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Every Thursday

More Cheerful Sentiment Is Shown In Business Circles

New York, Nov. 8.—Business sentiment, while still inclined to linger on the cautionary sidelines, assumed a conspicuously more cheerful aspect during the past week.

The advance, in commodity prices, especially in wheat have renewed hope that trade generally would soon make real progress in climbing out of the ditch of depression.

The effect of increased purchasing power among the vast agricultural communities of the country was widely expected to be reflected in many lines. This, of course, it was pointed out, depends to a considerable extent on the advanced commodity prices being maintained.

Many optimistic leaders were convinced that the wheat bulls are playing the market on fact; that there will be a real world wheat shortage during the coming year and that the American farmer will have actual money to buy the necessities and luxuries he has been forced to forego.

There were other observers, however, who were inclined to view somewhat skeptically the upturn in wheat, silver, oil and other commodity prices. They feel that the advances have been out of proportion to world conditions and that the great "prosperity wave," which has been predicted, is still distant in the future.

While reports during the week showed a considerable increase in commercial failures, at the same time freight car loadings exhibited a fair seasonal increase; electric power output was up a little; there was a slight rise in steel production with indications of enlarged operations for the month and silk and cotton consumption displayed noticeable seasonal advances and petroleum production was under that of a year ago with prices tending to firm.

After a slump that has been continuous since last March, the steel industry is beginning

to see light in the darkness. The production increase during the week was mainly in the Pittsburgh district but the rise in commodity prices brought a much improved sentiment to the mills. Enlarged automobile manufacturing schedules are expected and it is hoped that the railroads may be able to come into the market for new equipment which they sadly need.

Wholesale and retail trade picked up during the week, due principally to cooler weather in most of the cities of the country stimulating the buying of winter supplies. Clothing is mentioned most prominently as the outstanding seller of the past seven days. Most of the shopping districts, however, estimate the volume of business below that of last year. In New York city the sale of women's shoes was the only line reported as equal to 1931.

The wool market in Boston was firmer and in Philadelphia the wool and cotton trade was more or less quiet. Shoe manufacturing picked up slightly and hides and leather displayed a better tone. The demand in most lines continues to center mainly on special orders. Much of the fall and winter business in textiles still remains to be done and wholesalers and retailers are not without hope that the trade for the balance of the year will be large.

In print cloth, sheeting and medium weight lines of merchandise, production continued fairly large. In the heavy goods division, however, the output is still much under normal. Millinery appeared to be in good demand as well as women's winter dresses.

Considerable optimism was expressed in petroleum circles, especially in the mid-continent field where crude prices were stronger and efforts to restrict production have been meeting with success. Refined stocks were below the normal and gasoline prices firmer.

Peace-Maker Is Shot And Killed

John Woods, Mayodan Young Man, Killed While Attempting To Keep Down Row Near Sandy Ridge

John Woods, 22, son of Emmett Woods of Mayodan was shot and instantly killed near Sandy Ridge, in the Snow Creek section, Sunday night. It seems that he and a young man by the name of Griffin had called on the daughter of Rutal Reid, Griffin being her boy friend. While there another boy friend, Ernest Riggs, called Griffin to come out of doors that he wanted to see him. Griffin complied with the request. After they had exchanged a few words, a fuss followed which led to blows being exchanged. Woods attempted the role of peace-maker and for his trouble received a pistol bullet in the back of his head. Death was almost instantaneous.

Riggs immediately departed, but Monday he went to Danbury and submitted, being placed in jail, pending a hearing. He says that he was on the ground and some one was beating him over the head with a flash light when he shot. He displayed his head to the jailer, showing that there were some abrasions on that part of his person.

Besides the father, young Woods leaves two sisters, Miss Carrie Woods and Mrs. Sanford Martin, all of Mayodan.

ROBERT J. OLIVER SUDDENLY PASSES

Robert J. Oliver of the Reidsville Review died suddenly in that city Saturday morning about 11 o'clock. Years ago he and his brother, the late John Oliver, established The Review and he had been closely identified with Reidsville, Rockingham County and the State since that time, always being at the head of every movement that had a tendency to help. He was nearly 70 and had been in declining health for some time. Saturday morning he was down town for the first time in several days. He had stopped to talk with a friend on Scales street when he was suddenly stricken and fell.

