

WEATHER FORECAST

Rain ending this afternoon. Much colder, with light to heavy freeze tonight. Tuesday, fair and much colder. Sunset today, 6:23 p. m.; sunrise Tuesday, 7:52 a. m.

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MONROE MARKET

Table with market prices for Cotton, Cotton Seed, Eggs, Corn, and Wheat.

SEVENTY-FIRST YEAR

MONROE, N. C., UNION COUNTY, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1943

3-MONTHS, 75c; 6-MONTHS, \$1.25

SEMI-WEEKLY, \$2.00 A YEAR

Many Get Jobs In The County

1057 Women And 818 Men Placed In Union And Mecklenburg

THROUGH U. S. SERVICE

The United States Employment Service office in Charlotte placed 1,057 women and 818 men in jobs in Union and Mecklenburg counties during October.

Of this number, 1,320 went to manufacturers of all types in Charlotte, Monroe and communities near these cities.

Mr. Swearingen said the demand for women in factories of types of employment is unlimited. Part-time as well as full-time workers are wanted.

Among the 1,875 employed in October was one 83-year-old man, a retired railroad employe.

The textile industry absorbed 207 of the applicants, and ordinance and accessories—meaning the United States Rubber company and other military and semi-military activities—found jobs for 564 persons.

Thirty-four veterans of World War I, recently discharged from service—some wounded, others having come home because of various physical ailments—were placed.

The wholesale and retail trade of the two counties hired 180 persons, and 185 went to the transport companies.

Incidentally, among the 1,875 were 200 men brought in from the streets who up until then "had no visible means of support."

M. H. S. PLAYS GAME HERE THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Meets Pageant Team In First And Last Game On Local Field

The football team of Monroe High school plays its last game of the season on its own home field Thursday, Nov. 11, at 4:00 o'clock.

The game promises to be a fast, hard one and is slated to be one of the best of the season.

This is the first and last game of the season to be played on the home field. Surely, everybody who has not had a chance to see the Monroe Flyers play this year will come out and give their support to the team.

Monroe's lineup is as follows: Ends—Bill Walton, Louie Brantley, Milton Trull, "Snooks" Trull, Max Haigler.

Tackles—Louis Young, Milton Durham, Jimmy Plover, Vernon Wall. Guards—Bill Powell (injured), Jimmy Lee, Bill Baucum, Hunter Hadley, Earl Staton, Sam Martin.

Center—Vaughn Lemmond, D. A. Simpson. Backs—Frankie English, Glenn Hubbard, Ralph Pruttee, Leslie Blankenship, Buck Howie, Hal Coble, John Tiddy. Coach—John Williams.

REA SEEKS WISE ELECTRICITY USERS

The Federal Rural Electrification Administration is making plans to provide a plaque to be awarded to one farmer in each county who, thru the use of electricity, has increased the quantity and quality of his food and feed.

Beginning immediately, farmers who know of people who have used electricity to help meet their food goals in war times are asked to report their names to the county farm agents.

Both cooperative customers and public utility users are eligible. Weaver says he hopes that every county in North Carolina will have at least one award winner in this campaign.

By the terms of the announcement, although provision has been made for plaques for every county in the United States, it is expected that some areas will have more than one winner and some counties will have none.

Bases on which the awards are to be made are these: Increase in production; maintenance of production with less labor; use of time saved by farm women through electrical appliances in dairy and poultry production, gardens, canning or field work; and self-sufficiency on the farm through the production of food and feed products.

Complete details of the contest may be obtained from the managers of the 28 cooperative REA organizations in North Carolina.

Weaver urges farmers to begin now looking through their neighborhood for persons to be nominated to their county agents.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means of expressing our heartfelt appreciation to all of our dear friends for every kind of word and deed that was shown to us during the recent illness and death of our infant daughter.

Scouters Training Course Starts Tomorrow Night

A Scouters Training Course will begin tomorrow night at 7:30 in the Parish House of the Episcopal Church, under the direction of Ralph Mullinax, Assistant Scout Executive for the Central N. C. Council.

Mr. Mullinax will be assisted in the program by E. H. Broome, Rev. F. B. Drane and William Austin.

All who are connected with the Scout Movement in Union county and all interested in the movement are invited to attend.

Nation Honors Bob Doughton

President Takes Lead In Congratulating Veteran Tar Heel

ON HIS 80TH BIRTHDAY

President Roosevelt took the lead yesterday in honoring Robert Lee Doughton on his 80th birthday anniversary.

Party lines vanished as praise was heaped on the North Carolina Democrat who heads the House Ways and Means committee, which originates all tax legislation.

