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GEORGIANS GET HIGH PRICES FOR THE WEED

Average On Opening Day Over \$6 Per Hundred Higher Than Last Year.—100,000 Pounds Golden Weed Sold Opening Day On Lumberton Market.

Vidalia, Ga., July 20.—Expectations of higher prices for leaf tobacco this season were realized today with the opening of the tobacco markets of Georgia, the golden weed selling over \$6 per hundred pounds higher than on the initial day last year. The average today was \$27.30 per hundred pounds against \$21 the preceding season.

The quality of the offerings is some better than last year's crop, with prices varying from 5 cents to 60 cents per pound for the lowest to the best grades.

Indications point to the crop being about the same as last year. All the big tobacco companies are represented on the Georgia markets, together with many independent buyers.

Farmers generally are well pleased with the prices paid for the initial offerings and prospects are for a good season.

The Georgia tobacco belt has come into being during the past several years, the golden weed being introduced extensively in sections where boll weevil made cotton growing unprofitable. Each year has shown a steady growth in the acreage planted and with farmers gradually learning the delicate art of raising the weed, still further growth will occur. The land is well suited for tobacco and the quality compares favorably with that in South Carolina and North Carolina.

The markets in South Carolina also opened today, with an increase in average price reported. As was the case in Georgia, tobacco men from all over the Eastern United States attended the opening sales to see "how it was going to sell." Among them are many from North Carolina markets, especially from Rocky Mount, Wilson, Kinston and Greenville. A large number of the buyers on the South Carolina and Georgia markets are from the Tar Heel State, as the length of the season gives them opportunity to cover these markets and then get back to North Carolina in time for the opening of the markets in September. A considerable number of the warehouses in Georgia and South Carolina are operated by Tar Heel warehousemen.

The prices in Georgia and South Carolina cannot be compared with the prices expected on the Eastern North Carolina markets, as the crop is marketed differently. The crop is sold "in the rough," being neither graded nor tied. Because of this, the average price in North Carolina is somewhat higher.

It can be taken for granted that when the North Carolina markets open the average price will be higher than last season, which established unheard of records.—R. B. Hester, in News and Observer.

Lumberton, July 20.—Early morning rains kept many farmers away from the opening of the Lumberton tobacco market today, when more than 100,000 pounds of the golden weed were offered for sale at prices that ranged from one to 50 cents per pound.

Judging from the figures of the initial sales, the price average this year will not be quite as high as it was last season. However, today the offerings consisted largely of first primings and the grades were not the best. Prices may turn higher as the better portion of the crop comes in.

The prices for the poorer grades were not as high as last season's figures, but the better grades sold in a highly satisfactory manner. Farmers appear to be pleased with the initial sales.

One Man Killed and Two Wounded.
Graham, July 19.—One man was killed and others were wounded when the Durham Machine Gun Company returned the fire of a mob around the Graham jail bent on lynching negroes held here pending investigation to determine the assailant of Mrs. A. A. Eiddle Saturday night. Jim Ray, standing fifty yards from the mob was killed while Maddie Phillip and Nug Bradshaw are known to have been wounded. How many more were hit by machine gun bullets is unknown.

PRES. WILSON'S PEACE EFFORTS

German Committee Says Unrestricted U-Boat Warfare Was A Grave Blunder.

Berlin, July 19.—The report of the second sub-committee of the committee of investigation on President Wilson's peace efforts during the winter of 1916-1917, prepared by Professor Sinzheimer, former Socialist member of the Reichstag, draws the conclusion that President Wilson's action made peace overtures possible, but that the German government, not availing itself of them, instead took a stand for unrestricted U-boat warfare.

The report, made public here today, is signed by six members of the different political parties. It is a grave indictment of Germany's military dictators at the time. The report shows how the economists of Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg's civil government even Dr. Karl Helfferich, then minister of finance, did not believe unrestricted U-boat warfare could ensure Germany victory. As the gravest mistake, the report mentions the fact that America's resources were completely underestimated.

The report mentions notably Von Papen's message to Gen. Erich Von Falkenhayn, former chief of the German staff, "if you fail to keep the United States out you have lost the war."

