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THE BOYS' CORN CLUBS.

T. Frank Parker, assistant in the boys' corn club work of the State department of agriculture, discussed plans and prospects with The Gazette-News today.

Mr. Parker is the sort of man with whom boys like to work, and with whom they easily established relations of mutual confidence and respect. He bears testimony to what has been hitherto observed—that generally speaking the boys' demonstration work is of healthy, vigorous growth in those counties where the superintendents of education are active and alert, and where the superintendent is neglecting it, it is lagging.

Here and there one finds a county superintendent of education who is simply a little politician. His main business in life is to hold onto his job through political manipulation and to act as one of the greasers and tenders of the political machine. A good deal of talk is heard in various parts of the State of making the office of county superintendent elective. Add one more name to the ballot; it is already so long as to preclude the possibility of real popular government; so what is the difference? Recognize the fact that it is a fine idea. These observations are not Mr. Parker's, however.

But in many of the counties the superintendents are alert, imbued with the educational spirit of the times; realizing that the most important idea, from a material standpoint, to the people of this State is the boys' corn contests. And from counties so blessed come reports of wonderful enthusiasm and interest. There the boys who enroll in the corn clubs stay in, or a large percentage of them do. There they are being organized into clubs, electing officers among themselves; real clubs, and not merely clubs in name. Through these organizations they keep in touch with one another and the whole work. The necessity for such organization is obvious. Without it the boys are working along blindly. They are in an organization, and yet each is isolated. Their organization is to no extent self-government. All the encouragement there is for them through the long hot days is the small chance of winning one of the main prizes. An occasional circular letter from the department, giving them advice, and the generalities they may see in the newspapers are all they hear of the matter from planting until harvest, perhaps.

There are three other matters that Mr. Parker regards as of vital importance. First of these is the provision of ways and means for sending two of the boys to the great corn show in Columbia, where they will rub elbows with hundreds of other boys who have achieved success and become thoroughly saturated, so to speak, with the spirit of unfermented corn. Superintendent Reynolds has undertaken to attend to this. Next, he wishes all the boys in the county club to be given a dinner, after the crop is gathered, at one of the Asheville hotels. This banquet gathering will be something in the way of a reward for every boy to look forward to; it will be a prize for each one. It is to be a square meal with fixing and anyone attempting to make a speech will be thrown out the window. At this meeting each boy should be given one of the beautiful gold medals, the certificate provided by the national department of agriculture for all boys who have tended a crop and kept a faithful record.

In North Carolina there are about 3500 boys enrolled; in Georgia there are this year some 14,000—a great increase over last year. The principal explanation is—district superintendents. The government pays the expenses of these, and the districts pay their salaries for six or seven months. In Georgia, one district employed a superintendent, and other districts became jealous. They saw that district was going to forge ahead. The district superintendent is an expert who devotes himself exclusively

to the boys. It gratifies a boy for this man to visit him, look at his crop and advise him. The boys realize that their work is appraised and appreciated by one who knows his business. They are given encouragement just when it is needed, and kept in the contest. The various counties in the district contribute equally to the salary; or if one county gives more than another, that county gets a pro rata of the superintendent's time. We shall have these superintendents in North Carolina, sooner or later; in all probability, later. We should reach the point Georgia has reached by, say, about 1940.

MR. COOPER'S LETTER.

An appeal to Georgia Democrats in behalf of Underwood by T. J. Cooper of Asheville, now engaged in lumbering in Georgia, is today reprinted from the Augusta Chronicle of April 30.

We agree with little that Mr. Cooper says except what he says in admiration of Underwood; but we agree with the Chronicle's editorial approval of it as a forceful and well written article. Mr. Cooper is a writer of talent. The Chronicle commends the letter most heartily to the consideration of Georgia Democrats.

Mr. Cooper we believe is unduly disturbed about the political situation which confronts the nation. We fail to follow the logic which calls for the nomination by the Democrats of the exact antipodal of Mr. Roosevelt in character. Nor are we willing, for that matter, that Mr. Underwood shall be so labeled. However, many Democrats agree with Mr. Cooper, and do not think as we do that Democracy has a man who can poll more votes next November than Mr. Underwood can. We are advised by some Democratic observers that indications point strongly to Underwood carrying North Carolina. It looks very much as if he is going to carry this district; and if he does Dr. Weaver will be a hard man to hold.

It will be a privilege and a great personal satisfaction to southern men, after all these years, to vote for one who can with some measure of verity be called a southerner; a man who is so worthy, so admirable and apparently so well qualified to fill the exalted office of President.

Whether they would be warranted in any degree of confidence in his election is, we are still persuaded, altogether a different matter.

SENATOR TILLMAN.

