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## TOBACCO PRICES GO HIGHER ON THE FARMVILLE MARKET

### Average of \$37.39 For Thursday Highest of Season; Advancement in Prices Noted Each Day This Week

Tobacco prices continued to advance on the Farmville market each day this week, with a new high average of \$37.39 established on Thursday, when a total of 387,265 pounds were sold, which put \$144,823.80 into the hands of farmers selling here.

## Farmers to Get Bigger Gas Quota

### Congressman Folger Assured New Plan Is More 'Scientific' Than First

Washington, Sept. 24—Special consideration for tobacco farmers in the allotment of gasoline quotas will be continued, Representative John H. Folger today announced following conferences at the office of Petroleum Coordination.

## Selective Service Registrants Advised To Travel Light

Selective Service registrants en route to Army induction centers should "travel light", taking nothing but essentials so as to avoid inconvenience to themselves and the armed forces.

## Says No War For Bulgaria

Sofia, Bulgaria, Sept. 24—Bulgaria does not intend to enter the war against Soviet Russia or break off relations with Moscow, Peter Galvinsky, Minister of the Interior, told foreign correspondents today.

## Annual Scout Drive Mapped

### Financial Campaign To Get Under Way October 20th

Greenville, Sept. 24—George W. Davis, Farmville mayor, has accepted the chairmanship of the Pitt County Finance Campaign in connection with East Carolina Council, Boy Scouts, simultaneous efforts beginning October 20, it was reported today.

Greenville will not be a part of the council campaign program due to its membership in the local Community Chest, but communities outside of Greenville, and a part of the same district, will be given an opportunity to contribute towards a greater council program whereby every community will be given an opportunity to have scouting and service.

Mayor George W. Davis, general chairman, named several prominent Pitt county men to serve on his campaign committee. At present the committee includes John B. Lewis, chairman of Major Gifts; G. A. Rouse, chairman of Educational Publicity.

Steering the campaign will be a prominent group of citizens including the following: H. W. Pruden, Roanoke Rapids; J. H. Waldrop, Greenville; Joe Eagles, Crisp; Maynard O. Fletcher, Washington; J. A. Gaskins, executive.

Headed by R. Brooks Peters, Jr., Tarboro attorney, as chairman, the general campaign is composed of the following men: B. B. Suggs, mayor of Greenville, chairman of Major Gifts; T. E. Winslow, Rocky Mount attorney, chairman of Prospect Lists; A. D. Shackelford, Wilson; and Everett Blake, Wilson; J. C. Penny executive, chairman of Educational Publicity.

In order to coordinate the preliminary steps of the campaign a week to week schedule was adopted. The campaign solicitations will begin on October 20, and close on October 30, but in the meanwhile steps will be taken from day to day to prepare the way for a successful conclusion.

The Scout Council is laying plans for a banner year in 1942, and with the conclusion of the campaign this program will become effective at once. Due to the large area the executive staff has been limited in its over-all coverage, but present plans call for an addition of two more executives to the staff.

## DISCHARGED COMMITS SUICIDE

Philadelphia, Pa.—Grieved because he had been discharged from the Army because of physical disabilities, Mayer Seman, 23, committed suicide by jumping from the Delaware River Bridge, 150 feet high.

## UNWRAPPED CIGARETTES

London—In an effort to conserve cardboard, a tobacco manufacturer recently announced that home-made cigarettes would be sold loose.

## Minister Asserts Russian Relations To Continue

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## Vast Pool of Food Reserve Is Suggested

### Would Be Stored For Post-War Emergency Period; Britain's Idea Approved By U. S.

London, Sept. 24—The creation of a vast pool of food reserves for supplying Europe in the emergency period after the war—a plan upon which the United States already has been consulted—was proposed by Great Britain today to the council of Allied governments.

Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden read a statement to the council from U. S. Ambassador John G. Winant declaring that the United States believes the undertaking to be "of great prospective usefulness."

The proposal was made after the council had approved the Roosevelt-Churchill eight-point Atlantic charter without dissent, pledging adherence to the "common principles of policy" and cooperation "to the best of our ability."

A resolution to this effect was adopted by a voice vote after the Soviet ambassador, Ivan Maisky had declared that Russia was in agreement with the fundamental principles of the declaration and asserted that the Soviet Union would defend the right of every nation to independence, territorial integrity and the social order and form of government of its own choice.

Before the vote was taken, The Netherlands Prime Minister, Dr. E. N. Van Kleffens, objected to point four of the Roosevelt-Churchill declaration, which provides equal access for all nations to world trade and raw materials, but "with due respect for their existing obligations."