PRINCETON—BOON HILL

Princeton, July 21.—Two automobiles have been stolen here in last week and no trace of the parties who got them can be found.

Mr. Will Ledbetter from Fayetteville was a visitor in town Friday.

Mrs. Nellie Howell died at her home here last Thursday. She was buried in the Woodman cemetery. She was 75 years old; was born in Petersburg, Va., married and came to this place about 50 years ago.

Mr. Conrad Parker from Louisburg was a visitor here Sunday.

Mrs. L. M. Edgerton is visiting relatives in Clayton this week.

Mrs. Ed A. Holt and children are spending the week with her aunt, Mrs. Smith, in Cleveland township.

Mr. E. B. Write has gone to High Point to spend a week.

Miss Ellen Eldridge from Smithfield has been spending several days with Mrs. G. T. Whitley.

Postmaster Holt was among the many postmasters of the state who attended the meeting in Greensboro Thursday.

Mr. Hubert M. Cox from the Bentonville section was in town Monday.

Mrs. W. G. Farrar and children have gone to Charlotte to visit relatives for a few weeks.

Miss Estell Holt will spend the week at Wrightsville Beach, after Sunday the 25th.

Those who have relatives buried in the Richard Howell grave yard are requested to meet at the grave yard Friday morning July 30th at 9 o'clock. They desire to have a reunion.

Daniels Reach Seattle Today.

Seattle, Wash., July 21.—Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels and Secretary of the Interior John Barton Payne, due in Seattle Thursday from an inspection trip in Alaska, will leave for Washington Friday night, according to word received here today. At Helena, Mont., the cabinet officers will be guests of United States Senator T. J. Walsh of Montana, and will later make a trip to Yellowstone National Park.

Bryan to Head Dry Forces.

Lincoln, Neb., July 21.—William J. Bryan was nominated by acclamation as the Prohibition party's presidential nominee at the national convention today. The nomination came after a resolution "tendering" the position of standard-bearer had brought out the fact in debate that Mr. Bryan had telegraphed friends here that he "could not accept."

Population of Tar Heel Counties.

Washington, July 19.—Counts of North Carolina counties, total only announced: Camden, 5,382, decrease 258 or 4.6 per cent; Lincoln, 17,862, increase 730 or 4.3 per cent; Chowan, 10,549, decrease 654 or 5 per cent; Pasquotank, 17,670, increase 977 or 5.5 per cent; Davis, 15,578, increase 184 or 1.0 per cent.

THE HAPPENINGS IN INGRAMS' CAPITAL

B. B. Adams Suffers Stroke Of Paralysis — Massengill-Paschall Wedding — Philatheas Hold Business Meeting—Improvement on Streets.

Four Oaks, July 21.—Mrs. Eddie Weatherspoon of New York City is the guest of her mother, Mrs. D. W. Adams.

Miss Julia Thornton of Goldsboro is here for the Lewis-Canady wedding.

Messrs. Fred and Arland Page and sisters, Misses Julia and Maggie, visited at the home of R. B. Strickland Sunday.

Miss Ruby Stanley is at home for the summer after spending school season with her uncle, Mr. E. L. Creech in Norfolk.

Mr. Penn Watson of Wilson visited friends here Sunday.

Mr. Tom Lindsay of Petersburg, Va., visited his nephew, Mr. J. L. Cole here last week.

Mr. D. W. Lamb, now pitching ball for Williamston, was a welcome visitor here Sunday.

Mr. Louis Leninson of Coats accidentally ran his car over his little 4-year-old boy here Monday, breaking his arm. The little fellow is improving nicely.

We are glad to report the condition of Mr. B. B. Adams much improved. Mr. Adams suffered a stroke of paralysis about ten days ago.

Mrs. W. E. Barbour and master W. E. Jr., left today for Knoxville, Tenn., to spend a month with Mrs. Barbour's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jno J. Burks.

Mrs. J. W. Sanders entertained with a miscellaneous shower in honor of Mrs. W. J. Stanley (nee Miss Martha Barbour) Friday afternoon.