Mr. Oliver was born in Halifax county, Va., and for the past nearly half a century had been a resident of Reidsville. He established the first telephone system for that town, which was finally taken over by the Bell system.

He is survived by his wife, to whom his death marks the fourth great loss within the last three months, the dark angel having recently also taken a sister, a daughter, and grand-son; surviving also are: R. S. Oliver, of New York City, a step-son; Miss Marion Oliver, of Reidsville, a step-daughter; two sons, Charles R. and W. M. Oliver, of Reidsville; a sister, Mrs. T. F. Preddy, of Memphis, Tenn.; a brother, Mantion, editor of The Review, and a niece Mrs. T. P. Kennedy, of Philadelphia.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon from the First Presbyterian church with the pastor, Rev. M. S. Huske, presiding; assisted by Rev. T. L. Sasser.

A large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends was present to pay tribute to his memory. And thus another of Reidsville's familiar personages passes on.

Near-Serious Burning

Anna May, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hutton Tucker, narrowly escaped serious injury Thursday when she was playing around a fire in the yard. Her dress ignited and she began to run and scream. Mr. and Mrs. Tucker immediately went to her rescue and the ignited dress was torn from her body before serious damage was done, only a big blister being raised on her chest. Had the parents been absent the little one, no doubt, would have fared much worse—probably been burned to death.

"However we may differ in other matters, in the activities and in support of activities of the Red Cross we are a united people."—Chas. Evans Hughes. Are you helping to make these activities possible? The time to join is now.

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Distinguished Visitor Coming



Sidney W. Pascall

Durham, Nov. 7.—Sidney W. Pascall, of London, England, president of Rotary International, will be honored in North Carolina by the Durham Rotary Club at a dinner and dance in the Washington Duke Hotel Monday, the 23d. Fifty-two Rotary Clubs comprising the 57th District will take part in the reception.

The Rotary head is stopping in Durham on his way from international headquarters in Chicago to Washington, D. C., where he will be received by President Hoover. Mr. Pascall will spend the entire day and evening in Durham. At noon he will be guest at a luncheon at Duke University. The evening festivities will begin at 6:30. District Governor Theodore S. Johnson, of Raleigh, will act as toastmaster at the banquet.

With the possible exception of a later trip to Florida, this will be Mr. Pascall's only visit in the South as the leader of Rotary. More than 500 Rotarians and their wives are expected to greet him here.

ARTHUR L. KLEIN DIED FRIDAY NIGHT

Arthur L. Klein, who resided here several years ago, but who had been a patient in the Oteen hospital, Asheville, for some time, died Friday night about 10 o'clock. He had been in bad health for a long while and the end was not unexpected. He is survived by one daughter, Miss Frances Klein, of this place and his mother and sisters, who live in Charleston, S. C. The remains were brought to Madison Saturday night and taken to the home of his former wife's half-sister, Mrs. J. O. Ragsdale, Jr., from which place the funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Father Eugene of Greensboro. A large number of relatives and friends were present to pay tribute to his memory. The interment was in Riverview cemetery. The pallbearers were John D. Wall, C. C. Moore, J. C. Thompson, B. R. Apple, Dr. Paul Carter, and Jack Webster.

Making Rapid Progress

The force of hands treating the Greensboro road are making rapid progress. Probably one-half of the distance has been completed and within a few more days the whole job will have been finished. Of course that part of the road leading by McMichael's mill will not be treated, in view of the fact that the new survey class for the road to run in the rear of T. B. Knight's home and hit the old road near the home of Ross Williams.

Madison Took Another

Madison high football squad captured a hard fought game Friday afternoon on the local field from Hasty, high team of High Point. The score was 19 to 6 in favor of the locals. Tomorrow Asheboro high team will come up and make a desperate attempt to break Madison's winning streak. The game will be played in Mayodan park at 3:30. If you want to see some classy football be on hand.

Fine Pumpkin

C. T. Joyce, Jr., has our thanks for a fine pumpkin, which was presented yesterday. As soon as we can secure the other ingredients, we propose to have a delicious pumpkin pie.

