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The Overalls Epidemic.

Somebody has accused the American negro of being the champion "joiner" of the world. Probably the indictment will hold out but the American white man will give him a run for his money. Today a great number of gentlemen are attracting attention in public, getting their names in the papers and proving beyond peradventure that they are saviors of society by appearing on the streets, in theatres, in hotels and other places of public congregation in the right, proper and true garb of the patriot—the well-known overalls.

Overalls clubs are springing up all over the land. In some cases members have to swear by their sacred honor that they will wear no other outer garb henceforth on week days. In other cases there are penalties—in one instance ducking in public.

Where this overall craze started is not certain. It is credited to a Louisiana gentleman. Whether he has large financial interests in mills making denims is not clear. If he has not he should be rewarded by denim makers even if he is damned by workmen.

There was a time when a worker could get a suit of overalls for \$1.50 or \$2. Today the wholesale price is from \$3 to \$3.25 and the retail from \$6 to \$10. Within a week this craze is likely to boost it to much higher levels.

The production of overalls in America has been in the neighborhood of 3,500,000 garments a year. There has been a shortage for the last two years as there has been of everything. This fad is likely to drive the price up to where a worker cannot afford overalls.

Brilliant examples of the virtue of this latest splurge in economy are given. One of the first recruits to the overalls army paraded publicly with a silk handkerchief in the upper left hand pocket of his "jumper," a bright silk shirt beneath his denim and a diamond solitaire in his cravat.

Clothing merchants are prepared to meet any call society makes for expensive and nobby styles in overalls. One designer says the rugged garb of the laborer may be made highly ornate by the use of heavy silks and various trimmings and, if the ladies take it up, gowns bearing a reasonable resemblance to overalls may be fabricated of blue broadcloth silk, trimmed with platinum rivets, pearls, venetian lace and fox fur cuffs.

Mayors, judges, bankers, preachers, college boys and plutocrats have rushed madly into the Overall army—and also into print. The politicians, of course, were in the game early. Representative Wm. David Upshaw, of Atlanta, Ga., who has the reputation of never failing to get into the spotlight, appeared in Congress in a one-piece overall. With him there appeared a flock of photographers.

"A man in overalls has always been my hero," Mr. Upshaw told the reporters. Now that he is in overalls it follows that Mr. Upshaw is a hero. "Naturally," he said, "I could not indorse such a movement without practicing what I preached. I urge all members of the house and senate to follow my patriotic example."

It is to be hoped his wish is gratified. What a noble spectacle it would be to see Henry Cabot Lodge in overalls. Nothing would be more conducive to bringing contentment to the world.

How the creation of a bull market in denims is to decrease the cost of living is not clear to the naked eye. It is nuts for the notoriety seeker but it is rough on the working man. If you boost the cost of his clothes he is going to demand higher pay. No one is going to profit by this craze but the mill man and the merchant.

We call the French emotional, but we are more irrational in some of our acts than our Gallic brothers. Common sense and persistent economy in purchasing would put a check on profiteering in short order, but few persons follow such a course. It is the testimony of merchants that never was there such a demand for silks, flimsy, short wearing and expensive articles as now. In the south there has been something of a halt because the working class, which has been the most extravagant proportionately, has about exhausted its supply of cash and credit.

Any one who wants to be really patriotic can be so by working faithfully and honestly and spending no more than is absolutely necessary. Production and real economy will cure many of the present day ills.

Richard Spillane in Commerce and Finance.

(Editor's Note—The above clipping is published at the request of one of our county merchants. It is not the sentiment of this newspaper. Richard Spillane is a brilliant writer, but not unlike most other folks, perhaps he does not know it all. We do not ridicule any movement the purpose of which is to help along. Perhaps the overall movement is misdirected—we don't admit it—but there is benefit in it if one is looking for benefit. In the meantime those who refuse to join the movement are welcome to continue wearing their high priced clothing.)

Notice to Club Members.

The following is a list of the prizes offered to members of the cotton and peanut clubs, amounting to a total of \$575 and three tons of fertilizer. The general prizes are open to any club member in the state while the special prizes are open to the members in the following counties: Bamberg, Barnwell, Beaufort, Berkeley, Charleston, Clarendon, Colleton, Dorchester, Georgetown, Hampton, Horry, Jasper, Orangeburg, and Williamsburg. Prizes in the other clubs will be announced later.

