

REFORM RULES OF COTTON MARKETS

Senate Committee Favorably Reports Smith Bill to Regulate Selling of Staple

MUST SPECIFY GRADES

Proposed Measure Provides Standardization of Upland and Gulf Cotton Separately, To Be Adopted by Dealers in Offers For Future Deliveries. Penalties For Violations

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 27.—The Senate committee on agriculture and forestry today submitted a favorable report on the bill introduced last spring by Senator Smith, of South Carolina, to regulate the selling of cotton. The bill, designed to reform the rules and regulations of the New York and New Orleans cotton exchanges, would require any person or corporation, in the making of an offer for future delivery of cotton, to specify the grade or grades contracted for in each contract, such grades to be in accordance with United States government standardization.

The Secretary of Agriculture would be required to standardize the grades of "upland" and "gulf" cotton separately, "gulf" cotton not to include anything below the grade of "good ordinary" or above "middling fair."

The bill further requires that, in dealing with long staple cotton, the length of the staple shall be designated in all contracts and deliveries must be made according to contract.

Any dealing in violation of this system would be punishable by a fine not to exceed \$5,000 or imprisonment for not more than a year, or both.

The bill also would deny the use of the mails, telegraphs, or telephone press or other method of interstate communication for transmission of information regarding any cotton future sale not in accordance with the proposed regulations.

Violations of this provision would be punishable by a fine of from \$500 to \$1,000 for each offense.

In the report on the bill the committee said: "No great losses would be sustained by the producers of cotton if the cotton exchanges were to be forced to their deliveries to the government standards and the prices of the different grades made to conform to the standard values of the different grades as determined by the official tests above referred to. In this bill they are limited to the specific grades."

"It is the opinion of the committee that the passage of this bill will ultimately force the exchanges to accept the government standardization and to acknowledge that the fluctuations in cotton prices have heretofore been based between the several grades as unwarranted and unreal."

CARNIVALS TABOOED.

Greensboro Refuses License For Outdoor Show—Other Items.

(Special to The News and Observer.)

Greensboro, Feb. 27.—The city commissioners have decided adversely to having a carnival in the city. The association of policemen and deputy sheriffs had petitioned for one, the profits from which would go to the relief fund and to the support of the association. Prior to their request the commissioners had turned down the request of the firemen to be permitted to hold a carnival.

The Pythians of the city held an interesting session in the castle hall tonight, at which J. G. Baird, of Charlotte, grand vice-chancellor of the State was the speaker. He made a most interesting address. Mayor Murphy made the introduction. A very attractive program has been arranged, including several musical numbers under the direction of Prof. A. R. Hill.

Mr. J. M. Millikan has just received a check for \$400 for the Methodist Protestant orphanage, which is located near High Point, this being a bequest from Mrs. Surephenia T. Dalton, who died about a year ago in Greenville, S. C.

Rev. J. Walter Long, State Sunday school secretary, has returned from a trip to Wilmington, Goldsboro, Raleigh and Durham. In all of these places he met with the officers of the city associations and planned for the beginning of a new year in all of the four cities. There are among the 10 cities that were selected for the recent visit of International Secretary Brown and which plan to have city associations of the highest type. Mr. Long feels much encouraged at the prospects in all of the four cities.

INSTALLS MONOSCOPE

Asheville Leads State in Water Department Innovation.

(Special to The News and Observer.)

Asheville, Feb. 27.—Asheville is the first city in the State to install a monoscope in its water department, the apparatus which was placed on trial here several days ago having been found to be all that is claimed for it. The monoscope is used for the purpose of locating lost water mains and leaks in pipes, whether underground or in houses.

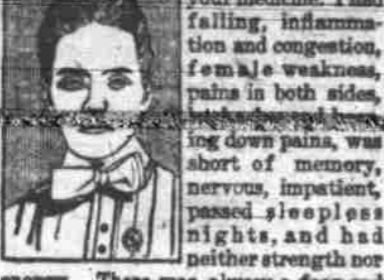
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MAY RECOGNIZE FEDERAL LEAGUE

Outlaws and American Association Arrange Schedules Which Will Not Conflict

(By the Associated Press.)

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 27.—Followers of baseball believe they read between the lines of a story published here today that organized baseball virtually has "recognized the belligerency" of the Federal League. The story said the Federal and the American Association leaders had agreed to arrange their playing schedules so that they both are represented in Kansas City and Indianapolis—would be avoided. Such an agreement would indicate that the association had decided not to war on the Federal, but rather had concluded to enter into a working agreement.

President Chivington, of the association, denied that any agreement existed, but Charles Weeghman, president of the Chicago Federals, declared he had talked with Joe Cantillon, the Minneapolis Association owner, and George Tobean, the Kansas City owner, and that both had virtually promised there would be no conflicts. Neither league has prepared its schedule, the association's annual plan having been upset by the transfer of the Toledo team to Cleveland.

The Federal League will withhold its list of players until the arrival of the ship bearing the world's tourists at New York. President Gilmore, who reached Chicago today to prepare for tomorrow's Federal meeting, said there were four of the "stars" on the ship who might be signed by his league, as they landed.

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