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## J. G. Lewis New Education Head in Horry County

James G. Lewis of Aynor was elected superintendent of education for Horry county at a meeting of the state board of education Friday at the offices of Governor John G. Richards, ex office chairman of the board. Mr. Lewis will succeed Enoch C. Allen, of Conway, who recently resigned his position as county superintendent as a result of charges brought against the administration of his office by certain citizens of the county.

Mr. Lewis is a merchant and life insurance agent in addition to his educational activities, and is a member of the house of representatives from Horry county. He was highly recommended for the position vacated by Mr. Allen, it is understood, and the members of the state board feel that they have made a wise selection.

M. J. Bullock, former superintendent of education of the county and C. B. Seaborn, Superintendent of schools of Conway were selected and with Mr. Lewis compose the new county board of education.

## Dr. A. P. Bourland To Speak Here

WILL ADDRESS TEACHERS OF HORRY CO. AT STUDY CENTER SATURDAY

On Saturday, March fifth, the members of the Horry County Study Center are to have the privilege of hearing Dr. A. P. Bourland, Director of Extension Work for Winthrop College. Dr. Bourland is one of our foremost educators, a charming speaker, and a loyal friend. We are delighted to have the opportunity of hearing him and of

We wish to extend this invitation to all the teachers of the county, to the trustees, and to all others who are interested in education. The meeting will be brief, for we are to have our regular classroom work.

Be at Burroughs School Auditorium at eleven o'clock. A cordial welcome and a rare treat await you.

Yours truly,  
Mrs. M. J. Bullock.

## "TOPSY TURVY"—A THREE ACT COMEDY

Will Be Presented at Savannah Bluff School Auditorium Friday Mch. 11 at 7:30 P. M.

The following characters will present the play:  
Topsy Turvy, Nellie Clarendon  
Miss Onita Gale  
May Golden, Topsy's Cousin  
Miss Eva Mae Dunn  
Mrs. Clarendon, Topsy's Mother  
Mrs. John Long  
Miss Spriggs, Topsy's governess  
Miss Sara McMILLAN  
Lord Clarence, A rich Englishman  
Mr. Lucas Causey  
Frank Golden, May's brother  
Mr. Robert Dunn  
Deacon Jones, Pillar of the church  
Mr. John Smith  
Ned, Servant  
Mr. Freddie Hardee  
Admission, 15 and 25 cents.

## TO LET CONTRACT FOR HARD ROADS

MULLINS-MARION PAVING CONTRACT WILL BE FIRST TO BE LET MARCH 10

(Mullins Enterprise)  
E. A. Thompson, member of the House of Representatives, was informed Monday by Ben Sawyer, chief of State Highway Department, that the bid would be let on March 10th, for paving of Mullins-Marion road.

It now appears from information given to Mr. Thompson, that the hard surfacing in Marion County will begin in the spring.

The paving from Pee Dee to Nichols will be let in three contracts, but it was not stated whether these contracts will be let at the same time. The contracts will call for paving from Pee Dee to Marion, from Marion to Mullins and from Mullins to Nichols.

## NEW SUNDAY BILL COMES TO SENATE

JUDICIAL COMMITTEE BRINGS OUT MEASURE AS WORKING BASIS

Columbia, Feb. 24.—Introduction of a new code of Sunday observance laws by the judiciary committee was the principal feature of an hour's session held by the senate last night.

Only one member of the committee Senator Greenek, dissented from the bill, and asked for the purposes of the record that his expressed sentiments be spread on the journal.

"In order to keep the record clear," said Mr. Greenek, "I wish to say that the judiciary committee was not unanimous in bringing forth this bill. Due to certain ideas I have regarding the sacredness of the Sabbath, I cannot conscientiously endorse this proposal."

Giving a plea for help in working the bill into shape by everyone interested, Senator Williams, chairman of the committee, declared, "This bill represents only a working basis for what we want, and it is by no means complete."

The proposed act repeals all present laws regarding Sabbath observances and substitutes other regulations.

