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## Dillinger and Gang Sought in South Car.

John Dillinger, the notorious gangster, who escaped from an Indiana prison a few weeks ago with a wooden pistol, and who only last Sunday shot himself out of a police trap in St. Paul, by means of a submachine gun, was being looked for in South Carolina last night. With him were supposed to be two of his partners in crime, John Hamilton and Evelyn Fatchete.

Whether the trio actually came into this state from North Carolina, whether they took passage straight through, or whether they were within the boundaries of South Carolina last night was not known since the watchful eyes of the state patrol and of other officers had failed to sight them late last night, though department of justice agents felt that the gangsters had come this way.

About 2:30 yesterday afternoon A. R. Ward, assistant chief of the highway department's law enforcement division, was notified by department of justice men in Washington that Dillinger with a party, two others, took breakfast in Concord, N. C., yesterday morning and was believed afterward to have been headed toward South Carolina. Mr. Ward immediately notified his men to be on the lookout for him.

Dillinger, according to the message, which was relayed to Columbia through Charlotte where officers are also keeping an open eye in that his journey might have taken him there, was accompanied by two other persons, equally notorious as criminals. One was described as the red-headed Fatchete woman, his 23-year old woman companion, who officers say can handle a gun as well as many of the men of the underworld. The other, Hamilton, who is charged in several states with committing crimes of varying nature, including murder and prison delivery. All are believed to be heavily armed.

The gangsters were said to be traveling in what was described by officers as an "old gray Cadillac." Ward said last night that no report of having seen the gangsters had been received from his men but that the vigil would be maintained as long as it was reasonable to believe that they were in this state.—Tuesday's State, the 3rd inst.

## BAPTIST CHURCH SERVICES

The following services are announced at the First Baptist Church for the week beginning Sunday, April 8th:

Sunday school at 10 o'clock with C. S. Stogner, superintendent in charge. Public worship at 11:15 A. M. At the morning hour two Deacons will be ordained. The ordination message will be delivered by a visiting preacher. At the evening hour there will be a farewell service held in honor of Rev. J. T. Littlejohn who has recently resigned the Watergeree Church of our city to accept a call to the Bishopville Church. This will be a union service in which all the pastors of the town will have a place in the program. Prayer and praise service Wednesday evening at 8, B. Y. P. U. Sunday evening at 7 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to attend all the services of this church.

## METHODIST CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY

Preaching at 11:15 by the pastor. Theme: "Seven Fundamentals of the Incarnation." Come and enjoy our large choir—we have now ten to twelve voices. Let us begin the glad spring season by remembering our Creator on the Sabbath Day.

No service at night. Farewell union service given for Rev. Littlejohn at the Baptist church.—C. F. Wimberly, Pastor.

## "Born in Jerusalem; but on the Way to Jericho"

This will be the theme of the address next Sunday morning at 10:00 o'clock when the Lytleton Street Methodist Sunday School assembles. The men continue to be interested in these great messages by Dr. Wimberly. The class spirit continues, and the attendance continues. Let us now rally all the boys for next Sunday.—You will be well paid for being there. JACK MOORE, Sec

## Bleese Resigns as Chief Justice

Columbia, March 27.—Chief Justice Eugene S. Bleese tendered his resignation, effective October 8, to Governor Blackwood yesterday. His reason was ill health.

As word of his resignation spread a movement was begun to have him reconsider, Governor Blackwood announced that he would not act on it from the chief justice.

Both branches of the general assembly passed resolutions asking the 57-year-old jurist not to resign.

"The reason for the resignation is that I am convinced that I shall not be able physically to continue much longer the performance of the very arduous duties of the office," the chief justice wrote in his letter of resignation.

Mr. Bleese was elected to the supreme bench in 1926 to succeed J. H. Marion, resigned, and in 1931 was named chief justice, succeeding R. C. Watts, deceased. On January 9, he was re-elected chief justice for a ten year term.

He expressed his "heartfelt appreciation" to the general assembly and thanked the governor for the kind consideration you have shown me personally and officially.

