# JOHN G. RICHARDS

## The Farmers' Hope

The source of all wealth in South Carolina is the cotton crop. Agriculture is the basis of everything, especially in this state; and of agriculture in this state 95 per cent of it is either the direct production of cotton or of crops auxiliary to the production of cotton. Our mineral product is a minimum. A few kaolin beds, some phosphate rock and traces of gold and iron amount practically to nothing. Three months ago the prospects of a fine yield and high prices for cotton were never better, which meant general prosperity for all classes in our state. The prospects for a fine yield are still good. The price of cotton has not only gone tumbling, but there is no living man in South Carolina, or outside of South Carolina, today who can say what the price is. It is the wildest guess work. Our people from a yesterday of hope look grimly to a to-morrow of despair. Why is this. Of course, only because a great and sudden war, unexpected by even the wisest has broken out from one end of Europe to the other, destroying not only our great world markets, but ocean transportation and every other means of moving our crops to their ordinary destination. There is no market, no demand and no communication. The stormiest prospects lie before the farmers of South Carolina that have afflicted them since the Civil War. The bankers and the merchants will revel in this as their great opportunity. In some respects our state will suffer worse than if the ravages of war were actually present in our own borders. But during it all, the banker and the money shark will rub his hands in serene enjoyment. Money is not to be had except at high rates of interest. The little money which the United States Government places at our disposal, and which is but a drop in the bucket, will be used by the Shylock bankers at 8 per cent and better, while the poor farmer suffers.

So much therefore, need only be said by way of preliminary. The question is, what shall be done to meet this terrific crisis? The popularity as well as the policies of Governor Blease cannot be discounted. The people of our state would have voted for him and elected him to the United States senate but for the underlying fact that they were led to believe honestly that it would be contrary to the best material interests of the farmer and the cotton grower of South Carolina to do so. This was the burden of the campaign of Senator Smith—the salvation of the cotton grower. We accept with complacency the verdict of the people, but we insist that the public should not lose sight of the grounds upon which that verdict was rendered. Those who would place it upon factional lines, while at the same time protesting that the days of factionalism are over, are in the same breath denying the truth of their triumph.

Since election day conditions have grown rapidly worse, and to such an extent do our people stand appalled, from the commonest laborer in the field to the laborer in the city, that on last Monday, in Columbia, a conference was called for the sole purpose of considering what might be done in the matter. Senator Smith was among those present. He frankly confessed that the machinery of the National Government had fallen down, and that utterly no relief could be expected from that source for this purpose. No matter how good the Government's intention, it is known and was openly charged in the halls of congress that last year's crop money never reached the farmers, for whose sole purpose it was sent down to the local banks. Not only the published accounts of this meeting, but the private conversations of Senator Smith can be adduced to prove that he admitted that the only hope was from the Legislature of South Carolina, acting, if possible, in unison with the Legislatures of the nine cotton-growing states. What was Major Richards to do? He has been a life-long farmer, and his interests are wrapped up entirely with the farmers of South Carolina. On the other hand, his opponent is a banker, not by any means distressed over the outlook for the farmers. On the word of Senator Smith, and by the consensus of opionin of those gathered at that conference, Major Richards has memoralized Governor Blease to call an extra session of the Legislature to give some relief, some immediate relief to the suffering farmers, and let South Carolina lead in this movement as she has lead in all southern enterprises, to awaken the other cotton states and by concerted action devise ways and means for the protection of the crop now being harvested and the curtailment of next year's acreage. That memorial has been duly presented. It is confessedly along the lines of the only hope, since the Legislature, if convened in extra session, will pass a law granting a moratorium, which will prevent the compulsory collection of liens, notes and accounts from the debt-ridden farmer until a return to normal times.

Because Governor Blease has said that he is undecided, and that he merely awaits the judgment of the people next Tuesday as to whether or not they agree with the timely memorial of Major Richards, the press of the state has broken out into loud hysterics, charging him with political blackmail, etc. If it was not wrong for Senator Smith to promise the people of South Carolina protection in the price of their chief staple, which a universal press failed to construe in any respect as playing upon the fears of the people, or in the nature of blackmail, how can it possibly be wrong if Major Richards, following the confessed hoplessness of Senator Smith, has asked for Legislative help in this respect, as a guide to the granting of which Governor Blease simply says that he awaits the verdict of the people next Tuesday? The press would not be so wroth about this matter unless it realized that, on behalf of Major Richards, this is a political masterstroke, and the people should not be allowed to be stirred into a passion by a Manning press, when at least twenty-five million dollars of the people's money depend on their action next Tuesday. It is a shot which has hit the bull's eye, and the only thing that worries the partisan, factional Manning press is that it has come in time to mean the election of Richards as sure as fate.

