

## UNIONS PREPARE TO ANSWER DISPUTES

Railway Brotherhoods Work Out Plan of Action.

### BOARD MEMBERS CHOSEN

Joint Adjustment Agencies to Be Set Up in Various Districts.

Chicago, Nov. 15.—Plans of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen to meet demands of the railroads for revision of rules and working conditions agreements and for further wage cuts were completed today at the close of a two-day session of 950 general chairmen and officials.

Warren S. Stone, grand chief of the engineers, and William S. Carter, president of the firemen and enginemen, explained the settlement under which the recent general strike order was cancelled and received their followers' endorsement of their action.

Requests from ninety-eight railroad for revision of rules and working conditions were considered, and the counter demands formulated. Mr. Stone announced tonight the unions were agreed on a concerted program in the rules cases.

### Adjustment Boards

Announcement was made today that the four big brotherhoods have signed agreements with roads in the Eastern, Western and Southeastern districts for setting up adjustment boards, provided for in the Esch-Cummins Transportation Act. Two assistant grand chiefs will represent the engineers on the boards—F. A. Burgess on the Southeastern, and H. P. Daugherty on the Western.

The Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen will be represented by A. F. Whitney on the Western, and W. N. Doak on the Southeastern board. No appointments to the Eastern board have been announced as yet. Representatives of the other unions have not yet been selected.

Creation of the boards is expected to speed up the work of the United States Railroad Labor Board by relieving its docket of the hundreds of petty cases of individual grievances. All such disputes will be first referred to the nearest adjustment board for arbitration, and only in event of a deadlock on the board will the case come before the government tribunal here.

### Eight Members

Each of the boards is to have eight members, one from each of the brotherhoods and four representing the roads in its territory. Meetings will be held monthly in New York, Washington and Chicago. The agreements run for one year, and may be renewed.

Roads in the Eastern territory which have already signed the agreement include the Baltimore and Ohio system; New York Central; Cleveland Cincinnati, Chicago and Louis Railroad; Lake Erie and Western; Toledo and Ohio Central; Zanesville and Western; Kanawha and Michigan; Boston and Albany; Michigan Central; Pittsburgh and Lake Erie; Indiana Harbor Belt Railroad; Cincinnati Northern; Kanawha and West Virginia; and Evansville, Indianapolis and Terre Haute Railroad.

The Southeastern district agreement bears the signatures of the Atlanta and West Point; the Western Railway of Alabama; Atlantic Coast Line; Central of Georgia; Charleston and Western Carolina; Chesapeake and Ohio; Florida East Coast; George Railroad; Louisville and Nashville; Louisville, Henderson and St. Louis; Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis; Norfolk and Western; Norfolk Southern; Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac; Seaboard Air Line; Winston-Salem Southbound, and the Gulf and Ship Island Railroad.

In the Western territory the agreement has been approved by eighteen roads.

Married, Saturday, November 12, by Probate Judge Windham, Miss Janie Gertrude Holliday of New Zion, to Mr. William Oscar McFarland of Oxford, North Carolina.

## CO-OPERATIVE CAMPAIGN NOW UNDERWAY

The campaign for signers of the tobacco growers to the marketing contract of the Tri-State Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association was launched in this County Tuesday at an enthusiastic meeting of leading growers in the Court House.

County Agent, W. R. Gray opened the meeting with a discussion of the need for a more intelligent marketing system. F. V. Shelton a tobacco grower of Virginia outlined the contract and discussed the method of handling tobacco by the association, after which an opportunity was given for those growers not satisfied with the present system to join with their fellow growers in North Carolina and Virginia to establish a marketing system along cooperative lines.

Contracts carrying control of approximately a quarter million pounds of tobacco were signed, and immediately thereafter the organization of a county unit was perfected.

D. R. DuBose of Sardinia, one of the leading tobacco growers of the county was elected County Chairman and County Agent, W. R. Gray was elected secretary. The following growing growers were elected Township Chairmen for their respective townships, these men to appoint their aids at their own choosing: Calvary—W. R. Keels; Sammy Swamp—J. McD. McFaddin; Friendship—E. L. Fahey; Concord—A. J. Plowden; St. Paul—J. H. King; St. James—J. M. Rowe; Santee—H. C. Cousar; St. Marks—J. A. Allsbrooks; Brewington—J. C. Johnson; New Zion—J. P. Budding; Manning—G. T. Floyd; Mt. Zion—C. J. Haley; Plowden Mill—R. H. Reeves; Harmony—M. C. Kennedy; Douglas—J. C. Dennis; Midway—J. J. Epps; Sandy Grove—J. H. Ham.

