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LAURENS, S. C., DEC. 15, 1920

We do not hear of Col. House being
elected to Marion as yet.

Beckon Admiral McGowan's resignation—
has anything to do with the mayoralty race in Laurens?

The Advertiser would say a word or
two in behalf of the grocers and retail
fruit dealers. For a number of years it
has been customary for the city to
issue licenses to boys to sell fruits and
other Christmas goods on the side-
walks. This takes away much trade
from merchants who pay rents and
taxes the year round to do business. It is not fair to them for
the city to rent the sidewalks to others
who take the cream of such trade
from them. Besides sidewalk stands
interfere with traffic.

The announcement of the budget
commission at Columbia that the total
appropriation asked of the approaching
legislature by the various state
departments and institutions will exceed
last year's appropriations by
nearly \$1,000,000 should be a source
of considerable concern to the legisla-
ture as well as the taxpayers. The
Advertiser may be too conservative in
its attitude towards the various
charges of the state, charitable and
otherwise, but we believe that those at
the heads of the many state depart-
ments and institutions have allowed
their enthusiasm for their work to
lose sight of the ability of the state
to carry forward their ideas. The
Advertiser does not believe that officials
and employees of the state are
overpaid or more extravagant than
public business is generally expected
to be, but it does seem that their plans
for expansion are too rapid. Certainly
if expansion is to take place with in-
creasing wealth of the state, this year
is not a year for large expansion, but
on the other hand should be one for
retrenchment.

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On the heels of The Advertiser's editorial last week, that the public must support the peace officers if it is to expect enforcement of the liquor laws came the news of the large amount of whiskey by Oligists Crews and Wham of the local force. These officers should be given due credit for this work as the apprehension of this class of law breakers is well known to be difficult and dangerous. While The Advertiser would not say that these men would have used the pistols they carried against the officers of the law, still the fact that they carried such weapons raises a reasonable doubt as to what they would do if they thought they could get away by shooting. We believe that the number of whiskey transporters to Laurens has been reduced by two at least.

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The resignation of Rear Admiral McGowan as paymaster general of the navy will remove from Washington government circles one of its most efficient public officials. The policies which Admiral McGowan has instituted in his department has saved the government millions of dollars besides making the feeding and supply of the navy one of the marvels of the war. The monumental task which has confronted him may be judged from his report issued to the press on December 6th, which showed total expenditure during the three years from the outbreak of the war to March 31, 1920, totaled over four billion dollars, or one and one-third times as much as had been expended during the entire 123 years since the navy was founded. Admiral McGowan secured the greatest economy in purchases by the elimination of speculators from the list of dealers with the navy. Putting into force a statute already in the laws of the nation but not previously enforced, he recognized that every dealer with the navy must be a manufacturer or a regular dealer in the articles he offered to furnish. Speculation was thus reduced and the navy was assured of delivery of its purchases. With all of his economy Admiral McGowan kept the navy "the best fed body of men in the world," and will leave his department at its highest pitch of efficiency thus far. His friends in Laurens, his home town, not knowing his future plans wish him well wherever he may go, and extend him a welcome to return "home."

COTTON CROP IS**ONE OF LARGEST**

Larger Than Any Year Since Record-Breaker of 1914

Washington, Dec. 13.—The cotton crop which began the season in the worst condition in 50 years has turned out to be the biggest crop since 1914 with a production of 12,987,000 bales, according to final estimates announced today by the department of agriculture.

The lateness of winter, the department said, has helped to increase the size of the crop by permitting the plant, which was late in getting started, to mature.

The price of cotton paid to producers December 1st was announced as 14 cents a pound, the lowest for the date since 1915.

The final production estimate is 15,500,000 bales more than forecast from the condition of the crop late in June. Vast improvement was shown as the season progressed and the August condition brought a forecast of 12,500,000 bales. That was reduced by the September condition to 12,123,000 bales.

In Texas and South Carolina the crop is very large, closely approaching the record. Oklahoma's crop is a record one, as is that of Arkansas. Production in California and Arizona has about doubled the production of any previous year.

