

CROP IS NOT LARGE

PRICE SAYS THE COTTON YIELD IS EXAGGERATED.

Says He Thinks that the Cotton Producers are Guilty of Financial Suicide.

In a letter to Gov. Colquitt, of Texas, endorsing his call for a meeting of the Governor of the cotton States to devise some plan by which the cotton planters can be saved the millions of dollars they are losing by selling their cotton at the present low prices, Mr. Theodore H. Price, the great cotton dealer of New York, offers some valuable suggestions and gives his views on the cotton situation. The following extract from Mr. Price's letter will be read with interest:

"My work, in connection with the cotton picking machine, has, for the past two months, taken me into numberless cotton fields throughout the State of Texas, and I have had an opportunity to make a comparative study of the crop that few men have enjoyed. I do not think that the crop is much in excess of that of last year and I am more and more impressed with the arduous and unrelenting toil that is required to produce cotton.

I have felt for some time that the producers of cotton were guilty of financial suicide in their present competition, as to who would sell their cotton cheapest, and I therefore express my sympathy with and hearty approval of your plan to call a meeting of the Governors of the cotton States, with a view of considering the situation.

Under normal conditions, I believe that the cost of producing cotton is 9 cents a pound. And when we take into consideration the investment and the hazard involved in the planting and cultivation of cotton, to say nothing of the picking, it is ridiculous that the South should sell its cotton without profit, and at a loss if the grade be below middling, as a great deal of this year's crop promises to be.

"The question is not a local or sectional one. It is true that the price of cotton affects the entire business structure, and the 18,000,000 of people resident in the cotton States, but the importance of the issue becomes natural in its scope, when we remember that nearly all our exports of cotton constitute nearly our whole balance of trade, and that it is with cotton that we pay our debts to Europe. If the price of the article is depreciated our debt-paying power is impaired.

"Although in Europe and America the spinning industry is highly organized, and in America, at least, our spinners are the beneficiaries of an exceedingly high tariff, I think I am correct in stating that the spinners of the world would rather see cotton selling at a stable than at an abnormally low price. It is only because each spinner fears his competitor may be able to buy cotton cheaper, and so produce goods cheaper, that he procrastinates in securing his supplies at a time when the cotton producers of the South, through their own fault, are daily depreciating in value the results of their painful toil.

"One pound of cotton produces on the average five yards of cloth. An advance of 5 cents a pound in cotton therefore means an advance of less than one cent a yard in the cost of cloth. The world requires all the cotton goods that can be made from an American crop of 14,000,000 bales. In ten years it will require the equivalent of 20,000,000 bales of American cotton, and a cent a yard, more or less, is a difference that is not appreciated by the thousands and millions of consumers of cotton goods.

"On the other hand, 5 cents a pound on a crop of 14,000,000 bales means \$350,000,000 annually to the South and to the United States. It means the difference between impoverishment and prosperity for the people in this section and it means a difference of \$350,000,000 annually in the basis of our credit abroad.

"While the meeting of the Governors of the Southern States that you have called is a step in the right direction, I fear it will be without effect unless at that meeting some definite and concrete proposition is agreed upon that will afford relief from the present situation. The numerous agricultural organizations of the South have, in the past, from time to time met and passed resolutions calling upon the farmers to hold their cotton, but in every instance the farmers have ignored these resolutions and proceeded to sell their cotton, so that their last state was worse than the first.

"Their inability to hold their cotton was made clear by their disregard of the resolutions and those interested emphasize the weakness of the situation as thus expressed. As a matter of fact, it is impossible for the farmers of the South to hold their cotton during the first two or three months of the season and 50 per cent of the crop always comes in sight by December 1.

"Practically all the cash and credit resources of the Southern States are tied up in the planting, cultivation and picking of cotton, and to withhold the crop from the market when it is ready to be sold would be to disarrange the entire credit machinery of this section. If, therefore, your convention shall only have what I may describe as a conversational result, it had, in my opinion, better not be held.

"It seems to me, however, that a practical, definite and workable plan can be formulated at your proposed meeting, which, if carefully worked out, will afford great relief, if the cotton world realizes that the Southern States are seriously bent upon helping themselves, the decline

BRILLIANT CHURCH WEDDING.

Mr. H. O. Dawson and Miss Ruth Holman Happily Married.

