

## GRAND JURY PRESENTMENT

Following is the presentment of the grand jury at the recent session of court in this county:

State of South Carolina—County of Bamberg.

To Hon. Ernest Moore, judge presiding, second circuit:

The grand jury begs to present its report to your honor:

1. We have passed upon all bills presented to us by the solicitor and returned the same to the court.

2. We have visited the chain gang and jail and found the jail well kept and the county chain gang well organized and doing good and efficient service.

3. We have visited the public offices and find them well kept and the officers are attentive to their duties and courteous to the public.

4. We recommend that the clerk of court's office be furnished with a comfortable covering for the floor, and that in the office of the probate judge there be furnished a suitable book case 7 x 4, and that the same be of metal.

5. The attention of the grand jury was called to the condition of the roads as it exists in several portions of the county and complaint being made that the roads were in bad condition, we recommend that the supervisor give his immediate attention and put the same in such shape as should be for the accommodation of the public.

6. The grand jury's attention was especially called to the fact that the federal government had allowed \$13,000 to Bamberg county to be expended upon the roads, and your body recommends that this be accepted and that the county place an equal sum to match that in construction of the roads in the county. This fund especially looks towards the establishment of one or more highways on the part of the State and nation to pass through Bamberg county, and we earnestly recommend that our county supervisor do act in conjunction with the officers of the State and nation and have constructed three highways as main arteries for travel through Bamberg county. Nothing could add more to the comfort of the people and the travelling public than to have two leading highways practically at right angles towards each other crossing our counties and to be constructed as all roads which the national government takes part in the construction of, to be of the highest class gravel and clay.

7. At a former meeting of this body a committee was appointed to check up the taxes of the late Judge Harmon, probate judge for Bamberg county, and we herewith submit the report of R. P. Bellinger, Esq., as a part of this report, and marked exhibit A.

8. We have looked into the financial condition of the county and find that Bamberg county's finances are in good shape. On yesterday, the county treasurer had a balance of \$55,740.59, for all purposes. During the previous year cash was paid for all claims as presented and the county is not indebted for any sum. Copy of the treasurer's report is herewith attached and is a part of this report and marked exhibit B.

9. During the past year the county enjoyed unprecedented financial prosperity. We, your grand jury, acting for the people, desire to acknowledge with thanks the great blessings which providence with such a bountiful hand has caused the crops to grow and give to our people such prosperity as never before known.

10. We also desire to call attention to the fact that the county has responded from time to time to all calls made upon it for Red Cross, Liberty Bonds and other patriotic demands, and we trust that our people will continue to do so.

11. Our county has taken a stand on educational matters by which it hopes to establish graded schools in every portion of the county. This has not yet been accomplished in all parts but we hope that the people will come to the aid of the school officials and respond in the building of better houses, so that there may not be a child in our public schools nor a man or woman within the county who is not able to read and who has not received, when the child has attained the age of 18, a liberal education within the county.

12. Our attention has also been called to the number of students at our colleges. It is indeed gratifying to see the showing made by the number of young men and young women who are attending the various colleges in this State, both State and denominational, and we earnestly urge upon our people that they see to it that their children are well educated in the public schools and as

far as may be possible elsewhere, so as to fit them for the work in life.

13. We respectfully recommend that the salary of the supervisor be increased \$200 per year.

14. We also recommend repairs to fire-place in auditor's office.

15. Thanking your honor for the courtesy shown us and hoping for your good health and continued prosperity, we are, respectfully,

H. B. GRIMES, Foreman.

### EXHIBIT "A."

Gentlemen of the jury: For the purpose of making the records and reports clear and at the request of your foreman I beg to state that the committee of a former grand jury who employed Mr. Vann, an expert accountant of Columbia, to adjust and straighten up matters in our probate judge's office, placed Mr. Vann's official report on his investigation of the records of said office in my hands, which report showed that the late G. P. Harmon, probate judge of Bamberg county, up to the time of his death, died indebted to the county in the sum of \$92. This amount, according to Mr. Vann's report, had been collected through his office as fees and should have been turned over to the county treasurer, but so far as the records show this was not done, Judge Harmon dying rather suddenly and may have intended to do this had he been spared the opportunity. At any rate from all that could be gathered, this amount was left due by his estate to the county, and when the matter was placed in my hands as county attorney, I immediately made out a formal claim for the full amount, had the same duly verified by the supervisor and filed it with the attorneys who are winding up the estate of Mr. Harmon. His estate is still in the process of settlement, and the claim has not yet been paid. This, I believe, gives you a full statement of the entire matter concerning this office, but if you wish any further information, and I can assist you in any way, I shall be very glad for you to call upon me. I might add that I believe this claim will eventually be paid by the estate of Mr. Harmon. Yours very truly,

R. P. BELLINGER.

January 29, 1918.

