



"TO THINE OWN SELF BE TRUE. AND IT MUST FOLLOW AS THE NIGHT THE DAY: THOU CANST NOT THEN BE FALSE TO ANY MAN."

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IT PAYS TO BUY FOR CASH.

GEORGIA TORNADO SCATTERS

Death and Destruction—25 Persons Killed—Many Are Hurt.

Oconee, Ga., Feb. 10.—A tornado that struck the Gardner settlement, one mile from here, shortly after the noon hour to-day, brought death to two white persons and nearly thirty negroes and serious injury to five white persons and more than a score of negroes.

A stretch of land extending from Oconee almost to Toombsboro in Washington county, nearly five miles long and about a half mile wide, is as barren as a prairie to-night, not a single building nor a tree being left standing.

Among the dead is Benjamin F. Orr, a 14-year-old youth, who was decapitated.

The only other white person who met death in the tornado is the 3-year-old daughter of E. L. Minor, the manager of Shepherd's commissary at the plant of the Cleveland-Oconee Lumber Company.

School House Wrecked.

Eighty-two children and three teachers were in a school building on the edge of the Gardner settlement when the tornado struck. The building was literally twisted to pieces and the fragments scattered around for miles. Children were picked up by the wind and carried for some distance, but it is officially announced that only one child was seriously hurt.

Approximately forty houses were blown down in the Gardner settlement. The Shepherd Bros. Commissary at the big lumber plant was reduced to kindling wood, and it was here that Mr. Orr and four negroes met their death. Ten feet away from the commissary was the general office of the Cleveland-Oconee Lumber Company, which was untouched by the storm.

The 15-acre plant of the lumber company, which practically owns the settlement site of Gardner, was not seriously damaged by the wind, although millions of feet of lumber, piled in the yards, was scattered.

Covers Small Area.

The tornado spent its force immediately beyond the plant of the lumber company, in the settlement of 40 houses and four stores. Most of the people residing in this section were negroes, the white people of the town residing on higher ground, a short distance away.

These negro houses and stores faced the tracks of the Savannah division of the Central of Georgia railroad. In the rear of the house was an open field extending for nearly a mile from the Oconee station to the lumber mill. It was into this field that men, women and children were carried to their death from their seats at dinner tables.

Ten minutes after the tornado wiped out the Gardner settlement a Central of Georgia local freight train from Savannah to Macon, arrived on the scene. W. O. King, of Wadley, conductor in charge, viewed the bodies scattered about the ground. The conductor ordered his locomotive detached from the train and with his crew hastened to Tennille, 11 miles away, for aid.

Board Driven In Forehead.

Doctors found one negro boy with a board driven into his forehead. They removed the board and gave temporary aid. The youth was still alive when this dispatch was sent, and it was believed that he will live.

The body of a 3-year-old negro infant was found at the roots of a tree, the top of which had been literally twisted off. The child's head had been crushed in, having been carried head-foremost from his home and dashed against the tree. One negro's body was cut in two.

A negro man and his wife were found dead more than 100 yards from their home, lying side by side in the road.

The bodies of several small negroes were found in trees, out of the path of the tornado, being suspended on the limbs by their clothing.

The bodies of grown negroes were thrown into the field in a semi-circle, and in the center of the group was a goat, who stood like a statue, too frightened to move, for hours after the storm had passed.

Oak Trees Snapped Off.

Six oak trees along the railroad at Gardner were snapped off at different heights. On the top of one of these was a pillow from the bed of one of the wrecked homes.

According to residents of the community, the clouds lowered just as the employees of the lumber plant left their work for dinner. The atmosphere became extremely hot and because of the darkness in many homes lamps had been lighted when the tornado broke.

One person on the outer edge of the storm-swept path which escaped declared he saw a string of box cars moving toward him. Then as suddenly, he declared, the box cars were reversed, and when he looked a second time he said that they were once more coming toward him. These cars were found to have been blown from the rails.

Chickens that escaped death in the path of the storm were in many instances plucked clean of their feathers. There were many animals that were killed, and in a number of instances bodies of hogs and other of the smaller animals were found to be lodged high in the boughs of trees, some of them still living and crying piteously.

Red Cross Relief at Once.

Atlanta, Feb. 10.—Arrangements for relief of the victims of to-day's tornado at Oconee, Ga., were made here to-night by the American Red Cross, which ordered automobile loads of food sent from Sandersville and medical supplies and nurses out of Atlanta.

Briefs from Bounty Land.

Bounty Land, Feb. 14.—Special: Mrs. H. A. Knox and two children, of Liberty, were late guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ballenger.

