

COTTON PRICES

FARMERS IN SEVERAL COUNTIES
URGED TO ACT.A Convention Called to Meet in Co-
lumbia to Consider the Matter Next
Week.

Pointing out that an accurate estimate of the cotton crop will have no effect on the price unless the farmers hold the staple and force the market up, Commissioner E. J. Watson and E. W. Dabbs, president of the State Farmers' union, have addressed letters to all bankers, merchants, farmers, boards of trade and the local unions of the State, asking to discuss the situation.

The local meetings to be held in several hundred places in the State will be followed by a large cotton congress, to be held in Columbia on September 28. Commissioner Watson is the president of the permanent cotton congress of the South, which was organized in Montgomery.

"You are doubtless fully informed," says the letter, "of our efforts during the past six weeks to secure reliable reports of the crop conditions, and that our investigations and the investigations of all the commissioners of agriculture of the cotton States, presidents of farmers' unions, the National Farmers' union meeting at Shawnee, Okla., and the great Montgomery Cotton congress all agree that the cotton crop of 1911 will be about the same as the crop of 1910. The Montgomery congress added to the most careful compilation several hundred thousand bales to understate, with the result that we consider 12,500,000 bales a liberal estimate for this crop."

"But what effect does it have on the market? None at all. Nor can it have any as long as our people almost fight to see who can be first at the weigher's platform and we find interior markets making new records for September cotton sales. Therefore this has ceased to be a battle of the leaders with statistics, crop conditions, trade reports, etc., but it is absolutely one of receipts—a fight all along the line by the individuals who have tolled all the year to grow the cotton, and it rests with them, the grower of one bale as well as the planter or the merchant who grows or controls his hundreds of bales, to call a halt, otherwise we warn you that the price of cotton will be so low that business will be paralyzed and bankruptcy will stare us in the face."

"That something may be done at once, we call upon you to meet at your respective centers of trade, not only at your county seats, but at every point where cotton is marketed, on next Monday, the 25th, at any hour of the day most convenient to your people, there to assemble and discuss this momentous question and devise ways and means to put into effect the advice of the Farmers' union and the Montgomery Cotton congress. Your leaders have done all that they can do. We have gathered the information, and we have, with the aid of the press, that has most ably seconded our efforts, sent it to every hamlet on every rural route in the State."

The work rests with you the growers of the cotton, and with you the part owners of the cotton—the bankers, the merchants, the professional men—you whose prosperity is measured by the price of cotton, to get together and stop this loss of millions. You alone can do it. It is idle to sit down and say that Brown, Hayne, Sully or any bull clique will raise the price of cotton or can raise it so long as our people put it on the market. It is no less idle to say that we can do nothing until the Farmer's union trustees and the French-English syndicate get together and furnish us with foreign capital.

All this is well enough and we believe that the money will be forthcoming, but before it can reach the local banks there will be no cotton then to finance at the present rate of sales. We do implore our fellow citizens to give heed to our call. Meet next Monday and meet for business. We will send speakers to every point we can, but there should be meetings where every one can feel free to express his views, and let there be no adjournment until you have decided on a plan of united action. Do not wait for our speakers, for we may not be able to secure them, and we could act possibly secure one for every meeting that we hope will be held in the State.

"On Thursday, the 28th, at 3 p. m., in Columbia in the hall of the house of representatives, we trust that we will have delegates from each one of these local meetings. After conferring together we have decided that Thursday, the 28th, will be better than Wednesday, the 27th, for we do not wish to interfere with the Red Shirt reunion."

Good Roads Train.

The Southern Railway's good roads train was at the Southern Depot yesterday morning, and was visited by a number of people from the country and the city, to hear the lectures and see the exhibits bearing on the making of good roads. The exhibits as shown by the road experts and the lectures on the subject were most interesting and those who visited the car were delighted with it.

KICKING AT ST. MATTHEWS.

Much Dissatisfaction With the Cot-
ton Market.

The correspondent of The News and Courier at St. Matthews, who on all occasions has the courage of his convictions, takes up the cudgels and goes for the cotton market of his town in the following fashion. He says:

"There has been much kicking and complaint about the cotton market here this season so far and common talk about 'combinations,' 'understandings,' etc, but nothing definite happened until Friday morning. It appears that W. W. McMillan, who bought cotton heavily last fall, was left in the cold this fall by manipulations, somewhat mysterious as yet. At any rate, a heavily signed petition will go to Alexander Sprunt & Sons, Wilmington, and Ridgers, McCabe & Co., Charleston, both large cotton exporters, imploring them to deal directly with this market and not through district agents."

