

## 41 WAREHOUSES OFFERED GROWERS ASSOCIATION

Co-operative Association Makes Big-  
gest Move of Its History

HALF OF FLOORS IN THE STATE  
Officers Meet Owners and Managers  
in Fine Session in Florence  
Last Saturday.

The following article was taken from last Saturday's Florence Times. More than half of the active warehouses of South Carolina, representing an aggregate value of nearly \$1,000,000 were tendered the Tri-State Tobacco Growers Co-operative Marketing association here today, when representatives of the association conferred with a thoroughly representative gathering of the owners and operators of warehouses. Save Lake City and Florence, every market pledged its warehouses in part or in full, as nearly as one could ascertain by an early and preliminary check of the returns from the meeting.

Warehouses signed today are as follows:  
Nichols—Planters warehouse.  
Marion—Peoples.  
Summerville—Summerville warehouse.  
Conway—Horry warehouse.  
Aynor—The Farmers, the Huggins.  
Georgetown—Georgetown warehouse.  
Hartsville—The Farmers, Tedders, Star.  
Manning—The Planters.  
Loris—The Brick, the Farmers.  
Mullins—The Brick.  
Pamplico—The Farmers, the Brick.  
Kingstree—Central, Scotts, Wilkins, Farmers, Nelson.  
Latta—Farmers.  
Dillon—Liberty, Farmers, Palmetto.  
Lake View—Farmers, Liberty, Planters.  
Hemingway—Center Brick, Big Four.  
Andrews—Farmers, the Brick.  
Timmons—The Farmers, Banner.

Johnsonville—Center Brick.  
Bamberg—The Farmers.  
Lamar—Farmer's Friend.  
Darlington—Dargans, the Carolina, Price, Center Brick.  
Other houses, including Florence, Moncks Corner and Olanta, are understood to have indicated their intention of signing, as has one in Lake City.

"We are gratified tremendously by the results of the first effort in South Carolina," one of the leading officials of the association stated to a Times reporter immediately after the meeting.

The first check showed actually 41 houses pledged to the association either for sale or for lease, on the terms of the association. The total values, as placed by the owners of the houses, was \$900,000. Individual values ranged from \$5,000, as the smallest, to \$50,000, as the largest, there being two of them valued at \$50,000.

Immediate pledges today represents more than one-half of all the tobacco warehouse properties of the state, both in actual count of the floors and in physical value, according to comparison of the check with the annual report of the commissioner of agriculture of the State.

Dr. J. Y. Joyner, of Raleigh, N. C., who has been a moving spirit in this organization since its inception opened the meeting and presided. On account of the size, it had to be adjourned to the court house, instead of being held in the directors room of the First National Bank, as planned originally. He introduced Aaron Sapiro, attorney of the association, who is well known here as the attorney of 14 of the biggest growers co-operative marketing associations of the Pacific coast.

Mr. Sapiro presented the uniform contract, which the Tri-State association has signed with North Carolina and Virginia warehousemen, and is similar to the contract used now in the Kentucky belt. Every warehouseman was given a copy to follow. Paragraph by paragraph he explained the entire contract, terms of dealing, means of operating, and other details. When he concluded his address and called for questions, there were few questions asked.

The response to the call for signatures was immediate and quite general. Nearly an hour was added to the meeting for the execution of the contracts.

Other representatives of the association here for the occasion included M. O. Wilson, of Raleigh, secretary of the association, F. C. Watkins, Jr., of South Boston, Va., chief of the warehouse division of the association, T. B. Young, director from Florence in the association, Bright Williamson, of Darlington, who has been a leader in the movement.

The meeting was thoroughly representative, the spirit was good without a single show of antagonism towards the association, and most encouraging results in the conclusion.

W. W. Coleman, W. W. Purvis, and A. A. Munn, of Pamplico, announced when signatures were called for, that they were a committee which the Pamplico warehouse had authorized to act for them, they having anticipated this meeting and prepared for it. They pledged two of the biggest warehouses of Florence county to the association. F. J. Kirby, of Scranton, said Scranton had heard that Lake City was an uncertain factor in this deal, and his business men had held a

## MEETING OF TRUCK GROWERS

All the farmers in this vicinity who are growing any truck crops for market are invited to attend a meeting in the Court House Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock, April 18th.

