

MARKETING HEAD VISITS COLUMBIA

WILLIAMS IS PLEASED WITH PROGRESS IN STATE—COLUMBIA ATTORNEY NAMED LEGAL ADVISOR OF SOUTH CAROLINA COOPERATIVE BODY.

Columbia, July 22.—Carl Williams of Oklahoma City, president of the American Cotton Growers' exchange, and the executive of the national cooperative organization of the various statewide cooperative organizations, spent Friday in Columbia in conference with officials of the South Carolina Cotton Growers' Cooperative association. He is completing a survey of the nine states in which these organizations have been formed.

Delight was expressed by Mr. Williams with the organization perfecting the board of directors elected by members and the officers chosen to the board in South Carolina. He stated that no state in the belt was doing off its association under more favorable circumstances than is South Carolina.

The cooperative associations are expected to stay, said Mr. Williams. These organizations, he said, "make term contracts with the grower bringing all his crop with a penalty non-delivery. They have adopted the principle of the internal pool, whereby every grower receives the price for the same quantity and quality. They employ experts in marketing who work for the farmer instead of against him.

The four states, which functioned last season, Oklahoma, Texas, Mississippi (long staple) and Arizona, handled more than \$50,000,000 worth of cotton on the approved principles of cooperative business. They have eliminated waste, inefficiency and speculation at country markets.

The real purpose behind these organizations is an improvement in the standard of living in the cotton South. Money to the grower of cotton through glass windows in the houses, conveniences in the home, more better tools, clothes and schools greater prosperity for every-

William McKay, a well known member of the Columbia bar, has been elected state counsel for the South Carolina Cotton Growers' Cooperative association, announcement of which was made yesterday by the board of directors. He enters at once upon the duties of his position.

McKay is well known throughout the state. He was a member for many years of the firm of Barron, Gay, Frierson & McCants, but on January 1 has been practicing alone. He is a graduate of the University of South Carolina.

Officials said yesterday that the station would probably occupy its quarters in the old Masonic temple building on Main street in about ten days.

WARDEN CAR TURNS OVER

Messrs. John and Harvey Gordon returning to their home on the West road Friday evening when had an accident near the R. C. station about two miles from Abbeville. Courtney Wilson was in the car, which drove too near the edge of the narrow highway to the Wilson car to pass, and ran over the embankment of about six feet. The occupants of the car were badly shaken up but no serious damage was done.

JOHN PORTER KILLED

Seventy Year Old Lineman Electrocuted at Anderson. Anderson, July 22.—John Porter, an old lineman, employed by the Georgia & Northern railway, was electrocuted this afternoon when a wire fell across a trolley wire, carrying a current of 1,500 volts through him.

TARIFF CHARGE MADE BY SMITH

SOUTH CAROLINA SENATOR TALKS OF ARSENIC—WRITTEN INTO BILL TO BENEFIT GUGGENHEIMS—MORE OF THIS LATER.

Washington, July 22.—Developments yesterday in the senate consideration of the administration tariff bill included:

Material reductions in most of the duties originally proposed on products of flax, hemp and jute.

A charge by Senator Smith (Democrat) of South Carolina that the rate of two cents a pound on white arsenic was written into the bill for the sole benefit of "the great Guggenheim smelting interests."

The introduction of a resolution by Senator Gooding (Republican) of Idaho proposing a public investigation of the claim of clothing producers that the proposed rate of 33 cents a pound on scoured wool would result in an increase of about \$4 in the price of a suit of clothes and \$7 in the price of an overcoat.

Senator Smith brought up the arsenic rate in the midst of consideration of the linen schedule and promised that when the senate came to final action on the arsenic paragraph he would go into details as to whom the tariff would benefit and upon whom it would rest. He characterized the proposed duty as "the most shameful favoritism for one combination and one set of men and estimated that it would cost the cotton producers alone \$28,000,000 a year.

Calling attention that arsenic was a "by-product which the smelters were required by law to contain because of the damage it had done to vegetation near the smelters," Senator Smith said the smelting interests were not even willing to contribute a by-product to the general welfare of the country "but hasten to congress to get a duty on it."

Senator Smoot (Republican) of Utah denied that arsenic duty would cost the cotton farmers \$18,000,000 a year. On the basis of the total of domestic production and importation he said the total increased cost could not exceed \$400,000 a year.