Pou Urges Harmony Upon The Democrats

North Carolinian Says That Party Must Stick Together In Future—Much Dickering Now

Washington, Nov. 8.—Harmony at any cost was urged upon house Democrats Saturday by their dean, Representative Pou of North Carolina.

Much dickering over committee chairmanships and assignments has sprung up since the Democrats ascended to control because of deaths and elections in recent weeks.

Northern Democrats also feel that the leadership should go north of the Mason-Dixon line, since the speakership nomination is destined for Representative John N. Garner of Texas.

A veteran of 15 consecutive Congresses, Pou, who would resume the chairmanship of the powerful rules committee after 13 years of Republican control, said he would "give up the chairmanship if it was necessary to preserve harmony in our ranks."

"With the Democrats likely to elect a President next year we should be willing to make personal sacrifices in order to preserve harmony," the North Carolinian said.

"The southern Democrats already have adopted a generous attitude toward the northern Democrats on committee assignments. The tradition of seniority has not always prevailed in organization, but undoubtedly the southern ranking committee members will feel they are entitled to the chairmanships."

Pou expressed confidence that the differences would be coped. In this he was joined by Representative Sol Bloom of New York, who today conferred with the Tammany leader, John Curry, of New York City. Curry was here on a personal visit to a son at Georgetown university.

Bloom said he did not discuss organization with Curry, but added that "we New York Democrats will go down the line with the other Democrats on organization as we always have."

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Do not purchase your Christmas cards until you inspect the handsome line now on display at The Messenger office. By doing this you will save money. We furnish them with your name printed or otherwise and the price is in keeping with the times. Call and look them over—we have just what you want.

Sorghum Molasses

Probably never in the history of this country has there been such an abundance of sugar cane, from which thousands and thousands of gallons of sorghum molasses have been produced. The growing of sugar cane this past summer seems to have been universal and but very few of our people will have to purchase their "long sweetening" for the next several months.

Canning Brunswick Stew

Walter Martin, who has the reputation of being an exceptionally good cook, having had much experience along that line during the world war, a few months ago began cooking and canning brunswick stew. So popular has this delicious dish become that Mr. Martin is kept pretty busy preparing and delivering same. At present he has about one hundred steady customers.

The Drive Is On

Yesterday the Red Cross drive for new members began. Locally the solicitors were out bright and early and we are pleased to note that they are meeting with a hearty response from our people, who realize that this great organization has a huge task before it during the next several months.

Observance of the Golden Anniversary of the American Red Cross this year marks that society's fiftieth year of service to humanity. Do your bit by joining.

Song Birds For Sale Six months old canaries. \$3.00 each. Call or see Mrs. Jas. A. Martin.

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HOME DEMONSTRATION NEWS

Marjorie Holmes, Home Demonstration Agent

Thanksgiving Day was spent by poultry specialists. Albe here with its good... of a tour of State College its happy collection... Farm will be made. C. Parish, head of the poultry... has an interesting... program planned. We hope the... from Rockingham... to this meeting... attached to this... Meals may be secured... campus and rooms... at a reasonable rate.

MAYODAN

Mr. Bill Barrow and daughter spent a few days in Winston-Salem visiting Mr. and Mrs. Perry Ashe and daughter. Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Merriam of Winston-Salem spent Sunday with Mrs. John Wray. Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Dalton of Winston-Salem spent Sunday in town.

Mrs. J. V. Highfill entertained about 20 little tots Tuesday evening in honor of her son George's 5th birthday. Games were played on the lawn after which they were invited into the dining room for refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Walters spent Sunday in Greensboro. Roy Robertson of Washington, D. C., is visiting his mother, Mrs. J. D. Robertson. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lehman of Martinsville spent the week end in town.

Miss Mildred Sautler of College high school faculty, spent the week end with Miss Lillian Gillette. Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Highfill and son, Reuben Gann motored to Greensboro Sunday. Misses Gladys and Era Vernon, P. Duncan, M. B. Simpson and Clayton White motored to Colfax Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. C. B. McClain of Winston-Salem spent the week with Mrs. George Shelton. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Anderson and son, Miss Ollie Anderson and brother, Ruben, of Durham spent the Sunday with relatives. Edward Crickman of Dosota, Va., is visiting Mrs. Bernice Crickman.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Percy Van Hoy, twins, a boy and girl, November 2, Bernard and Barbara. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bus Bateman, a son, November 3. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hill, a daughter, November 2, Barbara Merrine.

