

Cotton today 10.75.

Mrs. Ethel Moore is visiting in Hamlet.

Miss Lillian Kruger of Charlotte is visiting Mrs. C. N. Simpson, Jr.

Mrs. G. D. Broom is visiting in Charlotte.

Mrs. Lydia Myers is spending sometime in Florida.

Mrs. W. A. Stewart of Abbeville is visiting her mother, Mrs. Atha Stevens.

Mrs. J. C. Fletcher and daughter have gone to Florida to spend sometime.

Miss Callie Futch has gone to Florida to spend a month with her brother.

Miss Rosa Stack, daughter of Mr. J. E. Stack, has entered Elizabeth College, Charlotte.

Mr. W. L. Preslar of Buford township is another good citizen who has come to Monroe to live.

Miss Ola Bruner has returned from a visit to Abbeville, accompanied by Mrs. Sue Hough and Mrs. Will Guess.

Representative Price has introduced a bill providing for the election of cotton weathers in Union county by the people.

Mr. J. H. Clawson of Mecklenburg has been visiting Mr. William McWhorter of Jackson township for several days.

Squire J. H. Winchester is in Raleigh, where he has been given a position as stationery clerk in the legislature.

At the big Masonic meeting in Raleigh last week, Mr. J. W. Rowell of this county was re-elected assistant grand lecturer for the State.

Mr. W. J. McGairt, a good farmer of the Tiraah section, is selling out and will move to the Simpson farm two miles above Monroe.

Miss Annie Edmunds, who has spent the season in the military department of Belk Bros., leaves this evening for her home in Virginia.

Mr. M. S. Griffin, who went to Pine Bluff, Ark., about five years ago from this county, has been visiting relatives and friends in the county the past two weeks.

Mr. T. L. Crowell bought from Mr. W. D. Harrill the pullet that won the first prize for single comb white leghorn, to go with his cockerel that won first prize.

The people of Liberty Primitive Baptist church three miles south of town are erecting a new meeting house, and desire all who are willing to help in the work to do so and their help will be appreciated.

The Marietta Ladell Concert Co. will give a high class entertainment in the opera house tomorrow evening. The company is highly recommended as producers of first class music.

The board of county commissioners have given Mr. J. P. Smith the contract to build a bridge across Rays Fork creek on the Wingate road, between the residences of Messrs. William Bivens and H. F. Williams.

The directors of the Lecmore cotton mill declared a dividend of four per cent. last Wednesday, besides putting a good sum to the credit of undivided profits. The mill has been running but six months, which shows that it is well realizing the expectations of its promoters.

At a meeting of the directors of the Bank of Union, held last Thursday, a semi-annual dividend of five per cent. was declared and the sum of \$3,000 was placed to the surplus fund, making a total of \$12,000 to this fund. The stockholders re-elected the old board of directors and officers.

If a man loses a quantity of loose money on the road he doesn't always find it, but Mr. C. F. Newman, who lost \$25 in currency on the New Town road some days ago, was more fortunate. It was found by Mr. H. M. Eubanks of Statesville, who was visiting here, and returned to Mr. Newman.

And some folks are still borrowing this paper. If you want to read it and are not able to pay for it come up to the office and say so and we will donate it for a year. But if you are among those who are able to take the paper but prefer to beat it, you ought to be ashamed of yourself.

Mr. R. L. Stevens has introduced bills in the House to regulate the pay of jurors in this county and to allow the county commissioners to sit for a greater number of days than at present when the same shall be necessary with pay not exceeding \$2.50 per day. He has also introduced one regulating primary elections in the county.

The ladies auxiliary of the hospital are making preparations to give an entertainment to raise money to furnish additional rooms. The following committee has the matter in charge: Mesdames J. F. Laney, H. W. Hargis, W. A. Lane and N. C. English. Their names are a guarantee that the entertainment will be first class in every particular.

Dr. W. S. Davidson of Charlotte was indicted last week for writing prescriptions for other than a bona fide patient. He waived examination before the recorder's court and the case will be tried in the superior court. It is said that some of the doctors in Charlotte have been doing a land office business in the prescription line. There is a movement in the city to have the legislature forbid the sale of whiskey in the drug stores.