Despite some extraneous discussion the senate made unusually rapid progress on the flax schedule, disposing of all of it except four items, including the rate on cotton bagging. The Democrats led by Senator Robinson of Arkansas sought to effect even greater reductions in the duties than those proposed by the committee majority but every amendment offered was rejected.

BLAMES COAL BROKERS FOR HIGH PRICES

Frankfort, Ky., July 23.—Coal brokers are responsible for present high prices of fuel in Kentucky, Governor Morrow was informed today by a number of operators who said they still were selling at regular prices of \$2.75 to \$3.50 a ton.

Striker Killed by Lightning

Macon, Ga., July 23.—Edgar Johnson, 21, striking machinist, was killed by a bolt of lightning while fishing during a violent electrical storm yesterday afternoon.

IN THE MAYOR'S COURT

Two cases of disorderly conduct came up before Mayor Mars this morning and were fined \$5.00 each or ten days. One case of drunk and disorderly was fined \$7.50 or fifteen days. One case of violation of the automobile ordinance was fined \$1.

VISITING IN NEWBERRY.

Chief Justice and Mrs. Eugene B. Gary have returned from Newberry where they went to visit their daughter, Mrs. Dr. Pope. They bring the good news that Mrs. Pope is recovering from her recent illness.

COTTON MARKET HELD IN DECLINE

DEPRESSED PRICES FEATURE OF WEEK—FEAR BEING FELT THAT MILLS MAY FACE COAL SHORTAGE BEFORE LONG STRIKE NEWS HURTS.

New Orleans, July 23.—Prices were depressed in a moderate way during almost the whole of last week in the cotton market. Early declines carried the market to its lowest on the more distant months, to net losses of 41 to 53 points, while in the late trading July and October fell to their lowest, net losses of 64 to 112 points. At the middle of the week the market was at its highest, 8 to 25 points over the close of the preceding week. On the close the list showed net losses of 26 to 57 points. October traded as high as 22 cents a pound, as low as 21.28 and closed at 21.35. In the spot department prices lost 75 points on middling, which closed at 21.75 against 11.75 on the close of this week last year.

Much of the selling of the week was done on the unfavorable strike news in this country and on an unfavorable opinion of political news from abroad. The troubles among the coal mines aroused fear that mills would be seriously put out for fuel before long while the rail strike caused uneasiness regarding transportation facilities for the new crop, now just starting to move.

Only moderate selling arose from the weather and crop news of the week because of fear that boll weevil damage might, at any time, assume alarming proportions, since the pest was reported numerous in nearly all sections of the belt.

AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT NEAR CITY SATURDAY

Car Rolls Down Fifteen Foot Embankment, Slightly Injuring Two of Occupants.

Saturday afternoon between 6 and 7 o'clock a car driven by William Hughes and containing H. A. Benton, his father, W. F. Benton, Mary Louise Benton and Mary H. Keith, of Dublin, Ga., collided with a car driven by Claud Gambrell who had Maxcy Johnson and George Cann in his car. The accident occurred on the highway at a detour in the road near the W. E. Leslie place about three miles from town.

Claud and his friends were returning from Martin's Mill, meeting 2 cars going out at the sharp curve beyond the Leslie place. The first car was safely passed only to strike the Haynes car which was traveling on the other side of the road, the bumper of the Gambrell car catching the rear wheel of the Benton's car, which turned over and fell down an embankment fifteen feet high.

Mr. Benton was pinned under the car which had to be rolled off of him. He had several ribs broken. Mr. W. F. Benton suffered a severe cut on the top of the head, taking the exact shape of a horse shoe. The two little girls were tossed out as the car went over but were uninjured. Bill Hughes also escaped without injury, though the steering wheel was ripped to pieces. The top of the car was completely demolished, and the wonder is that every one was not killed. The boys in the Gambrell car were frightened but not hurt. Dr. Gambrell and Dr. Neuffer arrived on the scene and took care of the wounded.

RECOMMENDS STATE AND FEDERAL COMMISSIONERS

Senator J. Howard Moore has recommended for appointment to State commissioners of election: Messrs. D. H. Hill, J. M. Gambrell and Mrs. M. B. Reese. For Federal commissioners of election he has recommended Hon. J. M. Nickles, Joel S. Morse and Mrs. T. G. White.

