

NEW YORK COTTON			
Jan. 15-17	17.40	17.40-17.45	17.41
Mar. 15-17	17.70	17.70-17.75	17.71
May 15-17	18.00	18.00-18.05	18.01
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Nov. 15-17	18.90	18.90-18.95	18.91

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THE WEATHER
North Carolina:—Cloudy with occasional rain tonight and Sunday, warmer in extreme North portion tonight, colder in southwest portion Sunday afternoon.

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PRICE in Goldsboro THREE CENTS

President Calls For Conference On State Of Nation's Business

To Plan "Definite Steps" to Stimulate Activities Throughout United States

MEETING TO BE HELD SOMETIME NEXT WEEK

Condition of Agriculture Will Have an Important Place in Discussions

Washington, Nov. 16.—President Hoover today assumed command of the nation's business for the purpose of leading some of its activities out of the slough into which they dropped with the rise and fall of the stock market.

Applying his favorite remedy—a conference of informed, interested and influential men—the chief executive plans "by definite step" a stimulation of those few phases of industry which lagged behind as the country's money was poured into the security markets.

These are particularly the fields of private and public construction—railways, ships, public utilities and federal, state and municipal public works. The conference will be held next week, attended by representatives of industry, agriculture and labor, as yet unannounced, four members of the cabinet and Chairman Legge of the federal farm board.

Mr. Hoover announced this plan late yesterday and at the same time asserted that, "any lack of confidence in the economic future or the basic strength of business in the United States is foolish." He pointed to the "establishment of credit stability and ample capital through the Federal Reserve system" to support this view and particularly to the recent announcement of a prospective reduction in federal taxes, as a demonstration of the confidence of the administration which speaks "more than words."

The postponement of construction work in recent weeks Mr. Hoover regarded as proving "a substantial reserve for prompt expansion of action, and as another favorable factor he cited 'the exceptionally strong cash position of the large manufacturing industries' of the country."

"The magnificent workings of the Federal Reserve system and then inheriting sound condition of the banks have already brought about a decrease in interest rates," he said, "and an assurance of abundant capital—the first time such a result has been so speedily achieved under similar circumstances."

LONG-COUNCIL GIVEN LIBERTY

Make Restitution of Monies and Judge Meekins Discharges Them

Raleigh, Nov. 16.—(AP)—William Lunsford Long and William T. Council, former officials of the First National Bank of Roanoke Rapids, were discharged outright yesterday in United States court here after entering pleas of guilty to five counts each of an indictment charging them with violation of the national banking laws.

Mr. Long, who has served three terms as president pro tempore of the state senate, and Mr. Council, a son of Judge W. B. Council, of Hickory, were represented by four attorneys who made eloquent pleas in their behalf.

The men, it was brought out, had made full restitution of \$521,200 before bank examiners discovered the "irregularities" in their books.

Many character witnesses for both men were heard by Judge I. M. Meekins before he announced his decision and a letter from Governor O. Max Gardner stating that he had known Mr. Long over a long period of years and believed him to be "inherently honest and absolutely uncorruptible" was read to the court.

S. C. Mills Cutting Their Working Days

Spartanburg, S. C., Nov. 16.—(AP)—Other mills in the piedmont section of South Carolina at an early date are expected to follow the lead of a dozen mills in Spartanburg county which late yesterday announced a reduction in working time to four days a week.

The action was in accordance with a decision reached here last week by more than 80 mill executives of the narrow sheeting and print cloth groups of the Cotton Textile Institute to curtail the output of that class of goods.

Reduction in the individual mills will range from 25 to 30 per cent, officials said yesterday. The reduction plan adopted at the meeting last week called for "a minimum of 27 per cent."

General Royster Dies At His Oxford Home

Oxford, N. C., Nov. 16.—(AP)—General Beverly S. Royster, prominent attorney and well known in fraternal circles, died early today at his home here after a long illness.

He is said to have been the only man ever to hold a place as grand master of both the Masons and Odd Fellows in North Carolina. He was for years a member of the board of the Oxford Orphanage and was active as a member of the Woodmen of the World.

