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Fair Friday; cloudy Saturday.

WEATHER FORECAST

Fair Thursday and Friday.

Bank Teller Wins Rich Widow.—Headline. Wonder what he told her.

Something to worry about: Frank P. Walsh urges a law limiting legacies to one million dollars.

It's real hard to tell whether the "Home Coming" movement is more popular in Russia or in York.

Italy's official poet has gone up in the clouds. We thought poets spent most of their time up there anyway.

Old von Tirpitz, German submarine czar, is ill from overwork. We thought the old renegade was overdoing the thing.

England Claims Germany Started the European War.—Headline. O hang that, what we want to know is who is going to stop it and when.

Those of us who didn't go to the mountains are now enjoying the pleasure of having the mountains—or mountain weather—come to us.

Will Make a Test of Brotherhood of Man.—Headline. Thunderation, isn't there plenty of proof of the fallacy of it to be seen in Europe?

Harris' Dinner Wins Pardon for Convict.—Headline. And we have always heard that the nearest route to a man's heart is through his stomach.

Zeppelins are being painted grey. But that won't prevent the English seeing red when they hear one overhead.

An Atlanta newspaper jubilantly announces the early appearance of the first installment of a new Jess Willard series. Who is Jess Willard, anyway?

The city of Dayton has appointed an official chiropodist to take care of the policemen's feet. In some cities we know there ought to be appointed an official breeches seat patcher.

An inventor has patented a contrivance that will collect the dust made by automobiles while driving. A good invention; but if he will invent a machine that will collect over-due bills we'll take one, says the Pickens Herald.

WAKE UP!

Former Governor Hanly of Indiana and Dr. Oliver W. Stewart of Chicago, two of the most powerful and eloquent speakers in the cause of prohibition in the United States, will address the public tonight in the court house at 8 o'clock. No admission fee will be charged, and no one will be asked to contribute any money.

There has been general indifference in this county to the prohibition election so be held on the 14th of this month, and it is the duty of voters to go out to this meeting and listen to calm and dispassionate argument.

If the cause of prohibition is lost by the failure of its friends to go to the polls, the result may bring a shock of surprise to those who are now asleep at the switch.

If it is lost, there will probably be an organized movement, backed by influence and money, to vote the dispensary back in every dry county in South Carolina.

You'd better watch out, Mr. Voter. And you can help some by going out tonight and receiving an injection of enthusiasm and public duty.

The Tugaloo Tribune says so many automobiles were sold in that town this summer gasoline advanced two cents in price in one day.

FOURTH IN FOREIGN SHIPPING.

It is pleasant to learn that the American flag really is making its way on the seas again. Our shipping engaged in the foreign trade, which last year totalled only 1,075,000 tons, rose in the year ending June 30 to 1,813,000 tons. That was a greater foreign tonnage than we have had since the civil war started our shipping decline. The gain is three times as much as we ever made before in one year. It has raised our standing, since this war began, from the tenth position among maritime nations to the fourth. Only Great Britain, France and Norway now surpass us in carrying power of foreign trading vessels.

Unfortunately, however, this growth is restricted almost entirely to the European traffic. The increase in the number of trans-Atlantic ships of American registry would be more satisfactory if it were matched by a proportional increase in the Pacific and in the trade routes of the southern hemisphere.

We are looking instead of galling in the Atlantic routes. It is feared, too, that the present rate of growth will prove merely temporary. Our shipping has of course been unreasonably stimulated by war conditions, which have multiplied freight rates in the European trade. Great numbers of ships have changed to American registry for the sake of the profit in carrying war supplies and the greater safety they enjoy under our flag.

When the war ends, this stimulus will fall us. Moreover, Germany, regaining access to the seas, will resume her place ahead of us in tonnage. And then, unless something effective is done in the meantime for additional protection of our shipping, putting the burdens of American vessel owners more nearly on a par with those of foreign nations, we may see our shipping hopes fade again.

A GREAT LAKE NAVY.

The Chicago Yacht Club has a brilliant plan for the establishment of a great naval reserve, and the mayor of Chicago has entered into it enthusiastically. It is reported that Mayor Thompson and Commodore Puch are preparing to go to Washington and lay it before the administration.

It is nothing less than the organization of all the power boats on the Great Lakes to serve as a reserve scouting fleet. The idea is to begin with the Chicago Yacht Club with its 200 power boats, and eventually to bring in all the rest of the yacht clubs on the lakes, registering the boats and enlisting their officers and crews, making an auxiliary force of about 300,000 men. They would be trained under regular naval officers, in the use of rapid fire guns, wireless telegraphy, torpedoes, with a view to their utilization as an auxiliary branch of the navy in case of war.

It sounds very well until one looks up the Canadian treaty whose centenary was celebrated recently. That treaty provides that neither the United States nor Canada shall maintain any naval force on the Great Lakes except a couple of revenue cutters and training ships. The organization of any such extensive naval auxiliary would violate the treaty.

