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## Palmetto Affairs

The News of South Carolina in Condensed Form

**Ansel Will Go to Conference.**  
 Columbia, Special.—Gov. Ansel some time ago announced his intention of attending the conference of the governors of the United States called to meet in Washington some time in May. This meeting was called by President Roosevelt to discuss the "conservation of the natural resources of the country" and since receiving the invitation to attend Gov. Ansel has kept in touch with those questions that might arise at the conference. A few days ago he wrote President Roosevelt an acceptance of the invitation and he has received the following reply:

Hon. Martin F. Ansel, Governor of South Carolina, Columbia, S. C.  
 Dear Sir: I am pleased to note the interest you express in the conference of governors to which I have invited you to discuss the question of the conservation of our natural resources, and I am glad to know that you are going to be present at the meeting.

Sincerely,  
 Theodore Roosevelt,  
 Gov. Ansel said that he regarded the conference an important one and believed that out of the discussion that would follow some wise laws might be enacted to the States individually and to the country as a whole. He thought that it would not interfere in any way with the individual State rights but thought that a conference held occasionally between the various governors would bring about needed reforms. According to dispatches sent out from Washington a few days ago every Southern State will be represented.

**Mr. William C. Cleveland Dies.**  
 Greenville, Special.—Mr. William C. Cleveland, one of the most prominent and wealthy citizens of Greenville, died Wednesday night at his home in this city, after an illness extending over several months, in the 73rd year of his age. He was one of the largest land owners of the county and his estate is regarded as one of the most valuable above Columbia. He is connected by blood with some of the oldest and most prominent families of the State. His grandfather, Capt. Jere Cleveland, who moved to Greenville 100 years ago from the Yadkin Valley of North Carolina, was a nephew of Col. Ben Cleveland of King's Mountain fame. When a young man, Mr. Cleveland took much interest in politics. He represented his county in the legislature for several terms, was for one term mayor of the city in the latter part of the 70s and in 1880 went as a delegate to the National Democratic convention.

**Big Dividends in Laurens.**  
 Laurens, Special.—Several thousand dollars in dividends was paid out by the various banks and manufacturing enterprises here. Following were the semi-annual dividends: Laurens Cotton Mill, 6 per cent on \$350,000; the Watts Cotton Mill, 4 per cent on \$300,000; People's Loan and Exchange Bank, 8 per cent on \$100,000; Enterprise Bank, 3 1/2 per cent on \$100,000; Bank of Laurens 4 per cent on \$50,000. The Advertiser Printing Company paid 8 per cent (annual) on \$5,000. Notwithstanding the closeness of the money market, a comparison of the local bank statements with those made a year ago shows that the total amount of deposits exceeds those of 12 months ago by about \$20,000.

**Hardin Leads in Cherokee.**  
 Gaffney, Special.—The result of the election for a successor to Hon. W. F. McArthur, deceased, to the general assembly is still in doubt. Hardin has 347 votes and Hall 353, with four boxes yet to be heard from. The race is between Hardin and Hall with probabilities of Hardin's election. Kirby and Huskey also ran.

**South Carolina Exhibit.**  
 Columbia, Special.—Mr. Paul V. Moore, the manager of the South Carolina exhibit at the Jamestown exposition, has returned to the city and is now supervising the packing of the magnificent display shipped from the exposition buildings several days ago. Dr. W. J. Murray, the chairman of the State's jury commission, has loaned the Jamestown exposition commission the use of the old State dispensary building, where the exhibit will be stored until the legislature meets and decides upon its disposition.

**Protest Against New County.**  
 Orangeburg, Special.—The advocates of Calhoun county had their inning in the hearing of the protest before the board of canvassers against the formation of the proposed county. They introduced their testimony and their counsel made four arguments. The arguments were completed at 5 o'clock Thursday night, when the board adjourned without rendering a decision.

**Aged Woman Badly Burned.**  
 Spartanburg, Special.—Mrs. Mary Hais, a woman 65 years of age, was fatally burned at the home of her son at Clifton and it is regarded as only a matter of a few hours until her death results. Her clothing caught from an open grate fire in the house and in her fright she ran into the yard, where neighbors ran to her rescue, covering her body with blankets. Her clothing was burned from her body and her limbs are charred to the bone.

**Mrs. Harriet McCracken Dead.**  
 Hopkins, Special.—Mrs. Harriet McCracken died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Edward D. Fraylick, after a protracted illness of several months. Mrs. McCracken was 74 years of age at the time of her death, she being one of the oldest persons living in Hopkins. She was a devoted member of the Methodist church. She was loved and admired most by those who knew her best.

