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THE PEANUT INDUSTRY
AND THE PROTECTIVE TARIFF

Whether or not we are to have the boll weevil in this section is still a question. To be true the insect has been found here and there, but it has not yet been determined whether he will be able to do us much damage, that is, in this immediate section. But whether he comes to Abbeville County or not, the weevil will do much damage in other parts of the state. That much is settled.

And because people believe this to be true, they have been casting about to find some crop to take the place of cotton. In South Georgia we have been told that the peanut was a much more profitable crop than cotton, and the people in this section have been looking hopefully to the peanut as a means of escape if the boll weevil attacks us in earnest.

In view of these facts the following from the Manufacturer's Record will be of interest to the readers of this paper:

The first National Peanut Convention, held recently in Norfolk, disclosed the fact that the great peanut industry, which has been looked to in whole sections of the South as the economic weapon with which to combat the boll-weevil is in danger of extinction. Increasing imports from China, Japan and India, the convention declared, have demoralized the American market "because the imported nuts are being offered at a price from 3 to 5 cents per pound less."

That is from \$60 to \$100 a ton in favor of the Eastern coolie. It represents a form of competition which no people accustomed to a decent standard of living can meet. And if the differential is so large, in spite of comparatively heavy rates, what will be when ocean rates decrease? Nor will the fall in the price of peanut can growers. It will multiply the advantage the coolie has.

Moreover, it is worth while to point out that interests favoring low prices for cotton may be expected to be more than jubilant over this great peril to the peanut industry. It may be possible, it is reasoned, to drive the Southern farmer back into cotton production if the growing of peanuts is made unprofitable for him.

The Norfolk Convention devoted its entire session of the first day to a consideration of a protective tariff, resolutions favoring the tariff being adopted.

The convention made plans to organize and educate the farmers in every peanut-producing section. Pamphlets descriptive of the situation and exposing the necessity of a tariff barrier against Oriental peanuts will be distributed from every peanut mill in the South as a center. Candidates for Congress will be queried and compelled to state definitely whether or not they will vote for the protection of the industry.

We regard the situation as of fundamental economic and political importance. It means that there must come into existence a whole galaxy of protection Democrats, or that whole sections of the South will turn to the Republican party for relief. In other words, the march of events has made the old fighting ground of the two parties untenable. Protection sentiment is being nationalized. It was always, in fact, American policy rather than a party policy, and the time is coming when Democrats will have to so recognize it. Otherwise, they will be repudiated in their own strongholds.

The right of an American producer to be protected by his Government against 8-cents-a-day labor in the East is a real and a national right. It is not in any respect, or ought not to be, a partisan matter. It is a theory and a principle to which voters in all parties should subscribe. A distinguished American engineer,

managing a large steel plant in India, stated in a public meeting in New York several years ago that he was employing about 8000 hands, and that the average of pay, including even skilled workers, was between 7 and 8 cents per day. Agricultural labor, we believe, is paid even less.

We see in this whole agitation a return to reason and the dawning of a day when the South, inexorably influenced by economic law, will take its stand also in favor of the fundamental Americanism of which protection is an exponent.

THE DOLLAR
DEMOCRACY CAMPAIGN

The Dollar Democracy Campaign is making excellent progress according to reports reaching State headquarters. The organization of the campaign to secure funds for the election of Cox and Roosevelt has been completed in 34 of the 46 counties. Reports received from General Willie Jones, State treasurer of the party, indicate that several thousand dollars have already been contributed by loyal Democrats. Contributions have been received from practically every county in the State.

Thos. P. Cothran, State Chairman of the executive committee, is anxious for the canvass for funds to be completed as soon as possible. Mr. Cothran in a statement issued calls attention to the fact that a great amount of money will be needed for the national campaign and that it is the duty of every Democrat in South Carolina to contribute as much as one dollar. Of course larger subscriptions will not be refused.

Reports received from national headquarters are very encouraging and there is every hope of party success. The Republicans it is pointed out will spend large amounts of money in an effort to carry all doubtful States.

Governor Cooper is very much interested in the campaign and urges that every voter in the State support the party liberally.

Joe Sparks, financial director of the campaign has received the following letter from Wilbur Marsh, national treasurer: "May I suggest that if a man can afford to give more than a dollar it is only a right that he do so. The only test of helpfulness in spirit is to give until you feel that you have denied yourself by reason of the gift. The campaign will cost approximately more than four years ago, I know that the South Carolina Democracy will do its full duty."

Nearly two thousand solicitors have been appointed in the State to collect the dollars for Democracy.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS FIRST PLACE.

We get so enthused over the fact that our people are waking up to the importance of the public schools and that all over Anderson county our citizens are voting to increase the levy for school purposes—building new school houses and enlarging old ones—are so proud that at last we are making a start and are so busy with ourselves that it is possible we sometimes overlook what is going on around us. It is a good plan, you know, to try to keep up with what is going on around you.

And talking of the importance of public schools, take a squint at the following, clipped from the Honolulu Star-Bulletin:

"Taxes are high and burdensome, but maintenance of the public schools and the proper compensation of those who teach in them must come ahead of any consideration of economy. If we must retrench, it must be done elsewhere than in the public schools. They must have more money, a great deal of it, and it must be provided."

