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Oldest Feed Store In the City

Our stand has long been one of the most reliable Feed Stores In the City

Increased stock in every line of Horse Cow, etc., Feeds.

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Wholesale & Retail Grain and Feed

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See New Postoffice Department ruling.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Having purchased the stock of formerly owned by **PACE & GARREN**

I desire to announce to the people of Henderson County that I shall continue at the same stand. I desire to thank you in advance for a share of your patronage. I shall endeavor to carry a complete line of **Staple AND Fancy Groceries Feed and Etc.**

With courteous treatment, prompt delivery, goods as represented, with prices as low as the lowest, I shall try to merit your confidence.

Hayne A. Dermid

Opp. Depot Hendersonville, N. C.

Now Independent.

Six many years ago a native of Ohio came to North Carolina for the purpose of finding health and to engage in stock raising. His neighbors believed that he would find health but considered him a fool for settling on an old broken down farm, and predicted that he would soon go out of business. He went ahead, however, and today he is one of the leading citizens of that section. He has made money, and is now independent. He recently refused to accept a position which would pay him \$2,000 a year, because he could make more money on that old farm which he purchased a few years ago. He is still raising stock and is presenting the same doctrine to others with the result that many have also gone into this business.—*Custom Progress.*

CHEAP CORN.

Raised Seventy Bushels on an Acre at an Outlay of Dollar and a Half. Durham, N. C., Dec. 9.—A fourteen-year old country girl, Adelle B. Ragan, today appeared at the county court house and put in a claim for one of the prizes offered in the annual hog's corn growing contest. She brought a certificate showing that she had raised seventy bushels on one acre. This she produced with an outlay of only one dollar and a half for fertilizer. She took all prizes for cheapness of production. The girl took her father's mule and plowed and raised the corn while he recovered from illness. She is the first woman in the United States, it is said, to compete for one of the corn raising prizes. Jesse Nichols won the first and with a yield of one hundred and twenty-five bushels on an acre. The contest is limited to persons under 18 years of age.

GOOD WHEAT ACREAGE.

Winter Crop Sown Over More Than 32,000 Acres of Ground. Washington, Dec. 7.—The December crop report of the Department of Agriculture, issued at 2:15 p. m. today, shows 32,213,040 acres sown to winter wheat this fall, compared with the newly revised estimate, based on the census bureau's 1910 statement of acreage of 32,648,000 acres for the crop of 1910. The condition of winter wheat on December 1, was 86.6 per cent of a normal, compared with 82.5 in 1909, 95.8 in 1908 and 83.9 the 10 year average. The area sown this fall to rye is estimated at 2,626,000 acres, compared with the revised estimate area of 1911, and 2,413,000 acres for the crop of 1910. The condition of rye on December 1 was 93.3 per cent was 93.6 in 1910, 94.1 in 1909 and 92.8 the ten-year average.

MAN RECEIVES 20,000 VOLTS AND LIVES TO TELL THE TALE.

Employee of Belmont Mill Comes in Contact With Live Wire and His Life is Saved by Cutting off Current. Belmont, Dec. 14.—The first serious accident that has ever occurred in the history of the Majestic Manufacturing Company happened this morning about 11 o'clock. Mr. Neagle an employee of the mill, came in contact with a live wire and received the full force of 2,300 volts of electricity. The accident occurred in plain view of a large number of the other employees. At 4 o'clock this afternoon he had just begun to regain consciousness and some hope, though slight, is held out for his recovery.

Mr. Neagle, in company with several other men was engaged in the installation of a motor. All of the work incident thereto had been finished and the motor, which was on a scaffolding or platform twelve feet from the floor, was being tested. Some of the wires just at the point of contact with the motor had been left uninsulated. Mr. Neagle, reaching with a wrench in his hand to tighten a bolt, touched one of the deadly wires with his shoulder. The entire force of the 2,300 volts threw his head against the wires and he was badly burned about the neck and ears. Some of the men nearby, seeing his condition, sprang to the switchboard close at hand and cut off the current. His body thus released, fell the distance of twelve feet to the floor. His head struck some part of the mill machinery and was badly cut. His skull is also probably fractured.

COMING TO NORTH CAROLINA

Western Farmers Being Attracted to This State in Numbers.

Raleigh, Dec. 12.—Many letters are being received daily at the North Carolina department of agriculture from farmers in the northwest who express a desire to remove to this state to live.

The great yields of corn in the eastern section and the delicious apples of the mountains are the magnets that are attracting the best class of farmers to North Carolina.

Mr. Wilson, who lives near Indianapolis, was a visitor to the department today and spoke to Commissioner Graham with reference to the purchase of farming lands in the eastern part of the state. Even this week a party of Ohio farmers is making a tour of eastern North Carolina in search of desirable lands.