In a letter to Doughton, the President said: "Dear Bob: 'Hearty congratulations on your reaching the four-score mark.'

"The best thing about being 80 in your case is that you are too busy with the present and future to spend much time dwelling on the past.

"With every good wish for your continued health and happiness. 'Very sincerely, your friend, 'Franklin D. Roosevelt.'"

Representative Knutson of Minnesota, Ways and Means Republican leader, called personally on congratulatory Doughton, and later told newspapermen:

"Doughton is one of the grand men of this era. With his sound judgment and discernment he is the ideal man to head the important Ways and Means committee in these critical times.

Doughton stands for the national solvency, economy in government, and individual initiative. He is a highly regarded by the Republicans on Ways and Means committee as he is by the Democrats.

Speaker Rayburn, Democrat of Texas, and House Democratic Leader McCormick of Massachusetts were among those sending birthday messages.

Doughton visited his office after attending church services yesterday to open birthday messages. His desk was banked with flowers and other presents.

He was given a dinner last night by the North Carolina congressional delegation, and the 25 Ways and Means members plan to fete him at another dinner tonight.

OPA ANNOUNCES TURKEY PRICES FOR THIS AREA

Ceiling Prices For Turkeys Range From 40 To 64 Cents Per Pound.

The ceiling prices for turkeys sold to consumers were announced yesterday for the whole of western North Carolina by the Charlotte district OPA headquarters which includes Union county, and the schedules show a range from 40 cents a pound for the lowest-priced category up to 64 cents a pound for the high-priced group.

George F. Thacker, district price officer for the western district, explained that the ceiling prices are effective today (Monday) throughout the district, and that they apply to all turkeys sold by retailers to consumers. The prices will be observed by nearly all types of retail stores, with the ceilings for the large super markets being somewhat lower than those quoted.

In the classification of live turkeys the weights are light, 18 pounds and under; medium 18 to 22 pounds; and heavy, over 22 pounds. The prices a pound in each weight class for young turkeys are light, 46 cents; medium 44 cents; and heavy, 43 cents. For old live turkeys the prices are light, 44 cents; medium, 42 cents; and heavy, 41 cents.

The weight classifications in the category for turkeys killed and picked are light, 16 pounds and under; medium, 16 to 20; heavy over 20 pounds. Young turkey prices in this group are light, 54 cents; medium, 51; and heavy, 50 cents. Old turkeys in this group are priced light, 51 cents; medium, 49 cents; and heavy, 47 cents.

The weight classifications in the category for birds already drawn are light, 13 to 16 pounds; heavy over 16 pounds. The young turkeys in this group are priced at 64 cents a pound for the light weights, 62 cents for mediums, and 57 cents for heavies. The old birds are priced at 61 cents for lights, 57 cents for mediums, and 54 cents for heavies.

Beginning on November 1, all men between the ages of 18 and 37 years, who are subject to draft and are delinquent, will be classified in the Class I-A and ordered to report for induction.

The United States has approximately 26 1/2 million telephones, 17 million of them in residences. Approximately 5 million telephones belong to the 6,000 independent telephone companies and the 60,000 rural lines; the remainder to the Bell system.

County Farmers Storing Cotton

First Farm Stored Staple Is Placed Under Federal Loan

AVERAGE 22.8 CENTS LB.

According to Kenneth Gaddy, secretary of the Union County C. A. A., farmers of this county have started storing cotton on their farms and obtaining the loans as provided through the Commodity Credit Corporation.

The first farm storage loan in Union county was made on November 4, 1943. The loan was made on four bales of Coker's No. 100 cotton, second year seed.

The bales totaled 1855 pounds net weight and the producers received a total of \$422.63. This was an average of 22.8 cents per pound. It cost the producers a total of \$460 for insurance, inspection fee, and recording fee; therefore, these producers received a net loan of \$418.03 on the four bales of cotton.

The bales averaged 464 pounds per bale net weight and the producers received a net loan of \$104.51 per bale.

Producers in Union county who have cotton on hand which has ginned tags attached, so that it can be identified, may store such cotton on the farm and obtain the loan. Cotton may be stored in a building on the farm, provided there is no hay or gasoline in the building. Any farmer who is interested in obtaining the loan on farm storage cotton should contact the County AAA office at once.

DIMOUT RULES LIFTED ALONG ATLANTIC COAST

War-time Restrictions Relaxed Due To Successful Anti-Sub Campaign

Union county folks, who spend their vacations along the Atlantic coast, will be interested in the announcement from Washington, lifting the dimout regulations that have been in effect in that area and the gulf coasts since the spring of 1942 and were lifted on November 1. This step is taken, it was stated in the announcement, due to the successful anti-submarine campaign in the coastal waters.

