

## Carlisle Awards Contract For \$26,000 Dormitory

The dreams for years of the authorities and friends of Carlisle school for a new brick dormitory are about to be realized. Last Thursday at noon the board of control of Carlisle awarded the contract for the erection of the new dormitory for the sum of \$25,600.00 to the construction firm of Haynesworth & Lawton, contractors of Florence. The terms of the contract specify that work is to be started at the earliest possible date, and that the dormitory must be turned over to the board by September 1, 1922, which will be in ample time to furnish the building for occupancy by the students on arrival at school at the beginning of the school year later in the month.

In accordance with these terms, the contractors are now securing the necessary materials, and will assemble them on the campus within the next few weeks preparatory to the actual laying of the cornerstone of the building, which is to be an imposing structure in every way worthy of Carlisle and in keeping with the general building programme of the school as recently mapped out by the architectural firm of LaFaye & LaFaye, of Columbia, who have drafted the specifications for this building, as well as presenting the board with a general landscape and campus plan of the entire school property.

The new dormitory is to be the last word in buildings of this character. It will be three stories in height and fireproof throughout. Fifty-three rooms will be incorporated in the dormitory, which will be of brick, each room to be furnished with a closet and lavatory with running hot and cold water. Double deck beds will be used throughout the building, each room being so equipped as to accommodate two boys. Modern and sanitary toilets, shower baths, etc., will be installed on each floor. The rooms will be heated by steam and lighted by electricity.

That the board was fortunate in securing a very conservative bid for the work is evidenced by the fact that the bids submitted, some ten or twelve of them, ran as high as \$49,000.00, and the next nearest bid was several thousand dollars higher than the accepted bid.

The contracting firm is to give good and sufficient bond for the faithful execution of the contract, this bond being sufficiently large to cover any contingencies that may arise.

The work is to be done under the supervision of a competent engineer, who will be on the ground until the work is completed; in addition there will be a supervising architect to inspect the work carefully as it progresses, on the part of the architects.

The friends of the school feel that though the school sustained serious losses by fire during the present term, the fruition of the plans for the new dormitory were but hastened by these disasters. The new dormitory had been planned before either of the fires occurred, but in the absence of the fires it is not very likely that the plans would have been pushed to completion at such an early date. Thus, out of disaster, the school will reap a large benefit, and it will be at the beginning of the next term decidedly one of the best equipped schools in South Carolina, with two dormitories as modern as any to be found anywhere.

Carlisle's misfortunes began last fall when suddenly one night fire was discovered in the Mary Ann Bamberg hall, on the west side of the campus. This hall, a frame structure, burned like tinder, and was under such headway when discovered that the boys barely escaped with their personal effects. However, heroic work on the part of Bamberg's fire department succeeded in saving the lower floor of the dormitory. Now this building has been repaired and made into practically a new building, by the means of which the congestion among the cadets has been relieved.

