

LARGE STORES ARE BANKRUPT

Three Department stores Close, Two Being in This County

OVER ZEAL OF CREDITORS

Adjustment May be Made and Stores Open up Again Before Any Sales

The Conway Department Store, of which H. Werblun, formerly of Mullins, but now of Florence, S. C., is the proprietor, closed its doors last week.

Another store, the Loris Department Store, located at Loris, of which Mr. Werblun was also the proprietor, was reported as being closed at the same time. The parent store, the largest of all, operated by Mr. Werblun, in Florence, his home town, was also closed.

The stores are still closed. The cause of the trouble was unknown here, except to a few, until last Thursday when notices were received by creditors in Conway, reading as follows:

"District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of South Carolina. In Bankruptcy

"In the matter of Harry Werblun, of Florence, in the County of Florence, and District aforesaid, a bankrupt.

"To the Creditors of said Bankrupt:

"Notice is hereby given that on the 7th day of November, 1922, the above named was duly adjudged bankrupt; and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at the office of undersigned, Florence, S. C., on the 17th day of November, 1922, at 12 o'clock, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting. At this meeting will also be considered the sale of the stock of merchandise and other personal property of the bankrupt, without further notice to creditors. Claims must be filed in the manner prescribed by the rules of the supreme court for filing of claims in bankruptcy. Florence, S. C., November 7th, 1922.

"ROBERT J. KIRK,
Referee in Bankruptcy."

It was reported here later that several creditors of the department had become obstinate and would not agree to extend the time which the stores needed to meet its obligations.

The cause of the failure is said to be the strike which went in Florence, S. C., among the railroad shopmen several months ago. That the stores had expected the usual amount of business and bought goods accordingly; that the strike in Florence put great numbers of men out of work and business and trade in the dry-goods line in that town went to nothing; that although the strike had been adjusted that the business there had not yet recovered from the serious blow struck by the striking shopmen. The stores asked for time in which to meet the bills for goods purchased but certain of the creditors would not extend time any further and there was nothing to do but to file a petition in bankruptcy and give all creditors an equal showing in the settlement of the bankrupt estate.

It is not believed that the creditors will benefit to any great extent by their zeal in pushing their accounts. They will doubtless lose heavily by reason of the placing of such a large amount of drygoods on sale at sacrifice prices, while if they had waited, as they were asked to do, their money would have been good as to probably every dollar of it.

It is possible that some adjustment of the differences may yet be made before any sale of the stocks will take place. It is hoped that an amicable adjustment can be made.

ESCAPED MAN BACK IN GANG

W. A. Causey was caught last week and again placed on the Horry County chain gang to serve out the rest of his sentence. He had been gone for some time, having taken what is known in jail parlance as "leg bail." He had succeeded in keeping hidden from the authorities until last week, when a trap was set for him by V. D. Johnson, assisted by two citizens of the community. The result was his capture and he was placed back in the gang last Friday. Causey was convicted at a term of the court for the crime of adultery and sentenced to twelve months on the public works. He served three months and ran away. He is now back to serve the remaining nine months.

He committed the crime for which he has been tried in the Floyds section of the county.

South Carolina delegates to the Convention of World League Against Alcoholism in Toronto, November 24-29, have been appointed by Governor George Harvey.

JEWELL GUILTY FEDERAL COURT

B. H. Justice Cleared by jury as In State Court

The Justice and Jewell case in the United States District Court, sitting at Columbia last week, resulted in a verdict of not guilty for B. H. Justice alone out of the three defendants.

Two remaining defendants, Clyde and Chris Jewell, were each found guilty and each sentenced to pay a fine of one thousand dollars, or each serve a sentence of six months in the jail.

The Herald could not learn which of the alternative the two defendants accepted. To avoid the sentence of six months, for both of them, the sum of two thousand dollars would have to be raised. In the opinion of many this sum could be raised by the defendants.