These prohibit only such sports as are noisy and boisterous and tend to disrupt public peace. Though trade is forbidden on Sunday, the bill exempts garages and livery stables, and also would allow to be sold except during the hours from 10 A. M. to 1 P. M. such commodities as meat, ice, milk, newspapers, tobacco, prepared meals in restaurants, confectionery, gasoline, drugs, medical and surgical supplies.

## Petit Jurors Drawn For Second Week

Following is the list of Petit Jurors for the second week of the General Sessions court to be held at Conway March 14th 1927.

- H. E. Stevens
- E. S. Booth
- Perley Doyle
- T. E. Wise
- A. M. Floyd
- P. B. Huggins
- W. F. Hardee
- Jesse W. Hardwick
- L. K. Enzor
- Walter P. Gore
- J. Clarence Sessions
- J. H. Hammond
- J. W. Crawford
- J. B. Williamson
- J. Walter Johnson
- D. O. Davis
- Ed Floyd
- J. C. Dorsey
- T. L. Thomas
- C. C. Jernigan
- George Graham
- J. D. Graham
- Harrison Martin
- Geo. C. Butler
- Walter Floyd
- J. M. Singleton
- S. W. Floyd
- L. M. King
- S. H. Hardwick
- I. P. Patrick
- D. F. Holmes
- W. L. Edge
- S. G. Johnson
- Needham G. Boyd
- R. L. Bell
- W. K. Bessent

## REPEAL LICENSE LAW LESSENS CONFUSION

Nat Turner, director of the motor licensing division of the state highway department, said that his department had returned some 8,000 applications for automobile licenses which were lacking in certain particulars which prevented the titles from being issued. The motor title law has now been repealed by the legislature, and Mr. Turner said that if these persons whose applications had been returned would renew them they would get their licenses.

## Too Much Fat

Remember that if fatty foods are given in excess, troubles of the digestive powers will ensue all along the line. The food will be delayed in stomach, the liver will object and the intestines will not be able to carry on their particular work of excretion as effectively.

## Presbyterian Pastor Former Conway Tenders Resignation Boy Passes On

REV. J. M. LEMMON, FOR MANY YEARS PASTOR LOCAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WILL GO TO ANOTHER FIELD

On Sunday morning, Mr. J. M. Lemmon tendered his resignation as pastor of the Kingston Presbyterian church to take place in May.

It is with the deepest regret that the citizens of Conway give Mr. Lemmon up. He has been pastor here for about twelve years, and denominational work has grown under his leadership. The members of all the other churches hold him in high esteem, and reluctantly see him leave for his new pastorate in Ashpole, N. C. He is particularly beloved by his own church constituency. Mrs. Lemmon, a Conway girl, will also be missed, for she is a woman of fine Christian character.

## Interesting Items From Myrtle Beach

Myrtle Beach, Feb. 25.—The Myrtle Beach Sales Company is preparing to install an entirely new and thoroughly standard telephone trunk line from Myrtle Beach to Conway, with connection there to all points beyond. A first class telephone system will also be installed in the new Seaside Inn with telephone service to every room and with telephone connection to the old hotel building and other buildings of the company.

The old Myrtle Beach Hotel, which is now being moved nearer the strand and to a location more convenient to the bath house, will be equipped with new lavatories in every room, a new kitchen and a cafeteria dining room, and the lobby will be enlarged with entrance on the south side facing on the quadrangle between the new Seaside Inn and the ocean. The building will also be repainted.

The pavilion will also be repainted, generally overhauled and the concession spaces rearranged. The first floor will be extended in the form of a terrace out toward the ocean for the entire length of the building which will be so arranged as to give a beautiful view up and down the strand.

The bath house will be repainted and overhauled so as to provide improved shower, locker and lavatory facilities as well as increased light and air. All the company's buildings are being or will be repainted, which will result in marked improvement in their appearance.