A meeting of these officers for the county has been called by the President for Monday, November 21st at the Court House at Manning, at 11 o'clock. All officers are urged to be present.

As the campaign for signers must be completed by January 1st, those present at the meeting made plans for a whirlwind drive in Clarendon County to be sure that her quota is secured well before the time limit. Practically every one present took contracts and agreed to get them signed, and Secretary W. R. Gray has a number on hand for further distribution.

Several of the leading growers enthusiastically endorsed the plan and pledged their unstinted support to the campaign, while a prominent banker of the county took a batch of contracts with him remarking, that as the farmers came into get notes renewed he would get the contracts signed. Capt. W. C. Davis, President of the First National Bank of Manning stated that the financing plan of the Association was sound, and that in the future he would be leary of would-be borrowers who had not joined with their fellow growers for intelligent marketing.

The spirit displayed at the meeting was indicative of a majority sign up in record time in Clarendon County. Mr. Shelton who is a member of the Campaign Committee says he has not attended more enthusiastic meeting anywhere in the State, though growers everywhere are realizing that this is their job, and are pushing forward to fairer profits and living wages through co-operation with a determination that will not be denied.

The following men signed the marketing contract at the meeting today: D. R. DuBose, J. E. Cousar, J. S. Burgess, F. C. Thomas, E. D. Player, Ryan, R. Wood, H. C. Cousar, E. A. Corbett, S. E. McFaddin, J. M. Windham, R. E. McFadden, Floyd and Floyd, C. R. Sprott, L. H. Harvin, C. N. Sprott, W. C. Davis, M. C. Kennedy, N. Z. Andrews. As already mentioned these men produce approximately a quarter million pounds.

## COTTON GROWERS' ASSOCIATION MEETS

A meeting of the Cotton Growers' Association was held at 10:30 o'clock Tuesday morning at the Court House for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year and to adopt a resolution presented to the members. The officers elected were: Mr. F. C. Thomas, president, re-elected and Judge J. M. Windham, secretary and treasurer, re-elected. Judge Windham presented the resolution, which was adopted. The resolution follows: WHEREAS the general officers of the Cotton Association have in season and out of season, exerted themselves in behalf of the cotton industry of the South to enable the farmers to their crops;

and WHEREAS the persistent efforts of our officers has finally resulted in having Congress to authorize the War Finance Corporation to provide funds for the orderly marketing of cotton and for the breeding, raising, fattening and marketing of live stock;

NOW BE RESOLVED, That the Clarendon County Cotton Association does hereby express its great work done by the officers of the Cotton Association in obtaining this great relief for Southern farmers.

The friends of Mr. John Player will be sorry to learn that he is ill at his home near Midway.

## LOCAL HAPPENINGS OF TWENTY YEARS AGO

November 13, 1901.

Rev. S. A. Nettles spent last Monday in Manning.

Mrs. Beulah M. Dinkins of Rome is in Manning on a visit to her brother, Hon. Jno. S. Wilson.

Died at Georgetown last Thursday, Mr. Winfield Holladay, aged about 50 years. The deceased was formerly a citizen of Clarendon and had a host of relatives in this county. The body was brought home on Friday and interred at Andrews Chapel.

The stables of Capt. A. L. Lesesne on his plantation near Silver were destroyed by fire last Saturday night, the work of an incendiary, Henry Elmore, colored, was arrested for the crime, and taken before Magistrate Bateman at Paxville and by him committed to jail. This is Judge Bateman's first case.

The marriage of Miss Lucie Barron of Manning, and Mr. N. G. Gonzales of Columbia, will take place at 8 o'clock a. m. tomorrow, and then the couple will leave for an extended trip at the North. We wish them both a long and happy life. We have known Miss Barron from her childhood, and we can sincerely say she is one of South Carolina's sweetest and fairest jewels; she is loved by old and young. Mr. Gonzales is the editor of the Columbia State, and one of the ablest editorial writers in the South—a man whose ability is recognized throughout the nation.

## AMERICAN LEGION BANQUET

The Woman's Auxiliary of Williams-Burgess Post No. 68 gave an elaborate dinner on the evening of Armistice Day to which were invited, besides the local Legionnaires, the veterans of the Confederate, Spanish and World Wars living in Manning, about fifty guests being present.

The banquet was held in the Legion Club Rooms and they were beautifully decorated with flags, bunting and fall flowers.

