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Saturday, October 17, 1925.

If you kill a man, don't try to play crazy unless you have a barrel of money. Only millionaires can get away with such stuff.

According to the latest estimate of the Census Bureau, the city of Columbia contains 41,225 persons; a slow but steady growth being indicated.

The modern man is on his way back to the altars of worship, but the modern woman daily is growing more astray, says Cardinal Hayes. Any modern congregation however shows that the coming of man is very slow while the going of woman seems slower.

Colored youths of today may have forgotten or they never knew, but it is a fact that South Carolina has been represented in Congress by eight distinguished colored men. Hon. George W. Murray being the last one. They all served in the House of Representatives.

The State Colored Fair will open within the next 10 days—October 27th. Why not the colored citizens of the State make this the biggest and best yet? It will be just what the citizens make it, nothing more, or less. If every one in his way work as hard as the Secretary, the fair this year will indeed be worth-while. Do nothing but complain then there'll be nothing but reflection on YOU.

Paul Robeson, the colored actor, is distinguishing himself by his art in England. Critics are ranking him as a great actor. Perhaps after winning laurels in Europe, America will recognize him for the actor he is. Strange but true, colored artists must first win their spurs in Europe before they can hope to come into their own in America, the boasted land of opportunity.

Destroy the Cotton Stalks.

Farmers of the State should heed the advice now being given to cut and plow under the cotton stalks as soon as the cotton is picked, if they would help beat the boll weevil and stand a chance of making a good cotton crop another year. Better to destroy the weevil now than wait until the new cotton crop

is growing and then try to beat the weevil. There is no wisdom in taking care of the weevil during the winter or fitting him to stand the cold to emerge in the Spring, and the authorities on boll weevil control agree that this is done by neglecting to destroy the cotton stalks as soon as possible after the cotton is gathered. This pest has already cost the farmers too much and every man should be ready to play his part in its destruction. It is presumed that the farm demonstrators are doing their duty among our farmers in the matter. Every rural minister and teacher ought help broadcast the advice to the farmers, for the prosperity of the farmer is the prosperity of all. If he fails, a dent is made all along the line. Swat the boll weevil!

Look Elsewhere Sometimes.

The French, because it seemed in time past that at the bottom of every crime, there was a woman, chrystilized the idea in the expression, "Find the woman." The modern American idea is a little different. Its motto is, "Find the Negro." Just let a crime be committed to which there are no eye witnesses and at once every officer concludes that it was done by a Negro. They at once proceed to round up every colored man that looks a little sheepish. They seem to proceed on the theory that all crimes are committed by Negroes, so find the Negro. Of course, such a procedure is as nonsensical as the

assumption is foolish. But something must be done. Stupidity and inefficiency must somehow be covered up, and that's the easiest way out. So well is this known that criminals of other races disguise themselves as Negroes, and while the rounding up of colored people is going merrily on the real criminal makes his escape for good. In this community, as elsewhere in the State, quite a few heinous crimes have been committed and yet the criminals have never been caught, but quite a few colored people have always been arrested. Perhaps, there would be more success, if the procedure were reversed, at least a trial would be good.

President Coolidge On Race Hatred

The President is the one man who does not go off into hysteria. Nothing seems to disturb his serenity. Yet he seems to have a grasp on the things that are worth while and when he speaks, he hits the bull's eye every time. An instant of recent occurrence was his speech at Omaha, Nebraska, before the Convention of the American Legion, when in measured terms he denounced the folly of race hatred and intolerance. His words cannot be misunderstood when he said: "The result of the war will be lost, and we shall only be entering a period of preparation for another conflict, unless we can demobilize the racial antagonisms, and create an attitude of toleration, and I believe that the place where it should begin is at home." No hypocrisy for him. He knows that his countrymen make more ado about charity, good will, justice and fair play than any other people and practice less of it right here in their own country, than any other people on earth. He knows, as every other intelligent observer knows, that one does not have to look to other climes to find the cruellest kind of race hatred, bigotry, intolerance and cast systems. And such is not working for a great

er America. The President could not have found a better audience either for his pronouncement. The Legion itself is afflicted with some of the things he calls attention to. American though the organization calls itself, yet it is not freely opened to all Americans. But in that it is only keeping up the practice that is peculiarly American, some up and others down. The President does well to do what he can in calling the United States to higher grounds.

RUFFIN, NEWS.

Ruffin Graded School, the center of learning for colored youths in this community was opened Oct. 5th, with Professor James Riley of Beaufort, Prin.

The opening was attended by a crowd of patrons who laid \$163 on the table for lengthening the school term. Mrs. Riley, Mrs. A. L. Ackerman and Mrs. Minnie Risher are the teachers.

The Dist. Supt. L. G. Gregg, held his fourth quarterly conference Friday 9th, and preached on Sunday night giving a most excellent sermon from I Peter 2:9. The D. S. was paid in full and asked to send Rev. C. B. Brown back to the Ruffian Charge.

James Ackerman opened his school at Spring Town Oct. 5, with Mrs. Hattie Henderson and Esther Carter, teachers.

Bro. Joe Harrison is very ill. We pray for him a speedy recovery.

A. L. Ackerman, Reporter

Bank No. 520.

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE VICTORY SAVINGS BANK

Located at Columbia, S. C., at the close of business September 28, 1925.

RESOURCES

Table with 2 columns: Resource Name and Amount. Includes Loans and Discounts (\$65,658.72), Bonds and Stocks Owned (5,000.00), Furniture and Fixtures (3,906.81), etc.

Total

\$133,704.87

LIABILITIES

Table with 2 columns: Liability Name and Amount. Includes Capital Stock Paid in (\$12,541.50), Interest and Discount (16,263.69), Undivided Profits, less Current expenses and taxes paid (None), etc.

