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ALL PRICES BUT SEVERAL STATES FOOD DECLINING HIT BY ANTHRAX

Industrial Curtailment Herald a Business Readjustment, Declares the Federal Reserve Board.

Washington, D. C., July 26.—An important readjustment of business conditions characterized by decreases in industrial and trade activity and lower prices was declared by the Federal Reserve board to be under way throughout the United States.

The board called attention to reduced earnings by industrial workers with a consequent curtailment in their buying power and sharp decreases in production. The lowered prices have carried to every commodity except food which remains almost unchanged.

"The considerable expansion of production during the early months of 1924," the board said, "was followed by important curtailment in certain industries, in response to a lessened volume of current purchases and a hesitancy on the part of the manufacturers in placing forward orders. In fact, there has been in recent months a larger decrease in production of certain commodities than in their current consumption, and in consequence stocks of these commodities have been reduced.

"The recession in business activity has slumped since April by a decreased demand for commercial purposes and this, together with the continued inflow of gold imports, has brought about an unusual ease in the money market. The decrease in the volume of commercial borrowing, however, has been less than the additional purchases of investments by commercial banks so that the total of member-bank credit in use not only is larger than at the beginning of the year, but larger than in any previous period."

AQUONE ROAD WORK PROGRESSING NICELY

Harley Yonce, we learn, will complete his contract on the road from Valley River Gap, at the Cherokee County line, to the Morgan Cut, this week. W. C. Sandlin, engineer who surveyed the road, went over it last week and found that the work done on that portion had been done according to survey and contract.

For some reason R. L. Barnett and W. L. Davis have not been working any the past week on their portion of the road from Morgan Cut to Nantahala Bridge, but we presume they will finish it by the first of September, that being the date for the completion of the road. They have about one mile of entirely new road to build, which is about completed. When finished it will be a fairly good road and one that we will all be proud of.—Andrews News.

Farmers' Picnics.

Please remember the Farmers' Picnics next week and note the dates and places as shown below:

August 4th—Smith's Bridge—At the spring near the home of Mrs. Geo. W. Gray.

August 5th—Cartoogechaye—In the grove near the home of Mrs. Arthur Siier.

August 6th—Cowe—Iotla School House.

August 7th—Mill Shoal—Sulphur Springs.

August 8th—Ellijay—T. B. Higdon's Grove.

August 9th—Sugarfork—Tison's Store.

A good program has been planned and good speakers secured. It is hoped that every farmer that possibly can spare the time will carry his family to one of these picnics. The day's outing, the association with the neighbors, and the speaking, will all do you good. If you do not believe it, just try it this year.

Score of People and 7,000 Cattle Die from Disease in Mississippi, Tennessee and Arkansas.

Memphis, Tenn., July 29.—Federal, state and county forces joined hands today in a concerted effort to check the spread of anthrax in Mississippi, Tennessee and Arkansas, where more than a score of persons are reported to have died of the disease which has also taken a toll of approximately 7,000 head of livestock.

Plans for a vigorous campaign against the disease were formulated at a conference of representatives of the three states, who met here yesterday with representatives of the bureau of animal industry of the United States department of agriculture and the city of Memphis.

Reports made by representatives at the congress indicated that a total of fifty counties in Mississippi, Tennessee, and Arkansas already are infected, with grave danger of the disease spreading to other counties unless prompt action is taken.

Governor Henry L. Whitfield, of Mississippi, said 25 counties in that state had infected herds and that about 16 persons had died. Six deaths have been officially reported.

Arkansas reported twenty infected counties, with a death list of six or eight persons and a loss of 2,000 or more head of livestock.

Five counties in Tennessee are infected, the state veterinarian reported, but no deaths have resulted in this state, so far as is known.

Senator McKellar, of Tennessee, who attended the conference, sent a telegram to Secretary Henry C. Wallace, of the United States department of agriculture, last night, urging the aid of the department in the campaign against the disease.

What Ten Million Fords Mean to the Southland

Close on the heels of the Ford Motor Company's recent announcement of the production of the ten millionth Ford, comes the information that during the first six months of 1924 over a million Fords were built and sold.

Just what this means to the South is strikingly shown by the fact that during the past year the Ford Motor Company purchased in the South materials totaling over \$41,300,000, while the Atlanta plant on Ponce de Leon Avenue buys in Atlanta alone over a quarter of a million dollars worth of merchandise annually.

Cotton, the staple product of the South, runs second only to steel in value, five million dollars worth of woven cotton, and three million dollars of raw and waste cotton being purchased during the period mentioned.

Steel tops the list with a figure well over twenty-three million dollars, and other contributions of the Sunny South to this monumental industry range from sulphuric acid to sponges and fire bricks.

