

Scrap and Facts.

—There was a brief display of verbal fireworks in the senate chamber Saturday during which Senator Smoot, Republican, Utah, accused Senator Simmons, Democrat, North Carolina, of having insulted him "at least twenty times" and the North Carolina senator declared Senator Smoot had made "a statement that is not true." The flare-up occurred during debate over the effect on prices of the recently enacted tariff law and while quite heated ended with both senators agreeing to let the record speak for itself. Senator Simmons attempted to question the Utah senator, who after answering several questions, said the inquiries were designed to embarrass him. Senator Simmons denied he had any intention of embarrassing Senator Smoot, who, he added, was "too omnipotent to be embarrassed."

—Nearly half the exports of corn from the United States in 1921—or 58,82,806 bushels—went to Canada, according to the U. S. department of agriculture. Much of this corn, however, eventually went to Europe, for Canadian statistics showed that only 12,000,000 bushels were reported from this country for home consumption. Exports of corn during each of the first three months of 1922 were larger than during any month of 1921. The second largest foreign market for American corn was the Netherlands, where 17,843 bushels were imported. The next largest market, in point of receipts were the United Kingdom, Germany and Mexico. Corn exports for the first eight months of this year exceeded the exports for the entire year of 1921 by 2,488,743 bushels, according to the department. Total corn exports for 1921 were 128,974,505 bushels. For the first eight months of 1922 exports were 131,463,248 bushels. Exclusive of 425,766 barrels of corn meal and corn flour, the equivalent of 1,811,064 bushels of corn.

—Gabriel Narutowicz, first president of the Polish republic, fell before an assassin's bullet at Warsaw at noon Saturday, just one week since his election and only 48 hours after actually taking up the duties of office. The tragedy occurred at an exhibition of paintings, and the assassin was an artist, one Niewodowski, long regarded by his associates as mentally deranged. The president had just concluded a brief address and, accompanied by his aide de camp and two of the members of his cabinet, was entering the first hall of the exhibition to view the paintings when Niewodowski joined the throng eagerly pressing about the chief executive to shake his hand. Instead of stopping in front of M. Narutowicz, however, the assassin circled the crowd to a position in the rear. Then working his way so close to his victim that there was no chance of missing, he drew a revolver and fired three times, all of the bullets piercing the president's back. M. Narutowicz, terribly wounded, collapsed to the floor and died within a few moments. The slayer soon as his deed was done, turned for flight, but was immediately borne down by the infuriated spectators, who kicked and beat him unmercifully. He was rescued with difficulty by the police and taken to the police station under exceptionally heavy guard.

—The British house of commons was prorogued (adjourned) last Friday under strange conditions. In the first place, the "government" was exceedingly nervous about the whole session. Not sure of itself and very shy of the powerful labor party in opposition, it sought only to transact routine business that had to be transacted, and when it got ready for adjournment it had to manage the thing almost by force. One of the ceremonies of adjournment is the following of the "black rod" to the house of Lords to listen to the king's speech, which usually consists of praising the things that have been done and holding out promises of other things that should sound welcome. Throughout the session the labor members have been insistent on having something done to help unemployment throughout Great Britain. There are more than a million and a half people out of work and conditions are indeed distressing. So when it came to adjournment, Laborite Langsbury began to howl for unemployment legislation, and when the other members started after the "black rod" the laborites refused to follow, something never heard of before. After adjournment Premier Bonar Law called a special meeting of Unionist members, and among other things told them that the committee in charge was working incessantly to find some means of solving the fearful unemployment problem, and if there was no other way for it, the government stood ready to spend large sums of various public workers to the end of giving the unemployed a means of procuring bread. He assured the meeting, however, that the trade slump is now over and business will be getting better from now on.

