

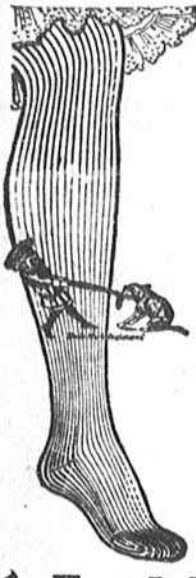


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Shock Felt at St. Louis.

St. Louis, March 29.—A violent earthquake, lasting one hour and 24 minutes, was recorded on the seismograph of St. Louis University tonight. The instrument indicated that the disturbance occurred about 1,300 miles southwest of here. It is the belief of officials at the university that the earthquake was in the southern part of Mexico or in Central America. The tremors began at 6.46 and ended at 8.10 p. m. The shock was also recorded at Washington, D. C., Mobile, Ala., and at Cleveland, Ohio.

News from Poplar.

Poplar, March 30.—Special: The farmers of this community are very busy getting ready to plant. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sanders visited in Anderson the latter part of the week. Quite a number of people from Poplar attended the Sunday School Convention at Coneross Sunday. Born, unto Mr. and Mrs. Hoke Farmer, on March 18th, a son. Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Smith, of Stamp Creek, visited at the home of J. H. Lee recently.

WATER FLOODS JACKSON, MISS.

Five-Inch Rainfall Sends Creek Out of Banks into Business Section.

Jackson, Miss., March 28.—Fed by five inches of rainfall within 48 hours, a creek running through Jackson broke out of its banks to-day, and the business section of the city was flooded. At noon the rising water was two feet deep in the lobby of the Royal Hotel, the principal hostelry of the city.

\$75,000 Damage is Done.

Damage so far done is estimated to be at least \$75,000. As far as known, no person has been hurt. The water rose so rapidly that the merchants did not have time to move their stocks from basements and first floors. The Illinois Central freight depot is flooded and freight damaged. The plant of the Capital Light and Power Company has been put out of commission, and prospects are that a good portion of the city will be in darkness to-night.

Rivers Rage in Ohio.

Columbus, Ohio, March 28.—With the Great Miami and Whitewater rivers raging, the Scioo climbing a foot an hour and the Muskingum out of its banks along the lowlands, anxiety was felt during last night of a recurrence of the disastrous floods of March 25-28, 1913.

A cessation of rainfall, followed by colder weather early to-day, however, has checked the rise. Damage so far reported has been confined to the southwestern sections of the State, where bridges have been washed out.

A LEGISLATOR IN TROUBLE.

It is Charged that He Gave Checks Without Funds.

(Columbia Record.) Sheriff John C. McCain has received from T. G. Allen, constable for Magistrate J. F. Wingate, at Rock Hill, a warrant for the arrest of Representative Norman C. Creech, of Barnwell. The giving of a false check is the charge in the warrant. As Sheriff McCain only recently sent to Barnwell for service another warrant against Creech, he was unable to render the constable any service and will return the warrant. Constable Allen was under the impression that the Richland sheriff knew where Creech could be found, but he was mistaken in this view and the warrant will be returned to Rock Hill.

The warrant from Magistrate Wingate alleged, specifically, that on February 14, at Rock Hill, Creech made a purchase at the store of Diel & Moore and gave in exchange a check for \$9.50 drawn on the Palmetto National Bank of Columbia. The check was returned by the bank with the endorsement that there were insufficient funds to protect it. The warrant was issued at the instance of L. C. McFadden, a member of the firm from whom Creech made the purchase.

In his letter accompanying the warrant, Constable Allen informs Sheriff McCain that the Rock Hill firm is determined to push the prosecution and that payment of the amount involved in the check will not be accepted as a compromise.

Mr. Creech, of the Barnwell delegation in the General Assembly is the youngest member of that body. He fared badly in several "bad check" operations, warrants having been issued against him at the instance of Heyward's Pharmacy for false checks aggregating \$18.50, and the Lower Main Street Bank for \$10. The checks were paid by his father and prosecution was dropped. Yesterday Sheriff McCain sent to the sheriff of Barnwell a warrant for the arrest of Creech in which Mrs. L. I. Kammer, proprietor of the City Hotel, alleged that he left the city owing her a board bill to the amount of \$82.

ELECTION LAXNESS SCORED

In Supreme Court Decision Affirming Lexington Dispensary Vote.

Columbia, March 27.—In a decision to-day the election in Lexington county in favor of the dispensary was declared by the Supreme Court to have been legal. The opinion was written by Associate Justice Hydrick. Mr. Fraser dissented, all other Justices concurring. Calling attention to the general laxity in the administration of the election laws in South Carolina, Associate Justice Hydrick issues a note of warning.