Flood Menace Hovers Over Alabama State

Montgomery, Ala., Nov. 16.—(AP)—Predictions of continued rainfall over the Coosa and Tallapoosa watersheds today afforded scant hope of an early recession in the waters of Alabama Rivers, already dangerously swollen. The Alabama river was several feet above flood stage here early today though still safely below the level which might endanger homes along its banks. The present level however, is being preserved only by the shutting down of flood gates at Hydro electric plants above the city.

TO CELEBRATE FOR FOOTBALL

Lexington, Ky., Nov. 16.—(AP)—Before three generations of athletes and a number of dignitaries, teams representing Centre and Transylvania colleges, among the oldest institutions in the west, meet here this afternoon to celebrate a football golden anniversary and incidentally battle for honors in their ancient rivalry.

For A Lollipop

Chicago, Nov. 16.—(AP)—Two automobiles killed nine-year-old Edna Coyle last night as she ran across the street to buy a lollipop.

One automobile knocked her down and the other ran over her. Picked up, dying, the child still was holding the penny tightly in her hand.

Heads Foundation



Max Mason, former president of the University of Chicago, was elected president of the Rockefeller Foundation, succeeding George E. Vincent, who will retire January 1.

THREW STONES AT HIM, HE KILLS TWO

Eight Year Old Negro Boy of Rocky Mount Kills 2, Wounds Another

Rocky Mount, Nov. 16.—(AP)—Because they threw rocks at him, S. T. Cobb, eight-year-old negro boy, late yesterday shot and killed Geneva Hines, 7, and Mack Hines, 5, and seriously wounded Mary Hines, 8.

The four negro children were playing together when the Hines children are said to have begun throwing rocks at the Cobb boy. He went to his father's home nearby, secured a shotgun and fired one shot.

Geneva Hines died almost instantly and Mack Hines died before doctors could arrive. The other child is expected to recover.

The boy barricaded himself in his home immediately after the killing and refused to open the doors until his father forced the door. He told the police he shot the children because they threw stones at him. He was not arrested but is in charge of his father. The boy weighs only 35 pounds, police said.

Edward Y. Cox Is New Trust Officer

Edward Y. Cox, assistant trust officer of the North Carolina Bank and Trust company, Rocky Mount, has accepted the position of trust officer at the Wayne County National bank. He will arrive in Goldsboro Sunday and enter upon his new duties Monday morning.

Mr. Cox is about 30 years old, unmarried and a native of Rocky Mount. He has had several years of successful banking experience in various capacities and began with the Rocky Mount Savings & Trust company, which recently merged with the various banks now comprising the North Carolina Bank & Trust company. He succeeds R. M. Davis with the Wayne county bank. Mr. Davis resigned recently to accept a position with the Virginia-Carolina Chemical company, Richmond, Va.

Frustrate Effort to Escape From Cells

Canon City, Colo., Nov. 16.—(AP)—Discovery of an elaborate plot to effect a wholesale delivery of prisoners from the State prison here, and evidence that a guard probably aided prisoners in the October mutiny which cost 13 lives, today had led to solitary confinement of five convicts and institution of rigid precautionary measures.

The new escape plan was frustrated by discovery yesterday of a nearly completed tunnel leading from a cistern near the prison boiler shop to the base of a wall not far from the west gate, where two days of sanguinary fighting occurred during the riot last month.

After two days search during which guards and prison officials unearthed a large number of makeshift weapons—daggers, clubs and blackjacks—the escape plan was brought to the attention of the Warden by a convict "stool pigeon."

Sales Here Friday Total 121,636 lbs.

Sales on the tobacco mart Friday are officially reported at 121,636 pounds and the price \$19.18 per hundred, for an aggregate sum of \$2,332.06. The season's sales now total 8,490,880 pounds and the aggregate amount is \$1,643,659.01.

It is possible, but slightly remote, that the coveted 10,000,000 pound total for the Goldsboro market will be reached before Thanksgiving. It will require sales totaling more than a million and a half pounds, or 1,509,120. An average of 188,640 a day for the next eight days will accomplish the feat. That average, however, is regarded as probably too high to effect this season.

Caldwell Leaves For Indianapolis Meeting

James M. Caldwell, adjutant of the North Carolina department of the American Legion, headquarters here, left early Saturday for Indianapolis, Ind., to attend a national conference of all departmental officers, November 19-21.