—Marion, Illinois, December 15: The attack on the Herrin "strip" mine, the death march through the town with the captives and the hunting down of a few fugitives, was described today by witnesses at the trial or five men held in connection with the killings. All but one of the defendants were named as having been seen with a gun during the progress of the rioting, but all the witnesses so far heard, have declared they could not identify any persons they had seen in the act of shooting at the victims. In an argument between opposing counsel regarding the exclusion of a portion of the testimony to which the defense objected, Judge D. T. Hartwell, ruling in favor of the prosecution, said: "I want the whole thing to come out and I do not want to exclude any testimony on a mere technicality." The

defendants, who have been pointed out by witnesses as having been seen carrying guns during the rioting are Otis Clark, Bert Grace, Joseph Caranghi and Levi Mann. The name of Peter Miller, the fifth defendant, has not yet appeared in any of the testimony. Donald M. Ewing, a Chicago newspaperman, who wrote the first account of the killings for the Associated Press, picked out Grace from among the defendants as a man who had threatened him with a gun when he attempted to bring a drink of water to two injured men who were lying on a sun-baked road just outside of Herrin. The witness said there were six dead or wounded men lying on the road, all of them bound together by a single rope tied about their necks. "Grace put his foot on one of the wounded men and pushed," the witness declared, and quoted the defendant as saying with a curse, "You'll get no water here." Three other witnesses testified as to various incidents in connection with the tragedy. At the close of the afternoon session, Judge Hartwell announced an adjournment of court over Saturday and Sunday.

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A merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year to everybody.

If it was necessary for the United States to interfere as between France and England on the one hand and Germany on the other, would it not become all the more necessary for it to interfere as between France and England, France and England are about all that are left of Europe just now, and a conflict between them would result in worse chaos, even than would have resulted in the conquest of France and England by Germany.

At a conference of government representatives and producers and distributors of calcium arsenate held in the Hotel Astor in New York, last Wednesday, it developed that the price of calcium arsenate which sold at 6 cents a pound last January will sell at 18 cents a pound next month. Calcium arsenate is a by-product of the treatment of certain ores mainly. The requirements of the cotton producers amount to 12,000 tons and it is claimed that there will be only 7,000 tons available for next year's operations. A part of the rise in the price of calcium arsenate is claimed to be due to speculative buying and selling by certain Japanese gamblers, who have not been making deliveries.

It is announced in the despatches that Ambassador George Harvey is on his way back to the United States, and although the suggestion is thrown out that the health of Mrs. Harvey has something to do with the trip, the newspapers persist in holding out the impression of great political significance. Intimations are coming from high up sources, that the administration is at last being forced from its assumption of absolute aloofness from European political affairs and that there is increasing probability of sudden announcement that the United States has decided to accept the role that Great Britain, France and Germany have all along been urging it to accept.

There is an exceedingly tense situation around Marion, Illinois, in connection with the trial of the Union miners accused of participation in the Herrin massacre. While the Union miners were the only active participants in the affair, the people around—farmers and business men—were cognizant of all the facts before, during and after the wholesale killings and they are being used as witnesses. It is understood that the miners on trial and others in sympathy have put out the word that they will assassinate any witness who shall give damaging testimony against them, and it is stated that the farmers and others have formed a secret organization through which they have put out word that for every witness who is harmed they will get ten miners. Most of the witnesses who have been on the stand so far have been testifying with extreme reluctance and some have shown terror. One man claimed Saturday that he did not care so much for himself; but he was concerned as to what would become of his family in case anything should happen to him.

There is considerable agitation in big business to reduce the sur tax on large net incomes from 50 per cent. to 25 per cent. in accordance with a recent recommendation of Secretary Mellon. The argument is that under present conditions men of large means prefer to invest their capital in non-taxable bonds and do nothing rather than incur the risks and worries of employing men in industry. They figure that rather than make 10 or 15 per cent. profit and give half of it back to the government, it is cheaper to take straight interest without any worry. Business, of course, is the loser. With reference to the proposition to prohibit the further issue of non-taxable state and municipal securities, they say that will amount to nothing, for the reason

that the market is already flooded with such issues to the amount of more than \$11,000,000,000, running up to 30 years or more, and at serious intimation of prohibition other billions will be issued. On the other hand, it is claimed that a reduction of the sur tax to 25 per cent. will make active billions of dollars that are now idle with the result that the government will realize a much larger income than is possible under present conditions.

Why the Quarantine.

As usual, the notice of the local board of health ordering closed specified places in which people congregate, like the churches, Sunday-schools, picture shows, etc., has provoked discussion.

Some of the discussion is serious, some humorous and some indignant.

In the first place, the absurdity of an effective quarantine in any community whether large or small is so obvious, that it makes people laugh.