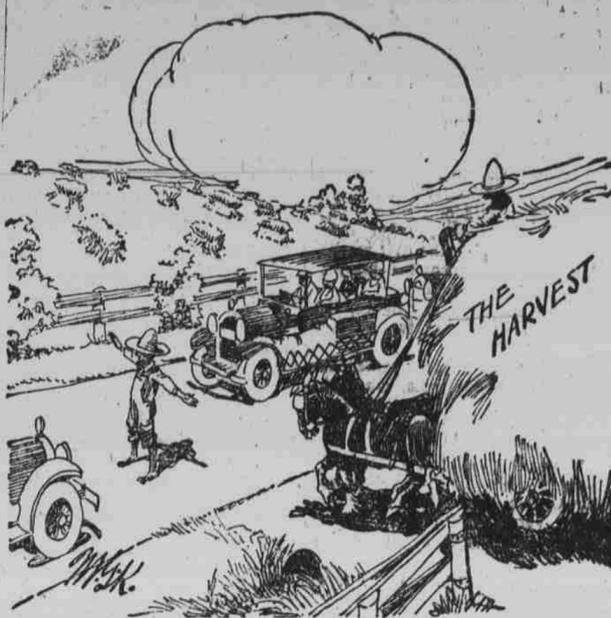
These figures take into consideration only materials purchased direct by the Ford Motor Company and does not include raw material purchased by the Company's suppliers to be fabricated and put into assemblies prior to shipping to the Ford Motor Company.

Another item of interest is the fact that each working day in the year an average of forty-two freight cars are loaded and unloaded at the Atlanta plant, keeping one entire train crew busy practically all the time. In keeping with the high standard of efficiency in other departments, the cars are unloaded on one side and immediately loaded on the other, thus eliminating switching and obviating the possibility of delay due to lack of rolling equipment.

Farmers' Tour.

Attend the Farmers' Picnics next week and make your plans and final arrangements for making the trip. See County Agent Arrendale for full particulars.

The Right of Way



LOCAL BRIEFS AROUND TOWN

Short News Items of Local and Personal Interest To Our People Gathered During the Past Week.

Ms. Robt. Stamey, of Prentiss, was a visitor in Franklin last Monday.

Miss Allie Caler, from Nantahala, was in Franklin shopping one day the first of this week.

Rev. and Mrs. R. H. Daugherty, of Winston-Salem, N. C., spent a few days here last week visiting relatives.

Mr. F. S. Johnston, Jr., and family, of Plant City, Fla., are visiting relatives in Franklin.

Mrs. J. W. Reynolds, of Albany, Ga., arrived here the first of this week for a visit with relatives.

Mr. Lewis Angel left last Saturday for Haines City, Fla., after spending a few days with his family here.

Mr. T. B. Higdon, Jr., of Atlanta, Ga., spent the last week end with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. John Leach, of Andrews, spent last Sunday with relatives here.

Mr. W. M. Morrison, of West's Mill, was in town on business last Saturday.

Mr. E. B. McCollum, of Proctor, N. C., spent the last week end here.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Deitz and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne McCracken of Sylva, spent last Sunday here.

Mr. G. W. Grindstaff spent last Friday in Sylva.

Rev. Geo. Cloer, of West's Mill, was in Franklin last Monday.

The annual Siler Family Reunion will be held at the home of Mr. C. W. Slagle, on Cartoogechaye, Thursday, August 7th.

Corporation Commissioner W. T. Lee, with his wife and daughter, motored over and spent a few hours in our city last Friday.

Mr. Lee Burch, of Nantahala, was in Franklin on business a short time last Friday.

Mr. R. C. Brown, of Buck Creek, Clay County, spent a couple of days with friends here last week.

Mr. W. F. Curtis spent the last week end with his family here.

Mr. Paul West spent the last week end with home folks here.

Mr. A. L. Loeb left last week for his home in Atlanta, after spending some time here with the General Mica & Clay Co.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Newman and family left last Saturday for their home at Grand Rapids, Mich., after spending a few days here with Mrs. Newman's sister, Mrs. W. W. McConnell. They traveled by automobile, returning by way of Washington and other points of interest in the East.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Robt. T. Bryson, on Friday, July 25th, a fine girl, Mattie Pearl Bryson.

Spend your money with your home merchants. They help pay the taxes, keep up the schools, build roads, and make this community worth while. You will find the advertising of the best ones in the Press.

APPLE GROWERS EXPECT BIG CROP

Plans Will Be Made in Asheville Next Saturday For Marketing the Apples of This Section.

