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37TH ANNUAL CONVENTION STATE S. S. ASSOCIATION

Meeting Opened Yesterday With Large Attendance

MORE DELEGATES ARE EXPECTED

Reports Read and Meetings of Different Departments Discuss the Work of the Past Year

The 37th annual convention of the Sunday School Association of South Carolina has started auspiciously. The weather has cleared beautifully and in consequence the attendance is large, and many additional delegates are expected today. The sessions were well attended yesterday and the night meeting at the First Baptist church crowded that great auditorium to its utmost capacity.

An account of the sessions at the different times of the day will be found elsewhere, as well as the program for today and for tomorrow. The spirit of the association seems to be institutional. The work is being conducted in a manner to inspire the assembled teachers with new zeal, but what is more to the point, they are being given ideas, and that is what counts.

Rev. Walter L. Herbert of Sumter, is the presiding officer. Rev. W. H. K. Pendleton is the chairman of the executive committee and Miss Grace W. Vandiver is the field secretary. The recording secretary is Rev. D. D. Jones of Easley. The next president of the convention will be a Baptist, as the association is interdenominational, and each denomination is represented in turn in the presidency. The committee on nominations consists of Prof. W. S. Morrison of Clemson; Rev. J. P. Vines of Anderson; Rev. Dr. Hallman of Spartanburg; Rev. A. R. Mitchell of Greenville.

So far there has not been much pulling for the next convention. It is supposed that Rock Hill may ask for it, as that city made such a fight for it last year. The time and place and the election of officers will probably come Friday.

The morning session yesterday was devoted to the addresses of welcome and responses, and talks by Dr. Williamson and Mr. Durham. In the afternoon there were conferences at the Baptist, Methodist and Central Presbyterian churches where some excellent working material was given to the teachers. Each member of the association is given a note book and all are urged to make use of them.

Secretary Burnett realizes that the people of Anderson have heavy household responsibilities this week, but he begs all who can to attend these sessions and get the benefit of the golden ideas being given by men like Mr. Durham.

Last night there was a magnificent audience gathered in the First Baptist church. There was an hour of song service, concluding with some piano selections by Mr. Roper, an accompanist engaged for the convention who plays hymns well and has a speciality of imitating chimps.

The Chamber of Commerce and the Y. M. C. A. will cooperate with the state executive committee in every way in trying to make a success of the further meetings of the association.

Mrs. Lawrence Thompson of Lebanon was shopping in the city yesterday for a few hours.

Miss Vandiver Resigned; Mr. Carman to Be Invited

SUCH IS THE NEWS FROM THE STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY NIGHT

DIVISION ON IMMIGRATION

Senator Smith Knows President's Views But Remains Silent

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Feb. 11.—Notwithstanding a well-defined sentiment among some democratic senators against action on immigration legislation at this session of Congress, the committee on immigration of the Senate today determined to continue its deliberations on the Burnett bill.

"There is a feeling held by some senators," said Senator Smith, of South Carolina, chairman of the committee, "that immigration legislation should not be enacted at this time, but this committee proposes to report a bill and to urge its passage."

Senator Burton of Ohio and Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, republican members of the committee, agreed that the bill would be reported in spite of opposition. Members of the committee generally are reluctant about President Wilson's views, particularly with reference to the literacy test, which Mr. Wilson is said to strongly oppose. Senator Smith was commissioned by the committee to get the President's opinion, and he has done so. The senator, however, still declines to make a public statement on the subject.

MAY ARRAIGN BANK WRECKER

Former President of Memphis Bank Pleaded Guilty Monday

Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 11.—Unless plans made tonight are disarranged, C. Hunter Raine, former president of the wrecked Mercantile Bank, will be one of half a dozen prisoners brought from the county jail to criminal court tomorrow to enter his formal plea to an indictment charging that he diverted \$782,000 of the bank's funds to his own use. So far as can be ascertained, Raine has not arranged for counsel, nor has it been stated whether his plea will be other than that given at the time of his arraignment Monday on a bench warrant charging embezzlement, when he pleaded guilty and urged that he be committed to jail.

Besides embezzlement, the indictment charges larceny and fraudulent breach of trust. Friends today visited him in a final effort to induce him to combat the charges and endeavor to arrange for bail pending trial. Whether they were successful was not stated.

CENTENNIAL NEXT YEAR

The Farmers' Society of Pendleton Preparing

The annual meeting of the old Farmers' society of Pendleton, will be held today at 10 a. m. in the historic hall of that place. This will be the most important meeting since the war. The officers elected today and the committee appointed will have charge of the centennial preparations for next year. Every person in the county is urged to join the association and to assist in the work of making a success of the institution which was the pride of Calhoun and other great men of former generations.