PRIZES IN BOYS COTTON CLUB.
First, \$75; second, \$50; third, \$25, by the Anti-Boll Weevil Association of South Carolina through W. B. West, Secretary, Columbia, S. C.

SPECIAL PRIZES.
Offered for growing cotton under boll weevil conditions. First, \$100, by the soil improvement committee of the Southern Fertilizer Association, Atlanta, Ga., through J. N. Harper, director. Second, two tons of 9-3-3 fertilizer. Third, one ton of fertilizer by the Planters Fertilizer & Phosphate Co., Charleston, S. C., through J. R. Hanahan, president and general manager.

PRIZES IN BOYS PEANUT CLUB.
First, \$75; second, \$50; third, \$25, by the South Carolina Cotton Seed Crushers Association through W. B. West, secretary, Columbia, S. C.

SPECIAL PRIZES.
First, \$50; second, \$30; third, \$20, by the South Eastern Peanut Association of Atlanta, Ga., and Sea Island Cotton Oil Co., Charleston, S. C., through E. A. Eve, Charleston, S. C.

A special prize of \$50 to the member producing the most peanuts on one acre of land, by Joseph C. Brown, Columbia, S. C.

A special prize of \$25 to the winner of the peanut club in Bamberg county by Edward A. Eve, Charleston, S. C.

Applications for club membership will be received up until May 15, 1920.

J. D. BRANDON,
County Agent.

Fixing Needed.

"John, I hear you are ingenious in a mechanical way. Can't you fix Tommy's horn?"

"What's the matter with it?"

"Nothing. I want you to fix it so it won't blow?"—Louisville Courier Journal.

MONEY IN COCA-COLA.

Big Profits Are Made By Syndicates Of the Soft Drink.

Atlanta, April 28.—Profits totaling \$4,000,000 were made by the two syndicates that handled the reorganization of the Coca-Cola company, it was testified here today in the hearing of evidence in an injunction suit brought by the Atlanta and Chattanooga Bottling companies against the makers of coca-cola syrup.

The Coca-Cola Company of Georgia recently was reorganized into the Coca-Cola Company of Delaware, a corporation with \$25,000,000 capital stock. W. C. Wardlaw, vice president of the Trust Company of Georgia, made the statement regarding profits while under cross examination by counsel for the bottlers.

The bottling companies are seeking to enjoin the Coca-Cola company or Delaware from canceling their contracts for syrup, the plaintiffs contending the contracts are perpetual. Testimony is being taken before a commissioner appointed to superior court here.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Under this head The Herald will publish announcements of candidates at the following rates: Congressman, solicitor and all state offices, \$10; county offices, \$5, except coroner, magistrate and county commissioner, for which \$3 will be charged. These fees will pay for insertion of name only in black type, and not exceeding one line in light faced small type for such notation as "For Re-election," etc. Additional lines will be charged for at \$2 per line. Seven words is reckoned as one line. Cash must accompany the card.

MAGISTRATE AT EHRHARDT.

J. H. Kinard
(For Reelection.)

L. G. Yarley

His friends announce him a candidate for Magistrate at Ehrhardt.

MEETING OF TAXPAYERS.

A meeting of the taxpayers of Bamberg school district No. 14 is hereby called to be held in the city hall in the town of Bamberg, S. C., on Monday, May the 24th, 1920, at 4 o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of electing one member of the Board of Trustees and for the transaction of any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

W. M. BRABHAM,
Chairman Board of Trustees.
Bamberg, S. C., May 3, 1920.

NOTICE.

Notice is given that the undersigned desire to form a corporation to be known as the Bamberg Realty Company, and intend to file a declaration with the Secretary of State. Notice is further given that a meeting of the subscribers to the said corporation will be held at the offices of Enterprise Bank, at Bamberg, S. C., at 11 o'clock in the morning of May 10, 1920.

W. A. KLAUBER,
A. W. KNIGHT,
Corporators.

BANKS CLOSE MAY 10.

Monday, May 10, 1920, being Southern Memorial day, the banks of Bamberg will be closed for the day.

BAMBERG BANKING CO.,
ENTERPRISE BANK,
PEOPLES BANK.

A Practical Banking Idea

The policies of this Bank are based upon a definite banking ideal—that of taking the best possible care of its customers' interests.

