

Low Price Of 1932 Likely If Tobacco Yield Is Not Cut

900,000,000-Pound Crop Now Indicated Will Drag Prices Down to 10 or 12 Cents

SOIL PROGRAM NOT SUFFICIENT BOOST

Floyd Says Some Sort of Compulsory Legislation Is Imperative; Low Prices Would Destroy Economic Improvement in Great Portion of State.

(Special to Daily Dispatch) College Station, Raleigh, Feb. 22—E. Y. Floyd, extension tobacco specialist at State College foresees an abrupt about-face and a retreat to conditions of 1931 and 1932 unless a crimp is put in tobacco production this year.

A 900,000,000-pound crop is possible under average seasonal conditions, he says, and this is the amount which may be produced by tobacco farmers in 1936 unless cooperative control measures are put into effect.

According to experts, the market demand will not exceed 640,000,000 pounds. The immense surplus possible will drag prices down to 10 or 12 cents, Mr. Floyd estimates.

"I am being optimistic when I say 10 to 12 cents," he declared. "There are a great many who are positive the price will not get above 10 cents. Control Will Sustain Prices."

However, if the manufacturers knew that a control program would be continued, the specialist said, prices would probably range from 15 to 20 cents, much as they were in 1935. In case no restrictions are placed on tobacco raising this year, about 25 to 30 percent of the weed growers would plant all of the tobacco possible. The other 70 to 75 percent, Mr. Floyd stated, would be willing to hold their crop down to the limits set under the AAA.

Compulsion Necessary. The weed specialist is certain that the soil conservation program will help to reduce the production of tobacco in 1936. But, he said, really to control production to the point where it will bring a satisfactory price, it will be necessary to have supplementary legislation.

"It may be," Mr. Floyd continued, "that the State compact plan which is being considered by the Congress, State legislatures, and the United States Department of Agriculture will do the job."

Effect of 10-Cent Tobacco. "The effect of 10-cent tobacco on the economic condition of North Carolina can be seen quite readily when you consider that fine-cured tobacco constitutes about 52 percent of the income from all cash crops in this State," Mr. Floyd declared. "Up to November 8, 1935, we had 88,326 contracts in effect with a base acreage of 737,595 acres and a base production of 558,522,093 pounds. The actual

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FDR Urges Assistance To Learning

President Speaks at Philadelphia University, Where He Gets Degree

Philadelphia, Feb. 22.—(AP)—Fair play among men and "freedom in the pursuit of truth" were emphasized today by President Roosevelt as principal qualities of education.

Mr. Roosevelt spoke in the auditorium of Temple University, where he received the honorary degree of doctor of jurisprudence.

On the birthday anniversary of George Washington, Mr. Roosevelt recalled that the first President deeply appreciated the importance of education in a republic and the responsibility of the government to promote it.

But Mr. Roosevelt broke precedent by not quoting from George Washington on his birthday, lest "some captious critics might search the library of Congress to prove by other quotations that George Washington was in favor of just the opposite."

Charles E. Beury, president of Temple, in the opening address, spoke of the President as one who "condemned by vested interests, has consecrated himself to the spiritual and human ideals."

Kansas Democrats Endorse Roosevelt

Topeka, Kans., Feb. 22 (AP)—Kansas Democrats, through their State committee, today endorsed the administration of President Roosevelt and voted to hold their State convention at Wichita April 28 to select 18 delegates to the Philadelphia national convention.

STATE'S HIGHWAYS FURTHER DAMAGED

Also Delays Time When Highway Forces Can Start Needed Repairs

Some 2,000 Miles of Surface-Treated Roads Closed to Large Transport Vans To Prevent Further Damage.

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Raleigh, Feb. 22.—The highway department is convinced that their just "ain't no Santa Claus," or that there is too much Santa Claus weather, as the seventh snow of the winter covered most of the State yesterday and last night and made it necessary for some 5,000 road maintenance employees to turn their attention to getting the snow off the highways. Chief Highway Engineer W. Vance Baise said today. While this snow is not as deep as previous snows and is melting more rapidly, it is going to delay still further the drying out of the secondary sand and dirt roads which have suffered the most from snow, rain and freezing temperatures this winter, Baise said.