D. M. Milford, a progressive citizen of Townville, spent yesterday in the city.

ON REGULATING STOCK EXCHANGE

Arguments Before Committee on the New Law Proposed

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Feb. 11.—That the price—the little "pickers being stung" by operation on the stock exchange—though a big one, is not too big to pay for the benefit of an extended market which would be narrowed by the operation of the proposed law for the regulation of stock exchanges, was the position taken today by C. Emery, professor of economics at Yale, to the committee on banking and currency. Prof. Emery stated that the effects of the stock exchange on banking would be ruined by the government legislation.

C. C. Hughes, of the Hughes commission, also spoke and admitted some of the evils Congress is seeking to remedy.

The need for regulation by Congress he said, was the issuing of securities and public opinion was sufficient to keep the stock exchange straight. He said the stock exchange had adopted twelve out of sixteen recommendations made to the Hughes commission, while the New York legislature had not adopted a single one.

Young men of no means were protected by losing money on the stock exchange, Mr. Page said, because those employed in financial institutions would lose their positions if their employers learned they were speculating and because brokers would not fill orders for such men.

WOULD PREVENT HOG CHOLERA

Representative Lever Urges Congress to Make Appropriation

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Feb. 11.—An emergency appropriation of \$500,000 to fight hog cholera and \$100,000 for dourine, a horse disease, during the coming summer, today was pressed upon Congress in a favorable report by Representative Lever, of the House committee on agriculture. The committee calculates the losses from these diseases annually at \$70,000,000. The Senate has passed a bill appropriating \$500,000 to fight cholera.

A report filed today by Representative Lever of South Carolina, chairman of the house committee on agriculture, says:

This is an emergency appropriation withdrawn from the general agricultural appropriation bill to enable the department to perfect its organization to meet the ravages of these diseases which begin in the early summer.

"The country is losing annually through the ravages of these diseases at a conservative estimate, something like \$70,000,000, and this loss is distributed throughout the whole country. An appropriation of \$75,000 was made by Congress last year to meet this situation and although absolutely inadequate, remarkable results were secured by the department in the four States in which the experimental work was done. It is believed that with an adequate appropriation and with a strong co-operative organization between federal, State and local authorities, the diseases may be reduced, controlled and substantially eradicated."

TUG FOTOMAC GRIPPED BY ICE

Changes for Getting Loose Before Spring Considered

(By Associated Press.) Bonne Bay, N. F., Feb. 11.—The American naval tug Potomac, which came to these waters to rescue two herring fishing crafts caught in the ice of Bay of Islands, is gripped so firmly in ice that the chance of her getting away before spring is considered small.

Heavy ice has become packed into the Gulf of St. Lawrence, south to Cabot Strait, and, while continued easterly winds might break it up so that the Potomac could make a nearby harbor, mariners believe there is little likelihood that she would be able to get clear of the gulf. The prevailing winds are northwest.

The tug's crew today walked ashore to Lobster Head Light station. They reported the hard and fast three miles off the harbor. All the 38 men of the Potomac are well, but coal and provisions are running low. In order to replenish their supplies, the landing party tonight came to Bonne Bay and tomorrow will drag sled loads of food back over the ice.

Person General Confirmed Washington, Feb. 11.—The nomination of Medical Inspector William G. Chisler to be surgeon general and chief of the bureau of medicine and surgery of the navy today was confirmed by the Senate.

NEGLIGENCE IS CHARGED

Captain of Sunken Vessel on the Witness Stand

MAKES JOURNEYS BY SEA SAFER

Monroe's Commander Practically Admits Negligence in Method of Handling His Vessel At Sea

(By Associated Press.) Philadelphia, Feb. 11.—Capt. Osmy Perry, commander of the steamship Nantucket, charged with negligence in the recent collision with the steamship Monroe of the Virginia coast, in which forty-one lives were lost, today listened to Capt. Edward E. Johnson, of the sunken Monroe, give his version of that disaster before the local United States inspectors of steam vessels who will determine who was responsible for the accident. Capt. Johnson was on the stand all day.

As in the Titanic disaster it is expected that the inquiry will result in certain changes being made with relation to the navigation of vessels, at least in the coastwise trade. While primarily Capt. Perry is on trial, the board of inspectors has instructions from the department of commerce to make a thorough inquiry into every phase of the collision with the view of the enactment of Federal laws to assist in preventing a recurrence of similar disasters.

The Government's Charges. Capt. Perry when confronted today by the charges brought by the government steamboat inspectors at Norfolk, pleaded not guilty. He is charged with failing to reduce the speed of his ship to avoid the collision.