(Political Advertisement)

## ANDERSON GOODS GO TO A DISTANT PORT

### COTTON SEED SHIPPED TO SOUTH AFRICA

### FIRST SHIPMENT

**For First Time In History of the State, Cotton Seed Will Go To Foreign Country**

The first order ever received in Anderson, or in South Carolina for that matter, for good from South Africa, reached this city yesterday in the shape of an order for some Anderson long staple cotton seed. How the people in the far-away country ever heard of the Anderson variety is a question hard to determine but certain it is that Furman Smith, the Anderson seedman, received an order which requested that a certain kind of seed raised by an Anderson man be shipped at the earliest possible moment. The order went on to say that the seed had been heard of in South Africa in a most complimentary manner and that the owners of cotton in that country were anxious to try them out.

Mr. Smith has already secured the variety ordered and says that he will have them packed and ready for shipment by Monday morning. The shipment will be made from this city to New Orleans and thence to South Africa. [illegible] the first ever received from a foreign country, but it was one of the largest orders ever received here from any point for cotton seed.

One of the farmers living near here said yesterday at the chamber of commerce that he once lived in German East Africa, near the Belgium Congo where he raised cotton under the German bounty system. For every pound of cotton raised in German East Africa, the German government pays a bounty to the farmer of three cents per pound. This is done in an effort to increase the cotton raising industry in South Africa but the Anderson farmer says that he would rather raise cotton in Anderson county without a bounty than to raise thousands of pounds in East Africa with a considerably larger bounty than is paid. He says that labor is hard to get in that country and that farmers there are worth nothing from the cotton standpoint when they can be hired.

## WAR TIME COIN WAS SEEN HERE

**Over 100 Years Ago England Had To Resort to New Currency During Times of War**

A resident of Anderson dropped into The Intelligencer office yesterday and showed people in the office one of the queerest coins that any of them had ever seen. The coin was made by the Bank of England and it was of the five shilling denomination. This was a coin of the emergency period and was made in 1804 by the Bank of England during the Napoleon's war. The coin was one of those instituted by the bank when it was forced to suspend payment of specie and when the paper money, then being issued by the government, was refused on every hand. This created such a financial stringency that the Bank of England announced its willingness to coin all gold and silver brought to the bank at the bank's own risk. At that time conditions in Europe were as much upset as they are now or even more so as Napoleon was at that time at his height. The Bank of England saved the situation at that time and it would appear that some such step may again be necessary there, unless it has already been put into practice.

The coin showed in Anderson is in a magnificent state state of preservation and the engraving is perfect. Notwithstanding the fact that the coin is 104 years old, the date is still plain and every word of the inscription can easily be read: "George III, by the Grace of God, King," and on the other side appears "Bank of England, One Dollar, 1804."

### NOT INSAN"

**C. D. Fortner Never An Inmate of the State Hospital**

C. D. Fortner, candidate for railroad commissioner, has requested this paper to publish the following:

State of South Carolina,
County of Richland.
State Hospital for the Insane

Columbia, S. C., Sep. 4, 1914.

To whom it may concern:

I hereby certify that I have made a thorough examination of the records of the State Hospital for the Insane and find no record of where one C. D. Fortner, now a candidate for railroad commissioner, was were committed to said institution, nor was he ever an inmate of the same, and the report which is now being circulated to that effect is ridiculously absurd, even as an eleventh hour campaign foleshood.

J. T. STRAIT,
Superintendent.

## STUDENTS WILL SOON BE LEAVING

**Anderson Boys and Girls Preparing To Leave For Educational Institutions In All Parts**

Anderson's younger society set will soon be almost depleted, judging from the number of boys and girls getting ready to go away to school. On every hand some family is preparing to send daddy's pet or mamma's darling away to school for the coming session and as a consequence the entire set of younger people are demoralized.

Among those who will leave next week are those for Clemson College. The following young men will go from this city: P. C. Crayton, Gladson Acker, Roper Major, St. Clair Webb, J. C. Hamlin, Sam Jones, Earl Hunter, Prue Sloan, Jerome Beck, Floyd Parker and Louis King.