Why forbid the congregation of normal healthy people in the church for an hour, and leave the cotton mill force composed of people in all kinds of physical condition to grind along day and night?

Why undertake to stop the operation of the picture show while the stores are filled with all kinds of people from all over the country?

And since nobody claims to know by what means influenza is communicated, whether by contagion, infection or caused within or without, why undertake to impose any restrictions on anybody along this line, anyway?

People ask whether the underlying purpose of such a ridiculous travesty on quarantine is to conserve health or to establish arbitrary authority, and unable to find a satisfactory answer to the question, they just laugh.

The Law's Delay.

Viewed from the standpoint of common sense, Ira Harrison, one of the murderers of J. C. Arnette, sentenced to die next Friday is as guilty as he will ever be and as a man could be; but there is no end of the technical quibbles by which he can be kept out of the chair so long as his attorney persists in raising such quibbles.

After all hope had apparently gone, Harrison began to play off-podium by sinking into a listless stupor from which he refused to be aroused until he had information of another delay by reason of an attempt to get the case into the Federal court. When that effort failed his stupor suddenly returned. He was in this stupor by the way, when taken before the Richmond general sessions for re-sentence, and experts testified that in their opinion he was faking.

But the appeal to the Federal court having failed his attorney asked Judge Mauldin for a commission to inquire into his sanity, and when the judge refused, he took the matter up to Associate Justice Cothran. Justice Cothran ruled that the matter was altogether within the discretion of the circuit judge on the ground that he was without jurisdiction to interfere.

To the layman, it would appear that this would settle the matter; but no. The question as to whether Justice Cothran's ruling was correct is appealable to the entire supreme court, and the understanding is that this will be done.

An appeal to the supreme court stays execution. That of course is what the attorney is driving at. He does not care two cents whether Judge Mauldin made a mistake in refusing to allow the appointment of a sanity commission, nor does he care two cents whether Justice Cothran was correct in holding that the matter was entirely within the discretion of Judge Mauldin. All he cares for is to have the electrocution delayed beyond next Friday, for that accomplished, his man cannot be put to death until after the convening of another term of the Richmond court of sessions.

The absurdity of all this quibbling is too obvious for controversy; but the question is, will it ever be stopped and how?

—The drafting of the treaty of Lausanne now is in progress. The experts are working, however, on clauses that involve no disputed points and, although the sub-commissions are making rapid progress it seems impossible that any complete document can ever be made by Christmas. Rumors now are in circulation that January 24 has been fixed as the tentative date for signing the pact. Any considerable vacation over Christmas seemed unlikely, largely because of Turkey's determination that there shall be no lull in the conference until definite terms of peace are agreed upon at least in principle or until it is clear that there can be no agreement. The Turks have insisted so vigorously upon continuing work throughout the approaching holidays that the other delegations virtually have abandoned plans for an extended recess. Ismet Pasha has been instructed by his government not to permit any break in the conference until some definite decision is reached. Turkey has 250,000 men under arms and practically in the trenches. She does not propose to keep them in suspense unnecessarily in order to allow European diplomats to spend Christmas and New Year with their families. "Our soldiers are needed at home and on the farms and villages which must be reconstructed and restored," said Ismet. "We want to know as soon as possible whether we can release them for the reconstruction Turkey so badly needs."

—On the recommendation of the chief justice, Governor Harvey has appointed Hon. Mendel L. Smith to preside over the court of general sessions for Allegheny county, beginning yesterday.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Bank of Clover—By the way. Feinstein's Department Store—Holiday sale continues through Saturday. J. M. Brian Company—Keep Brian in mind. Peoples Bank and Trust Company—Smiles. J. M. Stroup—Only four more days. York Furniture Company—Give a real gift. T. W. Speck—You'll find it at Speck's. W. G. Reid & Son, Rock Hill—Hoosier makes Christmas cheer all the year. York Drug Store—The gift supreme. Southern Railway—Greatly improved service between Augusta, Aiken, New York and Washington. McConnell Dry Goods Company—Beautiful Dress Gingham. York Hardware Company—Easy to select, easy to buy. City Pharmacy, Clover—This is the place. W. E. Ferguson—Ready for the big crowd. York Supply Company—Thank you. Carroll Brothers—North Carolina buckwheat. M. L. Smith, Clover—Overland five passenger Sedan for sale. D. M. Parrott, Clover—Gifts for him and her. Cash and Carry Company—Your Christmas groceries right here. M. L. Ford & Sons, Clover—Christmas gifts many and numerous at our store. E. B. Garrison—Your Xmas fruits may be bought very cheap. Mackorell Drug Company—All ivory goods very cheap. Peoples Furniture Company—Last call for Xmas. First National Bank of Clover—Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to friends and customers. E. B. Garrison—Your Xmas fruits may be bought very cheap.