Senator Simmons has sent to the civil service commission at Washington a long list of Federal office holders, from the two district attorneys down to mail carriers, who were particularly active in partisan politics during the late campaign—many of them "persecutions" by "so." The last name on the list is that of Mr. S. H. Rogers, mail carrier on route number four from Monroe. We don't think that Mr. Rogers was active enough to hurt, having made only one speech, and certainly not enough to interfere with his official duties, as we have never heard a word against his efficiency. In justice to the Senator's position it may be said that he does not charge that all the names furnished by him were offensively partisan. And the report that the Republicans make that Mr. Simmons is himself somewhat active in politics seems to have good ground.

Mrs. Rachael Chaney, wife of Mr. E. P. Chaney, died at her home in Charlotte last Wednesday night. The body was brought to Monroe for interment, the funeral being conducted by Rev. C. A. G. Thomas.

The residence of Mrs. Maggie Helms, daughter of the deceased, Mrs. Chaney lived in this county all her life, and for many years in Monroe, till about eight years ago, when the family moved to Charlotte. She was a most faithful member of the Baptist church. She was sixty-eight years old. Besides her husband, Mrs. Chaney leaves two sons and two daughters. The sons are Messrs. Arthur and Robert Chaney; the daughters are Mrs. Maggie Helms of Monroe and Mrs. Thomas Polk of Charlotte.

Mr. Thomas P. Smith of Lanes Creek township has bought stock in The Cash Mercantile Company and will become a citizen of Monroe at once. The Cash Mercantile Company will add a full line of heavy and fancy groceries to its business and Mr. Smith will be in charge of this department. He has had considerable experience and will make not only a clever merchant but a good citizen as well. The grocery department will be in the room lately occupied by the Bank of Union.

The Jackson Club held an annual election of officers last Wednesday night, with the following result: Capt. W. A. Lane, president; W. S. Blakney and J. L. Everett, vice presidents; O. W. Kottelitzky, secretary and treasurer. The officers, with the addition of Mr. Frank Armfield and Prof. J. A. Bivens, constitute the board of governors. Messrs. F. G. Henderson, J. M. Porter and S. J. Everett were appointed auditing committee. The club now has about 70 members, but should have many more.

Mr. A. F. Russell of Athens, O., an expert dairyman, has leased the Pineland Dairy from Mr. E. C. Williams, the owner, and has moved with his family to the dairy, where Mr. Williams some time ago erected a good dwelling house. The dairy herd is a good one, consisting of from 50 to 75 fine cows, and Mr. Russell will give Monroe an unsurpassed service. He has been in the business all his life successfully and knows it from top to bottom.

At a meeting of the Union County Medical Association, held last Monday, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Dr. H. C. Houston of Waxhaw, president; Dr. W. A. Dees of Marshville, vice president; Dr. J. W. Neal of Monroe, secretary and treasurer. Dr. J. M. Blair was elected delegate to the meeting of the State Medical Association, and Dr. R. M. Robinson of Waxhaw was elected alternate.

Mr. John Wesley Starnes and Miss Nora Lee Fincher, both of Jackson township, were married a few days ago by Notary Public R. H. Sapp, at his home just over the line in Lancaster county. The groom is an industrious and worthy young man. The bride is a daughter of Mr. L. L. Fincher and is an attractive and lovable young lady.

Mr. W. H. Kerr and Miss Marie McDonald will be married this evening at the home of the bride in Monroe. The groom has a position at the depot. The bride to be is a popular young lady. The couple will spend their honeymoon in Florida.

"Miss Palen rendered three selections, which much pleased the audience and showed her to be the possessor of a good voice, which gave evidence of careful training."—Clinton Record. At opera house tomorrow night.

Mr. F. F. Chears of Sanford, and children, are spending some days in the county with relatives. Mr. Chears reports all the Union county people about Sanford as well pleased.

The members of the North State Camp Woodmen of the World will meet at Dillon's store at 8:30 this evening. Business of importance to all.

A treat is in store for all theatre goers of Monroe on next Friday evening, January 18th. Mr. Hubert Labadie, supported by an excellent company, will present Faust, with all its electrical effects and special scenery. Prices have been reduced to 25, 50, 75c.

25 cents cash will buy 3 cans nice corn at Bruner & Huey's.

25 cents cash will buy two 3-lb. cans Boston Baked Beans at Bruner & Huey's.

