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## LARENCE POE HEARD IN STATE

### DRESSES COTTON GROWERS OF TWO COUNTIES—URGES LEE AND KERSHAW COUNTY FARMERS TO SIGN MARKETING CONTRACT

Bishopville, Aug. 12.—Declaring the time has come when it is absolutely necessary for the farmer to conduct his business in a business like way. Dr. Clarence Poe, president of the Progressive Farmer, made an earnest appeal to the farmers of Lee county who have not yet signed the cotton cooperative marketing contract to do so. He spoke in the court house at 11 o'clock and was heard by a representative audience of farmers, a majority of whom had already signed the South Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative Association contract.

Dr. Poe traced the history of cooperative marketing told of the successful operation for years of cooperative associations in Denmark, reviewed the achievements of the association in California and coming home related the success in their first year's operations of the cooperative cotton marketing associations in Texas, Oklahoma, Mississippi, and Arizona. Cooperative marketing of cotton is no longer an experiment he declared. It has been proven feasible and practical.

Nine Southern states have associations ready to handle this year's crop. Dr. Poe said these being Texas, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Arizona, Georgia, North Carolina, Arkansas and Alabama. In each of these states the growers have selected boards of directors composed of the very best business men and farmers in the states. They in turn have selected the very best men available as officers. The farmers have put their houses in order and are going to do business in a business-like way.

Dr. Poe was introduced by J. P. Finney, county agent, who announced that a campaign for members could be conducted during the next few weeks.

W. Rogers Scarborough, treasurer of the South Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative association and who entered upon the duties of that position vice president of the Bishopville National bank, made a brief speech in which he stated the association had made its financial plans for the year. He said that the association had experienced difficulty in securing money on good terms.

## BOWLING TOURNAMENT.

A bowling tournament with an eight weeks schedule starts Friday night on the alleys at the Community Building. The alleys are proving very popular and the tournament should be a great success. Teams from the Spinning Room contested the Cloth and Shop departments today night.

The girls Sunshine Club enjoyed a private bowling party Wednesday night and while no great scores were made all thoroughly enjoyed the evening and the use of the alleys. The refreshments were served which did not in any way detract from the enjoyment of the evening.

## MR. ALEWINE LOSES BARN

Mr. P. T. Alewine of Level Land lost his barn by fire Sunday morning. He lost three thousand bundles of fodder and other feedstuff, farm implements, besides his gear, a wagon and a buggy with no insurance. This is a heavy loss and a time when a friend who will lend a helping hand is a true friend indeed and such acts of kindness will be highly appreciated, be they great or small.

## RAIL HEADS PLAN FOR FIGHT TO END

### EXPECT NO FURTHER COMPROMISE MOVES FROM GOVERNMENT—BROTHERHOODS ACTING AS GO-BETWEENS FOR THE STRIKERS.

Washington, Aug. 13.—Rail executives have represented all their associates in negotiating over Saturday and today with President Harding and railroad labor organization heads for a compromise settlement of the railroad strike left Washington tonight convinced that the present strike would be fought out to a finish.

The executives further indicated, through an authorized spokesman, that they expected the government would not attempt further compromise in the situation and made public the text of their answer to President Harding's final settlement proposal.

Union leaders, however, declared that mediation and compromise efforts would still be continued with officials of the four brotherhoods of train service men acting as a committee to go between the striking shop craft representatives on the one hand and the government or the railroads on the other. Meanwhile they withheld from publication the response of the striking shopmen's chiefs to the president's settlement offers and also a statement of the policy which other unions intended to pursue, though both had been prepared for the public.

There was no statement from the White House or from administration sources as to any further course intended.

All the heads of the railroad labor organizations remained in Washington, agreeing to meet again at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. Officers of the four brotherhoods, members of which are not now on strike, declared themselves a committee of mediation, endeavoring to deal with the government and railroad management, in behalf of the eight unions which have definitely ordered strikes. Lee Sheppard, president of the Order of Railway Conductors, in a conciliatory statement issued after the day's conference, indicated that they intended to remain acting in that capacity "until congress gets back into session."

