

### THE WHOLESALE GROCERS

The annual convention of the Southern Wholesale Grocers' Association is to be held in Charlotte in May, and it is an event that will be keenly anticipated by the jobbers of the various wholesale centers in North Carolina. Jobbers will be there from the principal wholesale centers of all the Southern States and the proceedings will show marked progress in the South's jobbing business. The Charlotte News says the coming of the wholesalers "is going to mean much" for the business life of that city, and that esteemed contemporary goes on to say this concerning local jobbing interests:

"It is going to call attention to the jobbing facilities of Charlotte as nothing else could and the activity of the business people of this city to make the stay of the wholesalers of the South pleasant and profitable is to be commended. The time was when the merchant in this section of the two Carolinas thought he was compelled to go to Richmond or elsewhere to secure his stock of merchandise. And to be perfectly fair about the matter there was a grain of truth in this. But that time is past and gone.

"In Charlotte the merchant of this section can secure what he needs and desires as well as he can in markets further away and at less expense in seeing them. For instance, the man at Wadesboro who formerly consumed the better part of a week going to Baltimore to buy dry goods and notions and there tied up large sums of money in big bills, comes to Charlotte and returns within a day, buys just what he wants and continues to turn his money over at short intervals, making a reasonable profit on each transaction.

"There are many merchants in Charlotte territory, however, who continue to purchase at other markets because they have not learned that they can purchase in this city as cheaply as elsewhere and thereby save the difference in freight from the Northern market to Charlotte and save the difference in the time consumed in visiting the two markets, to say nothing of the far greater expense when the longer trip is taken.

"The Wholesale Grocers' convention will serve to call most favorable attention to the jobbing facilities of the city and the publicity the city will receive throughout the entire country will be well worth the expense of entertainment."

There has been a marvelous growth in jobbing in the South. Even many of the smaller cities have their jobbers and they are rapidly breaking down the prejudice against patronizing local jobbers and disabusing the idea of the retail dealers that it pays them to make expensive trips to great wholesale centers in the North. It is a good sign that many of our jobbers are taking the entire product of a number of manufacturers.

Wilmington's fine distributing facilities by water and rail, have made this one of the largest jobbing centers in the South. Water and rail terminals linked together at the harbor's edge, constitute ideal facilities so far as transportation is concerned, and when freight rates are satisfactory it gives the wholesalers of this city a far reach into the most prosperous section of the South. It makes business for the railroads, and right in Wilmington is illustrated the fact that water and rail transportation are equally benefited by interchange of traffic. The largest portion of the railroad traffic going out of Wilmington is because of the traffic of which ocean navigation is the basis. Hence, the railroads are vitally interested in building up this port, for the greater is the increase of its exports and imports the greater will grow rail traffic in and out of Wilmington.

The whole of the water front of Wilmington is lined by railroad tracks, and the facilities here for jobbing are strongly emphasized by the fact that some of our jobbers can receive shipments by water on one side of their warehouse, while freight cars are loading and unloading alongside. Those interested in the close alliance between water and rail traffic can see it at the Clyde Line wharf where cars stand within fifteen feet of the steamers and exchange traffic.

A few days ago we stood and watched several carloads of manufactured products, produced in this city, being transferred to the commodious steamship Cherokee. Sights like that are impressive but they can be seen along Wilmington's entire water front and especially at the railroad terminals. It is these facilities that enable Wilmington jobbers to reach territory as far as Alabama.

