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Records Prove Farmville To Be "Your Best Tobacco Market"

Monday's Average Reveals \$18.85 Paid Per Cwt.; Rush Reported As Passed With Space Available Any Day

An average price of \$18.85 per pound was paid on the Farmville market Monday, as 838,862 pounds of the golden weed were sold for a total of \$158,101.78. This average was paid despite the fact a large amount of the offerings was of low and medium quality.

Wednesday's sales brought the season's offerings to 25,342,310 lbs. which was sold for \$4,050,590.40 at an average of \$15.99. These figures include the 9,749,866 pounds sold prior to the marketing holiday for an average of \$14.32 a pound.

While the rush is over, and sales during the middle of the week becoming lighter, the competition on the market each day is just as keen and prices just as strong as at any time so far this season.

Farmers will not experience any trouble from this time on in getting space on the market any day, but it is advisable to bring your tobacco to market before the weather becomes too cold to handle to an advantage. After this week farmers will be able to sell their tobacco the day it is brought to market.

The records so far show that Farmville is "Your Best Tobacco Market", so bring the remainder of your tobacco to this market where you will know that the warehousemen will give it that careful attention that is so necessary in order to get the top price.

Ark Royal Takes Nazi Ship Prize

London, Nov. 9.—First Lord of the Admiralty Winston Churchill told the House of Commons today that the aircraft carrier Ark Royal, which Germany repeatedly claimed to have sunk, has captured a valuable Nazi ship.

He referred to the captured ship as a most valuable recent prize, indicating it was a merchant ship.

Churchill estimated that Germany has lost between two and four submarines every week since the war began.

"What I told the house with much reserve six weeks ago," he said, "I can now repeat with much more assurance—namely, that we are gaining definite mastery over U-boat attacks."

He estimated Germany is completing two new U-boats each week—"at a rate our expectation is that we must face the prospect of 160 U-boats being available by January, less whatever sinkings occur in the interval."

Carolina General Nurses Met Thurs.

Wilson.—The Carolina General Nurses Alumnae held their regular monthly meeting at Farmville Thursday evening in the Chapter House of the Major Benjamin May Chapter D. A. R. at 8:30 o'clock with Mrs. L. N. Glover and Miss Evelyn Horton as hostesses.

The Chapter House was beautifully decorated with chrysanthemums, dahlias and marigolds. After the business meeting, Miss Horton introduced the Rev. J. E. Rountree of Kingston, who is conducting a class in Psychology for the nurses of Memorial General Hospital there. Rev. Mr. Rountree spoke on the subject of "The Nurse," making an inspirational address enjoyed by all.

Miss Myra Maxwell, Superintendent of Nurses of the Carolina General Hospital, was winner of the prize in the contest of the evening.

The guests were invited to the banquet room of the second floor for refreshments. Centering the lovely colonial banquet table was a crystal bowl of chrysanthemums, flanked by yellow tapers in silver candlesticks. Mrs. Ted L. Albritton and Miss Mary Alice Beaman were seated at the table serving Hawaiian cream and black coffee. Assisting in serving angel cake, mince and salted nuts were Mrs. J. L. Shackelford, Mrs. J. O. Pollard and Mrs. G. A. Jones.

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Will Observe Armistice Day

Congressman L. C. Warren to Speak; Parade Planned

Extensive plans are being made for a joint Armistice Day program to be held in Greenville Saturday under the auspices of the two American Legion posts in the county, located at Farmville and Greenville.

The program calls for a parade, ceremonies in the Austin building of East Carolina Teachers College, and a barbecue dinner, also at the college.

Congressman Lindsay C. Warren, who has just returned to his home in Washington, N. C., from the special session of Congress called to revise the neutrality bill will be the principal speaker for the occasion. Due to the great interest in American neutrality and the recent discussion in Congress, the general public is invited to attend the exercises.

A parade of all ex-service men is scheduled to start from the courthouse at 10:30 o'clock, arriving at the college in time for the exercises, which will begin promptly at 11 o'clock. All ex-service men are urged to participate in the parade, attend the program and remain for the barbecue dinner.