### EXHIBIT "B."

Reports to comptroller general Jan. 1, 1918, showed bal. on hand...\$62,500.67  
Collected since Jan. 1..... 13,358.22  
\$75,858.89

Paid Bamberg Banking Co., June 1 to Jan. 1.....\$5,474.70  
Paid claims from office..... 643.60  
Paid State treasurer..... 14,000.00

\$20,118.30  
Balance on hand and in banks..... 55,740.59

\$75,858.89  
About \$11,000 yet to be collected.  
Respectfully submitted,  
G. A. JENNINGS,  
County Treasurer.

### NO MORE HEATLESS MONDAYS.

Warmer Weather Has Relieved Situation, Says Garfield.

Washington, Feb. 8.—Continued improvement in weather and transportation conditions will bring an end to the heatless Monday programme after its enforcement next Monday, Fuel Administrator Garfield announced tonight.

Suspension of the programme immediately in eight Southern States was authorized today by Dr. Garfield after the receipt of reports showing that higher temperatures have relieved the coal shortage in the South to such an extent that further closing is made unnecessary. The States included are North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, Alabama and Louisiana.

Dr. Garfield was more hopeful over the general outlook tonight than at any time for weeks past. Although there is danger of floods from melting snows and consequent interference with traffic, he thinks warmer weather will bring a far better situation than has existed during the recent cold spell.

All places housing workers who are members of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union were exempted today from the Monday closing. Many of them are working on clothing for the army.

### Moving Some.

A negro was trying to saddle a mule, when a bystander asked: "Does that mule ever try to kick you?" "No, sah, but he kicks sometimes whar Ise jes been."—Judge.

# Peace Talk

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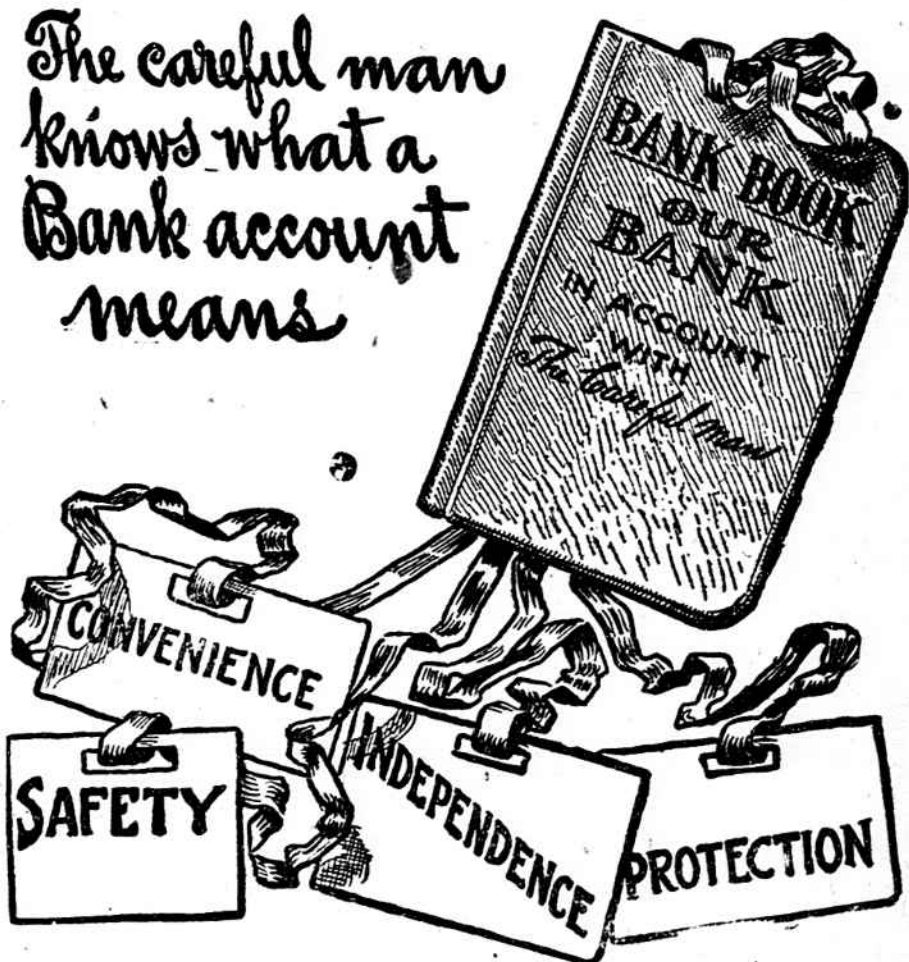
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