The purpose of this meeting is to work out some plan by which we can assemble our produce in car lots and put it on the markets in proper condition. This is absolutely necessary we are to expect any chance of profit from these crops. Another purpose of the meeting is to discuss the matter of lining up with some good selling agency for the proper distribution of our crops.

It is hoped and expected that we will have with us representatives of selling and distributing organizations who will tell us in what way they can serve us, and upon what terms. This is a most important problem for the growers of produce and I trust that we will have a good representative. Come to the meeting, even though you only plant one acre of truck. Farmers who would naturally shop from Manning are especially urged to attend this meeting, but any grower is cordially invited.

## Tobacco Meeting at Turbeville

There will be a meeting of the Turbeville farmers at Turbeville Hall Saturday afternoon, April 15th at 3 o'clock. Mr. E. C. Epps of Kingstree, a director of the Tobacco Association, Koger McIntosh, Henry McElveen and W. E. Lea prominent and well known warehousemen will address the farmers.

Mr. Epps will tell what has been accomplished by the Association and some of the things that are being done. Messrs. McIntosh, McElveen and Lea will discuss the general tobacco situation and outlook. They will also discuss the grading and tying of the crop. They will be glad to answer any questions that may be brought out by the growers.

All these men are well and favorably known by the Turbeville farmers and a big crowd of farmers is expected to attend the meeting.

W. R. Gray, County Agent.

## CIVIC LEAGUE NEWS

The Civic League under the presidency of Mrs. S. Oliver O'Bryan and the active work of the newly appointed committees is determined to do its part to clean up. The town is already beautiful with its wide paved streets, magnificent shade trees, flower gardens, and its spacious Court House plaza, but it can be made more beautiful by the efforts of the Civic League. The State makes the following comment on the work that should be done in our capital city:

"Every week should be a clean-up week in Columbia. The city should be respectable in every part. The backyard of the cottage and the front yard of the mansion should be alike decent, tidy and attractive. Were every spot within the corporate limits of the town clean, epic and serene at all times, no more evidence would be required to prove that the town was healthy in body, mind and morals. But the town is not nearly so clean as it should be and, therefore, this week is especially designated for cleaning up. Let all the householders, property holders, therefore, get busy. Then when they have seen the improvements, perhaps the improvement will be maintained."

meeting and authorized him to tender the association in this meeting a free site for a warehouse, which Scranton would erect for the association if the association preferred.

Several others spoke very encouragingly for the association and pledged their properties, services, or any other aid within their possession to insure the success of the growers organization.

The plan of operation, to purchase or lease these warehouses, is for the association to issue its stock and bonds to cover the liability. They will be serial, or in classes, redeemable over a period of years. To retire these, a small assessment will be made on the tobacco which the association handles for the individual grower. As these outstanding obligations are absorbed, their equivalent in common stock will be issued to the individual grower in proportion to the tobacco the association handles for him. The association wants to do the fair thing by the warehousemen, Mr. Sapiro emphasized many times in the course of his talk.

Mr. Sapiro's presentation of the contract impressed his audience generally as very fair and attractive. He did not hold out any promises or false hopes or give any false information, as one could best judge, about the affairs of the association, its ability, or plans. He said the association would like to buy the warehouses and pay cash on the spot for everyone of them but is not able now to do it. He said frankly the association is going to build warehouses where it cannot procure them and it may need them. It has \$1,000,000 offered them now for this purpose and will build one at Wilson, N. C., and one at Danville, Va. It will not build them where it can possibly avoid the necessity. Also, it wants the services of the best of the warehousemen, who are popular with the grower, know the local conditions and tobacco, and have the experience.

He was not at all mealy mouthed about telling them also the association does not want any warehouses from anyone who does not believe in both the contract and the association.

## KENTUCKY SELLS MUCH UNPOOLED TOBACCO

Mr. R. D. Cothran Receives Letter  
From Kentucky Commissioner  
of Agriculture

Department of Agriculture  
Labor and Statistics  
Frankfort, Ky., April 7, 1922.  
Mr. R. D. Cothran,  
Manning, S. C.