More Damage Done. "This snow made the roads very slick yesterday and last night, since it formed a sort of a slick mush on the surface in those sections where the temperature was above freezing," Baise said. "Then when it turned cold or last night and froze, the roads were very slick and were still slick today until it started to melt again. But we are not expecting this snow to stay on long or to tie up traffic as have the last two or three previous snows. But this snow is doing lots of damage to the surface treated roads, which have not yet dried out enough for repair work to be begun, likewise to the clay and dirt roads, which are still rippers of mud and which we cannot repair until they dry out. There just ain't no justice for the highway department in the weather this winter."

The snow yesterday and last night extended almost over the entire State, with the exception of the coastal plain section, where it rained, Baise said. Maintenance crews worked all day yesterday and again last night in keeping all the hard surfaced roads clear so that no snow is left on these roads today, although there are many

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COMMITTEE NAMED IN TOWNSEND PROBE

Washington, Feb. 22 (AP)—Speaker Byrns today appointed four Democrats and four Republicans to a bi-partisan committee, headed by Representative Bell, Democrat, Missouri, to investigate the Townsend and other old age pension plans.

Defense Of Policemen Wins Once

Lillington, Feb. 22.—(AP)—Physicians who treated F. G. Collins, well-to-do farmer of near Angier, just before he died, and who performed an autopsy on his body, declined to testify in Harnett Superior Court today that death was brought about by blows on the farmer's head.

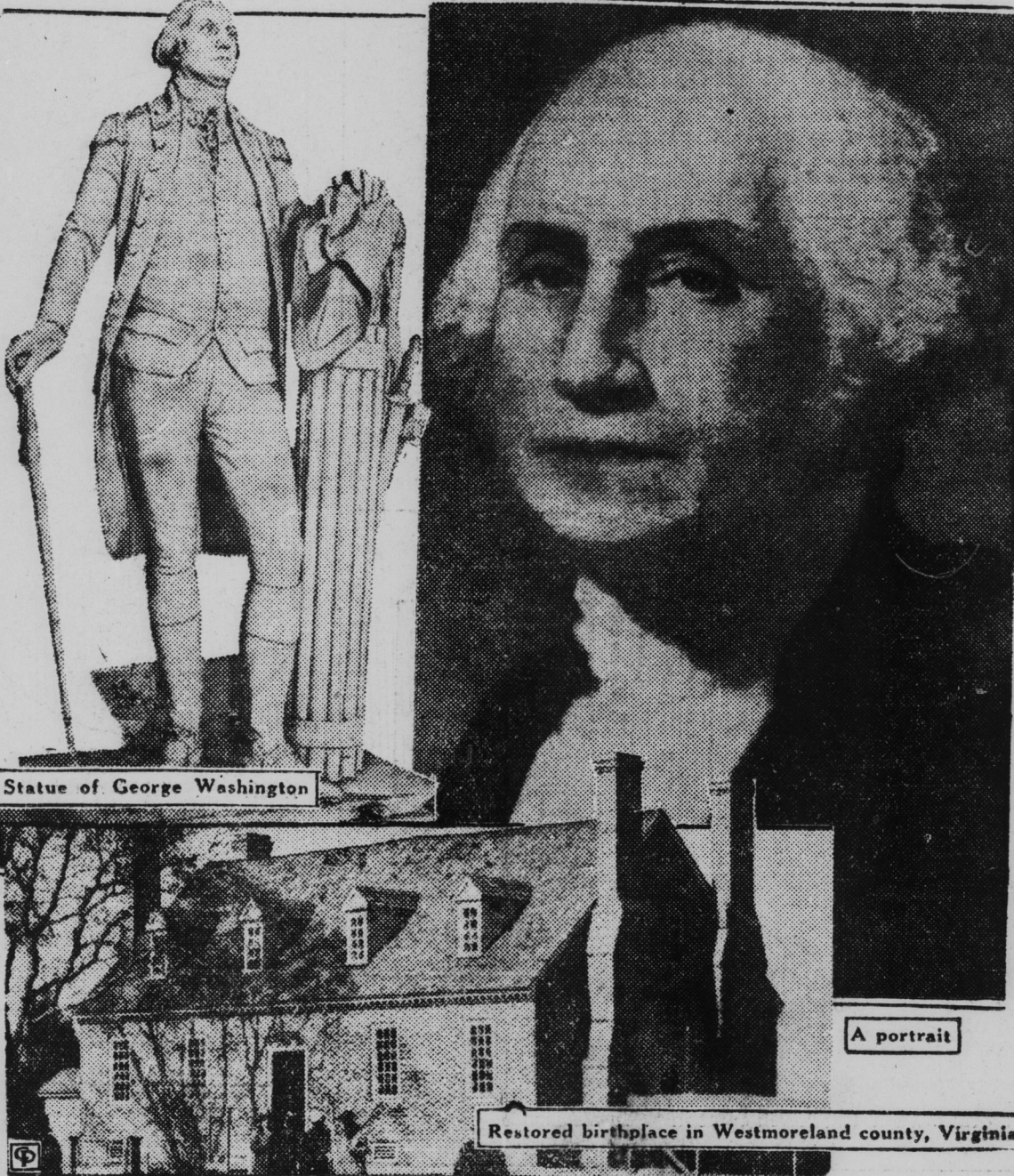
Oris M. Pollard and C. F. Deans, former Angier policemen on trial under murder indictments in the death of Collins, who died two days after he was allegedly brutally beaten by Pollard last Christmas Eve after he had been arrested on a charge of drunkenness.

