

THE LAST MEETING OF CONFEDERATE CABINET

(Greenville Piedmont.)
 With simple, appropriate ceremony, the Civic Club, an organization of public-spirited women of Abbeville, last week unveiled a handsome marker commemorating the last session of the Confederate Cabinet there on May 2, 1865.

The marker, which is a rough-hewn granite boulder, bears two large bronze tablets, on one of which is a reproduction of the great seal of the Confederacy and on the other a brief statement that the final meeting of the Confederate Cabinet took place in the home of the Hon. Armistead Burt, which faces the marker, not many yards away.

For the occasion the marker was draped in the Confederate colors, red and white, while the pillars of the church in front of which the exercises were held were adorned with both the Stars and Bars of the nation that was and the Stars and Stripes of the nation that endures. The Confederate veterans, a little band of aged men, had the seats of honor and with them sat some of the elder ladies of Abbeville who, too, are survivors of that memorable far-off time. Among them was one venerable lady, Mrs. Marshall, who clearly remembers not only the first Secession meeting in the South at Abbeville but also the last Cabinet meeting there and recalled, as if it were yesterday, that while in Abbeville Mrs. Jefferson Davis, wife of the President of the Confederacy, used to visit her home in the afternoons for a cup of tea while she waited for the arrival of her illustrious husband.

Their immemorial courtesy was displayed by the good people of Abbeville when they listened patiently for almost an hour to the editor of The Piedmont who delivered the historical address of the occasion. After reviewing much evidence in support of the contention that the last session of the Confederate Cabinet was held in Abbeville and that the Confederate Government ceased to exist there, he said in conclusion, taht, in consideration of all the circumstances at Abbeville and the testimony of the men who were prominent actors in the closing scene of the vast drama there, it seemed to him that "the last Cabinet meeting which could be called such" was held at Abbeville, that the last chapter of the Government of the Confederate States of America was written there and that he believed that the honor and distinction so long claimed by Abbeville are hers by good and rightful title.

Fate, with that fondness of coincidence it had so often manifested, ordained, in accordance with the fitness of things that the last meeting of the Confederate Cabinet should be held in the little town in which the first Secession meeting in the South took place. Where the star of the new nation had risen, there it fell. The Confederacy received its death blow at Appomattox, but its heart ceased to beat at Abbeville, the home of John C. Calhoun, master architect of those political theories upon which the short-lived government was reared, of the brilliant Chancellor Francis Hugh Wardlaw who supplied the draft upon which the Ordinance of Secession was modeled, of Thomas Chiles Perrin, the first signer of that Ordinance, and of legions of gallant sons who with valor unsurpassed in the world's history fought and died for the nation that was.

The patriotic women of Abbeville long and patiently labored to make the marker possible, but now it stands forevermore to remind the world that Abbeville holds in proud and hallowed remembrance its unparalleled historic connection with the rise and fall of the Confederacy. In the wealth of its historic associations Abbeville is infinitely richer than many of the most populous cities of the republic.

In his book "The Rise and Fall of the Confederate Government," President Davis, in describing the last days of the Confederacy, said:

"At Abbeville she (Mrs. Davis) was the guest of our esteemed friends, Colonel and Mrs. Burt. She had heard of threats made by the enemy that any house which gave shelter to myself or family should be burned; she was unwilling to expose our friends, the Burts, to such

NO IMPROVEMENT NOTED IN EUROPE

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS PRACTICALLY UNCHANGED—ACTIVITY IN GERMANY INDICATIVE OF DEPRECIATION IN MARK, HOWEVER.

Washington, Oct. 15.—Economic conditions in Europe during the past month remained practically unchanged, improvement in some countries being nearly balanced by unsatisfactory developments in others, according to a summary of cabled reports issued tonight by the commerce department.

There were no real changes in general economic conditions in England during September, said Commercial Attache Dennis at London. Towards the end of the month a slight stringency developed in the money market, he declared, and even the decline in prices of some commodities was interrupted for a time by rather sharp fluctuations but these soon leveled out. Exchange had risen, he added, as a result of a considerable advance in British exports.