LOOK FOR THE WAR IN CHINA AND JAPAN

Peking, China—French and British troops went into the trenches here today to celebrate Armistice Day as renewed fighting between the Chinese city and the Japanese concession threatened a battle in which international complications might occur.

The British entrenched themselves around their barracks adjacent to the village of Laoshanhai at the western end of the French concession and bordering on both the Chinese city and the Japanese concession.

The French garrison also established a strong patrol around its area, fearing the Chinese, in attempting to reach the Japanese concession with their guns, might fire over the French territory, leading to grave complications.

A score of plainclothes raiders were captured by the Chinese this morning and decapitated. Their heads were exposed on the top of poles in the city as a warning to others.

Firing which began during the morning died down toward the middle of the day but the situation was continually growing more tense. The Chinese were convinced another attack on the city was imminent and large bodies of militia were concentrated on the south suburbs adjacent to the Japanese concession.

More than half the men and women students of Denison university, Granville, O., are working their way in whole or part.

STONEVILLE

We are sorry to note the sad accident that occurred here on Sunday morning, when Mrs. Walter Smith lost control of her car and ran into a pole on her way to church, breaking one knee and badly injuring the other. She was carried to the Martinsville hospital.

There was a brunswick stew at Joyce Chapel Saturday evening.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Christian Church met with Mrs. Clay Martin Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Mitt King, Charlie King and Mr. and Mrs. E. B. King visited Mrs. John King near Greensboro Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Comer and Mrs. Walter Robertson visited Wingate Sunday.

Miss Kathryn Matthews visited in Danville recently.

Rev. Henry Willis of Madison preached Sunday morning and night in the Presbyterian pulpit.

Rev. D. W. Allen of Walnut Cove preached in the Episcopal Church Sunday afternoon.

Duke Rodenhizer is on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Vernon visited Martinsville Sunday afternoon.

Miss Lillian Rodenhizer visited Mrs. Billy Roberts for the week end.

Mrs. Omer Glenn of Winston-Salem spent the week end in Stoneville.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Fagg spent Sunday in Kernersville.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Baptist Church met with Miss Jesse Irvin with a large attendance. Rev. and Mrs. White were present. Mrs. White conducted the devotionals. "The Crucible World Destiny," was introduced by Miss Nolen. There were several readings. "Fires that Burn," by Miss Lillian Grogan, "Tales That Ten Years Tell," by Miss Florence King, "Jesus' Boyhood Days," Miss Nancy Poole. Then came the election of officers: Miss Lelia Nolen, president; Mrs. S. D. Brown, vice-president, and Miss Ada Joyce, secretary-treasurer. The next meeting will be with Mrs. T. P.

POOLE

Rev. and Mrs. Henry Willis and baby of Madison were dinner guests of Mrs. J. D. Carter Sunday.

Rev. D. W. Allen will take charge of the High Point Episcopal Church next month, leaving this field vacant.

STOKESDALE

Miss Maud Gwyn spent the week end at her home in Mount Airy.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Knight, children and Ruby Joyner took a motor trip to the mountains Sunday.

J. A. Wilson of Greensboro is staying here for some time.

Garland Pegram and Ethel Stewart motored to Greensboro Monday, where they were married. They returned to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pegram for their wedding supper.

Miss Ruth Pickler spent the week end at her home in Albemarle.

D. P. Lemons motored to Jamestown Monday.

George Higgins of Guilford College was in town Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Neal of Walnut Cove spent Sunday in town.

Miss Bertie Rowland spent the week end at her home in Greensboro.

Although we are sorry to hear that we have lost Rev. J. P. Pegg as pastor of Gideon Grove M. P. Church for the coming year, we are glad to welcome Rev. J. R. Hutton as pastor. Rev. Hutton was once pastor of the Flat Rock circuit and everyone learned to love him.

Everyone enjoyed the picture at the school auditorium Friday night.

Dry and Dusty

There has been no rain in this section for the past two months. As a consequence, the streams are very low, while our farmer friends are unable to prepare their land for the fall seeding of grain. This is causing grave concern.

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