

Greenville Market All Set For Opening; 4 Sets Of Buyers

Greenville, N. C. Aug. 23, 1944: In the language of the sailor, Greenville's warehousemen are clearing their decks getting ready for action, anticipating one of the best seasons in the history of their market. With an acreage over last year and possibly a better yield per acre the warehousemen realize they will have more tobacco to handle than for several years and are making preparations to handle it.

Tobacco growers coming to Greenville this year will find little or no change in the personnel of the warehouses. Harvey Ward, with M. D. Lassiter, will be at the Center Brick; B. T. Cannon and his sons will operate the Dixie; R. E. Rogers, H. R. Rogers and R. E. Harris will be at the Harris and Rogers Warehouse; R. V. Keel and James T. Keel will operate Keel's Warehouse; C. H. McGowan, the McGowan's Warehouse; W. Z. Morton will be at Morton's Warehouse; Floyd McGowan at the New Carolina; G. V. Smith and B. H. Sugg at the Smith and Sugg Warehouse; and Gus E. Forbes and O. L. Joyner will operate the Victory. Everyone of these warehousemen have been on the Greenville market from 10 to more than 30 years. Experience gained in years of selling, places them at the top; no better warehousemen can be found on any market, in any Belt or in any State. Every effort has been made to handle this year's crop with a minimum amount of congestion; Greenville warehouses are large and spacious and have a floor capacity of 5,000,000 pounds. The Greenville warehousemen, their staffs of floor men, book

men and office forces are capable, and courteous, thus assuring the best of service to the grower from the time he drives thru the door until he receives his check. They will make selling tobacco for you a pleasure this year and before the market closes they will have added many more new patrons to the long list the market already boasts.

SOUTHERN FARM MARKET REPORT

Georgia-Florida flue-cured tobacco prices for medium to better grades ended third week sales at the highest levels of the season, but inferior grades continued to decline with the majority showing losses of \$1 to \$3 from a week ago, according to the war food administration. In South Carolina, prices moved upward for the week with averages by grades gaining from \$1 to \$8.

Supplies of hogs in Georgia, Florida and Alabama were larger this week than last with more local hogs moving to plants as well as increased rail shipments from outside points. Offerings at other southern markets and in the mid-western section were short of requirements and prices on nearly all hogs, including sows, held firm at or near ceiling levels.

Cattle receipts were somewhat lighter at most southern markets and prices held steady to firm. Fleishy medium and better grade cattle and calves were in active

demand and scarce, while lower grades continued plentiful but at stronger prices. Cow runs were liberal. Recent rains have improved pastures and strengthened demand for stockers and feeders. In Georgia, Florida and Alabama cutter and common steers and heifers brought \$8.70 to \$9.30, at Nashville, cutter to low medium grassers were \$7.50 to \$12.50.

Supplies of live poultry continued plentiful. Markets were strong for fryers and broilers in Florida, Kentucky and Mississippi, but weak in Tennessee North Carolina and Georgia, where there were exceptionally heavy offerings. Prices ranged from 25 to 28 1/2 cents a pound. Hens were weak in Mississippi, North Carolina and Georgia, but supplies in other southern states were about in balance with demand.

Egg markets were steady to firm on finest quality stock with some points short of demand. Quality below the very best continues easy to weak with trading dull. Georgia and Florida are now importing a considerable quantity of eggs for local consumption. Prices on large white grade A range from 42 cents a dozen in North Carolina to 50 cents in Florida.

Movement of fresh fruits and vegetables were seasonally light. Watermelons and a few late Elberta peaches are still moving from Georgia and the Carolinas. Harvesting of southern pears was active and sweet potato forwardings from most southeastern

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Below is given the table showing sales, gross receipts and average price paid for tobacco here since 1902.

Year	Sales	Gross Receipts	Average Price
1902	22,296,077	\$ 2,430,272.39	10.90
1903	22,201,771	1,507,500.25	6.79
1904	14,806,479	1,465,481.42	9.90
1905	15,319,469	1,329,899.20	8.42
1906	14,242,566	1,525,378.82	10.71
1907	15,509,720	1,702,967.25	10.98
1908	18,752,357	1,845,222.09	9.84
1909	17,071,092	1,449,813.56	8.49
1910	10,836,123	1,167,121.33	10.77
1911	8,818,181	1,318,998.97	14.79
1912	16,381,076	3,255,561.88	19.88
1913	20,819,160	3,961,886.15	19.03
1914	29,889,568	3,999,224.20	13.38
1915	34,170,720	4,155,159.64	12.16
1916	28,454,333	5,753,466.13	20.22
1917	33,244,378	10,262,539.49	30.87
1918	37,815,279	13,624,844.66	36.03
1919	42,330,569	22,720,280.44	53.67
1920	62,204,930	13,446,382.91	21.61
1921	42,864,162	12,169,100.75	28.38
1922	42,342,360	12,679,644.28	29.94
1923	71,517,350	15,856,541.43	22.18
1924	52,931,467	14,125,168.21	26.68
1925	76,666,277	20,514,758.23	26.75
1926	69,662,228	18,712,054.71	26.86
1927	76,563,264	17,609,225.08	23.00
1928	84,247,626	17,202,236.39	20.43
1929	82,820,692	16,830,792.68	20.32
1930	86,096,010	11,897,669.55	13.82
1931	66,362,724	5,992,660.77	9.03
1932	37,709,530	4,654,830.35	12.34
1933	70,552,142	18,668,702.74	16.82
1934	52,447,572	15,572,423.53	29.69
1935	72,038,434	15,464,116.86	21.46
1936	52,132,796	12,104,503.59	23.21
1937	72,848,534	18,721,543.15	25.69
1938	63,140,268	15,184,151.79	24.05
1939	91,007,768	15,039,003.40	16.53
1940	64,140,898	11,830,881.24	18.45
1941	50,752,936	15,296,263.46	30.15
1942	60,358,918	23,697,483.69	39.26
1943	54,621,410	21,975,720.48	40.25

states increased. Virginia apples continue to come to market and small vegetables were in liberal supply at nearby markets with prices much lower than at this time last year. Cotton prices continued to advance gaining about 85 points in the week. The advance was attributed mainly to proposals to

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