

OUR FARMER'S PAGE

THANKSGIVING.

Man's ingress into the world is naked and bare. His progress through the world is struggle and care. And his egress out of the world nobody knows where.

The editor of the Alliance Department of the Carolina Farmer made his ingress into the world on the 26th day of November, way before the War, and this good year of our Lord, 1914, the editor's birthday, and our National Thanksgiving both come on the 26th of November, not long off. Now we would like to suggest that on that day ever sub Alliance in the State hold a special Thanksgiving service.

Play the hypocrite, if need be, so as to "see that your good be not evil spoken of," but give thanks for all the mercies you have received this good year, and all the years you have left lying behind you.

Then give thanks for your paper, The Carolina Farmer, and for your editor, and for your State Lecturer. Then go one better than this.

The Good Book says "Faith without works is dead." And then again, "By their acts you shall know them."

So then, if you are true Alliance men, go out and organize a new sub-Alliance. Or go out into the highways and hedges and bring in a dozen new members to your own Alliance.

Then write the editor a letter, and tell him it was done in honor of Thanksgiving, and his birthday, and that you present these new members to him as a token of your gratitude for his life in the world. It would just about tickle him to death.

P. S.—The editor wouldn't object to a few personal presents on this great occasion. A big box, a middle-size box, or even a wee small box sent by parcel post, would find him at home on or after the 26th day of November, 1914, and no doubt in a receptive frame of mind.

Just try it and he will let you know the results.—Carolina Farmer.

KANSAS FARMERS PUT IN BIG WAR CROPS.

Plant Every Possible Acre With What—Holding Their Grain for Higher Prices.

Topeka, Kan., Nov. 13.—With the certainty now that the war in Europe will continue into the winter and probably will not be fought out before it is late to plant crops in the Spring, Kansas Farmers are rushing into wheat every acre that possibly can be sown, in expectation of big prices in next year. Furthermore, many of the largest growers are selling very little or none of this year's crop, in expectation of still higher prices. On thousands of farms, barns and temporary sheds are piled high with grain and on hundreds of farms thousands of bushels are piled out in the open, with only tarpaulin covering, until sheds can be built. Every elevator in the State is full of grain and virtually every mill is storing wheat in temporary sheds.

The temporary embargo which the railroads put into effect just before the outbreak of the European war which at first was roundly denounced by the farmers anxious to get their wheat to market, now is praised as the greatest blessing. It prevented wheat going to market and thereby forced farmers to hold their grain, for which they are now getting or can get a much higher price.

At the same time, financial conditions in the West are good and the farmers are having little difficulty in getting loans. Heavy rains in September put pastures in good shape, the corn will be ample and other crops have yielded up to or above the average.

With a continuance of the conflict in Europe for another six months, these high prices are certain to continue and with the huge wheat acreage going in, even a smaller yield will make as large a crop as this year or possibly larger. There are no definite figures yet on the acreage, but

estimates place it at not less than 12,000,000 as against approximately 9,000,000 acres harvested this year, yielding approximately 186,000,000 bushels.

THE MOST VALUABLE CROP EVER GROWN IN AMERICA.

Important Crops of United States Worth Over Hundred Millions Dollars More This Year Than Last in Spite of Loss of Over Four Hundred Million Dollars Sustained by Cotton Planters of the South.

Washington, Nov. 10.—Important farm crops of the United States this year are worth \$5,068,742,000 or \$104,000,000 more than the value of the same crops last year notwithstanding a loss of \$418,000,000 sustained by cotton planters on lint alone as a result of the European war.

Preliminary estimates announced by the Department of Agriculture and statistics of average prices paid to producers November 1, indicate that this year's wheat and corn crop are the most valuable grown in the United States, that the wheat and apple crops are record harvests and that the potato crop is the second largest ever raised.

The huge wheat crop and the increased price of that cereal the large corn and apple crops and the increased price in oats, barley and rye more than offset the big loss on cotton.

THE MESSAGE TO THE UNION.

