

Presentment of Grand Jury.
 To His Honor Judge Thomas S. Sease,
 Presiding Judge.

We, the Grand Jury have passed on all bills handed us by the Solicitor and returned same.

We have, during the year tried to render such service to the County as seemed proper, just and right, and this final return is made, and we desire to express in it the hope that future Grand Juries will render more efficient and painstaking service than we have been able to do. The County, in spite of the bond issue, is in debt, the Sheriff has a very large number of executions on hand for taxes not yet collected, and which he is endeavoring to collect, and with business depression and the after effects of the war to face, it behooves all who claim to be good citizens to unite, realizing the importance of moulding public sentiment to the necessity for strict economy in public affairs, sobriety and earnestness, in every day affairs, seeking encouragement for the meeting of our problems and difficulties with earnest, hard work. The Sheriff reports to us that he has had great difficulty in collecting past due taxes, and the outlook for another year does not seem bright. The realization that the County is poor at this time is all the more reason for uniting and drawing closer together, and we urge good men to help in enforcing the prohibition law, to practice forbearance in matters of indebtedness, and unite all along the line in making the County a community of healthy, happy and contented people.

Ten different officers of the County are endeavoring to serve the County faithfully, and we wish them God's speed in their efforts.

We desire to thank the Solicitor for his co-operation and help during the entire year, and we are appreciative of the courtesies extended us by the Court.

Respectfully,
B. R. TILLMAN,
 Foreman.

Reduced Fares for State Fair.

The usual rate of a fare and a half for the round trip to Columbia on account of the fair next week was announced Monday morning by W. E. McGee, assistant general passenger agent of the Southern Railway. He also made announcements concerning special trains and the trains whose time of departure from Columbia will be purposely delayed on certain afternoons. The Atlantic Coast Line will also give rates for the fair.

Special trains will be operated only on Thursday of fair week, Mr. McGee said. He explained that, from past experience, the special trains operated on Wednesday were not patronized to an extent that justified their operation, and all trains arriving not later than 10 a. m. will give visitors ample time to reach the fair grounds without missing any of the opening features of the day.

The Rates Reduced.

Special tickets will go on sale October 24-27 inclusive and for trains arriving before 12:35 noon on October 28. Final limit of all tickets will be October 30.

The Special Trains.

Mr. McGee announcing the schedules of special trains on Thursday said: A train will leave Charlotte at 6 a. m. and arrive at Columbia at 10 a. m. Returning the special will leave Columbia at 6:30 p. m. and arrive at Charlotte at 10:30 p. m. A special will leave Spartanburg at 6:30 a. m. arrive here at 10 a. m. The returning special will leave the union station at 7 p. m. and arrive at Spartanburg at 10:30 p. m.

The other special train from the Piedmont will leave Anderson at 5 a. m. and arrive here at 10 a. m. Returning this train will depart from Columbia at 7:30 p. m. and arrive at Anderson at 12:30 p. m.

A special from Abbeville will connect with the Anderson-Columbia special at Hodges in both directions.

Trains to be Held.

Besides the regular and special trains, the Southern railway will arrange to hold several of the late afternoon trains on Wednesday and Thursday as follows: No. 13 for Allendale will be held at Columbia until 5:30 p. m.; No. 7 for Augusta will be held at Columbia until 6:30 p. m.

Extra cars will be attached to as many trains as the officials find the traffic to the fair will justify.—Columbia Record.

Fight the Corn Weevil.

Clemson College, Oct. 17.—Press Bulletin 131, which describes the use of carbon bisulfide for fumigating stored products infested with insects, is available to farmers who desire to use this remedy to protect stored corn. The crib in which this fumigation is done should be a tight board crib advises Prof. A. F. Conradi, entomologist. If the weather boarding is not tongued and grooved, the

cracks should be covered with strips. Besides fumigation the farmer should consider the following points in connection with stored corn insects:

1. The loose fitting shuck does not protect the ear against weevils, but encourages them, as it gives them protection. These loose shucks enable the weevil to travel from the field to the crib with the greatest possible comfort. In the crib these loose shucks are employed by rats and mice when making their nests.

2. The best shuck protection occurs where the shuck completely covers the ear, and where the tip of the ear hangs downward to shed water during rains.

These facts should be taken into consideration by farmers in selecting their seed corn, at the same time bearing in mind the yielding qualities.

Salvation Army and the Prohibition Law.

Those who are inclined to be discouraged over the apparent failure of the Prohibition law to remove drunkenness will be gratified to read what may be considered as an official report on the early fruits of national prohibition from Commander Booth of the Salvation Army.

The fact that no other organization in the country is better qualified to judge than the Salvation Army lends added weight to the report which is published in full in a recent issue of the War Cry. "Boozers' Day" has been an established army institution in New York city for a long time. Year by year, writes Commander Booth, we have celebrated Thanksgiving Day from six in the morning collecting the drunks from the park benches, feeding them and sobering them up and saving them with huge and lasting results. But last year they were not there and so we gave the day to the poorest children of the city.

This is a very significant comment on the result of prohibition according to Commander Booth, it also means a different and larger work for The Salvation Army of the future.

"It means that in the future the Army shall have less to do with the grave, and more to do with the cradle; less binding up of life's broken plants and more training of life's life's untrammelled vines; that more of our energy, our ingenious methods, will be thrown into the work of prevention, which in the final analysis must be so much more valuable to the home, the nation and the Kingdom of God than even the most worthy work of cure."

