

Bright Leaf Tobacco Markets Opening In N. C. And Georgia

Georgia Markets open Tuesday with Good Prices; Third day's Report said Prices Rising; Border Belt Opens Wednesday

Valdosta, Ga., July 26 — Prices for the majority of grades in the Ga-Fla flue-cured belt continued steady to slightly higher today—the third day of auction sales, the marketing service of the USDA reported.

Medium quality lugs, cutters and some green leaf offerings advanced \$1 a hundred pounds to lead the advances. Green lugs, primings and non-descript, showed decreases of \$1 to \$2 a hundred.

A general average of \$41.35 was established for the belt Wednesday, 13 cents per hundred higher than the opening day average.

Markets on the Border on South Carolina belts open next Wednesday and warehouses are already filling rapidly. It is expected that opening prices will be tops, around ceiling.

Another week will find most of Duplin's tobacco housed and hundreds of farmers are expected to begin selling on the Border belt.

FARM LOAN ACT AMENDED BY CONGRESS

Leading Powers of Land Banks and Farm Loan Associations Increased.

DeWitt Carr, secretary-treasurer of the Clinton National Farm Loan Association, said today that under the new legislation recently enacted by Congress, it will be possible for the association to handle loans more expeditiously and the with more of the lending process turned over to the associations, the prospective borrowers will be told more quickly of what action will be taken on their applications for long-term loans from the Federal Land Bank of Columbia.

Under the new law, the land bank may lend up to 65 percent of the normal agricultural value of the farm, whereas since 1917 it has been limited to 50 percent of the appraised value of the land plus 20 percent of the permanent improvements.

Land Bank Commissioner loans will be continued for one year from July 1, 1945. They may be made up to 75 percent of the normal value of the farm. However, the contract interest rate on these loans will be 5 percent except to veterans who may borrow at 4 percent in the event the loan is guaranteed under the G. I. Bill of Rights. The contract rate for land bank loans through the association will remain at its present all-time low of 4 percent.

Secretary Carr said that many of the Commissioner loans have been reduced to a point where they can easily be refinanced with 4 percent land bank loans which will give these borrowers interest savings of 1 percent.

The office of the Clinton Association is located in Clinton, N. C., and handles land bank and Commissioner loans in Sampson, Duplin, Pender, New Hanover and Brunswick Counties.

Army Chaplain 170th Anniversary Sunday

Testimonials by three soldiers wounded in combat service, on the subject, What My Chaplain Meant to Me, together with brief talks by Col. Ralph W. Rogers, Chaplain of the Fourth Service Command, and Dr. L. D. Newton, will highlight a special independent network broadcast next Sunday morning, July 29, featuring the 170th anniversary of the U. S. Army Chaplain. Music for the broadcast will be furnished by the Ft. McPherson Chorus and the Lawson General Hospital Band. The hour for the broadcast is 8:30 A. M. (EST).

This program can be heard on WFTL, Raleigh.

FROM THE SOCIAL SECURITY OFFICE

MUST FILE FOR BENEFITS

Tom Larkin reached his 65th birthday on a Saturday. He was pleased as a kid about it. "It's neat to have it come out that way," he said. "I'll finish up the week and finish up the job at the same time."

That night he walked home from work for the last time. "From now on I'm a man of leisure," Tom said to his cronies. "With our savings and my old-age benefits, Della and I can live out the rest of our lives without me working. It's the pipe and paper for me from now on."

After that day Tom Larkin was always on the lookout for the postman -- he was expecting his benefit check to come in any mail. But it didn't come and it didn't come. After two months' time Tom Larkin got mad. He wrote to the Social Security Board. "What's the matter you don't send me my benefit check?" he said. "Is it because there's a war on? I need my benefits now, not when I'm dead!"

He got a letter pronto. And that was the first time Tom knew he had to file a claim before he could get benefits.

Are you another Tom Larkin? REMEMBER, delay in filing your claim may mean a smaller "average monthly wage". So don't put it off. File as soon as you become 65 years of age.

CARLTON ANNOUNCES SCHOOL PLANS

Principal Ralph Carlton of the Kenansville schools announces the official opening date as August 16th. Mr. Carlton announced that parents of children entering school for the first time must certify that the child was six years old before Oct. 1st, 1945, otherwise the child cannot be admitted. He urged that every beginner be at school on opening day.