Dear Sir:  
I am unable to give you any information as to the amount of tobacco sold and pooled in Kentucky as you requested in your letter of April 4th.

The law requires all warehouses selling the Loose Leaf Tobacco to report the number of pounds, the amount received and the average to this office.

I will refer you to the Co-operative Burley Marketing Association, Lexington, Ky., for information as to the pooled tobacco.

Tobacco sold in the Loose Leaf warehouses is as follows:  
1920—269,358,800 pounds at \$36,-323.92.07—average \$13.11.  
1921—123,515,455 pounds at \$24,-182.160.18—average \$19.57.  
Trusting this information will be of service to you. I am,  
Yours very truly,  
W. C. Hanna,  
Commissioner of Agriculture.

## HONOR ROLL FOR THE MANNING PUBLIC SCHOOL

1st. grade—Arnold Beatson, Leland Crouch, Leila O'Bryan, Mary Lewis, Charles Snyder, Lila Mae Alsbrook, Marcelene Thomas, Dorothy Bomar, Martha Chewning, Virgie Haley.  
Adv. 1st. grade—Imogene Ridgill.  
2nd. grade—W. A. Mahoney, Joe Mathis, Josie Plowden, Louis Appelt, Joe Thomas Bradham, Stewart Harvin, Joseph McElveen.  
3rd. grade—Frank Barnes, Sara Chewning, Sara Coffey, Dorothy Ervin, Wilma Bradham, Eva McCall, Lucius Harvin, Cooper Dickson, Marshall Creech, Earl Gamble, George Williams.

4th. grade—Doris Coffey, Frances Harvin, Harriet Plowden, Frances McElveen, Witmer Shope, Florene Harrington, Dock Bradham, Florence Davis.  
5th. grade—Annie Sue Bradham, Cooper Bell Dickson, Vivian Katzoff, Mary Edith Plowden, John Edward Arant.  
6th. grade—Francis Coskrey, Doris Crouch, Mary Walter Herriott, Hattie Alice Mahoney, Ashton Plowden, Robert Chandler, Mildred Windham.  
7th. grade—Jerome Alsbrook, Clarence Breedin, Rosa Geiger, Virginia Orvin, Audrey Young.  
8th. grade—Olin Burgess, Warren Clark.  
9th. grade—Sara Elen McKelvey.  
10th. grade—Hattie Breedin, Lily Emma Spratt.

11th. grade—Bertha Johnson, Sara Lesesse, Isabel Plowden, William Richardson.

## PUBLIC DEBT INCREASES

Chicago, April 11.—The United States owes twenty-three times as much money now as in 1917, when the public debt was about \$1,000,000,000, Eliot Wadsworth, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, declared in a speech here today.

"This huge debt we must pass on to the future citizens," he said. "For this reason it is the intention of financial leaders of our government to pay all new debts from current funds. We are just standing this year just about equalled our revenues. Next year there will be some deficit because of shrinking business, loss of foreign trade and suspension of activities that came into being during the war.

"Without any surplus of revenue over expenses we cannot decrease our public debt of \$22,500,000,000. Government expenditures in 1921 were down. Although the civil war is sixty years behind us yet the annual bill for pensions is \$250,000,000. Only 15 per cent of our public expenditures go for peaceful purposes, as it were. The remainder, 85 per cent, goes to pay for debts and activities based on the war."

## TOLL OR FLOOD WATERS

Memphis, Tenn., April 11.—Flood water, held within bounds along the Mississippi, was taking its toll in Southern Arkansas tonight as a result of a break in the levee along White River which let in water which ultimately will engulf upwards of twenty-five square miles of cultivated land and a dozen or more towns on rice farming settlements in what is known as Laconia Circle at the confluence of the White and Mississippi Rivers in Desha County.

Thus far no loss of life has been reported, but heavy damage to farm property was anticipated as a result of the force with which the flood was driven through the gap in the embankment by high winds which prevailed last night and today.

According to dispatches received here the break occurred last night near the town of Snow Lake. Hendric, Laconia, Knowlton and Ferguson are among the towns within the circle over which the water is spreading.