A committee of members of the Auxiliary served the following menu: grape fruit cocktail, turkey with dressing, cranberry jelly, roast pork, rice, French fried potatoes, green peas, asparagus, pickle, fruit salad, rolls, coconut cake, coffee, cigars and cigarettes.

Afterward splendid patriotic speeches were heard from Capt. W. C. Davis and J. G. Dinkins, Esq. T. H. Stukes, local Post Adjutant, presided as toastmaster and introduced the speakers. Capt. Davis spoke as Mayor of Manning and a veteran of the Spanish-American war and proposed a toast to the Confederate veterans. Mr. Dinkins, in his capacity as Post Commander, responded in a pleasing manner.

Immediately after the dinner Williams-Burgess Post held a business meeting when several new members were added to its rolls. The Post is in a thriving condition and its Woman's Auxiliary, of which Mrs. C. B. Geiger is President, is a large and enthusiastic organization.

## MEETING AT HOME BRANCH SCHOOL HOUSE

Upon the request of farmers from that section a meeting will be held tomorrow, Thursday night, at 7:30 o'clock at Home Branch School house. At this meeting W. R. Gray, County Agent and F. L. Harkey, Marketing Agent of Clemson College, will talk on the Co-operative Tobacco Growers' Association. Every one who can is urged to attend this meeting.

## COTTON MEETING

There will be an important meeting of the farmers of Clarendon County in the Court House Friday at 11 o'clock. This meeting is for the purpose of discussing the Co-operative Cotton Marketing Association. Mr. Irvine F. Belser of Columbia will be present to explain the contract and the workings of the association. A large representation of the farmers of the County is expected at this meeting and it is probable that the Cotton Marketing Campaign will be launched at this time.

Miss Pamela Bradham spent the week-end with her parents.

## BETTER GET YOUR WHEAT SEED AT ONCE

The three banks of Manning informs their friends and patrons that while their stock of seed wheat has been greatly reduced they still have a considerable quantity on hand for distribution and as there is yet ample time for planting they will be pleased to supply those who have been unable to sow wheat on their land.

The recent heavy depreciation in the price of cotton has been something of a disappointment to many who have been holding the small amount made on their farms for better prices. The facts are: much is written and said about the world's need for cotton but little about what the world will pay for cotton under varying quantities of production.

The supposition is the consumption of cotton is governed, largely, as is every other commodity, by the price at which it can be bought, for instance, at five cents per pound the world will buy possibly twenty million bales of cotton at seven cents per pound possibly eighteen million bales, at ten cents per pound, the world would likely buy fifteen million bales of cotton, at twelve and a half cents per pound it would likely take fifteen million bales while at fifteen cents per pound thirteen and a half million bales would likely fill all demands, and at prices above this proportionately less would be bought.

The large consumption of cotton in the past has been due to the ability of the Southern States, by reason of their cheap negro labor and admirable or otherwise tenant system, to produce cotton at prices that eliminated fabrics made of other raw materials from common use.

Even among people of the South, when cotton is high in price, the sale of linen, silk and woolen goods is erroneously stimulated, at such times it not being an uncommon thing to see cotton pickers in silk dresses, and high priced laborers in silk shirts and costly woolen clothing, while mills and manufacturing plants substitute burlap and burlap for cotton sacks. The cotton growers are very much gratified and welcome the more substantial wood food containers as affording them a better means of keeping provisions while being consumed than the common cotton sack.

In view of the conditions named above we can not under boll weevil conditions grow cotton again at prices prevailing prior to the World's War owing to large increase in cost, and should the South as a whole succeed under stimulus of the price at present in growing a normal crop, or sufficient to bring the price much below that now prevailing, without ample food and forage supplies among us, there can not be other than great suffering and privation as a result.

It is for these reasons that the three banks of Manning are asking their friends and patrons not to neglect forage and food crops for a length of time until we are better able to grow cotton with better assurance of profit than is now presented and to thus avoid the necessity of entering into obligations for the payment of debts incurred for commodities which can be made at home.

As stated in our former letter, the people in manufacturing centers are very optimistic over the supply of cotton in sight, their opinion is that with the large carry over from last year with the prospect from recent reports of a larger crop being made this year than was estimated early in the season, and in view of the foreign demand continuing light by reason of restricted credits there cannot be any great shortage of cotton until another crop determines the actual conditions.

## HONOR FOR PANOLA SCHOOL

1st. grade—Lucile Brailsford, Winifred Brailsford, Mattie Fairry  
2nd. grade—Bert Chewning, Ruth Richbourg.

