mt. Association Holds Interesting Session—Woman's Auxiliary Meeting—Personal Items.

Walnut Cove, July 23.—The Pilot Mountain Baptist Association in session here yesterday and today in the new Baptist church has been well attended. Meetings were held morning, afternoon and also a night session. Picnic dinner was spread each day with an abundance of food in evidence. Delegates from each church in the association have been present and gave reports and an altogether pleasant and profitable meeting was enjoyed.

Quite a number from here are enjoying a trip to New York City this week. Among these are George Fulton, Bill Fulton, Paul Davis, Jr., Walter Neal, Ed Ray and Wesley Linville, who left last Saturday. On Monday Dr. R. H. Hackler and Junior Flinchum left for Philadelphia and New York to spend several days.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Episcopal church met Tuesday evening with Mrs. J. H. Fulton with a good attendance. Mrs. R. A. Hedgecock presided over a business session during which different plans for church work were discussed. At the conclusion of the business tempting refreshments were served by the hostess.

Miss Julia Hairston has returned from a visit to relatives at Martinsville, Va.

Mesdames Paul Davis, Jacob Fulton, Jr., Misses Helen Fulton and Mary Frances Davis returned Sunday from a ten days stay at Virginia Beach. Gilmer Sparger, Jacob Fulton, Virginia Fulton, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jones went down on Friday and spent the week-end.

Miss Helen Rierson, of Charlotte, is visiting the family of S. C. Rierson.

Mrs. Loula Hairston Brown is quite ill at her home in South Walnut Cove. Her sister, Mrs. J. F. Dunklee, of Winston-Salem, is with her.

Miss Minnie Cates, of Greensboro, spent last week here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Cates. Miss Willie Mae Cates was here for the week-end.

Mrs. George Fulton and children are spending the week at Elkin with Mrs. W. J. Snow.

Mrs. C. J. Helsabeck has recuperated sufficiently from her automobile wreck to leave the hospital and visit her mother at Mountain View. Misses Eunice and Gladys Morefield and Mrs. B. D. Gentry, who were injured at the same time are also very much improved.

Miss Laura Crews, of Salem, visited her sister, Mrs. J. B. Woodruff, this week. Mrs. Phil Woodward, of New Port News, Va., is the guest of her mother,

PELLAGRA DEATHS SHOW INCREASE

State Department of Health Mystified By Disease—Appears to Have Cycle Habit.

Raleigh, July 20.—Amazing increase in deaths by pellagra mystifies the state department of health and the first six months of 1929 show a jump of nearly 50 per cent over the same period last year when 847 persons died of this disease.

The state department knows the cause of the disease but nobody seems to know why people do not learn something about eating as the years go by. The startling rise in this rate gives a lot of work for the dietiticians.

Pellagra appears to have a cycle habit. Just 20 years ago the state became greatly upset by the numerous deaths from this cause. When Editor John M. Julian, of the Salisbury Post, fell victim of the disease he remarked how little attention he had paid to the stories of the disease. Mr. Julian's death a few weeks later agitated the state. In time there was a cessation. Pellagra has broken out again. There were 114 deaths in June, 1929.

Pellagra ranked fourth in June in North Carolina among the listed causes of death. Tuberculosis killed 270, intestinal diseases of infants 214, and pneumonia, 142. Deaths from heart disease, apoplexy and cancer are not included in the provisional figures.

There were 14 deaths from typhoid fever in June, five from malaria, 4 from whooping cough; nine from diphtheria, 64 from influenza, seven from spine and brain infections and two from hydrophobia.

Mrs. J. B. Woodruff.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Fulton, Mesdames Paul Fulton and P. W. Davis, Miss Helen Fulton, Gilmer Sparger and Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Pepper, of Danbury, attended the funeral in Martinsville, Va., Monday of Mrs. Davis, mother of Mrs. J. W. Jones.

Miss Evelyn White is spending some time in Washington, D. C., visiting relatives.

Miss Grace Woodruff and brother, John Woodruff, enjoyed an automobile trip through the Shenandoah valley to Washington last week.

Mrs. Leake Lovin and small son, Leake, Jr., are visiting relatives at Red Springs.

Miss Ruth Hairston is spending some time at her home on Dan river. She is accompanied by Miss Sallie Taylor.

Mrs. John Lewellyn and little daughter, Mary Vaughn, returned Monday from a visit in High Point.

England has abolished the tax on tea, but it's too late now. Boston is set in her ways. —Los Angeles Times.