

## FEDERAL AID FOR STATE FISHERIES

Survey of Florida Coast to Be Made in Connection With the Oyster Industry.

ABOUT \$10,000 SET ASIDE

Government Experts Confer With Governor Trammell and Fish and Game Commissioner Hodges

Tallahassee.—Dr. G. H. Moore of the scientific department of the United States department of commerce and labor of Washington, D. C., and Mr. Dworhart of the United States fish bureau of Washington, were at the capital in conference with Governor Trammell and T. R. Hodges, state shell and fish commissioner, relative to a survey of water bottoms along the Florida coast in connection with the oyster industry. These officials went from here to Apalachicola, where the first survey work will be made. It was stated that the government expects to send the United States boat, Fishhawk to Apalachicola in November to make the survey. It is the opinion of Commissioner Hodges that this would be of vast benefit to Florida. About ten thousand dollars will be spent in the work.

Mr. Hodges left for Apalachicola, where he will board the launch belonging to his department, and from there he will go to Panama City and Pensacola on official business.

### MIAMI BANKS BUY CITY BONDS

Rejected in Eastern Financial Centers, Municipal Bonds Sold at Home

Miami.—Municipal bonds in the sum of one hundred and fifteen thousand dollars have been bought by the banks of Miami, and municipal improvements will continue. Bond brokers in the North declined to bid on the local issue, on account of the European war, but local financial institutions came to the rescue of the municipality and bought the entire issue offered.

The bonds sold include \$45,000 docks, \$10,000 street improvements, \$10,000 fire department and \$50,000

At the meeting of the city council, Finance Committee member Romfh reported that he had sent out one thousand folders advertising the bonds for sale before the beginning of the European war, but since hostilities began he has received no favorable propositions. Some bids were made on a five and one-half per cent basis, but by holding the issue 4 months the sum of \$5,000 has been saved, he said. The bond market, he further stated, he said, is now easing up a little and a better price may be secured on the balance of the issue later.

### BOYS WIN CORN CLUB PRIZES

Dewitt Land, Winner of First Prize, Earned \$25.13 Profit On Acre

Mayo.—Twenty-eight Lafayette county boys, members of the Boys' Corn Club, were contestants here at the big agricultural rally for the prizes offered for the best young corn growers in the county. Each boy was provided with a badge showing him to be a member of the Corn club, and their exhibits of corn grown by them were on display at the court house.

Dewitt Land was the winner of the first prize of \$15 cash, and a suit of clothes. On one acre of corn Dewitt grew sixty-four and three-fourths bushels of corn, at a cost of \$20.15. The value of his corn was \$45.28, leaving him a clear profit of \$25.13.

The winner of the second prize of \$10 cash and a hat was Clayton Sanders, a diminutive young farmer, who grew almost fifty-two bushels of corn on one acre, at a cost of \$17.95, and his yield was valued at \$38.70, leaving him a net profit of \$20.75.

### PENSACOLA BANK REOPENS

American National Has Been Reorganized—New Cashier and Board of Directors

Pensacola.—The American National bank, which closed its doors early in September, has reopened its doors for business. A committee of citizens has secured the consent of all depositors to the plan of taking time certificates of deposit and the stockholders have practically reorganized the bank, placing John G. Pace at the head, with Morris Bear as chairman of the board of directors. The directorate will be composed of entirely new men. A cashier has not yet been selected, but will be within a short time. It is understood the comptroller of the currency has approved the plan of reorganization.

### URGE COTTON TO REPLACE JUTE

Tampa Board Of Trade Start Movement For Cotton Bagging In Florida

Tampa.—The Tampa board of trade is urging all of its members and the people of this section generally to show their interest in the movement to relieve the cotton growers and manufacturers of using cotton bags instead of jute bags to cover shipments of material. The resolution passed by the board and being sent broadcast through this territory reads:

Whereas, it has been clear from the first that the consumption of cotton is the only real key to the cotton situation at this time; and,

Whereas, the using of cotton in all forms possible in the place of other materials will make a demand for the product and therefore advance the price and reduce the amount now held on hand; and,

Whereas, we feel that any help afforded the cotton growers directly or indirectly will be of benefit to the entire country, therefore be it

Resolved, by the board of governors of the Tampa board of trade in regular meeting assembled, That we urge and request that all users of heavy bags for sacking purposes use cotton bags; and also ask the dealers from whom they buy products already sacked that they also use cotton bags wherever possible.

### FIGHT ON CANKER SUCCESSFUL

Inspectors Report That Disease Is Very Rapidly Diminishing—Reinfection Is Rare

Miami.—Prof. Berger and Mr. Wartman, a member of the board of control, met with the nurserymen of North Dade for the purpose of holding a consultation in regard to the local sales of nursery stock. The meeting proved to be of a general character and many besides the nurserymen were present and entered into the several discussions, regarding the canker and the sale of nursery stock.