3rd. grade—Hazel Elliott.  
4th. grade—Not represented.  
5th. grade—Mary Brown, Benson Fairry, Clyde Elliott.

6th. grade—Tracy Chewning.  
7th. grade—Alvin Mathis.  
8th. grade—Julian Richbourg.  
9th. grade—Elma Chewning, Oredia Aycock.

Mrs. Bessie B. Hazel, Mrs. H. G. Walker, Miss Norman Wilkins, Teachers.

## HONOR FOR UNION SCHOOL

1st. grade—Ruby Evans, D. E. Evans, Jr.,  
2nd. grade—Rudolph DuBose, Rembert Coker, Edith Morris.  
3rd. grade—David Winter.  
4th. grade—Idarene Morris.  
5th. grade—Mae Roland.

## AN OPPORTUNITY TO SELL GOOD FARM

Mr. A. L. Luce, secretary of the Manning Board of Trade has received the following letter from a Northern concern:

I am quoting below, without disclosing name and address of the party as he does not wish to be burdened with a lot of correspondence, a most valuable letter containing an inquiry for a first class farm property. If you know of any such place for sale kindly give me complete information, and I will transmit same to our correspondent, if I think it in any way meets his requirements.

"Kindly send me any particulars you may have regarding any choice farms for sale in North or South Carolina or Virginia, filling as nearly as possible the following requirements:

1. Close to a large city or town, with good roads.
2. Good neighbors and progressive farming community.
3. Fertile and well drained land.
4. Location must be healthy and free from malaria.
5. Plenty of good water, Electric lights, gas.
6. Good houses for owner and help.
7. Good barn and other out-buildings. Well fenced.
8. Well stocked with cattle, hogs etc.
9. Substantial up-to-date machinery etc.
10. Good orchards.
11. Some standing timber.
12. Cheap transportation rates to good market.

Would like at least 640 acres.

As I myself would only expect to reside on the farm during January, February and March, would like to locate in a section where the climate and surroundings would make a congenial winter home.

If suited would pay all cash. It would have to be a bargain."

Anyone desiring to get in touch with this party should forward their letter to Mr. Luce who will send it on to his correspondent. This is a good opportunity to try and get some new farmers in the county and we believe it is up to the Board of Trade to take up the matter officially.

## RECEPTION TENDERED FOOT BALL BOYS

On last Friday evening at the home of Mrs. W. T. Lesesne, the Manning foot ball boys gave a reception in honor of the Conway foot ball boys. The home was beautifully decorated in flags, cut flowers and potted plants. As the guests arrived they were served fruit punch, and after the Conway boys were introduced to the Manning boys and girls, they were all invited to the Pastime Theatre, where they had the pleasure of seeing "Black Beauty," a picture given by the American Legion. After enjoying the picture, the guests went back to Mrs. Lesesne's where they were served with a delightful salad course.

Those who had the pleasure of meeting the Conway boys were: Misses Louise Sprott, Sarah Lesesne, Cecil Clark, Lula Rigby, Isabel Plowden, Francis Brown, Virginia Geiger, Francis Dickson, Corrine McJ Ivey, Lila Emma Sprott, Hattie Breedin, Mildred Smith, Gertrude Gee, Mattie Lee Land, Mattie Horton, Virginia Coffey, Mary Lou Bradley, Leona Rigby, Barnwell Huggins, Tora Bagnal, Sue Sprott, Irene Plowden, Edna Boger, Grace Nimmer, Coleman Schuler, Rives, Earl, Roxie and Sallie Dixon, Dunlap; Messrs. William McLeod, John D. Gerald, Jr., Gabriel DuBose, Preston Wells, Milton Holliday, Hugh Orvin, Nevelle Sprott, Alton Eadon, Gene Bagnal, Sam Rigby, Kingswood Sprott, Harold Bagnal, William Richardson, Charles Wilson, Willie Bradley, Frederick Nimmer, Charles Land, Spain Briggs, Helms, Richards and McCord.

## NEIGHBORHOOD ROOK CLUB

Mrs. Connor Wells was hostess to the neighborhood rook club on last Friday afternoon. After the game the hostess was assisted by Miss Alma Williams in serving a delightful salad course with coffee to the guests who were: Mesdames H. C. Bonar, John Breedin, W. C. Davis, Jesse Huggins, George Hanks, Ida Cole, A. I. Barron, T. F. Coffey, S. S. Richardson, Joseph Sprott, S. W. Harvin, Sr., W. S. Harvin, Jr., Frank Huggins, Frank Burgess and H. D. Dubrow.