Because Armistice Day comes on Saturday, no efforts are being made to have a general holiday. Business firms, however, are urged to allow any ex-service men in their employ time from their duties to take part in the parade, attend the ceremonies and dinner. The dinner is scheduled for 12:30 and persons should be able to get back to their work by 1:30 or 2 o'clock.

RANCH SINKING

Terry, Mont. — At the rate of a foot or two a day, about fifteen acres of the ranch of Ed Bright has sunk to a depth of forty feet. Geologists believe the sinking is caused by the collapsing of a "bubble" in lava strata underlying the region.

Hooy Urges Help For Ex-Convicts

Tells Chadbourn Audience That Community Agencies Should Aid in Rehabilitation

Chadbourn, Nov. 8.—Governor Hooy urged last night that all civic clubs and churches in the State aid prison authorities in getting jobs for persons discharged from prisons so as to aid in their rehabilitation.

Speaking at a district meeting of Rotarians, the Governor pointed out that "one great problem confronting the people of the State is how to reduce crime and prevent the increase of criminals in our midst."

"Effective efforts are being made through the probation and parole system and much good is being accomplished," said Hooy, but he pointed out that probation usually deals with first offenders and that only about one out of 20 prisoners are paroled.

"A plan is in process of adoption by our prison authorities to get the civic clubs and churches in each county to form a public relations committee to whom the state prison may send the name of every prisoner from that county that day he is released and advised home," explained the Governor. "This is with a view of trying to help him get a job and located in a good environment as possible."

"This would result in saving most of the returned prisoners from getting into trouble again and would do much to aid in their rehabilitation."

"I urge full cooperation on the part of these clubs and the churches and likewise the whole public."

"If we seriously wish to reduce crime and solve the expensive crime problem this will make a substantial contribution toward that end. Steady work on a regular job is one of the best preventives of crime."

Farmers Hear J. E. Winslow At Call Meeting

Greenville, Nov. 8.—In a called meeting of the Pitt County Farm Bureau, which was held in this city last night, J. E. Winslow, president of the N. C. Farm Bureau, delivered a talk on the need of a government farm program for 1940. Appearing on the same program were: E. F. Arnold, J. H. Waldrop, B. B. Sugg, J. H. Blount, Robert Daar, Roy Cox, Raymond Furnage and E. R. Bennett. Haywood. Dail presided over the meeting.

In opening the discussion, Mr. Winslow stated that there was no provision for a 1940 farm program. He said that the 1939 program was made possible by the Farm Federation Bureau, and that in order to have one for 1940, funds must be provided.

"The Farm Bureau can make such a program possible, if we are organized in Pitt County and have a broad-gauge live-at-home program," stated Mr. Winslow. "Also with this done it would be the best county in America."

"By diversifying crop rotation, livestock, poultry and cash crops by proper farm legislation, the farmers will be able to buy cars, radios and can better educate their children," said the speaker.

Winslow charged that some seem to think the farmers are loading the government too much. "In regard to this he stated, 'There are those who yell that we are loading the government too much, when the farmers get one billion dollars. The public is loaded with a four-billion dollar tariff program. The government gets \$800,000,000 each year from tobacco.'

"One year the government made \$500,000,000 from tobacco, while the farmers received only \$76,000,000 for the crop."

In closing Winslow said that a farm organization must be made soon, because someone must go before congress to protect what the farmer has and to secure for the farmer's farm treatment.

E. F. Arnold, said in his speech, "Memberships give influence to our leaders when they go to congress, and in order to be prepared for emergencies, such as the closing of the markets this year, we must have a program to prevent such happenings."

Arnold charged that the persons who market the administrative rulings are men who never see the "sun rise" and that the local officials have no part in making rules, but merely carry them out.

J. H. Waldrop compared the need of an organization for farmers to that of a bank to a banking organization, and said that the Guaranty Bank, which is connected with the state, stands ready to help a farm organization and would support such a program.

B. B. Sugg reported that the membership drive given the Farm Bureau last year totaled \$700,000 this year. J. H. Blount spoke highly of the plan of organizing.

Raymond Furnage, well-known business man of Ayden, stated that his business is well-balanced farm program, which he thinks will come as the result of organization and support of the Farm Bureau.

E. R. Bennett, Roy Cox, Robert Daar and Haywood Dail expressed their view on the matter and each was highly in favor of the farmer organizing plan.

