rop Prices Go Skyward As Grain Surpluses Vanish

schington, August 12—How impolitical issue can be made of the falling off in exports of merical jarm products and the inmorts of stable food supis 5 to latest question on which the observers here are focusing er stell ion. How much of the and situation is due to natural 1883 or conditions ourside of govmenial control and low much to brical measures, is the root of the

The facts as Washington gots them re somewhat like this:

The oversupply of surplus wheat hich has been depressing the world arket for several years, has been rectically consumed, resulting in igher prices. The world's normal prover of surplus wheat is about 10,000,000 bushels. All the reports ich the Department of Agriculture ands as reliable indicate that the rolls for the year to come will be s about this normal carryover. Of is the United States erop of 1936. morning to 000,000 bushels, and Mill leave an duentus seplus of about 100,000.

Thest consumption is increasing pertie world and this fact, coupwith the world-wide shortage, will all keep the prices sup. Of course s Bach 100 early to forecast Arone and Australian crops, where now mid-water or early spring. to the meantime, American wheat more are up this year over last az The imports are for specia miss of wheat in demand by millers sad are normally grown in the lanket and of which the crop has ment for the past six, years. In the lat at months of this year ofand more show that 19,805,560 mad of wheat were imported from was compared with 12,839,047 as in the corresponding period of

mkial Washington as more conand with the corn erop than with wheat crop. If the drought con tues to the middle of this month, to Department of Agriculture's estimeischat the corn erop will be less in half of the normal 2,500,000,000 basels, and even with good weather ad pleaty of rain, the corn crop will le mon. 800,000,000 bushels short of the normal 2,500,000,000.

So fir this year imports of corn have been less than one-third of what her were in the first balf of 1935 100215 bushels against 17,620,195 a the same period last year. There s been a sharp decline in the imgion of oats and butter.

in the other side of the scale, exits of wheat have dropped to scheelly nothing, though cotton exhtt have been higher on the average 21936 than in 1935.

tis this falling off of agricultural Thets and the rise in agricultural which gives the politicians hat parties concert. The opporof the Administration assert by worts have fallen because the ment has created an artificial while an artificial price level, the imports are rising mot only course of this scarcity but because of the Administration's reciprocal tariff policies.

Administration supporters say that so far as tariff influence goes the policy of the previous administrations hade it difficult for foreign customis to get dollars with which to buy base in importation as due to the distruction by drought of crops which the world. Government had sought to adjust levign markets.

adustries, and something like the bebeing of a genuine building boom AIR .

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TODAY and TOMORROW

. . hard to break Man is a creature of habit. Most of our actions and most so-called thinking are what they are because we have acquired the habit of going through a fixed routine and don't have inithative enough to change our

habits of work and thinking. I think this inherent trait of human nature lies at the bottom of most of the failures to change the world overnight. Reformers of all types are prone to overlook the hold which habit has on the human animal. It would not be difficult to make the world a much better place to live in for every body, if only enough people could be jarred out of their habits of living and made to see that there are better ways of doing things than those to which they are occustomed.

Most of the world runs in ruts. We say in ruts becase at is easier than he spired old wheat carried over, so try to get out of them, or because our fathers before us craveled in the same ruts. The deeper the rut, the urder to is to got out of it.

The only really free individuals are nose who succeed in getting out of ages in which their fellows are movng. Once in the rut, the individual is herely one of the crowd. He is not tree to move in any direction excepnut in which the crowd is moving. de has to follow a pantern or a trail warked out for him by others.

No man is entirely free from some ort of restraints. The worst slaves, lowever, are the ones who could be ree but who prefer to stay in the wit and revile the more enterposing mes who have succeeded in climbing out of it. It is human nature never to houlder the blame for one's own connition, but to try to find a scapegoat who is responsible for all of one's ndividual aroubles.