One of the prettiest church weddings that has taken place in this city for some time was that of Mr. H. O. Dawson and Miss Ruth Holman at St. Paul's Methodist Church on last Wednesday afternoon at half-past five o'clock. The bridal party entered the church promptly at the appointed hour and during the singing of the Mendelssohn's Wedding Chorus, sweetly rendered by the Mendelssohn Choral Club, the wedding party approached the altar by way of the left aisle.

The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. W. E. Atkinson and Mrs. W. M. Richardson as bridesmaids of honor and Miss Jennie Smith as maid of honor. The bridal party in its approach to the altar was preceded by Messrs. W. M. Richardson and W. E. Walker, ushers. Then followed Mrs. W. M. Richardson, and two more ushers, Messrs. Lewis C. Wannamaker and Adam Cherry. Then came Mrs. W. E. Atkinson, followed by Messrs. E. C. Slater and W. E. Atkinson, ushers. Miss Jennie Smith followed, and then came the bride, on the arm of her uncle, Mr. Carlton W. Sawyer, of Columbia, who gave her away. The bride was met at the altar by the groom, who entered from the opposite side of the church on the arm of Mr. W. F. Witte as best man.

The wedding party assembled around the chancel, which was banked with potted plants and ferns, where they were met by Rev. H. W. Bays, D. D., who performed the ceremony which joined the happy couple in the holy bonds of matrimony. Soft music was played on the organ by Miss Leila Marchant, accompanied by Mr. Theo Wolfe on the violin and Misses Sue Walker and Simmie McMichael vocally. The wedding party left the church going down the right aisle and were driven to the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. W. E. Atkinson, where she changed her wedding gown for a neat and handsome plum colored traveling suit with hat and gloves to match.

The bride wore an exquisite white crepe meteor trimmed in duchess lace with veil and carried a shower bouquet of Bride's Roses and Lilies of the Valley. Mrs. W. E. Atkinson as dame of honor wore a very pretty gown of pink crepe meteor while Mrs. W. M. Richardson as dame of honor wore a pretty gown of blue crepe meteor. The maid of honor, Miss Jennie Smith, was gowned in a lovely yellow messaline silk. The bridesmaids of honor and maid of honor each carried a bouquet of pink Bride's Roses.

The bride is one of Orangeburg's leading young society women, and Mr. Dawson, who is one of the city's business men, is to be congratulated upon having won the hand of so accomplished a young lady. Their many friends here and throughout the State wish for them much happiness and a long life. Mr. and Mrs. Dawson left over the Southern immediately after the wedding for Charleston, where they took the steamer for New York, and will be absent from the city for some weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Dawson were the recipients of many handsome and costly gifts, including much silver and cut glass.

Gambling Charge Dismissed.

The Journal says a preliminary was held Thursday morning at Branchville by Magistrate Dukes in the case of Fletcher Varn, Thomas Fairley and others charged with gambling. The case grew out of charges made in connection with a difficulty near Sixty. Six several weeks ago in which young Varn was seriously stabbed by a negro named Bill Shuler. Shuler has never been captured. The evidence introduced before the magistrate did not sustain the charge of gambling and the case was dismissed and all parties were released from their bonds. Two negro men, charged with aiding Shuler to escape after cutting young Varn are held for trial under that charge.

Chamber of Commerce Committee.

Mr. John Cart, president of the Chamber of Commerce, appointed three important committees, one to solicit subscriptions for the chamber, consisting of W. C. Crum, L. E. Williams, F. C. Bryant and A. W. Summers; one to arrange trades display for Fair week—Sol Kohn, John Sify, John McNamara, W. W. Crum and O. K. Wilson—and another to look into the matter of raising funds for Orangeburg College, consisting of W. L. Moseley, J. A. Berry, W. F. Cannon, J. H. Claffy, T. O. S. Dibble and W. G. Sease.

Colored Fair at Batesburg.

On account of the above occasion the Southern Railway will sell round-trip tickets from October 23rd to 27th, with final limit for return October 28th, to Batesburg, S. C., at greatly reduced rates. The following rates will apply from points named, including 35c. admission to Fair grounds: Blackville, \$2.00; Denmark, \$2.10; Springfield, \$1.65; Wagner, \$1.30 and Sully, \$1.50. Proportionately low rates from other points.

