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WALHALLA, S. C.:

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 1909.

FIRE AT JACKSONVILLE.

One Building Burned, Entailing Loss of \$300,000.

Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 25.—The three-story brick building, on the south side of Forsyth street, in the heart of the business district, was completely destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon, entailing a loss estimated at \$300,000. The building was occupied by the Florida Electric Company, one of the largest electric supply houses in the South; J. H. Trembley, real estate; McGraw Bros., phonographs, bicycles, etc.; Jacksonville Gas Company, on the first floor, while the second story was occupied as a store room for the Florida Electric Company.

The third floor was occupied as lodge rooms for the Eagles, Brotherhood of Trainmen and other organizations.

Great excitement was caused at Los Angeles, Cal., recently when it became generally known that Samuel Bernick, who was arrested after he had been stationed for a year near a school building selling candy to the children, is a leper. Previous to his arrest and commitment to the county hospital it was not known that he had the disease, which is now said to have reached an advanced stage.

A Letter to the Cotton Growers.

To the Cotton Growers: A year ago I strongly urged you to reduce the acreage in cotton and grow more feed stuff. It seems from the acreage that in some sections a small increase was shown. The result has been about as I predicted—the lowest prices we have had for several years. It now looks as if the crop will bring around \$550,000,000, or over \$50,000,000 less than last year's crop, which was nearly 2,000,000 bales smaller, and taking the cost of growing the extra 2,000,000 bales it means a loss to the South of over \$100,000,000.

The time has arrived when you must decide on the acreage for this season. I strongly urge you to reduce your acreage in cotton at least 10 per cent, and raise more grain and hay, so you will be more independent at marketing time. When the spinner is assured there is enough cotton grown to supply his needs he is very independent and will only buy at cheap prices. With a possibility of a shortage he is a very eager buyer.

While the consumption for the first half of the cotton year ending March 1 will likely be a little less than half the crop, the consumption the last half will be very much larger, so that we will likely have about the same visible supply that we had last season, so that we should raise next year at least 1,000,000 bales less than the consumption in order to get good prices for it.

Now don't think that every one else will reduce and you can plant more and get a big price, for that is what too many of you did last season. It will take a uniform reduction in order to get the proper results. You should only plant enough so that with the most favorable conditions the crop would not exceed 12,500,000 bales, and then if the weather conditions reduce the yield to 11,000,000 you will get more money for it than if you raised 12,500,000 bales.

I hope every merchant reading this article will call his farmer customers' attention to it and urge the reduction. It is the extra hundred million dollars the cotton crop brings that makes trade good through the South. I suggest that meetings be held in every school house on March 15th so that uniformity of action may be taken.

J. A. Taylor,
Pres. National Ginners' Association,
Memphis, Tenn.

Young Boy Accidentally Killed.

Laurens, Feb. 19.—An unfortunate tragedy occurred at the Laurens cotton mills at 8 o'clock this morning when Foster Turner, the five-year-old son of C. C. Turner, was accidentally shot and killed by his playmate and cousin, Hursel Giles, an 8-year-old son of J. A. Giles. The two children were playing with a pistol, which was discharged in the hand of young Giles, the ball entering the forehead of his cousin, causing death in 30 minutes. The pistol was a 32-caliber Iver-Johnson belonging to Cleveland Giles, an older brother of Hursel.

MANY AFTER NEW POSITIONS.

Thirty Applicants for Situations as Mill Inspectors.

Columbia, Feb. 25.—Under the provisions of the factory inspection bill Commissioner Watson has the appointment of two inspectors. The bill provides that these inspectors are to be paid \$1,000 each, and are to be allowed \$200 each for actual expenses. The appointments are to be made by Commissioner Watson, and the inspectors are to report to and be accountable to him.

It will be interesting to note that Commissioner Watson already has thirty applications for the positions, and out of all the applications that he has and the suggestions that have been made two first-class men will be secured.

Commissioner Watson will make the selections just as soon as the law is ratified and duly approved.

Charleston Gets Lutheran Seminary.
(Columbia State.)

The agitation in regard to the removal of the Lutheran Seminary from Mount Pleasant, started at a meeting of the Lutheran Synod in Savannah last October, has ended by Charleston's being selected as the location for the seminary.

No plans have yet been made for the establishment of the seminary. As soon as the pastors of the Charleston churches, who invited the synod to locate the seminary in that city, are officially notified, plans will be made for the permanent location.

The seminary equipment will consist of a study hall, class rooms and dormitory, with a building or two for the faculty. It is thought that no considerable sum of money will be expended. The sale of the seminary building at Mount Pleasant will bring about \$10,000, it is believed. This money will be used in the new building. The decision of moving the seminary to Charleston was made at a meeting of the special commission appointed for the purpose, held in Columbia.

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Madison School Honor Roll.

Following is the honor roll of the Madison school for month ending February 19, 1909:

First Grade—Nina Jones, Leila Jones, Addie Cleland, Maud Cleland, Mary Walters, Otis Arve, Mary Sullivan, Julius Jones, Ethel Rothell, Grace Rothell.

Second Grade—Dewey O'Kelley, Ralph Whitehouse.

Third Grade—Roy Duke, Charlie Cleland, Eva Arve, Reese Arve, Freda Rothell.

Fourth Grade—Claude Duke, John Cleland, Janie Sullivan, Clarke Arve, Hattie Frazier, Teacher.

Sixth Grade—Annie Belle Jones, Parrie Bryan, Esther Arve, Clifton McAlister, James Spencer.

Seventh Grade—first section—Gussie Duke, Lloyd Arve, William McAlister.

Second section—Ora Arve, Sallie Spencer, Lula Spencer, Gracia Jenkins, Evie Jones, C. Jones.