Van Kleffens said the avowed aims of point four, "can not be attained if considerable exceptions" to it were to be made. He pleaded for abolition of trade barriers and "discriminatory treatment in international commerce."

Life would be great if everybody displayed "company manners" all the time.

## Women Planning Defense Exhibit

Raleigh, Sept. 25—North Carolina women will play a prominent role at the 1941 State Fair at Raleigh, October 14-18, with their theme being "Food in Relation to National Defense." Miss Ruth Current, State Home Demonstration Agent and director of the women's department, announced today.

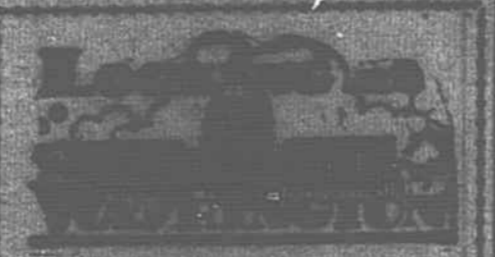
Six booths will be used to carry out the theme of the women's department: (1) "Nutrition" and "protective food" displays will be presented by home demonstration club women of Northampton County; (2) "Home Produced Foods for Health and Strength" exhibits by Burke County home demonstration club women; (3) "The Food Dollar Well Spent" display by Duplin County; (4) "Conserved Foods—A Defense Weapon" by Durham County club women; (5) An exhibit of a pantry with all types of stored food, including canned, dried, brined and cured products by Lee County club women and (6) A display demonstrating "Well-Prepared and Attractively Served Meals Make Stronger Straight Bodies" by club women of Chatham County.

The women's department at the State Fair is open to any woman residing in North Carolina. Miss Current emphasized, "Exhibits may include breads, cakes, cookies, candy, canned fruits and vegetables, pickles, jelly, jam and products of the needle. There should be quantities of canned products for exhibit this year, for there has been an all-out effort by farm women of North Carolina to fill their pantry shelves to overflowing as a defense measure for our country."

An elaborate program of entertainment will include Auto and harness races, the World of Mirth Shows (22 rides and 20 shows) featuring "the nation's largest midway," Lucky Tote and His Hell Drivers (October 15 only); internationally-known grandstand attractions (nine acts and a revue) presented by George Hamid and Fireworks each night.

## SPLINTER CAUSES BOY'S DEATH

Atlanta, Ga.—While playing at his home on August 15, Harvey N. Vaughn, 8, struck a splinter in his foot. The splinter was removed and the wound treated. Two weeks later he died of blood poisoning.



By HUGO S. SIMS (Washington Correspondent)

## WAR IN THE ATLANTIC U. S. TO DELIVER 'GOODS' ASSERTS FULL RIGHTS

Standing squarely upon the time-honored American doctrine of the "freedom of the seas" and implementing the recent national policy enunciated by Congress to aid the enemies of Hitler, the United States has given an unmistakable reply to recent Nazi attacks upon American ships.

Secretary Knox revealed to the American Legion convention that orders have been issued to the Navy "to capture or destroy" Axis-controlled submarines or raiders encountered in position to prevent "ships of every flag" from carrying lend-aid supplies between the American continent and the waters adjacent to Iceland.

Almost as important is the legal ruling that American merchant ships, manned by American crews, are not prohibited from carrying munitions and other articles of war to such key British points as Hong Kong, Burma and the Suez. Attorney-General Biddle in an opinion on the Neutrality Act, holds that Erie and all but five British overseas possessions are excluded from the terms of the Neutrality Act and from President Roosevelt's proclamation declaring a state of war to exist between Britain and Germany.

Of course to prohibitions of the Neutrality Act continue to apply to India, Australia, Canada, New Zealand and the Union of South Africa. Moreover, Erie, not considered a part of the United Kingdom, is nevertheless in the combat areas proclaimed by the President and shipments are therefore unauthorized. This likewise applies to Mediterranean ports in the combat zone.

Instructions to naval officers, as officially revealed, make it perfectly plain that the full power of the United States will be used to keep open the route for ships carrying war supplies as far as the waters of Iceland. Neither Germany nor Italy can complain of any uncertainty. Under the Lease-Lend Act, the United States became the theoretical "arsenal of democracy," and now, by the broad assertion of our rights under International Law, we demonstrate a fixed determination to deliver the goods.

## Traffic Fatalities Are High in State

The Highway Safety Division reported this week that Pitt County had 7 traffic fatalities charged against its 1941 record at the close of the eighth month of the year.