One of the most important points brought out in the examination of Capt. Johnson, who was the first witness, was that he navigated the Monroe with a steering compass that deviated as much as two degrees from standard magnet compass. He said the instrument was sufficiently true to run the ship and that it was the custom of masters in the coastwise trade to use such compasses. His steering compass, Capt. Johnson testified, had never been adjusted in the one year he was master of the Monroe.

The Monroe's captain told the story of the collision and was exhaustively examined by the steamboat inspectors.

TEMPORARY WAY NOW PROVIDED

Method for Election of Senators in United States Act

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Feb. 11.—Without a roll call the Senate late today passed a bill to provide a temporary method for the nomination and election of senators in States that have not legislated to carry out the seventeenth amendment for the election of senators.

The law would be effective only until the various States provide their own machinery for nominating and electing senators. Where no such methods are provided, the bill would make the State laws for nominating and electing State officers applicable to senators.

The only fight against the measure came from Southern senators, who contended that the federal government had no constitutional right to intrude into such local matters as the nomination of candidates. Senator Fall of New Mexico, was the only republican to vote in favor of limiting the bill to elections.

Testimony Taken in Charles P. Sims Case

(By Associated Press.) Columbia, S. C., Feb. 11.—The taking of testimony in the disbarment proceedings brought against C. P. Sims, attorney of Spartanburg, tonight was concluded in the supreme court and the case was taken under advisement without argument. A decision will be rendered later. Sims is charged with unprofessional and unethical conduct.

A speed of 100 bottles a minute is claimed for a new bottle capping machine which does its work automatically without the constant attention of an attendant.

WIRES MAY WORK AGAIN IN MEXICO

To Restore Communication Between Towns and Outside World

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Feb. 11.—Officials here today were much interested in dispatches announcing the unexpected restoration of telegraph communication between important Mexican towns in the war zone and the outside world. Monterey, Laredo, Ciudad Porfirio Diaz and Torreon were among the towns named. The inference drawn was that campaigns against these federals strongholds were not being actively pushed by the constitutionalists.

It was suggested that rebel leaders were awaiting the receipt of fresh supplies of arms and ammunition. There also is a suggestion that Gen. Villa and Gen. Carranza are concerned over the possibility that some of their followers, unused to restraint, may be difficult to handle in the event that any of these large towns are captured, and that, for the present, they are quietly putting into operation disciplinary measures with a view to meeting the close scrutiny of the civilized world when they are placed in the attitude of conquerors.

FINAL ACTION NOW IN PROSPECT

Thought Alaskan Railroad Matter Will Be Settled Next Week

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Feb. 11.—Final action on the Alaska railroad bill next Wednesday tonight was in prospect after the House had given a day to detailed consideration of the measure as passed by the Senate.

But one amendment was written into the bill during the discussion. This would leave to the discretion of the President the problem of handling the proposed railway after the government has built it. It was introduced by Representative Mann of Illinois and would allow the President either to lease the railroad to private operators or to operate it for the government.

Mr. Mann pointed out that the President might be confronted by a situation in which the only available leases would be the Guggenheim interests or other interests heavily interested in Alaska, and that in such a case he ought to be able to decline to lease.

Several members, both democrats and republicans, attacked the bill as "socialistic" in the course of the debate and at one time Majority Leader Underwood took the floor to reply to their assertions.

"The suggestion that this bill contains the germ of socialism," he said, "takes twelve years of the time when we were debating the first irrigation bill in this House. The same cry was raised then, but no one today will contend that the government's irrigation policy has been a failure."

MISS GRACE W. VANDIVER

Has Resigned as Field Secretary

Miss Grace W. Vandiver, field secretary of the State S. S. Association, has resigned her position. She was appointed to the position at the last convention.

Her resignation was respectfully accepted by a grateful committee, and a committee of five members consisting of Rev. W. H. K. Pendleton, chairman of the executive committee, Rev. W. L. Herbert, president of the State Association, Hon. Horace L. Bonner, member of the central committee, Mrs. S. C. Hodges and Mrs. S. N. Burts was appointed to take suitable action on her resignation.

After the session held in the First Baptist church, other matters of business were considered and will be discussed at a meeting to be held Thursday. The deepest interest in the association's work was expressed by all present, and plans for advancing the interest of the association in the future were freely discussed.

The above is an official statement given out after the meeting last night. The intelligence is furnished on good authority that the committee has decided to invite Mr. Carman, the brilliant speaker of the night, but to official statement was made.

Miss Vandiver has been the corresponding secretary for four years, and her retirement is a serious loss to the association. Mr. Carman will be pleased to accept the invitation.