Eighth Grade—Lucy Jones.

Honorable mention for scholarship and deportment: Elma Adams, Vasie Adams, Bircie Adams, James Whitehouse, X. Cleland, Ha Spencer, Ernest Cleland, Eva Spencer, Fred Walters, Verna Spencer, Hesse Arve, Carl L. Bryan, Lula Cleland, Clyde Duke, Roy Jones, Burke Jones, Mattie Watt, Mamie Watt.

For attendance—Dewey McAlister, Willie Sencer, Emily Compton, Principal.

Gypsies and Mexicans Battle.

Culiacan, Mexico, Feb. 25.—Two women and three men were killed and another woman wounded in a fight between mountaineers and a band of gypsies on the road to Mazatlan. News of the fight has just reached here. The mountaineers demanded that the gypsy women attend a dance and when they refused opened fire. Two of the women fell dead and another was badly wounded. The mountaineers fled, but were pursued by the gypsy men, who succeeded in killing three of them.

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STANDARD'S FINE NOT BIG.

Judge Anderson Holds Possible Maximum to Be \$720,000.

Chicago, Feb. 25.—From Judge Landis's fine of \$29,240,000 to a possible maximum fine of \$720,000 is a far cry, but that is admitted to be the meaning of a ruling made by Judge Anderson in the retrial of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana for alleged rebating to-day. The ruling was informal and made for the purpose of expediting the hearing, and although the government has the privilege of presenting further arguments, it is practically certain that there will be no change in the ruling when it is formally entered.

The decision of the court of appeals which reversed Judge Landis eliminated the view of that jurist that each carload of oil on which a rebate was accepted constituted a separate offense. There were 1,462 of these carloads, the freight charges for which were paid in 36 different settlements. Judge Anderson interpreted the decision of the appellate court, which, he said, served as his guide, to imply that these alleged rebates accepted after each of the 36 settlements constitute the unit of offense.

Judge Anderson's ruling was a severe blow to United States District Attorney Sims and his associates in the prosecution. He and his assistant, James H. Wilkerson, had agreed that each shipment, of which there were 500, making possible a maximum fine of \$10,000,000, constituted an offense. This view Judge Anderson declared he could not understand. He said that it had been made plain what comprised a shipment—a train load, a car lot or a gallon. He saw no reason why, if a trainload or a carload were regarded as a separate offense, the matter might not be further divided, making a 100-weight the unit or a gallon, greatly increasing the number of offenses and magnifying the punishment. The division of alleged offenses, he said, seemed to fall naturally into 36 parts, or counts, each marked off by a money settlement. It was in these settlements that rebates, if any, were made and received.

Mr. Wilkerson argued that the fine which would be possible under the court's ruling would serve merely as a license to a great corporation. On this point Judge Anderson said, in effect:

"That is a consideration which has no weight with me whatever. I am not concerned with the effectiveness of the statutes, but with their interpretation and application. If the view that I have taken has the effect that has been stated, that is a matter for the lawmakers to consider. If their laws are inadequate, let them supply a remedy."

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The Circuit Judges.

Without opposition the joint assembly on Tuesday of last week elected the following judges:

To fill the unexpired term of D. E. Hydrick, elected Associate Justice—Thos. S. Sease, of Spartanburg.

To succeed D. E. Hydrick for the full term—Thos. S. Sease, of Spartanburg.

The following were re-elected for full terms:

Ninth Circuit—R. Withers, Memminger, of Charleston.

Tenth Circuit—Geo. E. Prince, of Anderson.

Fifth Circuit—Ernest Gary, of Columbia.

When the unexpired term of Judge Hydrick was put before the joint assembly, Thos. S. Sease was nominated. This was for the unexpired term, and without opposition he was declared elected. The term expires on December 15. Under the ruling of the judiciary committee, the house could also elect a judge for the Seventh Circuit for the term of four years. Mr. Sease was then nominated for the long term, and without opposition he was declared elected.

In the old church of Los Pinas, near Manila, is a wonderful bamboo organ, built by the Recoletos' parish priest of that town, Father Diego Cera, in the year 1792, says the Boston Post. The upright bamboo pipes do not look unlike the metal pipes in a modern church organ, but a second set of pipes rest horizontally on a rack just above the keyboard. The organ is in use to this day, and the bamboo is well preserved, Father Cera having had a secret process of preserving the wood, which has never been divulged.

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Will Be Adopted by the Southern Railway on April 1.

The Southern Railway announces that it will adopt the standard bill of lading, a modification of the uniform bill of lading, on April 1, after which no other bill of lading will be recognized by the company.

The bills are now being printed and are in triplicate form of a size 8½ by 11 inches. They are described as follows:

The first sheet is a memorandum shipping order, the second sheet a bill of lading and the third sheet an acknowledgment by the agent that a bill of lading has been issued. The shipping order and the bill of lading receipt for the bill of lading will bear the signature of agent and is for practicable purposes a duplicate bill of lading.

Shippers may print their own bills, but proofs must be submitted to the company and the bills must be of the regulation size and printed on a substantial quality of paper. Shippers may use their present supply of bills, provided the bills are marked across their faces, "subject to the conditions of the standard bill of lading of the Southern Railway."

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Did He Give Rebates?

(Columbia State.)
Commissioner McMaster has served notice on E. D. Byers, agent for the Union Central Life Insurance Company, of Cincinnati, to show cause before him on March 18 why Mr. Byers should not be proceeded against for rebating. The commissioner has information which led him to suppose that Mr. Byers has granted rebates to a number of persons, and a thorough investigation into the matter will be made on March 18. The commissioner will at the same time determine whether or not the Union Central Life Insurance Company is a party to the rebate, if such has been given.

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