JTUPIDITY . . . an obstacle Nobody can watch the world go by or as many years as I have been pernitted to do so without coming to the conclusion that the chief ebstacle in he way of human progress is nat creed or tyranny but stapidity. Show ne a man who prides himself on beng conservative, and, nine time out of ten, I will show you that his so talled conservatism is merely stapidity de has been taught, or has taught aimself, certain tixed rules which, to ais saupid mind, chart the only perfeet course of lite. He refuses to listen to any suggestion that a new way or a different way of doing

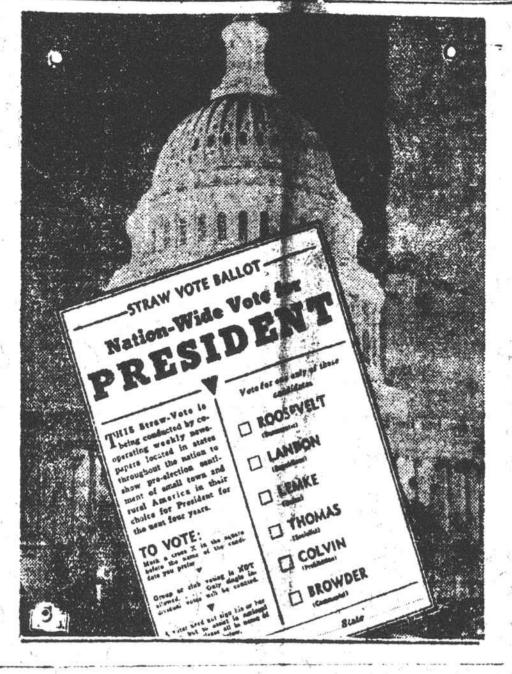
neluding himself. I do not mean to suggest that the new way or the different way is always the better way. What I am tryng to say that the true conservative, If he is intelligent, will look at any new ideas with an open mind and an mpartial eye, instead of dismissing hem from all consideration merely recause they do not conform to his preconceived ideas.

LEADERSHIP . . . squrce The only way the mass of mansind gets out of the old ruts and the habits which handicap it is when some forceful character who has set dimself free from the inhibitions which bind most of us to the old ways points out a new way so persuasively that first a few and then the many are induced to try it.

Such leaders are rare. Not very products, and that the inion. When they do arise they change

the situation caused by the loss of coung man who has achieved the I have in mind particularly one Whatever the cause, it is the judg- prise because he was not afraid to presidency of a great business enterthe cause, it is the judg-prise occause no doing things, and improved and expents here that ary new ways of doing things, and atmers and all other American pro- has been successful in persuading deers are now in the fortunate posion of having what is called a "sell- new ideas, while his competitors in market. Not only agricultural the same line of business have been impluses but commodity surpluses of content to stay in the rut and follow tinds have been greatly reduced, the patterns which their predecessors the patterns which them. While they were laid down for them. While they were increasing. This is particularly losing money he started new ventures of deceable in the decreasion and dustries and clothing and furniture at the bottom of the depression and

being to be under way. There is no Col. Lindbergh, who has just been Col. Lindbergh, who has just been rplus labor in the industrial mar-looking over Germany's aircraft dethe slack having been taken up velopment, was surprised at what he the Government's WPA and CCC found there. Germany is far shead SYLVA, NORTH CAROLINA THURBOAY, AUGUST 13, 1936.



V. SUMNER DIED Holland Is Held in **Middleton** Shooting

Funeral services for Zebulon V. heart attack, at 9 o'clock Tuesday. norning, at the home of Ben Crisp, near Sylva, were conducted at 10. 'clock, the morning in Andrews.

Mr. Summer was a retired Asheville merchant, and had been residng at the home of his son, Crawford he home of Mr. Crisp, at the time he ship man, is in a serious condition, vention in Raleigh. was taken by a sudden heart attack.

