

Real and Fictitious Cotton.

Greenville people who were present at the address of Senator Dial yesterday heard for the first time a clear and full explanation of the cotton futures act which he has championed vigorously for many months. Reduced to simple terms, the argument for the bill is very well summarized in these paragraphs:

In 1920 there were grown in the United States 13,340,000 bales of cotton, and there were contracts sold on the New York and New Orleans exchanges alone for 128,907,500 bales, and during that time the actual number of bales delivered were 267,700 in New York and 106,600 bales in New Orleans. This is outside of the exchanges at Liverpool, Bremen, Havre, and other places. It is probable that every bale grown in the United States was sold on an average of twenty-five times over before it reached the consumer.

We all admit that over-production depresses the price of a commodity; this being true, does not overselling have the same effect? Why should cotton fluctuate from \$1 to \$10 per bale in a single day? Goods sold at wholesale are sold on sample. Would any sensible person give as much for a contract for any commodity which could be delivered in 10 grades or classes, not knowing which of the 10 he would receive, as he would give provided he knew exact quality he would get? For example: Suppose there were only 10 grades of hats or shoes allowed to be traded in by law and that contracts had to be on basis of the middle grade, with the right to the seller, to select all the quantity in qualities he desired, would anyone give value for that kind of a contract? The proposition within itself is an absolute absurdity. The present law is a plan or a system, or a scheme, or a method which deprives the grower of a tremendous proportion of the value of every pound of cotton he raises. By allowing this law to continue, Congress is unknowingly arrayed on the side of the bear against the producer. The present law is a great improvement over the former system. Under that custom anyone of 32 grades were tenderable; this law reduced the number to 10. I am not complaining about the 10—

Joe W. Tolbert Takes Office as U. S. Marshal.

Joseph W. Tolbert, Republican National Committeeman for South Carolina, yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, took oath of office as United States marshal for the Western District of South Carolina and immediately took charge of the office. Mr. Tolbert was recently appointed to the office by President Warren G. Harding during a recess of Congress and will hold the office at least until the next session of the U. S. senate.

C. J. Lyon, Jr., who was a deputy under his father, tendered his resignation yesterday, immediately after Mr. Tolbert had taken the oath of office. Young Mr. Lyon has, for some time, held the position of deputy marshal under his father.

The appointment by the President was read yesterday afternoon in the federal court room and then the oath of office. After Mr. Tolbert had taken the oath Judge Watkins made a brief talk introducing him into the "Family of the Federal Court of the Fourth District of South Carolina." Judge Watkins stated that family spirit had always featured the court and that now that he was a member of that family the court expects his hearty cooperation. Judge Watkins paid a tribute to Former Marshal Lyon, in stating that during his term to office the cooperation from that department with the court had been perfect in every detail.

In his talk to Mr. Tolbert Judge Watkins emphasized the fact that the business of the court here was annually increasing and now more than ever was cooperation with the marshal's office necessary. The district judge added "we have labored in the past to increase the dignity of this court and it has been, and is, our aim to make it a court where every man may find refuge and justice."

"Well, I'm really here," said Mr. Tolbert yesterday, "and I intend to do all in my power to make the 4th district a good marshal. Eventually all of the old force will go. One has already said that he intended resigning and I believe two more expect to leave shortly. There are now four in the office and two are doing field work. I have not definitely decided just what I will do."

business could be wound up.

Under the law Tolbert's original nomination died with the expiration of the last session of Congress, and in the ordinary course, would have to be resubmitted to the senate. It is taken for granted that President Harding will send Tolbert's nomination to the senate in the next term of congress. If the senate again fails to reject the appointment Tolbert will automatically serve until the end of the session, meantime drawing his salary and exercising all the powers and authority of his office. Should the senate fail to take any action the nomination will die, but President Harding may continue him in office by another recess appointment.

President Harding's action in refusing to give the judiciary committee an opportunity to report on the charges against Tolbert and in hastening to put him on the payroll has promoted a good deal of comment in political circles. It is believed that this attempt of the President to vindicate a Republican National Committeeman and give him a berth at the same time, while grave accusations against him were still without criticism when the senate shall have reconvened.

Tolbert is the oldest and one of the most influential members of the Republican National Committee, although the representative of a Southern state where Republicans are a small minority. He has been for years a conspicuous figure in Republican national conventions, in which he usually controlled a considerable number of negro Republican delegates.—Greenville News.