Thomas B. Whitson, who was convicted in Mitchell county of murder, and who twice escaped and went to Kentucky to live, has made out a strong application for pardon. W. C. Newland appearing before Governor Kinchen in his behalf. Samuel Whitson and Mrs. Nelson, a daughter of Thomas Whitson, also appeared in behalf of their relative.

SOUTHERN BOYS WIN LAURELS.

Youthful Corn Growers Hear Words of Praise From Secretary of Agriculture Wilson.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson stood in his office last Wednesday and presented diplomas of merit to 211 boys from the southern states who have won prizes for raising large crops of corn, and whose help to the national capital is part of the award given to them by the states from which they came.

With true Rooseveltian vigor the venerable secretary threw forward his arm and exclaimed: "You boys receive these diplomas because you have done something. We are proud of you, your states are proud of you and you have done something which will help to reduce the cost of living and to make the south a greater and richer section of the country."

In raising bumper crops of corn the secretary told the boys they had taken the first step necessary to successful farming. Corn is the foundation, he declared, of other crop production. With plenty of corn the south, he said, would be able after a time to raise its own beef, and not be compelled to go to the west for it. The secretary said the department had no desire to boss the boys of the south in this work; that the only wish of its officials was to help them.

With a kindly word for each boy as he handed him his diploma, the secretary told the boys that they could face the world feeling that they possessed something which could not be bought with money.

FOR WOODROW WILSON.

Organization Formed and Headquarters Will be Opened in Chicago.

Governor Woodrow Wilson's presidential campaign was begun in Illinois last week when his friends announced a committee on organization and prepared to open headquarters there in a few days.

William C. Niblack, vice president of a trust company, is chairman of the organization committee and Frank H. Jones, former assistant postmaster general, is at the head of the finance committee. The committee will, it is said, urge a presidential primary in that state.

SOUTHERN PUTS ON SCRIP BOOK.

On January 7, 1912, certain of the prominent southeastern railroads will place on sale at their principal ticket offices a form of transportation order designated "interchangeable penny scrip books," which will be honored by practically all the railroads in the southeast.

Each book will contain at time of sale 2,500 coupons of the face value of 1 cent each, or \$25 in the aggregate, but will be sold for \$20. The coupons of each book, when attached to the cover and contract thereof and

presented to ticket agents by the original purchaser, will be accepted in the purchase of transportation between stations in the southeast for his own use at the rate and under the regulations set forth in the tariff governing the sale and use of this form of transportation order.

The Southern Railway Company will sell and honor these scrip books in addition to the present 2-cent per mile interchangeable mileage tickets of forms Z and ZZ, which the Southern railway has had on sale for the past several years, thus making no change in the existing forms and rates of interchangeable mileage books by the Southern railway, the scrip book arrangement simply being, as far as the Southern railway is concerned, an additional transportation facility.

REPUBLICANS LOSE ARIZONA.

Two Senators, One Representative and Governor Will be Democrats.

The Democrats of Arizona will place two members in the United States senate and one member in the house of representatives, a governor in the state capital at Phoenix, and unless present indications are, substantially changed will make a clean sweep of the state ticket as a result of the first state election, so says a recent press dispatch dated from Phoenix.

The legislature, from present indications, will be more than three-fourths Democratic, insuring the election of Henry F. Ashurst, of Prescott, and Mark A. Smith, of Tucson, to the United States senate. Carl Hayden, of Phoenix, was elected to congress. W. P. Hunt, of Globe was elected governor.

State Farmers Union Elects Officers.

Wilson, Dec. 14.—The North Carolina Farmers' Union, in session here today, elected the following officers: President, H. Q. Alexander of Matthews; J. M. Templeton, vice president, Carr; secretary and treasurer, E. C. Paves, Charlotte; State organizer J. Z. Green, Marshville; business agent, J. R. Rives, Sanford.

No Excuse Now for Greasy Doughnuts

A lady in Greenville, S. C., recently wrote a friend as follows: "For years, after preparing doughnuts with the utmost care, I was disappointed to see them come out greasy and unwholesome looking. However, with my first use of Cottolene for frying them I was delighted, as they were brown, crisp and delicious. "For making doughnuts, pastry, light bread and flaky biscuits, I prefer Cottolene to any other shortening on the market. We even carry a roll of it on our annual camping trips through the mountains." Cottolene—the perfect shortening—is made from vegetable-oil; it contains no hog fat—no indigestion.

The South—



Famed for its Cooks and

Cottolene

To mention the South is to suggest "good cooking." The South is the home of *Cottolene*, and more of the product is used there in proportion to the population than in any other part of the country. This is simply because Southerners know that cotton oil is a pure, vegetable product, and the best cooking fat known. *Cottolene* is made from choice, refined cotton oil, and packed

in sealed, air-tight tin pails to insure its cleanliness and freshness.

Why take chances with lard and inferior imitations when you can get *Cottolene*—the original cotton oil cooking fat—and still the best, most healthful, most economical in the market?

Cottolene will aid your cook to make a reputation.

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"Nature's Gift from the Sunny South"