

Edgefield Advertiser

Established 1835.

J. L. MIMS, Editor.

Published every Wednesday in The Advertiser Building at \$2.00 per year in advance.

Entered as second class matter at the postoffice at Edgefield, S. C.

No communications will be published unless accompanied by the writer's name.

Cards of Thanks, Obituaries, Resolutions and Political Notices published at advertising rates.

Wednesday, August 27.

Edgefield's golden opportunity for a Carnegie library has probably gone forever.

The Advertiser can not accept gracefully the result of the election in Charleston.

Would that every mid-winter split-log-drag could be easily converted into a sprinkling device!

Buy what you actually need and not more, if you would hold in check the cost of living.

Next summer you can say to your friends: "Meet me at the hotel on the corner."

When Gen. Pershing leaves Brest next week on the Leviathan it will be a big man sailing on a big ship.

What has become of the old-time farmer whose wont it was about this season to predict an early frost?

They're about to offer free taxicabs for visitors in New York. Let's all plan for an autumn visit to the metropolis.

"Wilson pardons sleeping soldiers," says a headline. Our President's heart is commensurate with his intellect.

Unless there is a change in the trend of affairs, we shall have in this country a "Government of the people, for the people by organized labor."

After reading the result of the Charleston election we can not exclaim with the poet, "One truth is clear, whatever is, is right."

We trust that farmers will be made to realize practically and tangibly this year that the smaller the cotton crop the larger the bank account.

Edgefield dirt has become so valuable that one fellow is said to sprinkle yard so none of his'n will blow in his neighbor's yard.

Abbreviations have their day. "A. S." has passed into history and may "L. S." soon follow! But "C. O." we will have with us always.

A museum in Amsterdam has a bottle of wine of the vintage of 1540. Somehow or other it won't keep nearly that long on this side of the Atlantic.

Tell your dollars good-bye when you send them away to a catalogue house. They will never return to help your schools, your churches and your community at large.

The only way we can account for that majority in the Charleston election last week is that Charleston is one of the nearest points to Bolshevik Europe.

If the Astors, Vanderbilts and some other limelight members of the monied aristocracy didn't have money by the millions, it would soon all be spent in the divorce courts.

Cotton goes up and down, up and down, but thanks to the "bulls" its upward tendency exceeds its downward tendency just a little each day now.

There are as many remedies suggested for profiteering as there are brands of patent medicines on the market and they are all about as ineffectual.

When Caruse arrives in America he will be met by a Mexican impresario who will offer him \$10,000 a night for ten appearances in the City of Mexico. We opine that it will be rejected. It is worth this modest sum for an American who has no more voice than a crow to even visit the capital of Mexico, where human life is worth but little more than that of a rabbit.

Now is the time to provide a shelter or warehouse for cotton. It is too valuable to throw around on the ground. Hundreds of Edgefield farmers paid dear for some experience last year.

We know very little, in fact nothing of the Czecho-Slovaks, but we are inclined to think a little more highly of them since they bought a cargo of 22,000 bales of our cotton a few days ago.

President Wilson has had the backbone one time to say NO to the demands of railroad employees. Probably he realized that the people would not stand for further concession to apparent never-ending demands.

Railroads a Perplexing Problem.

The chaotic condition in this country, industrially and commercially, which has followed in the wake of the war is causing gravest concern. Problems are pressing themselves upon the men who are charged with the responsibility of shaping the affairs of the nation and they grow more and more perplexing with each passing day. Among these are the railroads. At first it seemed an easy matter to dispose of them by simply turning the properties back to their original owners, but deficit after deficit had to be met before conditions made it possible for the government to release its hold on the railroads. The monthly deficiencies in operating expenses alone have been met by repeated appropriations from the national treasury after the great increase in passenger and freight rates failed to supply the needed funds.

A large element, the railroad employees, are clamoring for permanent government ownership, for they have fattened under the appropriation-to-meet-expenses-system. But the people are having to foot the enormous bills through the high taxes imposed, to say nothing of the enormous increase in transportation charges, which have had much to do with increasing the cost of living.

The question now arises as to how these excessively heavy pay rolls are to be met when the roads are returned to private owners. It is believed that the people will resist any further increase in rates and that the operations will resist any decrease in pay. So there you are, face to face with a very perplexing problem. The truth is, it is costing too much to operate the railroads, but just how this is to be reduced we are unable to say.

Moonshine Liquor Unfit to Drink.