Mrs. E. D. Foster's many friends will learn with regret of her recent indisposition, and will join in the hope that her usual good health may soon be restored.

Miss Mary Gambrell is boarding in Seneca and attending the Seneca High School.

Marion Hughs, of Atlanta, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hughs.

Miss Sybil Chamblin was a recent visitor to her home in Liberty.

J. D. Stewart will go to Anderson tomorrow to undergo a physical examination by the government examining board. Mr. Stewart had quite a good deal of trouble during the war on account of defective eyes, and has been called for re-examination.

Jesse Rankin and Morris Crumpton attended the singing at Jordania Sunday.

Wagener Township Singers.

The Wagener Township Singing Convention will meet with the New Hope Baptist church on the third Sunday afternoon in February, beginning at 2 o'clock. All singers and lovers of music are invited to attend.

H. A. Wood, President.
W. D. Brewer, Secretary.

PALMAFESTA GIRLS WILL SEE

City of Columbia from Aloft—Aeroplane Trips for Candidates.

The committee in charge of entertainment during Palmafesta week in Columbia, March 28 to April 2, has announced an arrangement with the Columbia Aircraft Corporation by which the young women delegates from the various counties in South Carolina will have opportunity to view Columbia from the clouds.

The two big Curtiss planes, "Orion" and "J. M.-4," will be put in commission and piloted by Lieuts. E. T. Gaines and C. H. Siebenhausen, two experienced army aviators, and daily flights will be made over Columbia and the surrounding country, furnishing aerial thrills for the fair delegates who care to make the flight.

Forty local daily and weekly newspapers in South Carolina are now conducting contests to secure the most popular young woman in each county. The delegates will go to Columbia for the gala week as guests of the Capital City and the Palmafesta Association, all expenses being paid. During the big week an election will be held in Columbia, by which the Queen of Palmafesta will be chosen from among the county delegates.

Moving pictures of the queen and all delegates will be taken by one of the prominent national film services. While in Columbia the young ladies from the various counties will be chaperoned by State House officials and their wives. An endless program of social gaiety and entertainment is being planned by Columbia society folk.

Palmafesta week will be crowded with interesting features, including the State-wide automobile, truck and tractor show; the spring style show; automobile, trades, floral and baby parades; special musical and theatrical attractions, daily concerts, fetes, dances and nightly exhibits of fireworks, featuring South Carolina historical events in specially designed set pieces. The Packard agency of New York is furnishing professional models for the fashion show, which will be staged at the State Fair Grounds. The automobile show has been thrown open to all members of the South Carolina Automobile Trades Association, and will be one of the largest ever held in the South.

Select the young lady whom you want to vote for as the most popular in Oconee and get busy with the work of getting votes for her. Elsewhere in this issue will be found the voting coupon, which is good for one vote. With every paid-in-advance subscription to The Courier you will be given a coupon for 100 votes in this contest for Queen of the Palmafesta. The time is short, so if you are going to work for some young lady in this interesting contest, you will do well to get busy at once. The coupon will appear in each issue of The Courier up to and including March 9th, and the votes will be tabulated on Saturday, March 12th, and the name of the winner for Oconee will be sent to Columbia. There an election will be held to select one of the delegates from the several counties as Queen of Palmafesta. After the queen has been chosen, the other county delegates will be chosen as members of the queen's court ladies and all will be guests of the City of Columbia during Palmafesta week, with all expenses paid and a handsome gown for the occasion furnished without cost to each young lady who wins in the county contest.

Child Killed by Heavy Truck.

Darlington, Feb. 13.—An accident on the public square here yesterday afternoon cost the life of little Henry Tedder, aged 8 years, a son of Henry Tedder, of Oates, this county. The accident occurred at the intersection of two streets with the public square. It seems that Jesse Bostick, colored, driving a big tank truck of the Gulf Refining Co., was turning from Pearl street into Main street at the corner of the square, but before turning had stopped, and at the signal of the traffic officer on duty there started on down Main street at a very slow rate of speed. The little Tedder child was attempting to join some friends on the opposite corner of the street and, not seeing the truck, started to run across the street. The little fellow ran into the fender and in some way was thrown under the truck, the

HARDING FORMALLY DECLARED

To Have Been Chosen as President of the United States.

Washington, Feb. 10.—The election of Warren G. Harding as President and Calvin Coolidge as Vice-President of the United States was formally declared to-day at a joint session of the Senate and House in the chamber of the latter.