The same case was tried in the courts of Horry County under State laws. In the State court, the result was the same as in the Federal court as to those found guilty and those convicted. In the State court here at Conway the first week in March this year, B. H. Justice was cleared of the charge of whiskey making.

The facts of the case as testified showed that Jewell was operating a whiskey still on the lands of Mr. Justice. This was the conclusion of the officers who approached the still one morning and tore up the outfit and found some whiskey on the premises as well as a part of the still plant that was being carried to the place by one of the defendants.

A number of witnesses were summoned to appear in Charleston at the last term of the Federal court there, but Justice was not tried at that term on account of absence.

The same witnesses were all summoned to appear in Columbia last week and they were there for several days awaiting for the case to be reached on the docket of the court.

Justice lives near the line between North and South Carolina. He has been farming for a long number of years on a fine place formerly owned and developed by Calvin Thomas and who sold out to Justice and moved away.

Justice has a number of friends who regret that he became involved in the matter. The juries passing on the case in both the State court and in the Federal court were convinced that B. H. Justice had no connection with the stilling operations, but that Chris Jewell, an old operator from the wilds of North Carolina, assisted by Clyde Justice, a young man who was under his influence, was solely responsible for the violations of the whiskey laws which had been going on in the Little River section of this county for time.

LARGE 'SIMMONS GET ATTENTION

Small Tree on the Outlaw Farm in Socastee is Lauded

USED IN BEER MAKING

Trees Full of Old Varieties to be Found in Uncultivated Fields

Vititors from outside Horry County are always astonished at the wonderful results produced by the soils of coastal planes, in which the county is located.

Things are raised here that prove to be wonders even as close to home as Marion and Mullins. This is proved by an editorial of last week.

Horry County has been producing persimmons of both the native varieties and the imported kinds ever since our forefathers found out that persimmons were good for making delicious persimmon beer.

Persimmon trees of the old variety, found here when the country was settled, have been improved greatly by cultivation of the fields. Dozens of large trees loaded down with the fruit can be found today in old fields that were abandoned for one reason or another. In the absence of the old men and women who know how to make this beer, about the only consumer of this fine looking fruit are the birds and the opossums.

Now, the editor of The Enterprise, and also his friend were highly pleased at the tree which they saw on the place of Mr. Outlaw. That tree carried a promise of beer at some later time, provided its owner knows how to make it, which we doubt.

The article in The Enterprise is interesting to all outsiders, but not to us, who are used to such wonders.

Says the Enterprise:

"The editor with Walter McKoy and Frank Acree, on a recent trip down to Murrells Inlet, saw a small persimmon tree on the Outlaw farm, just below Socastee, loaded with the largest fruit ever seen growing in this section. It was of the Japanese Imperial family, and was beautiful, indeed. Some of the fruit was as large around as a quart measure and nearly five inches long. Mr. Outlaw stated that he planted the tree about

BIG DEMOCRATIC GAINS IN STATES AND NATION

Striking Democratic gains throughout the Nation on November 7th embraced the following:

Seven new members of the United States Senate, cutting the Republican majority from 24 to 10.

Seventy-five members of the House of Representatives, cutting the Republican majority from 170 to 20.

Election of a Senator from Michigan, the first the party has had in seventy years.

Election of a Representative from the 9th Virginia District, the first the party has had in twenty-two years.

Election of a delegate from Hawaii, the first the party has had in the history of the territory.

Election of Governors in seventeen of the twenty-nine States choosing them this year, a gain of eleven.

Fifteen new members of the New York State Senate, giving party control by a majority of one.

Twenty new members of the New York State Assembly, throwing the balance of power into the hands of the New York City delegation.

AUTO CUT-OUTS PROHIBITED

The use of a cut-out on trucks and automobiles is a hateful practice. All agree that is when the cut-out is being used by another. Many owners of machines detest the practice in others while doing the very same thing themselves. It is hateful and the Legislature has done the right thing in prohibiting this by law.