If persons addicted to the drink habit would take a sober, second thought before purchasing such stuff as is offered for sale now at exorbitant prices, they would in many cases resist the temptation and also escape being practically robbed of their money. If we remember correctly, during the days of the old bar-rooms, whiskey that was fresh from the distillery, even when pure, was classed as "green" and unfit to drink. But it appears now that some persons drink whatever is offered for sale, regardless of its age, quality, or what it is made of. The following from the Lancaster News should be sufficient to make those who buy moonshine liquor sit up and take notice, if you will pardon the expression:

"Sheriff Hunter hands this to The News for publication. It is from the Mocksville, N. C., Record: 'For several weeks we have heard it rumored that blockaders in this section were making whiskey from corn meal and stable manure. We have recently learned that stable manure is being used extensively now in many parts of the county to make whiskey. They say four bushels of meal or corn chops and eight bushels of stable manure will make 16 gallons of whiskey that sells now in the cities at \$24 per gallon. We have heard that certain distilleries have recently been reported because the blockaders took manure from the horse stables of the neighbors.'

The thought of drinking such concoction is positively nauseating. Probably very little whiskey is made of filthy substances of any kind, but it can be depended upon that men who become so depraved as to operate a distillery in defiance of law will give little thought to cleanliness and sanitary conditions. They would hardly employ some one to swat flies about their unlawful plant.

Cotton Pest Coming This Way.

Prior to the war with Germany, scarcely a day passed that one did not read some warning in the papers of the coming of the boll weevil, but as war clouds began to overshadow everything else, one heard and read but little of the weevil. Nevertheless the pest was active and was either advancing or recruiting its ranks, making ready to cross the Savannah in great hordes. Boll weevils are now only found in large numbers in several of the lower Savannah valley

Carolina counties, but the infected region of Georgia is rapidly widening nearer and nearer toward Augusta, making it easy for the pest to invade Carolina farms in large numbers at some early day. It is needless to longer cling to the hope that this section will not be invaded by boll weevils. They are coming, and the wise, prudent farmer will begin, and begin at once, to meet the situation squarely.

Considering the acute labor situation, and the steadily diminishing available supply, it will be impossible to grow cotton profitably when the yield is very materially reduced by boll weevils. The high cost of production, the varying and often unfavorable climatic conditions, the damage by the weevil will make it impossible for farmers in this section to grow cotton at a profit. So we would do well to plan for diversifying on a larger scale than has ever been practiced before.

The Augusta Chronicle had the following to say of the situation in Richmond county, the county just across the Savannah from us, a few days ago:

Since its first appearance in Richmond county, little more than two weeks ago, the boll weevil has been playing havoc with the cotton crop, and is now said to be present in large numbers in four different sections of the county.

The first of the pests were found on the Brandon place, at Edie, about 20 miles south of Augusta. Since then it has made appearance on the Westbrook place, near McBean, the Rhodes place, on the Washington road, and in the neighborhood of Rensison's school house, about 12 miles from this city.

The fact that the boll weevil has struck Richmond county gives poor prospects for next year's cotton crop. Though no great amount of damage will be done to this year's crop, which is now nearly ready to pick, the weevil is here and will begin its deadly work early next season, it is said.

County Agent Bright McConnell stated yesterday that the boll weevil does not begin migrating until about August 1, which accounts for the fact that they were first found in Richmond county during the first few days of this month. They are supposed to have come from Jefferson or Burke counties, both of which are near Edie where the first boll weevils in this county were found.

Increased Capital Stock.

The stockholders of the Farmers Bank held a meeting several days ago and decided to increase the capital stock of the bank from \$60,000 to \$75,000 and they are finding no difficulty in placing the increase. The new stock is being offered at a considerable premium so as to place the new and old stockholders on the same footing. The book value of the stock of the bank is about \$260 for each \$100 of stock and purchasers are paying this premium for the increased issue of stock. Stock in this institution has always been a gilt-edge investment which makes it easy to place the new issue of stock.

For Sale at Auction.

The undersigned will sell at auction to the highest bidder at 11 a. m., the first Monday in October, the buildings, stalls, fence and all improvements on the Edgefield county fair grounds. This will afford persons who contemplate erecting barns, tenant houses, garages, etc., an opportunity to secure first-class second-hand material at a reasonable price. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. Terms, cash.

J. R. Cantelou, President.
J. G. Tompkins, Sec. and Treas.

In one of the first trenches were 5,000 negro troops, supported at some distance in the rear by a force of whites 10,000 strong. A newly arrived negro trooper, who was visibly nervous, was being "kidded" mercilessly by his companions.

"What'd you do, Hennyery," one of the tormentors asked, "ef ten billion o' dem bush Germans wuz to pop up outen de groun' right 'bout as close to you as nineteen is to twenty?" "I ain't a-tellin' what I'd do," Henny answered, "but I know whut de res' o' you niggahs woud do, an' I know whut de papers back home would be sayin' de nex' mawnin'." Dey'd have big headlines: "Ten thousand white folks trampled to death."

