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GROWERS TO GET 3 1-8 FOR PEANUTS SOLD TO OIL MILL

Average Price On the Open Markets Continues At About Three Cents

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Plans have recently been set up which should maintain a price of around 3 1-8 cents per pound to the growers delivered to oil mills where peanuts grade around 65 per cent meat content. We are informed that any oil mill can contract with the Government to handle these peanuts. The closest mills which have made these arrangements to date are the mills at Farmville and the Southern Cotton Oil Company at Weldon and Hertford. By the time this paper is read arrangements will probably have been completed with the Edenton mill.

There are two distinct types of contracts or plans by which peanuts are handled. One is the regular way in which the miller buys peanuts at market price and in turn crushes the peanuts and receives the adjustment payment from the government himself. Peanuts in this case are marketed in the usual way.

The other plan is where peanuts are sold on a meat or shelling basis to be crushed for oil, where the miller pays about 2 1-8 cents and gives the producer a receipted form known as PN-27, which is a government contract which in turn is delivered by the producer to his county agent and the producer is paid an additional \$20 a ton. In this way the producer receives the adjustment payment from the government, whereas with the other method of the miller himself receives the adjustment payment.

Peanuts that will shell better than 65 per cent should bring the grower \$1 a ton more than each additional per cent these nuts shelled above the 65 per cent. This is a good way to dispose of inferior or discolored peanuts that ordinarily would not bring such good prices as shelling stock. This plan will be explained in detail by some one in the county office to interested producers. The contract or form used as a receipt is available in the county office and should be carried or sent by the producer with his peanuts to the mill. Only reduction contract signers are eligible to participate in this plan.

All producers who have tobacco marketing cards that have not been turned into the county agent's office should do so at once. These cards must be checked and submitted to Washington through the state office before the adjustment payment can be received for 1935.

