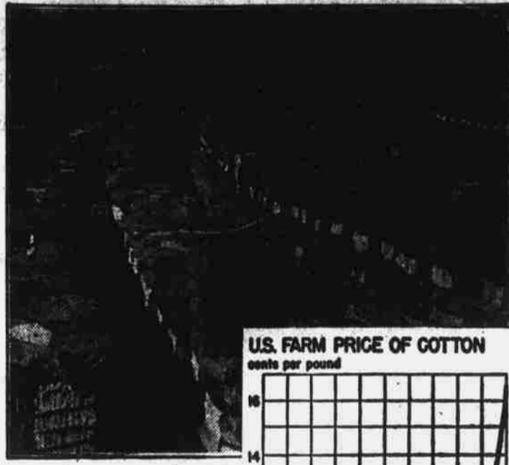


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Quotas Safeguard Cotton Prices



American cotton prices this year are the highest since 1929, as shown in the chart. Prices are near parity despite a drop in exports due to the war. Farmers are being protected through the AAA program, with its marketing quotas and price-supporting loans. Without a price-supporting program in 1936-37, surpluses piled up and prices dropped sharply. When marketing quotas were adopted in 1938, prices began to rise again. This year the program, plus marketing quotas, the 85-percent-of-parity loan and increased domestic demand, caused prices to double. In the referendum to be held Saturday, December 13, cotton producers will vote for or against quotas. The decision will also affect loans, because, according to law, there can be no loans when quotas are rejected.

Death To Japan

Nearly a century ago the United States, then a young nation as history goes, reached down into the depths of oblivion and picked out the long forgotten people of Japan to nurture and foster them into the state of being a world ranking owner. Many times during this century the United States has fronted for the small people of that nation; it has rescued them from bigger nations, from fires, earthquakes and the like. On Sunday last Japan repaid the United States for this kindness and brotherly assistance. The Japanese nation repaid we Americans not in kind, but with bombs and bullets and treachery. President Roosevelt, in his fire-side talk of Tuesday night, gave a clear picture of the events as they have occurred prior and after Japan declared war on we Americans several hours after they had bombed Hawaii Sunday morning. The very fact that the Japanese tricked us into a false peace talk, knowing their armed forces were at the time making preparations for this cowardly attack, gives us an insight as to the character of that nation and the type of enemy we are now fighting. There is but one job ahead of we Americans today and that job is the annihilation—complete and forever—of the type of nations such as Japan and its allies. Our government in Washington was making an honest and sincere effort to preserve peace in the Pacific. America did not want war with Japan but the Japanese war lords, in all probability egged on by Hitler, refused to accept any thought but that they were rulers of the entire Pacific side of the world. Japan has sounded her death-knell. As our President said on Monday at the meeting of the joint session of Congress, America will triumph, so help us God. It is now our job and duty to put the Japanese nation back into that niche of oblivion from which Americans took her nearly a century ago.

Are Crop Controls Necessary?

The argument about crop control will be heard again as a result of advancing prices and some growers of cotton and wheat will likely decide that agriculture can take care of itself without the benefit of any regulation of production. In view of the fact that cotton growers will vote on the question of marketing quotas on Dec. 13th and wheat growers will go to the polls next Spring to decide the same issue, we think it pertinent to urge all farmers to think carefully before abandoning the system which has undoubtedly helped agriculture. It is true that cotton and wheat prices are higher than they were when former referenda were held. This seems to be a strong argument in favor of retaining the restrictions which boosted the prices. Certainly, it is hardly wise to throw away the medicine that improves the patient's condition. Moreover, growers of wheat and cotton should carefully consider the surpluses that exist and the benefits that they derive from loan programs which peg prices. If control of production vanishes, it is only a question of when there will be other mammoth crops which will prove to be unmanageable, even with government loans. The fact that the government advances expansion of production in certain agricultural products is no argument for hog-wild expansion of cotton and wheat production. It is only an invitation for farmers to take advantage of existing conditions and produce what the world needs. The fact that responsible agricultural officials have urged this expansion indicates that they will, likewise, suggest expansion of wheat and cotton acreage at the proper time.

Indians Open Basketball Season With Win Over Creswell High

Girls Team Loses to Visitors By Narrow Margin

The 1941-42 basketball season opened here Friday night with the Perquimans High School boys and girls meeting the girls and boys of Creswell. The Perquimans Indians defeated the Creswell basketeers 32 to 27, but the Perquimans girls lost by a score of 26 to 20. The season opener was marked by splendid attendance from Creswell as well as Hertford. The girls' game started fast with the Perquimans girls taking the lead until the last quarter. Outstanding shooting by Barbara Gault, who scored 17 points, gave the Squaws the upper hand until Creswell came through during the final minutes of play. Belle Landing also tallied three points for Hertford. Eula Mae Patrick, of Creswell, tallied 22 points, Marjorie Barber 2, and Mary Bateman 2. The Perquimans Indians were ahead during the entire boys' game. Fast moving plays and a well-handled zone defense played a major part in the Indians victory. Percy Byrum led the winning Indians with 18 points to his credit, and Francis Nixon gave a good account of himself, contributing eight points for the winning team. Other outstanding Perquimans players were Morris Griffin, tallying 3 points, Calvin Wilson 2, and Joe Nowell 1. Scoring for Creswell were Joseph Hutton with 12 points, Collin Grayson 6 points, John Hutton 4, Robert Bateman 2, Chester Hopkins 2, and Sam Woodley 1.