One hundred dozen cans Salmon worth 15c., our price 10 cents. Bruner & Huey's.

25 bags Coffee picked up at a bargain. Will close it out for much less than it is worth. Don't fail to see us. Bruner & Huey's.

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RIBBONS TAKEN AT HOTEL.

Many of the Prizes of the Poultry Association Were Taken by Union County Farmers. The Poultry Show was a splendid success. Over six hundred birds were exhibited and they were as fine a lot as you would want to see at any time. Exhibits by local men were right along at the front, and the effect of the show will undoubtedly be a great stimulus to the growing of first class poultry in the county. The attendance at the show was good. The following are the prize winners:

White Leghorns—W. D. Harrill, Parrottsville, Tenn., 1st and 2nd for cocks, 2nd and 3rd for cockerels; 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th for pullets; 1st for pen.

T. L. Crowell, Monroe, 1st cockerel, 2nd pullet.

Brown Leghorns—J. P. Greene, Charlotte, 1st cock; 2nd and 4th cockerels; 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th pullets; 1st and 2nd pen.

T. P. Dillon, Monroe: 1st and 2nd cockerel; 3rd pen.

C. B. Adams, Monroe: 2nd cock, Buff Leghorns—W. P. Benton, Laurinburg; all awards.

Black Minorcas—Sandy Run Poultry Yards, Ellenboro: 1st and 2nd cockerel; 2nd and 3rd hen; 2nd and 3rd pullet; 1st pen.

H. D. Browning, Monroe: 1st pullet.

W. C. Rape, Monroe: 1st cock; 1st hen.

Geo. L. Dooley, Charlotte: 2nd cock; 4th pullet; 2nd pen.

White Minorcas—C. B. Laney, Monroe: all awards.

Barred Plymouth Rocks—B. S. Davis, Charlotte: 1st and 2nd cock; 2nd, 3rd and 4th cockerel; 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th hen; 1st, 2nd and 3rd pullet; 1st pen.

J. H. Flemming, Warren Plains: 1st cockerel.

White Plymouth Rocks—Davis Armfield, Monroe: all awards.

Buff Plymouth Rocks—Sandy Run Poultry Yards: all awards.

Buff Orpingtons—J. K. A. Alexander, Charlotte: 2nd cockerel; 1st, 2nd and 3rd hen; 1st and 2nd pullet.

W. S. Krauss, Monroe: 1st cockerel; 3rd pullet.

Black Javas—T. P. Dillon, Monroe: all awards.

Buff Cochins—W. P. Walters, Monroe: all awards.

Golden Wyandottes—J. H. Flemming, Warren Plains: all awards.

White Wyandottes—A. E. Alexander, Charlotte: 3rd cockerel; 3rd and 4th hen; 1st pen.

W. S. Krauss, Monroe: 1st cockerel; 1st and 2nd pullet.

J. K. A. Alexander, Charlotte: 2nd cockerel; 1st and 2nd hen; 3rd pullet.

Buff Wyandottes—Sandy Run Poultry Yards: 1st cock; 2nd hen; 1st pullet.

Partridge Wyandottes—Sandy Run Poultry Yards: 1st, 3rd and 4th cock; 1st and 3rd cockerel; 1st and 2nd hen; 1st, 2nd and 3rd pullet; 1st pen.

J. D. McKee, Monroe: 2nd cock; 3rd and 4th hen.

Rhode Island Reds—R. E. Evans, Monroe: 2nd cock; 1st and 2nd cockerel; 1st hen; 1st pullet; 1st pen.

E. R. Cash, Gaffney: 1st cock; 3rd and 4th cockerel; 2nd and 3rd hen; 2nd and 3rd pullet; 2nd pen.

Rose Comb Rhode Island Reds—E. R. Cash: all awards.

C. J. Helms, 1st black breasted red cock.

Walter McCorkle, 1st black red knob comb cock.

A. A. Heath, 1st gray cock.

Hudson, Smith and Stevens, 1st blue cock.

W. H. Hood, 1st Dominique cock.

J. E. Heath, 1st solid black cock.

Dr. E. Armfield, 2nd solid black cock.

R. E. Evans, 2nd Dominique cock.

Ned Broom, 2nd gray cock.

Hudson, Smith and Stevens, 2nd black breasted red cock.

J. E. Heath, 3rd black breasted red cock.

Dr. E. Armfield, 2nd brown red cock.

