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**Farmers' Union  
Bureau of  
Information.**  
Conducted by the  
South Carolina Farmers' Educational and  
Co-Operative Union.  
Communications intended for this depart-  
ment should be addressed to J. C. Stripling,  
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### GOOD.

The amount of fertilizer tags sold in South Carolina up to March 1st is eighty thousand tons less than same date last year, and one hundred and twenty thousand less than year before at same date.

There are several reasons for this shortage; among which are the determination among those that were forced to sell cotton below the minimum price to pay for fertilizers. Another class have not paid for last year's fertilizers and neither the dealers or this class of farmers care to trade more until last crop has been settled, and many that paid cash for fertilizers do not care to sell out their cotton at a loss on cost of production and use the same money to grow another crop, with fair prospects of getting much less than cost out of this year's crop. To all those that have not sold cotton it is like exchanging a good and safe lot of bales of cotton for a very uncertain lot of acres of cotton in the field. Indications point this aftermath of the recent panic as forcing conditions upon the farmer that will ultimately result in his good instead of injury.

### JOHN C. CALHOUN KNEW.

In digging down in the archives of the old Pendleton Farmers' Society for material for our history of this grand old farmers' institution, we find that John C. Calhoun made a speech before this society in October, 1843; his toast being: "Agriculture: The Most Important, but the Depressed Branch of Industry."

At Fort Hill, where Mr. Calhoun lived and farmed when he made this speech before the Pendleton farmers' Society, is located Clemson Agricultural College, that grand institution that was planted there to teach farmers sons the sciences of farming and educate the youths of the craftsmen of the soil how to elevate their calling to that standard where the agriculturist of this age may arise to that position of power that will enable these sons of the soil to down any efforts to oppress the farming industry that Mr. Calhoun alluded to in his address 65 years ago. The Farmers' Educational and Cooperative Union of America may accomplish this work; help us do it.

Your local or county union is about as good as its members make it. Good material well put together makes a first class house; though we have seen some shabby buildings thrown together out of good material, and some good buildings well made out of very ordinary material by men who knew their business. Farmers' Unions are built on similar plans.

Our Farmers' Union need men with unusual ability for organizers; we need men with

diplomacy, strength and conservatism, who possess the tact to do effective work is welding the different factions of our farmers into one harmonious compact of the whole. The time for oratorical spread eagle speeches and resolutions of hell and damnation to Wall Street and cotton exchanges has passed. We have got to get together and do the right thing first ourselves then we can approach others with a clear conscience and win out. Abuse, bluff nor slander, can ever bring strong men of worth into the union. We must have good men to go after good men.

### UNION NEWS.

State President B. Harris is now stirring up things in Union, Marlboro, Orangeburg and lower counties of this State.

When you want a speaker or an organizer in your section start at it in time to complete the arrangement in due time for effective business.

Arrange for only one good speaker from a distance, it costs too much to send so many, and besides you have not the time to hear more than one good speaker from a distance. Splice out with good local talent, you've got them!

Advertise the place and hour for your meetings; then open up business to the minute; if you have but five men on hand when the time comes go at it. Not one of four meetings we have attended commenced business in less than one hour late; at one meeting when the railroad fare was paid on two speakers from a distance, the members did not arrive in time to hear five minutes talk from their speakers before the train arrived to take the speaker to the next place.

### COTTON.

While Congressman A. L. Lever, of S. C., and Culberson, of Texas, are working to establish a National Standard for different grades of cotton, we are glad to note in this connection that Mr. T. F. Alexander, of Walhalla, S. C., is the first expert cotton grader from the cotton school of Clemson Agricultural College to report to the farmers of this state for duty.

When we consider the fact that it was the movement of members of the Farmers' Union that is behind this cotton grading at Washington and the cotton grading course at Clemson too, it is very encouraging to the union to note the good results growing out of farmers' union work. This working of the grading and classifying of cotton at both ends of the business should remove all opportunity for rake off here by unscrupulous handlers between growers and spinners.

If the extremely large movement of fertilizer to farmers at this time three years ago bore down the price of cotton then, why not the extremely small amount of fertilizers going out now raise the price of cotton to day? "Nuff said."

The farmers are pushing their work these fine days and will soon be ready to plant another crop.

### LIST OF CLAIMS

Filed in the Supervisor's office for quarter ending March 31, 1908.