Music Club Meeting Held Monday Night

The Chaminade Music Club held a meeting on Monday evening at the home of Miss Barbara Winslow, who was assisted in entertaining by Misses Ida Lee White, Jayne Griffin and Katherine Winslow. Preceding the meeting the Glee Club sang Christmas Carols for the 'Schoolmasters' Club. After the singing of "Silent Night" Scripture reading was given by the grade girls. A group of piano numbers was given by Nancy Zachary, Ida Lee White, Genie Jo White, Doris Byrum, Dorothy Faye White and Norma Winslow, followed by an interesting talk to the club members about present day duties and responsibilities. Those present were: Genie Jo White, Doris Byrum, Marjorie Lou Perry, Ida Lee White, Barbara Winslow, Buena Mae Godwin, Norma Winslow, Dorothy Faye White, Annie Raye Dill, Louise Banks, Mary Proctor, Anne Matthews, Lela Roth Nobles, Nancy Zachary, Belle Landing, Sybil Skinner, Aubrey Baker, Helen Hoffer, Jayne Griffin, Barbara Gault, Harriet Lou Layden, Blanche Mansfield, Helen Faye Baker, Mrs. S. C. Winslow and Mrs. R. M. Riddick.

Attendance Awards Made To Members At Federation Meeting

Perfect attendance certificates were awarded to members of the Home Demonstration Clubs at the federation meeting held last Saturday. Miss Helen Gaither presented the certificates to the following club members: Ballahack Club—Mrs. Pailen Lane, Mrs. Jack Sutton, Mrs. H. S. Lane, Beech Spring Club—Mrs. C. W. Reed, Mrs. J. E. Boyce. Home and Garden Club—Mrs. Joseph Elliott, Mrs. Ernest Reed, Mrs. J. S. McNider, Mrs. W. D. Landing. Chapanoke Club—Mrs. J. C. Wilson. Whiteston Club—Miss Annie Winslow, Miss Della Winslow, Mrs. Eunice Winslow, Mrs. Allie Winslow, Mrs. Reby Stallings. Winfall Club—Mrs. E. N. Miller. Belvidere Club—Miss Lucy White, Mrs. H. P. White. Helen Gaither Club—Mrs. Milton Dail, Mrs. J. T. White. Bethel Club—Mrs. M. T. Griffin, Miss Gertie Chappell, Mrs. E. L. Goodwin. Snow Hill-White Hat Club—Mrs. J. E. Wood, Mrs. E. D. Matthews, Mrs. George Eure, Mrs. George Jordan. Burgess Club—Mrs. J. B. Basnight, Mrs. Tommie Matthews, Mrs. C. D. Rountree, Mrs. Sidney Layden. Immediately following the meeting, a tour was made to the homes of Mrs. Chas. E. White, Mrs. T. E. Madre, Mrs. A. T. Lane and Mrs. Anderson E. Layden, who were awarded Merit Awards for the completion of the requirements of the Home Improvement project. Colonel (as examinations begin)—Well, young man, the next time I see you, I hope you're a lieutenant. Candidate—Thank you, sir. The same to you, sir.

IN MEMORIAM
 A tribute for mother, who passed away six years ago, December 15:
 Now that her day is ended,
 Its round of duties done;
 She watches at Heaven's windows
 By the light of Heaven's sun.
 Her heart that had been unquiet
 Its longings unobscured
 By the day's vexatious trials
 At last is reconciled.
 Above earth's tallest mountains,
 Beyond death's chilling sea,
 She lives in that beautiful city
 Waiting for you and for me.
 Her voice was hushed in a moment
 As night fell, tender and sweet,
 And her spirit crossed the river
 To kneel at its Master's feet.
 She rests in shade that falleth
 From trees that with healing are ripe
 They shadow the banks of the river,
 Where flows the water of life.
 And sometime, our days also ended,
 The duties He gave us done,
 We shall watch at life's western
 windows
 The gleam of the setting sun.
 We shall fall asleep in the twilight
 To sleep as we haven't before,
 And dream of the beautiful city
 Till we waken to sleep no more.
 There will fall on our restless spirit
 A hush so wondrously sweet
 We, too, shall cross over the river
 To rest at the Master's feet.
 —Her Daughter, Mrs. J. L. Nixon.

Cotton Producers
Be Sure to Vote for
COTTON
QUOTAS
Saturday, December 13th
[This Week]

We the undersigned merchants of Hertford believe it is to the advantage of the entire County that Cotton Quotas be maintained and therefore we urge every cotton producer to vote at the election Saturday.

Your vote for Cotton Quotas for 1942 will help to keep the price of Cotton in line with cost of production.

This appeal for your cooperation in the Cotton Quota Referendum is made by the following Merchants of Hertford:

Hertford Hardware & Supply Co.
J.C. Blanchard & Co., Inc.
Southern Cotton Oil Co.
SIMON'S
Darden Brothers
Hertford Banking Co.

VOTE FOR CONTROL SATURDAY!