Dr. W. C. Byrd, of Angier, testified Collins' face was "blue" the day after he was arrested, his left eye was nearly closed, and there was a slight abrasion over his left ear. The left side of his face was "almost black."

Asked if in his opinion blows by a blackjack caused Collins' death, Dr. Byrd said he could not say positively. County Physician A. W. Peed, who

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George Washington—Father of His Country 1732-1799



Restored birthplace in Westmoreland county, Virginia

Two Killed, Third May Die In Crash Of Car Near Here

Mrs. H. B. Dodge, 48, and Miss Eloise Bell, 5, of Camp Meade, Md., Killed as Car Skids Near State Line; Three In Hospital Here Under Treatment

Mrs. H. B. Dodge, 48, and Miss Eloise Bell, aged five, were killed in an automobile wreck on national highway No. 1 a short distance south of the Virginia line in Warren county about 12:30 a. m. today, and T. B. Dodge, Sr., Mrs. Emily Neal and H. C. Dodge, Jr., were being treated at Maria Parham hospital in this city for injuries received in the same accident. All were understood to be from Camp Meade, Md.

T. B. Dodge, Sr., understood to be about 52, is in a critical condition, hospital doctors said today, suffering with serious head wounds and internal injuries. Mrs. Neal, about 27, has a broken arm and minor cuts, while H. C. Dodge, Jr., 16, was cut about the face, but both are expected to recover. All were conscious.

Witness On Hauptmann Is Located

Hoffman Wants Errors Cleared By Man Who Said He Saw Condemned Slayer

Trenton, N. J., Feb. 22 (AP)—Millard Whited, one of the State's star witnesses at the trial of Bruno Richard Hauptmann, was located at Lambertville today and informed that Governor Harold G. Hoffman wants to question him about his testimony and statements he had made to the State police before the trial. Prosecutor Anthony M. Hauck, Jr., of Hunterdon county, a member of the prosecution staff at the trial, said Whited had been found by William Rittenhouse, one of his investigators.