Mr. M. L. Smith of Clover, telephoned last night to say that the Gaston county road commissioners had decided to open the road from Bowling Green to Gastonia from tomorrow until next Monday night. Mr. Smith said that the detour from Bowling Green to Gastonia was now practically impassable because of weather conditions the past few days.

In this last issue of The Yorkville Enquirer before the holidays, we desire to again request our clubmembers who have not already done so, to get busy and make a thorough canvass of all of their neighbors. A lot can be done by right kind of work and there are many non-subscribers to The Yorkville Enquirer in York county who ought to be subscribers.

A peculiar black cloud that overspread the whole county last Sunday morning from 9 to 10 o'clock, caused much comment. It seemed portentous of something, it was difficult to say exactly what. One had a feeling that there should be a thunder and lightning accompaniment; but the temperature was hardly low enough for that. The phenomena was not fully describable; but was impressive, and people seemed instinctively to feel that something was going to happen—something more than a downpour of rain and subsequent heavy fog.

Saw an interesting old letter the other day from the father of Dr. W. W. Fennell, written from Cincinnati back in 1840, when the elder Fennell was studying medicine there. The older people of Chester county, especially in the Richburg community, remember Dr. Fennell. Locally he had as great a reputation in his own county as a country doctor as his son has through-out the state as a surgeon. Solicitor Henry says of the old doctor that he was the only man he ever knew to acquire a thorough self-taught knowledge of the Greek language. In this letter the doctor told how he did it. It was necessary in those days, more so than now, to have a knowledge of Greek in order to understand the technique of medicine as then taught, and along with his medical lectures he took private lessons in Greek. He kept this up until he was able to go it alone. But the most striking part of this old letter was that in which the doctor expressed his impatience to get back home, not to begin the building up of an estate; but in order that he might be of service to his people.

WILL OMIT TWO ISSUES.

The next issue of The Yorkville Enquirer will be that of December 29.

As previously announced the issues that would otherwise appear on December 22 and 26 are to be omitted. The paper will appear as usual on December 29.

OVER FIFTY YEARS.

Mrs. M. J. Neely of King's Creek, sends the following:

"Mr. A. J. White and Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Robinson were married December 28, 1865, and have four living children.

"A. C. White married Isabelle Crawford. They have eight children.

"E. F. White married George Anna Doggett. They have ten children.

"H. L. White married Lizzie Kizer. They have two children.

"Louella White married J. E. Biggers. They have three children.

"The descendants of this couple now number four children, 23 grand-children and 28 great-grandchildren."

GAFFNEY AND THORNWELL.

The game between Gaffney and the Thornwell Orphanage teams at Chester last Friday afternoon, failed to settle the up-state football championship. It resulted in a scoreless tie—nothing and nothing.

The field was muddy and disagreeable and the game was necessarily played under serious difficulties. Considering the difficulties the excellence of the game was unusual; but at the same time while there were some good football, there were also features that would not come up to that estimate. Gaffney's players were considerably heavier than the Thornwell boys, averaging 163 pounds against 145 pounds. There were numerous fumbles on both sides because of the wet ball; but nevertheless there was some good work

on both sides. The outstanding feature however, was the disappointment over the fact that there was no decision, the decision being especially important because of the arrangement by which the winner was to play Charleston in Columbia next Friday for the state championship.

