

LARGER PART OF PEANUT CROP IN SECTION IS SOLD

Buyers Estimate Around 70 Per Cent of Crop Has Been Sold

YIELDS VERY POOR

Price Will Average Around 4 1-2 Cents; Crop Is Short Despite Increased Acreage

According to estimates furnished by several peanut buyers in the county, around 70 per cent of the peanut crop has been sold in this section. The buyers went on to say that if the sale continues at a rate similar to the one established during the past twenty days, the crop will be sold before the Christmas holidays.

The crop has moved in a hurry this year. Competitive buying has been evidenced throughout the section, but in only one or two cases have prices reached five and one-half cents. The average price, it is thought will range around four and one-half cents. During the past few days transportation companies have handled thousands of bags of the goobers, some going by rail to the markets and some by the boat line route.

Yields have proved very poor this year, and in spite of an increased acreage, the crop will show a shortage of around 25 or 30 per cent, it is estimated. Farmers, who at one time, expected a large yield, picked in many cases not more than six bags to the acre. Others found their crops better, but in very few cases has the yield been normal. The largest yield heard of this season was that of Mr. Lewis Roberson, who picked around 24 bags per acre from ten acres.

Buyers from this point have been very active this season, and even though there is an estimated 30 per cent shortage, more peanuts have been handled up to the present time here than has been in the case in some time.

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE MEET

Twenty Delegates From This District Hold Conference Here

Last Saturday twenty young men and women met in the rooms of the local Baptist church in a special called session.

Mr. Perry Morgan, of Raleigh, who is head of the Young People's work in the State had issued a special call for delegates from this section to meet him here for a conference. Responding, they came from both the Roanoke and Chowan associations.

The sessions began at 10 o'clock in the morning, and after lunch at the Britt hotel, there was an afternoon session, terminating at 3 o'clock. The meeting was well attended, and a fine spirit pervaded the gathering.

University Glee Club In Windsor Friday

A large audience is expected to hear the University of North Carolina glee club when it appears in a concert in the school auditorium in Windsor next Friday afternoon.

The University singers have won a wide reputation in England, France and in this country during the past year, and papers in all three countries have highly commended them.

County Ginnings Short Compared to Last Year

Martin county was 1,222 bales behind in its cotton ginnings up to November 14 as compared with the same period in 1926. According to the Co-operative Crop Reporting Service, Raleigh, the State showed a decrease of 188,572 bales for the same period.

Sales Light, But Prices Better on Market Here

Tobacco sales on the market here yesterday were comparatively light, but prices showed strength over those paid before the Thanksgiving holidays.

Farmers were generally agreed that the prices were stronger yesterday and today than they had been during the past several weeks.

The amount of tobacco on the floors here today showed an increase over that yesterday and fair sales are expected here for the remainder of the season.

DEALERS WILL DISPLAY NEW FORDS FRIDAY

Local Dealers Hope to Have New Model Car Here By Then

TO GIVE FULL STORY

Public Reception Being Held by Ford Dealers All Over Country Friday and Saturday

"The new Ford car passed the expectations of both of us and is a real car," stated Messrs. J. D. Woolard and N. C. Green, local dealers, upon their return from Norfolk where they attended a meeting of two hundred dealers last Friday.

"The new car embodies those qualities that assure the popularity of the Ford," the dealers stated. There were over two hundred dealers at the meeting Friday and every one of them was more than pleased with the car and its features.

Instructions were given the dealers, and the car that has remained a secret for months will make its first appearance next Friday in the United States, Canada and England. Announcements of the showing of the new car are being sent to every nook and corner over the three countries, and it will be the greatest showing that has ever been made in the automotive industry.

Messrs. Charlie Mobley and Joe Gray Corey, salesmen for the local agency, were in Norfolk yesterday receiving instructions about the new car, and they will be ready to explain the new features of the car when it is put on display.

The full story of the new Ford automobile, described by Henry Ford as being "superior in design and performance to any now available in the low price, light car field," will be told first in Williamston next Friday, December 2, according to announcement today by local dealers.

A public reception is to be held here simultaneously with similar gatherings at every Ford dealer in the United States, thus constituting a part of the greatest automobile show in the history of the industry.

While no detailed descriptions have yet been given out by local dealers, the Ford Motor Company, from its headquarters in Detroit, has announced that the new Ford car will be as far in advance of present public demand for speed, flexibility, control in traffic and economy of operation as the famous Model T was in advance of public demand when it was introduced in 1908.