It solicits new business on the strength of the character of service it is rendering its old customers.

It has aided in the development of many of Bamberg's most successful businesses, and the same service and facilities are available for your business.

INTEREST PAID ON SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

Deposits made before or on May 10th will draw interest from May first.

Total Resources Over \$500,000.00

Peoples Bank

BAMBERG, SOUTH CAROLINA

A. M. DENBOW, President
C. W. RENTZ, SR., C. W. RENTZ, JR.,
W. S. BAMBERG, Vice Presidents Cashier.

\$40,000.00 Increase

Our deposits have increased about \$40,000.00 since the reorganization of this Bank, and we expect them to double up within the next 60 days. Get in line and get **5 Per Cent** for your money. Money rates are higher than have been seen for years, and we will gladly give our depositors **5 Per Cent** on their Savings, as we prefer to borrow at home rather than from northern Banks.

OUR STATEMENT

As of April 13th follows

ASSETS	LIABILITIES
R. E. and Fixtures account \$ 2,900.00	Capital \$ 30,000.00
Bills receivable 128,000.00	Surplus and profits 8,150.00
Cash on hand and in banks 35,250.00	Deposits 128,000.00
Total \$166,150.00	Total \$166,150.00

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Enterprise Bank

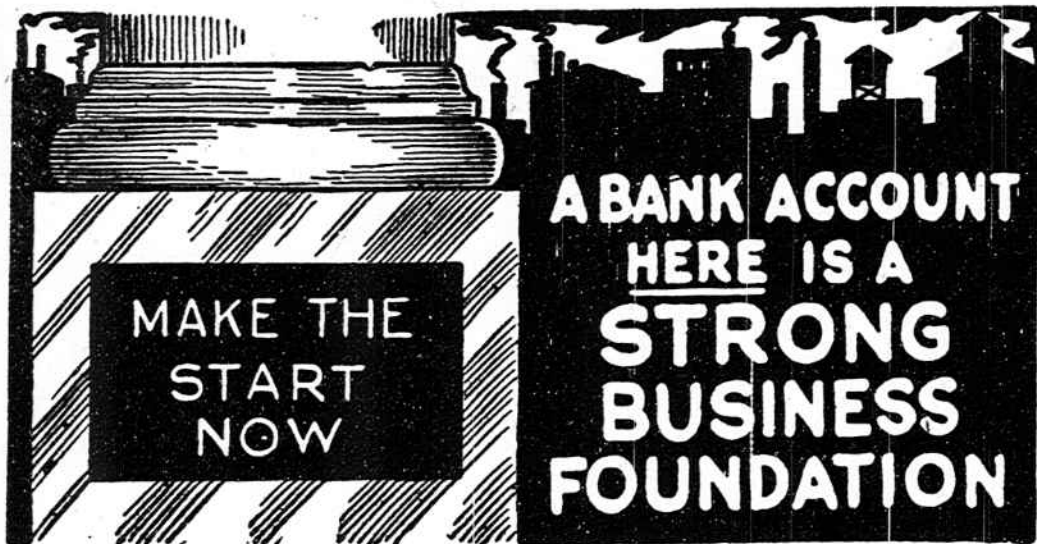
BAMBERG, S. C.

W. A. KLAUBER, President DR. ROBT. BLACK, Vice-President W. D. COLEMAN, Cashier

DIRECTORS:

Aaron Rice, J. D. Copeland, B. C. Crum,
Dr. Geo. F. Hair, C. J. S. Brooker, W. D. Coleman,
Dr. J. B. Black, W. E. Free, F. B. McCrackin,
Dr. Robt. Black, G. A. Ducker, W. A. Klauber.

WE PAY 5 PER CENT ON SAVINGS.
WATCH US GROW.



PARTICULARLY AS YOU ARE DEALING WITH A STRONG, LIBERAL BANK.

If your Bank is right and your account properly handled, your credit requirements will be taken care of as fast as they arise.

Whether or not you are in business today, we solicit your account as a foundation for your business requirements later on.

RESOURCES OVER \$1,000,000.00

IF YOU HAVE MONEY, WE WANT IT—
IF YOU WANT MONEY, WE HAVE IT

BAMBERG BANKING CO.

OLDEST & STRONGEST BANK IN BAMBERG CO.

BAMBERG, S. C.

4% INTEREST PAID ON SAVINGS ACCOUNTS