Miss Hattie Lee attended the revival at Blackman's Grove last week.

Mr. Julius Stephenson of Wilson was the guest of his sister, Mrs. W. E. Stanley, last week.

Our town was given quite a surprise Saturday when Mr. Wilson Massengill and Miss Ethel Paschall were married, leaving immediately for Raleigh and Richmond. Mr. Massengill is the oldest son of G. C. Massengill, our fellow townsman and merchant, while his wife is the daughter of Mrs. J. W. Paschall formerly of Wilson county. We wish for them all the good things possible for this happy young couple.

On Wednesday night, July 14th the Philatheas Class of the Methodist church met at the home of Mrs. W. J. Woodard. The guests were met at the door by Mrs. R. B. Strickland and Miss Ethel Paschall. After the business meeting delicious cream and cake were served by Misses Ethel Paschall, Josephine Bandy and Floreid Woodard. About ten-thirty the guests departed declaring Mrs. Woodard a most delightful hostess. Among those present were Misses Josephine Bandy, Sallie Adams, Maggie Tart, Mattie Pearce, Millie Adams, Ethel Paschall and Floreid Woodard; Mesdames, G. K. Massengill, D. C. Adams, E. D. Endy, E. B. Craven, J. L. Hudson, R. B. Strickland, J. A. Keen and Mr. B. I. Tart. The guests of honor were Mrs. W. J. Stanley and Mrs. Eddie Weatherspoon of New York, Mrs. C. H. Wellons and Misses Oma Adams and Martha Bandy.

Services were held Sunday night at the Methodist church by Rev. A. T. Lassiter of Benson.

The recent heavy rains are proving serious to the tobacco crops and will probably cause cotton to shed. We trust that the rain is over.

Our Mayor is having some much needed street work done since his return from Asheville. We're glad to see him back.

\$100,000 Gift to Wake Forest

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Wake Forest College, held here yesterday to fill vacancies in the college faculty, President William L. Potest announced a gift of \$100,000 from the General Education Board. The gift is made upon the condition that the college shall raise \$200,000 the entire sum of \$300,000 to be used as an endowment fund to provide permanent increases in professors' salaries. It was announced that the board will give the college \$5,000 a year for the next three years without conditions, the money to be applied to the salaries of professors.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL NOTES FROM KENLY

Goldsboro Ball Team Defeats Kenly—Yosip Benjiman, A Persian, To Speak at Presbyterian Church—Driven from Home by Persecution.

Kenly, July 21.—Mr. J. M. Woolard returned from Wilmington tonight after visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. H. M. Grizzard is on a visit with friends in Jaret, Norfolk and Virginia Beach for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Bridger and Mr. H. M. Grizzard spent Sunday in Smithfield.

Misses Beulah and Adna Lee Bailey are visiting friends in Wendell and Zebulon.

Miss Mildred Darden returned home today from Warsaw where she has been visiting friends.

Messrs. Dobbin Bailey and Rudolph Kirby have just returned from Asheville, Waynesville and other Western points.

Miss Lucile Holden is visiting relatives in Dunn.

Messrs. Everett Stevens and David Avera of Smithfield spent Sunday in town as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Edgerton.

Mrs. J. T. Barnes of Dunn has returned home after spending some time with her mother, Mrs. J. H. Kirby.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Bridger spent Tuesday afternoon in Wilson.

Miss Gladys Kirby spent Tuesday in Dunn as the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. T. Barnes.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Edgerton spent Sunday afternoon in Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Tiner spent Sunday in Four Oaks visiting relatives.

Mrs. B. C. Crawford of Pikeville is on a visit with her daughter, Mrs. P. E. Etheridge.

Mr. J. T. Barnes, Jr. of Dunn was here Sunday visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Barnes.

Miss Inez Edgerton has recently returned from Norfolk, Virginia Beach and Tarboro, and leaves today for Dunn to attend the house party given by Miss Lucile Howard.

Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Turlington spent the week end with relatives in Sampson county, Mrs. Turlington's sister, Miss Lolita Underwood from Roseboro returned with them home for several days.