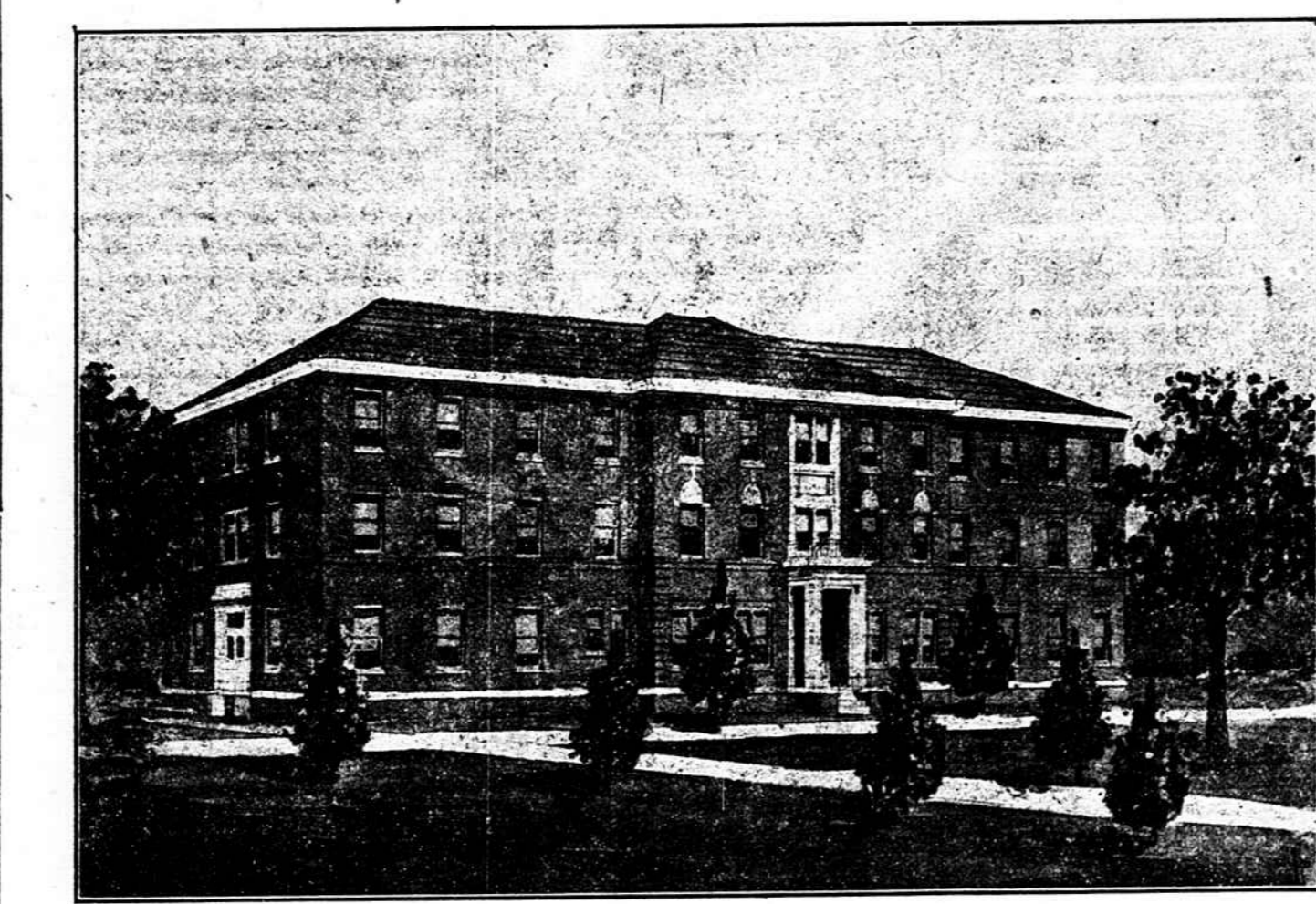
Only a few weeks after this a resident of Carlisle street looking out of his window about 10 o'clock at night saw a small blaze issuing from the roof of the H. J. Brabham hall, an historic old Bamberg building, formerly the home of the Bamberg graded school. This citizen rushed out and alarmed the boys of the approaching danger. Being thus warned in ample time, the cadets moved

their effects safely from the burning structure and carried them to safety without mishap. This building was also a frame structure, and all that remained of the Brabham hall the next morning were several gaunt chimneys extending skyward.

With only one dormitory left on the campus to house the cadets, something had to be done. Temporary arrangements were made to take care of all the boys comfortably for the rest of the session, but the next session, when a large enrollment is expected, loomed ominously before the authorities.

Hence, a building committee was named by the board of control a few days after the last fire. This committee has kept constantly at the task, which was by no means a small one, due to the financial condition of the people generally. To finance the project meant careful study and sober thought. Not doubting, however, that ways and means would be sought and found, the committee laid its plans for the erection of a dormitory. An automobile tour of inspection was arranged by the committee and many schools in the upper part of the state were visited. Modern dormitories were inspected and ideas were gathered from many points. The committee feels that the collation of these ideas will result in Carlisle having not only as modern an establishment as any school in the state, but perhaps better, as the committee had the opportunity of studying any defects as well as improvements in dormitories.

Just as soon as these ideas and suggestions could be put into concrete form, architects were called into conference. LaFaye & LaFaye were selected as the school's architects. The firm went to work at once on the plans, sending engineers to Bamberg. Not only were plans made for the new dormitory, but a general scheme of development of the school property was worked out,



CUT OF CARLISLE SCHOOL'S NEW \$26,000 DORMITORY—FROM THE DRAWING.

and is now in the hands of the school authorities.

In the future all construction work will be in keeping with the general development scheme. The new brick dormitory will be erected on a line with the Guilds hall, instead of being on line with the burned hall, thus affording additional campus room. In front of the building will be beautified. In the person of Col. W. C. Duncan, the school has not only a capable headmaster but a gardener of recognized ability, and as a landscape husbandman is without a peer anywhere. Within the next few months Bamberg may safely expect not only the best equipped school in this section of the country, but one of the most beautiful campuses to be found in the south. Indeed, the campus already is in this class.

### A Home Made Cleanser.

Street Peddler—"Here y'are, sir. Most useful preparation in the world. Only fifteen cents and one spoonful can take ten spots out of your trousers."

