

GOOD MEETING IN FLORENCE COUNTY

ADDRESS IN PART OF GEORGE W. WHEELER, MANAGER OF S. C. L. O. ASSOCIATION.

MILLIONS UNIMPROVED ACRES

Reclamation of Fertile State Lands Is Task for Both the State and Federal Governments.

Florence.—Great interest was manifested in the several subjects discussed at the annual meeting of the Florence County Agricultural Society held here.

The president of the society, R. E. Curren, opened the meeting and introduced the speakers making introductory remarks which were in themselves very instructive.

There are 11,000,000 acres of rich fertile idle lands in this state that can be reclaimed and made productive and put on the tax books of the state as improved and revenue producing land, according to George R. Wheeler, manager of the South Carolina Land Owners' Association, who addressed the meeting on the subjects of getting ready for the coming of the boll weevil and increasing the taxable wealth of the state. He said as there are approximately only 6,500,000 acres now on the tax books, as improved revenue producing lands, the way is clearly shown how to go about increasing the taxable wealth of the state thereby causing a greater annual revenue from taxes which will enable the state either to reduce the tax levies or to spend greater sums in the upbuilding of the state. He said 1,500,000 acres of idle land need drainage. That is a vast area and the reclaiming of such an area is too big a job for any group of men, one or more counties or even the state. It is a job that will require federal aid. The federal government goes in partnership in building roads; it goes in partnership in the employing county agents, and he said it should go in partnership in draining the coastal plain.

Barnwell.—Sheriff J. B. Morris of Barnwell county tendered his resignation to Governor Cooper. In his letter the chief officer said he was entering business in Barnwell and asked that his resignation be accepted.

Anderson.—Anderson county road bonds in the amount of \$290,000 will be offered for sale on September 9, and the remainder of the \$1,450,000 will be placed on sale next year, according to a decision of the Anderson County highway commissioners.

Greenville.—The names of the officers of the Hejas Temple, the new Shrine Temple to be instituted here with jurisdiction over all of upper South Carolina, were announced by Potentate George T. Bryan. At the same time, Mr. Bryan announced that October 3 has been chosen as the date for the first ceremonial of Hejas Temple.

Barnwell.—The first bale of the 1919 cotton crop was ginned here for E. J. Brown, a progressive negro farmer of Barnwell. The bale weighed 430 pounds and the staple graded middling. This is two days later than last year's record, when H. W. Sanders of this city marketed the state's first bale on August 9. Cotton is opening rapidly in some sections now and the local gins will soon be running at full blast.

Laurens.—At a picnic held jointly by the Woodmen of the World, the Woman's Circle, W. O. W., and the Masons at Mount Gallagher Friday, the principal speakers of the day were Major Henry C. Tillman, of Greenville, and Capt. John J. McSwain, of Greenville, two officers in the armies of the American Expeditionary Forces and both eloquent and popular public speakers.

First Bale 1919 Cotton. Charleston.—The first bale of cotton of this season sold on the local market brought 49 cents at auction, after lively bidding. It was grown near McClellanville, this county.

Edgefield.—A charter has been procured for the Dixie Highway Hotel Company, of Edgefield. The incorporators made a canvass of the town and \$28,000 was subscribed to the capital stock. In a few days the subscription will run to \$50,000. This assures Edgefield a first-class hotel.

Would Know Her Profiteers. Greenville.—In order to ascertain whether there is profiteering in Greenville in any line of business, a central committee composed of business men representing various businesses and other citizens representing the public was appointed by Mayor H. C. Harvey at the request of the wholesale and retail dealers of the city. Just what procedure will be taken by the committee has not yet been definitely decided upon but will be worked out within the next two or three days.

ALMOST ULTIMATUM SENT TO CARRANZA

DEFINITE MOVE MADE, TOWARD LONG-EXPECTED CHANGE IN OUR MEXICAN POLICY.

BREAKING POINT APPROACHES

Action Taken Because of Continuance of Series of Murders and Outrages of Citizens of United States.

Washington.—The first definite move toward the long expected change in policy in dealing with Mexico was disclosed.

Carranza has been warned that if the murders and outrages of Americans continue, the United States "may be forced to adopt a radical change in its policy with regard to Mexico."

With the announcement at the state department, however, came no authoritative indication of how far the American government is preparing to go to enforce what lacks only the diplomatic technicalities of an ultimatum.

The government announced its action by publishing an exchange of notes with Mexico City, and prefaced its official statement with the explanation that the diplomatic representations referred to had been taken "in view of the long series of murders and outrages of American citizens in Mexico, culminating in the murder of Peter Catron in San Luis Potosi last month, and the perpetration of other acts in disregard of American lives and property."

FLOOD OF FOREIGN GOLD BLAMED FOR HIGH PRICES.

Washington.—Haled before the bar of the federal electric railways commission, a billion dollars in foreign gold was arraigned by Professor Irving Fisher of Yale university, as the chief culprit not only in bringing American trolley lines to bankruptcy, but in sending prices generally skyrocketing to undreamed of high levels. The flood of bullion, he said, came before the war, sent over to meet purchase by belligerent powers in the United States.

JAPAN NOT TO SEND TROOPS TO AID ADMIRAL KOLCHAK.

Tokio.—It has been learned that the Japanese government after mature deliberation both by the cabinet and diplomatic advisory council, has informed the government of Admiral Kolchak that Japan is unable to accede to its request to send several divisions of troops to assist Kolchak.