THE MARRIAGE RECORD

Marriage licenses have been issued by the probate judge as follows:

Dec. 11—Otis Crosby and Katie Pickett, Rock Hill, (colored).
Dec. 13—William E. Hinson and Sarah E. Waters, Rock Hill.
Dec. 13—Allen Douglas and Bessie Givens, Rock Hill, (colored).
Dec. 14—Joe S. Hope, Clover No. 2, and Lonnie Hawkins, Gastonia No. 2.
Dec. 15—B. H. Jones, Yorkville and Alma McFarland, Bostic, N. C.
Dec. 15—Frank M. Cook and Mary J. Castor, Concord, N. C.
Dec. 16—Charles C. Carroll, Tirzah and Myrtle Hope, York township.
Dec. 16—W. Herbert Threath, Rock Hill and Lela Wright, Lancaster.
Dec. 16—Earl Merritt and Tillie Mae Blair, Fort Mill.
Dec. 16—J. Clarence Hammett, Cowpens and Mabel Hambricht, Clover.
Dec. 16—Oscar Wolfe and Geneva Maddox, Rock Hill.

WITHIN THE TOWN

—The flu situation in the Cannon Mill and Lockmore Mill villages appears to be improving, there being but few cases of the malady in either village at present.

—Sam M. Williford, formerly a member of the Rock Hill police force is serving as night policeman for Yorkville during the illness of Night Officer Wishert. Mr. Williford will also serve as an extra officer during the holidays, it is stated.

—Friends of the Blalock family, four members of which including the father and mother have recently died of influenza and pneumonia, were engaged yesterday in raising a cash subscription for the remaining members. The family lives in the Lockmore Mill village.

—Merchants who sell fireworks here at Christmas time, and there are a number of them, say that sales during the past few days have been as large as had been expected. Many youngsters have been having a big time of it popping off little ones and big ones. The roar will not stop until after New Year's day.

—Ladies of the First Baptist church of Yorkville gave a bazaar in the Bratton building at the corner of South Congress and East Jefferson streets last Friday. Candies, fancy work and dolls were sold. Despite the fact that the weather was unusually bad sales for the day totaled more than \$70 and the ladies were very well pleased with the success of their efforts.

—The drunks on the streets Saturday afternoon and evening were quite noticeable, both because of the number and the stage of drunkenness which had been reached by some of the imbibers of rotgut booze, medicinal beverages, ginger, etc. Some of the drunks carried their sprees over to Sunday or else made a new start, as there was some evidence of hangover drunks from Sunday.

—A. C. Ramsey, Southern railway section boss, has made a decided improvement in the crossing of the railroad on East Liberty street. Mr. Ramsey's force on Saturday took out a number of the old ties at the crossing, replacing them with new timber and then put down heavy planking on the inner and outer side of the rails to the height of the steel, making the crossing level instead of the spring breaking crossing that it has been for quite a while past.

ALONG THE WAY

Florida oranges, grapefruit and tangerines, bought in Florida at Christmas time by the car load by enterprising York county fruiterers and sold in the various towns of the county by the peck come higher this year than it did last, according to a number of these dealers who were asked about it yesterday. Last year oranges could be bought at 55 cents and 65 cents the peck from these fruiterers but this year about the lowest price is 75 cents the peck. They run little more than two dozen to the peck.

The prevailing price for Christmas turkeys this week in Yorkville has been 30 cents a pound. Some people who have had turkeys for sale have obtained 33 1-3 cents a pound and some others have received 25 cents a pound. However, the majority of turkey sellers have been content with 20 cents a pound. One of the largest turkeys seen here this Christmas was purchased by a Yorkville man the other day for 30 cents after he had refused to pay 35 cents for it. The gobler weighed 25 pounds.

"Yes, I have been having my hands full with the boys who persist in shooting firecrackers before the time prescribed by the town ordinance which is Monday," commented yesterday Chief of Police R. E. Steele. "I know that lots of boys are shooting them now and have been shooting them. Of course, I can't keep up with them all; but I give fair warning that if I catch any of them violating the ordinance, they are going to pay for it unless it should be that the mayor should see fit to let them off."

Duck eggs that had been packed in clay for several months, was the curious Chinese delicacy that Jim Lee, the laundryman presented to members of the Yorkville Enquirer staff yesterday. With the celestials these constitute a choice tit bit for the holiday season, and promoted by the spirit of the season Jim generously divided his store. The eggs came direct from China, and had just been received. Of

course the newspaper folk were just a little dubious about sampling such a doubtful proposition, especially since there was a suspicious rattle to the eggs, but Jim was excitedly vociferous in his assurances. "Mo' little mo' good," he insisted. "Boil him twenty minutes and eat him. Him fine. Melican men in New York eats lots of them. Like him, give some more. Melly Christmas and happy New Year."