**County Treasurer Short.**  
 Columbia, Special.—As a result of investigations just completed by Expert Accountants Wise and Wilson, of Comptroller General Jones' office, Mr. Jones sent a letter to Governor Ansel reporting to the executive for such action as he deems proper that Treasurer John O. Edwards, of Berkeley county, is short in his accounts \$5,070.43, that amount being the difference between the funds with which he is properly chargeable and the cash he has on hand. The letter also reports that the office of Auditor C. M. Wiggins, of the same county, shows the most flagrant neglect, errors, and omissions both in the duplicates and abstracts in the office; that the total he has omitted to charge to the treasurer is \$1,047.27; that "the county auditor has failed for the past four years to enter the taxes to be collected upon his duplicate." In this same section of the late last year Governor Ansel removed a county treasurer on such a report against him, but Governor Ansel in the spring re-appointed him, the Senate acting with the Governor. In view of the politics generally sought to bear in such cases the Governor's action will be awited with some general interest over the State, a number of other treasurers' offices being in a bad way according to the Comptroller General's office. Mr. Jones has reported shortages aggregating over \$100,000 in county offices in the past few years, a situation which he thinks is due to the refusal of the Legislature to revise the system of book-keeping in these offices. He says he will report three ex-treasurers to the Legislature next month as being found short after they went out of office, the total shortage this year being \$17,000.

**Bank Dividends.**  
 Columbia, Special.—Semi-annual dividends on bank stocks of Columbia banks were paid out on New Year's Day aggregating \$40,250. The new recruit in the list is ex-Governor D. C. Heyward's savings bank, which pays a 5 per cent dividend on a capital of \$100,000. The National Loan and Exchange Bank, of which Mr. E. W. Robertson is president, pays 4 per cent on a capital of half a million; the Bank of Columbia, Mr. W. G. Childs president, pays 5 per cent on \$50,000; the Palmetto Bank, General Willie Jones president, 3 1/2 per cent on \$250,000; the State Bank, Mr. Geo. Baker president, 3 per cent on \$100,000; the Carolina Bank, Mr. W. A. Clark president, 4 per cent on \$200,000.

**The Tax Tag Receipts Show Slight Decrease.**  
 The fertilizer tag tax receipts for Clemson College fell short about \$17,000 in 1907 as compared with 1906, which was a record breaker. For 1907 the books closed up showed \$150,987.81 as against \$167,158.39 for 1906. The falling off, however, is taken to indicate that the farmers have planted less cotton and many of them have used what is known as the "home" fertilizer for the smaller farms.

**Jealous Negro Kills Wife and Two Men.**  
 Abbeville, Miss., Special.—Ernest Montgomery, a negro, in a fit of jealousy Tuesday killed his wife and two negro men. Montgomery killed the woman first with a shotgun and then started nearly all negroes on the plantation, killing two as he chased them. He was arrested.

**Large Amount From Fees.**  
 Mr. R. M. McCown, secretary of the State closed his books for 1907 and sent the last of his report to the State printer. His office has received as fees for charters and commissions during the past year \$20,476. This is an excess of \$14,000 over the salaries of the office. The fees came within a few dollars of the estimates made for the year and show that the formation of new companies and corporations in South Carolina is going ahead, despite the recent money stringency.

**Company at Winnsboro.**  
 Columbia, Special.—An effort will be made to organize a military company at Winnsboro. Mr. W. W. Dixon of that city was here on legal business and afterwards called upon Adj. Gen. Boyd for a number of enlistment blanks. When the requirements have been gone through with the company will be placed on the waiting list unless there is a vacancy in one of the regiments.

**Explosion in Steel Plant.**  
 Pittsburg, Special.—Two men were killed and 13 others were injured by an explosion in converter No. 3 of the Edgar Thompson plant of the United States Steel Company, at North Braddock, about 7 miles east of here. The dead: Paul Kurisk, aged 30 years, Braddock; Stephen Dovich, aged 35 years, Braddock. Six of the injured were Americans and the others Slavs. All were removed to a hospital in this city.

**Receiver For Furnace Company.**  
 Gadsden, Ala., Special.—Capt. W. P. Lay was appointed receiver for the Quinn Furnace Company, the appointment being made at the instigation of local creditors, whose claim amounts to between \$6,000 and \$7,000. It is stated that New York bondholders will be consulted before it is decided to file a petition in bankruptcy.

