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PLANT GRAIN.

The farmers of the state will be tempted by the high price of cotton to plant all cotton next year and no food crops. But corn is selling now at \$1.25 per bushel for cash, and will certainly go to a much higher figure next year. Flour is selling for \$10.00 per barrel and the top has not been reached. Therefore, a man who expects to continue to prosper on the farm needs to plant wheat with which to make flour, he needs to sow oats with which to feed his stock in the spring, and he needs to begin now to prepare his lands for planting an abundant crop of corn next season.

No man need persuade himself that the prices of these food crops will continue for a short time. Until the war is over you will see constantly increasing prices for all food crops, because the people of this country and the fighting hordes of Europe must be fed, and it takes these crops to do it, that is our crops.

And by planting the grain crops you are only adding to the price of cotton. The war will not end in time for us to get potash as a fertilizer for next year's cotton crop, and this part of the cotton belt will not make a bumper crop without potash, no matter how much is planted. But that is no reason why we should undertake to make a bumper crop. Another crop of twelve millions of bales of cotton will make the South entirely independent of the rest of the world. It will make of every farmer in the country a prosperous farmer, if only he lives at home and raises his cotton as a profit crop.

BRYAN AND PROHIBITION.

William Jennings Bryan announces that he will devote the next four years of his life to the cause of prohibition, and that he will endeavor to have the Democratic Party adopt this measure as one of the live issues of the future. If Mr. Bryan shall make good his determination, a great many people will excuse him for making it grape-juice instead of lemonade, and at least by that part of public opinion which thinks rightly he will deserve the cross of gold.

Seriously speaking, it is time that at least one of the great political parties of the country had some respect for the wishes of the people of the United States on the whiskey traffic, and it is high time that we had a President, who while dictating to congress on other subjects, would likewise demand of that ancient, and in these days, thread-bare and useless institution that is give the people of this country what they have voted for.

President Wilson says that he is a local optionist. Our experience with local optionists is that they insist on the right of the people who want liquor to get it, but their memory is short on what the wishes of the other side are. It is just as much the business of a local optionist to see that prohibition territory has real prohibition as it is to see that the liquor guzzlers get their liquor, but President Wilson, and no other executive-law-maker has seen it that way.

The congress will soon convene to do the President's bidding. It is still democratic. The President makes great boast of his Southern ancestry. And we have even been told by Hon. Frank Weston of Columbia that "the dust of his parents sleeps in South Carolina's sacred soil." Amen! The president in this election owes a great deal to his Southern kinspeople. They gave him the Solid South which meant his election. They gave it to him as a matter of course, but they gave it ungrudgingly for the most part. He should make them some reward besides appointing a few lean politicians to office in this office-ridden section. Why not have his congress pass some real uplifting legislation?

And as a Southern man, does President Wilson not know that the curse of the South above every other curse and all other curses is the curse of strong drink? Does President Wilson not know that almost

every breach of the peace, almost every crime of violence has its beginning in cheap liquor, and in the South in blind-tiger liquor, because the Southern people have arisen in their might and as far as they are able have driven liquor out of the country. The people of the South—the people of the President—have demanded that they be freed from the blighting influence of liquor on their civilization.

Will the President of the United States, a Southern man, raise a hand to give his people what they want? Will he allow us "to break into our own houses" and run our own country, or will he allow the breweries of Chattanooga, Tenn., and Jacksonville, Florida, and other places, to ship into our territory that which we do not want, and have demanded removed from our midst? Nothing but the interstate commerce law prevents us from getting what we want. The President and congress may so amend the interstate commerce law that no liquor may be imported into dry territory. Will they do it?

We hope that Mr. Bryan will turn on the light of truth on this subject and expose all hypocrites.

COL. MCGHEE, EXCITED.

Col. Rut McGhee, who runs three county papers in the Western part of the state, one at Batesburg, one at Johnston, and one at Wagener is somewhat excited at what appears to be a want of appreciation on the part of some of his patrons in Batesburg. We are sorry. Batesburg should be glad to have such a paper as Mr. McGhee is giving its people and it should be proud of a man of Mr. McGhee's calibre. They should liberally support the paper in their midst, not as a favor to Mr. McGhee, but as a business proposition, because a newspaper is a business proposition and not an eleemosynary institution.

But Mr. McGhee must learn that republics and small towns are ungrateful and unappreciative. It takes time and patience to work out the problems of a newspaper as it does anything else. The people of Batesburg will learn as the time goes by that it is well to patronize home institutions, and that they cannot hope to build a town by spending their money elsewhere. Whenever an enterprise in a town fails it is a failure of the town as well as of an individual. The home man cannot live unless his people support him. The man in the other town who gets a good price for the work done in his town can afford to come into your town and underbid you because he has already had his overhead charges paid by his own people. But the people do not consider this. They are willing to stab their own enterprises, the enterprises which pay the taxes and contribute to the public good, some times for one-half a cent.

To all Demonstration Agents and Members of the Boys' Corn Clubs of S. C.:

I beg leave to announce the following prizes:

First Prize. To the boy in the State making the highest general average according to rules and regulations contained in Circular No. "A" 74, Revised edition, and in Clemson Corn club catechisms Vols. I and II, will be awarded a gold medal, offered by Hon. A. F. Lever, and twenty five dollars in cash offered by H. G. Hastings Seed Co., of Atlanta, Ga.

Second Prize. To the making the second general highest average according to rules and regulations contained in Circular No. "A" 74, Revised edition, and in Clemson corn club catechisms Vols. I and II, will be awarded a 14k. gold open faced watch, 19 jewelled Waltham movement watch, offered by W. H. Mixson Seed Co., of Charleston, S. C.