Old man von Tirpitz is ill and has gone off on a vacation. Any man who is the daddy of as much devilry as he is too valuable to Hell to be allowed a moment's rest.

DON'T ENVY THE OLD ROMANS.

We're not greatly impressed with the picture of ancient Roman wit-dateness given by Dr. M. Coburn, archeologist of Allegheny College at Meadville, Pa.

Doubtless the Romans had some sort of shorthand system, but we've never heard of any Roman typewriters or dictographs, or even of any Roman maiden that earned \$15 a week for taking dictation.

If they really had elevators in the best homes, as Dr. Coburn avers, we'd like to know whether they ran by electricity or steam or slave power, or whether the passenger pulled himself up hand over hand.

As for "pipe organs driven by water power," they may have had them—maybe Saint Cecilia really played one in the third century—and maybe that's what she was martyred for, because they must have been mighty poor instruments compared with ours.

They had flats for rent; but fancy a flat with no elevator, no dumb waiter, no fire escape, no telephone, no steam heat and no windows!

Their roads were better than ours, but their only way of traveling over them was in springless chariots that would jolt the innards out of a modern.

We're just as well satisfied to live in the twentieth century, when it's in the power of almost any family to own a little runabout and canned-music machine and a dwelling equipped with comforts and luxuries that were beyond the reach of the Caesars.

After a brief vacation, Harry and Evelyn are again in the news dispatches.

A LINE o' DOPE

Several people from this city will go to White Plains today to attend the big picnic. Several speakers of prominence will be there and there will be a canning demonstration. This will probably be the last big picnic in the county this summer.

Mr. Asa Hall, Sr., was a business visitor yesterday and he brought the sad news that Mr. Joe Hall was at the point of death. Mr. Hall went to the Richmond reunion in May and after getting back home was taken ill. He has never recovered and at present is very low.

Mr. George Tolly stated yesterday that business was picking up in the furniture line. He stated that customers were buying more in proportion than they were at the same time last year and that he thought business in general would be good. He said he had bought for a large trade and did not think he would be disappointed.

Sheriff A. S. Johnson of Hart county, Georgia, was a visitor in the city yesterday having come over for a negro, Tom Walls, who had been caught by the Anderson officers. The negro is charged with larceny.

Every day in the inclosure around the Confederate monument on the plaza in the public square may be seen a hoe, rake, lawn mower, and other tools. Even on Sunday they stay right there. It seems that it would be best for those who have this in charge to have these tools placed somewhere else. No front yard looks right with tools and implements scattered all about over it and neither does it look nice to have them placed around the monument erected to Anderson's brave sons who died in battle.

Dr. Fred Atkinson, Messrs. Dan Ligon and Roger L. Gamble arrived in the city last night from Louisville, Ga., having made the trip in an automobile. They stated that the roads are fairly good but better in Georgia than in South Carolina. Mr. Ligon is visiting his mother, Mrs. T. C. Ligon.

Manager Pinkston stated yesterday that beginning next Thursday he would put on at the Bijou the serial picture, "The Broken Coin." Four reels will be shown Tuesday and on the following Thursday two reels will be shown. Thursday will be the regular day for the picture and on this day every week two reels will be run. This picture is attracting much attention all over the United States and is said to be one of the best ever shown.

"Are you going to justify this summer, Mrs. Comest?" "No, indeed; we're just going down on the farm."—Baltimore American.

AN AVERAGE PRICE FOR SOUTH'S COTTON CROP

CONCENSUS OF OPINION IS THAT THIS WILL BE THE CASE

BANK WILL AID

All They Possibly Can—Mr. B. F. Mauldin of Bank of Anderson Has Made Statement.

Special interest is being shown by everyone at present in the outlook for an average price for cotton this fall. Almost every man who is accosted on the street will sooner or later begin talking about what cotton will bring in money this season.

It is perfectly natural that this is the case since so much of this country's welfare, and that of foreign countries also, is centered in the price that is paid for the south's staple product.

The cotton farmer wants to know because it is his product and he is the man that will get the benefit first; the bankers want to know because it will enable them to better judge as to collections; the merchant wants to know for then he can to some extent forecast as to outlook for his business this fall, and so on with everyone in all walks of life.

Several prominent bankers and business men of this city are of the opinion that cotton will bring an average good price this fall and all are ready to help all they can in making this the case. These men say that money is a great deal easier to get than it was one year ago; and, therefore, it will be easier for the farmer to borrow money at a lower rate of interest than ever before. This will, to a certain degree, keep much of the cotton off the market and at the same time will relieve conditions generally.

Mr. B. F. Mauldin, one of the foremost bankers of the state and a man who is in close touch with the money interests in New York, stated yesterday to a reporter of The Intelligencer, that he saw no reason why cotton should not bring better prices than it did last year.