CORONER'S INQUEST HELD IN WOOTEN MURDER CASE

COPPER MINERS GIVE TESTIMONY. Congressional Investigators Are in the Column District

(By Associated Press.) Hancock, Mich., Feb. 11.—Sixteen striking copper mine workers today testified before the congressional investigators that they were compelled to toil under dangerous and unsanitary conditions for wages that barely enabled them to exist. The contract system of pay was condemned.

The committee decided to go to Calumet to investigate the Italian hall disaster Christmas eve as relating to the deportation of Charles H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners two nights later. There is a difference of opinion among committee members as to the scope of the inquiry on this subject should take. O. N. Hilton, senior counsel for the federation today asked the committee for a full inquiry, as necessary to establish his charge that Moyer's constitutional rights were invaded.

Hilton made the direct charge that the panic was caused by a man who wore a "Citizens Alliance" button appearing in the doorway in the hallway shouting "fire."

State Government Takes Over Banks

(By Associated Press.) Chihuahua, Mex., Feb. 11.—Local banks which discontinued business several months ago as a result of chaotic conditions are taken over by the State government in a decree issued by Gov. Chao today. The decree is in accordance with the ultimatum of Venustiano Carranza, head of the rebel government, who named Feb. 10 as the limit of the period in which banks might reopen as private institutions.

It is probable that the banks will be consolidated into one receivership and operated by the receivers. It is assumed that when the banks are reorganized under the receivership, they will be used to circulate the new rebel money, some of it in coin being minted here, and several millions being engraved in the United States.

Traces of radium have been discovered in the interior of Madagascar and a company has been formed to exploit the deposit.

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"The Artist of the Soul"

Was Carman's Subject

BRILLIANT ADDRESS LAST NIGHT WHICH THRILLED AN IMMENSE CONGREGATION

Conventions may come and go, speakers as able as civilization can produce may urge the people on to better things in the various avenues of human activity, but hardly could one expect to listen to a greater talk than that delivered to the great multitude which filled the First Baptist church last night, when John Carman, general secretary of the Colorado Sunday School Association, delivered his masterly address on the "Artist of the Soul."

The address was so different, its manner of presentation so unique and its spirit so overwhelming in its appeal, that it could but be stamped as one of the greatest talks man has yet heard anywhere.

The speaker talked slowly and deliberately and drew his ideas through a comparison of the artisan and the artist, all to the glory of the latter, though at the same time not to the dismay or discredit of the former. He said that the artist is a dreamer, an idealist and an optimist while an artisan is otherwise, content with what his peculiar and particular work is; the artist is never satisfied with his work, the artisan is relieved when it is over with, he loves his work, and when asked what his best picture is says "the next."

He is never satisfied with conditions as they are, and seeks always to improve them, whereas the artisan uses the tools, the ideas and the achievements of others only, and is glad when his work for the day is done; the artist, on the other hand, loves his work and loves ever to work, for he seeks to benefit mankind, and the "greatness of the artist is the Artist of the Soul-God."

One day, said the speaker, a young man was on his way to church to be married, and as he passed by his office, he told the woman who was to be his bride, what a must step into my office for a moment; he stayed there two days; the man was Thomas A. Edison, an artist and one of, if not the world's greatest benefactor. An artist or the soul, just is the true Sunday school teacher, is an enthusiast, a dreamer, an optimist and without a worker, looking forward to ultimate success, satisfied never with work done but always reaching out for more; there is no greater benefactor to God's work than the Sunday school teacher in his work as an artist to the soul.

The speaker referred to the great Missionary, A. P. Morrison, who had been a stammer in the child and who was saved by the work of a Sunday school teacher, and who later became the first world missionary to China and first succeeded in translating the Bible into the Chinese tongue; and giving the word of God therefore to 400,000,000 human beings; the words said the speaker, of an artist. Several other similar illustrations were used, including the work done by a returned boy drunkard in an Ohio city, who became a Christian through the work of a Sunday school teacher and who later personally converted 81 other boys.

The speaker was intensely interesting in his subject, and portrayed the life of a converted Christian in terms of the pleasure such conversation gave the soul-artist in the Sunday school teacher who accomplished it. He said it was the greatest of all work.

South Carolinians will be glad to know that it is hoped that Mr. Carman will give up his work in Colorado and become actively connected with Sunday school work in this State; and if so, the State has gained from the Golden West one of whom she will ever be proud. South Carolina is daily drawing the best the country offers in a hundred fields of research, and this will be but another.

Jettson Claimed to Have Defended His Home

WIFE PROTESTED HER INNOCENCE

Dying Man Also Declared His Innocence and Was Shot Before He Could Explain

(By Associated Press.) Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 11.—A coroner's jury at the inquest held over the body of Dr. W. H. Wooten of Davidson, this county, today returned a verdict that the deceased "came to his death from a pistol shot in the left breast, the pistol being in the hands of Monroe Jettson at the time."

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