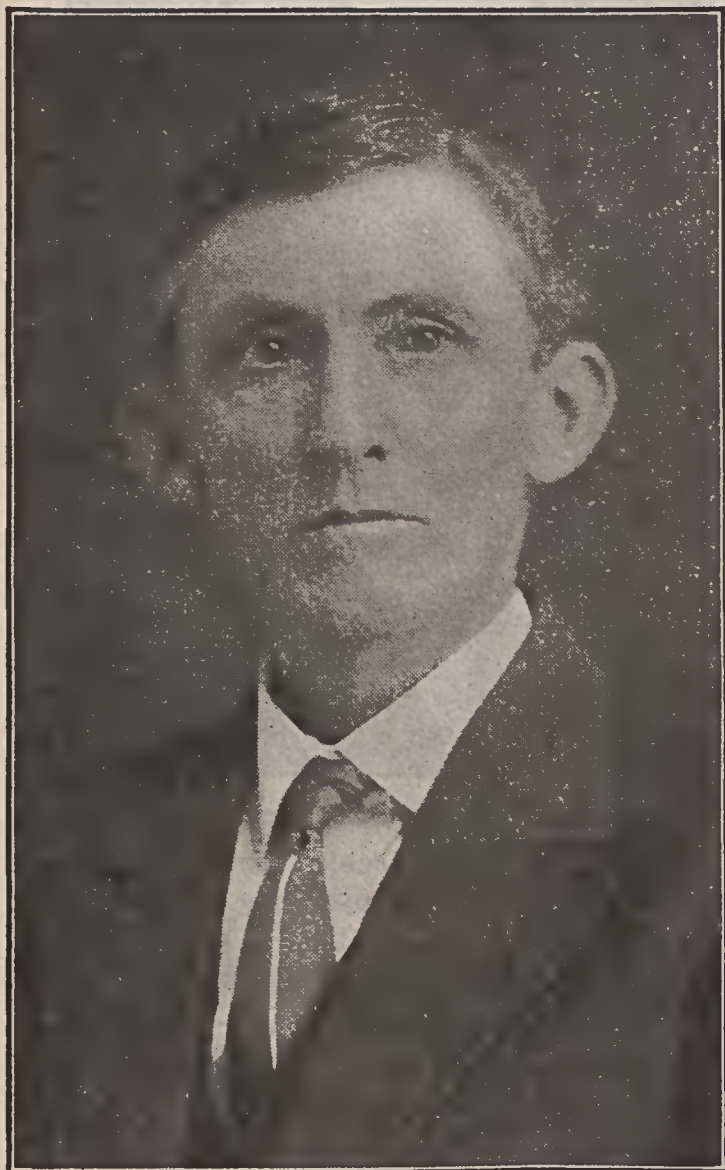


# Officials of the North Carolina Farmers Union



**E. C. FAIRES, OF ABERDEEN, N. C.,  
Secretary-Treasurer.**

Mr. Faires is a native of Gaston County. He attended public schools of Gaston and graduated from Commercial College of Kentucky in 1886; spent four years in mercantile business at Gastonia, but later sold out and located at Kings Mountain, where he engaged in farming until about a year ago he purchased a farm in Moore County, near Aberdeen, selling his farm at Kings Mountain. Mr. Faires was one of the first organizers in this State for the Farmers' Union and was very active in the work before the State Union was organized. He was elected Secretary-Treasurer at Charlotte in May, 1908, when the State Union was formed and has been unanimously re-elected this year.

**CAPT. W. B. GIBSON, OF IREDELL.**

Chairman of Executive Committee.

Capt. Gibson was born in Iredell County, near Statesville, in 1853, and on account of the war his educational advantages were very few. He has lived on the farm all his life and in connection with farming sold fertilizers and general merchandise for twenty-one years. From 1902 to 1908 he devoted himself exclusively to his farm.



**CAPT. W. B. GIBSON, OF STATESVILLE,  
Chairman Executive Committee.**

In 1908 he was elected President of the Iredell County Farmers' Union and has remained at the head of the organization from the beginning. He was also chosen as manager of the Iredell Union Warehouse Company in 1909 and has devoted his full time since that time to the work of the organization. At the meeting at Wilson last year he was chosen a member of the State Executive Committee and this body immediately elected him chairman. Capt. Gibson is one of the most enthusiastic promoters of the warehouse system, as his experience with the warehouses in his own county has convinced him that this is a winning proposition if properly handled.