Serious Cutting Scrape.

A man named Robt. Campbell and another named Walter Sernegan had a row Thursday morning in which the former cut the latter with a knife, and he is now in a serious condition. Sheriff T. A. Salley went out to the Cardova section, where the parties live, and brought in Campbell and locked him up to await the result of Sernegan's wounds. Both parties are white.

In cotton will be stopped."

In our next issue we will give a plan suggested by Mr. Price for financing the cotton crop.

COME BOYS AND GIRLS

ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE COUNTY FAIR.

One Day Will Be Set Apart for the Teachers and School Children of the County.

Tuesday, November 14, will be known as Education Day at the County Fair, and all the teachers and children are invited to be present and participate in the festivities of that day. The following circular, which has been sent out by Mr. J. M. Hughes, secretary of the Orangeburg County Fair Association, will explain fully what the program will be for Education Day:

The Management of the Orangeburg Co., Fair Association has decided to make Tuesday, the 14th. of November, an Educational day for the Fair, and the County Board of Education will recommend that, day be set aside as a holiday for the Public Schools of Orangeburg County, so that the school children and teachers may have an opportunity of attending the Fair.

The Management desires to make that day as attractive for the children as possible, and would ask the co-operation of the teachers in doing so. They have decided to offer the following prizes, to be competed for by the Children of the White Public Schools of Orangeburg County, subject to certain rules hereinafter stated.

First. Spelling match, open to girls and boys of white Public Schools, two representatives from each school. Book to be used, Progressive Course in Spelling, Part 2. Section 1 and 2. Prize \$5 in Gold.

Second. 100 yards dash, open to Public Schools of County, one representative from each school. Prize \$3.00.

Third. Runging broad jump, one representative from each school. Prize \$3.00.

Fourth. Standing broad jump, one representative from each school. Prize \$3.00.

Fifth. Running high jump, one representative from each school. Prize \$3.00.

Sixth. Standing high jump, one representative from each school. Prize \$3.00.

Seventh. One-half mile race, one representative from each school. Prize \$5.00 in Gold.

Regular rules of race track vents to be used in last six events. Same representative can compete in as many events as his school desires. We would recommend that representatives in the different athletic events be clothed in Gymnasium or running suits.

We would ask the teachers to assist us in making this one of the most interesting features of the Fair and urge you to do so.

All school children and teachers will be admitted to the grounds on that day for 25 cents, but they must secure their tickets beforehand by application to the Secretary. Each teacher will kindly find out how many tickets his or her school will need, and write to the Secretary for them, deliver them to the children and then remit to the Secretary.

The Management of the Fair earnestly requests all teachers to urge their schools to take part in these contests, and make the Educational Day of the County Fair, the largest and most interesting day.

A prominent Educator will be invited to address the children and patrons on that day.

Any further information wanted, write Sec. J. M. Hughes.

Silver Wedding Celebrated.

The Camden News says "the handsome home of Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Birchmore on Fair street was thronged with a merry party on last Friday evening—filled with a host of friends who had come to extend congratulations on the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage. The home was beautifully decorated. The hearty congratulations of The News are extended to our brother newspaper fraternityman and his still charming bride of this "Silver Wedding." It is our earnest wish that they may ever be prosperous, remain young and live to enjoy their "Golden Wedding" with as much such favorable environments as marked this Silver Wedding of theirs." The Times and Democrat joins in these good wishes.

Monument to Be Unveiled.

The Bamberg Herald says "the beautiful Confederate monument at Bamberg erected through the efforts of the Daughters of the Confederacy, will be unveiled next Thursday, October 26th. A most interesting program has been arranged, and the day will be full of interest to all who attend. The fact that Senator E. D. Smith will be the principal speaker will no doubt draw a large crowd, but our own C. W. Garris will deliver the introductory address, and all who have ever heard him will want to hear him again. The Daughters could not have selected two more attractive speakers."

Death of Mr. F. P. Langley.

Mr. Frank P. Langley, who suffered a stroke of paralysis about three weeks ago, passed away at his home in the East Orange section Wednesday night. He never rallied from the attack of paralysis. Mr. Langley was about sixty-five years of age, and has many friends who will regret to hear of his death. Besides his widow Mr. Langley is survived by six sons: W. G. M. M., Douglas, Prealau, Pinkney and Clarence; and two daughters, Misses Annie and Patty Langley. The sympathy of the community is extended to the bereaved ones.