She says also that the Army's social secretaries report that drunkenness among the men frequenting the Army hotels and Industrial Homes almost entirely disappeared and that men who formerly could hardly support themselves now possess savings accounts.

When asked if prohibition would stand, the Salvation Army leader replied:

"Yes, the edifice of prohibition has been well and substantially built, its labor has not been spasmodic nor its material cheap, and what it has taken so many years to raise up would surely take as many years to pull down. Therefore, for the future, we are unafraid. The coming generation, growing up without alcohol, educated in the history of its abuses against hygiene, commerce and morality, will muster so vast an army against their fathers' greatest foe as to protect from any and every jeopardy the legislation which safeguards their national life.

"By the Constitutional Amendment of prohibition a measure has been enacted that will do more to bring the Kingdom of God upon earth than any other single piece of legislation, for the rum demon is the foundation and the bolsterer-up of almost all evils. Therefore history for righteousness has been made history that will live for activities have been set in motion for civic and national betterment that will never stop until all evil is dead."—Augusta Chronicle.

Statement From Mr. C. A. Griffin.

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Winter Packing of Bees.

Clemson College, Oct. 17.—To winter bees successfully it is necessary that conditions be correct. Just now there is an active honey flow in most sections of the state from fall flowers which probably makes feeding unnecessary. The colonies to be wintered should be strong and there should be a good active queen in each. A strong colony should have three or four frames full of brood, with plenty of stores, preferably well ripened honey. By seeing to it that these conditions exist at time of packing, the beekeeper provides the safest and most certain conditions to prevent winter loss and to insure strong colonies in early spring for the first honey flow. The conditions above referred to should exist about ten days to two weeks before packing. The average time for putting the packing on is during the first week in November.

Spend Less Than You Make.

Mr. Charles M. Council, an American banker, says the secret of the South's success is to spend less than we make. Now this reasoning cannot be improved upon from a banker's viewpoint for then, if everybody followed Mr. Council's advice, all would have money and a large proportion of folks would carry big bank balances. But listen to Mr. Council's optimistic note:

"Our worst troubles are over; we are around the corner and we have nothing to worry about, if we work and spend less than we make," says Mr. Council, on a visit to Pittsburg

and New York, where he has large interests. What he saw in Pittsburg and New York must encourage him, as well as the South's situation. Coal, iron and money are nearly related and when the coal and iron interests are active the country is mighty apt to be prosperous.

Some of the big money men have dreaded the international money situation, especially the decline in the German mark, and conditions in Germany, which are reflected in the financial columns of the newspapers, but according to Mr. Council's view of that situation, "the Germans are hard at work, and I believe those hard headed people have too much sense when they get into hard lines not to get by with it."

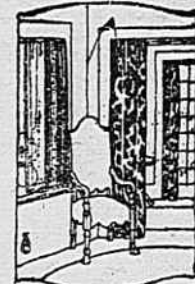
"People in the North," Mr. Council continued, "think the people in the South ought to be in fine shape, with cotton bringing 20 cents a pound." And he expressed the opinion that the South will soon work itself out of debt. Confidence is the one thing that is needed. Confirming somewhat Mr. Council's cheerful view of the situation we note that in its monthly statement issued Monday the United States Steel Corporation reports unfilled orders on its books of September 30th last of 4,360,650 tons. This compares with 4,531,926 on August 31st last, an increase of 28,744 tons. Steel is considered the barometer of trade and it looks like things were coming in our direction at last.—Augusta Herald.

Ride while you pay.—Ford. Y. & M.

Why the Two Talent Man?

A friend wants to know why the Master put the two talent man in the Parable of the Talents. We are not able to tell him except in a small measure; but the question is worth thinking about. He was not put in to bring out the contrast between the good and the useless church member. This contrast, and all the lessons concerning it are brought out clearly and fully in the differences between the other two actors in the Parable, the five talent man and the one talent brother who hid his Lord's money. And, there is no general principle of reward that is given in the case of the two talent worker that is not also found in what is done to his more important fellow member, the five talent man. Any one else but the Master would doubtless have pictured a gradation of rewards. But in the parable, as it came from his lips, there is no difference whatever made between the two good men, who in life had borne such different responsibilities.

Perhaps this was why the two talent man was put in. The distinctions of place are necessary in every earthly institution, the church not being an exception. In every one of them some man must be given place above others and who bears the five talent responsibility. But in the church and kingdom of Christ these distinctions are superficial and practically pass away in the presence of spiritual equality, and at last pass completely away in the presence of the standing attained. What comes out in the parable is the truth that the high official



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in the church and the plain church member are equals before Christ. It was the Master's way of telling us that notwithstanding the necessity of distinctions in place and responsibility, yet his church was a democracy, where equality of worth, and equality of opportunity, and equality of reward were open to all alike, whatever their varying offices, places and powers.

We are glad he put the two talent man in. A democracy such as a Baptist church, can't live without men of his type. All the work is not to be done by the officials. Those in the great positions are not the only ones to feel the burdens and to hear the calls of the kingdom. The humble member can double his talent and is expected to do so. The humbler member stands in the exact personal relation to the Lord as do the great of the church. Each receives from the Lord for himself, each accounts to the Lord for himself.

There are no bosses and priests in this parable. None were needed, at least for this two talent brother. He was a jewel. And we suppose that one of the reasons he was given his place was to teach us that democracy is a glorious thing when the individual members are as faithful, as diligent and as zealous as are the pastors. But what a dismal failure democracy is when the plain church member buries his talent.—Baptist Courier.

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