Cotton production this year will amount to 6,123,000 pounds, equivalent to 12,987,000 bales of 500 pounds gross weight exclusive of lint, the department of agriculture announced in its final estimate of the season.

Production last year was 11,120,763 bales of 500 pounds gross weight, in 1918 it was 11,010,532 bales and in 1917 it was 11,302,375 bales. In computing gross weight bales allowance is made for 4,783 pounds of lint and 21.7 pounds of bagging and ties.

Production this year by states in 500 pound bales follows:

Virginia	19,000
North Carolina	\$10,000
South Carolina	1,530,000
Georgia	1,400,000
Florida	18,000
Alabama	650,000
Mississippi	855,000
Louisiana	350,000
Texas	4,200,000
Arkansas	1,160,000
Tennessee	10,000
Missouri	5,000
Oklahoma	1,300,000
California	150,000
Arizona	110,000
All other states	15,000

The average weight per running bale this year is estimated at 506.9 pounds gross, compared with 504.2 pounds last year.

The price of lint cotton paid to producers on December 1 was 14.0 cents per pound, compared with 35.6 cents a year.

VOTES TO PROHIBIT**ALL IMMIGRATION**

House Passes Bill Prohibiting Immigration for Year by Big Majority

Washington, Dec. 12.—The house today transmitted to the senate the Johnson bill prohibiting practically all immigration to the United States for a period of one year.

The vote in the house on the measure 293 to 41, brought to an end more than three days of heated debate on immigration affairs. It also followed futile attempts by the bill's supporters to lengthen the prohibition period to two years as originally proposed. The first of these attempts brought a rising vote in favor of the two year extension, but a second call showed 181 in favor of the one year period, and only 165 opposed.

In the senate the bill will be referred to the immigration committee and action will be deferred until the committee has concluded hearings and investigated thoroughly all phases of immigration and naturalization questions. A number of measures bearing on these subjects are pending in the senate and it is regarded as likely that they will be incorporated in the Johnson bill when it is finally reported to the senate for consideration. The attitude of senate leaders today was that no hasty action should be taken by that body in dealing with immigration issues.

Woodmen Meeting at Gray Court

Pecan Camp No. 237 will meet Friday night 17th, 7:30. This is election night. Also other important business and a full attendance is desired.

J. W. Wells, C. C.
J. E. Johnson, Clerk
Gray Court, Dec. 14.

Habitual Constipation Cured**in 14 to 21 Days**

"LAX-FOG WITH PEPSIN" is a specially prepared Syrup Tonic-Laxative for Habitual Constipation. It relieves promptly but should be taken regularly for 14 to 21 days to induce regular action. It Stimulates and Regulates. Very Pleasant to Take. 60c per bottle.

STANLEY W. COOKES
City Clerk and Treasurer
November 20th, 1920.

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SPECIAL NOTICES**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Mayor of Laurens and pledge myself to abide by the results of the Democratic primary.

JOHN A. FRANKS.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Mayor to fill out the unexpired term of W. R. Richey, Jr., resigned, and pledge myself to abide by the results of the Democratic primary.

C. R. BISHOP.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Mayor to fill out the unexpired term of W. R. Richey, Jr., and pledge myself to abide by the results of the Democratic primary.

W. H. DIAL.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Mayor of Laurens and pledge myself to abide by the results of the Democratic primary.

GEO. C. HOPKINS.

FINAL SETTLEMENT

Take notice that on the 28th day of December, 1920, I will render a final account of my acts and doings as Administrator of the estate of Sallie Burns Osborne deceased, in the office of the Judge of Probate of Laurens county, at 11 o'clock, a. m. and on the same day will apply for a final discharge from my trust as Administrator.

Any person indebted to said estate is notified and required to make payment on that date; and all persons having claims against said estate will present them on or before said date, duly proven or be forever barred.

C. B. BOBO,

Administrator.

Nov. 24, 1920. 19-1m-A

FINAL SETTLEMENT

Take notice that on the 18th day of December, 1920, I will render a final account of my acts and doings as Administrator of the estate of E. C. Chapman, deceased, in the office of the Judge of Probate of Laurens county, at 11 o'clock, a. m. and on the same day will apply for a final discharge from my trust as administrator.

