

INFORMATION.

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WEDNESDAY, FEB. 22, 1905.

And the legislature adjourned on Saturday last. Would that it were not to convene again until 1907—two years hence.

The united action on the part of the farmers has forced the price of cotton up about seven dollars per bale. If this much has been accomplished in two months, think of how much can be accomplished by their standing together throughout the planting, cultivating and harvesting seasons.

The German plan, says the Newberry Observer, of having a thirteenth jurymen to sit with the others and hear the testimony, to take the place of one of the twelve in case of sickness or other disability, is not a bad idea. It would have prevented the loss of three days of court in Greenville last week, when one of the jurymen took pneumonia and the case had to be stopped with a mistrial.

Not since the South Carolina Co-Educational Institute was founded has it ever had a stronger corps of teachers than it now has. Upon every hand can be heard words of commendation and praise for President Bailey, the members of the faculty, and the most excellent work that they are doing. Our people realize what splendid educational advantages are at our very door, and are profoundly grateful to Col. F. N. K. Bailey, through whom this blessing came.

The pension appropriation bill carrying \$138,250,000 has just passed the national congress. Only a very small per cent of this enormous sum ever finds its way to the south, yet this section bears its full share of the burden of taxation. The millions of dollars of deposits in the small as well as large savings banks of the north do not represent necessarily hard earned savings of depositors. Had more than one hundred millions of dollars been paid out in the south from the national treasury, annually, for the past forty years, the bank deposits in this section would have been much larger, and our people would have been credited with being more frugal.

A Deeply Interested and Determined Body of Farmers Assembled in the Court House on Saturday.

Heading the call of President Williams, a representative body of farmers gathered on Saturday last to further consider matters appertaining to the agricultural interests. Owing to the extremely cold and inclement weather only a few of the townships had organized and elected delegates to the county convention as they were urged to do by the Cotton Growers Association.

Upon motion of Mr. S. B. Mays the preliminary county organization was made permanent, and will act in concert with the cotton growers of the south as outlined by the Southern Cotton Growers Association which was held in New Orleans. Mr. A. E. Padgett, who has proven to be a valuable member of the association, was elected treasurer of the county organization.

The delegates from the townships that have organized were enrolled, and the farmers and other citizens present, not duly accredited delegates, were cheerfully granted the privilege of participating in the deliberations of the body. The secretary was instructed to write to at least one citizen in each of the townships that have not yet organized, urging them to organize at once and elect delegates to the next meeting of the county association which will be called at an early day by the president.

The general call to the cotton growers from the president and secretary of the Southern Cotton Growers Association was read and our people declared themselves to be in hearty accord and sympathy with every phase of the movement. A paper which had been sent to the clerk of court, Mr. W. B. Cogburn, asking the co-operation of all cotton growers in the establishment of warehouses, which would very materially aid the farmers in holding their cotton when the price was unsatisfactory, was read by Mr. W. S. Cogburn. The Edgefield farmers unanimously endorsed this plan of storing cotton.

It was generally agreed by the members of the association that it is not just and equitable to require small farmers who rent land to pay full rental in lint cotton, as they have done in former years, and at the same time ask them to reduce the cotton acreage 25 per cent. If their cotton crop is to be reduced one-fourth then allow these small farmers to pay one-fourth of the rent in other products of the farm.

Resolved, That if the sense of the Edgefield Cotton Growers Protective Association that in order to insure absolute fairness and to facilitate and promote the furtherance of our plans to bring about a general reduction in the cotton acreage this year, we recommend that all land owners should allow their tenants who rent land the option of paying 1/4 of their rental in corn and fodder or other crops in the lieu of requiring an all lint cotton rental, as has been the general rule heretofore in the county.

Those who have attended these meetings of the county association are impressed with the fact that the farmers of our county—representative farmers—are concerned now as never before, and the agitation that has been rife for the past two months has brought them together and caused them to stand together as nothing else has ever done. The short, to-the-point speeches, by such men as Messrs. P. N. Lott, S. B. Mays, W. A. Strom, A. P. Lott, A. E. Padgett, J. R. Blocker, and Thos. H. Rainford, that were made at Saturday's meeting are certain to cause people to stop and think, resulting in great good to the agricultural interests at this juncture.

Hon. W. A. Strom who attended the New Orleans convention as a delegate from this county made an excellent report of what he heard, saw and did at that convention. Mr. Strom wrote a report so as not to overlook any part of the deliberations of the convention. We regret that lack of space makes it impossible for us to publish his report. So well were our people satisfied with Mr. Strom's work in New Orleans that he was unanimously chosen as a delegate to the state convention, which met on yesterday in Columbia. Our county association very properly agreed to reimburse Mr. Strom for the expense incurred on these two trips.

The association then adjourned subject to the call of President Williams.

Johnston.

A telegram came to Mr. R. E. Price Saturday announcing the death of the infant of Mrs. Dayton Toole, who was Mrs. Dora Price. Deep sympathy is extended Mr. and Mrs. Toole. This was their only child.

Notwithstanding the cold disagreeable weather, deep interest is felt in the coming Bible study, to last next week. Prayer meetings were held in our Baptist church during the past week.

Dr. Oscar Hayes of Birmingham visited friends in town.

We are proud to state that ten men in town are wearing the white ribbon and our W. C. T. U. rejoices in having about nineteen new members. On Friday last at the residence of Mrs. John R. Iyey was held a memorial meeting in honor of Miss Willard. On the same day the statue of Miss Willard was unveiled. This is the only woman's monument in Statuary Hall in Washington.

The New Century Club met at the residence of Mrs. James White the subject being Early Poetry. Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Harris and children spent a few days with the home folks.

He kept up in the Race.

James S. Barron, President Manchester Cotton Mills, Rock Hill, S. C., writes: "In 1883 I painted my residence with L. & M. It looks better than a great many houses painted three years ago.

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Supervisor's Notice.

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Supervisor's Notice.

The board of County Commissioners will meet at Shaw and McKie's mill on March 1st, 1905, for the purpose of letting ferry for lowest bidder, will receive the right to object, any and all bids. The successful bidder will meet the board the first Tuesday in March to give bond for their faithful performance of the contract. D. P. SELF, Supervisor Edgefield County. R. E. MORGAN, Clerk.

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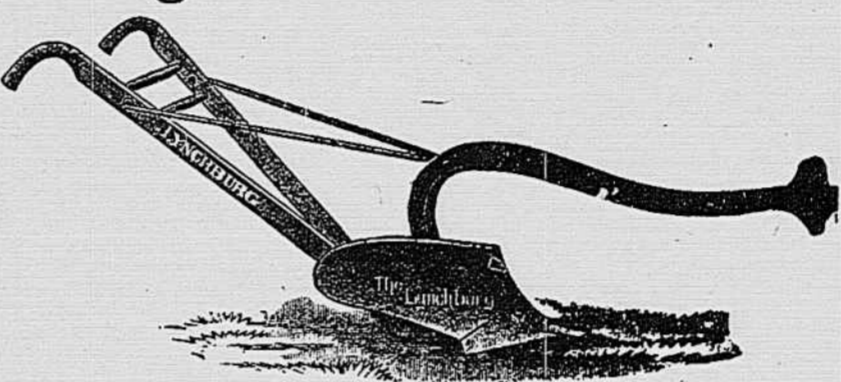
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