Auburn college has attracted several students from this city for the coming year and the following will leave next week for that institution: S. M. Major, Harry Sebyt, William Green, Theo Burriss, Oscar Martin and William Sullivan.

Robert McCulley and Charles Pennell will go to the Citadel at Charleston while Zeke Major and Robert will enter the University of South Carolina at Columbia.

## CURRENCY SLOW IN COMING HERE

**Government Has Begun To Send Emergency Fund Into This State**

Special to The Intelligencer.

Columbia, Sept. 5.—Commissioner Watson announced today that the first installment for South Carolina, amounting to $125,000, under the Aldrich-Vreeland emergency currency act had been shipped to the Peoples National Bank of Charleston. R. Goodwyn Rhett, president of the bank, is now in Washington working further along these lines.

J. Pope Matthews and Gilbert M. Berry, cashiers of the Palmetto National Bank and the National Loan and Exchange Bank of Columbia, respectively, are also in Washington representing the South Carolina currency association. Such a state organization is necessary under the provisions of the act as in the matter of emergency currency the federal government can not deal with individual banks.

"The principal reason for delay," said Commissioner Watson today, "so far as South Carolina is concerned, has been the slow organization of the South Carolina currency association."

## DAIRY PEOPLE TO MEET WEDNESDAY

**Denver School Will Be Scene of Gathering In Interest of Dairy Product**

The dairy meeting which is to be held next Wednesday, September 9, will be the event of the week for the country people of Anderson county. It is expected that dairy people, not only from the Denver section, but from all parts of Anderson county will be in attendance.

Clemson College has gone to considerable expense in arranging for this meeting and the best instrtcuruct from that institution will come here for the day. The addresses will be interesting and will be filled with facts of interest to the farmers, and especially those interested in dairying.

Clemson College offers a permanent market for cream and the dairy department of that institution agrees to purchase all the cream shipped to that point. Therefore, the purpose of the meeting Wednesday is to consider the advisability of establishing a cream route out from Sandy Springs.

Should this route be established, carriers will make regular daily trips through the Denver section, collect cream and take same to Clemson College where it will be sold to the dairy department.

D. W. Watkins of the dairy department of Clemson was in Anderson yesterday and while here said that he would like if possible to secure cream from every farmer in the Denver section and if possible from every farmer in the county.

The importance of this work cannot be exaggerated and the people of the county should certainly avail themselves of the opportunity to hear dairying discussed. The speakers are all thoroughly acquainted with their subjects.

## W. O. W. RETURN FROM THE CAMP

**Members Say Degree Team Had Fine Time In Spartanburg and Enjoyed Outing**

Anderson members of the Woodmen of the World returned to the city yesterday from Spartanburg where they have been in camp with the other divisions of the Woodmen of North and South Carolina. The degree team of the local lodge reached Anderson yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock and they say that they never had a more enjoyable outing than that in Spartanburg. At the same time the camp resulted in valuable experiences and they were given instruction in the degree work of the order which will prove very valuable indeed.

They say that the camp officials and the fraternal order had done everything possible in the way of preparing for the encampment and they had left no detail undone. Fourteen members of the Anderson camp attended the district rally.

## ONLY MOTOR MAIL IN THE ENTIRE COUNTRY

**ANDERSON PEOPLE HEAR INTERESTING NEWS**

### START NEXT WEEK

**Government Will Operate Such a Service from Walhalla To Highlands, N. C., Every Day**

The only motor mail service in the south, or possibly in all the United States, under government supervision, will soon be in operation from Walhalla, S. C, to Highlands, N. C., according to information received in Anderson last night. The mail route will consist of a round trip automobile service from the South Carolina town to Highlands, N. C., every day and it will lessen the time required for mail to go between those points by at least one half.

Some time ago the people of Highlands, N. C, took this matter up and appealed to the people of Walhalla and to the Anderson chamber of commerce to lend their aid. The Walhalla people responded very readily and Secretary Whaley of the Anderson chamber of commerce took the matter up with Wyatt Aiken, congressman from the Third district, and as these efforts, a message was received last night by The Intelligencer saying that the service would be inaugurated on September 11.

It required considerable effort on the part of the congressman from the Third district to secure this service but that it will be of great value to the people of Anderson and surrounding towns is a certainty.