Jr. O. U. A. M. District Class Initiations To Be Held in Grifton

Grifton, Nov. 9.—District Council for John Hill Payor of Farmville, announced today that the fall district class initiation of the 17th District of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics would be held at the council hall of Grifton Council No. 45 at Grifton, on November 16, with the Grifton degree team in charge of the ceremonies.

Mr. Payor stated that a large class of candidates for admission into the "historic" fraternity was scheduled to receive the initiation degrees, coming from subordinate councils in Wilson, Wayne, Greene, Pitt and Lenoir counties.

Churchill Tells Of Gains at Sea

Admiralty Chief Reveals Loss of British Submarine in Accidental Blast; But Asserts Commons Allies Command Seas; Warns That Germany Is Able to Launch Two New U-Boats Each Week; French Report Enemy Pushed Back Thrice; Nazi Planes 'Bomb' Paris with Leaflets

London, Nov. 8.—Winston Churchill thundered "we shall break their hearts" in a confident recital tonight of Britain's gains at sea against the German U-boats.

The First Lord of the Admiralty reported loss by accidental explosion of the British submarine Oxley, but said the Navy had whipped the German submarine and pocket battleship Menece.

Publication of the loss during the first week of the war of the Oxley, which normally carried 54 officers and men, was forbidden at that time. Churchill said "every loss inflicted by the enemy has at once been announced."

He did not disclose where or exactly when the Oxley was sunk or if any loss of life was suffered.

He told Commons in his weekly report on sea warfare, that German submarines have been sunk at the rate of between two and four a week since the "fairly sound, conservative estimate."

Two Per Week. However, he added, Germany was capable of turning out two new ones a week and he expected Britain must face 100 U-boats in January, less whatever sinkings have occurred.

He announced also that the number of lives lost by Britain's Navy alone was greater so far than all French and British services combined.

Known Naval losses, exclusive of any suffered in the explosion of the Oxley, were at least 1,340 lives, including 810 on the sunken battleship Royal Oak, 615 aboard the aircraft carrier Courageous, and 15 during German air raids on the Irish off-Forth.

The British Cabinet studied the peckish appeal of Queen Wilhelmina and King Leopold, but Prime Minister Chamberlain told Parliament he could make no statement on it today.

Authorized sources saw little hope of concrete results in the peace move.

Labor Leader Clement E. Attlee declared his party welcomed the initiative of the lowlands' governments and Laborite George Lansbury called to President Roosevelt a plea for his powerful support x-x-x for immediate conference to end disastrous war.

Provides Aid For Disabled Vocational Rehabilitation Office to Open in Greenville

Greenville, Nov. 7.—Charles E. Warren of Raleigh, state supervisor of the North Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation department, was in Greenville yesterday afternoon making arrangements for the opening of a branch office here.

The local unit will serve 27 Eastern North Carolina counties and will be under the management of H. A. Wood, assistant state supervisor. In addition to Mr. Wood, at least one other person, probably will be employed at the office here.

Mr. Wood will spend most of his time in the field, but will make his home in Greenville. He has rented an apartment at the corner of Third and Woodlawn streets.

The first clinic will be held here Friday, when over 50 persons are expected to be interviewed.

The announced purpose of the Vocational Rehabilitation program is to remove from society the burden of maintaining a large group of dependent persons who, because of physical disability, are unable to earn a living and support their dependents through their own efforts.

During the week-end, Mr. Wood will be in Greenville, and will be in charge of the office here.

Beaver Dam Home Burns With Toll Of Five Persons

Four of Victims Children of Mr. and Mrs. Leland Hayes

Grim tragedy struck in Beaver Dam township about midnight Saturday when the three-room abode of two families burned to the ground, snuffing out the lives of one man and four children ranging in ages from 18 months to nine years.

The dead: Van Walston, 44, farmer; Magdalene Hayes, nine; Geraldine Hayes, five; Donald Hayes, three and Kermit Hayes, 18 months. The four small victims were the children of Mr. and Mrs. Leland Hayes, while Mr. Walston was a cousin of Mrs. Hayes.

Three other small children in the house when the fire broke out were saved when E. H. Walston, brother of Mrs. Hayes, grabbed two in his arms and told the other to hold on to his coat and run outside the burning building. The three youngsters rescued were the children of Mrs. and Mrs. Cooper McCandless.