Doctor Alexander's address to the Farmers' Union reads like a President's message to Congress, or a Governor's message to the Legislature, in that it is summarettical and recom-mendatory, and suggests redress for all the evils of the times. Doctor Alexander wants to reform the judiciary. The lawyers themselves have wanted to do this and have made attempts to swing the Legislature into line with the same ideas advanced by Doctor Alexander, but there arose the supposed scent of a nigger in the woodpile and the wellmeant work of the Bar Association went astray. Dr. Alexander wants reform in the banking system of the country, but we expect a little study of the reserve banking privileges might convince that in this benevolent system the country has about the thing the farmers have been looking for. Doctor Alexander wants reduction in the acreage of cotton and a diversification of crops, and the ripping up of the fields this Fall indicates that the farmers are not only in line with the head of the Farmers' Union, but are in fact anticipating him. No plumb job never hung truer than that marking the line for education for the agricultural classes—a fostering of agricultural and domestic sciences and arts in schools and Universities, and through farm life schools. Segregation is what Doctor Alexander considers the remedy for the rural problem in the statement that the land-holdings by white farmers are growing less while the land-holdings by negro farmers are increasing. He would restrict the holdings of land by corporations, would create a tax for the benefit of the absentee landlord, and would not let the unearned increment of vacant lands escape. As a political consideration Doctor Alexander would provide the State with the legalized primary and full-toothed corrupt practices act. He favors commission government for county and State, and advocates a good system of State warehouses; also, a clincher on the Six Per Cent. The people will be in agreement with Dr. Alexander on the school textbook problem—for that is a problem. Any system by which the changes in books could be made less frequent and the cost of the books reduced would be one of the greatest benefits yet bestowed upon the State. Doctor Alexander comes out for woman's rights and cotton bagging, for Justice, Equity and the Golden Rule in general. On the whole there are some pretty good things in the message to the Union.

A man's wife usually finds him out long before his sins do.

A KENTUCKY BELLE.

A Comedy in Three Acts.

Presented by the Star Library Circle, Whitsett Institute, Whitesett, N.C.

8 P. M. Saturday, Nov. 28, 1914.

Time—The Present.
Place—Blue Grass Region of Kentucky.

Act I.—Scene in Sitting Room.
Act II.—Same place four weeks later.
Act III.—Monday morning following.

Cast of Characters:
Miss Mariah Douglas, a maiden lady, Maude Greeson.

Isabel Douglas, niece, Sadie Vanderbilt.

Marie Van Harlinger, Isabel's friend, Eunice Clapp.

Col. Wm. McMillan, Isabel's suitor, C. C. Dusenbury.

Dr. Blake's middle aged physician, H. M. Clapp.

Miss Madden, trained nurse, Marion Redding.

John Carson Gordon, student in sociology, Carl Garrison.

Mrs. Gordon, mother of above, Effie Gentry.

Miss Gordon, sister of above, Winnie Greeson.

Cindy, negro maid, Gertrude Dixon.

Henry, a negro boy engaged to Cindy, Claude Fitzgerald.

Four Telephone Linemen—Messrs. Welch, Hargette, Whorton and Mendenhall.

Chorus Girls—Cleta Tesh, Maggie Boone, Ivel Johnson, Janie Clapp, and Pearl Phillipie.

Admission free; the public invited.

MARKETING COTTON.

The announcement that the business men and farmers are organizing in an effort to finance the Southern cotton crop through the European crisis, is one of the most important events that has shown up in the industrial horizon for many years. There have been numerous plans sprung out of this great problem whereby the farmer could chase the bear to his den at so much per chase, but the bear always escaped, and the farmer was usually caught, and many would-be financiers have talked as voluminously on the subject as a book farmer discussing the boll weevil. But the present plan cuts out the middleman. The man with the cotton and the man with the money are now talking face to face and it is a great hour for Dixie land.

SOCIAL CENTERS.

The crying need of rural North Carolina is social centers where our young people can be entertained, amused and instructed under the direction of cultured, clean and competent leadership, where aesthetic surroundings stir the love for the beautiful; where art changes the atmosphere with inspiration and power, and innocent amusements instruct and brighten their lives.

To hold our young people on the farm we must make farm life more attractive, as well as the business of farming more remunerative. The school house should be the social unit, properly equipped for nourishing and building character so that the lives of our people can properly function around it and become supplied with the necessary elements of human thought and activity.

FARM FACTS.

Get the difficulties out of the farmers way and the farmers' problems will solve themselves.

The increase in prices of farm products has not kept pace with the increased cost of living.

The farmer can produce without organization, but to successfully market he must unite with his neighbor. The farmer is the directing head and operating hand of his business. He combines, directs and carries all responsibilities.

The farmer cannot be helped until he organizes and the government

cannot help the farmer except through organization.

The farmer sells at prices fixed in free trade markets and buys everything he wears and uses in a high protective market.