Henry Peck—"Humph! Don't need any. My wife did that little thing for me only last night while I was asleep."

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## Explosion Kills Salvage Foreman

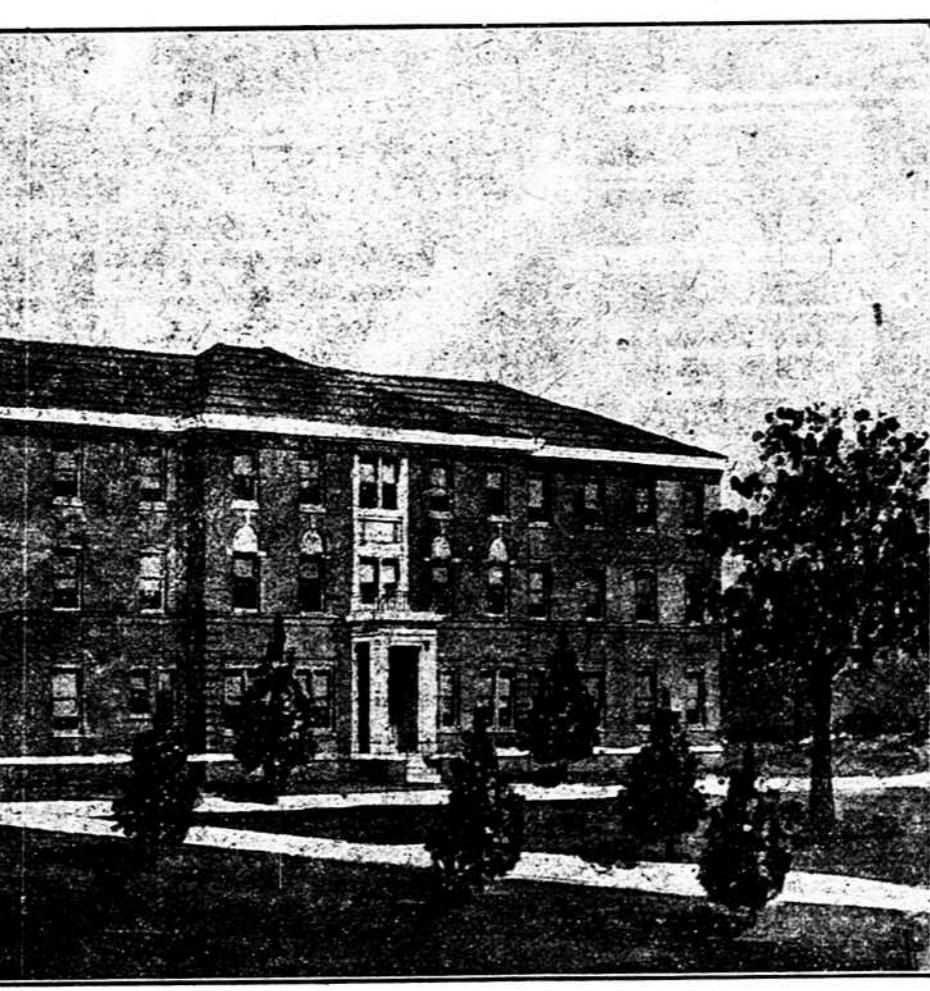
Charleston, April 13.—O. L. Hill, white, foreman for the Columbia Salvage corporation, was blown into bits about 11:30 o'clock this morning when an explosion of 20,000 pounds of black powder occurred in an ammunition salvage magazine near the ordnance depot, North Charleston. More than 50 box cars were damaged and trackage wrecked. It will never be known what caused the terrific blast.

Fragments of Hill's body were collected over a considerable area and placed in a coffin for interment. His cap was found about two hundred yards from the magazine, the walls of which were made with boxes filled with sand with a canvass roof. Hill and three negro laborers were seen about the magazine just before the explosion. It is said that the negroes were practically unhurt. For many miles around the explosion was felt. Glass was shattered in plants in the suburbs of Charleston.

For some time the salvage company has been taking black powder out of defective or out of date shells, this powder being placed in metal kegs. The magazine was not connected with the magazines of the ordnance department, but was a considerable distance from the nearest. Where the salvage magazine stood is a crater 20 feet deep and more than 60 feet across. Nothing remains of the metal kegs except fragments.

It is believed that one or two kegs of powder were first detonated and that almost immediately all the rest of the 800 kegs went off with terrible force. A burning brand fell a short distance away among a pile of TNT shells and among those who appreciated the peril there was consternation. At the imminent risk of their lives, Chief Thompson of the government port terminals fire department and Lieut. A. L. Violancy of the quartermaster corps extinguished the fire with chemicals.