Failure to cooperate might mean mandatory restrictions on non-essential lighting, officials warned. These would be made effective not merely in dimout zones but everywhere.

Voluntary steps urged included: 1. Coal and oil—heat-sealing of homes, reduction of temperatures and living space, improvement of heating.

2. Gas-reduction of use for home heating, cooking, water heating and refrigeration.

3. Electricity—nation-wide reduction of display lighting, elimination of non-essential lights and electrical equipment.

4. Communications—elimination of all unnecessary long distance telephone calls to war centers and limitation of the length of calls.

5. Water—conservation and elimination of waste.

REV. ANDERSON RETIRES FROM ACTIVE MINISTRY

Pastor Of Benton Heights Presbyterian Church Preaches Final Sermon.

A large congregation assembled at the Benton Heights Presbyterian church yesterday afternoon to hear the retiring pastor, Rev. Theodore B. Anderson, preach his final sermon as pastor of the church.

Rev. Mr. Anderson assumed the pastorate of the church, soon after its organization in 1941 and has seen it grow from an afternoon Sunday School to an organized congregation, with a new brick building constructed and the old Sunday school quarters brick veneered and renovated into a convenient educational building.

Since coming to Monroe, Rev. Mr. Anderson has made many warm friends who regret to see him leave the city. He has retired from the active ministry and was placed on the honorably retired list by the Mecklenburg Presbytery at its fall meeting last month.

Uses Mass Production Tired of fattening cans for salvage with her feet, a woman in York, Pa., worked for a city roller to come along and then dumped two baskets of cans in front of the machine.

Despite critical shortages of manpower and material, the communication facilities of the U. S. have been expanded to handle millions of words every day—probably the greatest and fastest exchange of intelligence the world has ever known.

THE LATE WAR NEWS IN BRIEF

Russia—Reds swift conquest of Ukraine carries 35 miles beyond Kiev with capture of Fastov threatening Germans with worst defeat of disastrous reversal in southern Russia.

Italy—United States forces capture positions to strike into valleys leading to Rome; British Eighth army pushes Germans back from Trigno river line.

Aerial War—U. S. Flying Fortresses keep up aerial offensive against Germany, making daylight attack on Duren, airplane parts manufacturing center; Thunderbolt escort brings all bombers back safely. Allied planes keep up attack on accepted France.

Sea War—Germans broadcast unconfirmed claim that Nazi planes attacked Allied convoy in Mediterranean with loss of 13 loaded troop transports and two destroyers.

CHINA—Battle rages along central Yangtze river front, where Japs have massed army of 30,000 to forestall Allied offensive; Chinese report recapture of Sien-tung, 50 miles southeast of Japanese held Shash base.

Union County's Men In Service

Pfc. James B. Howard of Camp Mackall is spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Howard of R2, Monroe.

Pvt. Johnny Howard son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Howard of R2, Monroe, is now in Sicily. Persons wishing to write him may get his address from his parents.

Pvt. Robert Winchester of the Army Air Corps has returned to his field after spending a 14-day furlough with his parents Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Winchester. His address is 20th Combat Mapping Sq., (H) Will Rogers Field, Okla.

Pfc. Roxie Winchester 4052 WAC Det. Box 353, Army Med Center, Washington, D. C., has been promoted to Staff Sergeant. He drives a staff car at Walter Reed Hospital.

Sgt. John H. Clontz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Clontz, is in the Air Corps somewhere in New Guinea. He reports he is in the best of health and that it looks good to see the Japs planes fall. He was very much surprised to meet one of his old friends, Perry Ferguson. Mr. and Mrs. Clontz also have another son, Clarence Turner Clontz in the Navy. He is stationed at Bainbridge, Md. He will come home December 7th for a ten-day furlough.

Pvt. Ben H. Wolfe, Jr. writes his parents that he hopes they have received the presents which he sent them while he was in Africa. He is with an infantry unit. His letter was dated October 17th and he said he had received no mail since August 1st.

Learned to rough it, and was "sorta" at another post is now in California. He is in the office of the staff of the Judge Advocate at Fort Ord, Cal.

Regimental Sgt. W. O. Tucker returned to Camp Croft Friday after a few days furlough with his mother, Mrs. D. A. Simpson, and Mr. Simpson on Windsor street. He says he will be stationed at another base for further training.

Cpl. Hazel C. Parker has arrived safely overseas and is in England. He is the son of Mrs. B. C. Parker of R2, Marshville.