"The petition also condemns the manner of McMillan's taking off in strong but polite terms. The petition also contends that this town is of such importance to be placed on an independent basis. Over 13,000 bales were marketed here last season and that limit promises to be exceeded this season unless the cotton is driven away from this place as its normal market. There are all sorts of rumors in the air, but The News and Courier correspondent has related only the tangible facts."

RED SHIRTS REUNION.

Celebration Will Be Held at Colum-
bia on Sept. 27-28.

The old companies of Red Shirts are requested to attend the celebration of the great Democratic victory which will be held at Columbia on September 27th and 28th. Exercises will be as follows:

On the evening of the 27th a concert will be given at the Columbia Opera House. Miss Grace Lumpkin will deliver the address of welcome for the city of Columbia, and John Sharp Williams, senator from Mississippi, will be the orator of the occasion.

Sept. 28th—Brass band concert at nine a. m., and parade at 10 a. m. In a letter addressed to Capt. J. H. Claff of this city, John G. Mobley, the Commander in Chief of the Red Shirts, urges that as many attend from Orangeburg county as possible. In order that a company may be formed all those who would like to go or think of attending are requested to meet at the Courthouse on Saturday, at 12 o'clock. The company can then be formed and arrangements made for attending the celebration in Columbia.

They Will Be Used Later.

There has been considerable complaint on the part of some people who bought physical geographies for the use of their children in the graded school when they were told that the books would not be used. These books being on the list as adopted by the board of trustees of the graded school for use in the school, were sold to the people by Sims' Book Store in good faith, and the management of that store was surprised when the books were brought back with the statement that the teachers said they would not be used. Major Glaze, the chairman of the board, was seen about the matter and he said he would look into it. He has said nothing to us about it, but we have heard that the geography would be used later. So those who have bought them can keep them until they are called for.

Breaks the Record.

The St. Matthews correspondent of The State says: "Several days ago one Bill Plush, a negro, broke the man-shooting record by wounding five other negroes at one time at a hot supper. One Charles Staley, a negro living on the opposite side of the county, out-distanced Plush the other day in his race for the pennant for the number of men shot at one time. Staley went out on the warpath and succeeded in pumping lead into 11 of his brethren before his ammunition gave out. So far as can be ascertained this is a record-breaker." Staley must have been loaded up on mean booze or cocaine.

Picnic at Murph's Mill.

There will be a picnic at Murph's Mill, Friday, Sept. 29th, given for the benefit of Wesley Chapel Church and the Women's Foreign Missionary Society. Some of the most prominent speakers of the county and state will be present and address the crowd on the importance of Farmers Union and education. Refreshments of all kinds will be sold, but dinner will be free and plentiful. Come one and all. We want everybody to be on hand and feel sure that all will have a good time. Com.

Birds Going South.

For the past few nights thousands of birds have been heard chirping as they passed over the city going south. It seems rather early for the birds to be migrating, but they are doing so by the thousands. Some say it indicates an early and severe winter. This is borne out by Horace Johnson, the aged weather forecaster of Milledam, Conn., who predicted the blizzard of eighteen-eighty-eight, and promises a long, severe winter this year. He also forecast drought.

Killed by a Train.

Joe Simons, a workman on the Atlantic Coast Line Railway, was killed by a train Thursday morning. It was stated that Simons was on the trestle when the train came and it knocked him off and killed him instantly. The accident occurred at the trestle over Lynch's river.

"THE NEST EGG."

Pleasing Comedy at the Opera House
Tomorrow Evening.

In speaking of the performance given in Richmond of that amusing comedy, "The Nest Egg," The Times-Dispatch, says:

"Simply pleasing, and pleasingly simple, 'The Nest Egg,' from the pen of Anne Caldwell, began the regular dramatic season of the Academy last night, and served to introduce to a Richmond audience Lydia Knott, whose popularity was attested by the vigorous applause she received from the audience which braved the rain to enjoy two hours of real fun."

"The Nest Egg" is a story of life in the up-State reaches of New York. Anne Caldwell has written well, and Lydia Knott gets every bit possible out of the written lines. She is the very personification of the York state spinster—kind hearted, ready witted, unconsciously meddlesome, always doing the wrong thing at the wrong time, in an attempt to help the cause of others, but above all loveable in her loneliness and charming in her simplicity. But Lydia Knott is not the whole show. There are just ten people in the cast and each one is an artist."