"So vitally important are they in the building of the Hawaii of the future that the needs and necessities of the public schools should have first place in the consideration of the Legislature—first place over harbors, docks, highways, public buildings, and everything else. They are the corner stone on which we must erect a 100 per cent American Hawaii."—Daily Mail.

REMEDIES.

A department store in Milwaukee, suffering from the troubles which every employer and every employee has with tardiness, is experimenting with a system by which certain employees who have a clear punctuality record

are paid a bonus.

At the other end of the scale is another Milwaukee firm which counts five minutes tardiness as 15 minutes, and multiplies by three any period of tardiness longer than 15 minutes. Every six months wages are docked on this basis.

They do things differently in Russia. It appears that the Soviets are having trouble getting members of government committees to attend sessions on time, in fact, to get them to attend at all. Thus, a general order from the Council of People's Commissaries, to wit:

"Five minutes' tardiness at regular meetings, first offense, reprimand; second offense, docking pay for five days.

"Five minutes' tardiness special meetings, three days' wages; ten minutes' tardiness, 10 days' wages; absence from meeting, fine, public reprimand and compulsory work on holidays."

The decree was signed by Lenin himself and shows that Lenin still thinks there is a remedy for everything in laws and decrees.—Greenville Piedmont.

Because the fishing grows poorer every year in Lake Erie, 25 Canadian fishermen have moved to lakes in Northern Ontario.

MRS. NEUFFER ENTERTAINS

Mrs. G. A. Neuffer delightfully entertained the Bridge club Friday afternoon at its usual meeting. There were several visitors and a full attendance. After the meeting a delicious salad course was served.

House Party at Ancrum Place

Misses Susie and Mary Stevenson are entertaining at a house party this week at their lovely country home Misses Margaret Perrin, Margaret Bradley, Lydia Owens, Helen Britt, and Ione Stevenson.

IN HONOR OF MRS. STACK

Misses Mae and Eugenia Robertson entertained most delightfully Saturday morning at their home on North Main street, in honor of Mrs. E. P. Stack of Monroe, N. C.

The house was profusely decorated in nasturtiums and sun flowers. There were four tables of rook and after several interesting games a delicious salad course was served.

IN HONOR OF MRS. PHILLIPS

Mrs. W. D. Barksdale gave a delightful bridge party Monday afternoon in honor of Mrs. W. A. Phillips of Tampa, Fla., who is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. D. Fulp, in Abbeville.

There were two tables of bridge and a salad course with cream was served at the conclusion of the games. The party was a most enjoyable affair.

IN HONOR OF MISS RHETT

Miss Mary Milford gave a delightful rook party Friday afternoon at her home on Greenville street in honor of her guest, Miss Emily Rhett. About forty young people were invited to meet Miss Rhett and to enjoy the games of rook.

At the close of the afternoon Miss Milford served a delicious salad course with sherbet.

MICKEY SAYS:

THERE ARE SMILES IN
LOTS O' JOB WORK,
THERE ARE SMILES IN
PLENTY OF ADS,
THERE ARE SMILES
IN PAID-AHEAD SUBSCRIPTIONS
THEY ARE SMILES
WHICH NEVER DO COME OFF



County Savings Bank

WE DO NOT BELIEVE IN PENNY PINCHING

SOUND

A man is certainly entitled to enjoy all the comforts of life and the pleasures to be had from the money he earns.

WE DO SAY SAVE YOUR SURPLUS CASH

SAFE

Because there comes a time in the life of every man when his earning power diminishes, and then it is that SAVED MONEY takes up the burden of earning.

FOR MONEY WORKS YOU KNOW AND EARNS

SERVICE

In fact, the earning power of SAVED AND INVESTED MONEY is oftentimes greater than the earning power of a man himself. Keep this in mind as you spend. Assure yourself of COMFORT and of PLEASURE, but don't overdo it. SAVE SOMETHING FROM YOUR EARNINGS, AND SAVE IT SYSTEMATICALLY.

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CANDIDATES IN ROW

Spartanburg, Aug. 6.—Four police officers, Wednesday night, moved J. P. Gray, candidate for the state senate, from the platform when Mr. Gray interrupted the speech of D. M. Miles, county supervisor, and also candidate for

senate. Mr. Gray took exception to a portion of Mr. Miles' speech to the voters at Burnett's store, in this city. He approached Mr. Miles while the latter was speaking and for a moment it appeared that there would be a personal encounter between the candidates.

One-third of the immigrants who apply for admission to the United States are barred by the literacy test.

Whales and seals will be hunted by airplane in the Denmark Strait this summer.

This Sale Will Last Only

A Few Days Longer

25 Per Cent Discount Off of These



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Lots of these SUITS are Medium Weights that you can wear all Winter, and you can make up your mind to this: Clothing is going to be higher in price than ever this Fall. It's good business to buy your FALL SUIT in this Sale.

These OXFORDS at 1-4 OFF OF REGULAR PRICE Are Big Values too; Plenty of Time to Get Lots of Service out of them yet.

STRAW HATS AT HALF PRICE.

PARKER & REESE

Kuppeheimer,
Styleplus
and Schloss
Bro'S. & Co.
Suits is too
big a bargain
to miss.