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NOT YET FULLY TESTED

The cotton buyers of the South cannot be accused of self-interest in the matter of a study of the farmer's interests. The buyers in general held a meeting last week for the expressed purpose of discussing the holding down of the cotton acreage and the further development of diversified farming. These monthly cotton buyers recognized the important part the raising of more food and feedstuffs played in the prosperity of the farmer; the past season and they adopted resolutions "calling on all interests in India, planters, merchants and bankers to cooperate in continuing the diversified farming idea. There is no doubt that the South, having become fairly well launched on diversified farming, will not only stick to it, but develop it on an increasing scale each year until it is an established policy. At the same time, any advice for a reduction from the present acreage in cotton would not be wise. The South has not been raising too much cotton, but it has not been raising enough home supplies. The present acreage can be maintained with profit—it may be even increased—provided there is yet further efforts in the direction of diversification. In neither line are the full capacity of the farms of the South being tested.

"I GOT A WHITE MAN WORKING FOR ME"

The Chever Chronicle in the following editorial, speaks of one of the greatest hindrances to the enforcement of the anti-lugger laws.

"The charge is made that several white men in Chester are furnishing the money with which to buy liquor and have negro agents hired to do the selling. There must be something in the charge, for as soon as the negroes are in jail they are able to employ counsel and furnish most any kind of bond. The county and city authorities should lend their best efforts towards breaking up this evil. A white man so low as to employ a colored citizen and should be doing time on the chain gang."

Chever is not singular in this respect; almost everywhere—wherever the mind tugs—throughout the "big South" does most of the selling for some white man stand behind him to push him on. If the nigger is caught the white man comes to his rescue to stop the prosecution, or, if he cannot do that, to pay the fine. If it is not too large—and there are the bigger under contract so as to make him pay the "advancement" back. And the nigger says "I got a white man working for me," and so the importance and grows insolent and has a contempt for law, while poor fool, he does not dare tell on the white man, knowing if he does he will be taken out and strangled within an inch of his life. Such niggers are not worth the powder and lead it would take to hit them, and ought to be run out of the country; but that cannot be done legally. What can be done, however, and ought to be done, is for the legislature to remove the fine from a fine from violations of the liquor laws; and then when the fool nigger is convicted he will have to go to the chain gang and the white man who is working for him can't pay him out and certainly will not serve the days for him.

The state wide prohibition law goes into effect the first of January and it ought to be understood at the beginning that violations of the law are going to be punished, impartially and severely, whether the offenders be white or black. A prohibition law without enforcement is worse than no law at all.

Now Per North Will the Bell Weevil Do Serious Damage?

With the bell weevil making an unusual eastward advance in Alabama and Georgia and a very considerable westward advance in Alabama and Georgia, it is not surprising that the weevil has been reported in Chester, S. C.

Of course, in attempting to answer this question the only safe guide must be the experience of other sections to the westward, for that already has had the weevil for a number of years. While it cannot be unqualifiedly asserted that two counties possessing identical soil, climate and labor conditions will be affected by the weevil in the same degree, it certainly is to be expected that this is a reasonable supposition, let us see what has been the experience of the western part of the northern half of the Cotton Belt under similar conditions.

The very first outbreak of the weevil in the Cotton Belt was in the United States Census Bureau shows that northern part of parallel 38 1/2 north latitude in the running east and west approximately through Atlanta, Ga., Birmingham, Ala., and Paris, Texas, has an unusually great degree of the weevil's preference. It occurred during adverse conditions of the weevil crop, and north of the Arkansas and Mississippi it certainly seems reasonable to expect about the same results from the weevil in all of the adjacent sections north of parallel 32 1/2.

It must not be inferred from this that the weevil will not do damage over the territory under consideration for in all likelihood, the weevil will eventually be as common as during its growth and will particularly during wet seasons following very mild winters, affect the crop very considerably. However, in an average this damage will be less than in the Arkansas and Mississippi regions. In fact, if we assume that the weevil is 100 per cent efficient in destruction, the agent in the Cotton Belt is actually an invaluable asset to the northward until the extreme limits of cotton production are reached in Kansas, Missouri and Kentucky, where it is very low in yield.