Increased industrial activities in Germany were reported by H. A. Adams, at Berlin. The stock exchange was very active, he said, and both wholesale and retail establishments were doing much business. There was however, he asserted, great concern over the fact that the present boom did not so much indicate an economic recovery as it showed the result of the mark depreciation and the rush of buyers who feared a further increase.

Unsettled conditions prevailed in Austria during the month, W. F. Upson, at Vienna, informed the department. Government finances were in even a worse condition than formerly he reported, while prices were soaring and supplies in general were inadequate. There were symptoms of a panic, he said, and runs were being made on stores.

A substantial improvement in the textile industry on Czecho Slovakia, especially in cotton and knitted goods for Rumania, Poland and the Balkans was noted by Trade Commissioner Geringer, at Prague. The unemployment situation was improving, he declared, and while there was considerable wage reduction, efficiency was increasing.

The general situation of the Italian industries showed very little change during September, according to Commercial Attache McLean at Rome. While the usual activity was maintained in the textile mills, very little encouragement could be gleaned he declared, from the conditions prevailing in the other major industries of the country.

A large budget deficit, diminution of foreign trade tolls, and abnormally large purchases of foreign grains constituted the outstanding features of the economic situation in Spain during the month, as reported by Commercial Attache Cunningham, at Madrid.

Robbed of \$8,000.
 Winston-Salem, N. C.—W. R. Snow assistant cashier of the Southside Branch of the Farmers Bank and Trust Company of this city was held up by a lone highwayman this morning, a few minutes after 8 o'clock. About \$8,000 in cash was secured. Snow entered the bank early this morning to work on the books, the burglar soon thereafter entering covering him with two pistols forcing him into the vault and to lie on the floor.

possible loss to them and gave them that reason for declining their invitation to remain in their house. Colonel Burts magnanimously said there was no better use to which his home could be put than to be burned for giving shelter to my family."

That noble and handsome sentiment expressed by Colonel Burt typifies the unsurpassable love of country manifested by the people of Abbeville in all its crisis, a splendid inheritance from generation unto generation.

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ACT QUICK

A BIG OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU

Good times ahead! Cotton leads on the road to prosperity! We offer you merchandise of all kinds at prices based on the market two months ago. Every person needs merchandise as there was not much bought during the last twelve months. We, and all other merchants, will have to go back into the market soon and buy on a 20c market basis. Then we will have to advance our prices. Now is your time to get big value for your money. Get busy; we are ready with the goods.

DRY GOODS

- 36-inch Heavy Sheeting 10c yd.
- 40-inch Sheeting 12 1-2c yd.
- Checked and Plaid Homespun 10c yd.
- Calico, light and dark fast colors 10c yd.
- Heavy Outing, price from 15c to 25c yd.
- Heavy Cheviots 19c yd.
- Dress Gingham 15c yd.
- Amoskeags Dress Gingham 25c yd.
- 10-4 Unbleached "Barker" Sheeting 58c yd.
- 10-4 Bleached "Barker" Sheeting 60c yd.
- Heavy Cotton Flannel price from 15c to 25c yd.

WOOLEN DRESS GOODS AND SILK

- 36-inch Shepherd Plaids 25c yd.
- 36-inch Wool Serge 50c yd.
- \$1.00 Wool Serges in all colors 75c yd.
- \$2.50 54-inch all Wool Serge \$2.00 yd.
- \$1.50 French Serge \$1.19 yd.
- 36-inch Silk Messaline in extra good quality \$1.49 yd.
- 38-inch Georgette and Crepe de Chine \$1.39 yd.