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**J. Z. GREEN, Organizer-Lecturer.**

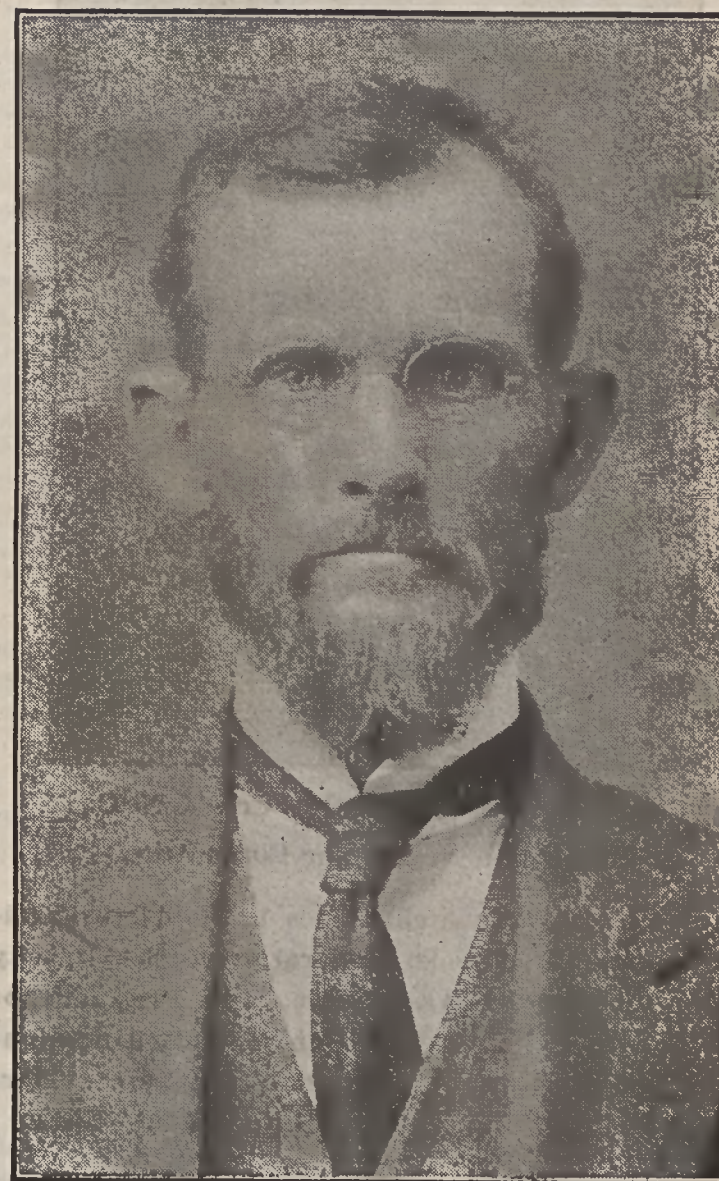
Mr. Green was born on the farm where he now lives, near Marshville, Union County, North Carolina, in 1867. Was educated in the public schools of his county, and when eighteen years of age began work in his county as Lecturer for the Farmers' Union teaching in the public schools, and later began Marshville, and this paper was very prominent in its support of the People's Party when the Alliance became merged into politics. Later on when the Third or Peoples' Party, by fusion, merged with



**DR. H. Q. ALEXANDER, OF MATTHEWS, N. C.,  
President.**

the Republican Party, this paper became independent, and it was during the intervening years that Mr. Green established his identity as editor of Our Home, and as a result of his writing, this paper Alliance. In 1892 he established Our Home at the time of its beginning was merely a wide soon became a valuable asset in the town which place in a road.

Mr. Green has refused several political nominations, and has at all times refused to be considered as a candidate for political offices. When Mr. G. W. Fant, of Texas, came to this State as organizer, Mr. Green gave him his support, and when the State Union was organized in 1908 the first issue of The Carolina Union Farmer was brought out. This was printed in his office at Marshville, where it remained for a year or more. Mr. Green was elected organizer-lecturer of the North Carolina Farmers' Union at the State Meeting held in Monroe in December, 1908, when the offices of the organizer and lecturer were combined; since that time eighteen hundred local and about sixty County Unions have been organized.



**DR. J. M. TEMPLETON, OF CARY, N. C.,  
Vice-President.**

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**PROF. C. C. WRIGHT, of Wilkes.**

Prof. Wright was born at Hunting Creek on August 14, 1862, was educated in the private schools of his county. Began teaching at the age of eighteen and taught for twenty years in his native county. Was elected a member of the Board of Education for Wilkes County in 1885 and served as Chairman for several years. In 1891 was elected a member of the Board of County Commissioners and served in this capacity for six years. In 1899 was elected County Superintendent of Public Instruction, which position he now holds. In addition to these positions of trust he has served on the Board of School Examiners for the State, and on the Text-Book Sub-Commission for 1901. He is at present Chairman of the National Educational Committee of the Farmers' Union, also a member of the National Executive Board. He is Chairman of the Newspaper Committee, and Secretary of the State Executive Committee of the North Carolina Farmers' Union. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity and of the



**J. Z. GREEN, OF MARSHVILLE, N. C.,  
Organizer-Lecturer.**