"No, we could not have hoped that the patrons of this office would have begun their Christmas mailing of parcels and packages earlier," said Postmistress M. E. Nichols of Yorkville yesterday when asked how the local postoffice force was getting along with the holiday business. "They started this morning," said the postmistress, "and throughout the day we have been not only busy but more than busy. Then again, we are slightly handicapped, because James G. ly handicapped, because James G. out of the office by reason of the fact that one of his children is seriously ill. Chief Clerk Putnam has been detailed to carry the town mail for Mr. Johnson in addition to his regular duties here and we are having quite a time of it. However if patrons of the office will mail their packages as rapidly as possible I am sure that we will get along."

ABOUT PEOPLE.

R. C. Howe has moved from McConnellville No. 1 to York No. 4.

Mayor E. A. Hall continues ill at his home in Yorkville.

J. W. Simpson is reported critically ill at his home in the Leslie section.

R. F. Parrott, supervisor of the street force in Yorkville, has been ill at his home for several days.

Clerk of Court T. E. McMackin of Yorkville, remains ill at his home with influenza. His condition is improved.

Geo. H. Hart who has been quite ill at his home in Yorkville, for several days past continues to improve.

F. L. Hinnant is confined to his home on Cemetery street with an attack of the flu.

Messrs. J. W. Shealy and Ralph H. Cain, of Sharon, were in Yorkville Saturday on business.

Mrs. Jas. A. Sherer has been quite sick at her home in Yorkville with influenza, for the past several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Hartness of Gastonia, N. C., visited the family of Mr. R. B. Hartness on York No. 5, last week.

Magistrate Fred C. Black who has been ill at his home on York No. 5 with influenza for several days was able to be back in his office yesterday.

Mrs. H. B. Laws and son Harry Laws who were confined to their home on Lincoln street last week with influenza are able to be out again.

Clyde Smith was confined to his room at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Z. Stowe on Lincoln street for several days last week with influenza.

Col. J. R. Lindsay who has been quite sick at his home in Yorkville for several days past continues to improve.

Mrs. H. W. Cummings has returned to her home in Columbia, after a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Dickson on York No. 1.

J. R. Lindsay, Jr., of Greenville, is spending several days at his home in Yorkville, on account of the illness of his father, Col. J. R. Lindsay.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stroup and two sons, James and Charles, have been having a siege of flu. All of them are improving.

Miss Margaret Wray who has been quite sick at the home of her father Mr. J. Q. Wray in Yorkville, for several days past is improving.

Brown Ferguson for several years past in the employ of the York Furniture Company in Yorkville, has accepted a position with a Gastonia furniture concern.

Messrs. Henry Herndon and Robert Bratton, who are employed in Pittsburgh, Pa., are at the homes of their respective relatives in Yorkville for the Christmas holidays.

Alf Carroll, a student at Georgia School of Technology has returned to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Carroll in Yorkville for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Willena Neil of Clover, former chief operator for the Piedmont Telephone and Telegraph Company in Yorkville has accepted a position in Lincolnton, N. C.

Of interest to many relatives and friends in this section is the approaching marriage of Miss Sallie Wray of Yorkville and Mr. John K. Wells of Columbia, which is to take place December 28.

Misses Leslie White of Yorkville and Sarah Plaxco of York No. 1, students at the Due West Woman's College are at the homes of their respective parents for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. C. W. McGee, cashier of the Peoples Bank and Trust company, who has been confined to his home for ten days with an attack of flu, is expecting to be out again within the next few days. Mrs. McGee is also recovering after an attack of the malady.

Mrs. D. D. Thomas who has been at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. W. R. Hartness at Lincolnton, N. C., for some time has returned to her home in Yorkville. Her friends will be glad to know that Mrs. Hartness is improving.

Jas. A. Barrett, for several years past postmaster at Clover has been elected assistant conference superintendent of Sunday school work in the Upper South Carolina Methodist conference. He will assist Rev. L. D. Gil-

lespie who has his headquarters in Spartanburg.