## BOYS AT CAMP.

Fourteen boys from the Abbeville Cotton Mills are spending the week at Camp Tippacanoe, Lake Summit, N. C. in the State Industrial Camp of the Y. M. C. A. The boys report themselves as having a great time catching lots of fish and having a great time in general.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Blanchett accompanied the boys into camp, and Messrs. John James, C. F. Martin and Executive Secretary Marwick spent two days in camp with the boys. The following are the names of the boys in camp: Leroy Wilson, Charlie Wilson, Lloyd McCurry, Guy Blanchett, Ansel Blanchett, Robert Walker, Carl Bond, Eldred Campbell, Zan Singleton, Emory Williams, Amos Creswell, Fred Carroll, Leroy Goings and Fred Godfrey.

## NEGRO STABS ANOTHER

Frances Harper and Minnie Cade, two negro women got into a difficulty Saturday evening about dusk in front of Bosdell's Market, resulting in a personal encounter in which the Harper woman stabbed the other through the lungs, the knife or dirk used going in the back and coming out in front.

The injured woman was taken immediately to the hospital where her wounds were dressed by Dr. Neuffer. She has a fighting chance for recovery. Frances Harper is in jail awaiting the outcome of the wound which she inflicted.

## ARTHUR GRIFFITH DIES IN DUBLIN

### UNEXPECTED TRAGEDY IN TROUBLED IRELAND.—FEW KNEW THAT PRESIDENT OF DIAL EIREANN HAD BEEN SICK.

Dublin, Aug. 13.—Dublin was shocked early yesterday to learn of the sudden death of Arthur Griffith, president of the dial eireann, and everywhere it was commented on as one of the most tragic and wholly unexpected events in troubled Ireland.

Death came at a nursing home, apparently from heart attack following an operation a few days ago for tonsillitis. Few people in Dublin even knew that the ardent worker for the Free State cause had been ill. Immediately signs of mourning were displayed, flags were set at half mast on buildings and ships in the harbor.

The first question on all sides was what effect the death of the leader would have on the solution of the problems before the provisional government. His colleague, Michael Collins, recently has devoted his attention almost entirely to the military operations against the irregulars while the country looked to Mr. Griffith to manage the civil affairs until the rebellion was suppressed.

Though president of the dial eireann, Mr. Griffith held no ministerial portfolio. William Cosgrove, minister of local government, acted as head of the Irish government during Mr. Griffith's illness.

The president's associates were stunned by the news of his death. Not one of them was prepared to discuss its effects, but they all agree that Ireland had sustained a great loss.

## MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING

### Held in Council Chambers Friday Night

The regular monthly meeting of the City Council was held Friday the 11th at 8:30 p. m., having been postponed from Tuesday on account of the Junior Order being in town. Mayor Mars and all the aldermen except Mr. C. L. Link were present.

At this meeting the Council passed a motion that hereafter the license tax for boot-blacks shall be \$5.00 per year for those who charge 5 cents for a shoe shine, and \$25 a year for those who charge 10 cents for a shine.

The Council also passed a motion that hereafter hackmen shall not charge passengers to exceed 25c in day time and 50c at night from one point to another in the city limits.

Miss Eva Pratt of Due West was in town shopping Saturday.

## SHEALY GETS COAL FOR COTTON MILLS

### WIRES GOVERNOR ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE—SUPPLY ON HAND AND DEMAND FOR SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER MUST BE KNOWN.

Columbia, Aug. 13.—Frank W. Shealy, chairman of the railroad commission, wired Governor Harvey from Washington yesterday that he had made satisfactory arrangements to procure sufficient coal to enable the cotton mills and allied industries to continue in operation in South Carolina.

Mr. Shealy went to Washington after a conference between the railroad commission and the governor in an effort to obtain more coal for the cotton mills and like plants in order that an industrial tie up might not result. The mills were facing a shut down, they told the commission, as they were unable to get coal, having been placed in classes 4 and 5, the bottom of the list.

