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Mississippi State News

Fixing for the Farmers.

Commencement exercises being over at the Agricultural and Mechanical College, the faculty is now engaged in the work of arranging the schedules for the different farmers' institutes which are to be held throughout the State this summer. Farmers in the different county communities desiring an institute are requested to send in as largely signed petitions as possible to the president of the college at an early date. Before assigning an institute to any section of a county, the faculty should know the number of communities desiring institutes in that particular county. Up-to-date methods of general agriculture, horticulture, trucking, dairying, diseases of plants and of live stock, rotation of crops, fertilizers, etc., will be discussed, and the college will be glad to have suggestions from the petitioners as to the subjects most desired in their institutes. These institutes will be held during the months of July and August in every county in the State, and the season will close with a general round-up institute at the college about the first of September. Not only the leading agriculturists of Mississippi, but the best men that can be found in this country, will be present at this meeting, and no time could be more enjoyably and profitably spent by Mississippi farmers than by attending this meeting, and learning the modern and scientific methods of their chosen life work, and the reasons for the faith which will be preached to them.

Negroes to Organize Bank.

A movement has been started among the prominent negroes of Jackson to organize a bank to be known as the American Trust and Savings Bank, with a capital stock of \$20,000. The bank will be organized as soon as the charter is granted. L. K. Atwood, of Redmond, and others are behind the movement. This movement among the negroes is to be commended.

The Boll Weevil Quarantine.

The boll weevil quarantine in Mississippi, established by Prof. Glenn W. Herrick, the State entomologist, is causing the railroads considerable worry, owing to the impediments to traffic from Texas, both on freight and passenger business.

The Mississippi provisions against freight carried from the districts of Texas infected with the boll weevil are very rigid, and at the urgent request of the railroads, Prof. Herrick has modified the restrictions somewhat, so as not to unnecessarily hamper traffic. The quarantine against Texas grain has been amended so far as oats is concerned. This action was taken in order to preserve the trade between Texas producers and Mississippi consumers.

The passenger departments of the roads entering Mississippi manifest much uneasiness over the embargo

against hand baggage from the infected districts. Section 4 of the Mississippi quarantine regulations reads as follows:

"No common carrier, person, firm, corporation, partnership or association shall bring into or carry through the State of Mississippi any baggage, bedding, clothing or mattresses stuffed with corn shuck, hay, straw or cotton, or any other material liable to contain the boll weevil, from any of the counties, parishes or places in the States of Texas and Louisiana where the boll weevil may exist."

This provision is giving the passenger traffic officials as much worry as the freight restrictions are giving the freight officials. It is claimed by the passenger men that the embargo against hand baggage is too severe, and the matter will be taken up by the officials with the Mississippi authorities. The railroad men say that they realize the gravity of importing boll weevils into a non-infected State, but that there is no likelihood whatever of the insects being carried in hand baggage which contains merely the personal wearing apparel of travelers.

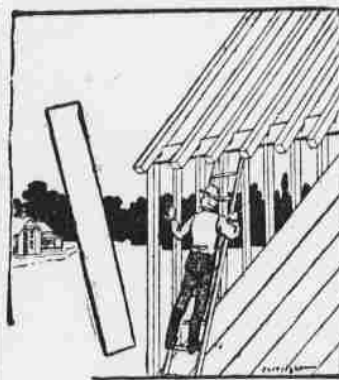
Deficit in Prospect.

The vaults of the State treasury now contain less than \$150,000, and a deficit is immediately in prospect unless the payment of the semi-annual distribution of the school fund is deferred for a few weeks. The school fund distribution, amounting to \$416,000.00, is payable, according to law, during the month of June, but there will not be enough money in the vaults during the month to meet the payment, and postponement of the distribution is inevitable. It will not cause the State any financial embarrassment, however, as the money is not needed by the public schools until the latter part of the summer, or just before the opening of the scholastic term. Early in July Gov. Vardaman and Treasurer Miller will sell the half-million dollar issue of three and one-half per cent bonds authorized by the legislature, and this will tide the State over the crisis, it is hoped, until the fall tax collections commence to arrive. The June collections at the treasury will not amount to more than \$40,000 or \$50,000, and a great deal more than this amount will be paid out. A few inquiries have been received by the governor and treasurer from capitalists regarding the bond issue, but there does not seem to be any great anxiety on the part of investors to capture the issue.

Killed by Dynamite.

John Marsh, a Jasper county negro, started out on a fishing trip the other day, intending to use a stick of dynamite instead of the customary hook and line with worm bait, and the neighbors have been looking for his remains ever since. Marsh was evidently unaccustomed to the use of dynamite as an easy method of procuring fish for supper, as he had gone only a few feet from the house when the stuff exploded.

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