

Eastern Belt Led All Other Areas In Poundage, Price

433 Million Pounds Averaged \$52.68, An Increase Of \$8.50 Over Previous Season; Entire Crop Sold For \$49

In the recent tobacco season, gross sales in North Carolina totaled 1,003,823,096 pounds, as compared with 869,430,973 pounds for the 1945-46 season. W. H. Hedrick, tobacco marketing specialist with the State Department of Agriculture reports.

The 1946-47 record-breaking crop sold for a total of \$492,021,441, an average of \$49.01 per hundred pounds. The previous year's gross was \$379,738,952, at an average of \$43.68 per hundred.

Producers this season sold 906,131,327 pounds for \$450,575,608 at an average of \$49.73 per hundred, while dealers' resales of 40,235,127 pounds brought \$15,524,129, for an average of \$38.58. Warehouse resales were 57,366,642 pounds for \$25,921,704 at an average of \$45.19 per hundred pounds.

Border Belt
On the Border Belt this season, sales opened on August 1, totaling 150,679,713 pounds for \$78,061,210 at an average of \$51.81 per hundred. For the 1945-46 season, 127,093,348 pounds brought \$58,834,943, averaging \$46.29.

Eastern Belt
Eastern Belt sales began August 19, with final sales occurring on January 10. Producers sold 433,756,724 pounds for \$228,492,854. The average was \$52.68 per hundred pounds. In the 1945-46 season, producers sold 374,471,793 pounds for \$165,478,377 at an average of \$44.19.

Middle Belt
Beginning sales on September 20, the Middle Belt markets sold 170,371,049 pounds for \$80,409,161 at an average of \$47.20. In the previous season, sales totaled 142,155,204 pounds for \$62,572,801, and the average was \$44.02.

Old Belt
Old Belt Markets opened for sales on September 28, closing February 7. Total sales were 139,420,853 pounds for \$58,671,456, at an average of \$42.15. In the 1945-46 season, 129,976,371 pounds brought \$57,394,540 for an average of \$44.16.

The burley markets of Asheville and Boone began sales on December 2. Final sales were held on February 14. The 11,902,988 pounds brought \$4,940,927—an average of \$41.26 per hundred. For the previous year, sales totaled 14,010,639, bringing \$5,392,652, at an average of \$38.49.

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10 PER CENT DROP IN IRISH POTATO ACREAGE

Indications point to a 10 per cent decline in the acreage of all Irish potatoes to be planted for harvest in 1947. The establishment of individual farm acreage goals for commercial growers accounted for the majority of the decrease in the Irish potato acreage, according to the N. C. Agriculture Department. However, farmers who grow potatoes primarily for home consumption also indicate some reduction in their acreage for 1947.

Planting indications point to little change in the late potato crop produced in the mountainous districts of the State. Current prospects are for 72,000 acres of potatoes to be planted in 1947, compared with 80,000 in 1946 and 85,000 acres planted during the 10-year (1936-45) average period.

Prospective planting of sweet potatoes were estimated at 66,000 acres on March 1, or an increase of three per cent over the 64,000 acres harvested last year and compares with the 10-year average of 78,000 acres.

The fall of 1946 was almost ideal for the planting of winter grain crops and an exceptionally large acreage of wheat was put to the ground. Detailed information as to the acreage and prospective yield of winter wheat will become available about April 10.

The Third Army was drawn up in December 1944 for an all-out assault on the Siegfried Line when the 101st Airborne Division was surrounded in the battle of the Bulge in Bastogne. Seven days later elements of the Third, having swung north, had rescued the Bastogne-trapped Americans.

NOTICE NORTH CAROLINA, Pitt County IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

FLOSSIE FARROW — VS — FARNELL FARROW
The defendant, Farnell Farrow, will take notice that an action as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Pitt County, North Carolina, to obtain a divorce from the defendant on statutory grounds; and the said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Pitt County in the Courthouse in Greenville, North Carolina, within 20 days after completion of publication hereof, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

This the 6th day of March, 1947.
D. T. HOUSE, Jr.,
Clerk Superior Court
Pitt County.
Wm. J. Bundy,
Att'y. for Plaintiff. (M-14-4tc)

Growers Indicate Tobacco Acreage Will Be Increased

Allotments Slightly Less Than In 1946 But 1.5 Per Cent Increase Anticipated; Eastern Belt Up 1 Per Cent

Although tobacco acreage allotments have been cut slightly below 1946, growers' reports from a sample of over 2,500 tobacco producers indicate that around 809,000 acres or 1.5 per cent more flue-cured tobacco will be set out this year than was harvested in 1946.