Additional space is being constructed on the ground floor of the Seaside Inn, in which will be located shower baths and individual dressing room lockers in sufficient number to accommodate the guests of the Seaside Inn and accessible to guests of the hotel either from within the building or when returning from the surf.

The attempt of scientists to eliminate the necessity for sleep will be sternly resisted by the mattress makers.

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## Sheriff Lewis Is Asked to Cooperate

GOV. RICHARDS REQUESTS HIM TO ENFORCE SUNDAY LAWS

Gov. J. B. Edwards received last week a telegram from Governor John G. Richards asking him to cooperate with him in the enforcement of the Sunday laws and to notify all officers of the law to do likewise.

The telegram follows: Sheriff J. A. Lewis, Conway, S. C.

In enforcement of the Sunday laws I request that you observe these conditions: No sales of soft drinks or other merchandise to be allowed. This does not apply to sales of drugs, milk, ice or meals at hotels and bonified restaurants. Gas and automobile supplies to be determined by officers of the law. All sports and games to be prohibited. Notify chiefs of police and magistrates in your county.

John G. Richards, Governor of South Carolina.

All magistrates, constables, deputies and other peace officers are urged to assist in the enforcement of the above request.

J. A. LEWIS, Sheriff Horry County

So's Your Old Man.  
Prof. Is this wrong? "I have it."  
Stude. Yes.  
Prof. What's wrong with it?  
Stude. You ain't et yet.

## HOUSE REFUSES TO REPEAL LAW

GRADING AND TYING ACT REMAINS UNCHANGED AGAIN NEXT YEAR

Columbia, Feb. 24.—The house of representatives yesterday enjoyed its annual argument as to tobacco grading and tying, the argument's end finding the grading and tying act unamended and unrepealed.

Provoking the controversy, which almost monopolized the morning session, was the Boykin-Gatling-Jones-Humphrey-Floyd-Cook-Avant-Robinet-Funderburk bill to repeal the grading and tying act. It was killed on a roll call vote 86 to 26.

"I serve notice upon you," Miller H. Mellette of Clarendon, one of the proponents of the rejected repeal measure, greeted the announcement of the house's decision "that it will be reintroduced again next year."

Opponents of the bill opposed the repeal of the grading and tying act on the ground that the repeal would drive independent buyers from the South Carolina; depress tobacco prices in the state, lead to overplanting, and throw the tobacco farmer upon the tender mercies of the "pin hooker."

Proponents of the bill, however, with equal vehemence denounced the grading and tying law as an injustice to the farmer, a needless and useless expense, a burden upon the farm women and children of the state.

M. G. Andersen of Horry opened the attack on the bill, urging the house to adopt the motion of W. T. Rowell of Williamsburg to strike out the enacting words of the repealing bill.

"The grading and tying act," Mr. Andersen declared, "is vital in those counties where people are making tobacco. You know that if you put any commodity on the market properly graded it will bring better prices."

T. E. Brown of Florence himself, a tobacco farmer, urged also that the grading and tying act be retained. The argument that with the law repealed a farmer might either grade and tie or not as he desired was, he contended, misleading. "You can't sell ungraded and graded tobacco on the same market," he declared.

Must Be Graded  
D. L. McLaurin of Marlboro and F. A. Thompson of Marion pointed out that the tobacco must some time, either by the farmer or after sale, be properly graded.

"It's got to be graded some time by someone," Mr. Thompson declared. And Mr. McLaurin urged, always at the farmer's expense. "Tobacco," he said, "is going to be graded no matter how sold and the farmer will pay for it either way."

Repeal of the grading and tying act, Mr. Thompson also warned, would inaugurate the "pin hooker's" heyday. "It will throw us at the mercy of the 'pin hooker,'" he declared.

Also heard in opposition to the bill were Ben B. Sellers of Marion and E. W. Dabbs, Jr., of Sumter.

"If we repeal this law," Mr. Dabbs declared, "we will eliminate the independent buyer from South Carolina and will probably lower prices."

