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PRICE CENT

Advance in Cost of Living

REQUIRES FIFTEEN TO TWENTY PER CENT. MORE TO LIVE THAN ONE YEAR AGO—BUT FEW EXCEPTIONS NOTED—LITTLE OR NO COMFORT TO CITY CONSUMER IN COMPARATIVE STUDY OF PRICES.

The cost of all things that go to supply a bountiful table keeps getting higher and higher. This is considered an evidence of prosperity, but it does not mean an "all round prosperity, for while employment of some kind can be obtained by anybody who wants it, there are many lines that have not as yet witnessed any increase in the remuneration that comes from employment.

The markets are well equipped with all the good things that people have to eat, and Christmas dinners can be found to meet almost any sized pocketbook, but it will take a little larger one to supply the table with everything that was on it a year ago.

Some Increases.
The man who a year ago said twenty to twenty-two cents per pound for his dressed turkey for Christmas will have to pay twenty-four or twenty-six. Chickens could be had last year three to five cents per pound cheaper than one can get them now. Butter is two to four cents per pound higher, and, as everybody knows by this time, milk has almost doubled in price within the last twelve months. A year ago fresh country eggs could be had for twenty-eight cents, but it takes thirty-five and more to get them now.

As a whole, game sells now about as it did a year ago, rabbits excepted. These, for some reason, are selling from five to ten cents higher than last year, and this is hard to explain, for they are no better than they were and seem to be more plentiful.

All fruits except the lower grades of apples are from fifteen to thirty per cent. higher than they were at the beginning of the year. The lower grades of apples are more plentiful than they were a year ago, and owing to weather conditions when they were on the trees, the crop of 1906 is not in as good keeping condition as was its predecessor; hence holders are anxious to get rid of their stocks as early as possible, and a flooded market has lowered the prices. This does not apply to the fancy apples or the strictly choice. They, like most other commodities, are selling higher than they did a year ago.

Potatoes that twelve months ago sold at wholesale for forty to fifty cents per bushel now readily bring sixty to seventy. Even old Virginia peas are thirty per cent. higher.

Vegetables.
All vegetables have been marked up, but just why nobody is able to explain. The cost of production was no higher this year than last, and the supply is, and has been ever since summer, larger than it was for the corresponding period of last year. Perhaps vegetables have been marked up that they may keep in the fashion with everything else that people have to eat nowadays.

Flour is about the same price it was a year ago, but nothing like as high as it was eighteen months to two years ago. Two years ago wheat was selling for \$1.15 to \$1.17 per bushel, and now it is selling at seventy-seven to eighty cents. However, corn and meal are higher than they were last December, as are all other standard foodstuffs, except such as are made from wheat.

All manner of canned goods, fruits, vegetables and meats have advanced at least fifteen per cent. over last year's figures, and the people who depend largely on these goods to supply the table, so as to save the trouble and annoyance of cooking as far as possible, find that this increase adds very largely to the aggregate of living expenses in the course of a year.

Sugar, coffee and teas are also higher, and, in fact, it is impossible to find any comfort for the consumer anywhere in the comparison of price lists of a year ago with those of today. Barring the one exception noted above, everything that goes on the

The Institute Next Monday

A "Farmers' Institute" will be held here Monday next in the court house. There will be two sessions to which the public is invited, cordially. The morning and the second at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Both sessions will be of extreme interest and the different subjects for discussion will be presented by able speakers, who are well known throughout the state.

C. C. Moore, of Mecklenburg county, N. C., president of the North Carolina Cotton Growers' Association, will take for his topic, "The Production of Forage Crops." Tait Butler, "Still Improvement by Crop Rotation," and "Pork Production." R. W. Scott, "Corn Culture and Some of the Advantages of Diversification of Crops."

"The Women's Institute," which will be held here for the first time, will also be in session at 10 o'clock in the morning and at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon in the firemen's hall.

Mrs. Sue V. Hollowell, of Goldsboro, N. C., will speak on "The Responsibility of Woman in the Home." Miss Mae Card, of the Department of Agriculture, "The Home." Mrs. F. L. Stevens, of Raleigh, N. C., "The Care of the Sick in the Home." Miss Mae Card, "Foods and their Cooking." C. C. Moore, "Farm Dairying." Mrs. F. L. Stevens, "An Attractive Front Yard."

To both of these institutes the public is cordially invited and some profitable talks will be heard.

At Y. M. C. A. Sunday Evening



G. F. TIBBITTS,

Who Will Lecture at Y. M. C. A. Sunday Afternoon.