While it is not known how the explosion occurred, it is reported that Foreman Hill had borrowed a steel



chisel and it is believed that he was working with this on the steel powder kegs, sparks causing the explosion. The regulations require that a brass implement be used, thus preventing sparks.

### CHRISTIANS MASSACRED.

#### Turkish Nationalists Burn Greek Quarter.

London, April 17.—A great fire and a massacre of Christians at Samsoun, on the Black Sea coast of Asia Minor, were in progress nine days ago when the Italian steamer Barbita left there, the steamer's officers reported on her arrival at Patras, Greece, says an Athens dispatch to the London Times, dated Sunday.

Turkish Nationalist Bashi-Bazouks, headed by Turkish officers, surrounded the Greek quarter and set it ablaze, shooting all who attempted to escape, the officers declared.

When the steamer sailed the large Greek church at Samsoun was ablaze and thousands of Greek women and children were rushing to the water front seeking refuge on steamers.

The Barbita sent a wireless message to an American warship in the neighborhood urging her to hasten to the rescue.

## Inheritance Law Taken to Court

Columbia April 12.—A temporary injunction against the South Carolina Tax Commission restraining it from enforcing the Inheritance Tax Act, passed at the last session of the general assembly, was ordered this afternoon by Chief Justice Eugene B. Gary and was made returnable before the state supreme court April 24 at 10 o'clock in the morning. The action is brought by J. Edwin Belser, of Columbia, administrator of the estate of the late John E. Lowery, of this city, who died December 20, 1920, leaving an estate valued at \$50,000.

The contention is that the section of the act providing for a tax against estates which are in process of administration, but on which final settlement has not been made, is retroactive and therefore unconstitutional. The state tax commission is in doubt about the interpretation of this section and therefore welcomes the suit to clarify the act.

The action involves a large amount of revenue to the state, as there are estates in every section of South Carolina for which final settlement has not been completed, the total value of which runs into millions of dollars. Large estates now being administered because death occurred during the past two years are those of the late F. W. Wagener, of Charleston; the late J. J. Brown, of Anderson; the late B. L. Abney, of Columbia; the late Mrs. Sarah Desportes, of Columbia, and the late John L. Mimnaugh. These estates, it is estimated, will aggregate more than \$10,000,000. The petition for an injunction said that the "Inheritance Tax Act as it is respectfully submitted is by its terms clearly prospective in its operation relating exclusively to estates which shall hereafter pass or be transferred by will or inheritance and the administrative of which shall be hereafter begun. As appears from numerous clauses and provisions thereof, that said South Carolina Tax Commission, as petitioners, is informed and be-

## Contract for Branchville Road to be Let May 8

### WATER SPOUT CHASES VESSEL.

Passengers Bet on Result Before Realizing That Tie Meant Death.

New York, April 15.—The story of a gigantic water spout, which chased the Cunard Liner Carmania half an hour and then suddenly subsided when it was almost upon the hard driven ship, was told by the officers and passengers when she arrived today after a round trip to the Near East.

The liner was about 800 miles out of New York when the spout was sighted. At first, passengers said, it appeared as a slight disturbance of water about eight miles astern. Then the waves were twisted and churned and hurled skyward with terrific force in an ever increasing volume. For a time, they stated, it stood still while Captain Melson, after pronouncing it a big water spout, ordered the liner sent ahead at full speed. At almost the same moment, the spout seemed to take wings and rush after the big ship.

Passengers crowded aft. Smoke belched from the ship's funnels while the Carmania strained every atom of her strength to escape. As the spout traveled it grew larger. It widened rapidly and towered high in the air, throwing off spray.

At first, passengers thought that it was just a wonderful phenomena. They began to bet on the speed, on whether it could catch the boat, or pass it. Then as it towered in the Carmania's wake, gaining rapidly it suddenly occurred to the passengers that it carried certain death with it—that the race was one for life.

The spout continued to gain until it was almost on the ship. The passengers huddled, awe stricken, along the decks watching the oncoming mass of water. It had only to reach out for the ship—and it subsided as suddenly as it had risen. Five minutes after there was nothing to show there had been any disturbance of the placid ocean.

Captain Melson smiled when he was asked about it.

"I'll never tell what would have happened, if it had caught us," he said. "In fact, I never could have told. We would have been listed as missing on the marine register."

### DIRECTS VERDICT.

Against Waller Estate for Balance of \$10,000 Pledge.