The Norfolk Virginian Pilot furnishes us the most logical solution of the American meat problem, a real and serious one that is now prevailing in this country and will continue to prevail. That solution is that we should produce our own meat supply rather than depend upon any other country. Let us quote here the plain truth as it is put by our able Norfolk contemporary:

"It is hardly necessary for President Leonard, of the United Stock Yards, at Chicago, to insist that the shortage of meat in the United States is real and growing. Millions of domestic consumers are having the fact brought home to them in a way which is at once convincing and conclusive. But in emphasizing this shortage, Mr. Leonard is also and thereby stressing the importance of opening the road to an increased supply by letting down the tariff barriers against the livestock

### THE SOLUTION OF THE MEAT PROBLEM

and dressed meats of Argentina, Australia, Mexico and Canada. In that direction lies at least alleviation of a situation which urgently demands the application of an effective remedy. Supplementary to this is the necessity that the farmers of the country should more generally take up stock raising. In the re-listing of livestock and dressed meats and in a return to conditions under which the farmers throughout the country raised cattle, sheep and hogs sufficient to meet, in large measure, the demands for local consumption, is to be found adequate and permanent solution of the meat problem. Nothing more is required; nothing less will suffice."

The Star yesterday quoted from the New York Journal of Commerce the statement that the 5,000,000 consumers of that great city are so concerned over the meat problem that they are hoping for relief by the importation of meat carcasses in refrigerated ships from Argentina and Patagonia. We ought, however, to look closer home and solve the problem right here in the South by including the stock-raising industry in the great agricultural progress that the wonderfully adaptable South is making. What a great market we have among those 5,000,000 consumers so close at our doors, but they constitute only one-sixth of the immense populations of the States to the North of us, literally cash-paying millions with a never-ceasing demand. The South now has its opportunity. Lowering the tariff on meats and the beginning of importation, will mean greater development of stock raising in South America, and possibly a lessening of the opportunity for stock raising in the South. Under present conditions the opportunity has no drawback to it, but if the South waits, the South is liable to get left.

### WILMINGTON'S BASEBALL VISITORS

Wilmington had a warm welcome yesterday for the professional baseball celebrities, and the newspaper men and other devotees of the great American game who are accompanying the teams on their practice tour in the South. Front street was thronged with people when the famous ball players came from the railroad station in automobiles. Moving picture men who are in the city taking Wilmington for the "movies" had their machines mounted and got a lasting impression of Wilmington. In the party are some of the most brilliant sporting writers in the country, and all will agree that it is a happy idea that Wilmington should have been included in the itinerary of so distinguished a party.

Wilmington fans consider it a big day that brought the great ball players here. They had a royal welcome by a loyal set of ball lovers, and not the least advantage of this trip of the professional exponents of the game will be the creation of even greater interest in the most manly, the most healthful, and the most man-making sport in America. All fresh air games are good for people, for the onlookers get red blood as well as the players. All red blood sport is good for humanity, but baseball is the premier because it gets out the most people and causes the boys to get the baseball habit. All boys ought to play ball, get muscles, and get the ginger that ought to tingle in the veins of a boy while he is laying the foundation of a man.

### THE PUBLIC SPIRITED MAN

Don't take a merely selfish interest in your town. Don't let your individual interests block a single movement for its development and progress. Remember that your own opportunities are limited in a finished town and rest assured that if you hamper its growth in any particular you handicap your individual chances in your town.

The progress of a town means a proportionate increase of your own prosperity, hence every man should look at his opportunities from the standpoint that he is growing up with his town. Your town is not growing up with you, but where any great amount of selfishness exists it can easily be hampered in its growth and development and that retards the growth and development of all its business and manufacturing establishments as a whole.

All grow together, hence those who are helping to make their town greater are helping to make their chances greater and contributing to the growth of all the elements that contribute towards converting a town into a city. The man who takes a keen and unselfish interest in everything calculated to promote the interest and welfare of his town is a public spirited man. It is public spirit that makes a live, progressive city.

### JOURNALISTIC SCOLDS

New York city seems to be the headquarters of small politics. Republican papers which ought to have National broadness to them keep up a steady fire on Governor Sulzer just to make it uncomfortable for him because he is a Democrat instead of a Republican. Small incidents are magnified and the malice is not only implied but plainly evident. It matters not that Sulzer is Governor, he is a Democrat and as a matter of course must be made the butt of all sorts of small jibes.