It must be understood that what has been said here does not apply to a strip from 75 to 100 miles wide along the Atlantic seaboard, where climatic conditions along the coast Atlantic coast climate are considerably modified by the influence of the ocean. Winter temperatures average higher than in inland sections in the same latitude and the summer rainfall is heavier. The factors, of course, will vary according to the soil and the ravages will very probably be none severe than will be the case inland in the same latitude.

It is very fortunate for the future of our production in the "Arkansas" it appears that the modern influence of the ocean is not so marked beyond 55 or 60 miles inland. In this narrow belt only a comparatively small percentage of the crop of these two states is grown, but here weevil damage will likely be very severe, approximately perhaps 50 per cent in extreme southern South Carolina and gradually decreasing to the north. In Georgia and Florida, the soil is grown under climatic conditions favorable to the weevil, and unless it is taken down and concentrated in the cotton production, it is probable that production will be heavily curtailed.

"THE SEVEN SISTERS"

Marguerite Clark in a delightful comedy at Dreamland We say as

The comic complications of the play arise from the fact that they are taken to daughters of a family must be married in the chronological order of their birth. The wife of a Hungarian army officer has seven to twenty-two. Of these are young women who give the name of their mother, the most active in the progress of the drama is Miss, portrayed by Marguerite Clark. She happens to be the fourth of the daughters, has been dismissed from school because of boyish pranks, and on the way home has made the romantic acquaintance of a young officer. She has even dared to appear in a frock unsuited to her years, considering the fact that she is almost very much younger than her three elder sisters, in order not to interfere with their matrimonial opportunities. But it is through her charm that she not only serves as a model for her three elder sisters, but contrives to get the aristocratic young lieutenant for herself.

Prices for this excellent feature are but 5 and 10c.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

Today, February 15th, is the last day for paying assessments. Please attend to this matter at once.

WALTER SIMPSON, Agent,
 Farmers Mutual Fire Association.

MRS. FRONA McMAHAN GIVEN THREE YEARS

Havlywood County Woman Pleads Guilty to Marriage in Death of Spanish Husband.

Waynesville, N. C. Feb. 13.—In a day's session of Court yesterday Mrs. Frona McMahon, widow of a man charged with manslaughter in having killed her husband at Sunburst, this county, last August. Judge B. F. Long sentenced her to three years in the State Reformatory. Mrs. McMahon was tried at this term of court for murder in the first degree and after spending 53 hours in deliberation the jury was unable to reach an agreement, standing eight to four for conviction.

Mrs. McMahon is 34 years of age and has had six husbands, three of whom have died under suspicious circumstances and three of whom she killed. Her last husband and a decided brunette, she was the center of interest to one of the largest crowds ever attending a session of court here. Her story to the witness stand was most remarkable. A case of this nature, she maintained a perfectly calm appearance, never evincing any emotion even under the grueling cross-examination to which she was subjected by attorneys prosecuting the case.

A case of this nature, she testified that she was first married in Haywood County, this State, when she was only 16 years of age to a man named Thomas Meadows. This was on April 4. On the twelfth day of June of that year she was introduced to the presence of his girl friend and her two small sisters, shooting himself through the side. She was tried before a magistrate for having murdered her husband, but probable cause was not found and the matter was dropped.

Two years later in Tennessee she was married to William McCallum, with whom she lived for about five years. She then ran away with another woman. William McCallum divorced a little less than a year later she married William Green thereafter he obtained a position at Proctor this State, and one day after he was leaving for across the mountains to his home he was taken suddenly ill when about a mile away and died before aid could reach him.

Less than six weeks the widow mourned for the departed, for with her that the David Shields had won her heart and hand. He was rather an old man and it was a match of it before he left for California without the formality of saying good-bye. In a very short time the deserted wife was contacted by a young man, again without the usual divorce, this time to Luther Shields her truth being pleaded. In the course of a few months, however, she learned that her husband was harbored by a lady from Little Rock, Arkansas, persuaded the husband away.

The case against the woman was entirely circumstantial. She testified that he had gotten up and made a fire back to bed, she getting up then to prepare breakfast. A few minutes later the pistol shot rang out, while she was in the kitchen, according to her testimony, and he was discovered dead. There were several people in the house at the time, but no eyewitnesses. From the word and the position the pistol was found the State argued that he could not have killed himself; and that his wife was bound to be guilty party. She pleaded innocence, and the jury could not agree.

NOTICE OF EXECUTOR'S SALE OF VALUABLE CITY PROPERTY.

