



"TO THINK OWN SELF BE TRUE. AND IT MUST FOLLOW AS THE NIGHT THE DAY: THOU CANST NOT THEN BE FALSE TO ANY MAN."

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New Year 1921 GOOD FRIENDS!

The profound significance of the season prompts an expression of gratitude to those who have contributed to our success during the twenty-nine years of our business experience.

Amidst the vicissitudes incident to deflation, we have seen the lucrative earnings of a highly profitable period fade into insignificance; but with ample capital, unequaled facilities, and the confidence and respect of loyal friends, we look forward with pleasant anticipation to a Prosperous New Year.

We acknowledge with grateful appreciation the favors which you have shown us during the year just closing, and that priceless though intangible asset—your good will—which we prize beyond measure.

We hope to merit your continued confidence and aim to serve you helpfully in the future.

Sincerely yours,

C. W. & J. E. Bauknight, WALHALLA, S. C.

NOTICE.

Highest Market Price Paid for Cotton. Also have ample warehouse facilities for storing cotton. See me if you want to either sell or store.

Office in Moss & Ansel's Store.

BAYLIS W. HARRISON, Walhalla, S. C.

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THE WORK OF COUNTY AGENT.

Some Things Being Done and Planned by Oconee's County Agent.

For the information of the general public of Oconee county the following brief outline is given of the activities now under way or planned by Geo. R. Briggs, Oconee county's agricultural demonstration agent.

1. He has organized boys club work with 56 members. Most of these are completing their records, showing good yields and profits. He has recently held the first club show ever held in the county. Making good farmers out of the young boys is one of the most important phases of demonstration work.

2. He has held a number of soil building meetings, which were well attended. As a result of these meetings he has stimulated interest in cover crops and has ordered co-operatively for farmers over 5,000 pounds of crimson clover and 1,000 pounds of vetch. This alone saved the farmers concerned \$200—over one month's salary. But the big result of this sort of work is in teaching the farmers co-operative buying and in helping them to improve their soils.

3. He has aided in the establishment of three community co-operative warehouses, with a total capacity of 1,100 bales. With the assistance of the cotton grader cotton is now being graded and stored for better marketing conditions.

4. He has helped in securing a cotton grader at Westminster for the county and is impressing the people with the value of the cotton grader's services. Through this cotton grader the farmers are learning, to their surprise and satisfaction, that most of their cotton is of better grade than usually understood, and much of it one and one-sixteenth inch staple. This knowledge as to the true grade and staple will help the farmers to command two cents or more premium above the usual prices, which are based on seven-eighths inch staple.

5. He has helped to establish the Bear Creek Drainage District, which would result in the draining and improved value of about 400 acres of land. Other drainage districts are being worked up also.

6. He has taken groups of farmers on observation tours especially to study cover crops and the successful methods of good farmers.

7. He has furnished the three newspapers of the county timely agricultural news and instructions, which the farmers themselves say are very valuable.

8. With the aid of the cotton grader he is now working out plans to pool the cotton which is being warehoused, and in this way market it to better advantage to the farmers.

9. He is planning to develop co-operative marketing of live stock for the mountain farmers, and various other farm products for the farmers in general.

10. He is planning to help farmers buy fertilizers co-operatively for the next season. Co-operative buying and home mixing will save \$5 to \$10 per ton.

11. To aid the fruit growers he has arranged to have winter spray material made at the farm of Dan E. Good at a big saving to the orchard owners. He is working to develop orchard associations for the mutual benefit of orchard owners.

12. He is working also to help establish new money crops and a better system of diversified farming, emphasizing pure seeds and better varieties, proper fertilization, suitable rotations, etc.

These are a few of the things that Oconee's demonstration agent is doing for the benefit of the farmers and the advancement of agriculture in Oconee. There are many other items that might be mentioned whereby hundreds of dollars have been saved to the farmers of our county. One instance that has come under our notice in the recent past was his willing activity in checking a hog disease in one of the communities of our county, his efforts proving effective, thereby saving to the hog raisers of that community many times his salary for months. Other things have from time to time been called to the attention of the public, and it is being demonstrated every day that Oconee to-day has the best farm demon-

COUNTY AGENT'S NOTES.