A Boston man who was passing the night at a hotel in a southern town told the colored porter he wanted to be called early in the morning. The porter replied: "Say, boss, Ah reckon yo' ain't familiar with these heah modern inventions. When yo' wants to be called in de mawnin' all yo' has to do is jest to press de button at de head of yo' bed. Den we comes up an' calls you."—Boston Transcript.

VALUABLE FARM LAND FOR SALE

We are offering the following valuable farms for sale, affording an opportunity to prospective investors and home owners to get every desirable property. See our Edgefield managers, S. B. and J. H. Nicholson.

One tract of land containing 12½ acres, known as Ramey place, in the incorporate limits of Edgefield, one 10-room house, 2 tenant houses, barns and all necessary outbuildings, wire pasture, well and running stream. Very cheap.

281 acres 1½ miles from Antioch school and church, six miles from Edgefield, one 6-room house, 2 4-room houses, 2 barns, 18 acres in cultivation, 50 acres in wire pasture, running water.

122 acres on Scott's Ferry road, one mile from school and church, on R. F. D., 5-room house, barn and other outbuildings, 3-room tenant house, two wells, running stream, 200,000 feet of long-leaf pine. All of place fenced with woven and barbed wire, divided in 5 fields, nice orchard, 6 miles from railroad. It will pay to investigate this.

200 acres 1¼ miles from Edgefield on Edgefield-Johnston road, sandy land with clay sub-soil, 125 acres in cultivation, beautiful building site and desirable place—good community.

30 acres one 1½ miles from town on Blocker road.

144 acres 2 miles from town, 3 tenant houses; high state of cultivation.

176 acres, 1 6-room house, 2 barns and other buildings, 1 3-room tenant house and barn, 100 acres high state of cultivation, 76 acres fenced (woven and barbed wire), 2 five streams, 300,000 feet saw timber, 1½ miles from church and school. Cheap easy terms.

141 acres one and half miles from Edgefield, three and five room houses and barns, live stream through place, 50 acres fenced, 110 acres in cultivation. Cheap. Easy terms.

Mr. G. W. Broadwater, 118 acres, on Dixie Highway, one 8-room house, two barns, one 4-room tenant house, sixty acres in cultivation, 200,000 feet of saw timber, 58 acres fenced. Easy terms.

A farm in sight of Berea church, now owned by Mr. Frank C. Watson, containing 104 acres, nice new dwelling, all necessary buildings, grist mill, and all conveniences of a country home. This place is in high state of cultivation, and will make a bale of cotton per acre.

George Berry, Sr., farm, four miles from Trenton near Southern Railway, containing 254 acres. This is one of the cheapest and best we have. Tenant houses and land in high state of cultivation. Will be glad to show it to you.

Dr. B. F. Jones' farm, containing 39 acres in North Edgefield on Dixie Highway, one six and one seven room dwelling, barns and 3-room tenant house. This property is in one of the best neighborhoods in Edgefield on the Dixie Highway, where land will always be valuable and growing in value. This is a nice finished home that will suit any one.

D. B. Hollingsworth's "Brunson Tract," containing 140 acres. One 6-room dwelling, barn and other buildings, one tenant house; sand and clay soil. Located on Dixie Highway three miles from Edgefield, adjoining the J. B. Hill Place. This is an ideal place to live. Easy terms.

SOUTH ATLANTIC REALTY CO.

S. B. and J. H. Nicholson, Managers, Edgefield, S. C.

WIENGES & COMPANY
COTTON FACTORS
BEST STORAGE FACILITIES
Advancements on Consignments
UGUSTA, GEORGIA.

NOTICE!
The SMITH
FLOUR MILL
will be ready for grinding on or about **September 1**. The mill has been thoroughly overhauled, and put in first-class condition. Have put in new set of bolting cloths, with other improvements. The mill will be run as heretofore, but under my special supervision.
E. W. Samuel

Mr. S. B. Nicholson
wishes to announce that he is with the
South Atlantic Realty Co.
with its home office in Greenwood, S. C., and NOT with the Davis Realty Company.

OUR NEW STAND AT Postoffice Corner
I will move the first of September into the store on the corner which has been occupied by the postoffice, and will confine my business to Heavy and Fancy Groceries. I will greatly increase my stock and will be in better position than ever to serve our patrons. I appreciate the very generous patronage that has been accorded me in the past, and will do my utmost to render the best possible service at the new store.
J. D. KEMP