Orangeburg theatre-goers will enjoy "The Nest Egg" as the opening bill at the Academy of Music on tomorrow evening. Prices of admission are 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50, and tickets are now on sale at Lowman's. A big crowd will be on hand for the first show of the season.

STATE COLORED COLLEGE.

Sixteenth Annual Session Begins on
October Fourth.

The State Colored College will begin its sixteenth annual session on Wednesday, October 4. Everything is in readiness for the opening and it is expected that this will mark the most prosperous year in its history. President R. S. Wilkinson has traveled over 3,000 miles through the State this summer in the interest of the college. As a result of this activity applications are being received daily by the score, and doubtless the enrollment will approach one thousand. The alumni of the college have taken part in this work and are sending students from every point in the State.

Among those applying for admission are many asking for assistance in their education. In order to provide for these the president would gladly receive the names and addresses of persons in the city who would like to have students work for them during the year. To these will be sent reliable students who will faithfully perform their duties. By this means families will be accommodated and self-supporting students be enabled to secure the employment needed to assist them through school. Send a postal or phone your address to the college and it will receive due attention.

Killed Near St. George.

The State says Mr. G. W. Bell, of Columbia, foreman of the Southern railway derrick force, was killed Wednesday evening, near St. George, being caught under some overturned freight cars. Mr. Bell and members of the derrick crew were at work on the track when the accident occurred. Mr. Bell was placed on the train but died on his way to Columbia. Mr. Bell was about 44 years of age, and is survived by a wife and 11 children. He was a member of the Baptist church, and had a large circle of friends in Columbia. The remains will be taken to Carrollton, Ga., for interment.

The Citadel Scholarships.

Messrs. Holiday Verdy, of this city, and Paul K. Shuler, who won the scholarships in the Citadel from this county, have entered upon their studies at the Academy. Mr. Verdy was born in Augusta, Ga., and received his principle training in the excellent schools of that city. He came to this city about two years ago and attended the city schools about that length of time. Mr. Shuler is from Providence and was a student for some years at the Orangeburg College. These young men won these scholarships over several competitors, some of whom had been students of the Orangeburg graded school for ten years. We wish them continued success.

Graded School Opening.

The Orangeburg graded school opened under very auspicious circumstances Monday morning. The enrollment will reach far over 700, being the largest in the history of the schools. The opening exercises were very interesting. Maj. W. L. Glaze, chairman of the board of trustees, and A. W. Summers and T. J. Hayden, new members of the board made short talk. The list of teachers recently published in The Times and Democrat were all in their places.

Will Open Friday.

The students of the Orangeburg College are arriving for the opening of that school Friday. Over 200 will be enrolled this year. The faculty is strong and a good year is expected. The buildings have been overhauled and everything is in readiness for the session. This school did fine work the past year, and is proud of the fact that two of its students won scholarships to the Citadel, one in Orangeburg, and the other in Edgefield counties.

Died From Fright.

Augusta Lawskowska, aged 15, died of fright at South Bend, Ind., while on her way home with a companion. The girls saw two young men and evidently thinking she was to be attacked, Augusta fainted. She died without recovering consciousness.

LIST OF LETTERS.

Those Remaining Unclaimed in the
Orangeburg Post Office.

The following are the list of letters remaining unclaimed in the Orangeburg Post Office for the week ending Sept. 19, 1911. Persons calling for same will please say that they are "advertised." A. D. Webster, P. M.
A—Alma Adams, Laura Ayers.
B—Josephine Barnes, Mrs. Kate Bennett, J. L. Bozard, Emma Brown, E. B. Bynum.
C—Rev. Coplisse, Willie Chavis, Henry Courtney.
D—Mrs. Fannie Davis, Herbert Dennis.
E—Madeline J. Easterlin.
F—Dora Felder, Sam Fields, Besie Funches.
G—Mrs. Carrie Gates.
H—Arthur Haynes, Annie Hegg, Mary Hook.
I—Barbara Ivans.
J—Louisa Johnson, Mrs. Mamie Jones, Mrs. Sallie Jones (2).
L—George Lazur, John E. Lewis, L. C. Lewis.
M—Mrs. Emma Mams, Hattie Martin.
P—Janie E. Pattison (2), Flossie Pinkney.
R—Cuffy Reece.
S—May Salley, Austin Schuyler, Heyward Scott, Anna Shuler, Dave Smith, A. D. Smoak, Mrs. Matilda Stroman.
T—J. O. Thomas.
W—Georgiana Williams, Benjamin Ward.

JEWISH NEW YEAR.