"Although traffic fatalities all over the country have increased this year as a result of increased motor vehicle registrations, soaring gasoline sales, the stepped-up tempo of life in general, and various other factors, North Carolina's record stands as a shameful commentary on the thoughtlessness, recklessness, carelessness and insatiation of our drivers," declared Ronald Hocutt, director of the safety division.

"Only two states in the country have a higher mileage death rate than North Carolina and only one state is charged with a greater percentage increase in fatalities," he added.

Sixty-six of the 100 counties showed increases, 23 showed decreases and 11 stayed on a par with last year's record. Some of the heavier increases were recorded in Wake, Columbus, Davidson, Durham, Cumberland, Onslow, Pender, and Sampson Counties. Some of the 1940 high-fatality counties which are showing decreases this year are Forsyth, Edgecombe, Nash, Cabarrus and Catawba.

"It looks like we are headed for the worst year in the State's history with respect to traffic deaths," Hocutt stated.

## ONE OF FIVE

Alexandria, Egypt, Sept. 24—British naval authorities claimed tonight that only one of every five Axis vessels was crossing safely in North Africa and that 60 per cent of Italy's total merchant tonnage now has been sunk or damaged.

"The recent sinking of two 24,000-ton Italian liners each carrying 10,000 troops as well as vast quantities of supplies was said to have boosted Italy's losses this month to well over 150,000 tons, and that the Italian Navy's losses in 1941 are estimated at 1,000,000 tons."

## Knox Calls For Repeal of The Neutrality Act

### Head of Navy Declares Measure Crippling Efforts of This Country And Should Be Repealed Immediately; Speaks At Launching Of Huge 35,000-Ton Battleship Massachusetts At Quincy Harbor

Quincy, Mass., Sept. 23—Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox today watched the huge 35,000-ton battleship Massachusetts slide down the ways of the Fore river shipyards and then declared to a crowd of thousands attending the launching that the neutrality act was "crippling" the efforts of the country and should be immediately repealed.

"There should be no handicap on those who are trying to keep war away from these shores," the Navy secretary shouted.

"We must waste no time in repealing the neutrality act."

The mighty Massachusetts was launched without a slip-up. The Kiel of a new cruiser, the U. S. S. Flint, was laid on the spot just vacated by the Massachusetts before the bow of the battleship had entered the water.

Knox asserted that recent events on the Russian front had made "the prospect of a victory dim."

He did not elaborate on this, except to say that the casualties in Russia were greater than in any other conflict in history and that the fighting in Russia "had a direct bearing on our own situation."

He said it was possible that the battleship just launched might have to participate in another fight for human liberty.

The Massachusetts and other battleships recently launched or building would carry the heaviest guns afloat, he said, and would participate in the job handed to the Navy of "seeing that the sealanes between this country and Great Britain are kept free."

## See Big Year In Livestock Outlook for 1942 Better Than Since World War

Raleigh, Sept. 23—Livestock producers have a better outlook for "good business" in 1942 than in any year since World War I, A. C. Kinney, Extension dairyman at State College, and Ellis V. Vestal, Extension swine specialist, said today.

"Marketing of livestock will be larger next year than in 1941, and commercial production of meats is expected to set a new high record," the dairyman declared.

Large purchases of pork and lard scheduled by the government, and further improvement in domestic consumer demand conditions promise strong support for livestock prices next year.

Goals for livestock slaughter in the United States for 1942 are "well in line" with potential supplies, Mr. Vestal added.

The total American hog slaughter in 1942 promises to be the largest in history, inasmuch as both the 1941 fall and 1942 spring pig crops are expected to be considerably larger than previous crops.

## NAZI ARMY HURLED BACK ON THE LENINGRAD FRONT

### Marines Arrive At Onslow Base

### First Group of 1,500 Troops From Parris Island Moves Into Tent City

Jacksonville, Sept. 24—The first sizeable unit of Marines, numbering 1,200, rolled into Jacksonville late today by train from the Parris Island, S. C. Base and took up quarters in the temporary tent area of New River Marine Barracks near here.

Saturday, some 4,000 more troops will arrive here, these coming from the barracks at Quantico, Va. About 300 men have been here for some time making arrangements for the arrival of the troops today and those Saturday.

A new Marine division, to be known as the First Marines, will be formed from the troops arriving this week and will be put in charge of General Phillip Torrey. The men who came today were under command of Colonel W. G. Hawthorne, and were a part of the Fifth Marine Division.

Work now is progressing rapidly on permanent barracks for the men in the Paradise Point section, on the opposite side of New River from the temporary camp.