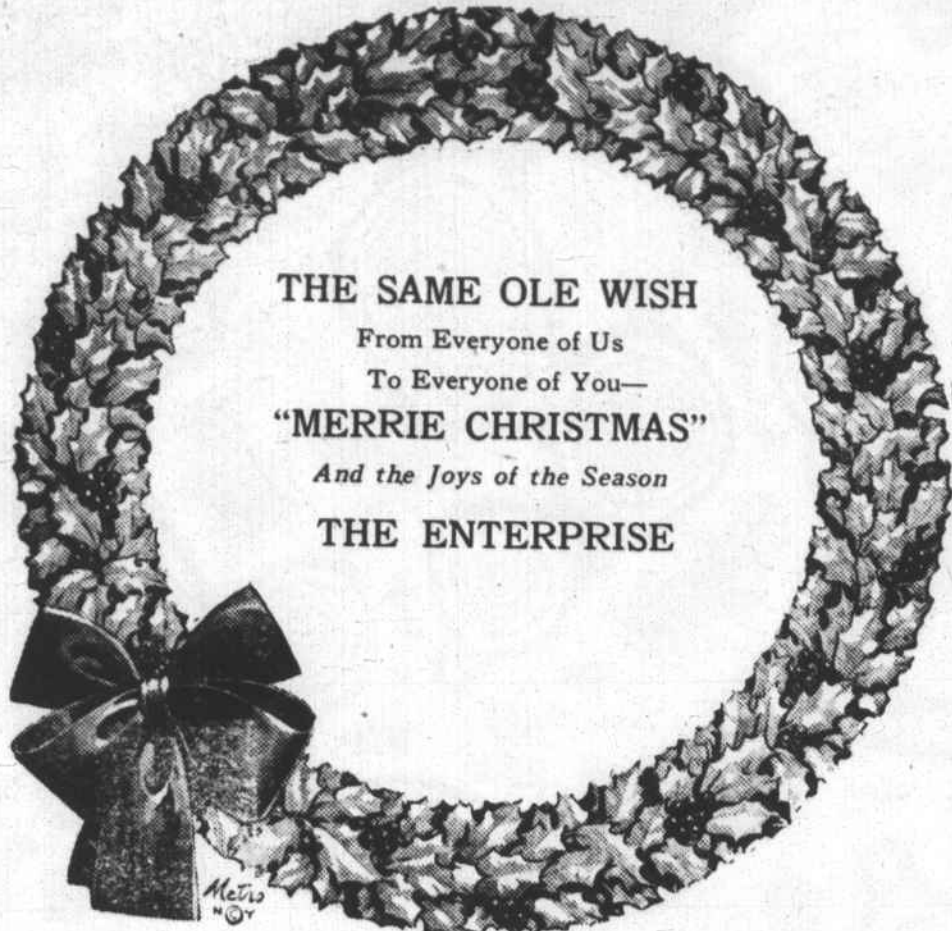
Gold Honor Roll Lists 25 Students

Reporting 25 names on the honor roll, the Gold Point school made quite a scholastic record for the last school month, the list averaging well toward the top in the county. Names of the honor pupils are:

First grade: Joe Ballard, Elliott Cherry, Willie Ray Williams, Gilbert Powell Taylor, Alice Lorraine Wynn Rachel Louise Keel, Francis Johnson.
Second grade: Kenneth Keel, William Earl Meeks, Melvin Marie Silverthorne, Evelyn Lee Silverthorne.
Third grade: Alec Knox, Ruth M Taylor, Lois Everett.
Fourth grade: Carl Atkinson, Curtis Roebuck, Evelyn Keel and Magnolia Edmondson.
Fifth grade: Virginia Mae Keel, Irene Crawford, Elizabeth Croom, Henry Johnson.
Sixth grade: Roscoe Wheelless, Gallette Crawford, Gorman Parrish, Edwin Powell, Sarah Grimes and Rachel Warren.

To Reduce Cotton By 30 Per Cent

The minimum adjustment in the cotton program for 1936 requires a 30 per cent reduction below the established base acreage. However, producers will have the privilege of reducing to a maximum of 45 per cent below the base. The adjustment payment will be 5 cents a pound of the average yield of lint cotton on land withheld from production under contract. This adjustment will be made in one payment.



THE SAME OLE WISH
From Everyone of Us
To Everyone of You—
"MERRIE CHRISTMAS"
And the Joys of the Season
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Christmas Programs Planned By Churches of Williamston

Truce Called in Decorations War Between Town, County

After risking their necks and braving unusually cold winds day after day for the past week or more, the courthouse gang and the town hall bunch called a truce in their Christmas decoration race last Saturday with both sides claiming the honors. And it is to be admitted that both the courthouse tower and the town hall dome are well decorated, but surely one is better than the other. In an effort to settle the matter, the public is invited to vote either for the courthouse group or the town decorators. Just drop a card to The Enterprise or make your opinion known to one of The Enterprise family and the results will be tabulated after Christmas. It is suggested that the decorations be viewed from all sides before casting a vote.

Sheriff Charlie, Joe and Roy have faithfully worked to bring the old county hall of justice out of the dark, and private donations were made by the employees at the courthouse to aid the cause. Mayor J. L. Hassell has been furnishing the ideas while Officer Allsbrooks climbed the high town hall dome to place the lights there in competition with the experts from up Philly way at the courthouse.

The truce was the result of a suggestion by an Enterprise reporter who feared that if the competition continued, some one would break his neck in adding to the decorations.

HONOR ROLL OF LOCAL SCHOOLS FOR PAST MONTH

Daily Average Attendance Not Holding Up So Well, Hix States

A small decrease in the number of honor pupils was reported in the local schools last month, Principal D. N. Hix stating that the list carried 110 names during the period as compared with about 125 the month before.

Average attendance records for the past month were hardly more than fair, Mr. Hix said, explaining that the high school and elementary department should have at least 12 or 13 more pupils to attend regularly.