Mr. Carlton stated that all children beginning school for the first year will be required to take vaccination for typhoid and smallpox if they have not already been vaccinated. Parents are urged to have this done. Mr. Carlton will be in his office at the school building on Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 13 and 14 from 9:00 to 12:00 and 1:30 to 3:30 for the purpose of advising and assisting students who have problems concerning their school work and parents who may have school matters or problems who want to talk them over with him.

Opening exercises will be held at 9:15 and all patrons are invited to attend these exercises and at an time during the school year as they can and wish to.

Teachers in the local school are: Miss Louise Ellis, French and English; Miss Martha Goodman, Math and Science; Miss Dorothy Frederick, Home Ec.; In the Grades: Mrs. Mattie Sadler, 8th; Miss Lela McDonald, 7th; Mrs. Wm. Ingram, 6th; Mrs. Albert Outlaw, and Miss Elizabeth Taylor, 5th; Mrs. Hazel Scott and Mrs. Oliver Stokes, 4th; Miss Mildred Pate and Mrs. Louise Mitchell, 3rd; Miss Gertrude Johnson, 2nd; Mrs. I. C. Burch and Miss Elizabeth Sparkman, 1st.

AWARDED GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL

Pvt. George W. Whaley of Kenansville has been awarded the Good Conduct Medal for "exemplary conduct, efficiency and fidelity."

Pvt. Whaley is a member of the famed Infantry "Wildcat" Division, which last fall wrested the Palau and other Western Caroline Islands from the Japs.

His mother, Mrs. Matilda Whaley, resides on Route 1, Kenansville.

RECEIVES BRONZE STAR MEDAL



1st. SGT. ROBERT H. SYKES, First Sergeant Robert H. Sykes, of Kenansville is shown receiving the Bronze Star Medal from Brig Gen. Carl A. Baehr, VI Corps Artillery Officer, Seventh Army VI Corps, 36th F. A. Bn., Haar Area, Germany.

WARSAW ROTARIANS HEAR REPORT ON TOWN SURVEY

Van Camp Reports Progress On Warsaw Municipal Post War Survey

At the weekly Rotary meeting Thursday, July 26th., Paul M. Van Camp, consulting engineer of Southern Pines, N. C., was the speaker.

Mr. Van Camp is conducting a survey and drafting a municipal plan for post war improvements for the town of Warsaw. His talk was a progress report to acquaint the Rotarians with what he has done and what his plan calls for.

Mr. Camp traced the history of Warsaw and presented charts to show that Warsaw's growth ran parallel with the steady population increase of Duplin County. He pointed out that Warsaw's geographical location and excellent existing transportation facilities make it a natural distributing center for the area.

The purpose of this survey is to find out just what Warsaw has in the way of municipal engineering and to outline a rational and orderly blue print for expansion.

This municipal improvement plan calls for the following proposed improvements:

- 1st. year: Water and sewage extensions and improvements
- 3rd. year: Street paving improvements
- 4th. year: A new modern city hall and an area municipal airport
- 6th. year: Additional street improvements.

Accident Victim Dies In Goldsboro Hospital

James F. Newsome, 19 year old Faison youth, died in the Goldsboro Hospital last Saturday morning from injuries received at Bowden Wednesday night of last week. He was found on the highway with one eye out, his nose torn off and a fractured skull.

A coroner's inquest will be held this afternoon. Officers suspect foul play.

Funeral services were held at the home Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. D. L. Jones, pastor of the Faison Presbyterian church. Burial was in the family plot of the Faison Cemetery.

Surviving are his parents; one brother, Leonard Newsome, Jr., (with the Army in Germany; and one sister, Evelyn of the home.

Notice Colored Teachers

Duplin County teachers Federal Credit Union, has \$988.96 available for loan to the teachers. They may apply anytime for a loan.

Principal Robert A. Merritt, Secretary-Treasurer.

Nash Unveils 1946 Car



DETROIT, MICH.—Above you get a first look at the new 1946 low-priced Nash passenger automobile which will feature light weight, more room and more economy according to George W. Mason, president of Nash-Kelvinator Corporation. The car will give 25 to 30 miles per gallon of gas at moderate speed and embodies many improvements in styling. These will be the first new cars turned out by the company since 1942. Its wartime experience in mass producing aircraft engines, Mason said, will result in many improvements.

