

Farmers Highly Pleased with Advances on Tobacco

Monday morning the Tobacco Growers Cooperative association opened its local warehouse, the Farmers Tobacco Warehouse, under the local management of J. F. Lane, a former independent warehouse operator of this city. The first day's business through the association proved highly successful and very satisfactory to the planters. Under the cooperative system of marketing, a substantial advance is made to the farmer immediately on bringing the weed to the warehouse.

The amount of advances on the tobacco consigned to the warehouse was well above the total amount brought on the auction floor last year. It is not known what proportion of the estimated value of the tobacco is advanced on the spot, although some local tobacco men think it is from one-third to one-half.

The scale of advances posted at the warehouse Monday morning ranged as follows:

Wrappers—\$17.50 to \$22.75 per 100 pounds.
Cutters—\$7.70 to \$15.75 per 100 pounds.
Lugs—35c to \$6.60 per 100 pounds.

Each of the above three grades is divided into a number of sub-grades. When the Bamberg market opened a year ago, the average price paid for tobacco was around six cents per pound. On opening date two years ago it averaged \$21.60 per hundred.

One planter's advances averaged about 11 cents a pound, others from 7 to 10 cents a pound. It was a conspicuous fact that very little lugs were included in the first day's consignment, and practically no tobacco bringing less than around three cents a pound.

Bruce Lee, one of the executive officers of the association, was present at the opening Monday, and expressed great satisfaction with the business of the warehouse. He felt very much gratified with the quality of the tobacco, and predicted a good profit to the tobacco planter this year. Mr. Lee's headquarters are in Rocky Mount, N. C.

The Farmers warehouse is under the management of Mr. Lane, who has the following staff of assistants: E. L. Price, Sr., head bookkeeper. W. M. Bates, assistant bookkeeper. L. K. Adams, weigh master. J. L. Thames, shipping clerk. B. F. Irby, grader. Mr. Bates is well known in Bamberg, having been here for several years past as a buyer for the Imperial Tobacco company. Messrs. Adams, Thames and Irby are experienced tobacco men, all from Virginia.

CHARGES UNDENIED.

Dillon Man Can Not Consider Man Who Votes for Blease Democrat.

To the Editor of The State: Will you please publish this message to the Democrats of South Carolina?

Mr. Duncan, in his speech at Dillon, said that during the present administration Cole L. Blease went up into Virginia making speeches for the Republican party and received a check for same, and pointing to Blease, said, "There he stands; I dare him to deny it." And Blease did not deny Mr. Duncan's statements.

I notice in the State of July 31 a statement made by Cole L. Blease as follows: "I am a Democrat, not a Wilson so-called Democrat but a Jeffersonian Democrat who rejoiced at Harding's election and the downfall of idealism!"

When you cast your vote, Mr. or Mrs. Democrat, will you pause for a moment and think who you are voting for?

Are you voting for a Republican or Democrat?

If you vote for Cole L. Blease I don't see where you are justified in calling yourself a genuine Democratic citizen of the state of South Carolina.

R. M. DRYSON.

Dillon.—The State.

An Appropriate Air.

He pounds his wife and she pounds him,

And when the row is done They hold each other's hands and sing,

"Two hearts that beat as one!"

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Every member of the Tobacco Growers Cooperative association should be a subscriber to his home newspaper. There is none more interested in the welfare of the farmer or more likely to do everything possible to enhance that welfare than the editor of your county paper, nor any one who has more loyally aided our association. The Tri-State Tobacco Grower will tell you each month what is going on in the Tobacco Growers Cooperative association. Your county paper, however, will tell you every week what is going on in your association, in the county and the world. The information the farmer obtains from his local paper in a week is worth the cost for the whole year. Subscribe for your county paper and keep your subscription paid up. You owe that much to your local civic pride, and you certainly owe it to your county editors, who have been your best friends. — Tri-State Tobacco Grower.

"INNOCENT" BUT "GUILTY."

Ellis Shaw Now Being Held at Clearwater, Florida.

St. Petersburg, Fla., Aug. 3.—Arrested 150 miles from Anderson, S. C., on a charge of stealing a new Ford touring car in that city, Ellis Shaw, South Carolina man, whose home is in the northern part of that state, denied the charge and to prove that he was not guilty of the theft in Anderson, showed that the car in which he was driving was stolen in this city last June. He was promptly arrested for the theft of the car here—placed in the Anderson jail until the arrival of the Florida sheriff who returned here with him yesterday. Shaw is now in the county jail at Clearwater. Shaw came to St. Petersburg from South Carolina last fall and for a time was employed by a transfer company. In June he is said to have become homesick and wanted to return to his native state.

Lacking the necessary funds, he apparently decided to drive through, and according to the police, "borrowed" the Ford automobile belonging to O. E. Blackburn of this city, in which to make the trip. The car was taken while it stood in front of the ball park.