Reports received over railroad wires indicated that the water late today had reached a depth of from five to eight feet in the flooded area.

## MISS IRENE PLOWDEN ELECTED COUNTY QUEEN

Contest Closed Saturday Night at  
Eight O'clock.

Miss Irene Plowden has been selected by the citizens of Clarendon County to represent them at Palmafesta week, starting Monday. Miss Emma Wynn Mood of Summerton kept things lively until almost closing time of the contest Saturday night, but the many friends and admirers of Miss Plowden determined that she should be selected and the votes poured in so fast that it was trouble to keep up with them. At the closing time the vote was:  
Miss Plowden ----- 80,078  
Miss Mood ----- 19,277  
Miss Plowden will go to Columbia Monday morning and will have a prominent part in all the festivities of the week.

On Thursday the voting for the Queen of the Palmafesta will take place. Our citizens should make special effort to go to Columbia on that day and elect Miss Plowden as the Queen. If every person in Clarendon that owns an automobile would load it up with people and go to Columbia on Thursday there would be no trouble in making Miss Plowden the winner. Somebody get busy and start the ball rolling. We want the Queenship this year.

## ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS

Friday being a legal holiday the Banks here will be closed.

The Civic League will hold a meeting Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The president earnestly wishes that every member will attend.

Miss Louise Haynesworth, a niece of Mrs. W. C. Davis and a frequent visitor in Manning, rendered a beautiful vocal solo at the meeting of the Whiteman Literary society of Columbia College, last Saturday evening. Miss Haynesworth is a student of Columbia College.

## REV. LIGHTFOOT RESIGNS

The Rev. E. M. Lightfoot, pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Columbia, has resigned his pastorate to accept the superintendency of the South Carolina Anti-Saloon League.

## RESULTS OF RELIGIOUS CENSUS IN MANNING

The following figures taken from the cards turned in by the enumerators show the Church membership in Manning:

Methodist	303
Baptists	150
Presbyterians	140
Jews	30
Episcopalians	14
Advents	2
Christians	2
Lutherans	1

## MR. WATTERSON'S WILL

Louisville, April 11.—Henry Watterson, former editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, left an estate of \$228,500, mostly in government securities. According to the terms of his will, probated in county court here today, the income from \$200,000 is left to Mrs. Watterson during her lifetime, and then descendants to Mr. Watterson's son, daughter and grandson. The remainder of the estate is disposed of in special bequests. Mr. Watterson's library, curios, pictures and other personal belongings are left to the Louisville public library, to which was bequeathed \$5,000 for the construction of a place to keep them, to be known as the "Henry Watterson Alcove."

Darlington, April 11.—Fire broke out here this morning and destroyed the Darlington Iron Works, partially burned the large tobacco warehouse of Sydney & Stem and destroyed two nearby negro cottages. The high winds made it almost impossible to control the flames, and it is understood that Florence and Timmons ville departments were asked for aid, but the fire was gotten under control about 5 o'clock this afternoon. The amount of damage is unknown.

## INQUIRES AS TO STAND

Washington, April 11.—Democratic leaders in the Senate and elsewhere were challenged by Senator McCormick, Republican, Illinois, chairman of the Republican Senatorial campaign committee today to "show colors" on the stand taken by their party's "titular head," former Governor Cox, of Ohio, for continuation of the campaign to have the United States join the League of Nations.

Speaking in the Senate with reference to the New York address of Governor Cox, Senator McCormick said:

"I want to know whether the views of the candidate for the Presidency at the last election are the views of his party here? I am certain that soon they will have to take a stand before the public."

Senator Borah, Republican, Idaho, an irreconcilable of the League of Nations controversy of two years ago, interrupted the speaker to inquire whether there were not some Republicans who were "growing more friendly" to the league. Mr. McCormick replied that there was only "an invisible remnant" on the Republican side of the Senate.