The reports from the inspectors were very encouraging, showing conclusively that in both North and South Dade the scourge is diminishing rapidly. It was shown by the reports of the inspectors that the cases of reinfection are growing less and less and that it is only rarely now that the new infections are found. The outlook for the speedy eradication of the disease is very bright, but it will be necessary to keep the inspectors in the field for a long time. It is evident that it will not do to let up careful inspections until the last vestige of the dreaded disease has been wiped out.

### STATE NEWS NOTES.

There is a possibility of the National Guard of Georgia using Black Point, as a camping ground next year. The officers from the Empire state of the South who have been at Black Point attending the rifle matches have informed General Foster that they would like to camp here, if it is possible.

Key West.—The United States torpedo boat Mackenzie will leave on November 9, having on board the first deck division, and will cruise along the east coast, going as far as Jacksonville. The ship has been placed in a first class condition, and preparations are being made for fuel, water and subsistence en route. The cruise will no doubt be of great benefit to the organization, and it is hoped will promote more interest among its members, as well as obtain enlistment.

Assisted by Secretary S. T. Kidder of the chamber of commerce, Miss Lucia Hudson, county supervisor of girls' canning clubs for St. Johns, is already beginning plans for the extending of the plans and the scope of the club's work for next year. At present Miss Hudson will devote some time to encouraging the planting of flowers about homes, thus advancing the home development phase of the canning club work. Her efforts are certain to result in adding greatly to the attractiveness of the city.

Florida is the most southerly state in the chain, and consequently the earliest fruits and vegetables in the market are grown in it. One of the strongest inducements for the settler to locate in this state is the diversity of its productions; it is a leader in early fruits and vegetables for the standard market crops, as well as producing many fruits not grown in other states. In topography the lands are nowhere very much elevated above sea level, but are sufficiently rolling to require but little drainage, and that only in the lowest portions. The soil may be classed as hammock, pine land, high and flat woods, prairie and muck or reclaimed lands, and as all a sandy loam underlaid with clay. In acreage the pine lands are largely in excess of any other type. All of these types of lands are easily cultivated and are very responsive to intelligent cultivation.

## BRITISH READY TO BUY COTTON

Plans Are Being Formulated By British Representatives And American Bankers

OUTLOOK IS VERY HOPEFUL

Early Resumption Of Trading In The South's Cotton By British Mill Men Is Predicted

Washington.—Financial forces of the federal government, aided by the friendly counsel of prominent American bankers and representatives of Great Britain, were turned toward re-adjustment of the foreign exchange market, disturbed by the European war.

For more than three hours the federal reserve board, Sir George Parish and Basil B. Blackett, representing the English, treasury, and some of the best-known bankers in New York, discussed the situation in all its aspects. According to those present no note of pessimism was sounded at the meeting, and there was every reason to believe all the problems which loomed so large on the financial horizon a few months ago will be solved without great difficulty. Here are the salient conclusions reached by the conference:

"American bankers stand ready to pay their obligations to England in cash. The \$100,000,000 gold pool already formed and \$80,000,000 raised by a New York syndicate to meet New York City's obligations probably will be enough, however, to satisfy English creditors.

The New York and London stock exchanges will not be opened soon, possibly not before the beginning of 1915. A joint committee of the two exchanges will consider reopening before hand.

#### Cotton Loan Plan Discussed

The federal reserve board is expected to hasten consideration of the proposed cotton loan fund plan, designed in part to give bottom to the cotton market.

The cotton exchanges in New York, New Orleans and Liverpool probably will be opened as soon as possible. The New York exchange probably will confer through a committee with the Liverpool exchange before such action is taken.

A committee consisting of Benjamin Strong, Jr., A. H. Wiggin, James Brown of New York, and Governor Hamlin and Paul M. Warburg of the reserve board, will hold further conferences with Sir George Parish and Mr. Blackett about details of the re-adjustment plan.

According to some of those at the conference, the optimism of all present was surprising. Sir George, it was said, did not indicate that he had come to demand payment of American debts; he had no concrete plan to lay before the Americans, but listened to what they had to say. The American bankers, on the other hand, made it clear that there was every reason to believe America could and would meet all obligations in gold. A month ago they said they were worried about America's European debts, but as the weeks passed individuals appeared to take care of millions in debt across the water that it had been feared would have to be met through some pooling arrangement. Other millions, the bankers believe, will be accessible soon.

#### Cotton To Pay U. S. Debts

Although there was no expression as to how much gold actually must be paid to England, it was the opinion of many of those present that but little more than already has been arranged for will be necessary.

A prominent part in all the calculations, all agreed, must be played by cotton, and for this reason the desirability of finding a bottom for the market and making arrangements for reopening cotton exchanges were discussed at length. Sir George voiced again the opinion that English manufacturers would buy cotton when they knew bottom had been reached, and that competitors could not underbuy them. Just how much England's buyers would take was not forecast, but the steady effect buying there will have on foreign exchange was generally admitted.

#### Missouri Women Boost Cotton

St. Joseph, Mo.—Three hundred members of the Federation of Women's Clubs took the places of conductors on St. Joseph's street car lines. The occasion was "Trolley Day," and the company had agreed to give all money collected, in excess of the average week-day receipts, to the federation to be used for charity. The women were requested by leaders of the federation to wear cotton dresses in furtherance of the movement to aid Southern cotton planters.