RAILROAD STRIKE LONG EXPECTED

PREPARATIONS BEGUN BY MEN OVER YEAR AGO—SAT TIGHT AND WATCHED "GRIEVANCES" ACCUMULATE TO SUPPORT PLANNED WALKOUT.

Washington, July 23.—That the railroad shopmen have been preparing for the strike now in progress since April, 1921, and waited 15 months because of a desire to "accumulate enough grievances to support a demand for a nation-wide strike" were statements made today by P. J. Conlon, vice president of the International Association of Machinists, at a public mass meeting here.

Union officials learned April 8, 1921, Mr. Conlon said, that the national agreement with the railroads was to be abolished, although the railroad labor board did not act until April 14. When individual agreements were sought, he declared the unions "ran into identical demands from every road we approached which indicated to us there was some central agency or authority directing the fight against us."

"Then we realized," Vice President Conlon continued. "that we would have to sit tight and suffer in silence until enough grievances had been accumulated to support a demand for a nation-wide strike."

Of the 1,100 decisions handed down by the labor board, the speaker listed 700 as favorable to the railroads and 400 as "nominally in favor of our side," but of the latter, he said, at least 300 were put into effect by the roads and therefore "didn't mean anything."

MEETING OF ABBEVILLE AUXILIARY BIBLE SOCIETY

Held Sunday Night in A. R. P. Church—District Meeting to be Held Wednesday.

The regular yearly meeting of the Abbeville Auxiliary Bible Society was held in the A. R. P. church Sunday night which was also the regular time for the union service. There was a good attendance and the exercises were interesting.

Mr. A. B. Morse announced that next year would be the one hundredth anniversary of the Abbeville Society, and urged the members to make the occasion one long to be remembered by the people of Abbeville. The Abbeville society is only seven years younger than the national society and in all these years has done great good.

After the business meeting Rev. C. E. Peele preached an excellent sermon taking as his text "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today and forever," his theme being the refutation of the idea so prevalent that the world needs a new Christ and a new religion, to carry us thru these progressive times.

The meeting of the District Bible Society will be held Wednesday at Greenville Church near Donalds. Mrs. M. R. Plaxco and Miss Mary Greene sang solos and Miss Mildred Cochran presided at the organ.

Minutes of Meeting

The Abbeville Auxiliary Bible Society held its annual meeting in the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church July 23, 1922. Rev. C. E. Peele preached the annual sermon. The meeting was presided over by the 1st vice-president, Rev. M. R. Plaxco, the president, Rev. Louis J. Bristow, having moved away from the city. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer reported contributed and paid to Parent Society for 1921, \$195.50. Collected from members for 1922, \$154.00. Collection taken at church \$3.55. This was ordered to be paid over to the American Bible Society which is the Parent Society.

The following officers were elected: Rev. C. E. Peele, President; Rev.

CHILE AND PERU SIGN AGREEMENT

SUBMIT CONTROVERSY TO PRESIDENT HARDING—SETTLEMENT HAILED IN WASHINGTON AS EPOCHAL ACHIEVEMENT IN CONCILIATION.

Washington, July 22.—Chile and Peru consummated here today their agreement to submit their generation old quarrel over Tacna-Arica to the arbitration of President Harding.

The arbitration protocol and its supplementary act, the fruition of ten weeks' negotiations conducted in Washington on the invitation of President Harding, were signed by the plenipotentiaries of the two governments in the hall of the Americas in the Pan-American union amid the applause of a distinguished assemblage of diplomatists and officials of the United States. Then they were announced to the world in a series of addresses hailing the settlement as an epochal achievement in Pan-American conciliation.

In turn, the spokesmen of Chile, Peru and the United States expressed in solemn terms their deep gratification at final effacement of the problem which for so long has been a thorn in the side of international relationships in the western hemisphere. Secretary of State Hughes, speaking for the American government, predicted that the accord would be the greatest achievement of this generation in the direction of peace and good understanding in the new world.

When the final session of the conference was ended the Chilean and Peruvian delegates called together at the White House to thank Mr. Harding for bringing them together and to receive his assurance that he would accept, with a deep sense of responsibility, his designation as final arbitrator of the dispute.

The next step will be the ratification of the two instruments signed today but the plenipotentiaries are leaving Washington confident that their work will find ready approval at home. Actual arbitration will begin after ratifications have been exchanged, probably late this fall.