## BARBECUE SUPPER

The Men's Bible Class of the Baptist Church gave a barbecue to the members on Tuesday evening. Mesdames Thomas, White and Easley served this delightful supper, after which Dr. Brunson of Sumter, and Rev. Ham of Alcolu, gave very interesting addresses. There were about sixty-five present.

The Prayer Band and Bible Class will meet at the home of Mrs. Maria Brown on Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Lesson, 2 Chron.

## PREDICTS WORLD'S COTTON SHORTAGE

Senator Smith, of South Carolina, Analyzes Statistics

### FLAYS WORK OF CONGRESS

Speaker Declares Only Hope Appears to Lie in Co-operative Selling Agencies.

Washington, Nov. 15.—Prediction of a world shortage of cotton next summer was made in the Senate today by Senator Smith, Democrat, of South Carolina, in a speech analyzing the statistics on cotton consumption for October, made public by the Census Bureau. Should the rate of consumption for the ensuing months equal or exceed that of October, he said, there would not be a bale of American cotton in existence by next August 1.

In the course of his speech Mr. Smith distressed to discuss what, he said, was the failure of congressional action intended to aid the farmers, asserting that it seemed the only hope for the agricultural interest lay in the formation of their own cooperative selling agencies and the establishment of their own banks. He added that relief legislation thus far had been converted each time into "breastworks behind which the interests opposed to the farmers entrenched themselves to destroy the farmers' profits."

Exports and domestic consumption of cotton for October aggregated 1,366,000 bales, which, according to the Senator, constitutes a record for monthly disposition of the product.

### Demands Exceeds Supply

"At that rate," he continued, "the exports and consumption between last August 1 and next August 1 will be more than 16,000,000 bales, and the best estimate of the visible supply that can be obtained shows only about 12,500,000 or 13,000,000 bales."

A carry-over of about 5,000,000 bale was estimated by Mr. Smith, while this year's crop, he believed, would not exceed 7,000,000 bales. He made his figures liberal, he added, but found no way to bring the two totals any way near together.

Mr. Smith reviewed the many "cries" which, he said, had forced the cotton prices down, and told the Senate that all of the "menacing things foreseen by the trade, including the rail strike," had been put out of the way, yet the price remained low. He declared, however, that the country never would set cotton sell as low again, expressing the belief that American cotton crops hereafter would fall below the ten-year average, which, he said, was slightly above 12,000,000 bales.

## JUDGE IMPOSES DEATH PENALTY ON L. C. WALLACE

Sumter, Nov. 14.—J. C. Wallace, who was recently convicted in the Court of General Sessions of assault with intent to ravish, was sentenced today to be electrocuted on December 16 next, by Judge T. J. Mauldin, after a motion for a new trial was refused.

When the death sentence was pronounced the wife of the defendant fainted and had to have medical assistance, causing quite a commotion in the court room. She was hysterical for some time afterwards. It will be recalled that Wallace was convicted of assault upon a twelve-year-old girl, the bulk of the evidence being mainly circumstantial. The alleged victim was unable to testify at the trial. The warrant for Wallace's arrest was sworn out by his wife and later she endeavored to have it withdrawn without success. Attorneys for the condemned man say that they intend carrying the appeal to the Supreme Court.

## HELP ORGANIZE EPWORTH LEAGUE AT JORDAN

Several of the members of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church here went to Jordan Sunday evening to help organize an Epworth League there. Those going were: Misses Gertrude Gee, Lila Emma Sprott, Mary Lou Bradley, Lula Rigby, Annie Mae McGrady, Virginia Coffey, Leona Rigby, Messrs. Luce, John D. Gerald, Jr., Sam Rigby, Fred Chewning and Charles Wilson.

## FORESTON

Miss Elizabeth Graham, entertained at a bridge party Wednesday evening. After several interesting games were played, a delicious hot course was served. The evening was very pleasantly spent. Those enjoying this occasion were: Mesdames Wm. R. Sprott, B. Greshie, J. E. Graham, J. H. Boswell, C. E. Chestnut, Warren, J. C. Boswell, D. M. Wilson, C. D. Sturgeon, Misses Janita Graham, Ruby Graham and Sarah Boswell.

# Red Cross Roll Call

## Nov. 11th to Thanksgiving

### Hear the Call

### Join the Roll