With full solemnity and without a ripple of demonstration such as marked the "elections" of President Wilson, the two bodies canvassed the votes cast by the electors chosen at the elections last November. The formal vote as declared tallied with the informal results known to the public on the day after election, with 404 votes for Mr. Harding and Mr. Coolidge, and 127 for James M. Cox and Franklin D. Roosevelt, the Democratic standard-bearers.

Solemn and Impressive.

Vice President Marshall presided over to-day's canvass and gave an effectual warning against any demonstration for an occasion which, Mr. Marshall said, "was solemn and important" and should be carried through in silence. Unlike many previous occasions, the Vice President's warning was heeded, except for a flutter over slip-ups of the tellers in pronouncing names of States in announcing the results.

By a coincidence, Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, Republican floor leader, who acted as teller, announced the first votes, from Alabama, for Messrs. Cox and Roosevelt, while Senator Underwood, of Alabama, Democratic teller, announced the first returns for Messrs. Harding and Coolidge from Arizona, in the alphabetical canvass of the electors' votes.

The gallery, composed mostly of women, watched the proceedings, which were completed in record time of about a half hour.

For Washington's Birthday.

The Pocket Post school is planning an entertainment for Washington's birthday, and the following program will be rendered on Feb. 22d, beginning at 7.30 p. m.:

Song—"Washington." By school.

Recitation—"The 22d of February." By Wm. Chalmers.

Dialogue—"Our Flag." By three small boys.

Recitation—"Little Johnnie on George Washington." By Obie Galoway.

Recitation—"Like Washington." By Willie Harkins.

Recitation—"Careful Stitches." By three children.

Recitation—"The Hatchet Story." By Leo Powell.

Recitation—"Something Better." By Mary Julia Coward.

"The Hatchet Song." By primary grades.

"Emblems of Washington." By three primary girls.

"Flag Drill," by primary pupils.

Recitation—"What the Little Girl Said." By Laura Cowan.

"Washington." By ten small boys and girls.

Recitation—"A High Resolve." By Phidelle Burrell.

"Recipe for Potato Pudding." By four advanced pupils.

Song—"Dixie." By intermediate grades.

"Oh, You Teacher!" By intermediate grades.

Recitation—"Reverie in Church." By Pauline Todd.

Dialogue—"Guess Who?" By Bernice Garrison and Eulus Galoway.

Recitation—"Widder." By Hattie Orr.

Recitation—"Old Moses Counting Eggs." Gladys Alexander.

"The Travelling Photographer." By advanced grades.

Recitation—"Mrs. January Jones' Lecture on Woman's Rights." By James Harkins.

Play—"The Suffragettes." By some "enrolled sisters."

Prof. W. W. West is expected to furnish music during the evening.

Card of Thanks.

Editor Keowee Courier:

To those kind friends and neighbors who so thoughtfully and unselfishly gave of their time to minister to the needs of our dear father during his last illness, and who so freely gave their sympathy and help when he had passed to his reward, we wish to extend sincere thanks and express our appreciation. May the Lord bless each and every one.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Blackwell.

Coneross, Feb. 15.—adv.-*

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— IN QUANTITIES AT BIG REDUCTION. —

A CAR LOAD OF LUBRICATING OIL FOR AUTOMOBILES, TRACTORS AND STATIONARY ENGINES—IN FIVE, THIRTY and SIXTY-GALLON CONTAINERS.

I AM GOING TO SELL THIS OIL AT WHOLESALE PRICES. MY PRICE WILL SAVE YOU FROM 25 TO 50 CENTS ON THE GALLON. IF THERE WAS EVER A TIME WHEN YOU SHOULD SAVE YOUR MONEY IT IS NOW. WHY NOT BUY YOUR OIL IN LARGER QUANTITIES AND POCKET THE DIFFERENCE?

TRACTOR OWNERS SHOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS BARREL OFFER BEFORE PLOW TIME. ONE LOT OIL—ESPECIALLY HEAVY—FOR THE FORDSON TRACTOR.

I STILL HAVE A FEW MARTIN DITCHERS LEFT. BETTER GET YOURS.

Arthur Brown,
Walhalla, S. C.

TEXAS FARMERS ARE REDUCING PASSENGER RATE RAISE ORDER

Their Cotton Acreage—N. C. Following Same Plan—S. C. Must Do It.

Columbia, Feb. 14.—Texas farmers are going to reduce their cotton acreage from 33 1-3 to 50 per cent, according to a letter received by the South Carolina division of the American Cotton Association from George B. Terrell, Commissioner of Agriculture of that State. He states in his letter that his department is sending out leaflets and bulletins in large numbers dealing with the situation, "and with every fibre in our being we are appealing to our Texas farmers to reduce their cotton acreage this year anywhere from 33 1-3 to 50 per cent."