TAKE OFF TRAINS.

The Seaboard Air Line discontinued trains numbers 27 and 28, 30 and 39, locals between Georgetown and Charleston, Saturday July 22nd, on account of strike conditions.

H. L. Weeks, 1st Vice-President; Rev. M. R. Plaxco, 2nd Vice-president; Otto Bristow, Secretary; Fred Cason, Secretary. Executive committee: Rev. C. E. Peele, A. B. Morse, Lewis Perrin, Dr. C. H. McMurray, Otto Bristow, Fred Cason.

Delegates to the District Society meeting at Greenville Church, near Donalds next Wednesday at 11 o'clock are: Joel S. Morse, Mrs. A. M. Smith, Judge Jones F. Miller, Mrs. W. F. Nickles, W. M. Barnwell, Miss Kate Marshall, Sanford Howie, Mrs. Paul Link, Dr. C. H. McMurray, Mrs. Alph Lyon, W. A. Stevenson, J. L. Hill.

The following resolution was passed and ordered recorded in the minutes:

In view of the fact that next year is the Centennial Anniversary of the Abbeville District Bible Society, of which we are an auxiliary, we want our local society to put its best foot foremost to make as liberal a contribution as possible, and also proper arrangements for the entertainment of the parent society on the last Wednesday of July 1923, we recommend that the following ladies be elected to cooperate with your executive committee next July in soliciting contributions and helping in every way to make this Centennial celebration a credit to our society and community: Mrs. W. F. Nickles, Mrs. Lewis Perrin, Mrs. T. G. White, Mrs. C. H. McMurray and Mrs. Paul Link.

HARDING CONSIDERS NEW PEACE PLAN

MAYOR OF SCRANTON SUGGESTS ANOTHER EFFORT TO PRESIDENT—PROPOSED PLAN OF SETTLEMENT NOT YET CLOSED.

Washington, July 22.—Another effort to bring about a conference settlement of the national coal controversy was suggested to President Harding today by Mayor John F. Durkan of Scranton, one of the five mayors of anthracite cities in Pennsylvania who have tendered their services to the administration in the interest of conciliation.

Immediately after presentation to President Harding of his plan for settlement of the strike in the anthracite fields, Mr. Durkan wired John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers with whom he had previously discussed the possibilities of peace, inviting the union leader to meet with five mayors in Scranton or New York the first of the week.

Mr. Durkan would not disclose the plan of settlement which the mayors laid before Mr. Harding but declared that while their interest lay plainly in the anthracite problem, should the bituminous dispute be inseparably both branches of the industry would be discussed at the proposed conferences.

Formation of the president's arbitration commission was understood to be nearing completion and it was thought the announcement of its personnel would be made before the expiration of ten days or two weeks which it has been indicated the administration will await the result of the invitation to operators to resume production.

Meanwhile various agencies of the government are combining to effect emergency distribution of fuel to the railroads, public utilities and localities in need. Attorney General Daugherty spent the day preparing to report to Secretary Hoover on legal aspects of the plan for using local committees in the producing fields working under a central committee of federal officials to pool and distribute coal by means of rail priorities and to check undue price advances.

The attorney general's opinion is expected tomorrow and Mr. Hoover went ahead today with preparations for a conference with some thirty or forty operators from the producing fields Monday when the plans will be discussed and administrative aids to the central committee selected.

Mr. Hoover's program is aimed at giving the country the full benefit of the present bituminous production in the face of a rapidly dwindling coal supply and active mine force. According to a survey issued tonight by Secretary Davis, 610,000 miners are now out on strike and 185,000 are still at work.

HAS SCARLET FEVER.

Little Julia Telford has scarlet fever at the home of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. G. M. Telford on North Main street. Mrs. Telford's brother, Dr. Brown, State Bacteriologist, of Athens, Ga., was in the city yesterday in consultation with Dr. Power over the case of the little girl. Mrs. Brown, the grandmother of the little girl is also here.

COTTON MARKET.

Cotton brought 23 cents on the local market today. Futures closed: July --- 21.17 Oct. --- 21.28 Dec. --- 21.35 Jan. --- 21.17 March --- 21.14 Futures closed Saturday: July --- 21.70 Oct. --- 21.80 Dec. --- 21.80 Jan. --- 21.2 March --- 21.56