## ORGAN RECITAL HELD AT SUMMERTON SUNDAY

The organ recital at the Episcopal Church at Summerton Sunday night was a rare treat for the people of the town. Manning talent took part and acquitted itself most creditably. The following was the program:  
Prelude in E flat—Edward M. Read  
—by Miss Marguerite McLeod  
Congregation Song—No. 403.  
Scripture and Prayer.  
Chorus—Unfold Ye Portals from "The Redemption"—Gounod—by Messrs. J. W. Wideman, S. I. Harvin, W. C. Davis, George Hanks and Misses Rosa Mahaffey, Vallie Appelt.  
Organ Solo—Grande Choeur—Spencer—by Miss Carolyn Plowden.  
Solo—Resignation—Caro-Roma—by Miss Pauline Haynesworth.  
Anthem—Jesus, Saviour Pilot Me—P. A. Schaecker.  
Offertory—Communion in E Minor—Ed. Batishe.  
Solo—How Lovely are Thy Dwellings—Saul Liddle—by Miss Haynesworth.  
Chorus—The Lost Chord—Sullivan-Warhurst.  
Organ Solo—The Rosary—E. Nevin—by Miss McLeod.  
Solo—God's Promises—Rosa Eversole—by Miss Haynesworth.  
Organ Solo—Love Song—Nevin—by Miss Plowden.  
Chorus—(a) Lift Thine Eyes from "Elijah"—Mendelssohn.  
(b) Adore and Be Still—Gounod-Warhurst.  
Postlude—Gloria 12 Mass—Mozart—by Miss McLeod.

## HONOR ROLL FOR PANOLA SCHOOL

9th. grade—Lucile McCall.  
6th. grade—Belva McCall.  
5th. grade—Mary Brown, Clyde Elliott, George Way.  
2nd. grade—Bert Chewning, Sarah Holladay, J. B. Richbourg.  
Adv. 1st. grade—James M. Richardson, Harry Richardson, Mattie Fairey, Winnifred Brailsford.  
1st. grade—Charlie Aycock, Douglas Richardson.

## THE TOWN ELECTION

The town election was held Monday, and passed off quietly, there being no issues. The candidates offering for election were: Mayor, A. C. Bradham, 182 votes; Alderman, J. H. Rigby, 140; Dr. G. L. Dickson, 86; Hugh McKelvey, 145; W. P. Legg, 162; C. C. Chewning, 146; Fred Lesesse, 149; C. N. Spratt, 137; H. M. Thomas, 116. Commissioner of Public Works, W. M. Plowden, 180. The six highest being elected to serve as alderman the ensuing two years. All these gentlemen are good business men and we feel sure the affairs of Manning will be well taken care of.

## GREAT ORGANIZATION

Raleigh, April 11.—R. R. Patterson and C. B. Cheatham, formerly of the American and Universal tobacco companies, attending a meeting of the directors of the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association today in Raleigh declared that, with the advantage of handling a majority of the Carolina-Virginia crop, they would build up the most efficient receiving, grading and selling organization known to the tobacco trade.

## FUNERAL OF COL. BECK

Washington, April 11.—The body of Lieut. Col. Paul Ward Beck, assistant commander of Post Field, Fort Sills, Okla., who was killed by former Judge Day, of Oklahoma City, will be interred tomorrow afternoon in the Beck family plot at Arlington. The funeral will be with the usual military honors, including the firing of a salute over the grave, but at the request of Col. Beck's relatives the military procession which, under army regulations, would follow the caisson to the cemetery, will be dispensed with.

## LOCAL HAPPENINGS TWENTY YEARS AGO

May 1902

C. M. Davis & Co., have moved into their handsome new store which has just been completed.

Mr. Max Krasnoff is now enjoying a vacation at the north, before making his stock purchase.

There was a jolly game of ball played in Manning last Friday between the Manning team and a scrub nine, we do not mean that the latter nine composed of scrubs, for it was made up of preachers, doctors, lawyers and nearly everything else. The game was won by the Manning team, only through the fairness of Capt. Willie Lewis the umpire. There is considerably criticism of the impartiality of his decisions. Score 34 to 6.

We would recommend Electric Bitters to tone up the nerves of those candidates who have not yet been able to muster up courage to plank down a V to make their wants known.

Died last Wednesday afternoon, Mr. Hiram M. Andrews, aged 78 years.