A letter from A. W. Swain, secretary of the North Carolina division, also brings the news that North Carolina is certainly going to reduce. In his letter Mr. Swain says:

"We are going to reduce more than we are asked to reduce, and are signing up right now almost 100 per cent on the proposition. We are just in receipt of a wire from some of the counties reading thus: 'Signed up 1,369 to date in my county. Will complete the job with around 95 per cent signed up.' We have several telegrams to this effect, and letters from almost every county, saying 'put us down for 100 per cent in favor of reduction this year.'"

Reports from other States indicate that the reduction is going to be South-wide. Officials of the association declare, however, that with a surplus of 9,000,000 bales staring the South in the face, it will be financial disaster for over half a crop to be raised.

ASSOCIATE JUSTICE GAGE DEAD.

Death Came Sunday Last at Home in Chester After Long Illness.

Chester, S. C., Feb. 13.—Associate Justice George W. Gage, of the South Carolina Supreme Court, died at his home here at 6 o'clock this afternoon, after a long illness. He is the second Associate Justice of the South Carolina Supreme Court to die in less than one month, Associate Justice Daniel E. Hydrick having died on Jan. 15.

Justice Gage had been ill for four weeks with pneumonia. He was 65 years old. He studied law at Vanderbilt University after completing his academic course at Wofford College, Spartanburg. Before his promotion to the Circuit bench he served in the lower House of the General Assembly of South Carolina. He was elected to the Supreme bench seven years ago. He is survived by four sons and one daughter.

Funeral Held Yesterday.

Chester, Feb. 15.—The funeral of Judge Gage was held here to-day at 11 o'clock. The services at the home and at the grave were largely attended, the prominence of the highly esteemed jurist attracting many from a distance, who came to pay the last tribute to the memory of a man whom everybody loved and trusted, both as private citizen and public servant.

"CASCARETS" TO-NIGHT FOR CONSTIPATION.

Just think! A pleasant, harmless Cascares works while you sleep, and has your liver active, head clear, stomach sweet and bowels moving as regular as a clock by morning. No griping or inconvenience. 10, 25 or 50-cent boxes. Children love this candy cathartic, too.—adv.

Received by Railroads in South Carolina—Att'y. Gen. to Act.

Washington, Feb. 12.—Passenger fares, excess baggage, switching and other State charges in South Carolina were ordered to-day by the Interstate Commerce Commission to be raised to the level of interstate rates, effective on March 21.

The commission said the State passenger rate of three cents a mile discriminated against interstate commerce, and ordered a rate of 3.6 cents per mile.

The Seaboard Air Line, which did not raise passenger fare in the State of South Carolina in accordance with their decision of last August, was ordered to increase its fares from Charleston to Savannah to \$3.42, which is figured on a 3.6 cents basis.

The commission also ordered the South Carolina Railway Commission to establish a charge not exceeding 15 cents to be paid by any passenger boarding a train without first purchasing a ticket. The present rate in the State is 18 cents.

The commission ordered excess baggage weight in State travel reduced from 200 pounds to 150 pounds, the level prevailing in interstate commerce.

The commission said the evidence showed that business houses of South Carolina competing with houses in adjacent States had been unduly favored by the lower State passenger rates, and quoted the transportation act as authority for its decision in ordering the rates raised.

To Seek Injunction.

Columbia, Feb. 14.—"In order to prevent this most serious and sweeping encroachment upon the right of the State of South Carolina to regulate her purely internal affairs," Attorney General S. M. Wolfe announced to-day that he will immediately apply to United States Judge H. A. M. Smith, of the Eastern South Carolina district, at Charleston, for an injunction to restrain the railways operating in this State from putting into effect increases in passenger and switching charges ordered by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Asked as to the possibility of the railways instituting injunction proceedings to prevent the State of South Carolina from interfering with the increased rates, the Attorney General said that his office does not anticipate such action and will probably seek the injunction in behalf of the State this week.

Negro Stabbed Officer to Death.

Talladega, Ala., Feb. 13.—Deputies succeeded in making their way to Anniston, where they arrived in the early morning hours to-day with Teague Cunningham, colored, who late yesterday cut Patrolman Eugene Hobbs to death with a razor, and who was threatened by a mob when officers attempted to board a train with the prisoner.

Sheriff Cornett announced to-day that he was convinced that Cunningham alone was responsible for the killing, and that the report that he held the victim while another negro did the cutting was untrue. Cunningham is declared by officers to have been drunk when the arrest was attempted.

Italy is combating illiteracy by the establishment of 1,000 new schools.