Senator Ben Tillman of South Carolina is asking the people of South Carolina to return him to office on the strength of his public record and without an active canvass, from which he is debarred by physical infirmity. "I have a strong desire to die in harness for sentimental reasons only," he tells the people of his State but goes on to say: "If I knew you wanted me to surrender it (the senatorship), I would gladly lay it down conscious that I have always done my duty to the best of my ability."

Senator Tillman's statement is eloquent in its simplicity, and he puts his case none too strongly. He did go to the senate "under a cloud of obloquy" which he ascribes "to newspaper abuse at home,"—fierce as that which now assails Bleasdale—and he has "fought his way in spite of it." Newspaper abuse at home probably was not the sole reason for the disfavor with which Senator Tillman was met when he entered national politics; but the public slowly came to realize the man's sterling qualities, and time and experience have wonderfully developed Tillman. He has become a national asset. His re-election without personal effort on his part would be a fitting return for long and distinguished public service.

The Buncombe county Republicans "started something" Saturday when they adopted a resolution that delegates to the national convention should be appointed on the basis of the Republican vote cast in the State. A Republican vote in South Carolina now has a weight in the national convention equal to about 60 Republican voters in Asheville. Under the present plan of apportionment the few Republicans in a State at the mouth of the Mississippi have as much weight in the national convention as the many thousands in a State at the head of that stream. Such a resolution, coming from southern Republicans, is going to create a profound impression at Chicago.

Looks as if the Presidency is going to cost a good deal more than it is worth, whoever gets it.

This weather somehow calls to mind the dear T. P. A. national convention.

Who will be entitled to sing, "Maryland, My Maryland?"

Brother Wilson got a big chunk when he got Texas.

Anguish in the Houston Post office.

Prof. James B. Lunsford.

Editor of The Gazette-News:
Prof. James B. Lunsford died at Connelly Springs on the 29th day of last month. The death of Prof. Lunsford was a great shock to his many friends residing in Madison, Buncombe and other western counties. For a number of years after the war he taught at Mars Hill college, and while there he won the respect, confidence and admiration of all classes of people. He was a good citizen, a kind

father and a Christian gentleman and came as near devoting his entire life to the cause of education as anyone of this section of the country, having taught continuously for 20 or 40 years. In his death the cause of education a staunch friend.
J. C. PRITCHARD.
Asheville, May 6, '12.

ROOSEVELT TERMS TAFT A FALSIFIER

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he prosecuted the Standard Oil and tobacco companies to the Supreme court and got decisions there. On the contrary, Mr. Taft knows well that I criticized him, not for having thus continued the prosecution of the suits that I had begun, but because after he had gotten these decisions he then permitted the department of justice to shape matters that the result was a complete nullification of all the good results of his suit.

Harvester Stock Up, Too.
"His conduct in this respect is quite incompatible with any sincere purpose really to enforce the anti-trust law. As a result of his action the stocks of the corporations in question rose greatly in value, the rise in Standard Oil stocks being over \$200,000,000. Mr. Taft can hardly have failed to notice that following his institution of a suit against the harvester trust, harvester stock went up two points.

"Evidently Wall street has made up its mind that Mr. Taft's prosecutions are fake prosecutions, whereas the bitter hostility of Wall street to me shows how lively is its memory of the fact that my prosecutions were really prosecutions and hurt the parties prosecuted."

Col. Roosevelt refers to the pending investigation of Judge Archibald of the Commerce court and asserts that the judge was appointed to placate a Pennsylvania politician, although the appointee's alleged unfitness for the office had already been called to the president's attention, the statement continues:

"In Kentucky and Indiana and in New York city and elsewhere Mr. Taft knows well that the delegates elected for him represent barefaced frauds. He stands guilty of connivance at and condonation of these frauds; he stands guilty of approving and encouraging fraud which deprives the people of their right to express their will as to who shall be nominated."

"In all these primaries and conventions I have stood for absolute honesty and fair play. Mr. Taft has stood for crooked misrepresentation of the will of the people."

"As for the Lorimer case, the facts are these: I fought Mr. Lorimer hard and in the open for 18 months. Originally Mr. Taft was secretly against Mr. Lorimer. As the Illinois primaries approached Mr. Taft's opposition vanished. Almost all of Mr. Taft's followers in the senate supported Mr. Lorimer. Mr. Lorimer was the leading Taft worker in Illinois. As long as there was hope that Mr. Lorimer might carry the state for Mr. Taft, Mr. Taft kept quiet about Mr. Lorimer. But as soon as Illinois was lost Mr. Taft rushed to Massachusetts, where there were no Lorimer votes, and repudiated Mr. Lorimer."