The following Yorkville students of Erskine College, Due West, returned to their homes here Sunday for the holidays, the college having been closed four days earlier than scheduled on account of flu: Joe Woods, George W. Williams, Jr., James McDowell, Joseph Moss, William Inman.

LOCAL LACONICS

Closes Next Thursday. Winthrop College, Rock Hill, closes for the Christmas holidays on Thursday.

Fort Mill Lost. The girls' basketball team of Fort Mill was defeated by the girls' team of Winthrop Training school, Rock Hill Friday. The score was 21 to 17.

Chester Masons Elect. Chester Lodge No. 18, A. F. M., has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: J. C. Stewart, W. M.; D. E. Estes, S. W.; T. W. Barrett, J. W.; A. G. Thornton, treasurer, and W. H. Weir, secretary.

Treasurer on the Job. Treasurer Neil, who was kept at home several days last week on account of a bad cold, has been on the job again since Friday at noon. The office is now open for the accommodation of all comers.

Removed From Death House. On being served with notice of appeal in the case of Wm. C. Faries, on last Thursday, the superintendent of the penitentiary had Faries removed from the death house in which he had been placed on his arrival at the penitentiary.

Odd Fellows Banquet. Odd Fellows of Rock Hill enjoyed a banquet and later conferred degrees on a number of candidates in Rock Hill, Friday evening. Present as guests of honor were Deputy Grand Master Handske and Grand Secretary S. F. Killingsworth of Columbia. The banquet was served at a Rock Hill hotel. The Rock Hill Lodge of Odd Fellows now has about 100 members.

Many Prisoners Committed. Deputy Sheriff Tom Quinn who is also jailor for York county said this morning that so far this year a total of 154 prisoners had been committed to the jail. At the present time there are only two prisoners in jail, one state and one Federal. The jailer is hopeful that there will be no increase in the jail population during the holidays.

Yorkville-Rock Hill Road. The rains of Saturday night left the Rock Hill road in a very sloppy condition. The worst places are within the corporate limits of Yorkville, through the village of Tirzah and through Ebenezzer. Generally the best places are where the road is best drained. The general condition of the road Sunday and yesterday was suggestive of the miserable conditions that are to be expected throughout the winter, especially if there is a great deal of rain.

Institutes Held Saturday. The first of a series of institutes or schools for teachers to be held in Yorkville, Rock Hill and Clover during the school year were held last Saturday in each town. Attendance on the opening institutes on the part of teachers of the county was rather disappointing, it was stated. In charge at each institute were teachers from Winthrop College and others. It is expected that about ten of these institutes will be held during the school year.

May Retain One. Unofficially it was learned yesterday that the York county legislative delegation has tentatively decided to retain the services of the woman's home demonstration agent in York county for another year and to discontinue the services of the county farm demonstration agent. However it was stated that the matter will not be definitely determined until after the annual meeting of the delegation with the citizens of York county to be held in Yorkville in January.

Enforcement of Speed Laws. State Constable Horace L. Johnson said the other day that he had been instructed by Governor Harvey to look into violations of the speed laws on the concrete highway between Rock Hill and Catawba river. The character of the road tempts speeding and many automobilists yield to the temptation. The situation is quite generally understood, and the governor is in constant receipt of complaints, anonymous and otherwise. Hence the instructions to Constable Johnson.

Tatlock's Condition Grave. Information this morning from Mr. Squire Tatlock of Gastonia who was seriously injured when the steering gear of an automobile in which he was riding with his son Mr. Robert Tatlock near Latta school house Tuesday evening locked and threw him out, is that there is a slight change for the better in his condition. A specialist who operated on him a day or two ago took out a piece of broken vertebrae which was pressing on the spinal cord, thus relieving the pressure. This pressure had caused paralysis.

Change of Schedule. Train No. 117, heretofore leaving Yorkville for Columbia over the Southern railway at 7:25 a. m., has been changed to leave at 6:55 a. m., instead, connecting at Rock Hill with trains to and from Columbia. Train No. 118, which has been coming to Yorkville from Columbia at 7:05 p. m., has been so changed that it will now reach this point at 7:30 p. m. This train will make connection with trains from Charlotte and from Co-