Entering politics shortly after he was admitted to the bar in 1899, Mr. Bleese served as a house member from Saluda county in 1901-02 and in the senate from 1905-06; returning to his native Newberry he was mayor of the town and represented that county in the house from 1922-24.

He was born in 1877. After attending Newberry college he taught in rural schools before being admitted to the bar.

A resolution requesting the chief justice to reconsider was introduced by Senators W. H. Nicholson, Greenwood, and Thurman, Edgefield. "We regard it as a serious responsibility to lose the services of this distinguished jurist at this time," it read.

Justice Bleese in his letter said that the reason he was resigning now was to give the legislature an opportunity to fill the vacancy, and thus the court be able to continue at full strength upon his retirement in October. It is understood he will resume the private practice of law.

## CITY SCHOOLS ENTRIES IN COUNTY CONTESTS APRIL 6

The elimination contests for the First Grades, the Primary Department, and the Elementary Department, were held in the school auditorium on Friday, March 30th, and Monday, April 2nd. The following were the winners in these contests: 1st grade—Charlie Zemp, 1st place, and Lucy Dean, 2nd.

Primary Department—1st place for boys—Sammy Ogburn, 1st place for girls—Elaine Galloway, and second place, girls—Ethel Ann Mauldin.

Elementary Department—1st place for boys—Massenburg Trotter, and 1st place for girls—Rena Broome. Second place for boys—Yates Villepique, and 2nd place for girls—Maggie Trantham.

These speakers will represent the Camden City Schools in the county contests, which are to be held in the auditorium, Friday, April 6th, in the afternoon.

## CHARLOTTE THOMPSON NEWS

Mr. E. C. Pearce, Jr., of Newberry, spent the Easter holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Pearce.

Miss Madge Seagle, who is teaching in Barnwell, spent the weekend at home.

Miss Pollye West, who is a student at Winthrop, is at home for the spring holidays.

Messrs. Howze Evans and F. M. Mellette, Jr., students of Clemson College, are at home for the spring holidays.

Miss Sallie Pearce of Bishopville came home for the weekend.

Mrs. Clara Sowell of Columbia spent the week with her sister, Miss Ethel Sowell.

Master John Cannon, Jr. entertained his school friends with an egg hunt Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Mellette and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. D. McLeod.

Charles Smith, Jr. spent Sunday with Clifford McLeod.

## Flower Show Will Be Held To-morrow

The Camden Garden Club's Spring Flower Show will be held to-morrow, Thursday April 5, at 2 o'clock in Grace Church Parish house. It had been publicly announced the show would be held to-day but this was an error. The public is most cordially invited to attend. Prizes for the various exhibits are now on display at the Corner Book Store.

Mrs. J. Willis Cantey is Chairman with Mrs. Francis H. Craighill and Miss Grace Keller, Assistants.

Following are the different committees:

Publicity—Mrs. Louis I. Guion, Chairman; Mrs. Robert W. Pomeroy, Mrs. Reuben Pitts.

Receiving and placing straight classes—Mrs. H. G. Marvin, Chairman; Mrs. Carl A. West; Mrs. Leonard Graham; Mrs. Sterritt; Mrs. Ruth Richards; Miss Jennie Whitaker.

Artistic Arrangement—Mrs. Geo. R. Cook, Chairman; Mrs. Robert M. Kennedy; Mrs. John V. Gage; Miss Jane Swords; Mrs. Henry Savage.

Hostesses—Miss Leila Shannon, Chairman; Mrs. Robert W. Pomeroy; Mrs. Francis H. Craighill; Mrs. Geo. R. Cooke; Miss Fanny B. Fletcher; Mrs. Louis I. Guion; Mrs. Dunn.

Registration of guests—Mrs. Edward McDowell, Chairman; Mrs. Devine; Mrs. Chifton McKain; Mrs. Samuel Russell.