Inter-State Secretary George Tibbitts, of Washington city, will deliver his famous lecture, "The Battle of the Strong," at the Y. M. C. A. at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon. The lecture will be illustrated by pictures.

There will be no admission fee and those who desire to attend, will be furnished with tickets by the management of the local association on request.

All under sixteen years old will not be admitted on account of the lack of room.

The lecturer and the lecture are highly commended by the press and those who are fortunate enough to hold tickets are assured of a treat.

METHODIST SERVICES TOMORROW.

Tomorrow Rev. A. P. Tye, the retiring minister of the First Methodist church, will preach his farewell sermon to the congregation.

Rev. S. A. Cotton, pastor of City Road Methodist church, will occupy his pulpit tomorrow morning and evening.

THE WEATHER.

Rain tonight. Colder in western portion Sunday; fair, colder; fresh westerly winds.

Tables this December will cost the consumer from fifteen to twenty per cent. more than it did last December. But these are prosperous times, and perhaps all the people can "stand the raise."

A Brilliant Hertford Wedding

IN WHICH MISS VIRGINIA SCOTT NEWBY BECOMES THE WIFE OF MR. WALTER C. CROWELL, OF MONROE, N. C.

Hertford, N. C., Dec. 14.—Miss Virginia Scott Newby was married to Mr. Walter Clifford Crowell of Monroe, N. C., here yesterday in the Methodist church at 4 o'clock. Rev. N. H. D. Wilson officiated.

The church was decorated for the occasion with not plants, ferns and palms.

Miss Mildred McMullen, of Edenton sang "You," accompanied on the pipe organ by Miss Laura M. Oglesby.

The ribbon girls were Misses Ruth McMullen and Katherine Newby. The ushers were: F. A. Ogburn, Monroe, N. C., and W. Guy Newby, brother of the bride.

The bridesmaids were: Miss Louise McMullen, of Edenton, who wore white net over silk and carried yellow chrysanthemums, and Miss Bessie Riddick of Hertford, wore white silk trimmed in silk lace and carried yellow chrysanthemums.

O. W. Kochtitzky of Monroe, N. C., was best man.

Master Derby White, nephew of the bride, was ring bearer.

The bride's brother, G. H. Newby gave her away.

Miss Fannie Newby was maid of honor, wearing a yellow net over silk and carrying white chrysanthemums.

After the ceremony the bridal party was entertained at a dinner at the house of the bride's mother, Mrs. Fannie Newby, on King street.

Mr. and Mrs. Crowell left on the 7:20 train for southern resorts and will be at home in Monroe, N. C., Dec. 20.

The bride's travelling costume was of brown broadcloth with hat to match.

Mr. Chorley, of Edenton, was an invited guest to the function.

The bridal party was given a reception at the home of Geo. D. Newby during the evening.

Mrs. Crowell is accomplished and talented. She has many friends in Virginia and North Carolina, having visited extensively and is popular in every vicinity where she is known.

Mr. Crowell is a young man of business, a banker in his home town and successful.

Basket Ball at The Y. M. C. A.

The Lions and the Wolves, two of the junior Y. M. C. A. basket ball teams played an interesting game last night. The Lions won by a score of 24 to 8.

The make-up of the teams is as follows:

Lions—Grice, F., captain; Cropsey, D., Spence, F., White S., McCabe, L. Wolves—Pappendick, captain; Greenleaf, L., Culpepper, R., Martin, R., Derrickson, W.

Referee—Secretary F. W. Evans; umpires—R. Fearing, U. Davis; scorer—R. Lamb; timekeeper—H. Martin; time of halves 15 and 20 minutes.

Christmas Holiday Rates Via Southern Railway.

The Southern Railway will sell round trip tickets for the Christmas Holidays at all points in the south, at greatly reduced rates, on December 20th to 25th, inclusive, 30th and 31st, 1906, and January 1st, 1907, with final limit leaving destination on or before January 7th, 1907.

For detailed information and Pullman reservation, call either "phone 112 or address Stanton Curtis, Passenger Agent, Norfolk, Va.

HAIR TONIC.

The Hair Tonic on sale at the Southern Shaving Parlors is made from the prescription of old Dr. Fowler, of New York, and is a specific for the scalp. It stops falling hair and promotes the growth of hair. It kills the dandruff germ, 10 cents per rub or 50 cents per bottle.

SOUTHERN SHAVING PARLORS. Dec. 14—1w.

Hurricane Branch Sells His Dog

FAMOUS BLOODHOUND DETECTIVE DISPOSES OF ANIMALS FOR POPULAR PRIZES.