Dealers have not yet been advised as to the prices at which the new Ford line will sell, but definite assurance has come from Detroit that the prices will be entirely in accord with the policy of the Ford Motor company to provide the best possible automobile at the lowest possible price.

45 Join Red Cross During Drive in Griffins Township

At the end of the drive for members, the Red Cross roll showed forty five new names in Griffins township as follows:

- T. B. Brandon, J. L. Coltrain, Jno. R. Coltrain, J. Edward Corey, R. J. Corey, Jas. A. Corey, Mrs. J. R. Corey, N. R. Daniel, Mrs. W. D. Daniel, Carl Griffin, Jos. E. Griffin, G. W. Griffin, Alonza D. Griffin, James A. Griffin, D. T. Griffin, Mrs. John A. Griffin, S. D. Griffin, W. J. Griffin, P. E. Getsinger, C. W. Gurkin, W. B. Harrington, Asa J. Hardison, Marvin Leggett, Grover Lilley, J. Eason Lilley, Kader Lilley, Jos. E. Manning, John E. Manning, B. R. Manning, J. J. Manning, W. E. Manning, Sylvester Peel, Mrs. Sylvester Peel, Wesley Peel, Heman Peel, Alexander Peel, Mrs. Collins Peel, A. C. Roberson, B. F. Roberson, G. E. Roberson, Mrs. Perlie T. Roberson, James A. Roberson, Buck Roberson, Henry Roberson, Louis H. Roberson, Harmon Roberson, J. E. Roberson, Alonza Roberson, C. T. Roberson, Mrs. C. T. Roberson, Benjamin Ward.

TO REPORT NEXT YEAR ON MAKING RIVER DEEPER

Congressional Action Depends on Engineer's Report

SHOALS AT MOUTH

Congressman Lindsay Warren Says Little Hope of Work If Report Is Unfavorable

A report of the District Engineer on the proposed improvement of the mouth of Roanoke river will be filed during the early part of next year, according to a recent announcement made by Congressman Lindsay Warren.

Mr. Warren has assured local citizens that if the report is favorable that he is confident that he can get Congress to adopt it. Should the report prove unfavorable, Mr. Warren stated that it would be very difficult to get Congress to adopt it.

The proposed improvement of the river's mouth is of much interest to people served by the Roanoke and Mr. Warren has given much time and study to the proposed improvement, but nothing more can be done until the report is filed.

Roanoke river is one of the deepest streams in the State, but its navigation is seriously impeded by the formation of shoals near its mouth. In spite of this a large amount of commerce is carried on over the Roanoke. The improvement to the mouth of the stream will not only assure the continuance of the present commerce, but will be a great factor in inviting a great deal more.

SPECIAL EDITION WORK GOING ON

National Publicity Number of Enterprise Being Well Received

The work of the National Publicity number of the Enterprise is going on rapidly and meeting with great success. Our merchants are being visited and the industrial information is being amassed. Our representatives in the field are receiving a very cordial reception and enthusiasm is waxing high.

This edition will be circulated all through the State and in addition will receive a thorough circulation all over the United States. Containing stories about our many businesses, our churches, our schools and the many advantages we have to offer to the manufacturer, it will be sent broadcast to the various chambers of commerce, Kiwanis and Rotary clubs, leading newspapers and public libraries and a particularly intensive circulation will be given in the New England states whose many factories are already moving to the South.

We wish to thank our many friends in advance for their help in aiding us in the preparation of this edition.

JOE N. MANNING HAS CLOSE CALL

Tractor Turns Over Into Mill Pond, Pinning Him Under Water

Joe N. Manning escaped death by only a few inches last Saturday when a road tractor turned over into the creek at the Hardison Mill. Manning drove the tractor too close to the edge of the road and caused the machine to topple over, pinning him in such a way that he could not get his head above the water. The wheel had his foot, and it looked for a time that there was nothing left to do but drown. However, after he pulled and tugged to free his foot, he succeeded in slipping it out of the boot and freed himself.

The tractor was pulled back to the road and after it was allowed to dry a few minutes it was started and put back to its work.

Joseph Daniels Pays Tribute to Elder Hassell

The Hon. Joseph Daniels, in his talk here Sunday evening, paid tribute to Elder Sylvester Hassell. Next to his mother, Mr. Daniels stated that he owed his success in life to the early instruction given him by Mr. Hassell, and that it was always a pleasure to visit him here.