Mr. Mauldin was asked what the Bank of Anderson was going to do to help the farmers and he said:

"The Bank of Anderson is, as it always has been, in full sympathy with any plan for securing a fair price for cotton to the producer, and has always been able to extend to its farmer customers all needed help in the matter of holding their cotton on as liberal terms as any other bank. Fortunately, money is easy in the financial centers and this, coupled with the fact that cotton furnishes the very best of security, being imperishable and easily liquidated, should secure a low rate of interest on cotton loans. While none of us can forecast the price of cotton, the government reports indicate a much smaller crop than we had last year, and if cotton is gradually and judiciously marketed it should bring its full value, and the banks in the county with their combined strength and influence should be able to finance the county's crop with little difficulty."

This, like the statements made by those connected with other banks of the city, namely, the Farmers and Merchants bank and the Farmers Loan and Trust company, and the Citizens National bank, will be welcome news to all cotton farmers in the county. It appears that that all are willing to help, and like Mr. Mauldin says, "the banks in the county with their combined strength and influence should be able to finance the county's crop with little difficulty."

ENGLAND IS PAYING FOR COTTON SEIZED

Charleston Mas. Gets Check for Cotton Taken by British Several Months Ago.

Washington, Sept. 2.—The British embassy today remitted three hundred and twenty-three thousand dollars to W. Gordon McCabe, of Charleston, South Carolina, for American cotton taken from the steamships Baltic and Carolina by British authorities several months ago.

The payment represented nine cents per pound. The invoice value was over ten cents. It is understood the difference is to be paid later.

FOR LATIN-AMERICA

Two Distinguished Citizens Call on President to Cement Friendship.

Washington, Sept. 2.—Dr. Peter Goldsmith, of New York, director of the Pan-American division of the American association, and Henry Alexander, of Philadelphia, formerly an editor, called at the White House today relating to strengthening the friendship between the United States and the Latin-American countries.

Accepts Call to Asheville. Asheville, Sept. 1.—Although he declined the first call which was extended to him by the vestry of the Episcopalian church of Asheville, Rev. Willis G. Clark, rector of Saint Andrews' church, Birmingham, has notified the members of the vestry that he has decided to accept the second call and will report for duty here December 1.

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE FOR AUGUST

THE BOOKS IN AUDITOR'S OFFICE SHOW SLIGHT DECREASE

31 TRANSACTIONS

Fewer in City of Anderson Than in July—Lively in Williamston—Few in Country.

The transfers of real estate in the county during the month of August as just completed in the auditor's office, shows that as a whole there were fewer land deals during the month of August than during the preceding month. Anderson shows a slight decrease and Williamston a slight increase:

- The list follows: City of Anderson. J. F. Evans and F. J. Martin to J. A. Bouchillon, one lot, \$150. The Sayre Realty Co., to Thomas C. Speer, one lot, \$700. Thomas C. Speer to the Sayre Realty Co., one lot, \$700. L. A. Anderson to J. E. Clinkscapes, one lot, \$340. W. F. Marshall and L. S. Horton to J. E. Watson, one lot, \$22,500. L. L. Powell to Mrs. Annie Powell, one lot, \$5. Love and affection. William Menefield, to J. E. Clinkscapes, one lot, \$3,000. J. S. Fowler, to J. F. Snielgrove, one lot, \$3,000. E. W. Brown to Christine Spencer, one lot, \$475. C. Frank Bolt to J. I. Brownlee, and C. M. Cecil, trustees, one lot, \$10. J. I. Brownlee to C. Frank Bolt, one lot, \$10. Edna N. and Solomon H. Byron to Joseph B. Felton, one lot, \$3,500. Belton. D. A. Geer to Kanson Arnold, 1 1-2 acres, \$300. Brushy Creek. John C. Ellison to W. S. Murphy, 20 1-2 acres, \$10,000. Centerville. North Anderson Development Co., to W. E. Watson and John Linley, one lot, \$750. Corner. Dr. J. E. Watson to W. F. Marshall and L. S. Horton, 107 acres, \$3,500. Garvin. J. S. Wilson to Geo. H. Reeves, 34 acres, \$3,400. Honea Path. J. J. Fretwell to H. A. Hammond, 108 1-2 acres, \$4,940. Martin. Mrs. A. I. Martin to Mazie C. Martin, 67 5-8 acres, \$5 love and affection. Theodosia Hawkins, et al, to Annie M. Hawkins, 85 acres, love and affection. Pendleton. Oliver Massey to A. E. Massey, 38 acres, \$2,500. T. T. Wakefield and Robert A. Brazeeale to J. C. Wallace, one lot, \$60. James R. Simpson to Mrs. Stella C. Burns, one lot, \$1,000. Varrennes. W. P. Nicholson to Ola Todd Adger, six acres, \$35.65. Williamston. Miss Mary Turner to E. F. Nelson, 1-2 acres, \$650. Thorne M. Clark to Chris Suber, 17 69-100 acres, \$1,500. W. A. Chamber to M. C. Smith, 31 acres, \$3,000. D. F. Gray to J. F. Drake, 1 3-4 acres, \$100. Tom Suber to E. W. Gregory, one lot, \$200. Williamston Lumber Co., to Anna Conley, one lot, \$400.