Suyolk, Va., Dec. 14.—Hurricane Branch has sold most all of his bloodhounds, and the one-time dog detective of almost national reputation may soon sink, to use former President Cleveland's words, into "innocuous desuetude."

That's not because Branch did not want to do business.

Because of his reputation Branch has been able to realize more money by selling his bloodhounds at fancy prices than he could have collected in trailing criminals for years and years.

He may have a new pack soon.

REV. MR. VINES' SUBJECTS FOR TOMORROW.

Rev. J. F. Vines, pastor of the First Baptist church, will take for his subjects tomorrow the following: Morning—"The Greater Baptism." Evening—"The New Testament Fool."

Camden Couple Married Here

Mr. Samuel L. Forbes and Miss Rebecca Wright, both residents of Camden county, came to the city early this morning with an apparent intention of doing some Christmas shopping. But they had something of greater moment up their sleeve, so while their friends slumbered and slept, figuratively speaking, wholly oblivious of Cupid and his works, the couple repaired to the register of deeds' office where a marriage license was procured.

When that document, dear to the hearts of twains seized with an irresistible yearning to be made one, had been procured, Mr. Spence upon the solicitation of the contracting parties, made them man and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Forbes returned to their home in Camden this afternoon having accomplished the proverbial feat of having killed two birds with one stone—marriage and Christmas shopping.

The "Economist" doffs his hat in salutation to Mr. and Mrs. Forbes and wishes them many a return of the Christmas tide.

Play For Next Friday Night

Arrangements have been made with Mr. Edward D'Oize' for the production of "Damon and Pythias" to take place in the High School auditorium on next Friday evening, under the auspices of Elizabeth City Lodge No. 122, Knights of Pythias.

Mr. D'Oize' plays Damon, and the production is under his immediate direction. He is a Southerner, born and raised in New Orleans. His father, who was an officer in Gen. Bragg's staff during the war of secession, is a native of Baltimore, and his mother was from Wilmington, N. C. Mr. D'Oize' adopted the stage as a profession when he was quite young, and almost his entire career which covers a period of fourteen years, has been in Shakespearean dramas.

He has been a prominent member in supporting companies of James Young, Edwin Ferry, Robert Downing, Charles B. Hanford, Frederick Ward and Louis James. He has also starred for a number of years at the head of his own company through Canada, New England and the South in Hamlet, Othello, The Merchant of Venice, Romeo and Juliet, Julius Caesar and Richieu. His performance of Damon is said to be very fine. Mrs. D'Oize' plays Calanthe, the betrothed of Pythias, and has received great praise for her work.

The cast will be chosen from among the most talented amateurs of Elizabeth City, and will be announced later

Special Session C. C. Last Night

RESOLUTIONS WERE ADOPTED REGARDING MANTEO'S MAIL FACILITIES, AND RECOMMENDATION OF INCREASED APPROPRIATION FOR COLORED STATE NORMAL.

A call meeting of the Chamber of Commerce met in the office of the register of deeds Friday evening, December 14th, 1906, with vice president S. S. Hardison in the chair.

Mr. Hardison stated the object of the meeting which was to take action on the matter of improved mail facilities between Elizabeth City and Manteo. Messrs. C. E. Kramer, E. F. Lamb and Edmund Alexander spoke on the question and Mr. Alexander offered a resolution which was unanimously adopted. As set forth in the resolution the president of the meeting appointed Mr. I. M. Meekins a special representative of the chamber to present the matter in person to the Department in Washington, but with the understanding that the Chamber of Commerce was not to defray the expense of such trip to Washington.

By request Mr. W. L. Cohoon, secretary of the Chamber, presented a petition against the Colored Normal school, and variously signed by citizens of this city.

Resolution in Regard to Mail Facilities for Manteo.

"Whereas, the present schedule for the mails between this city and Manteo and other points in Dare county is such that the mails are retarded as much as twenty four hours, and which schedule operates to much, and often times serious, inconvenience to the general public, and especially to the business men of the cities of Manteo and Elizabeth City, and

"Whereas, the Chamber of Commerce of Manteo has taken action looking to improvement in the present mail facilities between Elizabeth City and Manteo, and as a result of such action has appointed a special representative to visit the postoffice department in Washington and personally petition the department for improved mail service.

"Therefore be it resolved by the Chamber of Commerce of Elizabeth City that this body most heartily endorses the action of the Chamber of Commerce of Manteo and joins with that body in petitioning the postoffice department for such improvement in the mail service between these two points as may be necessary; and that Hon. I. M. Meekins, the very efficient postmaster of Elizabeth City, be hereby appointed a special representative from this body to accompany the representative from Manteo and aid him in presenting this matter to the department."