Basket Party Next Friday At Macedonia School

A large attendance at a basket party is expected next Friday at the Macedonia school. Pupils and teachers there are making extensive preparations for the party and they are extending a cordial invitation to everyone to attend.

201 REGISTER FOR POWER ELECTION

Registration Books to Close Saturday; Election on December 20

Late yesterday afternoon, two hundred and one citizens had registered for the special power election to be held here the 20th of next month. According to a registration held in connection with the town election a few months ago, the number is just a fraction over half the possible voters. The books close next Saturday at sunset, and every citizen should see that his name is on the books before that time in order that he might vote in the election next month.

Mr. J. E. Pope, registrar, stated that the registration of voters has increased greatly in the past few days, and that he expected many more to register before the books close Saturday.

ARREST 717 AUTO LAW VIOLATORS

329 Arrested for Driving While Drunk Since New Law Went Into Effect

Three hundred and twenty-nine drunken automobile drivers have been arrested in North Carolina since July 1, when the new automobile laws went into effect. The number of drunken drivers equalled all other offenses against the automobile laws combined.

There were 179 people arrested for speeding, 107 for reckless driving, 61 arrested on miscellaneous offenses, 29 for violating the light law and six each for assault with deadly weapon and manslaughter, making a total of 717 arrests in all branches of the automobile law since July 1.

It is estimated, however, that there are seven thousand cases of over-speeding in the State every day. If every case was brought into court, there is no doubt but there would have been up to this time a half million cases before the courts.

HIGH SCHOOL TO PRESENT PLAY

"Cupid Up To Date" To Be Staged by Dramatic Club

"Cupid Up-to-Date," a modern musical comedy sponsored by the Dramatic club of the local high school and booked for showing here the 16th of next month, promises to be the real hit of the season. Members of the Dramatic club are greatly interested in the play, and are entering into it with much determination.

The play is a production of the Wayne P. Sewell company, of Atlanta. Its coach will be here the early part of next week, and practice will start immediately upon her arrival. Members of the cast will be selected when the coach arrives.

The high school is preparing the publication of an annual and the proceeds of the play will be used in financing the undertaking.

To Attend Meeting At Tarboro Tonight

Rev. C. H. Dickey, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Courtney and Mrs. Arthur Anderson will motor to Tarboro late this afternoon to attend a report supper in connection with the Centennial Fund now being raised in this section for the Baptist schools of the State.

Last week more than four hundred met in a similar meeting and another large crowd is expected this evening.

From all over the section, it is said, fine reports are coming in, signifying the noble manner in which the people are responding to this special educational appeal.

The campaign is scheduled to close early in December.

Second Big Shipment of Fertilizer Arrives Here

A second shipment of fertilizer, around fifteen hundred tons, arrived at the wharf of the Standard Fertilizer company here shortly after noon today. The shipment today brought the amount to around three thousand tons, leaving around six thousand to come in within the next few days. The unloading of the first shipment was completed this morning, and workmen were directed to the two new barges carrying the second shipment.

Miss Eleanor Stanback, of Mt. Gilead, who taught in the local schools last year visited Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Anderson during the holidays. She returned Sunday and was accompanied as far as Raleigh by Misses Lucy-Claire Ivey and Lillian Sample and Messrs. Bill Peel and Stanley Seesoms.

MARTIN COUNTY OVER TOP IN RED CROSS ROLL CALL

Report Not Complete, But Chairman Thinks More Than 500 Joined

LESS THAN 100 HERE

Griffins Township, Robersonville, and Hamilton All Have Good Reports; Other Sections Not Heard From

While a complete report has not been turned in, it is thought the Red Cross roll in the county will show 500 new members this year. Early reports from the various township chairmen have been exceptionally good, and the county chairman Harry Biggs thinks the final reports will show where more than 500 have joined the organization.

In the Robersonville chapter which is separate from the county unit, first reports showed where more than 100 had joined there.

Considering everything, the report coming from Griffins township is perhaps the best one that has been turned in so far. In that township where there are no towns, forty-five people enrolled within a very short time. Mrs. Chas. T. Roberson, chairman for the township, stated that the citizens there offered their support willingly.

Hamilton also sent in a worthy report. There around seventy-five members enrolled, and the drive was not near complete.