S. C. Maurice F. Jordan, stationed at Little Creek, Va., is in on a few days furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Jordan, of R3 Monroe. After returning to camp he will be stationed at another base for further training.

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Nippon Ships Hit By Bombs

Cruiser And Other Vessels Victims Of Growing Air Offensive

MACARTHUR IS WINNING

A Japanese cruiser at Babaul was "probably hit" by an Allied air torpedo. Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced yesterday.

A Japanese light cruiser and a destroyer tender have been bombed in the Bismarck sea and a cargo ship has been blown up at Rabaul in the latest stages of the growing attack on enemy reinforcements being rushed from Truk to that big new Britain base, the communique said.

Four large enemy barges have been sunk in the Vitiaz strait above the Huon peninsula on New Guinea.

These sinkings added to the two Japanese cruisers sunk and seven destroyers and two destroyers damaged by earlier Allied air actions. (Tokyo radio taking cognizance of the "Battle of Bougainville Island" claimed more than 56 Allied warships had been sunk and 78 damaged in this area from October 31 to November 5.)

No change in the ground situation was reported at Bougainville and Choiseul islands. Japan's last footholds in the Solomons which have been invaded by Allied troops. Southern Bougainville was swept by Mitchell bombers.

Three raids on Allied positions in the Ramu and Markham valleys of New Guinea were termed "ineffective." The MacArthur-Halsey batteries rained at Bougainville to flatten the last door to Rabaul along the highway of Solomons islands has the happy aspect for Americans of being a struggle whose outcome already has been indicated by its directors.

They virtually have foretold a star spangled verdict during the opening stages. Yet yesterday U. S. marines held only one beachhead at Empress Augusta bay; Japanese engineers still have not given up trying to restore Bougainville's bombed out airfields; and, undismayed by a decisive defeat in the first naval battle, the enemy is rushing cruisers and destroyers from Truk into the fighting zone.

General MacArthur sounded the start's gun for this current operation by saying, "If the Jap fleet comes out, we will welcome it."

That is unusually strong language for a general who saw at Bataan how tenacious the enemy can be and consequently would not yield even now to unwarranted optimism. MacArthur can only mean he knows he has back of him the means to extend Nippon's navy a decidedly hot reception.

But Adm. William F. Halsey made it even stronger.

"This is the flexing springboard for the longer jumps ahead," he said.

PLANS COMPLETED FOR LEGION EVENT THURSDAY

"Annual Feed" Will Be Held At Fair Grounds Thursday Evening.

Local American Legion officials announced today, that plans were practically completed for the big "annual feed" of the Melvin Deese Post No. 27, which will be held at the Union County Fair Grounds on November 11, starting at 6 p. m.

Approximately 200 are expected to attend the event which will terminate the membership drive for the year 1944 and the Post is anxious to receive honorable mention with other Posts of the State on the night of November 11, for having secured 100 per cent or more renewals for the new year. Veterans are urged to pay their dues promptly, so that the local Post can end the drive with a bang and with honorable mention.

The "feed" Thursday night, will be free to Veterans of World War I and II who have an honorable discharge and special entertainment will be furnished by a group from Camp Sutton.

Veterans who plan to attend the affair are requested to mail a card to O. B. Shelley, Adjutant, American Legion, Monroe, N. C., so that the officials may know how many to prepare for at the "feed."

Postmaster, BPS, Bayonne, N. J.

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Red Cross To Again Make Surgical Dressings

Surgical dressings again will be made in production rooms of the Union County Chapter American Red Cross announces Mrs. W. A. Ingram, Chairman.

The schedule will be the same, from 9 until 5 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and from 7 until 10 o'clock in the evenings beginning tomorrow, Nov. 9th. Tuesday evening from 7 until 10 the rooms will be used by the colored women. Mrs. Ingram urges as many women as possible to respond to this call so that no delay will be caused for getting the dressings off.

War Fund Drive Started Today

Canvassers Busy Making Calls To Raise County's Quota

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 8-13

"During this week of November 8-13 inclusive, every citizen in Union county will be asked to give one day's wages to the United War Fund. This is the only opportunity that citizens of the county will have until next year to contribute to a day's wages which can be deducted from Federal Income Tax.

Our compassion for misery, the wretchedness, among our allies is ample reason for a generous contribution, but there are other reasons why Americans should contribute. Every nation over there is some good American's mother country and has a big part in our American civilization. America is truly a melting pot. We have inherited the good things of other nations and are preserving them for the future use of mankind. Should we be robbed of the usage of the things we owe to Europe, our stock room would be rather bare. European law, science, language, art and music have made huge contributions to our way of life.

