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SIGN YOUR NAME.

Frequently during the past month we have received items of news through the mails from various communities throughout the county. We are always glad and eager to get accounts of the doings of the people throughout the county but we are just as eager to know that the accounts we get are bona fide and that somebody is not trying to play a joke on somebody else by sending in news items which have never happened, and in some cases never will happen. Particularly does this apply to marriages. We are not hankering after any suits for libel and we do not care to make incorrect statements in these columns. Therefore we absolutely refuse to publish any items sent to us that do not have the signature of the writer at the conclusion of the article. We do not believe any attempts have been made to get news in our columns which was not true but such things have recently happened to one of our near-by contemporaries which have caused considerable embarrassment to the editors. So please send us the news but sign your name. Anonymous communications go in the waste basket.

"WHICH IS THE ROAD TO—"

We haven't travelled extensively in other counties and not completely over Abbeville County through the country nor shall we attempt to visit all the sections of the county any time in the near future unless some of the candidates for supervisor promise us that they will, when elected, renew the plank sign boards that now stand at the hundreds of cross roads throughout the county. The sign posts are all right, they are substantial, the metal signs are all right, as far as they go, but they don't go far. The directions which once were stamped on their faces are now only memories and many travelers have learned by bitter experience that all roads in this county do not lead to Abbeville.

Seriously, it is a sign of progressiveness on the part of the county officials and of the people of the county when all of the main roads, at least, are permanently marked at the cross roads and forks. This week we took a trip of twenty miles with three other gentlemen in an automobile a distance due south from Abbeville. Two of these gentlemen were born and raised in the section of the county which we visited. Their combined ages approach the century mark. Yet they got lost and took us four miles in an opposite direction to that we wished to go. If these old natives don't know the roads about the county how can it be expected that a stranger or a newcomer to the county can find his way.

The present supervisor, we understand, is responsible for the signs that are directed the travelers about the county. So long as they were legible they served their purpose. But now that they have become effaced by the ravages of time, we hope that he will take it upon himself, as he told us yesterday he would do, and have all the puzzling cross roads and forks legibly marked again.

A CHANGE THAT IS NEEDED

The Greenville Piedmont and the Abbeville Press and Banner, both edited by able lawyers, do not agree with the position taken by The Journal that there shall be a change in the law so as to prevent new trials in criminal cases except upon after-discovered evidence. Each paper expresses itself as unalterably opposed to the change, but neither gives substantial grounds for its opposition.

All laymen and most lawyers, who have given the matter thought, admit that our judicial system has

undertaken during the coming year. To finance the first year's work a fund of \$8,000 was subscribed promptly and enthusiastically by the members who were present. The election of officers for the current year resulted as follows: President, Thos. W. Cothran Greenwood; vice presidents, W. J. Hunter, Easley; R. M. Simpson, Columbia; S. R. Finley, Massillon, Ohio; alumni orator for 1921, S. E. Bailes, Fort Mill. The office of treasurer was combined with that of secretary.

A resolution was passed providing for a standard design class ring to be copyrighted so that only those fully entitled to the rings may possess them.

The last of the home comers, except a few who are visiting on the campus, left for their homes this morning after enjoying two or three days of comradeship with the friends of college days and new friends made at the home coming. The alumni and the college people all felt that the gathering was a big success and already all are talking about the 1925 home coming. It is now definitely fixed that home coming week shall be held every five years.

As an old lawyer, who has retired from the practice of his profession, remarked some time ago. "The practice of law has become now a mere battle of wits. A lawyer is expected to win his case for his client regardless of any issues of justice presented. Lawyers and judges alike apparently have lost sight of the fact that the first, and only, function of the courts is to administer justice."

We are not making a sweeping indictment against the courts. We are merely protesting against abuses which have crept in and which are increasing, as the Greenville and Abbeville newspaper know just as well as The Journal knows. One of these abuses is the ease with which persons convicted of crime can secure new trials.

We have suggested that no person convicted of crime should be granted a new trial except upon after-discovered evidence. It is not a new suggestion, for it has been discussed for a great many years and it has the approval of practically all unprejudiced thinkers. The rule as to the introduction of after-discovered evidence should be strict. The evidence offered as an excuse for a new trial should be of a substantial character, and the accused person should be required to make clear the fact that he did not know of this evidence at the time of the trial, or could not possibly secure it in time. The rule should be framed and executed in the interest of exact justice and should not be so loose as to admit of abuse.

This is a sound principle. It will be adopted if the people once become aroused as to the danger in the present abuses. All of us should have respect for the laws and the courts. But if the laws and the courts are to be respected they must command respect by their justice and impartiality. Respect cannot be always maintained if abuses which protect criminals and delay the ends of justice are permitted to continue. And if we lose respect for the laws and the courts, then all is lost. That is what is the matter with Russia today.—Spartanburg Journal.

CLEMSON ALUMNI WILL EMPLOY PAID SECRETARY

Clemson College, Aug. 3.—At a special meeting of the Clemson College Alumni association, held here last Saturday during the big home coming, the biggest forward step ever taken by the association was taken in the provision for a paid secretary to conduct the affairs of the alumni and help promote the welfare of the institution. At the regular meeting held at commencement a committee was appointed to report on the advisability and feasibility of employing a general secretary and upon the favorable report of this committee the association proceeded to change the constitution and to select a secretary and direct his activities.

The board of governors, elected consists of T. B. Young, '03, Timmonsville; G. W. Speer, '08, Anderson; R. M. Simpson, '10, Columbia; H. S. Johnson, '10, Aiken; T. W. Thornhill, '10, Charleston. This board was authorized to find a suitable man and proceed at once with him to organize the graduates and take up such lines of work as can be

AN EXPLANATION DUE

Editor, Abbeville Press and Banner, Abbeville, S. C.

Dear Sir: Have just had brought to my attention your statement in The Abbeville Press and Banner of July 21st, entitled "An Explanation Due." Until I received this statement, I was under the impression that one of the party assisting with the Abbeville meeting had made an explanation of my absence, which was due to the fact that a wreck on the Blue Ridge Railway prevented trains running. Knowledge of this wreck reached me too late for me to make other arrangements. I regret very much missing the Abbeville meetings.

This explanation holds good for Mr. B. Harris also as he was at Pendleton. The enclosed copy of Mr. J. A. Evans received after the meeting in Abbeville explains why he was unable to attend. I am very glad that under the circumstances we had someone to speak to each of the three objects of the campaign, viz., organization, warehouses and cotton graders.

Answering you of my best wishes and thanking you for your cooperation, I am,
Very truly yours,
D. W. Watkins,
Asst. Director Extension.

WESTERN TOUR FOR ROOSEVELT

First Speech to Be Delivered in Chicago August 17.
New York, Aug. 3.—Franklin D. Roosevelt, Democratic Vice Presidential nominee, will open his first campaign tour in Chicago August 11 two days after his notification cere

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monies at Hyde Park, N. Y., it was announced here tonight. From Chicago he will start for San Francisco, making speeches in several cities en route.
Mr. Roosevelt expects to be away three weeks on his first trip, returning to the East about the 1st of September. His complete itinerary will be announced tomorrow.

MRS. CHAPLIN WANTS DIVORCE
Strawberries are brought by airplane from Paris to Covent Garden the same morning they are picked.

Harris Chaplin today filed suit here for divorce from Charlie Chaplin. She alleges cruelty.

Los Angeles, Aug. 3.—Mildred

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