The wording of the Act and the penalty which is provided, follow:

STATUTES AT LARGE

No. 437.

AN ACT to Prohibit the Use of Cut-Outs on Motor Driven Vehicles in this State, and to Provide a Penalty Therefor.

Section 1. Use of Cut-Outs Unlawful on Motor Driven Vehicles on Highway.—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina: That from and after the passage of this Act, it shall be unlawful for any cut-outs to be used on motor driven vehicles over the public highways of this State.

2. Violation a Misdemeanor.—Penalty.—Any person, firm or corporation violating the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and fined not less than Twenty-five (\$25.00) Dollars, nor more than One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars, for each offense.

3. All Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed. Approved the 17th day of February, A. D. 1922.

PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION

The regular meeting of the School Improvement Association was held in the school building Tuesday afternoon, November 7th, at four o'clock, with the president, Mrs. M. G. Anderson, presiding.

Rev. J. C. Atkinson led in an opening prayer. Miss Richardson, accompanied by Miss Huntley, rendered a vocal solo, and little Winnie Frances Eubanks gave a juvenile reading, "I Don't Want to go to School". Dr. Atkinson made a most interesting and instructive talk, in which he explained in detail the benefits derived from the association of pupils, parents, and teachers. A beautiful piano solo was rendered by two high school girls, Misses Gene Wood Norton and Irma Lewis.

Mrs. W. A. Freeman, Horry County organized, enumerated the duties and aims of the organization, describing briefly some of the work which is being accomplished by the smaller schools of this county.

Each class in the grammar school as well as in the high school has elected a sponsor to represent it at the meetings of the Association. This sponsor is one of the mothers of the children of that grade. Some incentive for inducing the mothers to attend the meetings and to visit the school will be proposed at the next

three years ago and that it is a sure crop, as the cold seldom affects it. There must have been five or six bushels of the luscious fruit on it this year—probably more. A sample of the fruit can be seen at The Enterprise office now. Mr. Outlaw had another and older tree that died some time ago. It was recalled that thirteen years ago Mr. McCoy and the late Charley Gordon stopped at the Outlaw home. Mr. McCoy told the younger Mr. Outlaw Monday that his father gave them one of the six persimmons grown on the tree that year and that for years afterward Mr. Gordon would talk about the big persimmon given him by his old friend. The senior Mr. Outlaw died of "flu" this summer at an advanced age."

RAISES FREAK SWEET POTATO

The D. G. Spivey farm, near Horry, S. C., in charge of Joe Barnhill this year as a tenant, has produced a vegetable freak that is worthy of mention.

The freak is a Porto Rico sweet potato taken from the crop planted and raised by Mr. Barnhill this year. In the first place the potato is a large one just like many more in the patch of about two acres, so far as regards size.

This potato resembles a bird. At first sight one would call it a duck, but Mr. Spivey states that there have been no ducks raised on this farm this year. The farm has had a flock of geese, however, and as the potato also resembles a goose, we would be prejudiced in favor of calling the potato a goose.

This freak potato was brought to the shoe store, of which Mr. Spivey is one of the proprietors, and was an interesting sight as it lay on one of the counters.

Barnhill's crop is a good one this year and he is looking for two or three hundred bushels of sweet potatoes to the acre.

meeting. It was decided that simple refreshments will be served at every third meeting, thus adding a social feature to the otherwise business-like gathering and giving the mothers and fathers an opportunity to meet and talk with the teachers.

The president appointed the following committees: Inter-Society Debate, Mr. Daniel, Mr. Hunter, Mrs. E. J. Sherwood, Mrs. C. H. Snider, Mrs. M. G. Anderson; Membership Committee: Miss Mary Harlee, Mrs. G. L. Ford, Mrs. O. D. Anderson, Mrs. C. H. Snider; Program Committee: Mr. Huntley, Mrs. Alexander, Miss Alma Watson; Refreshment Committee: Mrs. V. F. Platt, Mrs. F. C. Todd, Mrs. L. H. Burroughs.