If they had been forced to shut down many people would have been thrown out of work and the situation would have been very bad. Conditions became so acute that Mr. Shealy and R. S. Grier, a member of the staff of the commission went to the national capital. Members of the South Carolina delegation in Washington cooperated with Chairman Shealy.

In his telegram Mr. Shealy advised the governor that he had made "satisfactory arrangements" for sufficient coal to allow the mills to continue in operation. He asked that the cotton mills immediately report the supply they have on hand now and how much they will need for September and October. This report is essential, Mr. Shealy wired.

## REV. S. L. WATSON PREACHES

### Missionary From Brazil, Preached Here Sunday.

Rev. S. L. Watson, a missionary from the Baptist Church to Brazil, and who is now in the United States on furlough, preached in the Baptist Church last night, giving some insight into the work the missionaries are doing in that country.

Mr. Watson married Miss Annie Miller, a daughter of Rev. B. F. Miller of Smithville, this county, and a sister of Mr. Joe M. Miller of Abbeville. He is accordingly interested in Abbeville people, as they are in him.

Rev. S. F. Epps preached in the Baptist church Sunday morning.

Home From Hendersonville Judge and Mrs. Frank B. Gary are at home again after a two weeks visit to Hendersonville. They made the trip through the country.

## TWO BIG PROJECTS BEING LAUNCHED

### RAILROAD TO BE BUILT IN A YEAR'S TIME—HALF MILLION DOLLAR REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Charleston, Aug. 13.—Two announcements as to projects of importance here were made today, a \$500,000 real estate development in the upper part of Charleston and beginning work on a \$600,000 railroad enterprise between Jamestown and Mount Pleasant by way of McClellanville for a distance of 55 miles. W. H. Powers, a local contractor, has purchased 82 lots on an area known as Rutledge Heights at the upper end of this city and will proceed at once to construct 82 residences of model design, 50 of which are to be completed, according to his schedule, by January 1, and the remaining 32 by next March 15. The dwelling will be of modern design and well constructed, medium sized and meeting a popular demand for small houses.

The railroad enterprise, which has been spoken of before, is launched by the Tuxbury Lumber company and will involve an expenditure of \$600,000, it is estimated, with completion expected to be reached in a year's time. Grading has started near McClellanville and within 30 days laying of rails will begin. At Jamestown the new line will connect with the Seaboard. Primarily, the railroad is designed to handle timber from large tracts owned by the lumber concern in Charleston and Berkeley counties, enough for a 10 years' cut. The new line will open to transportation 100 square miles of fertile lands.

## TRAIN JUMPS TRACK NEAR COLUMBIA.

### Engineer John Preacher of Savannah Killed and Fireman Hurt.

Columbia, Aug. 13.—Seaboard Air Line railroad train No. 3, northbound, Jacksonville to Washington, jumped the track at 5:30 o'clock this afternoon half a mile from Dixiana, S. C., killing engineer John Preacher of Savannah, Ga. and injuring Fireman Dave Stevens of Savannah. One passenger was taken to a Columbia hospital badly shaken up but is not thought to be seriously hurt.

Sand on the track railroad officials say caused the derailing of the locomotive which practically buried itself beside the track. Three cars were also derailed.

## CAMPING ON LITTLE RIVER

Mrs. F. B. McLane and children, C. L. Rock and family of Haskell's, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Gilliam of Watts, R. H. Gilliam, Mr. and Mrs. Giles McLane of Atlanta, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McLane of Greenwood, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Todd of Columbia, are camping this week at Island Ford Bridge on Little River. Sheriff McLane, Capt. J. L. Perrin, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kennedy and Mrs. Mary I. Kennedy went out and took Sunday dinner with the campers.

## LEAVING US.

Mrs. Lanier Eason is returning to her home in Charleston this afternoon after a pleasant visit to Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Eason who are at the home of Chief Justice and Mrs. Eugene B. Gary. Mr. Eason is leaving also this afternoon to resume his work in New York.