Total

\$133,704.87

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, County of Richland (SS.)

Before me came G. L. Floyd, Cashier of the above named bank, who, being duly sworn, says that the above and foregoing statement is a true condition of said bank, as shown by the books of said bank.

G. L. FLOYD.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of October 1925. J. H. Johnson, Notary Public for S. C.

Correct Attest:

G. Lee Ratliff

N. A. Jenkins

N. J. Frederick

DIRECTORS

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Advertisement for BROADWAY DAIRY CAFE. Features FISH and GAME IN SEASON. Prop. D. W. WOODS. Address: 1108 Washington Street, Columbia, S. C.

STRAY LEAVES

A Department of Current Poetry By WILLIAM D. ROBINSON.

(All contributions to this Department must be typewritten, "real poetry," accompanied by stamped and addressed return envelope, and sent to 1501 1/2 Taylor St., Columbia, S. C., to the Editor of this column. Allworthy manuscripts will be printed under your own name. Amateurs and poet-aspirants, this is your chance to develop the talent, if you have it.)

LOVE AND LUST.

William D. Robinson.

It was a lovely rose and stood alone, Sharing its fragrance with the passers-by, Its beauty, like some heavenly thing, outshown, A cheering delight to the tired eye.

One paused, impassioned by its lovely face; Then stooping, kissed it, drew it up to him; And as the hot blood in his veins did race, He crushed its lovely petals from the stem.

And where the pretty rose had stood alone, Sharing its beauty with each passer-by, Only the thorny bush, its flower gone, Brought from each weary passing one a sigh.

A single rose in simple beauty stood, A charming delight to each passing eye, It seemed a symbol of heart-cheering good, And heavy hearts grew light as they passed by.

One paused, enraptured by its lovely face, And stooping, kissed it, then with gentle hands, Supported it to keep its growing grace; And bound it to his heart with tender bands.

Lo, where one pretty rose had stood alone, The fruitful bush bore many lovely flow'rs To cheer the passer-by whose hopes were gone,— To keep him happy thru life's fleeting hours.

PROGRAM OF THE FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE GETHSEMANE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION TO BE HELD WITH ZION BAPTIST CHURCH, COLUMBIA, S. C. REV. J. C. WHITE, Pastor.

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Oct. 21st, 22nd and 23rd, 1925. (The Mother Association, or the oldest Negro Baptist Organization of South Carolina.)

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

- 9:00 A. M.—Meeting of the Executive Board.
10:00 A. M.—Devotions.
11:00 A. M.—Introductory Sermon by the Rev. J. M. Freeman, Wallaceville, or Rev. Z. E. Dennis, Columbia. Collection.
12:30 P. M.—Enrollment of Churches, Ministers and messengers.
2:00 P. M.—Recess for dinner.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

- 3:00 P. M.—Devotions.
3:15 P. M.—Treasurer's Report.
3:30 P. M.—Moderator's Annual Address.
3:45 P. M.—Election and installation of officers.
4:00 P. M.—Welcome Address by Dr. D. K. Jenkins, D. D. S. Response by Deacon W. C. Lewis, Chester.
4:30 P. M.—Reception and reading of letters. Adjournment.

WEDNESDAY—EVENING SESSION.

- 7:00 P. M.—Devotions.
7:30 P. M.—Solo by Mrs. Rebecca Reese, Columbia. Doctrinal Sermon by Rev. S. E. Blake, Lowryville, or Rev. L. C. Crafton, D. D., Prosperity.
9:30 P. M.—Benedict College and its claims upon the Gethsemane Association by Dr. C. B. Antidel, President. Collection. Adjournment.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

- 9:30 A. M.—Devotions.
10:00 A. M.—Resumption of business.
11:00 A. M.—Institute Lecture by Rev. H. W. Long, A. B., B. D., Columbia.
12:00 M.—Morris College and what it has done for the Negro Baptists, by Dr. J. J. Starks, President. Collection.
1:00 P. M.—The relation of the deacon to the pastor, by Deacon W. M. Charley, Arthurtown, and Deacon S. J. Dunlap, English. General Discussion.
1:30 P. M.—Introduction of new pastors and visitors.
2:00 P. M.—Recess for dinner.

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

- 3:00 P. M.—Devotions.
3:15 P. M.—State Mission and what we are doing in kingdom building, Dr. P. P. Watson or Rev. J. W. Easley, Greeleyville. Collection.
4:00 P. M.—The external evidence of a God called Minister by Rev. T. M. Boykin, D. D., Columbia. The internal evidence of a God called Minister by Rev. T. W. Rice, B. D., Columbia. General discussion. Collection. Adjournment.

THURSDAY—EVENING SESSION.

- 7:00 P. M.—Devotions.
7:30 P. M.—Benedict College Quartette. Educational Sermon by Rev. L. C. Jenkins, A. B., Columbia, or Rev. N. Smith, Ridgeway. Collection.
9:30 P. M.—Good health essential to Christian usefulness, by Dr. J. G. Stuart, M. D., Columbia. Adjournment.

FRIDAY—MORNING SESSION.

- 9:00 A. M.—Devotions.
9:30 A. M.—The Woman's Auxiliary Convention of the Gethsemane Association by Mrs. Medora J. White, President.
10:00 A. M.—City Missionary Union by Mrs. P. A. Spigner, Pres.
11:00 A. M.—Missionary Sermon by Rev. G. M. Mills, Carlisle or Rev. J. T. Roseboro, Winnsboro. Collection.
12:00 M.—Greetings from white Baptists by Dr. J. Dean Crain, Pastor of 2nd Baptist Church, (white) Columbia. Report of Committees. Final adjournment.

REV. J. C. WHITE, Moderator, Columbia, S. C., REV. J. A. BYRD, Clerk, Rion, S. C.