## IS UNDER MARTIAL LAW

**Governor Hanly Issues Proclamation Declaring Martial Law For Riotous Town Brigadier General McKee Is Placed in Command of the Twelve Companies of State Troops.**

Indianapolis, Ind., Special.—Governor Hanly issued a proclamation declaring martial law at Muncie and placing Brigadier General McKee in command of the State troops assembled there, namely, 12 companies of infantry and one battery. The martial law order covers a radius of four miles from the Delaware county court house, and takes in the factory districts of Muncie. Assistant Attorney General Dowling was sent to Muncie by the Governor to act as legal advisor for Brigadier General McKee.

Governor Hanly's action in sending troops, supplemented by the energy displayed by the authorities and citizens of Muncie, resulted in checking the mob spirit. Five hundred citizens, including some members of the Commercial Club, of Muncie, have been sworn in as special officers to preserve the peace. These men will endeavor to control the situation but will be backed by the soldiers. Mayor Guthrie has closed all saloons and ordered all women and children to keep off the streets except on errands of necessity.

The determination of the Governor to call out the State militia followed a riot at Muncie last Friday afternoon, when the police and the deputy sheriffs fought with a crowd of 3,000 men, women and children. The police were worn out and many of the deputy sheriffs resigned, leaving the city at the mercy of the unruly element. The Governor, therefore, on the request of the Muncie authorities on the advice of Adjutant General Perry, who was caught in the mob, ordered out the militia. There has been no serious trouble at Anderson, Marion, Alexandria and Elwood. Twenty-seven employees of the Marion lines voted to strike, but the car service was only partly interrupted. At Anderson a committee of citizens is endeavoring to induce the traction company officials to arbitrate. The strike breakers brought from Chicago to Anderson and Marion have been sent away.

**Jury Acquits Pettibone.**  
 Boise, Idaho, Special.—An end of the prosecution of the men charged with the murder of Former Governor Frank Stunenburg, except the cases of Harry Orchard and Jack Simpkins, came with the acquittal of George A. Pettibone and discharge of Charles H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners, both charged with conspiring with William D. Haywood to murder Stunenburg. Moyer will return with Pettibone in a few days to Denver. Haywood was acquitted last summer and Moyer will not be tried. Only two men on the Pettibone jury voted persistently for conviction and they finally ceded the verdict to the other 10 jurors.

The case of Orchard, confessed assassin of Stunenburg and Chief witness against Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone, is in the hands of Prosecuting Attorney Vanduyne, of Conyon county, Idaho. No statement as to the future procedure in that case has been made, but it will be called during the next term of court at Caldwell, when it will probably be finally disposed of. Simpkins is still a fugitive.

**Residence of Maj. Micah Jenkins Destroyed by Fire.**  
 Columbia, S. C., Special.—The residence of Maj. Micah Jenkins, collector of internal revenue, was destroyed by fire at Ridgewood suburbs, practically none of the furniture being saved. The building which was the property of Mrs. Watkins, was worth \$7,000 and was partially insured. Major Jenkins' furniture was also partially insured. The fire resulted from carelessness of the servant in leaving hot ashes in the kitchen. The sword presented to Maj. Micah Jenkins, by the people of South Carolina, through President Roosevelt at the Charleston Exposition in 1902, for gallantry as a member of the Rough Riders in the Spanish-American war, was destroyed in the fire.

**Earthquake in Jamaica.**  
 Kingston, Jamaica, Special.—An earthquake of moderate intensity occurred in Jamaica the morning of January 2nd. It was one of many slight shocks that have been experienced during the past few months, and was felt here and generally throughout the island. The government seismologist declared that no damage had been done at Brownstown, Stewarttown or elsewhere and that there had been no loss of life.

**British Minister Will Visit Honduras**  
 Mexico City, Mex., Special.—Reginald Tower, British minister to Mexico, will sail from Vera Cruz on January 10th on board the warship Brilliant for Belize to pay a visit to Colonel Swayne, the Governor of British Honduras. The Brilliant will visit several Mexican ports en route. Mr. Tower will be absent about four weeks.

**Schedule of No. 29 May Be Very Materially Changed.**  
 Washington, Special.—The Southern is contemplating changing the schedule of train No. 29 so that it will leave here at 4:15 o'clock in the afternoon instead of 11 in the morning. This is to make connection with a fast train from New York for Jacksonville, Fla., to take the place of the Florida limited of former years. The schedule of No. 29 would remain the same as now. 29 would reach Charlotte at 9:25 p. m.