## Earth Shocks Felt.

Washington, Aug. 12.—An earth quake of moderate intensity was recorded tonight on the seismograph instruments at Georgetown university. The shocks began at 7:32 p. m. and continued for 48 minutes. It was centered about 5,500 miles from Washington.

## WIDE AUTHORITY FOR PRESIDENT

### SENATE APPROVES FLEXIBLE TARIFF PLAN.—OPOSED BY THREE REPUBLICANS AND SUPPORTED BY TWO DEMOCRATIC MEMBERS.

Washington, Aug. 12.—A flexible tariff plan proposing authority for the president to increase or decrease the tariff rates in the pending bill until July 1, 1924, was approved tonight by the senate. The vote was 36 to 20 with three Republicans opposing and two Democrats supporting.

Just before approving the plan the senate adopted, 34 to 19, an amendment by Senator Bursum (Republican) of New Mexico which would provide that after July 1, 1924, no duties could be changed except by authority of congress. Eighteen Republicans and all the Democrats supported this amendment. The plan as finally approved is a sharp modification of that originally proposed. The president is prohibited from using American valuation except in the case of dyes and certain coal tar chemicals covered in two paragraphs of the bill and is required to base changes in rates on the differences in the "cost of production" at home and abroad instead of on difference in "conditions and competition."

Also the president could not change duties from specific to ad valorem or from ad valorem to specific, nor transfer articles from the dutiable list to the free list or from the free list to the dutiable list, nor could he raise any rate beyond any maximums specifically fixed in the bill. Alterations in rates, which would be limited to 50 per cent. of the figures fixed in the bill, would become effective within 60 days after the issuing of a proclamation providing for such changes, but a proclamation could not be issued until there had been investigation and a report of findings as to facts by the tariff commission.

Under an amendment by Senator Reed (Democrat) of Missouri the commission before making its recommendations to the president would be required to hold public hearings and give public notice in advance of such hearings.

In ascertaining the differences in costs of production the president as far as he found it practicable would be required to take into consideration:

"The differences in conditions in production including wages, costs of material and other items in costs of production of such or similar merchandise in the United States and in competing foreign countries.

"The differences in the wholesale selling price of domestic and foreign merchandise in the principal markets of the United States.

"Any advantages granted to a foreign producer by a foreign government or by a person, partnership corporation or association in a foreign country."

The original provision that in considering prices as factors the president should allow for only "reasonable" profits was eliminated.

## FIRST OPEN COTTON BOLL

C. D. Jackson brought to the Press and Banner office this morning the first open cotton boll of the season from his farm at "Cotton Hill." The cotton is of fine texture and shows no sign of a struggle with the boll weevil.

## COTTON MARKET

The best price offered for cotton on the local market today was 21 cents. Futures closed:

Oct. ....	20.23
Dec. ....	20.24
Jan. ....	20.12
March ....	20.16

## ABBEVILLE vs. ANDERSON TODAY AND TOMORROW

The season of the Carolina League is drawing to a close and as it does a neck and neck race is witnessed between Anderson and Abbeville. As it stands now Anderson has the advantage of one-half game, but Abbeville has been playing well lately, having won eight and tied one of the last ten games started.

The Anderson team is a strong one too. It is made up of real ball tossers, heavy batters and heady fielders. This team has been a tough proposition for the Abbeville boys the whole season, but Manager Galloway believes now that the Abbeville machine is working that the time has come for a turn of luck.

The Anderson team arrived in Abbeville this afternoon for a two game series. One of the games is being played as we get

out this issue and the other game will be played tomorrow at 4:30. If we are able to win the two games played here with Anderson we should have a long lead in the race for the rag. We have two more games with Greenwood and two more with Laurens, but at the pace we have been setting lately these teams do not worry us as much as formerly. Laurens though has been a tough proposition for Anderson all year and Anderson must go up against them for several games yet.

The games to be played this week are going to be worth seeing. Every loyal fan in Abbeville, and every person who loves good clean sport should turn out to give the home team the helping hand. We can win the rag, and we must win it.