"It may not be out of place to say, as a note of warning to those entrusted with the administration of the election laws, that the evidence in this case and others which have come before this Court shows such a laxness in the administration of those laws, and such flagrant violations of them, as ought to startle any thoughtful citizen. It is fraught with the greatest danger to good government and may result disastrously when much graver issues are at stake."

Dispensaries will now be opened in Lexington county.

Candidate Kills Himself.

Tallahassee, Ga., March 29.—W. L. Duke, candidate for tax collector here, to-day arose from the dinner table, walked into an adjoining room, and shot himself dead with a revolver. Friends and relatives attribute the act to despondency, brought on by illness.

FUTURES BILL A CERTAINTY.

Senate Repealed Measure With Pools Amendment Out.

Washington, March 28.—Friends of the cotton futures bill, repealed by the Senate to-day with the amendments legalizing cotton pools stricken out, predicted to-night it would pass the House before adjournment. Its course in the House was smoothed over, this claimed, by the action of the Senate in striking out the pooling agreement clauses on request of Senator Smith, of South Carolina, author of the original measure.

Senator Smith to-day said he would seek in the agricultural appropriation bill to obtain \$100,000 to place on every primary market in the South samples of the government grades and board by the bill, and also samples of yarn spun from the various grades.

After Senator Kenyon called up his motion for consideration of the bill to-day, he offered to withdraw it upon the assurance of Senator Smith, of South Carolina, that the pooling amendment would be eliminated in the House. Senator Borah, however, contended that the Senate would strike out the amendment, and Mr. Smith, declaring that the pooling clause was not pertinent to the body of the bill, asked for reconsideration and moved to then strike out the objectionable feature. This done, the altered measure was passed by a unanimous consent.

Passage of the bill was a sequel to years of endeavor on the part of the Senator from South Carolina. It provides that no person connected with an exchange shall send through the mails matter promoting enforcement of future delivery contracts unless the exchange requires all such transactions to comply with certain conditions, among them that contracts must provide for delivery with department of agriculture standards. It would require exchanges to impose the condition, in future transactions, that if the cotton sold is middling or basic grade, and the delivery is of the other grades, then the commercial difference in value must be paid. At present the New York exchange has in vogue a fixed difference in value of grades.

DEMOCRATIC ASSEMBLY MAY 20

State Executive Committee Sets Date for Meeting in Columbia.

Columbia, March 28.—The State Democratic Convention will be called to meet in Columbia May 20 by the State Executive Committee.

The constitution of the Democratic party says:

"The State Convention shall be called by the State Executive Committee to meet every Presidential or State election year on the third Wednesday in May, and the county conventions shall meet on the first Monday in May of such years."

This means that the county conventions will meet May 4. The Democratic clubs will meet on the fourth Saturday in April, or April 25th. Immediately following the meeting of the State Convention the Executive Committee will be called to meet by John Gary Evans, of Spartanburg, chairman, for the purpose of preparing the itineraries for the State and Senatorial campaigns. As has been the custom, a meeting will be arranged for each county in the State.

The attempt to place safeguards about the primary system failed at the last session of the General Assembly, and it is said that the movement will be carried to the State Convention. It is said that the fight on the primary reform will begin in the club meetings and carried on through to the State Convention.

The question of reforming the rules and regulations governing primary elections in South Carolina was brought up at the 1912 convention, when a special committee of seven was provided for in a resolution to investigate the matter and report back to the next convention. Just what has been accomplished by this committee has not been announced, although it is said that the members have been at work, and will submit a report at the 1914 convention.

The first primary will be held on Tuesday, August 25th.

COUNTY FARMERS' UNION.

Quarterly Meeting to Be Held at Coneross Friday, April 10th.

The Oconee County Farmers' Union will meet in regular quarterly session with Coneross Local, No. 76, Friday, April 10th, at 10 a. m. A full delegation from each local in the county is requested, as there is some important business that will be brought before the meeting. The meeting will be held at the old school house at Coneross church. Remember the place and be on hand promptly at the hour fixed.

J. W. Alexander, President. J. H. Garrison, Secretary.

Hough to Die in Chair.

Columbia, March 28.—The Supreme Court to-day affirmed the sentence of the lower court in finding John E. Hough guilty of murder. Hough, a prominent white man of Kershaw county, shot and killed his father-in-law. He was convicted of murder and sentenced to die in the electric chair. The Kershaw county court will fix the date for Hough to be electrocuted.

MR. HOLLAND TO THE FARMER.

Some Advice as to Crops, Fertilizers and Other Matters.

Editor Keowee Courier: I would like to advise that our farmers give special attention to cover crops. Be sure to harrow with a cutaway or disc or spading harrow, until all turf is thoroughly cut up, then use a turner. If the rye gets 20 inches or two feet high you should use the mowing machine and then a harrow.