Important Meetings.

Meetings will be held, weather permitting, on Tuesday night, Jan. 4, at Retreat No. 1 school house.

Thursday night, Jan. 6th, at South Union.

Friday night, Jan. 7th, at Tabor school house.

These meetings will be for the purpose of discussing the matter of selling cotton co-operatively and buying fertilizer co-operatively.

The farmers of these sections are urged to attend these meetings.

The meetings will begin at 7 p. m.

Retreat Warehouse Grades.

The records of the Retreat Community Warehouse have been recently checked over, and farmers should be interested in knowing that a large amount of cotton stored there graded and stapled above middling, seven-eighths inch.

Of the 379 bales stored there prior to Dec. 13th, all of which were graded and stapled by the official government grader at Westminster, the grades and staples ran as follows:

- 134 bales strict middling, 1 in.; 72 bales middling, 1 in.; 66 bales good middling, 1 in.; 39 bales strict middling, 1 1-16 in.; 23 bales good middling, 1 1-16 in.; 12 bales middling, 1 1-16 in.; 9 bales good middling tinged, 1 in.; 7 bales middling, 7-8 in.; 4 bales good middling, 7-8 in.; 4 bales strict middling, 7-8 in.; 2 bales good middling tinged, 7-8 in.; 2 bales strict middling tinged, 1 in.; 2 bales strict low middling, 1 in.; 1 bale middling, 1 1-8 in.; 1 bale middling, 1 1-4 in.; 1 bale strict middling tinged, 7-8 in.

Records on the grades of cotton stored in the South Union and Tabor warehouses will be printed soon.

Geo. R. Briggs, County Agent.

Funeral services were held at the Ansel home on Main street at 1.30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, the services being conducted by Rev. W. B. Aull, of St. John's Lutheran church, assisted by Rev. E. P. Taylor, of the Methodist church. After the services at the home the remains were taken to the Blue Ridge depot and carried to Baltimore for interment by the side of her husband. Mr. and Mrs. John A. Ansel accompanied the remains to Baltimore.

The bereaved ones have the sympathy of many friends in their sorrow.

DEATH OF MRS. GEO. BLUMNER.

Aged Lady Passed Away After Long Illness—Taken to Baltimore.

There are many who will learn with regret of the death of Mrs. Geo. Blumner, which occurred at the home of Mrs. Mary N. Ansel, in Walhalla, on Sunday night last at 10.15 o'clock. Mrs. Blumner had been seriously ill for some three months past, and it was known that her condition was beyond hope of recovery, the only service that could be rendered her being to make the remaining days of life as comfortable as possible. She suffered from a serious heart trouble, which was complicated by other diseases incident to age.

Mrs. Blumner was a native of Germany, having been born in Hamburg on July 10th, 1840. In early life she was married to George Blumner, and shortly after their marriage they came to America, residing most of the time in Baltimore. Before marriage she was Miss Dorothy Lauterbach. Her husband died in Baltimore in 1907, his body being buried in Woodlawn cemetery, Baltimore.

Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Blumner, these being Mrs. A. R. L. Dohme, of Baltimore, who died in 1908; Frances (Mrs. John A. Ansel) of Walhalla, and Henry Blumner, of Baltimore, who died in 1911. Mrs. Blumner had made her home in Walhalla with her daughter, Mrs. J. A. Ansel, since Oct. 8, 1909. She is survived by only one daughter, Mrs. Ansel, and there are nine grandchildren, six of these being the daughters of Mrs. Dohme and one son and two daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Ansel. Mrs. Blumner was the last member of her own family.

The deceased was a splendid woman, a devout Christian and a devoted member of the Lutheran church. Her kindly disposition and her interest in the welfare of others drew to her many friends among our people, and she was "at home" to a marked degree in Walhalla, where her friends were counted by the number of her acquaintances. She will be greatly missed by a wide circle of friends, who grieve with the bereaved ones at the passing of a sincere, loving and lovable friend.