The third month honor roll, just released, carries the following names:
Grade 1-a: Annie Chesson, Lucy Andrews, Helen Bounds, Louise Griffin, Suzanne Griffin, Louise Hines, Mary MacKear, Dorothy Leggett, Elizabeth Manning, Catherine Moseley and Elizabeth Taylor.
Grade 1-b: Frank Bennett, Roddy Everett, Therman Raynor, Nellie Fay Bunch, Ruby Harrell, Ruby Rogerson, Ruby Harrell and Eula Williams.
Grade 2-a: John Daniels, Jesse Gurganus, Wilbur Jackson, Erwood Old, Millie Coltrain, Sylvia Green, Francis Griffin, Irene Peel, Pattie Pillar.
Grade 2-b: Ida Gray Cherry, Dorothy Lowe, Marjorie Martin, Molly Peaks and Leila Faye Wynn.
Grade 3-a: Frances Booth, Mamie C. Holliday, Alberta Knox, Ann Meadow, Betsy Manning, Angela

Inmate of County Home Died Friday

T. U. Rawls, aged inmate of the Martin County home died there Friday night about 10 o'clock following a second stroke of paralysis suffered a short while before. He had been an inmate of the home for two years, going there from Bear Grass. About four years ago, he suffered a stroke of paralysis and had been an invalid since that time.

He leaves six sons and one daughter and two sisters, Mrs. Willie Roberson, of Bear Grass, and Mrs. Elizabeth Hollis, of the Robersonville section.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock and interment followed in the Biggs Roberson cemetery in Bear Grass Township.

SEND GREETINGS

Appreciative of the patronage accorded them and desiring to offer a token of good will, local merchants and other business firms here are extending greetings to all people of this section through the columns of this paper today.

A new hope and a greater understanding are created at Christmas time, and to enhance the value of these, the business forces of this town express, in a most sincere way, their wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Read the little messages, without which Christmas would be no more than just another day in the year, and know that these firms are interested in your happiness at all times, and especially at this glad season of the year.

All Denominations Except Christian To Have Services

First of Series of Christmas Church Programs Held Sunday Morning

Planned programs are featuring the Christmas season in nearly local churches this year, the first of the services being held in the Baptist church Sunday. The service was a dramatization of the Christmas story.

On Monday the Presbyterians are holding Christmas programs in Williamston at 5 o'clock p. m., and at Bear Grass at 7:30 p. m. On Tuesday, the 24th, programs will be held at Poplar Point at 4:30 in the afternoon and at Roberson's Chapel that evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Christmas night a service will be held in the Pentecostal Holiness church.

Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock, a Christmas program will be held in the Methodist church. In addition to the tree there will be songs and readings suitable for the occasion, Rev. R. R. Grant said. The public is cordially invited to attend.

No Christmas program has been planned at the Christian church.

Church of the Advent
Choral Eucharist at 11:30 p. m. on Christmas Eve. At this service the hymns and anthem will all be those for Christmas. The service will be shorter this year and will last about one hour.

On Christmas Day at 5 p. m., there will be a mystery play, entitled, "The Holy Night."

Holy Trinity Mission
On Monday, December 23, there will be a Christmas program and tree at the Holy Trinity Mission. There will be Christmas poems, songs, and a story. All the community is cordially invited to attend. The hour is 7:30 p. m.

Location of Trench Silo Is Important

In locating a trench silo the three most important things to consider are: Drainage, soil, and convenience. It is therefore best to dig the silo on a slope or hillside. This allows all surface water to run away from rather than into the trench. A stiff clay soil is best, as this prevents caving and also lessens the cost, as the sidewalls will not have to be lined. If possible, the silo should be located near the barn. However, if the drainage and soil is not right then convenience must be sacrificed for cheapness in construction.

Cheer Will Be Provided For Many Homes Here

Local Merchants All Set for Frantic, Last-Minute Buyers

Only a few hours are left to complete Christmas shopping, but local merchants continue to restock their shelves as rapidly as the goods are sold, and buying activities are unusually brisk.

Shoppers are here this year by the thousands, the Saturday crowds, despite cold weather, being recognized as the largest to ever come to Williamston in a single day. A spirit of good cheer is evident as the thrifty buyers go from store to store and the cold winds on the

streets. The holiday season has been rather slow in coming into its own, but it is in full swing and a rush will feature the few remaining shopping hours.