CAR REPAIRERS DECIDE TO CALL OFF STRIKE

Chicago.—Delegates representing 25,000 car repairers employed by Chicago railroads by a rising vote decided to call off the strike and return to work. The action was taken at a mass meeting of the delegates called to consider the question of the strike, after an address by International Vice President J. M. Patterson, who vigorously denounced those responsible for the walkout as radicals.

TO SUPPRESS ALL SINN FEIN ORGANIZATIONS

London.—The government announces that owing to increase in crime in county Clare, Ireland, it has been decided to suppress all Sinn and kindred organizations in that country.

TWO N. C. MEN KILLED BY BOILER EXPLOSION

Suffolk, Va.—Three men were killed outright and seven others were badly injured when a boiler at the plant of Caulborne brothers' mill near here, exploded. The dead are: Claude Hampton, Roduco, N. C.; Carlton Parker, Eurn, N. C.; and Rufus Johnson, colored, Savannah, Ga.

EIGHT PERSONS KILLED IN CAR AND ENGINE COLLISION

Parkersburg, W. Va.—The death list, as a result of the crash between a street car, crowded with women and children enroute to a picnic, and a railroad engine at Parmanco, two miles north of here, was increased to eight when five persons succumbed to their injuries in hospitals.

The street car, property of the Monongahela Valley Traction Company, crashed into a railroad switch engine.

EX-GOVERNOR FERGUSON AT HEAD OF NEW PARTY

Fort Worth, Tex.—Two factions of Texas Democrats, dissatisfied with the present party organization, met here and determined upon separate lines of attack to accomplish a return to "the principles of Jefferson and Jackson" in state and federal governmental affairs.

One faction headed by former Governor James E. Ferguson, left the present Democratic organization and formed the "American party."

HOME TOWN HELPS



CLEAN UP AND KEEP CLEAN

Much More Than Mere Comfort Is Involved in Having Community Free From Dirt.

The greatest effort in the history of cleanliness is on!

For cleanliness has a history. Its influence can be traced down the ages. Those races that were clean were those races that were the masters.

The Athenians, with their baths and beautiful homes, conquered the Persians, with their unkempt beards and dirty skins. The Romans, with their aqueducts, their barbers, their gardens, beat back the barbarians with their goat skins and greasy fingers.

Louis XVI was the most dainty monarch France ever had and one of the mightiest. Fifth kept the Panama canal from being built years before it finally was. Bolshevism flourished when the dirty and ignorant gained control in Russia.

Real people, the wise, the leaders in progress, always have fought for cleanliness. At times it has been a sporadic fight, a skirmish. A clean man was handicapped by a neighbor who let his premises run wild. But co-operation has been brought to play at last.

This year, in the United States alone, 7,000 villages, towns and cities are campaigning for cleanliness and health. They are not doing so for a day or a week, but in a continuous campaign. In a steady pressure.

Tin cans, flies, refuse, dirt, waste paper, unsightly buildings, unpainted surfaces are taboo. The drive is on.

It has been estimated that 80,000,000 men, women and children in the United States are annually interested in and working on clean up and paint up activities. It is an army of magnificent purpose and of immense possibilities. It is bound to win.

Join the forward movement. Clean up, paint up and keep it up. Make the old enemies, dirt and disease and unsightliness, abdicate and stay out.

WHY HOME OWNING IS URGED

Ten Powerful Arguments Put Forward by Those Convinced of Wisdom of the Plan.

Home owning will result in benefit to people who become home owners and to the city as a whole, for these, among other, reasons:

1. In the long run the home owner is more prosperous than the renter, and the prosperity of any city depends upon the prosperity of its individual citizens.
2. The home owner is permanent; the shifter does little good to his city or himself.
3. The home owner is progressive; the renter is not interested in progressive movements.
4. Habits of thrift learned in home buying add to the wealth of the individual and the city.
5. The home owner beautifies the city; the renter does not; the more beautiful our city is the more people will be attracted to it.
6. Other things being equal, the home owner is a better worker than the renter, and keeps his position after the renter is discharged.
7. The owner of a home has an ever-present protection against poverty, and will not become a charge upon the community.
8. No city of renters can ever succeed. No nation of tenants ever became great.
9. A city that is worth living in is worth owning a home in.
10. Other things being equal, the home owner is a better citizen, a better soldier, a better American than the renter.

Old-Fashioned Flower Garden. "A thing of beauty is a joy forever," which can be found in a bed of old-fashioned flowers at a minimum cost.

After the soil is prepared, sow the seeds or set out the plants, putting the tall ones like sweet peas, hollyhocks, golden glow and sunflowers in the back. Plant shorter ones in front, such as the marigolds, Japanese poppies, sweet Williams and field daisies; in front of these still shorter ones, such as petunias, nasturtiums and asters, with pansies, plinks and verbenas in front. A border of candy tuft or sweet alyssum is very decorative. With such an arrangement, flowers for the parlor and living room table can be obtained until frost comes.

Many a bouquet of beautiful flowers at practically no expense also can find its way into the room of some sick person or to a hospital ward.—Thrifty Magazine.

Build Bird Homes.

Birds add much to the home surroundings and are easily made neighbors if nesting places are available. Bird houses will attract wrens, bluebirds, martins and nuthatches; and the windbreak, apple orchard, or lawn trees make good homes for orioles, phoebes, robins and thrushes. They will pay for any attention by the destruction of many injurious insects. Some fruiting shrubs, such as the Juneberry, black haw, sheepperry and cherry should be planted in thickets, not alone for the birds, but because they add much to the surroundings.

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