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RED CROSS HEALS WOUNDS OF WAR

25,000 Disabled Ex-Service Men in Hospitals After Four Years of Peace.

CHAPTERS' FIELD OF SERVICE

Every Veteran Needing Help Gets Individual Attention of Sympathetic Workers.

When on November 11 the world halts to observe the fourth anniversary of Armistice Day, and the American Red Cross inaugurates its Annual Roll Call for the enrollment of the 1923 membership, the people of the United States may well pause to think of the unparalleled contribution to the cause of peace made by our Army and Navy in the World War. The glory of it is a common tradition; but the wounds of war remain. They are not healed in a day, in a year, nor in four years. And on Armistice Day there will be under treatment in Government hospitals over 25,000 ex-service men, broken physically by wounds, exposure, nervous strain and exhaustion incident to their service in the war.

The Government without stint is undertaking to furnish these disabled men with the compensation and medical care to which they are entitled, yet their special care is a duty of the Red Cross. Why? Because the Government cannot handle the cases of ex-service men individually; it must handle these men in bulk under a standardized policy. The Government has neither the authority, the funds or the equipment for working out the problem of the individual man. There is where the American Red Cross finds its greatest field for service, aiding through its very active Chapters in reaching the disabled man with immediate practical help, assisting his family while his claim is emerging from the process of adjustment, furnishing articles of comfort, funds to tide over the difficult periods, the friendly touch of personal encouragement, helpful recreation and worry-dispelling amusement. It is the warm hand of sympathy and understanding which the American Red Cross extends to the majority of these disabled ex-service men, some of them friendless in the whirl of life, thousands of them with wives and children dependent upon them.

ing Day, 2,679 Chapters in all parts of the country are engaged. This is 350 more than were working for ex-service men last year when approximately \$10,000,000 was expended by the National Organization and the Chapters working together in harmonious unity. For the current fiscal year National Headquarters appropriated \$3,030,622.90, an increase of \$365,560.84 over the amount spent for the work among ex-service men in the year ended June 30 last. Since it is estimated that the Chapters will expend close to \$7,000,000 from their own funds, the grand total of Red Cross expenditures for this single work is expected again to reach the \$10,000,000 mark by June 30, 1923.

Hospital and District Office Work
During the fiscal year a total of over 1,000 persons, paid and volunteer, has been engaged in Red Cross duty in hospitals or district offices of the U. S. Veterans' Bureau. An average of 8,000 new cases requires definite and particular attention each month. The demand for Chapter-made articles for hospital patients is constant.

During last year Service Claims and Information Service at National Headquarters handled 37,200 compensation and insurance claims, 24,560 allotment and allowance cases, and 9,700 miscellaneous claims. Since February, 1919, it has disposed of 64,174 allotment checks payable to veterans which the Post Office Department reported undeliverable.

The Chapter is the unit of the Red Cross organization which is accessible to every disabled veteran or his family. Between July 1, 1921, and June 30, 1922, the Chapters had reported 1,965,079 instances of service to ex-service men and their dependents, at a cost estimated from reports now at hand of more than \$5,340,000.

The basis of this far-reaching work of the Red Cross is the individual needs of the disabled veteran to the end that he may obtain his rights under the law, that his special wants may be immediately supplied, that his own and his family's situation may be rendered happy and cheerful, and that their outlook for the future may visualize incentives for independent and fruitful effort.

Spread Christmas Joy Abroad

More than 100,000 Christmas boxes for the children of Central Europe were packed by the Junior Red Cross last year. The spread of Christmas joy through these boxes will be largely increased this year because of the plans already under way.

Your Peace-Time "Bit"
Not "all you can," but your "bit," \$1, makes for strength of the American Red Cross in peace-time service. Strength in numbers multiplies service. Join today.

Notice of Election.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF EDGEFIELD.

Notice is hereby given that the General Election for State and County Officers will be held at the voting precincts prescribed by law in said county, on Tuesday, November 7, 1922, said day being Tuesday following the first Monday in November, as prescribed by the State Constitution.