Local Camp Supt. Gets Promotion

John Sharpe Williams, superintendent of the Duplin County State Prison Camp since 1931, has resigned, effective July 1st, to take over the job of prison maintenance supervisor for the Eastern part of North Carolina. His headquarters are in Raleigh and he is expected to move there around September 1st.

Mr. Boone, at one time, a night guard under the supervision of Mr. Williams, succeeds him as supervisor of the prison camp.

DUPLIN SOLDIER HOME ON FURLOUGH

Pvt. Horace Brock of Warsaw and Faison is spending a few days furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brock of Faison.

Pvt. Brock saw action with the Timberwolf Division at Terry Island, in the European area. He has been overseas 8 months. He won the Purple Heart and Oak Leaf Cluster and Infantry Medal of Good Conduct.

Pfc. Hardison Fought On Okinawa

Pfc. P. G. Hardison recently wrote as follows: Hello Friends: We have finally quit fighting on Okinawa, so I'll tell you that I was in it. The battle lasted at least 90 days and it wasn't so good at times. I was lucky to come through without a scratch. I thought at times my time had come but with the help of God I made it O. K. I'm sending a hello to all.

as ever Paul

P. S. I get the Duplin paper often.

Chats Of Interest

Since I have been in Kenansville, I have had many interesting chats with all kinds of people from all walks of life. It is through conversation with people that one gets an insight into their natures and personalities.

Generally speaking though, there is something else revealed as one talks with the people of a certain community and that "something" is the revelation of the "pure essence" of the community's soul.

From my general observations and conversations, I believe this "pure essence" is composed of many of the higher things after which any community would strive.

To a "newcomer", the people of Kenansville are the prime centers of interest, because the town doesn't offer any skyscrapers or the like for the curious to feast their eyes upon.

These people whom I have made

INCREASED LARD SUPPLY FORECAST

North Carolina housewives were told this week by the state department of agriculture that they may be able to purchase more lard next year.

D. S. Coltrane, assistant agriculture commissioner, said that the hog crop next year is expected to be about 13 percent greater than this year.

Hogs now being marketed, he added, are from the 1944 fall pig crop, which was 34 percent smaller than the record fall crop of 1943.

NEWS OF WARSAW MEN IN SERVICE

Sgt. Johnson Home From Overseas

Sgt. J. P. Johnson, arrived at his home in Warsaw Monday to spend a 45 day furlough with his mother, Mrs. C. L. Johnson. Sgt. Johnson returned last week to the states after serving in the South West Pacific for 33 months. He was attached to the Medical Corps Hospital unit and before going overseas was trained, at Ft. Custer and Ft. Ord.

Home From Pacific

Lt. (jg) Edward Strickland, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Strickland of Warsaw, arrived Thursday and is spending a furlough with his parents. He received his wings and commission in 1944 and went overseas last December. He was piloting bombers from the deck of an aircraft carrier and struck at targets at Iwo, Okinawa, and Tokyo. He is with his parents at Carolina Beach this week.

War Ration Book 5 New Gas Book In Dec.

FSA Families Profit From Native Fruits

FSA families in Duplin County will find it easy to fill their fruit canning quota this year due to the abundance of local fruit.

Mrs. Leslie Hinson, a FSA Tenant Purchase borrower, says that she has canned 110 quarts of huckleberries and sold over \$100 worth picked in the woods near her home by her and her family.

This extra money helps out the family finances at a time when labor is high and is needed to take care of the tobacco crop.

Last week, Mrs. Hinson, with the use of a feed mill, demonstrated to her by the Home Supervisor, Mrs. Madeline E. Smith, canned 28 quarts of tomato juice. Mrs. Hinson says, "This is the easiest way to take care of a bumper crop of tomatoes and my family likes tomato juice every morning for breakfast."

With seven in the family, it will take 560 qts. of canned foods to feed the Hinson family and Mrs. Hinson is confident that she will reach that goal.

Warsaw Infantryman Awarded Medal

Pfc. James F. Costin of Warsaw, has been awarded the Good Conduct Medal for exemplary conduct, efficiency and fidelity.

Pvt. Costin is a member of the famed "Wildcat" Infantry Division, which fought so nobly in the Carolines against the Japs. His wife, Mrs. Pearl A. Costin, resides at 2618 3rd Ave., Columbus, Ga., and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Costin, at RFD 2, Warsaw.