Mrs. McCandless and Mrs. Hayes are sisters. They, with their husbands, were at the home of their father, Ernest Walston, about 100 yards away when the fire broke out. They were sitting up with the corpse of Mildred Hughes McCandless, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McCandless, who had died of pneumonia on Saturday. The body was taken to the home of her grandparents because of the crowded condition of the Hughes McCandless home.

The two Walston men had been left to take care of the children. E. H. Walston said he was sitting by a fire in one of the rooms and that he was awakened by the crackling of flames. Van Walston was asleep in the room with the four Hughes children. L. E. Walston was quoted by Coroner A. H. Ellinger as saying after rushing the three McCandless children to safety he attempted to enter the building thru a back door, but said he was blocked by the blaze. He said he calls received no response and that he never heard a siren from his house, but that he heard the moans of the small children.

Graded tobacco had been placed against the door in the room in which they were sleeping and he was unable to get into the room without going through the other part of the house. He and neighbors who had quickly assembled were unable to reach the children and Van Walston.

The bodies of all four were turned beyond recognition. A coroner's inquest Monday afternoon found that the five came to their deaths by a fire of undetermined origin.

Funeral services for Van Walston were conducted at the Coley cemetery near Stantonburg Monday afternoon. He is survived by four brothers: Percy, William, Martin and Buster; Walston; two sisters, Mrs. Maude Pittman and Mrs. Josephine Walston.

As soon as the fact that the building, more than 100 years old, was made chiefly of heart pine and the tobacco in the home were contributing factors to the rapid spread of the blaze, which enveloped the entire building and made assistance impossible.

The tragedy occurred near Joyner's crossroads about four miles from Farmville.

WHO KNOWS?

1. How long did the Senate debate the Neutrality Bill?
2. What did the stock market collapse do to the depression?
3. How many provinces are there in Canada?
4. What was the outcome of the Battle of Britain?
5. How many German ships in the Baltic are now going back to Germany?
6. What sort of an American president will soon be leaving in the British Army?
7. What is the estimated national income for 1939?
8. What does the Trade Agreement Act imply?
9. How long has Ambassador Grow remained in the U. S. in Tokyo?
10. How many American radio operators are there in the United States?
(See "The Answers" on page 3)

Hitler Escapes Bomb Blast; Munich Explosion Kills Six, Injures Scores

German Fuehrer Escapes Attempted Assassination in Beer Cellar by Scant 15 Minutes

Berlin, Nov. 9.—Hitler escapes unharmed in apparent attempt on life in Munich; blast wrecked beer hall, kills six, injures 60 shortly after Fuehrer leaves unexpectedly; government hurriedly posts \$200,000 reward, points to "plot originating abroad."

Munich.—Hitler says Germany ready for 1939 war, will "talk to the English in language they will understand," fails to mention Belgian-Netherlands mediation offer.

London.—Churchill reports success against German U-boats and sea raiders; admits loss of British submarine by accidental explosion with lives of four officers and 49 men.

The Hague.—Hope for success of Netherlands-Belgian mediation offer dwindles, but informed quarters feel offer will keep two nations themselves at peace.

Brussels.—Government spokesman says peace offer will increase difficulty of any immediate invasion of Netherlands or Belgium.

Washington.—Maritime Commission discloses transferring of fifteen Standard Oil tankers to Panamanian registry; commission and Secretary Hull stand pat in differences on similar transfer of eight United States Lines vessels.

Paris.—French report German thrusts on three Western Front sectors repulsed by machine gun fire.

Because of large losses suffered by retail storekeepers and merchants in accepting checks on the Treasurer of the United States bearing the forged endorsement of the "Fuehrer," the U. S. Secret Service earnestly urges that you secure positive identification before accepting the Government check which the person presenting same is known to you or your clerk to be the right payee.

Soviets Warned By Italian Press

Told to Keep Hands Off Balkans in B. I. N. T. Warning by Virginia Gayde

Rome, Nov. 8.—Italy bluntly warned Russia yesterday to stay out of the Balkans and the Danube basin because the European powers have acknowledged Premier Benito Mussolini's mission as guardian of peace there.