CLINTON GLOVER GUILTY.

Convicted of Attempted Assault on a White Woman.

Clinton Glover, the negro fiend who attempted to commit an assault on a highly respected white lady at St. George on the night of August 15 last, was convicted on Thursday of the diabolical crime at St. George and sentenced to be hung by Judge Devore. The case consumed the entire day Thursday in the Court of General Sessions. The jury, after being out an hour and a half, returned a verdict of guilty without recommendation to mercy at 7 o'clock Thursday evening.

The testimony was to the effect that on the night of August 15 last, about 10 o'clock, a negro entered the home of a highly respected white lady, and attempted an assault upon her. Several testified they heard the woman's screams. An examination of the arm of Clinton Glover, according to one witness, revealed the fact that it bore a fresh scar. On the window sill of a room in the house in which the assault was attempted was found a piece of human skin. The tracks leading from the place were measured and the measurement tallied with Glover's foot. Bloodhounds were put on his trail and he was caught.

The white woman upon whom Glover attempted the assault is highly respected in the community, and when the alleged crime was committed, on the night of the 15th of last August, feeling ran high. The sheriff had to spirit the accused negro to Charleston for safe keeping. When he was brought to St. George for trial Thursday there was no demonstration pointing to unlawful procedure. Everybody seemed to be willing to allow the law to take its course, feeling sure that the prisoner would get his just deserts.

Glover was represented by two colored lawyers, Daniel Summers, of Charleston, and Jacob Moore, of Orangeburg. Solicitor Hildebrand was assisted in the prosecution by the Hon. Walker S. Utsey, of St. George. The defence did not put up any witness; the State put up ten, some white and some colored. Ten jurymen were challenged by the defence and two by the State. Five were excused. The jury which sat on the case was composed of representative men. Attorney Moore asked the Court to direct a verdict of not guilty.

Clinton Glover had been around St. George for several months before the attempted assault was committed. He was supposed to have been an escaped convict, and he is said to have borne an unsavory reputation. The negro had been seen hanging about the premises where the crime was attempted all day of August 15.

THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

"The Millionaire Kid" Here This Evening.

Saturday, Oct. 21.—The Millionaire Kid.

Wednesday, Oct. 25.—The Girl and the Tramp.

Monday, Oct. 30.—The Girl in the Taxi.

Tuesday, Oct. 31.—Frederick the Great.

The Millionaire Kid.

"The Millionaire Kid," the latest Lem B. Parker musical drama, is said to abound in clever numbers of the kind that linger in your memory among those most popular are "Coney Island on Saturday Night," "Under the Mexican Moon," "The Millionaire Kid," "The Keler Man Girls," "The Fortune Song," "Dig-Dig" and "Has Anybody Got a Kiss to Spare." Both the play and music are by the men who collaborated in making "The Cowboy Girl" and "The Candy Kid" a success and it is predicted that "The Millionaire Kid" will be as popular as its predecessors. Manager Malpass announces this attraction at the Academy of Music for tonight commencing at 8:30 o'clock.

"The Girl and the Tramp."

In "The Girl and the Tramp," which will be seen for one performance only at the Academy of Music, an automobile is used on the stage at the entrance of Flo Randall, the little bowy girl, who is the chief fun maker appearing. Years before the play is supposed to begin the tramp's home is broken up and his child is lost. He and Flo, a girl from the east side of New York City, become interested in aiding a husband and wife who have been kind to Flo to become reconciled. Later the tramp finds in little Flo, the bowy girl, his own long lost daughter. There is a strong human interest in the play besides a ceaseless fire of comedy situations induced by "The Girl and the Tramp."

Several Buildings Burned.

Fire which broke out at Swansea in Johnson & Lybrand's store about half-past one o'clock on Thursday morning threatened for a time to wipe out the business section of the town, and in half an hour four or five wooden buildings were destroyed. At two o'clock the fire was practically gotten under control, but it required hard work on the part of the fire fighters to save the hotel, which seemed for a time doomed to destruction, together with Dr. Langford's office. The origin of the fire is unknown. Besides Johnson & Lybrand's store, Redmond's grocery, a beef market and store operated by Reynolds & Williams and Jackson's restaurant were destroyed.