He is survived by his widow, four sons, Floyd and Crawford Sumner, of Sylva, Kenneth Sumner of Detroit, and Liston Samner of Oteen; three laughters, Mrs. Connie Almond, Aulrews, Mrs. Margaret Chastain, of Asheville, and Miss Nina Sumner, of Leicester, by several grand children and other relatives.

YOUNG REPUBLICANS WILL ORGANIZE FRIDAY NIGHT

A meeting for the purpose of organizing the Young Republicans of he county has been called to be held n the court house tomorrow, Friday, evening at 8 o'clock, by Mr. E. B. DeHart, District chairman.

Clyde Jarrett, Republican candihings might be better for everybody, date for Congress will be the princi-

Fred Holland, 45, alleged assailant Sumner, 73 who died suddenly of a of Alvin Middleton, was taken into custody at the home of relatives in the Yellow Moantam section of Ham- PTREMEN RETURN FROM burg rownship, and placed in jail here pending the outcome of the injuries, day evening.

with a gun-shot wound through his

Holland fled the scene of the shoot- their representatives at Raleigh: ing, and was maken by Denpty Sheriff Frank Allen.

BAPTIST CHURCH ELECTS OFFICERS

At the annual conference, which was held last Sunday morning, the Baptist church here reelected Claud M. Jones treasurer of the church, J. V. Hall, superintendent of the Sunday Sichool, and Miss Margaret Wilson, Baptist Training Union director, Shop, Lyrie Theatre, Chart and Warfor the next year. Mr. Leonard Allen, who a short time ago was elected church clerk to fill out the unexpired term of Mr. W. W. Bryson, who has moved to Speedwell, was also re-elected. In the election of deacons, three

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The Side Show --- by A. B. Chapin

Big Vote Predicted As New Papers Launch Poll

CROWD ATTENDS FARMERS' PICNIC

their families from various parts of the county gathered at the high school grounds in Sylva, Tuesday for the annual pienic, sponsored by the Farmers' Federation.

The "tall-story" contest , held at 10:30, was won by C. C. Poindexter.

The Addie choir, the Jones quaror and the Hooper sisters duct were winners in the singing contests. They will go to Swannanga next Thursday o compete in the grand contest.

Addresses were made by R. W. Gracher, H. Allen Coggins, and J. G. N. McClure.

Various athletic events and coneals were enjoyed and prizes awardid. Ralph Ward was given a prize for bringing the largest truck load of people. Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Cowan of East Fork were the oldest married ccuple present, having been married 58 years. Mr. and Mrs. Mack Hyatt, who had been married o days, were the youngest married couple. The largest family present was that of Walter Hooper of Cowarts.

STATE CONVENTION

which he is alleged to have inflicted Chief E. O. Mashburn, D. M. Tal upon Middleton with a .38 calibre re- lent, Theo. Mashburn, David Dills, volver, at Tuckaseigee, last Wednes- and Felix Picklesimer of the Sylva Volunteer Fire Department returned Summer, at Sylva He was visiting at ... Middleton, 23 year old River town- today from the State Firemen's Con-

The firemen express gratitude to right lung; but is somewhat haprov- the following people and businesses for making possible the attendance of

Harris Clay Co., Dillsboro and Sylva Electric Light Co., Parson's Tanning Co., Sylva Supply Co., Jackson Furniture Co., Cogdill Motor Co., Jackson County Bank, E. L. McKee, Jackson Motor Co.. The Leader, Allison's Service Station, Hotel Carolina, Sylva Feed Co., Blue Ribbon Shoe Shop, Sylva Pharmaey. C. T. Moody, Ralph Dills (Puroil Station) Velt's Cafe, Hooper's Drug Store, V. V. Hooper; Sol Schulman, Sylva Laundry, Print ren. Massie Furniture Co., Dave Karp Shell Service Station, Central Service Station, Moody's Funeral Home, Jackson Hardware Co., J. B. Ensley, Sam Kaye, R. U. Satton, Cullowhee Club, Sylva Paperboard Company, and Hooper Motor Company.