BOARD OF EDUCATION IN MONTHLY SESSION

The Buncombe county board of education met this morning in monthly session. Repairs were ordered for two school buildings. It was ordered that prizes be given to the squads of pupils that keep the school grounds in the best condition, and the chairman and secretary of the board were instructed to choose and arrange for the prizes.

Mr. Sams recommended in regard to the school at the Forks of Ty, which is maintained in common by Buncombe and Madison, that Buncombe county pay the pro rata share according to the census of the children embraced in the two districts.

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CHARACTER DEFAMATION IS ALLEGED IN THE SUIT

J. E. Shipmon Accused Marcus Hampton of Injuring His Character by Slander.

A suit has been instituted in Superior court in which J. E. Shipmon asks for judgment of \$5000 against Marcus Hampton for alleged defamation of character. The complaint sets out that the plaintiff is a man of good character and there had been no suspicion against him prior to the grievance mentioned.

It is contended that the defendant circulated reports to the effect that the plaintiff had served a term on the chancery of Haywood county; that he told this to certain persons and asked some of the question the plaintiff as to where he slept while on the roads.

Gilmer Welch is attorney for the plaintiff.

SUES SOUTHERN

United States Asked \$100 Penalty for Failure to Comply with the Law.

United States District Attorney A. E. Holton has filed in the office of Deputy Clerk W. S. Hyams of the United States District court here a complaint on behalf of the United States vs. the Southern railway in which a penalty of \$100 is asked, in addition to the costs of the action, for the failure of this company to comply with the Safety Appliance act passed by congress March 2, 1898, and subsequently amended.

The complaint is filed upon the suggestion of the United States attorney general at the request of the interstate commerce commission. The specific charge against the railway company is that on February 19, 1912, it hauled a through, interstate car with the "A" end of the car hanging loose, without the proper grab hooks provided for the safety of the employees, who were engaged in coupling and uncoupling the car.

DR. ARUNDEL COMES TO ALL SOULS PARISH

Will Act as Locum Tenens for Rev. Dr. Swope During the Absence of the Latter.

In the absence of the Rev. Dr. R. R. Swope, rector of All Souls' church, Biltmore, the Rev. Dr. Arundel will act as "locum tenens" until August 1.

MEN!
Just a look at the new Pedestrian model oxford for gentlemen's wear. You are struck with the gentle grace and dignity of the shoe, and with the comfort outlines shown. It has large low heels, broad shank, drop toe, blind eyelets and altogether, is considered the swellest production of shoedom for several years. In tan and gun metal leathers.

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Dr. Arundel was rector of Trinity church, Pittsburgh, for 20 years, resigning on his twentieth anniversary, the 22nd day of last November. Trinity parish, Pittsburgh, is the mother parish of the Diocese and the church of which Dr. Lyman (afterwards bishop) was rector from 1859 to 1860.

Dr. Arundel's address for the summer will be box 374, Biltmore.

She—What did papa say when you told him that you loved the ground I walked on?
He—He told me that he would sell it to me at \$100 a foot.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

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A sale which starts tomorrow offers you a choice of any suit in the store (excepting white suits) at a reduction of 25 per cent.

This Sale should be especially attractive for most of the suits are recent arrivals. We want to get the stock down to a certain number and we take this method in doing it. The Sale will only last this week.

The famous WOOLTEX Suits are included in this Sale, but don't wait too long to buy one for there are very few left. In fact, you can count the number on the fingers of one hand.

Special Prices—14 off—brings down the cost of a Bon Marche Suit to \$13.13 to \$37.50. Regular prices were \$17.50 to \$50.

Ratine and Linen Suits at Prices Less Than Usual

Baby Protectors
If you read our ads and keep posted you will find it pays. Saturday a lady came in and saw our Tarine Bags and said that she had been looking her eyes out and never dreamt we sold them.

Baby Protectors are something new with us. They are made of heavy mosquito netting over a wire frame that keeps flies, mosquitoes, etc., from pestering the children. They can be put over the cradle or attached to baby carriage. Price \$1.50 and \$2.00.

Underpricing of a Desirable Curtain Material
For Monday and Tuesday only, we will sell a quantity of one of our most popular curtain materials at a price that should command your attention. This is the season when most of the house-keepers are fixing up for summer and a special of this kind should come in handy.

39c bordered, colored Ettamine, 40 inches wide, greatly wanted curtain goods, is priced at 29c yard.

Summer Millinery Now Being Shown
There seems to be no let up in our Millinery Department. Bon Marche hats are still greatly in demand. There is a reason for it, too. This being our first season in the Millinery line we have taken no chances with its success. We have priced our hats within reach of all and they have taken better than even we expected.

Bon Marche hats have that snap and style which characterizes all the merchandise to be found here.

They are priced at \$3.50 to \$50.