Funeral services were held at the Ansel home on Main street at 1.30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, the services being conducted by Rev. W. B.

Moving?

I'M YOUR MAN.

Hauling?

I'M ON THE SPOT.

I do MOVING and all kinds of HAULING any time and anywhere on quick notice. It is cheaper to move by truck than by rail, or with teams---and much quicker.

GIVE ME A TRIAL.

It makes no difference if you wish to move 5 miles or 100 miles. I can get you there quicker than any other way.

ARTHUR BROWN, Walhalla.

COTTON ACREAGE REDUCTION.

January 3d Set as Date for Securing Reduction for 1921 Crop.

The South Carolina Cotton Association at their annual meeting on Dec. 21st, decided that the only hope and salvation for the cotton growers and general financial interests of the State is to reduce the 1921 cotton acreage at least 50 per cent. This organization memorialized Governor Cooper to issue a proclamation calling upon the farmers and business men of the State to lay aside their selfishness on Jan. 3d, 1921 and observe "Cotton Acreage Reduction Day" at the county Court Houses all over the State. Governor Cooper has issued this proclamation and call.

Now, in answer to the call from the Governor, I hereby call all citizens of Oconee county interested in or affected by the over-production of cotton and the low price, to meet at Walhalla, in the Court House, on Jan. 3d, 1921, at 11.30 a. m., for the purpose of devising ways and means to bring about this reduction, and thereby do our part in the great effort and movement to redeem the South from the cloud of poverty and bankruptcy that is now overshadowing every business industry.

The following citizens are requested to be present and prepared to give ten-minute talks along the line of this reduction and the best method to put it into effect. Wm. J. Stribling, J. J. Ballenger, T. P. Anderson, J. H. Brown, F. S. Holleman, R. T. Jaynes, K. W. Marrett, and others.

It can be done; it should be done—IT MUST BE DONE.

J. P. Stribling, Pres. Oconee Cotton Association.

SUMTER MAN IS SHOT TO DEATH.

Trouble Arose Over Attention of Slayer to Victim's Daughter.

Sumter, Dec. 26.—Edgar Bradley, 24 years of age, shot and instantly killed Frank Outlaw, 65 years old, late yesterday afternoon at the latter's house about three miles from Sumter. Shortly after the shooting Bradley came to the city and surrendered to the sheriff. He is now in jail.

The trouble arose, it is alleged, over a controversy caused by Bradley going with the daughter of Mr. Outlaw. It is stated that the young woman came to Sumter with a cousin, but later left him and went with Bradley, who took her home in his automobile. It is reported that the father became angry and threatened Bradley, and it is further stated that Mr. Outlaw got a gun, and that Bradley ran to his own car, begging Mr. Outlaw not to advance on him. Bradley got a gun out of his car, and with Mr. Outlaw following him, it is alleged, opened fire. Two shots were fired, one load taking effect in the left shoulder and the other in the face, the latter causing almost instant death. The deceased leaves a large family connection.

stratation agent she has ever had, and not only that, but one of the best and most active, interested agents in the State.

CAN'T TELL ABOUT INFLUENZA.

One Attack Seems to Confer Immunity to Sufferer for Years.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—"There is absolutely no way of definitely foretelling whether this winter will witness any recurrence of influenza in epidemic form," said Surgeon General H. S. Cumming, of the United States Public Health Service. "As a result, however, of very careful analyses of the epidemiology of influenza, especially as the result of intensive studies in homes where influenza occurred in 1918 and 1919, it may be stated that an attack of influenza appears to confer a definite immunity to subsequent attacks—an immunity lasting for several years. Inasmuch as the epidemic of 1918 and 1919 affected so very large a proportion of the population there would seem to be reasonable grounds for believing that, even if flu should become prevalent here and there, it would not assume the epidemic proportions of the past two years, nor would it rage in such severe form.