WORK ON ROAD MAKES HEADWAY

The work on the road leading from Bear Swamp to Greenwood church has been going ahead for the past month and much has been accomplished.

This work has been done partly by private subscription and partly by use of the county forces and road building machinery.

The stumps have been taken out about all the way to the church, plowing done and some of the work of grading has been done all the way from where the road turns out of the national highway, just below Bear Swamp, to the neighborhood of the church.

SPECIAL DEMONSTRATION

Miss Jaunita Neeley, Poultry Specialist from Winthrop College, will give a demonstration on caponizing in Loris on Tuesday, November 28th, and at Seven Miles School on the 29th.

They hope to have a demonstration in Conway by Miss Neeley on the morning of the 28th. Anyone interested in the work please attend whether club members or not.

IN SUPREME COURT

A number of the lawyers of the Conway bar will be absent the later part of this week attending the session of the Supreme Court in Columbia. Several cases under appeal from this county will come up in that court for argument.

LONG STANDING LAND DISPUTES

Amended Complaint Filed in One Since The Year 1913

An amended complaint has been filed in the case of J. Bert Hughes and J. B. Hughes, plaintiffs against Lucian V. Todd, under an order of the court made last April, requiring certain land in Simpson Creek township that had been in dispute between the Hughes and Todd families for a number of years.

The suit was brought in the year of 1913, and was continued from court to court during all this time on account of the slowness of surveyors appointed by order of the court in making a survey of the premises in dispute. After a long time this survey was made by W. C. Pitts and H. C. Cannon, the surveyors named in the rule of survey.

The land, it was alleged had been trespassed upon by Lucian V. Todd. Lucian V. Todd answered and attempted to justify the acts complained of under title in his wife, Mrs. Ellen F. Todd.

After the surveyors had completed the survey and the case was set down for trial at the April term in the spring term of 1922, the defendant came into court claiming that the wife of Mr. Todd had died and left her surviving, as her only heir at law, certain children, to wit: Mirmie Todd Cook, Ruth Todd Powers, Cora Todd Gause, Leon Todd, Mazie Todd, Mollie Todd, Flossie Todd, and Alma Todd, the last named four named being under the age of twenty-one years.

Judge Sease heard this motion and granted it in favor of the contention of the defendant, Lucian V. Todd, hence the filing of the amended complaint as above stated to bring in the new parties as heirs at law of Mrs. Ellen F. Todd.

In a few days an amended summons and complaint will be served on all of the new parties.

Since this case was docketed, another land suit between the same parties, or practically the same parties, has been brought up and tried, but this suit concerned an entirely different tract of land on another side of the boundaries between the Hughes and Todd estates.

Before this civil suit was brought for damages for trespass on the tract of land, the parties had a number of suits in the magistrate courts concerning it. Parties on both sides were tried and convicted for committing trespass on the land.

In this suit that is now pending, an injunction was granted by the court against the defendant prohibiting any further trespass on the land until the case is tried and disposed of.

TEXAS ADVISES ON OLD STALK

Valuable Notes From Greatest Cotton Producing State

UNDER TWENTY HEADS

Organize Whole Communities For Boll Weevil Fight

Clemson College.—The Extension Service of Clemson College has been preaching the fall and winter clean-up of cotton fields and hibernating places of the boll weevil as one of the most effective measures of weevil control. To show that this is advocated and practiced in Texas, the greatest cotton producing state, the following article is quoted from the Texas Extension Service Farm News.

Present conditions in South Carolina favor such a clean-up, for in all parts of the state cotton picking is already practically completed, and farmers can turn attention to stalk destruction. The earlier the clean-up measures are taken the more effective will be the weevil control.

Read These Twenty Statements From Texas.