Tables—Mrs. A. Stanly Llewellyn, Chairman; Mrs. George Brunson; Mrs. James Burns; Mrs. Ward C. Belcher; Mrs. P. B. DeLoache; Mrs. A. W. Humphries; Miss Marie Kirkland; Mrs. E. B. Mobley; Mrs. Kirkland Trotter.

Decorations—Mrs. Carroll P. Bassett, Chairman; Mrs. W. S. Raines; Mrs. J. G. Richards; Mrs. Withers Trotter; Mrs. David Williams; Mrs. J. B. Zemp; Mrs. Charlotte Shannon.

Judges, Schedules and Ribbons—Miss Fanny B. Fletcher, Chairman; Mrs. Henry Savage, Jr.

## LIBERTY HILL SCRIBE IN THE LOW COUNTRY

Moselle, S. C., March 30th.—Mr. Editor: On Sunday last we attended services at Limestone Baptist church on the Highway below Harleyville, and met Rev. B. F. Hasty, the energetic and popular pastor who lives at Summerville and has served other churches under his care. Rev. Hasty is an old Kershaw county boy and has numerous relatives and friends back "at home" who are no doubt following with interest his work in his chosen field.

On Tuesday we left Harleyville on the second "leg" of our trip accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. A. Hilton, and little Virginia. We traversed a section of good farming land well advanced in preparation for the near approach of seed time. We stopped for a while at St. George, county seat of Dorchester county, where our host attended to some business matters and we met some friends, among them Prof. Patton who has a number of friends in Kershaw where he was for a number of years the educational system of that town, but is now located at St. George, still engaged in the very commendable service of imparting knowledge to youthful minds.

We took the paved Highway, passed the town of Grover and crossed the Edisto river which looks to be a deep slow moving stream, very suggestive of "good fishing grounds", then a wide scope of poor soil mostly burned over and sparsely settled except at Canady's crossing, a nice little village composed mostly of filling stations, where the Highway crosses the Hampton and Branchville railroads. We soon reached Walterboro, a pleasant looking old town with nice buildings and shady streets with huge moss draped live oaks and giant magnolias. Leaving Walterboro we passed Islandton and noticed the familiar name of "Drawdy" over a store door, and pretty soon arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Folk at Moselle, our destination, just in time for dinner.

With your permission, more next week.

## Some Lungsl

The hippopotamus is able to remain under water for as much as ten minutes at a time.

## Early Action on State Budget Forecast

Columbia, S. C. April 2.—Early action on the controverted appropriations bill, now in free conference, was forecast here tonight on the eve of the beginning of the legislature's thirteenth consecutive week.

There was some indication that the free conferees' report, a compromise between the senate's bill of \$7,078,000 and the \$6,241,000 house bill, would be submitted to the general assembly either tomorrow or the next day.

The free conference committee worked late tonight on the measure, and it was likely that the work would be completed in time for presentation early in the week.

Since there is comparatively little difference between the house and senate figures—the net difference is about \$400,000 in view of the fact that the house has gone on record for a teachers' pay raise—it was expected that an early agreement would be reached.

Adjournment sine die of the assembly by the end of the week was considered a possibility in legislative circles, but a number of measures awaiting action by one house or the other threatened to delay the completion of the year's work for another week beyond the present one.

Pending in the senate is the vast Santee-Cooper hydroelectric and navigation project bill, which is expected to provoke long debate. In addition to a number of other bills awaiting final action, the election of a justice of the supreme court to succeed Chief Justice Eugene S. Bleese, who resigned last week, was expected to consume considerable time.

## GOVERNMENT TO REIMBURSE MRS. LOTTIE W. McCASKILL

Washington, D. C., March 30.—On Wednesday the Senate passed the Richards Bill paying to Mrs. Lottie W. McCaskill of Cassatt, S. C., the sum of \$271.00. This Bill was introduced by Congressman J. P. Richard in the House where it was passed two weeks ago. The Senate action of yesterday assures its payment. This sum represents the amount paid by Mrs. McCaskill to cover the shortage in her accounts as Postmaster at Cassatt, S. C., caused by the theft in 1928, on the night of December 29, of postal funds, stamps, etc. from the Cassatt Post Office. Two negroes were later arrested for the theft, confessed, and were subsequently sentenced and punished. Mrs. McCaskill made the amount good out of her personal funds and the passage of the Richards Bill assures that the government will reimburse her for her loss.