## RECEIVER ASKED FOR TWO RECEIVERS NAMED

**Judge Pritchard Grants Prayer For Receivership For the Seaboard Air Line System and Appoints S. Davies Warfield and R. Lancaster Williams to Take Immediate Possession of the Property of the Seaboard Air Line Railroad.**

Richmond, Va., Special.—Judge Pritchard, judge of the United States Circuit Court, entered a decree naming S. Davies Warfield, of Baltimore, and R. Lancaster Williams, of Richmond, as receivers to take immediate possession of the property of the Seaboard Air Line Railroad. The bond of each was fixed at \$50,000.

By the decree the receivers are empowered to borrow money if needful to pay such rental as may become due, purchase cars, etc., and pay for labor and supplies but not for any other purpose without an order of the court having primary jurisdiction. They are ordered to pay forthwith all installments and interest that was due and payable January 1, 1908, notes or trust equipment certificates and all coupons and interest maturing January 1, 1908, on the first mortgage bonds of the Seaboard Air Line and embraced roads such as the Raleigh and Gaston, Raleigh and Augusta Air Line, the Georgia Carolina and the consolidated mortgage bonds of the Carolina Central.

**Burglar Got a Surprise.**  
 Richmond, Special.—Effecting entrance through a front window in the residence of Mr. R. I. Barnes, at Sherwood Park and Brook avenue, at an early hour Thursday morning, someone, evidently a burglar of the professional species, walked through the parlor, crossed the hall and walked into the room in which was lying the body of Mrs. F. F. Herdy, Mrs. Barnes' mother. He was so badly frightened that for a second he was afraid to run. Then, without a word, he turned and fled the way he had come, diving through a window, taking with him the major portion of the lace curtains and landing on the porch, from which he jumped to the ground. It all happened so suddenly that the persons sitting up with the body were unable to tell whether the intruder was white or black. They saw a tall, slender man, wearing a gray overcoat and a slouch hat, and that was all.

Examination of the premises showed that the burglar had pried open the blinds, carefully raised the window and as carefully lifted the screen on the inner side. He left everything open behind him, and his escape was accomplished with such celerity that he was gone almost as soon as seen. Mr. Barnes' daughter was asleep in the room above the parlor and was awakened by the noise of the entrance. Knowing that persons were up and moving about, however, she thought nothing of the disturbance and went back to sleep. But the whole household was aroused when the intruder made his sensational dive through the window. Rev. Mr. Templeman and the others sitting up with the corpse were too dazed to move when they saw the door slowly open and then a man's form slouch upon the threshold. But the vision was as much astonished as they, and he did not stand upon the order of his going—but went.

**Official Report of Alabama Mine Disaster Filed.**  
 Birmingham, Ala., Special.—State Mine Inspectors J. M. Gray, James Hillhouse and Edward Flynn has filed with Governor Comer a full report of the explosion which took place in the Yolande mines last month, in which 56 men were killed. Chief Inspector Gray's opinion is that a miner allowed some dynamite to go off and that this ignited dust. The assistant inspectors express the opinion that there was a gas explosion followed by a dust explosion.

**Alabama Closing Law to Be Tested in the Courts.**  
 Mobile, Ala., Special.—The Alabama 9 o'clock closing law for cities of over 15,000 will be given a test hearing in the courts and carried to the State Supreme Court. The law went into effect Wednesday night at midnight, but only one-third of the saloon-keepers observed it. The first arrest was made Thursday afternoon. Every other city in the State where liquor is sold is observing the law.

**Attorney General Bonaparte Mar.**  
 Washington, Special.—Attorney General Bonaparte, when questioned as to the truth of the statement that suit would soon be begun to dissolve the relationship between the Union and Southern Pacific Railroads, known as the Harriman system, would only say that the matter was under consideration but he was not prepared to either affirm or deny the report.

**Texas Editor Killed by His Wife.**  
 Hallettsville, Tex., Special.—Thursday afternoon as he was entering his office, W. R. Beaumier, editor of the Hallettsville Herald was shot and killed by his wife. She was arrested and placed under \$2,000 bail. Domestic troubles are said to be the cause of the killing.

**Injured in Collision.**  
 Savannah, Ga., Special.—Twenty-two persons were injured in a collision of street cars on the West Savannah line. The accident occurred through a large Mill Haven car slipping its trolley. This plunged the car in darkness, rendering it invisible to a rapidly following small car, which was crowded with passengers mostly colored.