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## BRIGHT OUTLOOK FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**ENROLLMENT WILL REACH ABOUT 3,600**

### TO START MONDAY

**All Teachers Ready To Assume Their Duties and Assignments Have Already Been Made**

Indications are that about 3,600 pupils will be enrolled in the city schools of Anderson by tomorrow morning, at which time the first day of the present session will be at hand. E. C. McCants, superintendent of the city schools, said yesterday that he firmly expected the enrollment to be fully as large as the figures given and it may be that the enrollment will exceed that number.

At a meeting of the board yesterday afternoon they made selection of the last teacher to be chosen for the coming session. Miss Florence Hudgens was elected as teacher for the South Side school and this completes the faculty for the coming year. The following is a complete list of the teachers and their assignments by the schools:

**High School and Grammar School, No. 1 West Market Street.**
Principal and Latin—C. W. Riser.
Science—Samuel W. Anderson.
Geometry and Algebra—Miss Elizabeth Forney.
Latin and Domestic Science—Miss Georgia Marshall.
English—Miss Berta Newton.
History—Mrs. Louise Agnew (substituting for Miss Eunice Gideon who is on sick leave.)
Algebra and Arithmetic—Miss Mary Hough.

**Grade Teachers**
Miss Annie Cooley.
Miss Alma Turner.
Miss Tallulah Crowther.
Miss May Russell.
Miss Willie Maynard.
Mrs. Annie Allen.
Miss Daisy Wilson.

**Grammar School, Number Two, Glenn Street.**
Principal—Mrs. Lottie Estes.

**Grade Teachers**
Misses Martha Clarke, Bessie Tucker, Eva Tribble, Lelia Maseley, Ruth Watkins, Lucile Burriss, Ruth Archer.
(Fifth grade to be supplied.)

**Grammar School, Number Three, North Fant Street**
Principal—Miss Nellie Cochran.

**Grade Teachers**
Misses Lena Clinkscales, Olivia Duckett, Janie Prince, Eddie Davis, Helen Burress, Lamora Hubbard.

**Grammar School, Number Four, Kennedy Street**
Principal—G. V. Chambers.

**Grade Teachers**
Misses Jean Harris, Eliza Major, Charlotte Parks (substitute for Miss Louise Agnew), Miriam Lee, Anna Brown, Vera Pruitt, Evie Lewis.

**Grammar School, Number Five, Southside**
Principal—C. M. Buchanon.

**Grade Teachers**
Misses Mary Acker, Dot Manning, Vermelle O'Neal, Miss Florence Hudgens.

**Grammar School Number Six, East Whitner Street**
Misses Cleo Bailey, Annie Erskine.

**Colored School A, Reed Street.**
Principal—M. H. Gassaway

**Grade Teachers**
Maria Gassaway, Carrie Gaskaway, Alice Webb, Mattie Moore, Irene Taylor, Christine Thomas, Ida Watson.

**Colored School B, South Fant Street.**
Principal—M. J. M. Earle

**Grade Teachers**
Ola Todd, Conyous Jones, Janie Lou Williams, Bertha Adams, Gertrude Richey. One to be supplied.

## PRESBYTERY DID SOME GOOD WORK

**Presbyterians of Piedmont District Held Regular Meeting With Church at Sandy Springs**

The meeting of the Piedmont presbytery which has just been held with the Presbyterian church of Sandy Springs was one of the best that the body has ever held. Members of the presbytery say that they were well pleased with the work accomplished and that the outlook is very promising.

Rev. D Witherspoon Dodge, pastor of the Central Presbyterian church of Anderson, preached the opening sermon, following which J. M. Garrett of Pelzer was elected moderator and B. Harris of Pendleton was elected recording clerk.

The session of the presbytery Friday was taken up with the hearing of reports on the educational institutions of the state. From these reports it is seen that both Chicora College at Greenville and the Presbyterian College of South Carolina at Clinton are in fine shape. Davidson College in North Carolina is also doing great work according to the reports.

Home mission work came in for a large share of the discussion Friday and it was agreed that instead of trying to organize new churches in the presbytery, it would be better to encourage attendance at the present churches by working among the families of each neighborhood and trying to increase the interest in the church work of the various communities.

The meeting of the presbytery came to a close at noon yesterday, at which time it was decided that the next meeting would take place with the Varennes church in April. At that time the popular church of the Varennes section will celebrate its 108th anniversary and fitting exercises will take place.


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