## FOR AUDITOR

To the Democratic Voters of Kershaw County: I hereby announce myself for re-election to the office of Auditor of Kershaw County subject to the rules governing the Democratic Primary.

B. E. SPARROW.

## VISITORS TO CAMDEN

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Barnes, and daughter Miss Virginia Barnes, of Roanoke, Va., were visitors to Camden last week. In the party with Mr. and Mrs. Barnes and daughter, were: Mrs. W. J. Rawlinson, Rock Hill S. C., Mrs. A. C. Gbodin, Greensboro, N. C., and Mrs. Charles F. Fleming, Laurens, S. C. Mr. Barnes is a native of Kershaw county having left here many years ago. He is a prominent druggist of Roanoke, Va. His friends here always welcome his visits to his native home.

## SAM HUGGINS WINS FORD V-8

Mr. Sam Huggins was the winner of the Ford V-8 auctioned off last Saturday by the Junior Welfare League of Camden. The number of the lucky ticket was 1089 and Mr. Huggins held only one ticket.

## NOTICE

This is to state that I have had a stray hog in my possession for two months. I herewith give notice of sale of same five days from date, if owner does not offer and prove ownership and pay cost.

ALTON NELSON.  
Blaney, S. C.

## Baptist W. M. U. To Meet Up-state

The First Baptist Church of Greenville is to be the place of meeting for the thirty-second annual meeting of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of South Carolina which will open on the afternoon of April 10 at 2:30 o'clock, with Mrs. J. B. Boatwright of Mullins, the president, in charge.

Some outstanding leaders from all over the Southern Baptist Convention have been secured as speakers on the program, and the gathering is being looked forward to with much interest by the Baptist women from all over the state. Miss Kathleen Mallory, the Corresponding Secretary of Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, with headquarters in Birmingham, will be the Southern Union speaker and her name appears twice on the program. Other speakers are Dr. M. E. Dodd of Shreveport, La., president of the Southern Baptist Convention, who will speak at the Wednesday night session on April 11; Dr. Chas. E. Madry of Richmond, Va., executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, who will speak on Tuesday night, April 10, and again Wednesday afternoon, April 11; Dr. J. W. Beagle of the Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga., who will speak Tuesday afternoon, April 10, and again at the Wednesday evening session on April 11; Rev. J. R. Allen, missionary to Brazil, who will speak on Wednesday morning, April 11. The convention will close on Thursday morning, April 12, with an inspirational address by Miss Mallory.

In addition to the out-of-state speakers, the names of leaders of the Baptist denomination within the state appear on the program, prominently among them being Dr. Chas. A. Jones of Columbia, general secretary-treasurer of the Baptist General Board; Rev. R. F. Terrell, business manager of the Baptist Courier, Greenville, and Miss Annie D. Denmark, Anderson College, president.

The Greenville women are making every possible preparation for entertaining the hundreds of delegates who are expected to attend. Mrs. Bessie Hodges is heading up the work, and connected with her is a host of efficient helpers who will do their part to make the convention a success. Mrs. T. V. Farrow, 9 Poinsett Ave., Greenville, is making reservations for housing the delegates, and Mrs. E. M. Cushman, Geer-Judson Mill, is heading the transportation committee for those who desire to be met. These two are to be communicated with if rooms or transportation are desired.

The membership of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of South Carolina numbers nearly 50,000. There are more than 2,400 organizations, and each of them is entitled to send a delegate. Matters of business connected with the work of the State Woman's Missionary Union will be discussed, many committee reports will be heard, and in every way this session promises to be one of the most outstanding yet held.

## HONOR ROLL MIDWAY SCHOOL

Following is the honor roll of the Midway school for the sixth month:

First grade. Laura Lee Henry, Willien Horton, Betty West, Demaris Young.