Last year, North Carolina flue-cured producers harvested 797,000 acres with an average yield of 1,117 pounds per acre.

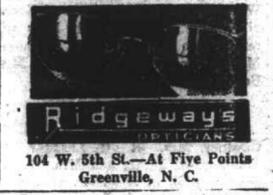
Prospective acreage in the Border Belt is estimated at 99,000 acres this year, or two per cent more than the 97,000 acres harvested in 1946. In the Eastern Belt the acreage for 1947 is placed at 396,000 acres—one per cent more than the 392,000 acres harvested in the preceding year. Growers in this Belt planted a larger percentage of their allotted acreage in 1946 than those in other Belts.

The acreage intended to be planted in the Old or Middle Belts should be around 314,000 acres, or two per cent more than was harvested in 1946.

The burley crop, grown in the mountain counties, promises to be greater than last year by at least seven per cent. During 1946, growers had difficulty in obtaining sufficient plants which resulted in their not being able to set out their allotted acreage. This year, however, they intend to plant closer to their allotment. If present intentions materialize, around 10,500 acres will be set compared to 9,800 acres harvested in 1946.

The Third Army captured the entire gold and currency reserve of the German Reich in a salt mine near Merkers, Germany, early in 1945.

All the gold and art treasures of the Austrian government were captured by the Third Army during the spring of 1945 in its final surge which had seen this colorful outfit slash its way from Normandy to Czechoslovakia.



Tar Heel Crops Will Be Larger

The acreage of North Carolina crops this year will be approximately three per cent greater than for 1946—and will be near the level of the peak war years from 1942 to 1944, according to the Federal-State Crop Reporting Service.

This increase, for the most part, is attributed to the substantial increases in the acreage of small grains for 1947 harvest, together with moderate increases planned for sweet potatoes and tobacco.

All other crops are expected to maintain the level established in 1946 to show reductions from a year ago, the most notable decline of crop acreages being that for early Irish potatoes.

Weather conditions during February were in marked contrast to the unusually warm weather experienced in December and January. The unseasonably cold weather, accompanied by deficient supplies of moisture in the southeastern section of the State, stopped the growth of fall grain and other vegetation. However, except for a rather heavy reduction in the prospective production of commercial lettuce and some reduction in the strawberry crop, there is no indication that the cold snap will have any appreciable influence on prospective plantings and crop production for the coming season. Some early tobacco plants were killed, particularly in coastal counties and reworking has been necessary. The February cold snap was quite favorable for fruit, materially reducing the possible damage from late freezes.

Land preparation was slowed down considerably during February, but with a favorable March, there should be no abnormal delay in spring planting operations. Farm labor, while more plentiful than for several years, is still an acute problem, due to high wages and the reluctance of laborers to return to the farms.

EXAMINATIONS ANNOUNCED FOR SOCIAL SECURITY JOBS

A Civil Service examination for the positions of field assistant and claims assistant with the Social Security Administration has just been announced by a field board of the United States Civil Service Examiners.

This examination is being held for appointments under the Civil Service regulations to positions in field offices of the Bureau of Old-Age and Survivors Insurance in the States of Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, West Virginia and the District of Columbia. These will be key entrance jobs in the social insurance program, involving direct contact with wage earners, employers, and the general public. Successful performance in these jobs is excellent preparation for advancement in the service.

The beginning salary for most of these positions will be \$2394 per year, with some beginning at \$2644 per year.

In addition to passing a written test, applicants for both positions must have had at least two years experience in government, business, education, industry, or the armed forces, a substantial portion of which was public contact work. Certain provision has been made for the substitution of education for the above experience.

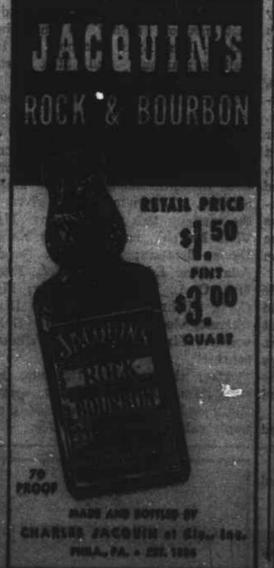
Application forms may be secured from any first- or second-class post office, or by writing to the Executive Secretary, Board of United States Civil Service Examiners, Social Security Administration, Region IV, 1523 L Street, N. W., Washington 25, D. C.

All applications for this examination must be received by the Board of Examiners on or before April 17, 1947.

She: "There's one thing I want to tell you before you go any further."
He: "What's that?"
She: "Don't go any further."

Father: "What's the idea of standing on the front porch with your boy friend?"

Daughter: "But Dad, I only stayed for a second."
Father: "Really? I distinctly heard the third, fourth and fifth."



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