J. E. Stewart, 3rd brown red cock.

Hudson, Smith and Stevens, 3rd solid black stag.

Coit Trull, 3rd gray cock stag.

J. E. Heath, 3rd black red stag.

J. E. Heath, 2nd gray stag.

At a meeting of the association Thursday night Mr. George W. Means of Concord, who placed the ribbons for the pig games, made a splendid talk. He praised the show; said it was one of the best that he had attended and that he had the best display coops he had seen. He was very much pleased and hoped to be with the boys next year with fifty birds. Mr. B. S. Davis of Charlotte, president of the Charlotte Poultry Show, also made a good talk.

Election of officers was called for. R. A. Morrow was re-elected by acclamation as president; J. D. McKee, 1st vice president; A. M. Crowell, 2nd vice president; B. S. Davis, 3rd vice president; T. P. Dillon, secretary; R. E. Evans, assistant secretary; J. W. Laney, treasurer; J. A. Harrill, superintendent; C. J. Helms, assistant superintendent; C. A. J. Rohr, T. L. Crowell, S. H. Hudson, John P. Green, Davis Armfield, Frank Benton, C. B. Laney, executive committee.

It was decided to hold the third annual show in Monroe the second week in January, 1908.

The association presented Mr. Morrow with the best Barred Rock cockerel in the show, which was very much appreciated by the president. Mr. Morrow has held this office since the association was organized.

The association also presented Mr. T. P. Dillon with a beautiful pair of Partridge Wyandottes, and to say that it was appreciated does not express the secretary's feelings. He is now fixing up a yard to breed this beautiful bird and expects to make it hot for some of the breeders in the next show.

There being no other business, the association adjourned.

The second poultry show was a grand success. Everybody was pleased and the association expects to have a larger show than ever next year.

Church Notices. The services at the Baptist church were protracted from Sunday night and will continue about a week longer. The pastor is preaching. Subject for Tuesday night, "Unanswered Prayer." Wednesday night "Obedience and Happiness" will be the topic. Thursday night, "Who is in the Faith" will be discussed. Friday night, "The Great Fight and Who Wins It" will be considered. Saturday night "The Love of Christ" will be told. Sunday morning "The Greatest Victory in the World" will be the subject, and Sunday night "The Great Witness" will be put on the stand. Other vital subjects will be discussed next week, perhaps. The public cordially invited to attend these services.

Lutheran—Rev. R. H. Cline, pastor. Regular services next Sunday. Subjects: 11 a.m., "What Crouches at the Door"; 7:30 p.m., "Obedience." Sunday school at 3:30 p.m. The public is cordially invited to attend all services.

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"MR. FARMER, IT IS UP TO YOU."

So Says President C. C. Moore—The Good the Cotton Association Has Done the Farmer—Now the Farmer's Turn.

How is the Cotton Association getting along? Well, it is getting on at a remarkably fine pace, considering that the great masses of people who have had the benefit following the organization are doing nothing to help in the work.

The North Carolina division is better shape and is now doing more real good for the farmers and business interests of the Southern States than ever.

What has the Association done? Well, just look about and the fruits can be seen all around, there is more thought given to cotton than was ever before. There has been a decrease of acres planted in cotton and an increase in the production at a less cost and shows that a more intelligent farming is in practice.

The price of cotton has advanced from the calamity price of six and a half cents to a basis of ten cents per pound and the farmer who is in close touch with the Cotton Association will not sell for less than ten cents.

This can be seen in all counties where the farmers have organized and attend meetings of their county divisions. In these counties the sale of cotton falls off at every decline in price. On the other hand, in counties where there are no monthly meetings and no intelligent men to advise the farmers, no interest taken in the Association, the cotton is marketed as fast as gleaned, no matter what the price may be.

The saving from weather damage is now tremendous as compared with the manner of handling cotton before the Association was organized. For forty years the farmers have dumped the bales of cotton on the ground and left them there for months to damage, and often to rot. Now there is a much more careful protection given the bales, indeed, it is a rare sight to see cotton bales lying on the ground exposed to weather on any farm. This is the result of the Cotton Association and this alone has added millions of dollars to the South.

Hundreds of warehouses have been built, both on farms and at shipping points, and these have given protection from fire that has probably saved much wealth in the South.