The nation-wide Presidential straw vote being conducted by the weekly newspapers throughout the country gives all promise of being the most representative poll of small town and rural American political senti-A large crowd of farmers and ment ever recorded in a national election year.

> Reports from the weekly newspapers' straw vote headquarters in New York indicate that leading newspupers far and wide are launching the poll in their respective territories with promise of returning a convincng vote to extend the scope of the poll and t'us afford a national tabu-

> That the pell will be non-partisan n every respect is apparently assured by the fact that it is being conducted by Democratic, Republican and Independent newspapers located in states chroughout the nation. The nation-wide straw vote Presi-

> dennial poll of small town and rural America political sentiment in a national election year was first launched m 1920 by weekly newspapers being served by Publishers Autocaster Service, which company produces ferare service for weekly newspapers. In each succeeding national election year since then, 1924, 1928 and 1932, the weekly newspaper poll has grown in popular acceptance due to the fact that a greater number of newspapers were participating in the poll and further that the accuracy of the poll could not be doubted, the final national results of the poll always proving to be within 5 per cent of actual official returns in the following November election. In 1932 the poll was within 3.5 per cent of being correct, the slight variance being in the distribution of electoral votes.

In a special pre-convention straw vote poll last winter, nation-wide in scope, wherein voters expressed a preference for Presidential candidates, the weekly newspaper poil again proved its worth. It showed Republican choice as between Borah and Landon, the Landon landslide starting during the last three weeks of balloting. In the last week of voting, Landon polled a greater vote than Borah, passing the Idaho senator. Landen was the only candidate to draw a larger popular vote than Borah during any one week of the votting. Roosevelt was the undisputed choice of Democratic voters.

In that pre-convention poll, the publishers of the weekly newspaper. conducting the feature decided to open the doors wide and invite publishers of weekly newspapers everywhere to join an and conduct a poll in their respective territories. Hundreds of progressive publishers accepted the invitation, as they are doing in this poll now under way. This poll now gives promise of being the most successful ever conducted.

As a result of this wide spread in number of newspapers participating in the poll, the first national returns may not be available for a week or two. However, they should prove a be most interesting when they start coming through. All voters will then get a line on how the political wind is blowing in small town and rural America in this year of 1936.

Have you vet voted in this nation wide Presidential poll?

It now, then reach now for pen or pencil, clip the ballot below, vote for your choice, then mail or bring your ballot to The Journal office.

Just as you may be interested in knowing how fares the fate of your presidential choice in other states throughout the country, so do the voters there wish to know how we in North Carolina are thinking, political ly. That is the reason that the voters of this county should cast their ballots in the nation-wide poll and so register the full strength for each respective candidate.

The result of the local voting will he published in The Journal, then the hallors are sent on to straw vote headquarters in New York for metional tabulation.

You do not have to sign your name on the ballot, nor do you commit yourself in any manner. You are asked to write in the name of town and state from which you expect to vote in November. This identification of the ballot makes possible a more accurate tabulation of the national

RIGHT THIS WAY, LADIES 'N GENTS, DON'T SPEND ALL YOUR TIME IN THE BIG TENT. THERE'S LOTS O' FUN, SPORT AN' EXCITEMENT HERE IN TH' SIDE SHOW! SEE TH' WILDEST COLLECTION O' BRONC BUSTERS WOT EVER TOSSED A VERBAL LARIAT ---- COUNT 'EM-FOUR HUNNERD AN' THIRTY FIVE OF EM PERFORMIN' FOR YOUR BENEAT !!! AN' DON'T MUSS TH' HERD O' THRTY FOUR TRAINED SEALS A' BARKIN THEIR ORATORICAL HEADS OFF AN BOIN' STUNTS FOR YOUR ENTERTAINMENT AN' EDDYCATION --- STEP UP, LADIES 'N GENTS, DONT MISS IT!

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