"It is unfortunate that the public becomes so intensely interested in spectacular epidemic outbreaks of disease and is so little moved by the daily occurrence of many preventable deaths in all parts of the country. Of the one and one-quarter million deaths occurring in the United States annually, at least 100,000 could easily be prevented by the application of available medical knowledge. For example, one of the diseases which becomes prevalent about this time of the year is diphtheria. This disease is responsible for about 15,000 deaths in the United States annually. Practically every one of these deaths could be prevented, for not only have we an effective antitoxin for treating the disease when it occurs, but what is still more important, we are now able, by means of a simple skin test, to determine which children are susceptible to diphtheria, and, this ascertained, we can effectively immunize them so as to protect them against this disease.

"The 10,000 or more deaths from typhoid fever that occur annually in the United States could also be very largely prevented if communities everywhere would make certain that their water and milk supplies were protected, and if simple precautions were taken in homes where typhoid fever occurs. It is encouraging to know that smallpox has been so well controlled that at present the average deaths from it in the United States number only 400 annually. Nevertheless, these 400 deaths are entirely unnecessary, for vaccination has long shown itself an effective means of control."

In almost every community in the country the wastage in infant lives is still enormous, especially when contrasted with that in New Zealand, for example, where the death rate is only 50 per thousand births in the first year of life as against 100 in the United States.

Commenting on this, Surgeon General Cumming said:

"The expense of life-saving through the prevention and control of disease by well directed health measures is very small indeed when contrasted with the saving effected.

YOUNG HETRICK IS ARRESTED

In Columbia and Returned to Georgia to Face Charges.

(Atlanta Georgian, 25th.) Will F. Hetrick, fugitive president of the Acworth Manufacturing Company, who left Atlanta on Oct. 10, after being released at Marietta on a \$5,000 bond, when he was charged with embezzling funds of the company said to total nearly \$90,000, reached Atlanta from Columbia, S. C., Friday morning at 7.25 o'clock, in the company of Deputy Sheriff T. M. Sanders, of Cobb county, and W. R. Adams, local detective.

Mr. Adams, of the Adams Detective Agency here, arrested Mr. Hetrick in Columbia Wednesday. Hetrick was lodged in the Fulton tower on reaching Atlanta. He will be kept there for several days before removal to Marietta. He has retained Herbert Clay, of Marietta, as counsel.

When he stepped from the train at the Terminal Station Hetrick was unwilling to talk to newspaper men, excepting to say that he would prove his innocence of the charges of embezzlement, and that his disclosures would involve "men higher up."

Mr. Adams told a representative of the Georgian Friday that he recognized Hetrick as soon as he saw him from a photograph the detective had.

"I saw him on the street, stopped him, extended my hand, and said, 'Why, hello, there! Don't you remember me, Hetrick?'" said Mr. Adams. "Hetrick looked at me a moment, and of course did not recognize me, as he had never seen me before. He extended his right hand, and my identification was complete, because I knew of a ring that he wore on a certain finger on that hand. When he gazed into my eyes, he suddenly turned pale. I arrested him and brought him back."

NEGRO FARM HAND KILLS TWO.

Father and Daughter Killed—Sons Are Shot by Man.

Wilson, Ark., Dec. 25.—Posses tonight are scouring the river bottoms near here in search of Howard Lyons, negro farm hand, who late to-day shot and killed O. T. Craig, 62 years of age, a planter living near here, and Craig's daughter, Mrs. C. G. Williamson, and wounded Craig's two sons.

The Craigs were eating their Christmas dinner when a negro woman ran into the house saying that Lyons was chasing her. Craig went to the porch to remonstrate with the negro and was shot down, dying a few moments later. Mrs. Williamson ran to her father's assistance and was instantly killed. The two young men were shot as they came out of the house. Both were taken to a Memphis hospital and will recover.

I would strongly urge the people of this country to recognize the fact that expenditures in this direction constitute the most profitable form of investment. Effective measures of health conservation constitute a most urgent need of this reconstruction period."