American Bridge Co., Chapman ford bgde., \$2,000.00

D. T. Alexander, bridge and road..... 15.56  
same, fodder..... 11.50  
Wm. Aiken, fodder... 20.00  
W. M. Allgood, dispensary constable..... 64.86  
J. T. Aiken, fodder..... 7.00  
J. E. Allgood, scraper... 20.00  
A. F. Attaway, constable 4.00  
J. T. Adams, lease of wagon..... 7.37  
W. M. Austin, road work..... 3.50  
H. Abercrombie, constable 9.90  
W. R. Anderson, road work..... 1.37  
J. E. Allgood, scraper... 20.00  
A. F. Attaway, constable 4.85  
W. M. Allgood, dispensary constable..... 80.75  
same, same, same, 84.81  
Dr. J. L. Bolt, exam. lunatic..... 5.00  
Bell Tel. Co., rent..... 30.00  
E. C. Bowie, corn..... 17.12  
A. J. Boggs, salary..... 33.33  
J. T. Bratcher, bridge work..... 4.55  
G. W. Bowen, salary, etc 22.70  
Mrs. M. E. Brown, C. G. supplies..... 8.95  
C. L. Ballentine, road work..... 14.00  
S. A. Bryant, road work 4.50  
S. A. Burges, aid to paupers..... 9.00  
R. A. Baker, road work 4.25  
S. H. Brown, do 1.15  
G. W. Bowen, expenses 15.00  
J. L. Bagwell, road work..... 1.75  
W. P. Baker, scraper... 20.00  
W. C. Brandlett..... 25.00  
W. A. Burry, bridge work 11.89  
Warren Boyd, aid to old soldier..... 6.00  
E. C. Bowie, road work 2.00  
W. A. Boggs, magistrate 10.00  
Andrew Blackston, road work..... 28.28  
W. P. Baker, scraper ... 18.33  
And. Blackston, scraper 20.98  
J. T. Bratcher, bridge work..... 2.50  
G. W. Bowen, salary... 26.75  
S. A. Burgess, aid to paupers..... 3.00  
A. J. Boggs, salary..... 33.33  
E. C. Bowie, bd equal..... 4.00  
W. A. Boggs, bd equal.... 4.00  
same, same 2.00  
W. P. Baker, scraper..... 30.00  
M. A. Boggs, magistrate... 25.00  
W. Boyd, old soldier..... 3.00  
G. W. Bowen, salary..... 26.10  
N. A. Christopher, salary.. 18.75  
J. H. Casey, architect... 62.00  
A. L. Campbell, c. g. sup 26.35  
Sam Chapman, rd work.. 2.50  
S. C. Chapman, rd work 3.75  
W. J. Crenshaw, rd work 10.00  
N. A. Christopher, salary 10.75  
T. E. Craig, bridge work 15.00  
J. J. Chastain, bd equal 2.00  
J. H. Chapman, bd equal 4.00  
Fred Chambers, work at jail..... 4.00  
N. A. Christopher, salary 18.75  
J. E. Dobson, rd work... 10.00  
R. H. Davidson, rd work.. 3.50  
W. A. Davidson, rd work.. 3.00  
L. R. Dalton, bd equal.... 4.00  
B. P. Ellenburg, rd work 15.30  
S. B. Edens, road work... 5.03  
W. E. Edens, bridge work 16.00  
Easley Progress..... 3.90  
J. S. Fox, lumber..... 31.75  
W. W. Fennell, cutting trees..... 75

H. M. Fendley, blacksmith 2.75  
J. S. Fox, corn & fodder... 9.25  
B. F. Farmer, road work 2.75  
F. E. Farr, road work... 6.00  
J. A. Fendley, road work 5.62  
W. H. Field, fodder..... 7.00  
J. B. Fendley, bd equal 4.00  
same, same, 2.00  
John Gilstrap, scraper overseer ..... 13.00  
B. E. Grandy, bldg C. H. 1500.00  
J. E. Gillespie, bridge.... 17.85  
G. W. Gaines, rd work 5.00  
A. W. Graveley, lumber 8.00  
D. J. Griffith, convicts... 52.00  
B. D. Garvin, salary, etc 102.77  
J. B. Galloway, lumber.. 6.76  
P. C. Garrison, bridge.... 5.00  
D. J. Griffith, convicts... 52.00  
Peter Griffin, C. H. porter 5.00  
J. M. Gillespie, rd work, 2.50  
W. M. Gibson, rd work, 1.00  
J. L. Gilstrap, bridge... 1.00  
B. D. Garvin, jury and wit. tickets..... 757.80  
B. D. Garvin, salary,..... 101.97  
E. Gilstrap, bd equal..... 4.00  
W. I. Graveley, bd equal 4.00  
W. R. Garrett, bd equal 4.00  
W. M. Gantt, bd equal... 4.00  
J. A. Gary, bd equal..... 4.00  
W. I. Graveley, bd equal 2.00  
D. J. Griffith, convicts.... 52.00  
D. A. Gilstrap, rd work, 4.00  
J. E. Gillespie, magistra, 10.00  
R. C. Gantt, bridge..... 5.88  
M. F. Hester, constable... 12.20  
same, same, 4.00  
J. L. Hendricks, corn, &c 9.50  
Paul Howard, rd work, 3.80  
W. N. Hendricks, guard, 26.00  
W. G. Hendricks, wood, 1.25  
R. T. Hallum, salary, &c 60.58  
W. E. Hendricks, rd work 1.50