He would, Mr. Dabbs explained, be willing to allow any county desiring it exemption from the statewide law. R. Z. Robnett of Georgetown fired the first shot for the proponents of the bill, denouncing the grading and tying act as imposing a "hardship upon the tobacco growers."

"Why is it," he asked, "that South Carolina has got to go on record as forcing the farmer to grade and tie tobacco when it is the only state in the union in which this is done?"

"Of the tobacco growers in Lee county," L. A. Moore of Lee declared, "only three stand for the law as it is. The big farmers want this. They are prepared to grade tobacco and want to drive the little man out. The warehousemen are growing rich over it."

And so far as Clarendon is concerned, H. H. Medlin of Clarendon asserted, "a good majority of the tobacco growers want that law repealed."

Georgia prices lack only 5 cents per 100 pounds of equalizing the South Carolina prices. Here is the objection with our folks; we haven't got the labor."

Miller H. Mellette of Clarendon also favored the passage of the repealing bill. The grading and tying act, he (Continued on page 4)

## BIGHAM CASE SET FOR TRIAL

HERE MARCH 16

Unless counsel for the defense interposes a motion for a continuance for a change of venue the Edmund Bigham trial will be set for Wednesday, March 16, at Conway, said Solicitor L. M. Gasque, of Marion, Solicitor Gasque stated that he had notified the Hon. Mendel L. Smith at Columbia on Friday. His intention to call the case on Monday, March 7, when the court of general sessions convenes at Conway with Judge M. L. Bonham presiding and that if the defense had any motions to make he would be glad for such motions to be made at that time in order to allow time to subpoena witnesses for the hearing of the trial on March 16. If the time were agreed upon the first day of the court much expense could be saved he said in getting ready for the trial. Solicitor Gasque stated that he would oppose any motion that might be made for a change of venue from Horry county to Florence because of the fact that 108 affidavits had been presented from Florence people setting forth belief that Bigham could not get a fair trial in this county. The court of general sessions for Horry county will convene at Conway, the county seat, on Monday, March 7. Judge M. L. Bonham who has not served in any capacity relating to the Bigham case will preside.

## Solicitor Gasque Talks With Bigham

When Edmund D. Bigham was carried to the state penitentiary from the Florence county jail last week following the escape from the prison of the two white men Johnson and Dufont, who exhibited such extreme cleverness in their operations, about the first man he met on arriving at Columbia was Solicitor L. M. Gasque who has been fighting for the past several years to send him to the electric chair.

County Policeman McElyeen and Deputy Sheriff Harris had just driven up to the Jerome Hotel with their noted prisoner when Solicitor Gasque emerged from the entrance of the hotel and recognized Bigham. "This is one time I have not sent you to the penitentiary," said Solicitor Gasque.

In the meantime, Bigham had spoken pleasantly to the solicitor and the two men had indulged in a handshake. Bigham's reply was, "Well, I am glad at any rate to get out of the Florence county jail."

"I hope we can end it this time," the solicitor continued as the two men stood chatting. "If you are innocent you ought to be free, and if not, justice should be done."

"God is in this," returned Bigham. "Yes, God will see that justice is done," replied Mr. Gasque as he turned away from the car.

The prosecuting officer and Bigham will meet again on Monday March 7, when the Horry county court of general sessions convenes. Bigham is under charges of the murder of his brother, L. Smiley Bigham, and stands indicted also for the murder of his mother, sister, and the latter's two adopted children. He is to be given a new trial at the Horry county court term after two convictions of murder, one by a Florence county jury and the other by an Horry county jury.

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## HORRY HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB MEETS

The Horry Home Demonstration Club held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. E. L. Lamberts Friday, Feb. 18th.

Mrs. McPherson met with us and a nice program was enjoyed by all present.

First, three songs, America, Carolina, The Knocker.

First Psalm, repeated by all.

Prayer.

Roll called each naming some trait of Washington or Lincoln.

We have on roll twenty nine and thirteen were present.

The business part being over, Mrs. Lambert served nice refreshments.

MRS. W. T. SMITH, Secretary