Second grade. Myrtle Corbitt, Sarah Davis, Sarah Catherine Watkins, John McCoy, Perry Lee McCoy, Ralph Young.

Third grade. Colene Hall, Azalee Ingram.

Fourth grade. Troy West.

Fifth grade. Pauline Catoe, Myrtle Horton, Lunnell Elliott, Freddie West, Lewis Lee West.

Sixth grade. Elizabeth Elliott, Ferris Joyner, Ida Lee Threatt, Margaret West, Margaret Yarborough.

Seventh grade. Thelma Brannon, Elizabeth McCoy, Dolly Stokes.

Eighth grade. Margarette Anderson, Gene Cooper, Emily McCoy, Laurie West.

Ninth grade. Ethelyn Corbett.

Tenth grade. Oralia Brannon, Martha Moseley, Blanche Threatt.

Eleventh grade. None.

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## Insull Held for Extradition to U. S.

Istanbul, April 2.—Huge iron-barred prison gates clanged shut on Samuel Insull today as the Turkish authorities placed him under arrest to await extradition to the United States.

The elderly Chicago millionaire fought frantically against arrest and return to America to face embezzlement charges. The Turkish cabinet sitting at Angora, the capital, upheld the decision of the Istanbul court yesterday and officially advised U. S. Ambassador Robert Skinner that Insull would be extradited.

The government likewise ratified the new extradition treaty with the United States in order to expedite Insull's return to the United States.

The word was telegraphed to the police here, guarding the silver-haired utilities operator at a local hotel, and Insull was rushed to the detention house where he is held awaiting the arrival of a United States department of justice agent.

Insull stumbled upstairs to a room while special quarters were prepared for him in the house, a preliminary prison with some 600 inmates. In his prison quarters, he was informed for the first time of his arrest and the government's decision.

Outside a throng of curious watched Insull's arrival at jail. They watched him step out of the car and move weakly into the house, a pitiful broken figure of an old man at the end of his rope.

The detention house is a rocco building, with a garish red roof. It has a narrow courtyard where the inmates wash and exercise over the rough paving stones.

Special prisoners such as Insull, however, are permitted to wash in their rooms and may procure their meals outside. Insull probably will be permitted to have a room to himself with another prisoner to act as a servant.

He was issued rough bedding by the prison keepers, and settled down to await the next move in his long but losing battle to escape return to America to face trial on charges of fraud growing out of the collapse of his vast utilities interests in the United States.

Insull's efforts to prevent extradition continued today, even after the court yesterday decided he was liable to extradition. He was acquitted by the judges, but they subsequently ruled that his offence warranted six months imprisonment and the cabinet therefore voted to hand Insull over to the United States authorities.

## STATEWIDE CHECKER TOURNAMENT ENTERS SEMI-FINALS

The widespread interest in the statewide checker contest being conducted by the distributors of American nitrate of soda was further increased today by the announcement that the semi-final contests in South Carolina will take place during the week commencing April 9th. The play-off for this district will be held in Chester at the City Hall on April 14th at 10 A. M., it was revealed.

This play-off, which is one of six sectional or district tourneys being held throughout the State, will bring together the first and second place winners of the county contests held recently in Chester, Fairfield, Lancaster, Kershaw, and York counties.

The winner and runnerup will each receive one-half ton of the American made nitrate of soda which is becoming so popular among the farmers. The winner will also be awarded a handsome silver medal. Each will advance to the State finals at Columbia on April 28th.

Among those who will participate in the matches at Chester are J. W. McDonald, Prof. J. W. Coleman of Rodman, Jesse Woeling of Shelton, W. Y. Coleman of Shelton, L. F. McCaskill of Camden, Wallace Stokes of Camden, L. T. Hunter of Heath Springs, Hyman Carlo of Lancaster, J. R. Shillinglaw of York, and Joe Jackson of Clover.

The games will be refereed by H. C. McNair, of Maxton, N. Car., a prominent in Southern checker circles and one of the leading checker players in the country.

Conscience  
The great theater of virtue is conscience.—Cicero.