Resolution Endorsing Increased Appropriation for Colored Normal.

"Whereas, the members of the Chamber of Commerce of Elizabeth City are personally acquainted with the work of Prof. P. W. Moore and the State Normal school of which he is principal, and, whereas, we know that his school has always been exceedingly helpful in the elevation and right education of the colored people of this part of North Carolina; and, whereas, a number of the best citizens of this community have recently subscribed liberally to further the work of this school, therefore

"Resolved, That we, as a body, endorse the suggestion that the annual appropriation to this school be largely increased, so that it may be enabled to carry out the plans set forth in the memorial to the legislature.

"Resolved further, that the secretary of this body is hereby instructed to communicate this action to the State Board of Education and to the Committee on Appropriations of the General Assembly of 1907."

CLOCK HAND MOVES UP AGAIN.

The hand of the Y. M. C. A. clock has moved up again and now points to \$16,500, a little more than two thirds of the amount that is to be raised.

By Tuesday it is expected that there will be a big jump and then the hand will not be far from the \$25,000 mark.

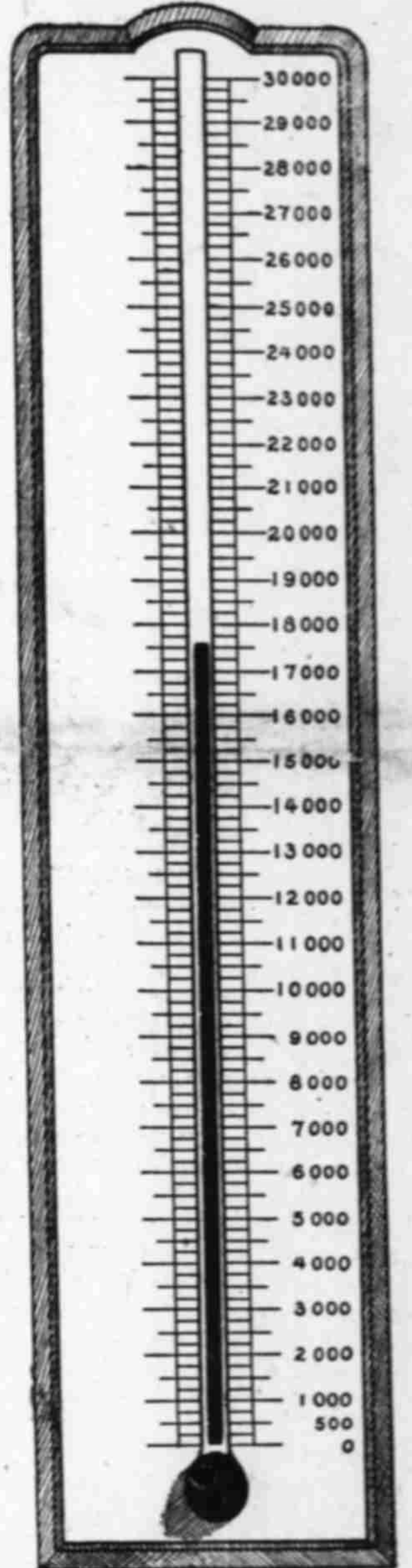
Daily Showing Of Y. M. C. A. Building Fund

The mercury is still rising in the thermometer and from the advance reports of the soliciting committees things will be warm by Tuesday.

Saturday's work is telling and with that done Monday there is no doubt that the point reached will be \$20,000.

Then will come the home stretch with but three days in which to reach the highest mark—\$25,000.

Some people do not believe that the town is to have a Xmas gift in the way of a \$25,000 Y. M. C. A. fund, but they are mistaken. The money will come and it is coming fast, too. These committees will make anything come and they are not paying any attention to the "knockers," who would like to see the thing fall through.



The Telephone Service Improved

The local telephone service has been greatly improved within the past few weeks and the equipment and offices thoroughly renovated.

Mr. Charles S. Horton, of Mount Holly, N. J., an expert telephone electrician, who took charge of the system about two months ago, is doing all possible to add to the convenience of the patrons of the line, and has made a number of changes for the betterment of the system.

As stated in these columns a few days ago, the messenger call service, which had been out of commission, has been put in perfect order for those who have call boxes.

The rooms occupied by the company have been repainted and otherwise improved and made more comfortable for the operators and other employees.

What Adam ate, not what he drank, Was he from Eden's garden driven, O, what a difference there now would be, If he had taken Rocky Mountain Tea. Standard Pharmacy.