Local merchants are striving earnestly to serve their patrons to every advantage, offering the largest assortment of Christmas gifts and seasonable goods at values that just cannot be surpassed. A special invitation is extended to the people of this entire section to join the happy throngs in Williamston for that last-minute shopping.

Distribution Will Be Made Tuesday; 300 Children Are Listed

Nearly \$70 In Cash Donated To Advance Christmas Cheer Movement

With the exception of assorting a few articles that were donated at the last minute, the Christmas Cheer movement is about ready for launching. Hundreds of toys have been collected from over the town, local citizens responding willingly and generously to the call. Most all the toys have been repaired and painted, and every effort has been made for a suitable distribution among the numerous little children in nearly 50 homes where no Christmas could be afforded without outside aid. Actual distribution is planned for Tuesday, and while the list of needy children has been carefully prepared, it is possible that there are other needy ones not included. Anyone knowing of destitute families are urged to notify The Enterprise, giving names and ages and addresses. The names will be checked with those on the present list to avoid duplication, and will be gladly included where they were originally and inadvertently left off.

Until noon Saturday cash donations totaled approximately \$67.88. This money will be used for the purchase of fruit and candies. Each child is scheduled to receive a pair of stockings with one partially filled with confectioneries. Donors and the amounts are acknowledged here as follows:

Mrs. A. J. Manning, 30 cents; Mrs. H. Everett, 10 cents; a friend, \$10.; W. J. Hodges, \$1.; Mrs. C. H. Booth, seven cents; Mrs. M. L. Barnes, 10 cents; Enterprise, \$8.; Woman's club, \$10.; Sanitary Grocery Company, a box of oranges; Mrs. H. G. Horton, \$1.; Garland Woolard takes care of one family; Miss Kate Philpott, \$1.; Peele Jewelers, \$1.; Davis Pharmacy, \$5.; Red Cross, \$10.; M. J. Moye, \$1.; Henry Manning, \$1.; Branch Bank, \$5.; C. H. Godwin, sr., 50 cents; Luther Peel, \$1.; B. S. Courtney, \$1.; Bruce Wynne, \$1.; Alice V. Stallings, \$1.; Culpepper Hardware Company, \$1.; Jimmie Harris, 45 cents; M. Rice, 45 cents; Frank Margolis, \$1.; Dawson Lilley, \$1.; V. E. P. Company, \$2.36; Roanoke Chevrolet Company, \$5.; Charlie James, 50 cents; Jesse Nelson, 50 cents; Williamston Motor Company, \$2.; Jessup Harrison, 50 cents; Raymond Taylor, 50 cents; Hubert Coburn, 25 cents; John E. Pope, 25 cents; S. R. Biggs, 10 cents; Jack Biggs, 25 cents; Harry Biggs \$3.; Proctor Shoppe, 25 cents; L. B. Harrison, 25 cents; Pete Fowden, \$1.; Earl Wynne, 10 cents; D. V. Clayton, 50 cents; Dr. W. C. Mercer, \$1.; Bob Peel, 35 cents; Jos. Griffin, 25 cents and George Moore, 50 cents.

Confectioneries, purchased with the fund, will be distributed equally among the approximately 300 little children, and in their behalf, The Enterprise extends a world of thanks to those who are making the cheer campaign possible.

In conducting the cheer fund, The Enterprise hastens to remind the people of this town that there are still many opportunities left to advance the Christmas spirit among the less fortunate. If you wish to brighten the day for some one by extending individual aid, by all means do so, and don't hold back on account of the united cheer drive. The task is a big one, and the more one does, the more happiness there will be for all.

The Enterprise also wishes to acknowledge the mechanical aid rendered after working hours by the Messrs. J. D. Wollard and son, Geo. Harris, of the Culpepper Hardware Co., J. C. Manning and others and Mrs. F. W. Hoyt for soliciting funds.