How is the Cotton Association moving out? Well, it is still moving and will continue to move and do greater good in 1907 than in the past, but Mr. Reader, turn about in your mind, let me ask what have YOU done to advance the price of cotton? What have you had to do in the fight that has been fought so hard and persistently by a few men in your State, aided by a few from other States? Say, reader, have you stood apart and have so conscientiously made this fight for the protection of the entire South?

Reader, you may be a woman or a man, I care not what your occupation is, I just want to look at your condition to-day and speak out honestly and tell me if this great movement has not benefited you? Yes, the answer comes, the Association has helped every living being in the South. Well, then, why don't you line up and help to make a grand success of the organization.

Now, a word direct to the farmers of Union? My friend, what are you doing? This is your business. What will you do with it? You have received a great benefit, mostly brought about by the efforts of men in other States; they have worked in concert; they have worked in concert; you have their product and you get the benefit; now what have you done to raise the price of cotton?

These questions are fired right at you, Mr. Farmer, and are intended to make you THINK. Honest, now, what have you done to raise the price of YOUR cotton? Did you reduce your acreage? Did you hold YOUR cotton from the market when the price was below ten cents? Did YOU attend the meetings in your township and county and try to direct the affairs of this great movement? Have you contributed the small sum of ten cents per bale to help pay for the tremendous pile of postage stamps that has been licked in defending your interests, and what have you done towards paying the expenses of that Southern giant, Harvie Jordan, who has had the audacity to demand fair play for the South from the government of the United States, and who even had the impudence to tackle your greatest enemy, the New York Cotton Exchange. Do you think Mr. Jordan can travel to Washington and New York in your interest and pay his own way? Say, Mr. Farmer, don't you think it is time for you to help in your own fight, or do you want Jordan and the others to hush up and let you sell cotton for six or seven cents a pound? "It's up to you." C. C. MOORE.

Executive Committee Outlines Plan For Farmers.

The newly elected executive committee of the North Carolina division of the Southern Cotton Association, with President C. C. Moore, met at Maxton, N. C., January 9th, and outlined plans and discussed ways of working for the year 1907. While the committee were much gratified at the great good that had been accomplished by the association, they were much perplexed as to the manifest indifference on the part of the farmers as to the financial support of its officers. How to reach the farmer and enlist his co-operation and support received the most thoughtful consideration.

It was decided to establish a bureau of information, with President Moore in charge, with headquarters in Charlotte. This work President Moore will take up immediately after his return from the Birmingham convention. The work will consist of weekly, semi-monthly, or monthly letters to the weekly papers of the cotton counties of the State, and also of personal letters.

The office of county lecturer was created, and it was recommended that each county elect such an officer. It is the duty of said officer to keep himself informed on all matters pertaining to the purposes of the association and communicate the same to the farmers through the county papers, and also to organize subdivisions in his county. By this method every man who reads his local paper will be kept in touch with the association.

The committee insist that the farmers plan for a bountiful supply of forage and grain crops, look to the improvement of their live stock, be economical and shun debt and endeavor to get on a cash basis. They point out the impossibility of maintaining good prices with a large surplus in the cotton crop. They also remind the farmers that the association is without funds, and that if they would have it do efficient work this year they must rally to its support. T. J. W. Broom.

Jurors for February Term.

The county commissioners met last Thursday and drew the following jurors for the term of court which convenes on Monday, February 18, for the trial of civil cases:

K. C. Craig, B. F. Mangum, Fred Hays, M. C. Hagler, T. E. D. Starnes, Jesse W. Hill, Y. W. D. Morgan, Jonas J. Hill, H. T. Bacon, G. S. Myers, Geo. W. Rowell, Rufus Armfield, C. B. Gordon, Geo. W. Rushing, C. J. Braswell, D. H. Simpson, T. Paul Huntley, Jno. M. Belk.

A French Foreign Palace.

The Chateau de Rambouillet has a history remote from the literary fad of the eighteenth century which has made the word Rambouillet significant of an epoch of French culture. It was in this chateau that Francis I. breathed his last and Charles X. was deserted in his death. It is not generally known, however, how Louis XVI. became its proprietor. Until 1788 Rambouillet belonged to the Duc de Penthièvre, grandson of Louis XIV. and Mme. de Montespan. Louis XVI. wished very much