Everything would have gone through all right and Shaw would probably never have been caught had not someone stolen a new Ford in the city of Anderson just about the time Shaw was passing through there. Since he was a stranger and was driving a Ford, which about tallied in description with the missing one, suspicion pointed to him after leaving and he was overhauled by the sheriff 150 miles out of Anderson.

To prove his innocence of the Anderson theft he was forced to make a clean breast of the St. Petersburg theft in June, on which charge he was jailed for the Florida authorities.

Shaw will waive preliminary hearing and remain in jail until September term of court.

BOOZE PLOUGHED UP.

1,000 Quarts of Rum Turned Up in Pennsylvania.

In Pennsylvania, Prohibition Director John T. Davis has become the "man with the plough." He and his agents are running furrows over a farm near Loganton, in Clinton county, and so far they have turned up 35 barrels and more than 1,000 quarts of moonshine.

Well digging as well as agriculture has contributed to Mr. Davis' detective methods, for he used a divining rod to locate the liquor. He is still using it, for it is reported there are a hundred or more five gallon jugs yet on the farm.

The proprietor of this underground storehouse is missing and so are four men suspected of being accomplices.

Mrs. Mary Emery, of Cincinnati, O., will spend \$5,000,000 building a model city to be controlled and directed in the interests of its residents.

Two Men Killed; Third Will Die

Spartanburg, Aug. 8.—Two men are dead, the third will die, according to physicians, and a lad ten years of age, the son of one of the dead men is wounded as the result of a desperate gun battle at the base of Glassy Rock mountain, the region of Greenville county known as the "dark corner," this afternoon. The dead are: William Howard, 30 years of age, near whose home the shooting occurred; Thomas Scruggs, 40 years of age and a resident of Spartanburg county.

The wounded are Alexander Sudduth, 30 years old, whose home is on Glassy Rock mountain; Dallas Scruggs, ten years of age, a son of Thomas Scruggs, who was killed.

The scene of the battle is near the home of William Howard, six miles west of Gowansville, and about nine miles from Cambolello, in the region the United States government took over in the war days as an artillery range, and while it was early afternoon, it was towards evening before even the local authorities were aware of the tragedy, and an inquest was held by Magistrate A. B. Plumley, of Gowansville.

At 9 o'clock tonight Sheriff Rector and Coroner Vaughan, of Greenville, arrived at Gowansville. There they met Magistrate Plumley returning from the scene of the shooting carrying in his car the dead body of Thomas Scruggs, which was deposited on the store platform, while the Greenville officers went over the evidence before the magistrate's jury. It was generally inadequate and it is possible another inquiry will be held. While the testimony does not include the statement, it was freely stated that the difficulty started when Howard and Early Harrison came upon Scruggs and the boy at Scruggs' car left on the road some distance from Sudduth's house and proceeded to look into a sack they carried, which it was stated, contained glass jars and four hot water bottles. The testimony of Early Harrison is that William Howard fired the first shot and Alexander Sudduth returned the fire. Harrison says he ran away, but returned later to find the two men dead and the two wounded.

The sheriff quotes Sudduth as follows, in effect: "Sudduth and Scruggs were sitting by the side of the road. Scruggs had a sack containing several hot water bottles and several glass jars full of liquor, all in the sack. Will Howard and Early Harrison came up. Early Harrison demanded them to halt and Will Howard fired a rifle, shooting Sudduth in the bowels, and shot him several times. Sudduth while falling returned the fire and killed Will Howard. Several other shots were fired after Will Howard was shot down and he thought Early fired."

This statement was given Sheriff Rector while Sudduth was undergoing a blood transfusion.

HEAVY DAMAGE FROM STORMS.

Growing Crops Ruined and Farmers Need Relief.

Greenville, Aug. 4.—Heavy damage to growing crops, amounting in many cases to complete destruction, was wrought over a large area in lower Greenville, Laurens, Anderson and Greenwood counties last night by the severest hail storm that has visited this section in many years. The storm covered a section about thirty miles in length and approximately ten miles wide, according to reports received here today. Hail stones as large as guinea eggs fell thick and fast for an hour or more, stripping all vegetation of every semblance of leaves, killing large numbers of birds and chickens that were roosting in trees, and in some cases smashing open watermelons.

Heaviest sufferers appear to be in lower Greenville county, in the Toney Creek section, where a number of large farms were swept so completely that not a plant was left that had not been stripped of every leaf and beaten down to the ground. A scene of desolation was presented and a great many farmers and their families lost everything they had and are in a pathetic situation.

A movement is under way here, it was understood, to secure some relief measures until it is possible that the legislative delegation will consider the matter at an early date.

The women of Ball are conceded to be the most beautiful in all Asia.