The qualifications for suffrage:

Managers of election require of every elector offering to vote at any election, before allowing him to vote, the production of his registration certificate and proof of the payment of all taxes, including poll tax, assessed against him and collectible during the previous year. The production of a certificate or of the receipt of the officer authorized to collect such taxes, shall be conclusive proof of the payment thereof.

Section 237, Code of 1912, as amended by Act No. 6, special session of 1914.

Section 237. There shall be three separate and distinct ballots, as follows: One ballot for Representatives in Congress; and one ballot for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, State officers, Circuit Solicitors, members of the House of Representatives, State Senator, county officers, and one ballot for all Constitutional amendments and special questions, each of three said boxes to be appropriately labeled; which ballots shall be of plain white papers and of such width and length as to contain the names of the officer or officers and question or questions to be voted for or upon, clear and even cut, without ornament, designation, mutilation, symbol or mark of any kind whatsoever, except the name or names of the person or persons voted for and the office to which such person or persons are intended to be chosen, and all special questions which name or names, office or offices, question or questions shall be written or printed or partly written or partly printed thereon in black ink; and such ballot shall be so folded as to conceal the name or names, question or questions thereon, and so folded, shall be deposited in a box to be constructed, kept and disposed of as herein provided by law.

West School District No 38, Abbeville County.

A Joint Resolution to Amend Section 7, of Article VIII and Section 5 of Article X or the Constitution, so as to Exempt the City of Beaufort from the Provisions Thereof.

A Joint Resolution to Amend Paragraph 5, Article X of the Constitution Relating to Bonded Indebtedness of Counties, Townships, School Districts, etc., by Adding a Proviso as to the County of Beaufort.

A Joint Resolution to Propose an Amendment to Article X of the Constitution by Adding Thereto a Section to be Known as Section 13-A, Empowering County Authorities to Assess Abutting Property for Permanent Improvement of Highways. The proviso of said Section shall apply only to Beaufort county.

A Joint Resolution to Amend Section 5 and 6, Article X, of the Constitution, Relating to the Limit of the Bonded Debt of Townships, by Adding a Proviso Thereto as to the Township of Christ Church Parish, Charleston County, S. C., as now Constituted Embracing in Area of said Township the Town of Mount Pleasant, S. C.

A Joint Resolution to Amend Section 5, Article 10 of the Constitution Relating to Limit of the Bonded Debt of School Districts by Adding a Proviso Thereto, as to School District No. 10, Cherokee County.

A Joint Resolution to Amend Section 5, Article X of the Constitution Relating to the Limit of the Bonded Debt of School Districts by Adding a Proviso Thereto as to the City of Florence in Florence County, S. C.

A Joint Resolution to Amend Section 7, Article VIII of the Constitution, Relating to Municipal Bonded Indebtedness, by Adding a Proviso Thereto as to the City of Georgetown.

A Joint Resolution to Amend Section 5 of Article XI of the Constitution Relating to the Formation of School Districts, etc., by adding a Proviso as to Certain School Districts in Pickens County

A Joint Resolution to Amend Section VII or Article VIII, and Section

the provisions hereof.

The following Managers of Election have been appointed to hold the election at the various precincts in the said County:

Bacon: J. B. Yonce, Cole Berry, E. N. Smith, W. H. Smith, Clerk. Polling place, Store of J. M. Yonce.

Colliers: Joe Hammond, Crafton Hammond, John Mathis, Murphey Miller, Clerk. Store of Tuck Mathis.

Edgefield No. 1.: W. J. Duncan, W. L. Dunovant, Jr., D. J. LaGrone, J. H. Nicholson, Clerk. Evans' Office.

Edgefield No. 2.: J. W. Kemp, T. A. Hightower, W. W. Adams, S. B. Mays, Clerk. Court House.

Johnston: J. W. Cox, W. E. LaGrone, M. W. Crouch, John Wright, Clerk. Lott-Walker Store.

Long Branch: L. C. Clark, W. L. Rutland, D. C. Derrick, L. S. Yonce, Clerk. L. C. Clark's Store.

Meeting Street: W. M. Ransom, E. G. Lewis, J. M. Bell, J. K. Allen, Clerk. T. A. Owdom's Store.

Meriwether: F. B. Barker, T. B. Harley, Dr. J. T. Reese, J. H. Mathis, Clerk. Meriwether Hall.

Moss: T. P. Morgan, W. A. Reel, R. C. Griffis, D. O. Brunson, Clerk. West and Williams Store.