Trenton, N. J., Feb. 22.—(AP)—A detective from the office of Prosecutor Anthony M. Hauck, Jr., of Hunterdon county, sought Millard Whited today to ask the Sourlands logger if he would submit voluntarily to questioning about the story told at Bruno Richard Hauptmann's Flemington trial.

Whited was one of the two witnesses who placed Hauptmann in the vicinity of the Lindbergh home near Hopewell a few days before the baby

COURT RULING ON TVA INCOMPLETE

Government Won Only on National Defense, Flood, Navigation Dams

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Staff Writer Washington, Feb. 22.—New Deal legalists are not sure yet whether the Federal Supreme Court did or did not decide the TVA case in their side's favor.

Early bulletins from the courtroom were to the effect that TVA's constitutionality had been upheld. In fact, its constitutionality was exactly what the "nine old men" did not uphold. Upon analysis of the majority's judgment it became apparent that they had been at considerable pains to emphasize that idea and to rub in the thought that they were disposing only of a secondary issue.

SITUATION ANALYZED The situation is this: Scattered around the country Uncle Sam has undertaken or contemplates a number of projects involving the

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OUR WEATHER MAN



FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Generally fair tonight and Sunday; slightly warmer Sunday.

ROOSEVELT TO BID FOR PROGRESSIVES

Will Throw Them Sop Before Campaign Has Gone Much Further

PLANS BROAD BATTLE No Territory Will Be Left Unclaimed; Republicans, However, Will Put Up Stiffest Kind of Opposition

By LESLIE EICHEL Central Press Staff Writer New York, Feb. 22.—A great deal has been said in this column concerning the belief of progressives that President Roosevelt has let them down. But, in opposition political circles, there is a fear that the President, once he gets into the thick of the campaign, will resort to a dramatic maneuver of some kind that will sweep the progressives toward him again—especially the two groups that he needs. Those two groups are the near-to-the-line Socialists of the large cities and the farmers of the northwest and the northern part of the midwest.

NO LAND UNCLAIMED Nor will the Roosevelt campaign forces leave any territory unclaimed. They will strike heavily into Michigan, where Senator Vandenberg holds sway, and into Kansas, where Alf M. Landon is governor.

They already claim Mr. Hoover's home state, California. And they insist they will march through Pennsylvania. But, at the moment, it does not look as if the Pittsburgh industrial region will roll up enough Roosevelt

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Oil Tanker Sends SOS Off Coast

In Distress After Explosion; One Dead, 21 Hurt in Baltimore Blast

Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 22.—(AP)—Coast guard headquarters were advised this afternoon that four of the 32 seamen aboard the burning tanker Albert Hill were missing but the fire was under control.

New York, Feb. 22.—(AP)—The steamship Albert Hill, an Atlantic Refining Company oil tanker, wireless an SOS today off the South Carolina coast after an explosion aboard, Mackay Radio reported.

The steamboat F. W. Burdell, eleven miles away, replied it was going to the assistance of the ship. All ships in the vicinity were asked

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SENATE TURNS DOWN NEW FARM PROGRAM; CONFERENCE CALLED

DOUBLE RULING ON HOLDING COMPANY ACT HANDED DOWN

U. S. Circuit Court at Charlotte Removes Control Over Intrastate Corporations

GOVERNMENT WINS ON OTHER ANGLES

Case Arose Over American States Public Service Company Registration With Securities and Exchange Commission; Originated in Baltimore

Charlotte, Feb. 22.—(AP)—The fourth circuit court of appeals ruled today that the public utilities holding company act was invalid as it might be applied to organizations involved only in intrastate activities, but held the lower court should not have classed the entire act as unconstitutional.

The ruling was in the case of Burco, Inc., of Baltimore, which was trying to force trustees of its debtor, the insolvent American States Public Service Company, to register with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Victory for Government. The decision was a victory for the government in that it has sought to avoid a constitutional test of the utilities act on any other case prior to a decision on its suit against the Electric Bond & Share Company.