Due notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power and authority conferred upon me in and by the last Will and Testament of J. R. Alexander, deceased, which is duly recorded in the office of the Probate Court in and for said County and State in Will Book D, at page 161, 362, and 363, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, before the Court House door in Chester, S. C., on Monday, March 6th, 1916, commencing at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, the following described real estate situated in the City of Chester, county of Chester and State of South Carolina, to-wit:

(1) Four (4) lots facing an unnamed street leading west from Pinckney Street and lying immediately to the rear of the lot of Messrs. S. E. Colvin, T. M. Douglas and P. H. Wilks; and being a part of the property conveyed to the late J. R. Alexander by deed of Belle H. Jarrett, dated December 14th, 1893, and recorded in the Clerk's office in Volume 103, at page 527.

(2) Three (3) parcels or lots of land, containing 17.00 acres, 11.48 acres, 11 acres and 9 acres, lying on the S. A. L. Railway, to the rear of Mrs. J. R. Alexander, the wife of the late J. R. Alexander, and being a subdivision of the property acquired by said J. R. Alexander by deeds of L. McH. Wood, dated May 25th, 1907, and recorded in the Clerk's office in Volume 107, at page 549, and of George Woods, dated April 7th, 1905, and recorded in the Clerk's office in Volume 118, at page 166.

(3) Twenty-four (24) lots on or near Center Street, and being a part of the property conveyed to the said J. R. Alexander by deeds of Jesse H. Jarden, dated June 13th, 1907, and recorded in the Clerk's office in Volume 118, at page 189, and of Auburn Woods, dated April 17th, 1907, and recorded in the Clerk's office in Volume 124, at page 225.

(4) Ten (10) lots on or near Center Street, known as lot No. 5 in Block A and lot No. 9 in Block B, on the E. C. Stahn estate, on file in the Clerk's office in Judgment Roll 3239, and being the property conveyed to the said J. R. Alexander by deed of J. E. Cornwall, dated December 5th, 1910, and recorded in the Clerk's office in Volume 126, at page 119.

Terms of Sale: One-third cash on day of sale; balance in two equal annual installments, bearing interest from date of sale until paid at the rate of eight per cent per annum. Interest payable annually at the same rate, and to be secured by notes of purchaser with mortgage of premises to the bank. The purchaser to pay for taxes and necessary revenue stamps.

A plat of the foregoing property is being made by Mr. Jas. McFarlane, C. E. The same will be ready for prospective purchasers on application to me.

R. B. CALDWELL,
 Executor Estate of John R. Alexander, deceased.

Great Programs at Dreamland all this Week.

This week the Dreamland Theatre will show a big feature programme every week. Tuesday, "Broken Coin"; "The Elvethr Hunt" into a comedy "Loneliness Luke"; six big reels are shown up Tuesday; Wednesday comes Marguerite Clark in a delightful comedy of five reels "The Seven Sisters". This is the famous New York Lyceum Theatre success. Thursday "Helen Holmes in 'The Girl and the Game'" 2nd chapter also one of the greatest war time ever shown "The Horror of War" scene of the story in this wonderful drama were taken upon the ground in the European struggle. A comedy "Riding the Goat" will also be seen upon the day. It's a big feature programme all this week at Dreamland no advance in prices.

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VICK'S VAPOR SALVE

FARMER IS ALMOST DEVOURED BY HOGS

Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 12.—A 60-year-old farmer named John Schneider living near Morrison, was almost devoured by hogs yesterday. He owned 50 head of hogs and was watching them when he either fell from illness or was attacked and torn to pieces.

DONT' FORGET

That our Hoosier Kitchen Cabinet Sale began Monday 14th and lasts only one week, ending Saturday 19th. One dollar down and one dollar per week puts a cabinet in your home at cash price. Mr. J. J. Kennedy was awarded the prize 2-12

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

All parties holding claims against the estate of Alfred Wilkins, deceased, are hereby notified to present the same, properly proved for payment, unto the undersigned, or to her attorney, Saml. E. McFadden, at his office in Chester, S. C., on or before the 15th day of February, 1916, to said estate are required to pay their said debts either to the undersigned or her said attorney.

MARY E. WILKINS,
 Executrix Last Will and Testament of Alfred Wilkins, Deceased.
 Chester, S. C. February 14, 1916.

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