The meeting was called by James F. Baston, national adjutant, Indianapolis, who will preside at the various sessions. O. L. Bodenhamer, of Arkansas, national commander, will be among the speakers. Mr. Caldwell has been assigned a place on the speaker's card and will discuss "How To Conduct a Continuous Membership Campaign."

BUREAU AIDED 1,000 PEOPLE IN PAST YEAR

Annual Report of Bureau of Social Service Is Issued to Public

Under the apportionment plan of the general committee in charge of the \$25,000 Community Chest, the bureau of social service, headquarters at the Community Building, will receive one-fourth, or \$6,500 of the fund.

This organization is maintained to keep in constant touch with the worthy poor of the city and lend every possible assistance to those in distress, regardless of age or color. Every application for aid is investigated by trained attaches of headquarters, and when merited, help is provided in a business-like and scientific manner. The existence of the bureau assures against impositions.

Suggestive of the vast volume of work required to handle indigent cases in a city of this size, a recapitulation of the activities of the bureau, during the year which ended September 30, is given. The report shows there were 884 calls made by the secretary; 407 office interviews; 866 telephone calls; 121 letters received; and 179 letters written. Twenty-three out-of-town investigations were made and scores of conferences held relative to conditions in Goldsboro and vicinity.

Of chief interest, however, is that section of the report which shows actual aid given to those in need. During the year, 190 families, totaling approximately 1,000 men, women and children, were served. There were 523 calls for help and 404 received assistance; 37 cases were closed during the period; 7,286 quarts of milk were furnished 18 families; 14 new and 29 old pairs of shoes were distributed; and an even hundred received old and new garments, including underwear, dresses, coats, trousers, hats and similar articles. There were 16 hospital cases and a private physician was called for 24 cases.

The bureau of social service, as are all other organizations included in the Community Chest fund, is competently directed, the officers and directors being carefully chosen and wholly appreciative of conditions and the necessity for relief of the unfortunate. The official personnel are: Mrs. Thomas O'Leary, president; Mrs. Vance Well, first vice-president; Miss Hattie Dewey, second vice-president; Mrs. C. B. Miller, treasurer; Mrs. L. D. Giddens, secretary; Mrs. Henry Well, Mrs. C. E. Wilkins, Mrs. John Raper, Mrs. J. N. Johnson, Mrs. George S. Dewey, Mrs. George K. Freeman, Miss Gertrude Well, Mrs. W. R. Crawford, Mrs. G. G. Thompson, Mrs. Mary Harrison, Mrs. M. E. Robinson, Miss Alice Freeman, Mrs. Herman Well, Mrs. A. Oettinger, Mrs. A. A. Joseph, Mrs. W. S. O'Brien, Robinson and Mrs. Lionel Well.

BANDITS MAKE COP HELP THEM IN A SERIES OF RAIDS

Made to Act as Guard at Store, Bank and Auto Party Is Robbed

Kansas City, Nov. 16.—(AP)—Back in the saddle of his machine today, Edgar E. Willcut, a motorcycle patrolman, listened morosely to the jokes of fellow policemen who affected to see something funny in the fact that he was kidnapped yesterday by two motorists he stopped for questioning and forced to accompany them while they robbed a bank and a store and committed a street holdup.

To add insult to injury, Willcut was compelled to stand in front of his abductors in the bank, the store and the holdup, preventing any attempt of the victims to shoot.

He was released three hours after his abduction with only his feelings injured.

Willcut was watching at a busy intersection for speeders when he saw the car which ultimately proved his prison. Something about its mud-splattered rear made him suspicious and he raced after it. As he pulled alongside the car stopped with a shriek of brakes and a gun glistened over a window sill.

Meekly the patrolman surrendered his revolver and entered the car. "Won't this be rich," said the man covering the officer with his pistol. "Taking a copper on a job! Oh, boy! won't the town laugh?"

Several persons saw the abduction and phoned police headquarters. Despite a net of motored police thrown about the city, however, Willcut's captors drove out of the city on a principal thoroughfare to Independence, then to Hickman Mills, Missouri, suburb.