The case was brought to the circuit court January 15 on an appeal from a decision by Judge William C. Coleman in Federal district court at Baltimore, which instructed trustees of American States Public Service Company not to register with the Securities Commission. The judge held that the utilities holding company act of 1935 was not constitutional and ruled against the contention of Burco, Inc., that, regardless of the constitutional-ity, registration would benefit a reorganization plan, which was at that time under way for American States.

Judge Morris A. Soper, of Baltimore wrote the opinion. "We conclude that the public utility act is invalid insofar as it relates to the reorganization of the debtor and that the decree of the district court should be affirmed, in so far as the trustees were directed not to register with the Securities and Exchange Commission."

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Senator Smith, Bitter Foe of Measure, Heads Conferencees from the Upper Branch

MAKES URGENT PLEA FOR COMMON SENSE

Takes Side of Land Owner In Provisions of Measure; Whole Farm Relief and Crop Control Plan Must Now Be Threshed Out In Conference

Washington, Feb. 22 (AP)—The Senate today disagreed to the House amendments to the soil conservation-subsidy bill and sent the measure to conference between the two houses for reconciliation.

Senator Smith, Democrat, South Carolina, headed the conference named by Vice-President Garner. Other members of the committee are Senators Murphy, Democrat, Iowa; Pope, Democrat, Idaho; and Capper, Republican, Kansas.

Smith said the House action confirmed his belief that the whole matter of legislating for the farmer was in a state of confusion.

"This whole thing has to be threshed out in conference," he said. "Smith Bitterly Opposed"

An angry roar from Senator Smith, Democrat, South Carolina, greeted the soil conservation-farm subsidy bill today as it bounded back to the Senate after being altered and then approved in the House by the thumping vote of 297 to 97.

Smith, a powerful figure as chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee, voiced strenuous opposition to an amendment providing that tenant farmers and share croppers all be included, and cash benefits paid land owners for conserving soil and thus controlling production.

"What kind of a fool thing is this they have adopted?" Smith cried. "Let us use a little common sense."

The tenant and the share cropper get it all now. They are given their part of the crop with no strings on it. The land owner has to pay taxes, and the cost of production, housing, implements and repairs."

He said he "most certainly would" fight the amendment, which was sponsored by Representative Carver, Democrat, Georgia. Carver declared

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Producers Pool Sells Its Cotton

100,000 Bales Disposed of Since Feb. 12 for More Than 12 Cents Pound

Washington, Feb. 22.—(AP)—AAA officials revealed today the cotton producers pool has sold 100,000 bales since February 12 for more than 12 cents a pound—a figure far above the present market price.

Officials said bids had been received for more than 500,000 bales of the pool's cotton.

When the sale was open, records showed the two owned 642,442 bales of spot cotton, and 820,400 bales in futures contracts.

Expecting action next week on two bills before Congress vitally affecting the approximately 4,500,000 bales controlled under government loans, high AAA officials indicated the administration might oppose a proposal by Senator Smith, Democrat, South Carolina, to compel the sale of the cotton at the rate of 20,000 to 25,000 bales weekly.

Gubernatorial Delays As To Managers Significant

Some Take It As Indication Prospective Campaign Heads See Closeness and Uncertainty in Present Outlook; Many and Varied Rumors Floating Around

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Raleigh, Feb. 22.—The delay on the part of the four candidates for the Democratic nomination for governor in naming their campaign managers and opening their headquarters here is causing much talk in political circles. It is likewise regarded as significant, since many see in the apparent inability of the candidates to get the campaign managers they want an indication of the uncertainty of their relative positions in the mind of the public. When shore of all extraneous matter, the situation boils down to this: no one wants to accept the job as manager for a candidate unless he is convinced his candidate can win. For while a successful campaign manager is always in line for some future reward and political preferment at the hands of the candidate whose campaign he manages—for example, Democratic National Committeeman C. LeRoy Shuping of Greensboro, who

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