Early reports for Williamston showed where the town was falling behind in its membership drive. The first official count showed that the roll had a few less than a hundred members. Other townships in the county have not been heard from, but when the entire report is turned in the county chairman states the roll will show the greatest increase made in several years.

QUAIL SEASON TO OPEN THURSDAY

Season Also Opens for Wild Turkey at Same Time; Close March 1

Thursday will see the hunting season wide open, for then it is lawful to hunt most anything in the woods or fields. The State game laws opens the season Thursday on quail and wild turkeys. The season for this game closes March 1.

The quail season is expected to cause an addition of hunting licenses to be issued during the next few days. The sale of licenses has already reached a high point in this county, and when quail hunters turn to the woods and fields, the number is expected to rise.

URNS CAR OVER SEVERAL TIMES

Creswell Druggist Goes to Sleep Driving and Wakes Up Somersaulting

Yesterday morning about 4 o'clock, Mr. F. A. Williams, a druggist from Creswell, was on his way home from Washington when his Ford roadster suddenly left the road and turned over a number of times about two miles from here. Mr. Williams suffered a bad cut on the left hand and bled profusely. Fortunately a colored man came along about the time the accident happened and he brought Williams here. Dr. Rhodes was called, and he succeeded in stopping the flow of blood.

Mr. Williams, who had been driving practically all night said he must have dropped asleep just before the accident. He stated further that he awoke in time to somersault with the Ford.

Mr. Williams was driving the same little Ford that turned over with a man named Winstead near the fair grounds here a few months ago.

California Visitors Praise Progress of North State

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Mendenhall, of Long Beach, California, while here yesterday on a short visit, stated that the State had showed more progress in the past seven years than they could hardly imagine, and while they thought California was a great state, they would no say which was the best, North Carolina or California.

Mr. and Mrs. Mendenhall are High Point people, but for the past seven years they have lived in California. This is their first visit to this State in that length of time.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Stalls spent Sunday in Rocky Mount.

Mr. Frank Margolis, of Margolis Brothers, left Saturday for New York where he will purchase additional goods for the firm.

STORES PREPARE FOR CHRISTMAS

Many Merchants Receiving Christmas Goods; Good Business Expected

First appearances of the Christmas season in these parts came this week when large shipments of goods were received, unpacked and placed on display in the various stores here. While only initial shipments have been received, several of the stores are already crowded for display room, and it looks now as if the season will see the largest display of Christmas goods on display here than at any previous time. Freighters are running heavy to this point, and it is enough to cause one to wonder what will the merchants do with all the goods.

Merchants Optimistic
The merchants, generally, are very optimistic over the expected increase in business this season, stating that in the main, prices have decreased while quality remains stable. Though prices for farm commodities have not soared to the points of 1918 and 1919, they have been considered fair and will, no doubt, cause the sales this year to show an increase over those of last season.

HIT-RUN DRIVERS SENT TO PRISON

Two Hyde County Men Get Sentences in Penitentiary For Killing Woman

Judge Clayton Moore sentenced Joseph G. Baum, a 58 year-old Hyde County man to the State penitentiary for a term of from two to four years and James Burrus, a young Hyde County man for a term from three to four years, after they plead guilty to a hit and run charge in Beaufort County Superior court last week.

Several Sundays ago Burrus borrowed a car and was taking Baum and his daughter for a ride. They had not gone far before Burrus insisted upon Baum's driving. Though he had never driven that kind of car, Baum took the wheel and was speeding through Leechville when he struck and instantly killed Mrs. John D. Bullock, prominent Leechville woman. The car did not stop to offer assistance, but Baum and Burrus were arrested in Washington and held for court.

The trial was largely attended by many people from both Beaufort and Hyde county.

FOUR CARS IN ONE WRECK

Marmon, Dodge, and Two Fords Pile Up on Road Near Everetts Sunday

Four automobiles, a Marmon, a Dodge and two Fords, pooled their efforts and cooperated in one wreck on the Everetts road near the Beaver Dam bridge last Sunday evening and caused considerable damage. According to reports, the occupants of all four cars escaped with minor injuries. The Marmon and Dodge cars wrecked and caught a Ford between them. The second Ford turned over in a ditch in an effort to run around the wreck. Few details about the wreck could be learned.

Last night about three miles out on the Washington road, two Fords went together, but again the damage was confined to the cars. Henry Mizelle was driving one of the Fords, and a salesman of the Williams, Manning Motor company, was driving the other.