Did Fine Work.

The Ladies Home Missionary Society of the Orangeburg District, of which Miss Lewellyn Cleaveley is the secretary, paid in more money to the State Society for home missions the past year than any other district society in South Carolina.

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.

Don't fail to make an exhibit at the County Fair.

Miss Lewellyn Cleaveley, of Bamberg, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Wannamaker on Amelia street.

Mrs. John A. Zeigler, who has been away several weeks, has returned home to the delight of her many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. T. English Plowden, of St. Charles, is visiting the latter's mother, Mrs. John A. Zeigler, on Amelia street.

Missionary service conducted by the laymen will be held at St. Paul's Methodist church Sunday morning. The public is invited.

We want a number of ladies in each township in Orangeburg and Calhoun counties to work for that piano and other prizes that The Times and Democrat will give away.

The alarm of fire Thursday evening was caused by the burning of a house on Whitman street in rear of the house of Mr. D. W. Sutherland. The house was occupied by colored people.

The difficulty in getting cotton picked is more serious this year than ever before. Even at this late season there are fields of cotton in this county that have not had a cotton picker in them.

It has been decided to have an educational day at the County Fair on Friday, Nov. 14. All the white teachers that are conducting schools in the county are requested to help make this feature a success.

Let us work and stimulate every legitimate enterprise by giving it all the friendly encouragement we can, and unite our industry, intelligence and capital in a common cause for the good of our town.

The 17th annual State Fair of the South Carolina Mechanical and Agricultural Society will open in Columbia Oct. 30 and will close Friday Nov. 3. Special rates will be given by the railroads and thousands of people are expected to attend.

Get together your choicest vegetables and farm products of all descriptions, your best hogs, sheep, poultry, horses, mules, cows or anything else that will do to exhibit at the County Fair and send it in. See if yours is not better than some one else's.

Two negro burglars, who entered and robbed a store at Bowman, were run down and captured by bloodhounds sent out by Sheriff A. M. Salley. They robbed the store Thursday night and were lodged in jail Friday afternoon. That was quick work.

When the tongue of trade is coated when the eyes and limbs of the clerk are dull and languid when the raging fever tackles the empty vitals of till, when the spider roosts in the empty cash box, and bouquets of decay are on the chandeliers, it is conclusive that the advertising doctor has not been consulted.

Presiding Elder Charles B. Smith is winding up his last year's work on the Orangeburg District preparatory to going to Conference which meets at Bennettsville on November 29. Having served this district four years Mr. Smith will not be sent back. Who will take his place will not be known until he is named by Bishop Kilgo, who will preside at Conference.

The Branchville Journal says: "Dr. C. P. Perryclear has resigned his position with the Wimberly Drug Co. to accept a similar position with the Union Drug Co., of Columbia. He will take up his new position on Nov. 1. Dr. Perryclear has been located in Branchville about a year. He and Mrs. Perryclear have many friends here who will regret to see them leave."

The Branchville Journal says E. Nipson Fairley was carried to the Knowlton hospital in Columbia Saturday, where he was operated upon for appendicitis. T. C. Smoak was taken to the same place and was operated upon Thursday. Their many friends will be pleased to learn that the operations were successful and both are expected home within two weeks.

The time of the meeting of the South Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church will soon be here, when the annual change of preachers will take place. The Orangeburg Methodists want the Rev. H. W. Bays, D. D., returned to St. Paul. Dr. Bays is now winding up his second year's work here, and he has done well. He is not only a good, strong preacher, but he is a most lovable, accomplished gentleman.

Attention—Camp Thomas J. Glover No. 475 U. C. V.

Attend your Annual meeting to be held at Young America Hall, Orangeburg, S. C., Tuesday, October 26, 1911 at 12 o'clock M. A full attendance requested, as the election of officers for another year will be held, and a re-union this fall will be considered.

By order of the Commandant. F. S. Dibble, Acting Adj.

Notice to Creditors.

All persons holding claims of indebtedness against the estate of Joseph B. Traywick, deceased, will please file them with his executrix, Mrs. Edna I. Traywick, at Cape, South Carolina, or with M. E. Zeigler, Esquire Orangeburg, South Carolina.

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