1. Weevil infestation, in spring, starts from the few weevils that pass the winter.
2. The weevils, developing late in the fall, are the ones most likely to survive the winter.
3. Many weevils will survive the winter in fields where cotton stalks, together with grass, weeds and other refuse material offering shelter are allowed to remain.
4. Great numbers successfully pass the winter in Spanish moss and in dead grass along fences, ditches and other waste places.
5. The weevil eats only cotton.
6. The weevil breeds only in the squares and bolls.
7. The weevil can live for several months without food while hibernating and inactive.
8. It does not become inactive until the killing frosts.
9. Previous to the first killing frosts, it can live for only about six days without food.
10. Killing cotton growth early prevents new weevils breeding and permits only the older ones to enter

NEGRO STRIKES T. A. RHEUARK

Inflicting Painful and Dangerous Wound on the Head

USES STALK OF CANE

Warrant Issued for Green Jones. Recovery From Effects Expected

Green Jones, a negro laborer, struck T. Arthur Rheuark on the head with a stalk of sugar cane last Friday night, inflicting a severe scalp wound and which might have caused worse consequences.

The blow knocked Mr. Rheuark down and rendered him unconscious for a short time. A physician was called to attend him. At last accounts he was recovering, and was required by his physician to remain in bed at home in order to guard against a possible fracture of the skull. An examination upheld the belief that the injury was limited to the scalp and that there would be nothing in the way of a rapid and complete recovery.

The circumstances under which this assault and battery took place were especially aggravating. Mr. Rheuark is the manager of the Conway Coca Cola Bottling Company. He was driving at the time one of the large trucks that is used in hauling the soft drinks to customers. As he was passing along the street several negroes jumped upon the truck to ride. He ordered them off and they did not get off.

After a short time, as they did not leave the truck as he ordered, he stopped the machine and walked around toward the rear of the machine and asked them why they would not get off the truck. While this talk was going on, Green Jones, one of the party who wanted to steal the ride, slipped up with a stalk of sugar cane and hit him with it.

Warrants were sworn out and the negro lodged in the county jail. At last accounts he is still without bail.

hibernation.

11. Very few of these older weevils have sufficient vitality to pass the winter successfully.

12. Killing cotton growth early removes the food of the weevil. If the growth of cotton is entirely killed as early as two weeks before frosts, practically all weevils will starve before going into winter quarters.

13. Destroy cotton growth early; if possible, by October 1st.

14. Merely chopping or clipping the stalks will not answer, the stumps will throw out new growth ideal for weevil food.

15. Kill the plant entirely and prevent new growth by setting a plow shallow and turning out the plants, or by some equally effective means.

16. Do not burn crop refuse on the fields. Texas farms need this returned to the soil humus. Merely killing the plants as suggested in No. 15, will, in most cases secure the benefit aimed at.

17. Burn the trash along fences, ditches and other such waste places, in mid-winter, and thus destroy the individuals hibernating there (see Nos. 4 and 16.)

18. A farmer cannot prevent weevils coming to his cotton in the spring that another person has wintered.

19. Big things are accomplished only by co-operation.

20. Organize a whole community for the fight.

CONWAY HAS A DELEGATE

Mr. C. H. Snider has been appointed by Governor Harvey as one of the delegates from this State to the next convention of the World League Against Alcoholism, which will convene at Toronto, Canada, on November 24-19.

Mr. Snider is Clerk and Treasurer of the Town of Conway.

COMES OUT FOR MAYOR'S PLACE

Charles R. Scarborough announces in this issue of The Horry Herald for the office of mayor of the Town of Conway.

He has consented to make this race at the solicitation of a number of friends.

Mr. Scarborough is the son of Hon. R. B. Scarborough, is the manager and proprietor of the Conway Telephone Company, and is the head of the Conway Building Company recently organized for the construction of the fine new office building recently completed next door to the city property on lower Main Street. He is connected with other enterprises, and interested in the general scheme of progress and improvement in Conway. He is very popular among the fraternal orders of the town and possesses the ability to make one of the best chief officers for the municipality.