We would regret to know that Democratic papers of National reputation

would be so little as to criticize and condemn a Republican Governor except upon grounds worthy of consideration. To nag at a Democratic or a Republican Governor without serious cause is unworthy of the metropolitan press. It smacks of provincialism, considering that such a great city as New York ought to have the broadest press in America. It seems to have a bunch of journalistic scolds, with very little less grotesqueness to their daily canting and harping than is observed in the jealousy of rival grocers in a rural village.

Speaking about congratulations, Senator Simmons has received enough to make a book. The Senator's chairmanship of the powerful Finance Committee of the Senate came to him unanimously, a worthy recognition of his record and a tribute to his Democracy. The senior Senator from North Carolina is one of the most experienced and fully posted of the Democratic Senators and none of them will be more useful to Wilson's administration than he.

### CURRENT COMMENT

A tariff system that does not permit us to pilfer from other sections more than they pilfer from us is of no benefit.—Durham Herald.

North Carolina has had secretaries of the navy in the past, but when did it have a chairman of the finance committee before?—Greensboro News.

There is a little town on the Atlantic Coast Line a few miles north of Fayetteville, Falcon by name, that is owned by the Holiness people. The charter of the town prohibits the sale of tobacco, coca-cola and other beverages. They have a church, a high school, a newspaper, a population of 200, and 13 preachers.—Charity and Children.

Western North Carolina is setting the pace for the shipment of cattle. The cattle raisers and shippers of Haywood county say that this year the record of over 150 car loads of stock shipped from that section in 1912 will be exceeded. Besides this many hundreds of sheep were shipped and a conservative value of the stock shipped out is over \$250,000. And there is now more than \$50,000 worth of cattle found in that part of the State than was there at this time last year.—Raleigh News and Observer.

### TRINITY-PRINCETON GAME

Score Seven to Two in Favor of Jersey Team Yesterday (Special Star Telegram.)  
Greensboro, N. C., March 20.—Rain stopped the Trinity-Princeton game today at the end of the fifth inning with a 7 to 2 score in the Jersey boys' favor. Rogers was a puzzle to the Tar Heels with the exception of the third, when two doubles and four errors let in two runs. The Princeton club hit the ball much harder today and Fitzgerald was frequently put to his best to hold the score down. Princeton also showed much more snap in its field plays while Trinity showed early season rawness at times. The outfielders of both clubs had an idle day. Washington, who started to catch for Princeton, had a finger badly mashed in the third and gave way to Wall.  
Score:  
Princeton.....020 40—7 7 2  
Trinity.....002 00—2 2 4  
Rogers and Fitzgerald; Maddox and Wall.

### TO CONSIDER KEEFE'S CASE

Wilson Will Take Up Recommendation for Commissioner's Removal. Washington, March 20.—President Wilson probably will take up the recommendations of former Secretary of Commerce and Labor Nagel to former President Taft on the official conduct of Daniel J. Keefe, commissioner general of immigration. The report recommended that the resignation of Mr. Keefe be requested and declared that he had accepted fees for transportation from railroad and steamship companies for himself and members of his family. Mr. Taft, after considering the case several times, refused to take any action and left it as a legacy to the Wilson administration. The papers have been stored away in the files of the new Department of Labor for several weeks, but were sent to the White House today.

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### KING'S FUNERAL MARCH 30TH

Body of King George Will Be Transported to Athens.  
Athens, March 20.—The body of the late King George will be placed aboard a warship at Saloniki March 26th and transported to Athens, arriving here the next day.  
King Constantine, after he is proclaimed tomorrow, will proceed to Saloniki accompanied by Premier Venizelos and with the Dowager Queen Olga and other members of the royal family return here with the king's body. The funeral probably will take place March 30th, as the lying in state will occur there 10 days.

### MAKES RHEUMATISM PROMPTLY DISAPPEAR

Chronic, Crippled-Up Sufferers Find Relief After Few Doses of New Remedy Are Taken.  
It is needless to suffer any longer with rheumatism, and be all crippled up, and bent out of shape with its heart-wrenching pains, when you can surely avoid it.  
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