## CASH FOR COTTON GROWERS

OTHER BANKS MAY FOLLOW PLAN OF ATLANTA BANK TO LOAN MONEY ON COTTON.

Loans On More Than Ten Thousand Bales Have Been Arranged For By Atlanta Bank

Atlanta.—The example set by the Central Bank and Trust Corporation in lending money on cotton will very probably be followed by other institutions.

A representative of another large state bank has called on A. P. Coles, vice president of the Central Bank and Trust Corporation, for information about the latter's loan.

This representative was so impressed with the feasibility of it that he said he would recommend to his directors that they put the same plan in operation.

A Georgia bank, which is a correspondent of the Central Bank and Trust Corporation, simply advertised that fact following the announcement of Mr. Candler in the Atlanta papers that his bank would lend on cotton.

The correspondent wrote that many farmers called on him and congratulated his bank on its connection.

An out of the state bank was so pleased with the plan that it sent Mr. Coles a cheque to be used as part of the loan fund.

Something like \$300,000 in loans has been arranged for by the Central Bank and Trust Corporation, which represents 10,000 bales of cotton. These loans will be made as soon as the cotton arrives and is stored in the warehouses now under construction.

#### Dissolution of Steel Trust Sought

Philadelphia.—Henry E. Colton, special assistant to the attorney general, took up an entire day in the federal district court here giving reasons why the United States Steel corporation should be dissolved because it violates the Sherman anti-trust law as charged by the government.

Mr. Colton's argument was largely technical. He argued that there was sharp competition among steel companies until they were absorbed by the big concern. The creation of the steel corporation was a clearly thought-out scheme intended to monopolize the iron and steel trade, he declared. The maintenance of high prices was an indication, he said, that the steel corporation has a powerful influence in the trade and that it actually monopolizes the industry.

#### Bad Butter Furnished Soldiers

New York.—An inferior brand of butter described as unfit to eat, but bearing the guarantee of the New York Mercantile exchange that it was the best quality, was shipped last June to Vera Cruz for the use of the United States troops, according to testimony adduced at the inquiry instituted by State's Attorney General Parsons to determine if a butter, egg and cheese monopoly exists in this city.

#### Family Of 25 Children

Washington.—President Wilson congratulated J. E. Duckworth, a North Carolina mountaineer, on his record as the father of twenty-five children and for having voted the Democratic ticket for sixty-five years. Mr. Duckworth, who had never seen a president before, was introduced to Mr. Wilson by Senator Overman.

#### Macon Endorses Wade Plan

Macon, Ga.—The banks forming the Macon Clearing House association, at their meeting endorsed the plan for the organization of the county co-operative associations which will be formed in Bibb and other counties. Each bank in the city agreed to become a member of the association.

#### Lorimer May Be Arrested

Chicago.—Caplases were being prepared for the arrest of former United States Senator William Lorimer, Charles B. Munday and twelve other officials of the LaSalle Street bank and allied institutions, against whom indictments were returned charging them with looting the bank.

#### More U. S. Troops For China

Washington.—The probability of increasing American forces in China along the railway from Peking to the sea, because of the withdrawal of the troops of nations engaged in the European conflict, is being considered by the war department.

#### Villa's Troops March On Laredo

Laredo, Texas.—One thousand new troops arrived in Nuevo Laredo from Monterey, bringing the garrison to about fifteen hundred men. Rumors that Villa had sent forces to reduce the place caused the increase of the garrison. Dispatches from Eagle Pass, Texas, said that two separate commands of Villa's troops are marching on Piedras Negras and Nuevo Laredo. In Nuevo Laredo all Americans holding positions, either state or federal have been discharged by orders from Mexico City.

## Count the Cost!

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### BREEDING FOR THE FUTURE

Industrial Type of Horses Will Be in Demand at the Conclusion of the War.

The American farmer who seeks to take advantage of the horse famine now being made by Krupp and Creusot guns should dismiss all thought of supplying the armies now in the field. In all probability the war will be over before his first foals are weaned. What he should do is breed industrial types of horses to fill the gaps made by the present war, with perhaps a small percentage of the type of horses actually preferred for military use.

Wars may not cease with the end of the present masterpiece of deviltry, but there is good reason to believe that martial glory will be at a discount in Europe for many years to come. Let us get ready, therefore, to supply the needs of peace, rather than to satisfy the demands of a Moloch who soon may be hurled from his throne.

#### Timmy Atkins' Plan

During General French's retirement on Paris, a British officer overheard the following dialogue between Tommy and Timmy Atkins: Said Tommy: "We'll beat the beggars nearer Paris and finally rout them." "Shure," replied Timmy, "phwy not lick thim here an' save thim an' the devil of a long walk?"—Boston Transcript.

One of the world's largest retaining walls has been built to prevent the River Rangoon, Burma, from shifting its channel.

Queen Eleanore of Bulgaria has served in two wars.

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