Any person indebted to said estate is notified and required to make payment on that date; and all persons having claims against said estate will present them on or before said date, duly proven or be forever barred.

Dr. R. Chapman,

Administrator.

November 17, 1920. 18-1m-A

FINAL SETTLEMENT

Take notice that on the 17th day of December, 1920, we will render a final account of our acts and doings as executors of the estate of Fannie C. Edwards, deceased, in the office of his Judge of Probate of Laurens county, at 11 o'clock, a. m. and on the same day will apply for a final discharge from our trust as executors.

Any person indebted to said estate is notified and required to make payment on that date; and all persons having claims against said estate will present them on or before said date, duly proven or be forever barred.

Y. A. Edwards

W. J. Cooper, Executors.

November 17, 1920. 18-1m-A

NOTICE OF SALE OF SCHOOL BONDS

The Board of Trustees of School District Sullivan No. 1, of Laurens county, the State of South Carolina, will sell to the highest bidder for each coupon bond of said School District in the sum of Three Thousand Dollars, dated September 15, 1920, due twenty years after date, with interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and sale to be on the 11th day of December, 1920, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the office of Simpson, Cooper & Babb, Attorneys. The Trustees reserve the right to reject any or all bids. No bid at less than par will be considered.

W. I. Freeman

M. L. Check

A. J. Moore

Trustees.

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Notice of the City Clerk and Treasurer
The city tax books will open at the City Clerk's office on the first day of January, for the payment of taxes for 1921, and will remain open until the first day of March, which is the last day for the payment of taxes without penalty and execution, unless the time is extended by the City Council. After March 1st there will be a penalty of fifteen per cent on total amount of taxes due, also execution as provided by law to the amount of \$2.35; therefore, it is urged that all persons who have city taxes charged to them, pay them before March 1st. If possible, attend to it when the books are first opened and avoid any penalty.

The law holds that the person owning property on the first day of January must pay the tax, therefore, there can be no transferring or property on the city tax books. If a person sells his property after January first, and prior to March 1st, not having paid tax on it himself, should pay same, because it is charged up to him as having owned the same on January 1st, then it becomes arbitrary with himself and the purchaser as to whether or not he is reimbursed to that extent.

Special License or Tax

This tax must positively be paid by January 15th. Bear in mind that you are paying this tax to conduct a business within the city for the year 1921 and unless this tax is paid, you cannot operate.

STANLEY W. COOKES

City Clerk and Treasurer

November 20th, 1920.

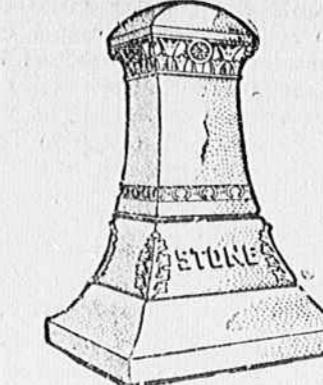
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We also carry a line of fancy groceries.

Fresh Fish and Oysters Tuesdays and Fridays.

OGLESBY'S**City Market**

PHONE 140

Try Us For Prompt Delivery**Table Damasks**

A Thanksgiving day is approaching, we offer some nice goods for the dining room table.

We have gone through our Hosiery stock again and adjusted prices in keeping with the present market value.

A clean cut is made in all Sheetings and Domestic goods.

A reduction is seen in Sweaters and all Knit Goods at

W. G. Wilson & Co.**PLANTERS FERTILIZER**

Increase the Yield of Farm Crops

Corn, cotton, truck, barley, wheat, oats—these, and all other crops will pay well if a little attention is given to the proper fertilizer for your soil. Planters Fertilizers are especially suited to the needs of Southern soils.

You can't raise a 100% crop unless you have a 100% soil. Fertility is largely a matter of balanced conditions of the soil. Phosphoric Acid, Ammonia, and Potash must be present in the proper proportions if bumper crops are to be raised.

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