Saturday Shortest and the Coldest Day of Season

Winter made its appearance last Saturday by both the calendar and the thermometer, a wintry blast from the cold regions pushing the mercury down to 14 degrees that morning and calling out the plumb-er. It was the coldest time this fall. The day was the shortest in the year.

Resettlement Loan Committees Named

To Finance Farmers Unable To Secure Credit Elsewhere

Eligible Farmers Advised To Make Plans Now For New Year

Arrangements have been virtually completed in this county for advancing loans through the Resettlement Administration to deserving farm families, David Modlin, director of the service in this district, said this week. County and local committees have been named for nearly every section in the county, and farmers eligible to participate in the loan fund should make arrangements now for the new year.

The county committee is composed of H. S. Everett, T. B. Slade, T. B. Brandon, H. H. Cowen, S. H. Grimes, and Miss Lora E. Sleeper. Other committees are:

Oak City: J. W. Hines, J. C. Ross, and W. T. Daniel.
Hamilton: D. G. Matthews, Jesse Everett, and J. H. Davenport.
Jamesville: J. E. Hedrick, Clarence Sexton, and Charles Davenport.
Williamston: Tom Harris and L. P. Lindsay.

The committee list will be completed within the next day or two, Mr. Modlin said.

In nearly every community in this county are to be found farm families who, because of unfortunate circumstances—such as severe family illness, poor management, inadequate land resources, lack of training, lack of equipment, exorbitant interest rates and resulting debt and foreclosures—are not financially solvent but are nevertheless industrious and deserve a chance to try again.

Resettlement Administration provides practical guidance and extends loans to deserving families in this class to enable them to purchase subsistence, seed, fertilizer, tools, work animals, and other things needed on the farm. Sometimes a better farm must be provided; in most cases the family is assisted where it is. In either case, those who receive these loans and practical guidance are called rehabilitation clients.

These families are also aided to self dependency thru resettlement's debt adjustment service. In many cases experienced adjusters are able to secure compromises and reductions in debts which brightens the way for the debtor, makes a workable farm program possible and builds up his morale so that he can make a new start. I might add that this debt adjustment service is available to all citizens.

MANY CERTIFICATES ARE TURNED IN FOR RESALE
Martin cotton growers have turned in approximately 25,000 of surplus cotton ginning certificates for re-issuance and local sale.

LEGUME CROP BEST FOR RENTED ACRES
A legume crop that may be used for improving the land is the best crop to plan on acres removed from the cultivation of cash crops, say extension officials at State College.

TOY SHOW

The special show at the Watts theatre last Friday afternoon was a marked success in advancing the Christmas Cheer campaign here. Nearly two hundred toys were received from the little folks for distribution among the needy children of the community this week. While no accurate check had been made Monday morning, it is certain that the less fortunate children of Williamston will have a toy Christmas without fail this year.

Jamesville Officials Plan To Start Drive For Tax Collections

Books Are at Sexton and Davenport Store For Tax Collections

In a recent meeting, the town of Jamesville commissioners planned a tax collection drive and discussed a number of matters in the civic interest of the community. Tax books have been prepared and are now in the store of Sexton and Davenport, the authorities directing property owners to make immediate settlement of their accounts there. It was pointed out that immediate collections would make unnecessary expense that would ordinarily follow the appointment of a regular collector.

The appeal for tax payments is advanced with the assurance that needed improvements will be made and that the laws of the town will be strictly upheld. During the past several months, the officials, Messrs. R. C. Sexton and C. A. Askew and Mayor Pro-tem Luther Hardison, have incurred much individual expense in their efforts to place the town finances on a sound basis and effect an efficient municipal governing system.

Farm Life Wins Two From Roper

Roper.—In the opener of a double header played at Williamston last week, Farm Life girls completely outclassed Roper by a score of 35-12. Corey's shooting for Farm Life was the only feature of the game.

The boys' game was a thriller from the beginning. At the end of the game the score was tie, 14-14. However, in the overtime affair, the Farm Life lads gained a lead. The final score was 21-15 in favor of Farm Life.