The Kenly base ball team lost its first game Tuesday when the Goldsboro team defeated it by the score of 4 to 3. Neighbors, pitching for Kenly allowed only three hits while Thompson, pitching for Goldsboro allowed but four hits. Jones, for Kenly did creditable work behind the bat.

Yosip Benjiman, a Persian, educated at Davidson College and Columbia Seminary, returning to his homeland as a missionary, staying till religious persecution got so bad that he had to take his family and flee for his life, will be at the Kenly Presbyterian church July 23rd at 8:30 o'clock. All who hear him will have a higher sense of appreciation of Christian religion and American government. Every one invited to come.

Cox Not Make Address Boosting Road

Washington, July 21.—Governor James Monroe Cox, as the name of the Democratic candidate for the presidency ends corrected, will not go to North Carolina to whip it up for the Klippatrick-McGirt bond issue. He may accept an invitation to speak in the State later but when he does it will be with the distinct approval of Governor Bickett and not with any view of telling the Tar Heel executive how to build good roads.—R. E. Powell in News and Observer.

Heavy Rains Affect Cotton Crop.

Washington, July 21.—With temperatures remaining close to normal, together with an abundance of rainfall in most of the Southern States, the condition of cotton improved generally throughout the belt, according to the weekly national weather and crop bulletin made public today. While the crop's condition was variable in different States and even in different parts of the same State, on the whole, the report said, it was "quite satisfactory." Weevil damage increased in the southern part of the belt wherever frequent rains occurred, the report added.

LEADERS DISCUSS CAMPAIGN

National Committee Meets at Columbus, Ohio, to Organize for Coming Campaign.

Columbus, Ohio, July 19.—Democratic leaders gathered here today to counsel with Governor Cox and Franklin D. Roosevelt, the party's presidential and vice presidential nominees, on their national political battle.

The Democratic national committee meets at 11 o'clock tomorrow to organize the campaign. Much preliminary work was done today in conferences.

Selection of a committee chairman to manage the campaign, naming of headquarters, choosing an executive sub-committee, plans for financing the campaign, arrangements for notification dates for the two nominees and their itineraries were the major affairs to be considered at tomorrow's meeting.

MEADOW NEWS

Miss Bertha Johnson returned home last Saturday after attending summer school at Greenville for six weeks.

Miss Newman of Portsmouth, Va., visited Mrs. S. P. J. Lee last Sunday.

Miss Berta Harris of South Carolina is visiting Misses Addie and Mabel Johnson.

A very quiet wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. T. J. Mashburn last Sunday night when his daughter, Mrs. Mary Morgan, became the bride of Mr. S. P. Peacock. Only a few relatives and friends were present. Monroe Parker, Esq., officiated. The bride and groom are both of this section and they have many friends who extend them their congratulations and best wishes.

Messrs. Garland Gilbert and Gartha Dudley, who have been working in Smithfield for several weeks, have returned home. We are glad to see our boys act wise and leave town and return to their home community.

Misses Veda and Verta Lawhon and Mr. Alton Lawhon of Benson spent last week end with relatives in this section.

The Sunday school rally at Trinity last Saturday and Sunday was quite a success. Mr. E. L. Middleton of Raleigh was present and offered splendid and helpful advice and suggestions for a better Sunday school. On Saturday morning Mr. Middleton discussed "The Standard Sunday School" Saturday afternoon the pastor, Rev. S. F. Hudson, discussed "The General Officers of the Sunday School" which was followed by "Grading The Sunday School" by Mr. Middleton. Sunday morning Mr. Middleton spoke on "The Church Member's Responsibility to the Church" and Sunday afternoon, "The Teacher." His lectures appealed to the interest of the folks at Trinity in such a way that their zeal has been quickened with the determination to put forth greater efforts for a Standard Sunday school and already great progress has been made in that direction.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Flowers and little daughter, Helen Johnson of Bentonville visited at Mrs. Flowers' father's, Mr. Pias Johnson, last week end.