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### Bowen—Holden

The latest social function in Pickens was the marriage on Wednesday morning of Mr. Robert Holden and Miss Cora Bowen.

The happy event was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Bowen, Rev. N. G. Ballenger performing the ceremony.

The near relatives and a few intimate friends of both parties were present. A delightful wedding breakfast was served. The house was beautifully and artistically decorated, the color scheme being lavender and white.

The costly array of handsome presents portrayed the high esteem in which the bride is held. The out-of-town guests were Mrs. J. H. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Morgan of Greenville, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Norris, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Morgan, Miss Mattie Mae Morgan, Charlie Morgan, Mrs. Epps, Mrs. Falls, Mrs. Clayton of Central and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Banister of Liberty.

Mr. Holder is a handsome young man of sterling qualities, a native of Pickens, but now a leading merchant of Dillworth, Ga. He is fortunate in securing as a helpmeet one so endowed with the true graces and charms of womanhood as Miss Cora.

The going-away gown of Copenhagen blue with hat to match was most becoming to the bride.

The happy couple left on the 11.30 train amid showers of rice, old shoes and hundreds of good wishes for a short bridal trip in

the south, after which they will be at home to their friends in Dillworth.

### County Commissioners Meeting.

At a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners last Tuesday it was decided to extend the time for the payment of the Commutation road tax of \$1.50 till the first day of May, and the same to be paid to the County treasurer. After that day all road hands who have not paid will be required to work five days or pay \$3.00.

J. B. Fendley, T. A. Kelley, Thomas Anderson, T. W. Townes and Jesse J. Lewis were appointed to inspect and report on the proposed new road from Walker Sizemore's to Porter's Chapel.

On motion it was agreed to open the road recently granted from the Pickens Cotton Mill to Ferguson's Crossing as soon as possible.

On motion of G. W. Bowen a road leading from a road near Cross Roads Church by the Lewis Hill place to Gus Green's was adopted as a public road.

A petition signed by many citizens of Easley township was presented asking that Thomas Smith an old Confederate Soldier now 80 years old and his wife who is 75 years old, both of whom are very feeble and no means of support be aided by the County. On motion it was agreed to give each of them \$2.00 per month.

On motion the Supervisor was authorized to have the court house grounds enclosed with a substantial fence.

A petition was presented asking for a road to begin at the end of the street running by Dr. Shirley's in Central to intersect the Maw bridge road between Pilgrim's and Rampey's.

Approved Claims and adjourned.

### Has to Take Them.

"I can take 100 words a minute," said one shorthand writer to another. "I often take more than that," remarked the other in sorrowful accents, "but then I have to. I'm married."

### Worth Two Men.

"Ten made the glee club." "Why, his voice is cracked." "I know, but it split the other night, and he's singing duets now."—Yale Record.

### And Now He Doesn't.

Howell—Do you like congregational singing? Powell—I did until the cats in our neighborhood adopted the idea.

### Book Evolution.

"Books" have progressed from the days when they were only wooden rods or bits of bark. For the derivation which connects "book" directly with "beech," both having been "boe" in Anglo-Saxon, is the favorite one. "Buchstaben," the German word for letters of the alphabet, means literally "beech staves." Many book words go back to such vegetable origin. The Latin "liber," a book, whence comes our "library," was properly the inner bark or rind of a tree, especially of papyrus. The Greek "biblion," whence "Bible" and "bibliophile," meant much the same thing. A "codex" was a block of wood, and "leaf" is obvious.

### A Compromise.

A private soldier was taken to the guardroom for being intoxicated. He became excited. "Sergeant, am I drunk?" he asked of the "noncom" in charge.

"Yes—take off your boots," was the reply.

"But excuse me, sergeant," the delinquent continued, "I am only half drunk."

"Very well, then—take one boot off!" said his superior.—London Scraps.