Auto Dealer Pays For Overcharge

The Raleigh District OPA announced yesterday that a "particularly serious" case of an overcharge in the sale of a used car has been settled with the payment of \$1,155.00 in treble damages to the Treasurer of the United States by J. C. Beasley, used car operator of Colerain.

The case was settled after the price clerk of the Colerain WP&RB checked the transaction and referred the matter to the district enforcement attorney. Investigation revealed that the purchaser paid Beasley \$1,065.00 or \$385 above the OPA ceiling for a 1940 model Chevrolet deluxe town sedan, whereas the certificate of transfer, signed by Beasley, showed \$660 as the sales price.

The case was settled only 10 days after OPA advised the dealer of its findings. Check for the damage has been received in Raleigh and forwarded to the Treasurer, OPA added.

This should serve notice to dealers and public alike that reported and proved violations are costly to those who try to get away with illegal sales.

General Weather -Crops Conditions; July 15-21

Rainy weather interfered with the burning and cropping of tobacco in this section throughout the last two weeks. With almost daily rains, farmers have been unable to get maximum use out of the limited labor available for farm work.

Frequent rains along the eastern edge of the piedmont have greatly improved the outlook for corn, late tobacco, pasture and hay crops. The rainy weather, on the other hand, has drowned some tobacco in low poorly drained spots and delayed burning thereby overrunning curing barns which resulted in heavy losses on some farms.

Cotton made rapid growth but was becoming somewhat "woody" favoring weevil infestation. Soils were generally reported "too wet for peanuts". Pastures made an amazing recovery and milk production is expected to reach a peak around August 1.

Schools Will Again Serve As Agents For Distribution.

War Ration Book No. 5, "smaller than a dollar bill" and containing just half as many stamps as the last book issued, will be distributed through the public schools in December, OPA has announced. The new A gasoline ration book will be issued at the same time.

Distribution will take place from December 3rd through December 15th, OPA stated. The A gasoline books will go into use December 22 and war ration book five will be used soon after the first of the year for food rationing and for rationing of shoes.

The new books will be easier to carry and handle it was said. It will be just as long as book four, but only half as wide. Arrangement of stamps are more convenient. The new stamps will be the same size but will not have both a letter and a number as the present stamps do, and OPA hopes the new edition will be the last of the series of wartime ration books.

At the current rate of making stamps good, OPA explained — five red stamps and five blue stamps at the beginning of each month — war ration book five can last if needed, about 15 months.

Since war ration book five will not go into effect before January 1, it will be necessary to use other stamps in book four as substitutes for foods and meats during the interim.

War ration book five will be the fourth war ration book to be distributed by school teachers and other volunteers. The first was distributed on May 4, 1942.

The new A gasoline book, the third issued under rationing, will differ from the present book only in color. The book will contain five sets of coupons, six coupons to a set number A-18 through A-23. Each set of coupons will cover a different period. The first set numbered A-19 becomes good on December 22, it was stated.

OXFORD 26 TOBACCO

Farmers are generally well pleased with the results of the new variety of tobacco, Oxford 26, on wilt land. At a field meeting on Ellis Raynor's farm near Chinquapien, a group of farmers estimated that 96 percent of a five row check plot of Mammoth Gold was lost from Granville Wilt. It was estimated that less than 3 percent of Oxford 26 planted beside the Mammoth Gold was affected with this dreaded disease. Other similar comparisons have been reported.

Approximately 400 acres of Oxford 26 was grown in Duplin County this year, on wilt infested land. This new variety of tobacco is only recommended for wilt soils. It is estimated that the Oxford 26 variety which gets its name from the Oxford Experiment Station where it was developed, will save the farmers of North Carolina \$60,000.00 from losses from Granville Wilt.

BEULAVILLE SOLDIER WITH 38th DIV.

Battling for seventeen days thru the Sierra Madre mountains a 38th Division rifle company, including S-Sgt. William T. Smith, of Beulaville, North Carolina, killed 67 Japs, captured many prisoners and large amounts of equipment to wipe out the last remnants of enemy resistance in that area.

Blowing up a score of caves in its advance, the company took two complete 77MM guns which had been hidden in tunnels by the Nips.

15 heavy and 5 light machine guns, knee mortars, small arms, ammunition and demolition stores, also fell into American hands and were later used against the Japanese.

S-Sgt. Smith is the son of Mrs. J. D. Smith, who resides at Rt. 1, Beulaville.