The value of farm crops is determined not only by the amount of labor necessary to produce them but by having them on the market when needed.

A SQUARE DEAL.

The National Farmers' Union is demanding a square deal from Congress and State Legislatures on the marketing of farm products.

The Federal and State Governments have been spending millions of dollars annually in urging the farmer to increase production, but little attention has been given to the marketing side of the question.

It is a well known paradox that the larger the crop the less the value and a stimulant to production without corresponding aid in marketing, loses much of its worth to agriculture. The Nation is fast awakening to the fact that marketing, and not production, is the problem of the farmer.

ORGANIZED GOOD-WILL.

Who can prescribe the limits of the usefulness of the farmers' clubs? They mirror the new time in which we live and out of a jealous suspicious, narrow, selfish past there grows a new order of neighborhood kindness, courtesy and good will. The Jackson Farmers' Club near Duluth has bought as an organization, four and a half acres of land near a school house, and the club which was organized primarily for co-operative marketing will extend its usefulness as a social factor. A ball ground is to be a feature of the Jackson Club park with a children's play ground, swings and simple equipment. A permanent building will be erected for special exhibitions of community resources and a laboratory of human friendliness. New comers will find a welcome in this house dedicated to the glad hand and music and mental exercise and a better tomorrow.

Hush money does more talking than any other kind.

THE "WISE GUYS" DICTIONARY.

Reub.—A man who owns 240 acres of farm land valued at about \$200 an acre.

Jay.—A man who owns an 1915 automobile.

Country Jake.—A man whose home is equipped with gas lights, hot and cold running water, bath rooms and hot water heating plant.

Yap.—A man whose son is leading his class at the University.

Hick.—A man whose signature is good for \$10,000 at any bank in the country.

Boot.—A man whose daughter finds herself worth \$25,000 when the will is read.

Simp.—A man, to corral whose vote the congressman tramps over forty acres of plowed land.

Wise Guy.—A city chap, with about 30 cents in his pocket, who uses the above terms.

"APRON HEMMING" AT CLIMAX.

There will be an Apron Hemming held at Climax Nov. 25, 1914. Everybody come and all the girls be sure and bring aprons. There will also be lots of contests.

NOT BOUND FOR POORHOUSE.

Scotland Neck, Nov. 15.—While there is an unusually small amount of cotton being brought to the local market, the peanuts are beginning to be brought in greater abundance. All over this section now the peanut threshers are heard and great loads of the peanuts are being moved in every direction.

It is reported that Germany is ready for peace, provided she is given Belgium. But maybe Belgium would first insist on taking Germany.

The two most mysterious things in the world are a woman and a Chinese laundry ticket.

UNABLE TO LOCATE RELATIVES OF DEAD.

T. B. Evans, Injured at Reidsville on Thursday, Died at Hospital Yesterday—Had Coal Miner's Lamp.

T. B. Evans, a white man apparently 45 years old, was fatally injured Thursday when he was struck by a southbound passenger train just this side of the Station at Reidsville. He was brought here to St. Leo's Hospital, and notwithstanding the fact that he was given every attention, he failed to regain consciousness and died early yesterday morning. When the train struck the man it was running at a speed estimated at 10 miles per hour and it is said that he stepped on the track directly in front of the train, allowing the engineer absolutely no chance to stop.

Despite the fact that authorities here have tried in every way to locate relatives or friends of the dead man, all efforts so far have been futile. In the inside pocket of the coat of the suit he was wearing there was a letter addressed to T. B. Evans and it was from a brother at Bluefield, W. Va. Two telegrams were sent there yesterday, neither bringing a response. The police at Reidsville and Danville, Va., were also communicated with in an effort to find some one that knew the man. The chief of police at Bluefield was telegraphed but he did not know the man.

The deceased was well dressed in a dark suit of clothes and wore a nice fur-lined overcoat. In the inside pocket of the coat of the suit a label showed that the suit had been made on August 14 by S. Ancona & Co., Chicago, Ill. The dead man was 5 feet 10 inches high, had black hair and blue eyes and wore a moustache. Aside from the letter a pen knife, a broken bottle and a miner's lamp were found on his person. The supposition on account of the letter from Bluefield and the lamp is that he was a miner. The body will be held for several days and further effort will be made to locate either relatives or friends of the deceased.

MR. NORWOOD TALKS.