There are forty-eight species of the house fly, and each one of them uses the polished pate of the bald-headed man for a skating rink.

## PROF. GIST GEE WRITES FROM INDIA

Interesting Letter About Customs of  
Country

### COUNTRY IS REMARKABLE

Thinks Natives Will Boycott English  
Institutions—Plenty of Tropical  
Fruit Always in Evidence

Calcutta, India, Feb. 2nd, 1922.  
There are so many things that are new and strange here that it is hard to know just what you would be interested in and therefore it is hard to select the things to tell, then, too, without pictures it is hard to make the ideas clear.

Yesterday I took a trip down the river, Hooghly, to the Botanical Garden. The one sight there that was of most interest was the big Banyan tree, said to be the biggest one in India, but this part of it I do not believe, for I have read of descriptions of larger ones in the tropics and the undiscovered forests of India must surely have larger ones than this. The circumference of the foliage of the tree is 997 feet and the area under this is well shaded so that it furnishes a good cool place at any time of the day. There were in 1918, 582 aerial rootlets that had taken root in the ground and many of these are very large, in fact, so large that it is difficult to tell which is the main trunk of the tree if it were not marked. Many of the rootlets are straight, having been trained by bamboo poles and the whole thing is kept very trim and clean under the gardener's supervision. I am sending a leaf of the tree to Gertrude. Of course, there are many other tropical trees and shrubs there too that would be new to us, but I found that my time was so limited that I did not stay long in the garden.

All along the river banks the people were seen bathing as you see them in the illustrations of India. This river is a branch of the Ganges and the Ganges is a sacred river so the bathing is made a religious rite as well as a means of getting clean. At special places along the river, called Ghat, where the banks are conveniently sloping, you may see hundreds at the proper time of the day. They go in with their bodies covered with their garments. These consist of about three yards of cloth which they gather tightly around the waist and then cross it and roll it at the waist and put one of the ends under the legs and tuck it in the back at the waist, the other end they allow to hang free in front. The cloth reaches down to the knees in front, but behind it exposes them considerably. Then for the upper part of the body they have another, in case they use any at all, similar cloth which they wrap around their bodies in Roman toga style. Some of them wear shirts without collars and hanging free over the garment for the lower half of the body. The servants in the hotels wear trousers and are altogether better covered than the coolies on the streets. They go barefoot however. These garments are washed while they wash their bodies and then they either sit in the sun and dry these or bring a change and put this on while the other one is drying. This makes the matter of having a wash day and a bath simultaneous and it is a good plan. Even in the middle of the winter time it is not here like our summer time. I wear the thinnest clothes I have, palm beaches, and am yet hot. The people here go around with woollen clothes on and seem to think it cool, but I guess their blood has been thinned out and they need it. I would burn up clad as they are. At nights it does get comfortably cool and several nights I have had to pull up the sheet, but I am on the warm side of the house and have the sun on my room all the afternoon. These people, the Indians make of bathing a kind of worship and my travelling companion, Mr. Bannerjee, tells me that he supposes at least fifty per cent make it altogether this while the other half do not think of the religious side of it but do it just to keep clean. It is quite common to see them finish their bathing then take up the dirty yellow water and drink it. Then to think that the river also has all kinds of filth in it, it is hard to understand how they can do this and not get sick—possibly many of them do.

In the parks and open spaces, of which there are many here, you can always see people lying out in the hottest kind of sun sleeping, often even without a bit of covering over their faces, though some take the precaution to cover themselves over with their garments. They do not seem to be hurt at all by it, yet they say that a foreigner exposing himself even for a very short while without a topee (pith hat) will almost surely get a sun stroke. I had a little feeling of head ache the first few days when I went out in the sun for any length of time, but now I go about even in the middle of the day and walk without any feeling of fear at all. By the end of my stay out here, I guess I will be like an old timer.

To see the burdens that these people carry on their heads is most amazing. I saw a man yesterday with a big round basket like affair on his head and it must have been five feet in diameter at the top on down at the bottom to a round flat surface to sit on his head—it was three feet in depth—and he had it full of earthenware pots which must have been very