Third Prize. To the boy in the State making the highest yield at the lowest cost per bu. in accordance with the rules and regulations contained in Circular No. "A" 74, Revised edition, and in Clemson corn club catechisms Vols. I and II, will be awarded twenty five dollars in cash, offered by the H. G. Hasting Seed Co., of Atlanta, Ga.

Fourth Prize. To the two boys in each county of the State making the highest general averages according to rules and regulations contained in Circular No. "A" 74, Revised edition, and in Clemson corn club catechisms, Vols. I and II, will be awarded two weeks scholarship to an agricultural short course at Clemson College. These prizes are awarded by Clemson College. No boys previously winning these scholarships and attending this short course are eligible to these scholarships.

L. L. Baker, Supervising Agent of Boys' Club Work.
 Approved by: W. W. Long, State Agent and Director of Extension Work, J. E. Swearingen, State Supt. of Education.

MRS. BESSIE FRETWELL CALDWELL ENTERTAINS

Hartsville, Nov. 11.—Mrs. J. Bratton Davis was the guest of honor at the lively party given in Mrs. R. E. Caldwell's home on Thursday by Mrs. Caldwell and Mrs. J. R. McAlpine. The decorations were white and yellow chrysanthemums, and as each guest came representing a book, some of their get ups were quite decorative, for some wore bouquets of red peppers of blue flowers, and even briars. The first half hour was spent guessing the names of the books represented, and after this booklets with pencils attached were distributed containing a clever vegetable contest. As every one proved so bright about guessing the contest, the prize was awarded to the guest of honor, Mrs. William Egleston, in a very flowery little speech, presented Mrs. Davis with a silver and glass basket vase. Ice cream and cake were served by Misses Sophie Egleston and Eunice Clyburn.—Hartsville correspondence to the State.

THE FADING OF THE FLOWERS.

The heavy frost last week has put an end to the many pretty beds of flowers in the city. The flowers at the Southern depot, which have been such a pleasure to the travelers, are a thing of the past. The triangle is no longer a thing of beauty and the flowers on the plaza have been done away with. The flowers at the post office have been well cared for and have made a good showing this summer. On the way to the post office the flowers and the lovely vine which adorned the barber shop at the corner have been much admired by the people of the city.

THE COUNT OF MONTE CRISTO

The Count of Monte Cristo will be the feature picture at the opera house Thursday night. Tickets have been sold on the streets for the past several days and the show Thursday night will be a benefit for the Organ fund of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church. The picture will be excellent and will be well worth seeing. The prices will be 10 and 20 cents.

LEAVING SOUTH CAROLINA.

The friends of Rev. P. B. Wells are sorry to know that he has been transferred to the Tennessee Conference and is leaving soon for his new home. Mr. Wells is well known and greatly beloved by the Methodists and the people generally in Abbeville and all wish him success in his new home.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surface. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. Take by Druggists, price 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

ESTATE OF MARTHA COOK, Dec'd

Notice of Settlement and Application for Final Discharge.
 Take Notice, that on the 9th day of Dec. 1916, I will render a final account of my actings and doings as Administrator of the Estate of Martha Cook, deceased, in the office of Judge of Probate for Abbeville county at 10 o'clock a. m., and on the same day will apply for a final discharge from my trust as such Administrator.

All persons having demands against said estate will present them for payment on or before that day, proven and authenticated or be forever barred.

Jesse Cook, Adm'r.

MASTER'S SALE.

The State of South Carolina, County of Abbeville, Court of Common Pleas.

CHARLEY M. MCGEE, as Executor of the last will and testament of CHARLES E. MCKAY, Plaintiff, against

ELIZABETH M. MILLER, et al., Defendants.

By authority of a Decree of Sale by the Court of Common Pleas for Abbeville County, in said State, made in the above stated case, I will offer for sale, at Public Outcry, at Abbeville C. H., S. C., on Salesday in December, A. D. 1916, within the legal hours of sale the following described land, to wit:

All that tract or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the city of Abbeville, in Abbeville County, in the State aforesaid, containing One Half (1/2) Acre, more or less, and bounded by Vienna Street on the North, on the East by lots of W. N. Thomson, now Mrs. Luther Nickles, on the South by Dr. F. E. Harrison and others, and on the West by W. E. Owen, now Mrs. Dendy Miller, being the same lot bought from T. P. Thomson.

TERMS OF SALE—Cash. Purchaser to pay for papers.

R. E. HILL, Master A. C., S. C.

HEMP-STALK FRAGMENTS FOR PAPER MAKING

In an effort to find a material for making book paper, which can be used as a substitute for wood pulp, investigators for the Department of Agriculture have discovered that the fragments from hemp stalks serve very satisfactorily. The hurds, as they are called, are the waste produced in preparing hemp fiber for

the market. They can be reduced chemically to paper stock by a process which differs but little from that used in making pulp from poplar wood. It requires more bleaching and beating, but the first steps in its preparation are less expensive.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

The colder the milk when separated the greater the loss of fat in the skim milk.

AN APPRECIATED GIFT.

Mrs. H. Bruce Fant has our thanks for a bag of the largest sweet potatoes we have seen this year. In this day and time it is hard to get a potato that does not taste like a well baked shingle, but Mrs. Fant is an excellent farmer and the potatoes sent us were sweet and delightful to the taste.

Our Young Men's Suits

AND Overcoats

at \$15.00
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