Pleasant Lane: N. F. Manly, E. M. Timmerman, Whit Harling, M. B. Byrd, Clerk. F. L. Timmerman's Store.

Red Hill: C. F. Mathis, O. O. Timmerman, Lewis Eubanks, R. M. Johnson, Clerk. Red Hill Store.

Ropers: W. D. Lanham, F. F. Rainsford, W. J. Lanham, J. D. Boswell, Clerk. Boswell's Store.

Rock Hill: R. D. Seigler, E. C. Winn, John Press Sullivan, J. D. Hughey, Clerk. Residence of J. C. C. Seigler.

Trenton: T. P. Salter, J. R. Smith, Ed Harrison, James D. Mathis, Sr., Clerk. Store of J. D. Mathis, Sr.

The Managers at each precinct named above are requested to delegate one of their number to secure boxes and blanks for the election at Edgefield on Saturday, November 4.

S. B. NISHOLSON,
Chairman.

C. A. GRIFFIN,
Com. of State and County Election for Edgefield County.

Notice of Election.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF EDGEFIELD
Notice is hereby given that the General Election for Representatives in Congress will be held at the voting precincts fixed by law in the County of Edgefield on Tuesday, November 7, 1922, said day being Tuesday following the first Monday, as prescribed by the State Constitution. The qualifications for suffrage are as follows:

Residence in State for two years, in the County one year, in the polling precinct in which the elector offers to vote, four months, and the payment six months before any election of any poll tax then due and payable. Provided, That ministers in charge of an organized church and teachers of public schools shall be entitled to vote after six months' residence in the State, otherwise qualified.

Registration—Payment of all taxes, including poll tax, assessed and collectible during the previous year. The production of a certificate or receipt of the officer authorized to collect such taxes shall be conclusive proof of the payment thereof.

Before the hour fixed for opening the polls Managers and Clerks must take and subscribe to the Constitutional oath. The Chairman of the Board of Managers can administer the oath to the other Managers and to the Clerk; a Notary Public must administer the oath to Chairman. The Managers elect their Chairman and Clerk.

Polls at each voting place must be opened at 7 o'clock a. m., and closed at 4 o'clock p. m., except in the City of Charleston, where they shall be opened at 7 a. m. and closed at 6 p. m.

The Managers have the power to fill a vacancy; and if none of the Managers attend, the citizens can appoint from among the qualified voters, the Managers, who, after being sworn, can conduct the election.

At the close of the election, the Managers and Clerk must proceed publicly to open the ballot box and count the ballots therein, and continue without adjournment until the same is completed, and make a statement of the result for each precinct.

Each elector must sign the same. Within three days thereafter, the Chairman of the board, or some one designated by him, must deliver to the Commissioners of Election the poll list, containing the ballots and statements of the result of the election.

Managers of Election—The following Managers of Election have been appointed to hold the election at the various precincts in the said county:

Timmerman—G. W. Scott, G. L. Salter, W. P. Rutland.

Cheatham's Store—H. H. Williams, J. H. Seiler, C. A. Cheatham.

Johnston—H. S. Rhoden, J. W. Bledsoe, W. P. Cassell.

Mathis—H. W. McKie, T. A. Adams, T. C. Mathis.

Trenton—W. H. Moss, Wallace W. Wise, L. D. Eidson.

Meriwether Hall—H. F. Cooper, R. W. Glover, Walter Stephens.

Edgefield No. 1—W. H. Bee, J. W. Morgan, J. W. Peak.

Edgefield No. 2—Otis Lamb, W. S. Adams, L. T. May.

Roper—S. W. Miller, J. W. Mundy, W. D. Lanham.

Meeting Street—J. R. Blocker, J. F. Payne, G. Boyd Timmerman.

Bacon—O. W. Wright, J. H. Bouknight, Gamewell Smith, Jr.

Pleasant Lane—W. L. Winn, J. E. Reynolds, G. R. Mayson.

Red Hill—T. A. Williams, J. Boyd Holmes, L. J. McClendon.

The managers may appoint a clerk. Managers will delegate one of their number to come for boxes and tickets on Saturday, November 4th.

W. W. FULLER,
Chairman.

J. F. PUGNEY,
J. D. HUGHEY.

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