BLANKETS AND COMFORTS

- \$3.00 Blankets at \$1.98 per pair.
- \$3.50 and \$4.00 Blankets at \$2.98 per pair
- \$5.00 Blankets at \$3.50 per pair
- \$6.50 Blankets at \$4.50 per pair
- \$8.00 Blankets at \$5.50 per pair
- \$10.00 Blankets at \$6.50 per pair
- \$12.00 All wool Blankets, extra size at \$7.98 per pair
- \$3.50 Comforts at \$1.98
- \$4.00 Comforts at \$2.48
- \$5.00 Comforts at \$3.50
- \$5.00 Colored Bed Spreads at \$3.50
- \$3.00 White Bed Spreads at \$1.98
- \$2.50 White Bed Spreads at \$1.50
- White and Red All Wool Flannel price from 35c to \$1.00 yd.

SWEATERS

Complete Assortment at Lowest Prices.

- Men's Sweaters, price from 50c to \$2.50
- Boys Sweaters, price from \$1.00 to \$3.50
- Misses' Sweaters, price from \$1.25 to \$4.00
- Ladies' All Wool Sweaters in all colors \$5.00

CLOTHING

- \$25.00 Men's Suits at \$15.00
- \$30.00 Men's Suits at \$19.00
- \$35.00 and \$40.00 Suits at \$25.00
- \$35.00 and \$40.00 Men's Suits in coat and pants, in all Wool Goods, made up well. Going as long as they last at \$19.00 each

BOYS' SUITS

- In all sizes from 3 to 20 years, price from \$3.50 to \$12.50
- Boys' Knee Pants in all sizes, price from 75c to \$2.50 pair.

MEN'S PANTS

- \$5.00 Men's Pants at \$3.50 pair
- \$7.50 Men's Pants at \$5.00 a pair
- \$9.00 and \$10.00 Men's Pants at \$6.50 a pair
- \$2.50 Men's Pants at \$1.98 a pair
- \$1.25 Men's and Boys' Dress Shirts at \$1.00
- \$2.50 Men's Dress Shirts at \$1.50
- Men's and Boys' Work Shirts, price from 75c to \$1.00
- 1 lot of Men's Wool Shirts, price from \$3.50 to \$4.50. Going now at \$2.85 each.

UNDERWEAR

- Men's heavy Undershirts and Drawers, price from 75c to \$1.00
- Men's heavy Union Suits at \$1.50 a suit
- Boys' Union Suits, in all sizes, price from 75c to \$1.00 a suit
- Ladies' Underwear, price from 65c to \$1.00 a garment

LADIES' COATS, SKIRTS and WAISTS

- Ladies' and Misses Long Coats, price from \$4.50 to \$15.00
- Ladies' Serge and Plaid Skirts, price from \$2.50 to \$5.00
- Ladies' Cotton, Georgette and Crepe de Chine Waists, price from \$1.00 to \$3.50
- Ladies' Petticoats, price from 98c to \$1.50

MEN'S AND YOUNG MEN'S OVERCOATS.

- \$25.00 Young Men's Overcoats at \$19.00
- \$18.00 Men's Overcoats at \$15.00
- \$15.00 Men's Overcoats at \$12.50
- Men's Union made Overalls, price from \$1.25 to \$1.75
- Men's and Boys' Hats, price from \$2.00 to \$5.00
- Men's and Boys' Caps, price from 50c to \$1.50

SHOES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

- Men's Solid Leather Work Shoes, price from \$3.00 to \$4.00 a pair.
- Boys' solid leather Work and Dress Shoes, price from \$2.50 to \$4.00 a pair.
- "Beacon" Shoes for Men, price from \$5.00 to \$6.50
- Ladies' and Misses Shoes, price from \$3.00 to \$5.00 in Black and Tan, price from \$3.00 to \$6.00 pair
- Women's solid leather Work Shoes, price from \$2.50 to \$3.00 a pair.
- Infants Shoes, price from 98c to \$2.00 a pair.

TRUNKS AND SUIT CASES

- Trunks from \$5.00 to \$10.00
- Suit Cases from 98c to \$3.00

HOSIERY.

- Ladies' and Men's Hose from 10c to \$1.00 a pair
- Children's Hose from 10c to 50c a pair
- 4-4 Fancy and White Table Oilcloth at 28c yard
- \$1.00 58 inch Table Damask at 75c yard
- 25c Towels at 15c each
- 50c Towels at 38c each

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