Origin and Meaning of the Festival
Among Jews.

Rosh Hashana, the Jewish New Year, will fall on September 23, this year, and with its observance passes the 5,672d year of the Hebrews. The celebration begins on Friday evening and lasts through Saturday for the reformed Jews; through Sunday for the orthodox Jews.

Rosh Hashana touches the hearts of the children of Israel as does no other of the festivals and holidays. It is known as the day of the blowing of the trumpets, which is also the seventh new moon of the Hebrew calendar. The blowing of the trumpet is a reminder to the Israelite that a new period of time is begun. It is a day of memorial, when Israel feels himself held by God in remembrance.

The Biblical basis for the observance of the first day of Tishri as a New Year's day and the most solemn day of the Jewish calendar next to Yom Kippur, or the Day of Atonement, is found in the reference to Kikkaron ("memorial day") in Leviticus xxiii, 24, which reads: "In the seventh month, in the first day of the month, shall ye have a Sabbath, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, a holy convocation." Ezra also refers to the day as one "holy to the Lord." Ten days from the New Year the Day of Atonement is observed.

Julia Academy Locals.

Every body is busy picking cotton around here now, and Mr. Eldridge Sharp says he has made the most to be picked.

Rev. and Mrs. Posey dined at Prof. Schvenberg's Tuesday.

Miss Katherine Toale gave a party on Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 6, in honor of her cousin, Richard Convan, from New York.

After spending his vacation at home Prof. K. R. Schoenberg has returned to his school at Iva where he taught last year.

Mr. Jimmie Boles is spending a few days at Abbeville.

We hear Mr. Morgan West is going to move to his new home, but sincerely hope it will not necessitate his losing interest in our school as he has been one of our best workers.

All are glad school time has returned, but sorry to give up the following young ladies who have been so helpful to our Literary Society, Misses Nessie Boles, Meta Sawyer, Beulah Vann.

Mrs. Ollie Schvenberg accompanied by Miss Annie Eliza Jones and two children have made a most pleasant visit to Goodland Swamp, while there they attended a meeting of their Local Improvement Association, Mrs. Schvenberg thinks they are quite alive to the work, the young people especially having already done well and are still pressing on to accomplish greater things.

Our last regular meeting was very interesting the program was good and well rendered.

We think it is remarkable the interest that Mrs. Morgan, an old lady ninety-two years old takes in her school, she has been donating toward it for quite awhile and not long since she gave the preparing of a white quilt to the Improvement Association to dispose of in anyway they chose.

Commences Business.

The Farmers Bank and Trust Company, St. Matthews new bank, commenced business on Friday. This makes the third bank for St. Matthews. The sisterhood of financial institutions, according to seniority, is: the St. Matthews Savings Bank, capital \$80,000; the Home bank, capital \$25,000; Farmers' Bank and Trust company, capital \$25,000. The selling price of the stock in the two first named banks being at high premium and the heavy deposits that they carry would indicate that the new bank will find plenty of patronage without proving an injury to the interests of the older institutions.

Hanging Badly Needed.

No less than five murders have been committed in this county in the last month. This is an awful record and calls for a hanging or several of them. All the parties that committed these killings are in jail, and will be tried at the next court. Some thing should be done to stop the carnival of blood that overruns the county.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

PICKED UP ALL OVER TOWN BY
OUR REPORTERS.

What Is Happening Here and There.

Local Items of Personal Interest to
Our Readers.

Miss Jessye Gramling has gone to Madison, Ga.

Miss Josie Murphy of Bamberg is visiting Mrs. R. L. Berry.

Miss Annie Pearson has gone to Rock Hill to enter Winthrop.

Over six hundred bales of cotton was brought to this market on Saturday.

Mrs. J. A. Salley has returned home from a month's stay at Montreat.

Misses Isabelle and Kathleen Wannamaker are visiting relatives in North.

Everybody is sorry here that Columbia failed to win the base ball pennant.

More cotton was sold here last Saturday than any day for the past six years.

Don't forget the benefit at Theato to-day and night for the Kings Daughters.

Miss Warner Hair went to Greenville Monday to attend Greenville Female College.

Mr. Gordon Jufgerpiller attends the University of South Carolina in Columbia this year.

Miss Leder Hungerpiller has left for Gaffney, where she will attend Limestone College.

Miss Alma Davis has gone to Kingstree, where she will teach in the graded schools.

Sheriff Salley has brought Julius Green, who is wanted here for murder, back from Savannah.

Misses Lusie and Ethel Watson, of Greenville, are the guests of their aunt, Mrs. Adam H. Moss.