ROBBERS BLEW OPEN

SAFE AT GREENVILLE

Greenville, Sept. 2.—A small iron safe in the office of the Standard Oil company was blown open at an early hour this morning and a metal drawer containing \$135.65 in cash was stolen. The explosive used was nitro-glycerine and the authorities are of the opinion that the robbery was committed by professional safe-crackers. The robbery was discovered this morning at 5:30 o'clock by Julian Friday, an employee of the oil company and the alarm was immediately given. Sheriff Rector and Chief of Police Noe hastened to the scene and conducted a thorough examination but no clues to the identity of the intruders were discovered.

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Opening Delayed.

New Orleans, Sept. 2.—The local branch of the Atlanta federal reserve bank will not open until September 10. It was planned to open there first but officials are unable to arrange the details.

Drug Fieud Camp Growing.

Atlanta, Sept. 2.—The new camp for drug victims, established by the city and county when the federal government fastened the lid on drug sale, already has nineteen patients.

The new Fall Belfry awaits your dome. If this shape fails to harmonize with your classic features, we have numerous other blocks, all correct. Soft hats are the topnotchers for Autumn. Stetson's most select styles in soft and stiq hats, \$3.50, \$4, \$5. Evans' Special Hat—a value out of the ordinary, \$3. Evans' \$2 Specials—They are without an equal for less than \$2.50. See all the new styles here. B. O. Evans & Co. SPOT CASH CLOTHIERS "The Store with a Conscience"

COTTON IS AFFECTED BY ANTHRACNOSE NOW BARN AND CONTENTS DESTROYED BY FIRE THIS DISEASE IS DOING MUCH DAMAGE IN THE COUNTY THERE'S NO REMEDY OFFICERS CALLED Whereby its Growth May Be Stopped This Year—Rotate Crops and Plant New Seed. Yesterday Morning Because Was Thought Fire Was on Incendary Origin. Anthracnose, a fungus growth on cotton bolls, is doing a great deal of damage to the cotton crop in this county. It is reported to be in all sections of the county and the farmers are very much worried over the damage that is being done. Yesterday Mr. S. M. Byars, farm demonstration agent, was exhibiting several bolls affected with disease which had been brought in by Mr. McCoy, a farmer near Fortman Shoals. On the side of each boll there was a fungus growth, causing the boll to decay as well as the lent on the inside. In some instances the decayed spot was as large as a quart and in others the bolls had split open. In nearly every case at least one-half of the lent in the interior of the boll was decayed. This disease is nothing new and every year it does damage in South Carolina that will run up into the millions. This year, however, the anthracnose has started very early, so early that there is no way of telling how much damage it may do to this year's crop. Rainy or cloudy weather is very conducive to the growth of the disease and it is probable that the rains and cloudy days of the past few weeks are the reasons that it has such an early start. A drop of water falling on an affected boll will fall off and thus scatter the germs to another boll. Anthracnose is distinguished by a pinkish spot on the side of the cotton boll, and beneath this the pest is very soft. A boll that is affected never opens and is a complete loss. Mr. Byars stated yesterday that there was nothing that could be done to stop or hinder the disease which has attacked this year's crop. Next year, however, it would be wise to plant seed that came from plants not affected. Mr. Byars stated that Prof. Barr of Clemson College, who has done extensive investigation along the lines of the disease, said that he had known of instances where the germs would live as long as fifteen months in the cotton seed. Prof. Barr also stated that he had seen the disease affect the cotton so badly that in some stalks no bolls at all would open. Mr. Byars also suggested rotation of crops as a preventative in coming years for this disease which extends over all of the cotton belt and in some years does more damage than the boll weevil.

Chinese Vice President Quits. Shanghai, China, Sept. 2.—Li Yuen Hong has resigned as vice president of the Chinese republic. The interpretation placed upon the act is that it is preparatory to the establishment of a monarchy, which is popularly regarded as virtually certain. A Different Example. "On a recent trip to get an example for your son?" "I used to try to get him an example," replied the serious man, "but now I study him attentively to ascertain what kind of clothes I ought to wear and the style of conversation that is considered smart."—Washington Star. in some stalks no bolls at all would open. Mr. Byars also suggested rotation of crops as a preventative in coming years for this disease which extends over all of the cotton belt and in some years does more damage than the boll weevil.