Like Helen Keller is Anderson Girl

Anderson, Aug. 5.—Deprived of three of the five senses when a child of five years, Ruby Miller, now 15 years of age, is a normal girl and has tastes in common with other girls, and likes pranks and fun just as much as if she could see and hear—in other words, she is just a girl.

She has been brought back to "normalcy" by the care, treatment and patience of the South Carolina Institute for the Deaf and Blind at Cedar Springs. For one year the one teacher assigned to this little girl labored to teach her three words—at the end of that time it seemed that she had been unsuccessful, as Ruby did not seem to grasp any idea at all of communication.

Just what perseverance and patience can do has been shown by the results of today, when this wonder child can articulate so that she can be understood, can speak fluently on her hands, can read the lips by touch, can write two systems for the blind, the Braille and the New York point, and can use a typewriter. When the chords of "Onward Christian Soldiers," were played, she readily named it, and the same with "America," showing what vibrations can do. Ruby has been taught a drill to be done by music—she goes through this drill with hands and feet, and if the music stops she becomes rigid, keeping the position which she had when the music ceased. This drill can be done much better if she is barefoot, as the vibrations seem to be felt more acutely. Her nervous system responds instantly to the waves of music.

In school work Ruby is in the seventh grade work for the deaf, but in fourth grade for the blind. Her course consists of geography, arithmetic, first steps in physiology and history. She has a very retentive mind, and impressions are made when least thought of by other people. When she meets a new person she feels immediately for something by which she can recognize them when she meets them again—some identifying piece of jewelry, or some other method of which nobody knows, but if she meets them again she shows recognition.

In the school, it is said by one of her teachers, "she goes all the paces," is active in gymnastics, and is also an exceedingly good cook, taking active work in the domestic science department. This teacher also says that "there is no more interesting child in this school, from any standpoint, intellectual or psychological, than Ruby Miller."

She talks very rapidly with her right hand, and almost continuously—and takes the hand that replies in her hand or in her two hands, and feels the answers to her questions—instead of the eye communicating with the brain her contact is through the ends of the fingers. Her manner is quick and sometimes insistent that her remarks be noticed. She walks with a springy step, and not as if she was feeling her way, but as if she was sure of it—but not alone, unless she is very familiar with the surroundings.

The expression of Ruby's face has not that hopelessness often seen in the faces of the blind. But for the closed lids and the sunken sockets there would be no suspicion that she was blind—with the addition of being deaf and almost dumb—all caused from a serious attack of meningitis when a very small child.

The amiability of the girl, the bright responsiveness to the patient care which she has received, and the happiness she gets out of life, although so severely handicapped, is a strong lesson to others less unfortunate, and brings a realization, which many have never had before, of the wonderful patience and love of teachers, the good of an institution of this kind in every state, the undreamed possibilities of the human mind, and the results that may be accomplished without the sense of sight, hearing and speaking. Ruby Miller has demonstrated this and will be a living monument to Cedar Springs school.

CARRIE McC. PATRICK.

Appropriate Selection.

Having just finished his sermon on "Gossip and Slander," a minister in the suburbs announced the hymn, "I Love to Tell the Story."—Boston Transcript.

Columbus wasn't the only man who discovered America. George III did it, likewise Kaiser William. They did not have to cross the ocean to do it, either.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

County Campaign Meeting Held at Olar Last Friday

There is no doubt about it, that was a mighty nice campaign meeting at Olar last Friday. The people of that good community were just as hospitable as they could be, the weather was not too warm—just good cotton growing weather—just warm enough to be uncomfortable for Mr. boll weevil—a fine picnic and barbecue dinner was served, and not an unpleasant incident marred the occasion. By the way, the speeches were good, too; in fact taken as a whole they were as good as we have ever listened to in a county campaign and much better than the average. The boys who wanted the offices knew how to ask for them in short but graceful speeches, using good language and little "bull."

The meeting was held in the grove at the site of the former school building, now remodeled and turned into a residence since the new brick building was erected in another part of town—which, we will remark just here, is a beauty. It is a school building which would do credit to a much larger town than Olar.

C. F. Rizer, merchant, banker, live stock and vehicle dealer, furniture coffins and caskets (no charge for the ad.), also mayor and about everything else in the town where there's plenty of work and no salary attached, called the meeting to order and called on Rev. C. E. Walker, of the Hunter's Chapel section, to offer a word of prayer. Mr. Rizer then in words sincere, hearty and well-expressed welcomed the crowd to Olar, after which he introduced the speakers and the "big show" was on.

Magistrate at Olar.

A. F. Morris was the first "candidate" called for but he was not present.

Jeff Gunnels, the only remaining aspirant for this highly important and honorable position, then took the stand, "breaking the ice" as it were, if our readers will pardon such a figure of speech on an August day with the thermometer lingering in the eighties in the shade. Mr. Gunnels is a great big double-jointed specimen, seemingly more than six feet tall and weighing more than two hundred pounds, with not an ounce of surplus flesh on him, a fist hung to him at the end of a powerful arm that looked as big as a woodcutter's maul and with a face on him that showed the will to use it when necessary. Evidently he can surely enforce law and order, and it is certain that if he is re-elected the office of magistrate at Olar will be largely filled at any rate.