## FRANCE

Vichy, Sept. 24—Unconfirmed reports reaching Vichy tonight said a state of siege had been declared in Paris as a result of the series of anti-Nazi incidents.

New York, Sept. 24—The Vichy radio reported today that a "terrible explosion" did several million francs in damage to the Bordeaux alcohol plant, which produced synthetic gasoline.

The broadcast, heard here by CBS, said "all kettles have exploded and a part of the factory building crumbled down."

## Orthopedic Clinic To Be Held Oct. 3 In Greenville

We wish to remind our readers of the State Orthopedic Clinic to be held next Friday in Greenville, Oct. 3, 1941, from 12:30 to 4 P. M.

This Clinic takes all types of cripples, both white and colored, free of charge who are unable to afford private treatments. It is desired, though not required, that patients be referred by a physician or the Welfare Officer, and that the patient bring such note to the Clinic.

The Clinic is set up to serve especially the Counties of Beaufort, Carteret, Pamlico, Pitt and Tyrrell, though patients from other Counties who desire to come may do so.

The Clinic is conducted by Dr. Hugh A. Thompson, orthopedic, Raleigh, North Carolina. This Clinic has been running for something over three years and is now serving a large number of cripples, adults as well as children, in this area.

The Pitt County Health Department Offices are located at the corner of Third and Greene Streets, Greenville, North Carolina, and it has recently expanded its office facilities.

## Action Taken By Argentina

Buenos Aires, Sept. 24—Regular army troops completed the occupation of all military airports in the country today after arresting a number of young aviation officers in a series of swift moves, apparently inspired by fear of an uprising against the government.

## Germans Acknowledge Bitter Resistance Around Leningrad, With Russia Claiming One Point On Approaches To City Recaptured; Reds Thrust On The Central Front Easing Pressure In Ukraine

Moscow, Sept. 24—Red army defending Leningrad were reported hurling the Germans back over the battlefield littered with Nazi corpses today, while on the central front, fierce Russian counter-blows were pictured as easing the pressure on Marshal Semeon Budenny's battered armies in the Ukraine.

Red Star, Soviet army newspaper, said Russian troops in an all-day assault routed the 136th German infantry division and recaptured a point on the approaches to Leningrad.

Tank-supported German counter attacks were repulsed, Red Star said, and large-scale Nazi onslaughts southeast of the old Czarist capital also failed.

The Germans, admitting bitter Soviet resistance around Leningrad, emphasized what they called a mighty battle of annihilation 125 miles east of Kiev, where the count of Russian prisoners enmeshed in a trap was reported exceeding 500,000.

The Russians reported defeating Rumanian troops in the siege of Odessa, Black sea port, and declared that a second German attempt to capture Murmansk, Russia's ice-free Arctic had ended in complete failure.

Russia officially denied the German assertion that four Red armies had been trapped east of Kiev.

Adolf Hitler's high command declared that "chaotic conditions" engulfed the encircled Reds and that German troops closed the jaws of the trap were continuing a wholesale annihilation.

Elsewhere on the sprawling battle front, the Germans acknowledged that Soviet forces were offering the bitterest resistance, particularly around siege-girt Leningrad where the Red armies were making a foot-by-foot defense.

British warplanes have now gone into action for the first time on the three-months-old eastern battle front, the Air Ministry announced in London.

A number of patrols have been flown in bad weather and there have been successful encounters with enemy fighters," the Ministry said, adding that seven German planes had been destroyed in the initial engagements with the loss of only one Royal Air Force fighter.

With the Red Army at the Central Front, Sept. 24—Red warplane pilots claimed domination of the air over the central sector of the German-Russian front through the smashing of about 1,940 German planes since the start of the battle of Smolensk.

By air duels, anti-aircraft fire and raids upon German-held airbases, they declared, German pilots assigned to the sector have been forced into comparative inactivity.

Russian planes showed intense activity, Red army sources reported. Low-flying bi-planes were almost always in evidence on patrol and communications missions. High-flying bombers and fighters sped to and from German lines.

## Eastern Carolina Project Approved

Raleigh, Sept. 23—The Eastern Carolina Regional Housing Authority today asked the Utilities Commission for a certificate of convenience and necessity to allow housing projects to be built in 11 rural counties.

The counties are Johnston, Sampson, Duplin, Harnett, Jones, Bladen, Onslow, Craven, Pamlico and Perdue.

D. L. Ward of New Bern, attorney for the Authority, said the federal government already had allocated a total of \$1,050,000 for the work which he described as the first rural housing program in the country.