Miss Addie Johnson entertained quite a number of her friends at her home last Saturday evening in honor of her guest, Miss Bertha Harris of South Carolina. Delightful conversation was enjoyed and a delicious course of ice cream and cake was served by the hostess. It was a happy occasion for all who were present.

Regardless of the rain, the community picnic and community service meeting at Meadow was well attended last Friday and an interesting program was thoroughly enjoyed. In addition to the movie pictures, Mr. Kirby of Smithfield and Mr. Archer of Goldsboro made splendid addresses along agricultural lines and the music class sold ice cream for the benefit of the music department.

Mr. Jesse Wilson of Sampson county and his sister, Miss Viola, and Miss Hattie Wood of Lower Johnston were the guests of Misses Addie and Mabel Johnson last Saturday night and Sunday.

Rev. C. H. Stevens of Knoxville, Tenn., and Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Storena of Four Oaks were at Trinity last Saturday afternoon. Both of the Revs. Stevens are former pastors of Trinity and are greatly beloved by the entire community. It was a delightful pleasure to have them back with us.

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THE RAILROADS ARE ASKING FOR INCREASE

More Than Billion to Take Care Of \$600,000,000 Allowed To The Workingmen by the Interstate Commerce and Other Expenses.

Washington, D. C., July 20.—Immediately upon the reception of the report that the government wage board had awarded \$600,000,000 increase to the workingmen, the railroad managers went into a conference to frame their proposal to the Interstate Commission for an increase to cover this increase granted the workingmen and other expenses of the roads. The Interstate Commerce Commission will be asked by the managers for an increase of \$1,017,000,000 for this purpose.

A dispatch from Chicago says: The United States Wage Board announcement that it will distribute \$600,000,000 to two million railroad workmen means an immediate increase of at least 21 per cent in the present rate of pay.

"The board has arrived at its conclusion upon the demands of the workingmen and also on the conditions obtaining at present in the increased cost of living, and working conditions, and the agreement made by the U. S. railroad administration before it turned over the roads to the owner thereof. The intent of this decision is that the increase except as otherwise stated shall be added to the rates allowed by the Railroad administration, and are retroactive as of May 1st of this year.

The increase are sixty per cent of the amount asked by the workingmen.

BETHANY NEWS

The meeting held at Bethany church last week was attended by a large crowd of people each day. As a result of the meeting fifteen professed faith in Christ. Fourteen united with the church by baptism. We feel that great and lasting good was accomplished.

Mr. E. Creech of Selma spent last week in this section visiting and attending church.

A number of our folks attended the funeral of Mr. W. H. Godwin at Antioch church Sunday evening.

Mr. Joe Hinnant of Kenly visited Mr. and Mrs. Jones Sunday.

Miss Lelia Stancil of Burlington was at Bethany Friday.

Mrs. Crocker of Stillys visited her son, Mr. James Crocker Sunday.

Misses Kate Tyner and Callie Ryals of Four Oaks spent a few days last week in this section.

A large crowd attended the baptizing Sunday morning.

Senator Simmons Takes Rest

Washington, July 20.—It was announced at Senator Simmons' office today that physicians had advised him to take a complete rest this summer and that the senior senator will not be enabled to attend the celebration at Moore's Creek Battleground, August 12. It is also indicated that Senator Simmons will be unable to accept other invitations he may receive to deliver addresses, or functions in North Carolina.

Jack Johnson Lodged in Jail

Los Angeles, Calif., July 20.—Jack Johnson, former heavyweight champion pugilist of the world, who crossed the international boundary line from Lower California today, was brought here tonight from San Diego and lodged in the county jail. He probably will leave in the custody of federal officers tomorrow for Chicago to begin serving sentence for violation of the Mann act, federal officers said.

Tar Heels Meet Cox in Washington.

Washington, July 20.—Among the Tar Heels who shook hands and talked politics with Governor Cox during his stay in Washington Sunday were Representative Hamibal Godwin and Wade H. Cooper, the latter a North Carolinian now in the banking business here.

Misses Emm L. and Corina Jackson, of Dunn, are visiting the daughter of Representative Godwin, Miss Mattie Belle Godwin.

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