Mr. Gunnels stated that he had been elected magistrate two years ago and had tried to do his full duty. Would continue to do this if again favored with the endorsement of his people. He made a short but pointed speech and started the meeting off well.

Cotton Weigher at Olar.

J. W. Sellers, the only candidate, was present, but declined to speak and take any time as he was without opposition. The crowd readily excused him as he was one of the committee preparing the "cue in the grove" hard by the speaker's stand.

County Supervisor.

W. B. Smoak, the gentleman who is now holding down this job, appreciated the votes given him at Olar two years ago when he was elected the first time, and immediately went into a discussion of county finances, road building, and Federal aid for roads. Gave the figures on rebuilding the Bamberg-Denmark road by the chain gang and showed where he saved the county more than eight thousand dollars by not letting this piece of work out to a contractor. In consequence of this work the county now had money to its credit. Was proud of the record he had made, and asked endorsement on that record. The gentleman who examined the books of the county recently stated that Bamberg was in the best shape of any county in the state. Chain gang inspector complimented him on improvement in chain gang conditions. Had worked roads where needed and those never worked heretofore. Would endeavor to improve on his past record, and knew more now than when he went into office. Ran the chain gang as a business proposition not as a political machine and would continue to do so. Would appreciate support and do his whole duty if retained in office.

A. B. Hightower, a young man, stated that he had no political rec-

ord but hoped to have one two years from now. Wanted the office of county supervisor and would do his best if elected. Mr. Hightower spoke briefly, but he made it clear what he wanted.

G. Victor Kears, another young man, said he had an ambition for some time past to serve his people as county supervisor, and promised an administration of economy and better roads. Would give a thoroughly business administration. Asked for a hearty welcome for all candidates, especially his opponents, but wanted his home people to give their votes to him. Mr. Kears spoke easily and forcefully, though not at any great length.

Auditor and Supt. of Education.

W. D. Rowell, unopposed for re-election, gave some interesting figures as to the financial condition of the county, showing there was a good amount of money on hand. Referred to the matter of farm lands assessments remaining the same and stated he would leave a full explanation of that matter to Representative Kears. Persons who checked county offices had given them good reports.

Treasurer.

Chairman Rizer read a letter from "Uncle George" Jennings, who has no opposition for re-election, for everybody knows it would be the height of folly to run against him. Mr. Jennings regretted he could not be present, and his charming letter was heartily enjoyed by the crowd.

County Commissioner.

G. W. Hunter, candidate for this office for the lower district, told the audience that he was a stranger to some people present, as he had not been to Olar for a long time. Years ago had been there working for his father who was running for sheriff and thanked the people for helping elect his father sheriff and his brother to the house of representatives. Had been at home plowing for years, did not go about much. Served as road overseer under Supervisor Cave, Kears, and Bruce. Had sixteen years experience working roads and knew what to do. Said he had promised a friend if elected he would meet the board every first Monday and draw his pay and reiterated that promise to the crowd, which humorous reference evoked smiles and laughter.

A letter was read from J. W. Zeigler, now county commissioner from the lower district, who asks re-election, stating that he was not well enough to be present.

J. B. McCormack, also a candidate for the lower district, said he was no speech-maker but a plow boy. Vote for the others if you wanted somebody to make speeches, but for road and bridge building vote for McCormack. Would do his duty and asked for favorable consideration.

J. S. Tant, present commissioner from the upper district, was proud to see so many ladies present as well as their names on the club rolls. Said these other fellows kept saying they were no speakers, but he wanted to say for himself that he was a speaker. Could ask for what he wanted and he noticed the others could do the same. Had done all in his power to serve his people and would continue to do so. There was six thousand dollars road tax uncollected now, much of which would not be paid, as many negroes had left the county. Appealed to the ladies to stand by law and order. Was grateful for past support, had done his duty.

W. H. Collins, the only other candidate for commissioner for the upper district, said he was born two miles away, therefore he was at home and expected the support of his home people. Had served as road overseer from the time he was eighteen years old until he was fifty-five and had served as county commissioner but was defeated last time by Mr. Tant. Now they should leave Mr. Tant at home and elect him. Office would have his best attention and would see that roads were kept up. Tried to do right before God and man, and would do what was right if elected. Was a ladies' man, loved the ladies, and would appreciate their votes. Paid a pretty tribute to his mother.

Legislature.

W. L. Riley, candidate for the house of representatives, began his speech by expressing his pleasure at the presence of so many ladies and (Continued on page 7, column 1.)