Asheville, N. C., July 29.—Plans for marketing the bumper crop of apples anticipated in Western North Carolina this season, will be made at a meeting of the Western North Carolina Apple Growers Society in this city August 2nd.

The society, composed of leading apple growers in the mountain section of the State, will also make plans for extensively advertising the apples of Western North Carolina in competition with apples grown in the West and elsewhere.

The meeting here will be held in the Chamber of Commerce hall at 10:30 o'clock, Saturday, August 2nd. One of the matters of business will be the election of a director to take the place of the late Col. Robert P. Johnson, who recently died in this city.

A vice-president is also to be elected for the society, Colonel Johnson's death creating a vacancy there also. In addition to this the society will adopt its new constitution and by-laws.

The society will make arrangements for putting on a display of apples at the State Fair and at the Made in Carolinas Exposition this fall. Plans will also be considered for organizing apple week in this section.

Bobbed Hair Will Not Ruin Women, Jimison Says

Spencer, N. C., July 28.—"It will take more than a pair of shears to ruin the good women of this country and send them to hell," declared Rev. Tom P. Jimison in a sermon before a large congregation at the First Methodist Church here Sunday when the pastor discussed bobbed hair and other things under a general theme of "Intolerance." Neither will short-skirts or long skirts ruin the women, he said. It will also take more than the dance hall or the swimming hole to wreck the purity of the women of this country, according to the declarations of Mr. Jimison. He has too strong faith in the women to believe any such stuff, declaring that intelligence, integrity and character are the requisites for teaching school. Mr. Jimison criticized the local school board for requiring applicants to state whether or not they wear bobbed hair. He stated that they might as well require them to go back to the styles of a few decades ago and require them to wear hoop skirts and pantallettes.—Charlotte Observer.

Cunningham-Kelly.

The following announcement was received by friends here this week: "Mrs. Eliza Kelly, of Franklin, North Carolina, announces the marriage of her daughter, Lassic, to James Kerr Cunningham, on Friday, July the fourth, nineteen hundred and twenty-four."

HAVANA EDITOR PRAISES ROADS

Reports Carried to the Island From North Carolina by Road Delegation Enthuse Cuban People.

The system by which the State of North Carolina built its highways is held up as an example for the Cuban government to follow in a recent editorial in the Havana Evening News, one of the American newspapers published in Havana, Cuba. The editorial which was based largely on reports received from the Cuban delegates to the Pan-American Roads conference touring the United States is as follows, in part:

"North Carolina made a \$50,000,000 bond issue three years ago. The money was not handed over to politicians, it was paid to road workers, and the roads were built. The delegates to the Pan-American Road Congress now touring the United States, say that the North Carolina system beats all other states when it comes to comparing the length of time that the road work has been going on and the results that have been obtained.

"North Carolina is not as big as Cuba. It has not the population equal to Cuba, North Carolina does not have the crop valuations that Cuba can show. Why should not Cuba be able to do what that state has done and more?"

"There is not as much land left open for development in North Carolina that would increase so greatly in value as there is in Cuba. There are not the possibilities of increasing production in North Carolina as there are in Cuba. A system of good roads in Cuba would attract many times more visitors in the winter than have been attracted to North Carolina to remain an indefinite period."

The editorial then goes on to say that Cuba would profit materially by following the plan of North Carolina in its road building scheme and points out the many ways that the money so expended would be doubly repaid to the country. It countermands the fear of some people that the politicians would get the money by saying that "It is not to be expected that some persons would not make a financial profit, but the benefit to the people as a whole would far offset any such personal gains."

The editorial then calls attention to the improvement of educational facilities that came to North Carolina as a result of good roads which enabled the children at great distances to attend schools of high standing and emphasizes that such is what Cuba needs.

"The real work of building the roads will bring more profits to the people who are piking along in little deals than they ever thought of," says the writer. "It is the big opportunities that count, and the little fellows now getting small sums could go after the big business, and at the same time give the country something for its money."

The writer urges the people of Cuba to follow such a plan as that of this State so that all may be well benefited in many ways. He concludes by saying "Cuba must have good roads like North Carolina."

County and Township Democratic Conventions

The Democratic County Convention is hereby called to meet in the Court House in Franklin, on Saturday, the 10th day of August, 1924, at 2 o'clock P. M., at which convention the county ticket will be nominated, other than those who have been nominated at a Primary heretofore called, and their nomination to be confirmed.

The Democrats of each voting precinct in the County, in each Township will hold a convention on Saturday, the 9th day of August, 1924, for the purpose of electing the Township Ticket and electing Delegates to the County Convention to be held on the day and date above stated.

At the County Convention a Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee will be elected for the next two years, and any other business that may come before the Convention. (Signed) A. W. HORN, Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee of Macon County.