"Now listen, copper," said one of the two men in the car, "you're lucky to get out of this alive. You do what you're told."

Then, Willcut said, they decided to hold up a grocery, because the grocer "had the only rifle in town," and then rob the bank.

Twenty minutes later the three entered the store, Willcut walking ahead. "Stick 'em up," said one of the men behind.

George Lorimer, proprietor grinned. The uniform proved it was only a joke. Then he and a customer saw two revolvers. They obeyed orders.

Afterwards Lorimer and the customer were added to the little cavalcade as it headed toward the bank. Miss Sylvia Hamilton, assistant cashier, was on duty.

"Stick 'em up," sang the rear-guard. Miss Hamilton also smiled—then complied. She didn't know how to open the safe but just then Robert Barry, the cashier, entered. He did, and the robbers scooped up \$500.

Abandoning their other captives, but still holding the policeman, the robbers drove next to Leeds, another suburb nearer the city. There another car was stolen and Willcut, propped in the back seat, was the occupant of the stolen car, were robbed of \$100—while Willcut again looked on.

Back in Kansas City Willcut was freed, "and keep y'r mouth shut," was the parting admonition.

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Planes Aid Ships Clutched In Ice

New York, Nov. 16.—(AP)—A 17-year-old girl and eight men with a \$1,000,000 cargo of furs were awaiting rescue by air today from two ships ice-bound off north cape, Siberia, according to messages received here.

Carl B. Eielson, Arctic Pilot and Alaskan representative of the Aviation corporation, telegraphed Graham B. Grosvenor, President of the company, that he had brought off six persons from one of two fur ships held in the ice. While another pilot named Dorbant had taken off 1,300 pounds of furs. The rescued persons and the furs were taken to Fairbanks, Alaska.

The pilots flew planes equipped with skis which permitted them to land on the ice along side the ships.

Disturbed Tomb Of Pharaohs; Is Dead

London, Nov. 16.—(AP)—Sudden death Friday of Richard Byrdell, 46, heir to the Lord Westbury, has revived discussion of the superstition of a curse resting upon meddlers with the tombs of the Pharaohs.

Bethel was secretary to Howard Carter, whose investigations in Egypt disclosed the treasures of ancient Tutankhamen. His is the tenth death among people concerned with the exploration of the old Pharaoh's sepulchre. Carter, chief disturber of the tombs, is still alive.

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FLASHES OF LIFE

Washington—To down on the farm has been banished William Hamilton Bones, Secretary Stinson's Philippine goat. He became addicted to the cigarette habit in the city that he took to stealing them by the package for visitors and attaches at a quartermaster's stable. Now he's ruminating at Ashton, Md.

Quesel, B. C.—Hans Iverson, trapper, of Indian Point Creek, has a great dog. Hans went into the woods to retrieve a moose he had shot. He found a grizzly bear covering the carcass with moss and sticks. The bear charged. The trapper's rifle jammed. His dog took the offensive and held off the bear till Hans got the gun working.

Marshfield, Ore.—A frog with claws found alive 50 feet under ground in a mining claim in the Sixes mountains has been sent to the University of Oregon. The head is twice that of an ordinary frog and much out of proportion to the body. The color of the frog is that of the clay in which it was buried.

New York—A family of nineteen Russian peasants, just arrived from across the sea, is going to Lincoln, Calif., by motor truck. Timotheo Pappin, 54, the chief, brought with him from his farm in Gonskoy-Obl his wife, an unmarried son, three other sons, their wives and children, ranging from five months up to Timotheo's brother Ivan, came from Lincoln to meet them.

London—The labor government desires that an annual holiday of eight days with pay for workers who have been employed for a year or more be compulsory for industry. Spokesmen for the government approved the bill on the second reading in commons, but said that further steps towards its passage must wait till the next session of parliament.

Increase Guards to Prevent a Rioting

Joliet, Ill., Nov. 16.—(AP)—Warned by a parolee convict that disgruntled prisoners at the Joliet Stateville prison were plotting to shoot and dynamite their way out of the penitentiary, prison authorities today redoubled guards and took drastic steps to prevent a rioting.

First warning of the danger was given Warden Henry C. Hill by Brigadier-General John V. Cline, commander of national