Mrs. Howard Dew, of Blacksburg, is visiting at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Wannamaker.

Miss Helen Lathrop left Tuesday morning for Maysville to accept a position in the Leesville College.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Wannamaker, Jr., and children have returned to Charleston after a pleasant visit to relatives here.

Mr. Mason Crum will leave in a few days for Harvard university and will pursue post-graduate work at that institution.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Rosenger have gone to Asheville, where Mr. Rosenger will attend the Southern Photographer's convention.

Physical geography is taught in every graded school in the State, and it should be taught in the Orangeburg graded school.

City Engineer Hawes, who resigned his position sometime ago to take effect in a few weeks, will remain in Orangeburg, and follow his profession.

There will be a Woodman of the World picnic at Two Mile Swamp Thursday, Sept. 21st. The public is invited to attend and bring well filled baskets.

The Kohn catalogue is the best book of its kind ever issued in this part of the state. It is a perfect style guide. A copy will be mailed to you on request.

The South Carolina University opened on Tuesday with the largest attendance it has ever had. Orangeburg County, of course, helps swell the student body.

It is sailing under false colors to have a book on the list as being taught in a school when it is not taught. It should either be taught or taken off the list.

We think the universal opinion is that Health Office Schifley has given careful, painstaking attention to his duties and that his services have been most valuable to the city.

The forty-second annual session of the Orangeburg Baptist Association will convene with Salem Church, two miles west of Woodford and North, on Wednesday, the 11th day of October.

Clemson College opened this year with over eight hundred boys, the largest attendance they have ever had there. Orangeburg County is well represented among the student body.

There will be a lunch party for the benefit of the Woman's Home Missionary Society at the home of Mr. Vernon Brabham at Cope, Tuesday night, Sept. 26. The public is invited.

Don't judge the schools by the hot air that is now appearing in the newspapers about them. Wait and see how many scholarships the pupils from them win in competition, and judge them. That is the real test of merit.

Miss Leila Eubanks, from Aiken, has returned to her home after a most pleasant visit to Miss Ollie Hutto of Holly Hill and friends at Blackville. While in Holly Hill Miss Eubanks was the recipient of many social attentions.

The Anderson Advocate says: "The new mayor of Orangeburg is named Sain. The Orangeburg Times and Democrat seems to think that the voters were temporarily insane when they voted for him." Nothing The Times and Democrat ever said about the election warrants any such statement.

At the Theato To-Day.

Two splendid films for Kings Daughters benefit at Theato to-day. A Kalem film—"A Cattle Romance." A charming western love story featuring George Melford and Alice Joyce. And, "Snow Bound With a Woman Hater." A delightful Vitagraph Comedy. Be sure to see them.

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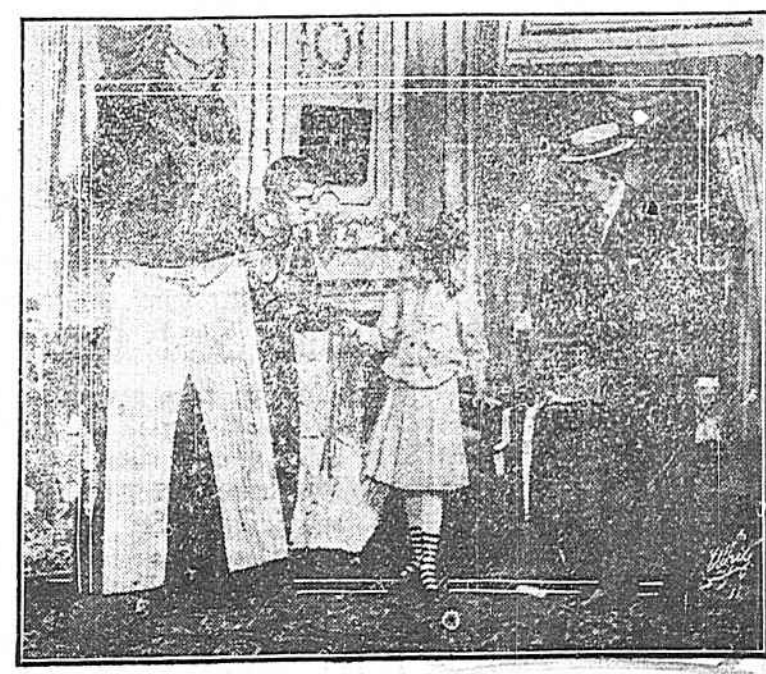
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