The warning was served by the Journalist Virginia Gayde, frequent mouthpiece of Mussolini in the Giornale D'Italia and constituted the sharpest pronouncement thus far on Italy's attitude toward Russia and the new Soviet-German working agreement.

Referring to yesterday's manifesto of the Communist International, on its 22nd anniversary of the Russian revolution, Gayde said:

"This manifesto proves that there is no direct accord between Moscow and Berlin and that Communism, with its destructive plan, dominates the Soviet government."

"He referred to the manifesto's statement that 'Germany as well as England and France is fighting for world hegemony' in an imperious way."

The Corriere D'Italia struck sharply at the manifesto's attack on Italian neutrality and alleged that "the Italian Comintern is avoiding the propitious moment to hurl itself against the loser and claim its share of the victor's spoils."

"The Communist appeal assigns to Russia that candid mission as guardian of peace in the Danubian region and the Balkans and affirms that its action has impeded the transformation of the European conflict into a world war," Gayde wrote.

"Mussolini's Italy and not Communism, Russia assumed this mission, everybody in Europe has acknowledged this."

"Italy's clear policy of peace and collaboration which for some time has been applied to the Danubian and Balkan countries preserves peace and stability, which nobody would have thought could be achieved by approach."

EUROPEAN SUMMARY

Berlin, Nov. 9.—Fuehrer Adolf Hitler last night escaped by 15 minutes an "attempted assassination" at the birthplace of Maslem in Munich and a \$200,000 government reward for information as to identity of the "foreign instigators" blamed for the plot was offered immediately.

Six veteran Nazis who faced bullets with Hitler 16 years ago today in the abortive Munich "beer cellar putsch" were killed and 60 persons were wounded in an explosion that shattered the Burgerbrau beer hall shortly after the Fuehrer had finished an anniversary speech to his old comrades. Hitler had left before the explosion.

The official statement issued by the propaganda ministry early today said:

"The Fuehrer arrived in Munich yesterday in connection with the anniversary of the Old Guard for a short visit. In the place of Hess (Rudolph Hess, deputy leader of the Naz party) the Fuehrer himself delivered a speech in the Burgerbrau."

"Since affairs of State forced the Fuehrer to return in the course of the night, he left the Burgerbrau sooner than expected and entered a train which was held in readiness."

Reward Offered.

"Shortly thereafter an explosion took place in the Burgerbrau cellar, killing six Old Guards and injuring more than 60."

"The attempted assassination seems traceable to foreign instigation and aroused frantic indignation in Munich."

"In order to ascertain the perpetrators a reward of 500,000 reichsmarks has been offered."

Last night, shortly after the explosion, telephone communication with Munich was suspended because of a disturbance, according to the Berlin central exchange, which said it was uncertain how long the disturbance would last and that its cause was unknown."

Blame Foreigners.

The blast ascribed officially to an "explosive body" which might mean a bomb, occurred at 9:55 p. m. (8:35 p. m. yesterday). Hitler had addressed a picked audience of about 500, including veterans of the 1923 putsch, high government leaders, party leaders and officers of the armed forces.

"The attempted assassination seems traceable to foreign instigators," the propaganda ministry announced early today.

"In order to ascertain the perpetrators a reward of 500,000 reichsmarks has been offered."

"First reports were that a boiler had exploded in the historic beer cellar on the Hofbrauhaus in the center of Munich, but this explanation subsequently was withdrawn and it was announced that an 'explosive body' had caused the blast."

"Today's announcement revealed that had it not been for the pressure of war consultations and other duties in Berlin, Hitler might have lingered in the beer cellar after his 57-minute speech long enough to have been there when the blast shattered the place."

It was disclosed that Hitler left the beer cellar to joyous "Heils" of the old comrades, only 15 minutes before the explosion turned the place into shambles.

"Since affairs of State forced the Fuehrer to return in the course of the night (to Berlin should his special train) he left the Burgerbrau sooner than expected and entered a train which had been held in readiness," it was announced.

There was no indication of what "foreign instigators" were supposed—whether they might be agents of the Allies, Jews, Czechs or Poles—nor were there any disclosures as to the identity of the six slain Nazi veterans or the 60 wounded in the explosion.