Baptist Church to Have "Giving Service" Sunday

Next Sunday has been designated by the local Baptist congregation as the day on which the church will subscribe its budget for the ensuing year.

An every-member canvas is put on each year in December. This year the pastor has announced that he wanted the membership of the church to all be present Sunday morning, where an opportunity will be given each one to make his subscription at the regular church service. In this way, a great deal of time will be saved for every one.

And at the evening hour, the church will undertake to assume its quota of the \$1,500,000 being raised for the Baptist schools in North Carolina.

Because of these two vital matters, it has been thought advisable to make both services Sunday "giving services"—in the morning the members will subscribe to the regular work; in the evening, to the special program.

It was stated by the pastor that at one of the services Sunday one of the Meredith College girls will be present to make a short address. Exact announcements as to this will be made later, it was stated.

HON. JOSEPHUS DANIELS SPEAKS HERE SUNDAY

Largest Audience of Series of Meetings Hears Noted Writer

LAST MEET OF SERIES

"Is America A Christian Nation" Is Subject of Mr. Daniels' Discourse; Tells Where We Fall Down

"The series of community services held in the school auditorium here was brought to a close Sunday evening when the Hon. Josephus Daniels addressed one of the largest audiences assembled during the entire series.

These meetings sponsored by the several churches and civic organizations of the town have run over a course of several weeks, and they have been of untold worth to the community. Many of the State's leading men have appeared in the meetings, showing what their work has done and is doing for the advancement of Christian citizenship in the State.

Asking the question, "Is America a Christian Nation," the Sunday night speaker followed the trend of time from the settlement of America down to the present, pointing out the effect wrought by various factors and wars. In the beginning the country was settled for the glory of God, and it was then a strictly Christian country. As time progressed, the country continued as a Christian one. Theoretically was this true even if the doctrines were not practiced. "But is it so today?" the speaker asked. "Is the country a Christian Nation in the sense it was fifty years ago, and are we drifting without faith, the kind alone that can give power and strength?" Mr. Daniels asked.

Mr. Daniels pointed out that it was not because of the Middle, but because of the great indifference toward the Church and its teachings that Christianity was failing. Indifference, he showed, was the greatest foe of the Church, and that has more to do with the failure of Christianity than all the other factors combined. Non-attendance upon the Church is growing, and it is alarming to know how many people never darken the doors of worship more than once, and then they do so just to get married and ask the blessing of the church. In our modern religion, we have turned from the one great commandment, "Love thy God with all thy heart and thy neighbor as thyself." Christianity is embodied in this one commandment, but we would rather turn our attention to the insignificant and minor things, and be alarmed when the youth of today sets out to seek the truth. Mr. Daniels stated that the Church is not to be worried about youth because it has its troubles and doubts so long as it is sincere and looking for the truth.

The effects of war on Christianity were pointed out, and the speaker showed how faith had been weakened by cooperative suicides. It wasn't the change brought about by modern warfare and wholesale murder upon the millions of American boys that has weakened Christianity; it is the change among the ones remaining at home that has proved almost fatal. The policy of America, "Don't be idealistic and we'll get rich" has been the cause for the ever increasing lack of interest in Christianity and its teachings. "And what is the Church doing about it?" the speaker asked. "We are thinking about No. 1; we are not interested in those steps that offer peace, for our's is an industrial aim. The United States is not a member of any of those bodies that are striving for world peace, but it is a member of the Four-pact treaty, one that does not allow China to collect enough taxes to maintain a government. We are interested in Nicaragua, not from a standpoint of Christianity, but interested in the protection of the concessions of rich Americans. Where America had the world as a friend in 1918, such policies have operated until today America turns her face to the sea but finds not a single friend.

Mr. Daniels, in bringing his address to a close, stated, "It is a serious situation in America and unless we wake up and take our place as a leader for peace, we will lose in the end." "America must sacrifice for peace as well as it must sacrifice for war," he concluded.

House Committee Favors Mellon Reduction Plan

The Republican members of the House Ways and Means committee voted solidly for the Mellon tax measure while the Democrats voted solidly for the measure advocated by Senator Simmons, Representative Garner, and the United States Chamber of Commerce. The vote stood 13 to 10. The Republican majority of three will go before the House next week as the committee recommendation.

The principal schedule for which Mr. Mellon stands is a reduction of the corporation tax.