Greenwood, April 15.—A directed verdict in favor of Furman University was returned late yesterday in the case of Furman University vs. the Estate of C. A. C. Waller, in the court of common pleas here. Furman University had brought suit for \$9,900 against Hunter Gibbs, of Columbia, and Dr. C. B. Waller, of Spartanburg, as administrators of the estate of C. A. C. Waller, alleging that the late C. A. C. Waller had pledged \$10,000 to Furman in the Baptist \$75,000,000 campaign, only \$100 of which had ever been paid.

The verdict returned read: "We find for the plaintiff that the subscription was valid and that there is now past due \$2,400."

The terms of the subscription were that \$100 should be paid in cash and \$1,200 a year until the fifth year, when \$4,000 in cash should be paid. The plaintiff was represented by Waynesworth & Hanysworth, of Greenville, and Tillman, Mays & Featherstone, of Greenwood. The defendants were represented by Grier & Park, of Greenwood.

### Williston High Wins.

Williston, S. C., April 14.—The Bamberg high school ball team crossed bats with the Williston high here today. Williston won 10 to 4. With the bases full, Garvin for Williston got a long three-base drive that gave Williston a lead which she held throughout the game.

G. Hall pitched a beautiful game for the locals and was never in danger. He struck out ten. Ellzey also pitched well, striking out nine but hits were obtained from his delivery when they counted. Williston high has now won three and lost no games, having defeated Blackville and Windsor in addition to Bamberg. Next Friday they face the Wegener high in Williston.

Batteries for Williston, Hall brothers; batteries for Bamberg, Ellzey and Delk.

With the completion of the road work, contract for which will be let at noon on May 8th, approximately 12½ miles of highway will be added to the county's road system. In accordance with the announcement of the decision of the state highway commission to proceed with the construction of the Bamberg-Branchville road, published in the last issue of The Herald, the commission has advertised for bids from contractors for the work, and the bids will be opened on the above mentioned date.

The exact length of the road, from the corporate limits of Bamberg to the Edisto river, a few miles below Branchville, is 12.453 miles. The road traverses a fine section of Bamberg county and will form one of the most important links in the highway system of Bamberg county.

The specifications call for bids to be accompanied by a deposit of \$800, and a sufficient bond will be required of the successful bidder for the faithful performance of the contract.

The work to be done consists of the following approximate quantities:

- Necessary clearing and grubbing within right of way.
- 0.5 acre clearing and grubbing (borrow and clay pits.)
- 70,197 cubic yards common excavation.
- 2,000 cubic yards strippings on pits.
- 30,643 cubic yards sand-clay surfacing.
- 65.75 M. linear feet mixing and shaping sand-clay.
- 1,393 linear feet reinforced concrete pipe.
- 260.9 cubic yards Class "A" concrete.
- 109.24 cubic yards Class "B" concrete.
- 23,152 pounds steel reinforcement.

Coincident with this contract is the announcement that on May 12th the contract will be awarded for the construction of 5.303 miles of highway between Elko and the county lines of Aiken and Barnwell, connecting with the original government highway from the Aiken county line to the town of Aiken. Thus with the completion of these two projects, there will be a completed highway from Branchville to Aiken, with a first-class road from Aiken to Augusta, though not a government highway. Also, in the near future, bids will be opened for the construction of a highway from Barnwell to Elko, thus connecting the towns in this section with the main Charleston and Augusta highway.

The reinforced concrete culvert piping will be furnished under a separate contract, bids for which will be opened on April 22. The piping to be used on the Bamberg-Branchville link of the road is as follows:

- 332.5 linear feet 15 inch reinforced concrete pipe.
- 575.0 linear feet 18 inch reinforced concrete pipe.
- 263.0 linear feet 24 inch reinforced concrete pipe.
- 148.0 linear feet 36 inch reinforced concrete pipe.

### "YOU CAN HAVE IT."

Quick Answer to Request for His Vote by York Merchant.

York, April 16.—One of the candidates for county treasurer approached a busy merchant the other day, according to the story going the rounds, and said:

"Howdy do, sir.—is my name and I'm a candidate for county treasurer."

He got no further with his story, for the busy merchant is said to have shot back:

"All right, sir, you can have it—I don't want it."

### A Fine Lecture.

One of the numerous English novelists who came to America to tour the lyceum circuit, delivered a lecture in Los Angeles last winter, and Rob Wagener who writes about moving picture people and also writes for them with equal success, went to hear him.

"Did he deliver a good lecture?" I asked Rob.

"You bet he did," Rob said. "He delivered a peach of a lecture."

"What was it about?" I asked.

"He didn't say," Rob replied. "And nobody knew him well enough to ask him."