## SOUTH'S PROGRESS

Remarkable Showing Made of Industrial Activity

VALUE OF ITS LEADING CROPS

The Rice Crop Five Times Greater the Past Year and the Corn Crop Has Increased Nearly Fifty Per Cent.—The Wonderful Growth of the Cotton Crop the Subject of Extended Comment.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.—The Tradesman Annual contains among its important features an elaborate review of Southern progress during 1907, in which the following interesting facts are given:

The principal crops were as follows:  
 Hay of all kinds, tons 7,590,000.  
 Wheat, bushels 91,433,000.  
 Corn, bushels 959,743,000.  
 Oats, bushels, 67,338,000.  
 Tobacco, pounds 437,139,000.  
 Rice, bushels 21,412,000.  
 Two notable increases over the previous year are shown by these figures. The Southern hay crop being 25 per cent greater than in 1906, and the rice crop increased nearly the same percentage.

**Progress of Agriculture.**  
 During the last five years, however, agriculture has made such progress in the Southern States, that the corn crop has increased nearly 50 per cent. The rice crop is five times greater while as already stated, the fodder crop has enlarged 25 per cent. In a single year. In 1900 the value of products of vegetable gardens of the South was \$13,000,000; at present the annual yield of orchards and vineyards in this section is over \$30,000,000, making the sum total of the annual fruit and truck product of the South fully \$150,000,000.

During the last cotton year we sent out of the country about 8,500,000 bales of raw cotton, fully two-thirds of the crop; but such is the growth of the cotton industry in the United States that the South now contains 700 mills, operating nearly 10,000,000 spindles and 1908 will add fully 20 more plants. The States of North and South Carolina have no less than 400 plants with 6,300,000 spindles.

**The Metal Industry.**  
 The metal industry, including the mining of ore, shows a notable increase compared with previous years. The total tonnage of iron produced by the Alabama furnaces during 1907 will aggregate about 1,750,000 tons with a value of \$32,000,000. This is 100,000 tons more than the record for 1906 and about 150,000 tons more than the record for 1905, while the value has increased within the last two years nearly 50 per cent.

In Kentucky the total tonnage of pig iron produced aggregate over 125,000 tons, a gain of fully 100 per cent in two years, while the value of the output of the smelters has actually more than doubled in two years.

Tennessee also shows remarkable progress, for the tonnage of pig iron in this State in 1905 was but 372,692, while for the present year it will be about 450,000 tons, representing a value of about \$7,500,000.

The total investment of capital in miscellaneous industries in the South since 1905 increased no less than 5 per cent in the brief period of five years, while the value of the manufactures has increased 25 per cent and in 1905 exceeded the total investment in Southern industrial plants by the sum of nearly \$200,000,000.

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**Alcohol From Artichokes.**  
 The price of combustible alcohol in France is nearly double what it is in Germany. In the latter country it is chiefly the beet root that furnishes the alcohol, while in France it is the Irish potato. The cultivation of the former is one-half that of the latter. In commenting on these facts a German writer points out to France that a tubercle of importance, much more rustic than the Irish potato and of greater saccharine richness, the Jerusalem artichoke, can be employed in the making of alcohol. It is easy and inexpensive to cultivate; it is not affected by dryness or dampness; it has no diseases and it can be harvested when desired.

In the most ordinary soil, the writer says, it will produce far more than Irish potatoes on good soil and with the best cultivation and the by-product is of considerable value in the form of ensilage for fattening cattle and when dried, the stems furnish a good fuel. It is stated that the by-products, if economically utilized, will almost pay the expenses of culture, leaving the alcohol to bear only the expense of distillation. This alcohol can be substituted for all domestic and industrial uses and the writer goes so far as to say that its cheap production will enable it in future to compete with coal.

**Put to Bed.**  
 In the Drayton household it is said that the father of the family has a way of presenting alternatives to his children that never fail to bring them into line.

"I wish you would speak to Bobby," said Mrs. Drayton one night. "I've told him to take his medicine and then jump into bed, and he won't do it. He just hops round and says he doesn't want to take the medicine and he doesn't want to go to bed!"

"Bobby," he said firmly, "if you don't take your medicine at once, and then jump into bed, you will be put to bed, do you hear me, put to bed, without having your medicine at all!"

Upon which, Bobby, alarmed and confused, swallowed his allotted portion and meekly retired for the night.

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