"It's an ill wind that blows no one any good," remarked Mr. George W. Norwood, of the office of the Secretary of State, yesterday. "While we all deplore the fearful war that is being waged across the water, still the United States is reaping a benefit from it in a financial way to a certain extent. I have before me figures showing that in the three months since the war started, Europe has placed contracts in the United States to an amount exceeding \$300,000,000. Some of the chief ones are the Bethlehem Steel Company and the Fore River Shipbuilding Company contracts for field guns, munitions and army supplies and sub-marines to a value of \$111,000,000 and in September alone exports of foodstuffs increased \$29,704,265. Harness has been ordered from an Indiana concern amounting to \$6,700,000 while a wagon company from the same State will supply England with wagons amounting to \$6,500,000. New York refiners have sold in ten days 400,000 barrels of sugar valued at \$6,000,000 while St. Louis has contracts to furnish horses valued at \$5,400,000. It is reported that a number of American automobile manufacturers have contracts to supply the warring powers with 3,500 motor trucks, having a value of \$4,250,000. A Philadelphia concern is building a large number of locomotives for Russia at an estimated cost of \$1,500,000. In addition to this a concern at St. Louis has an order for army saddles valued at \$750,000, Pittsburg will make shoes for France costing \$650,000 and another Pennsylvania concern has an order for 600,000 hospital shirts to cost \$350,000. In addition to this there are many other lesser contracts for army supplies being filled all over the country for the nations at war. This is bound to turn loose a lot of money in this country and in a measure help the existing financial stringency that has been in evidence since the war began. If the exportation of cotton in large quantities can only

be gotten under way the South will feel the touch of prosperity that the North and West is now getting on account of these large war contracts."

Editor's Note.—And yet we were told by the Democratic spell-binders during the campaign that the war was the cause of the hard times.

Says The Greensboro News: "A Greensboro girl cannot be stopped from the purchase of silken hosiery by the most ardent advocate of the 'wear cotton' movement, because she has a perfect right." What is wrong with the left?

They say the women have no sense of humor. Just take a walk and see the kind of men they cop out for husbands.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS OF THE CHRISTMAS SAVINGS CLUB.

On Dec. 15th, we will mail out about \$21,000.00 in checks to 1,400 members of our Christmas Savings Club. We will be forced to close the club for this year on December 12th, in order to get checks mailed out on time. We cannot accept payment on this year's club after that date and all who have not paid up by that time will get their money back but no interest. Please bear this in mind and pay up promptly.

Our next club opens on Dec. 21st, and the indications are that it will be the largest yet. We invite you and your friends to join us again and let us assist you in saving up some money for next Christmas. Join early as the number of cards are limited.

Very Respectfully,
J. M. FIX, Treas.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Having qualified as administrator of Geo. W. Coble, deceased, of Alamance County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 24th day of November, 1915, or this notice will be pleaded in the bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This the 24th day of Nov. 1914.
M. A. COBLE, Adm.,
of Geo. W. Coble, Deceased.

PERSONAL PROPERTY SALE!

THURSDAY, NOV. 26, 1914, at the home place of the late George W. Coble, three miles south of Burlington, N. C., will sell at public outcry to the best bidder for cash the following personal property, to-wit:

FARMING IMPLEMENTS.

One I. H. C. Baler, Binder, Grain Drill, Cream Separator, Cider Mill, Feed Cutter, Cyclone Grass Seeder, Mower, Hay Rake, Riding Cultivator, Corn Planter, Disc Harrow, Cutaway Harrow, Steel Harrow, Smith Tools, Lot of Plows, Double Set Wagon Harness, Buggy Harness, Grain Cradles, and other articles.

LIVE STOCK.

Two Valuable Mares, Registered Jersey Bull 3 years old, Two Cows (1 fresh), 5 Heifers (3 eighteen months old, 2 six months old), 2 Six Months Old Bulls, 1 Six Weeks Old Bull, these are all Jersey cattle, one Cow and One Young Bull can be registered, 1 Brood Sow, 1 Berk. Boar, 4 Shoats.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Gun, Pistol, Perfection Oil Stove, Wood Heaters, Tables, Chairs, and other Household and Kitchen Furniture, One Tobacco Barn located on farm now owned by Mr. Clay Teague near Oakdale School House.

Five Shares Alamance Loan & Trust Company's Stock.

Sale will start promptly at 10 A. M., and purchases will be expected to pay for and take the property day of sale.

This November 5th, 1914.
M. A. COBLE, Adm.,
of Estate of Geo. W. Coble, Deceased.

POOR