

## Farmers May Form a Trust to Control Prices of All Sorts of Farm Products

Associated Press.  
Indianapolis, Ind., October 22.—With the object of creating a "trust" which will absolutely control the prices of all the agricultural products of the country, delegates from 38 states, representing a present membership of 300,000 farmers, assembled in Indianapolis today for the fifth annual convention of the American Society of Equity. Already the society has succeeded in greatly raising the price of tobacco and other minor products, and plans will be completed at the present meeting to extend its influence over all commodities raised on the farm and in the orchard and garden. Great gains have been made in the last year and the officers of the organization are now predicting that within a year one million active farmers in the central west will be banded together in an offensive and defensive warfare for higher prices.

The time of the convention, which will last four days, will be devoted largely to transacting the business of the organization. Aside from the annual report of President J. A. Everitt, the convention will not listen to any set speeches. No practical politicians, singing the praises of the "horny handed sons of toil," and with an eye out for votes, will appear before the convention. The meeting will be strictly a business one. The members of the American Society of Equity are "on the make." They want plans that will put money in their pockets—not platitudes.

In his annual address, J. A. Everitt, president and founder of the society, will recommend the establishment of a marketing system for the society,

whereby its members may dispose of their products direct to the consumers in the large cities, thus eliminating middlemen. Up to this time the efforts of the society have been largely directed toward education and organization, and it is now said to be in a position to install a machine for marketing that will bring home to members the material benefits that such a plan promises.

"The present convention will be the most important and noteworthy gathering of the agricultural interests of the nation ever held," declared President Everitt. "We are now in a position to bring to the farmers of the country, it is our intention to open the eyes of all of them. By securing better prices for the growers of farm products it does not mean that the consumer will have to pay advanced prices for his supplies. On the contrary, it is our intention to eliminate some of the toll-gates that now stand between the producer and the consumer. The middlemen are now getting more than they are entitled to. Our society intends to divide some of the middlemen's profit in an equitable manner between the producer and the consumer."

The plan of the society is to control the supply of agricultural products in the hands of the first owners and hold it until the price demanded is paid. Up to this time the most aggressive work has been done in sections of the country producing largely of a certain crop, as in the tobacco growing districts of Kentucky, Tennessee and Virginia. There the society is in almost absolute control, and the tobacco "trust" is forced to pay the price asked. The plan has also been worked successfully by the

Farmers' union of the South in controlling the cotton crop.

At the present meeting minimum selling prices will be established on all farm products and the members will then pledge themselves to hold their stores until the market price reaches the coveted figure. Already the society has established commission houses in St. Louis and Kansas City and the wheat growers of the southwest are patronizing them liberally. Through the society's agency, members of the organization who are not in a position financially to hold their crops until the price advances to the official figure are enabled to store their grain in the society's warehouses and have money advanced to them within 20 per cent. of the current market price. It is the intention of the society to open such commission houses in all of the large markets of the country.

The indications are that J. A. Everitt, the Indianapolis man who founded the society, will be re-elected to the presidency at the annual election to be held Friday.

Today's session was devoted largely to the presentation of the reports of the national secretary, treasurer, director of organization and board of directors. The reports of the various affiliated departments including those of the tobacco growers, fruit and produce, grain growers, peanut growers and essential oil producers, will be read tomorrow. The state officers will also report progress in their sections. President Everitt will deliver his address Thursday. The grain growers' department will hold its annual meeting Friday.

The ballots to be used in the general election next month was made up by the board of election commissioners several days ago and is now in the hands of the printers, the Hattiesburg Printing Co. The ballot will contain 48 names of candidates and will be gotten up in the usual style.

## MAY BE HELD AT HATTIESBURG

CONFERENCE OF SOUTHERN STATESMEN IN A FEW DAYS.

Representatives From All South Mississippi Counties Will Be Asked to Be There as a Central Point for Their Fight.

Daily News Special.  
Jackson, Miss., October 22.—It is probable that the conference of legislators-elect from the southern counties of Mississippi to be called for the purpose of outlining the campaign to secure a larger representation for that section in the lawmaking body will be held at Hattiesburg instead of Jackson, as originally planned.

The date and place for the meeting will be named within the next few days, and the senators and representatives of all counties south of the Alabama and Vicksburg road will be requested to attend. Hattiesburg will probably be named as the place of meeting, owing to the fact that it is in the center of the territory at interest.