Here is America's opportunity. Today's European children will be the rulers of Europe tomorrow. What we in America do today will have much weight in influencing the future of the world. The little children all over the world are watching America—they will not forget.

Union county's sons are fighting all along the far flung battle fronts of the world. Our contributions will be a source of cheer, a melting pot. We are great builders of morale—because by your contribution, you will be there with them.

Have your donations ready when the canvassers see you this week. Should you be missed by the canvass, send a check or cash to the school principal of your district, or send a check made to the United War Fund Drive to E. H. Broome at Box 338, Monroe, and he will mail you a receipt.

Let's put Union county over the top this week. The names of the donors of a day's wages will be published in papers after the campaign is over.

THANKSGIVING TURKEYS FOR MEN IN BATTLE

Ten Million Pounds Of Fowl Being Prepared For Shipment Overseas.

Thanksgiving turkey is on the way to American boys in New Guinea, Italy, Africa, Britain, and elsewhere on land and sea.

They're getting a lot of bird—10,000,000 pounds—and not a drumstick of a wishbone from one of the 33,069,000 turkeys being raised in the United States has gone to a civilian until this week, after all military orders had been filled. The army will use 22,000,000 pounds of turkey for the troops at bases in the United States, with 450,000,000 pounds being left for civilians.

It was a big job, getting that much turkey out in time for Nov. 25, and the major portion was done in the Oregon area, where birds mature a little earlier than the other turkey producing states—Texas, Minnesota, and California.

Processing became an assembly line operation. The birds were killed and tossed on conveyors that immersed them in scalding water. They were run through machines with rubber fingers that plucked feathers—not all of them, but a starter.

Scalding water again, and they were carried into a drying-room, then over a huge vat where a ladle engulfed each turkey in wax.

When the wax was stripped off—a hand operation—most of the remaining feathers came with it. Hand pickers gave each bird the once over for small feathers that might have escaped the wax treatment, and the turkeys then went into a cold-room, where the temperature was set at approximately 34 degrees, overnight.

With that, they were ready for packing in light strong wooden boxes, each taking about 10 pounds of meat. These were placed in cold storage until the army and navy were ready to ship them to overseas posts.

Mrs. John Glenn and daughter, Carolyn, and Mrs. Glenn's mother, Mrs. Carrie Godfrey, who have been living in Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, with Mrs. Glenn's husband, will return to their home here within a few days as Mr. Glenn is being moved to Michigan.

Heavy shuttle bombing of Germany is planned from Italy.

Heights Taken By Americans

Brilliant Fighting Enables U. S. Forces To Outflank The Nazis

GERMANS LOSE HEAVILY

American troops in brilliant mountain fighting which surprised the Germans have seized dominating heights overlooking strategic Mignano in Italy, headquarters announced early today, winning positions for a plunge up a broad valley to by-pass the Nazis' powerful new Aurunci mountain strongholds.

Indicating a deep and rapid Allied penetration in the central part of the battlefield, DNB in a Berlin broadcast said the Germans had abandoned Agnone, Carovilli, and Porli, all in a wedge-shaped territory 16 miles deep north and northeast of Isernia. The Germans appeared to be falling back rapidly all along the eastern end of the front.

A British offensive to the east smashed forward as deep as five miles, reeling the Germans back from their Trigno line, as Allied warriors captured 52 towns and villages in a blazing to a year of war since the Allied landings in French North Africa.

Fighting desperately, the Germans threw still another division—the 94th Infantry—against the Fifth army. Nine Nazi divisions now are pitted against the Allies, six of them engaging the Fifth army.

Galuccio, three miles southwest of Mignano, was captured as Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark's soldiers surged forward to take heights rising to 3,500 feet on both sides of Mignano.

These victories raised the possibility of by-passing Mignano completely for a sweep up the Via Casilina along the broad valley leading to Cassino and Rome. In a drive outflanking the Aurunci mountain range on which the Nazis intended to establish the west coast anchor of a new defense line.

Nearer the west coast, British Fifth army patrols crossed the Garigliano river at least at one point.

The Eighth army, beating back a series of sharp, tank-spearheaded enemy counterthrusts, hammered out gains up to five miles in sectors near the Adriatic coast for a total advance of 10 miles in three days.

A general attack drove the Germans back from the Trigno river along a 19-mile front inland from the Adriatic, and the few remaining Nazi strongpoints near the Trigno's headwaters were left untenable.

This onslaught tumbled seven major towns and numerous villages into the hands of Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's British, Canadian, and Indian troops, including Montedoro, four miles southwest of Vasto. Six other important towns captured in a line