Plans for the conference are being arranged by Hon. Theo. Bilbo, senator-elect from the Second District, and who will be one of the leaders in the fight for a new legislative apportionment.

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### SHERLOCK HOLMES TAKES BACK SEAT

MAN WHO STOLE TELEPHONE WIRES TAKES CAKE.

Telephone Manager Has a Mysterious Visitor, But the Clue Which He Divulged Proved to Be Another Cold Trail—Mystery Deepens.

The place of concealment of the copper wires recently stolen from the Cumberland Telephone company, remains a secret though there are a number of theories as to who got them, where they are and all about the matter.

Monday afternoon as the manager was seated in his office trying to revolve some scheme into his mind by which he could catch the rogues he had a very mysterious visitor who desired a private audience with the representative of the company.

The audience was granted, and when the two were closeted alone the mysterious one said that he knew a party who knew where the stolen wire was buried and gave the manager the name of the party who possessed the much coveted information.

Later the manager called upon the second man and asked if he knew where the property was concealed and the party said that he did not know anything about the wire but he knew where a lot of brass which had been removed from freight and passenger cars was buried but as the manager was not out to hunt up railroad property he did not worry further along this trail.

Up to the present time there has been no tangible clues secured though at one time it was thought that they had the right trail only to learn that such was not the case.

Many theories have been advanced in regard to the matter, some suggesting that the wires might have been cut by parties who desired to cripple the service and with no intention of stealing them, but the absence of that large amount of wire would indicate that they were after the copper.

### DISTRICT ATTORNEY FILES A SENSATIONAL SUIT

District Attorney McLaurin is a painstaking and conscientious prosecuting attorney, one of whom the district justly feels proud, and the action he is taking in enforcing the law to the letter will be commended by all law abiding citizens.

Yesterday at an early hour he filed two very important papers with the clerk of the circuit court which will more forcibly than ever demonstrate that he is a fearless and conscientious prosecutor.

One of the papers is a quo warranto process to oust the Yellow Pine Literary and Amusement Company from the city of Hattiesburg and his reasons are plainly stated, concise and to the point.

He charges the said company with having begun the sale of liquor in their club rooms on May 1, in violation of the state, county, and national government as well as in violation of their charter.

That he will prove the charges goes without the saying as he is no doubt

thoroughly armed with all the necessary proof.

The other important paper filed is a civil action against Pauline Miller, a denizen of the under world, and her two sureties, and the state asks for \$300 damages in lieu of the just payment of a forfeit of \$201.

The case is a very complicated one and in many features sensational in the extreme. Pauline Miller was convicted upon a very serious charge and fined \$200 April, 1906, but the fine was remitted conditional that she reform and give two sureties, good and true, that she would live up to her obligation.

She furnished the sureties, two very staid citizens of this city, and went her way rejoicing, but only to fall again and with this fall the district attorney claims that her sureties become liable for the original fine.

In his declaration he claims that they have refused to pay the amount and in view of the necessity for a suit the commonwealth of Mississippi asks for damages in the amount of \$300.

### SIX CASES IN THE CITY COURT

Six cases occupied the attention of the police court yesterday morning when time was called and were disposed of as follows:

W. G. Stevens, charged with assault and battery, fined 50 cents.

Effie Swift, charged with assault and battery, sentenced to 30 days in jail.

F. O. Franklin, convicted of embezzlement, turned over to the county.

Louise Moore, charged with assault and battery, discharged.

Velma McIntosh, convicted of assault and battery, fined \$10.

Fannie Thomas, charged with trespassing, discharged.

### WANDERING MEXICANS ARE STILL IN JAIL

The wandering Mexicans who were arrested several days ago as suspicious characters were not tried yet.

terday afternoon, but still remain in jail awaiting a hearing before Judge J. W. Bolton, which will be granted them in a few days on a charge of vagrancy, though there is a great deal of doubt as to whether this charge can be sustained. Pedro Renda can speak English so as to be understood and claims that they were employed at Collins before coming here and were in search of work when they were arrested. Victor Chfou, the other victim, still insists that he cannot speak or understand a word of English. It was first thought that they were implicated in the telephone wire steal but it has developed that they were not or at least suspicion has ceased to point in their direction.

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