I would also like to get the attention of those who have low or wet bottom lands. J. P. Stribling, who lives on Coneross, carried out a demonstration last year on this class of soil that is worth while. He laid off his rows nine feet wide, running them with the stream. At the lower end he had a ditch. With a two-horse turn plow he bedded out this land in these wide rows, and every third water furrow he cut through at the end into the ditch. At planting time he runs a harrow over these beds and lays off two rows on top of each bed about two feet apart. He kept the beds as much elevated as cultivating was possible. By doing this one can make fairly good crops of corn on very low lands if there is no overflow.

I hope to meet the county board soon in the interest of better farm animals. In my judgment we could not spend in the county three thousands dollars in a better way than in purchasing three jacks. Say put one on the poor farm, one at Oakway and one above Walhalla, and we already have one at Clemson. I feel quite sure that we would within five years begin to see our way clear. As it is, we get in a worse condition regarding stock all the time.

It would be a great help to Oconee county if the public roads had the much-needed drainage. There are a great many places where, if there had been a bank, terrace or dam, or some obstruction to subdue nature—just some kind of way for the water to get out—the roads would be good where they are now almost impassable. Where this is the case it is unfair to the public, and we should not be so narrow and selfish as to trample on the rights of the general public in this way. It certainly is a state of affairs that runs the public spirit. Better roads, better schools and better churches will give us an ideal county.

Are you mixing your own fertilizers, or are you paying the other fellow \$5 per ton to do it for you? Will "King Cotton" bankrupt you this year or will you help to feed the world with corn, potatoes, syrup, melons, vegetables, or raise pigs or cattle of any kind?

Be sure and plant good seeds. I hope to meet the farmers at Return school house Friday night at 8 o'clock. M. G. Holland.

P. S.—To all who have not applied nitrate of soda to small grain I would like to advise that the sooner it is done the better results you will get. I learn that the price of 16 per cent acid phosphate is from \$13 to \$16 per ton to the best men in the county. Something wrong somewhere. M. G. H.

TWO KILLINGS AT FLORENCE.

All Parties Concerned Were Negroes. One Man, One Woman.

Florence, March 29.—At a negro dance on the plantation of Mack Gregg, about three miles east of this city, last night Anthony Scott shot and mortally wounded James Conner, his cousin. Conner walked into the yard and attempted to get over a fence and fell dead. The wound inflicted was from a pistol shot that entered near the heart. Scott's slayer was arrested and is now in jail. At the last term of court Scott was tried for the killing of a negro woman and was found not guilty.

On the old Goose Pond road, about two miles from the city, Lella Smalls was stabbed by a negro supposed to be one Fred Melton. The Smalls woman was rushed to the city and carried to the police station, dying soon after reaching there. The Smalls woman was stabbed in the left breast and the wound was an ugly one. Melton, the supposed slayer, made good his escape and has not been seen since. Too much liquor is said to have been the cause of both tragedies.

CHANGE ON RURAL ROUTE NO. 2. Walhalla's Second Route to Undergo Changes Sought by Patrons.

The following letter is self-explanatory:

Washington, D. C., March 27.—Hon. Wyatt Aiken, House of Representatives.—My Dear Mr. Aiken: With reference to your letter of the 26th instant requesting early action on a petition for a change in Rural Route No. 2, Walhalla, S. C., I beg to state that a change in the route, as requested by J. J. Deaton and others, will be authorized, effective April 16, 1914, the earliest practicable date.

"Sincerely yours, "Jas. I. Blamlee, "Fourth Asst. Postmaster General." The Courier is not advised as to the extent or nature of the contemplated changes on Route No. 2, but it is generally supposed that no service will be somewhat extended, slightly increasing the number of patrons served.

SECURES FREEDOM OF DOCTOR.

Friends of Gen. Villa Fear He Has Lost Torreon Fight.

Washington, March 30.—Dr. Lambert, an American physician, arrested by Mexican authorities at Los Mochis after a Constitutionalist officer upon whom he had performed an operation had died, has been released as the result of the energetic action of Secretary Daniels.

On the recommendation of the vice consul at Nogales, Mr. Daniels ordered Rear Admiral Howard to send a warship to Topolobampo. The cruiser New Orleans steamed at once and Dr. Lambert was released.

Charge O'Shaughnessy reports also the release of three Americans—Goldschmidt, Donahue and Cross-thwaite—held on charges of aiding the rebels. Huerta freed them.

Though the Constitutionalist heretofore have been fairly successful in maintaining order in Sonora, raiding and pillaging by marauders are reported.

No News from Villa.

Chihuahua, Mexico, March 30.—For seven days Francisco Villa, military leader of the Constitutionalist revolution, has waged his battle against Torreon. The fight has been the bitterest and loss of life the heaviest in recent history of Mexico, judging from the meager press dispatches received from the front and the stories of the slaughter told today by many of the 588 wounded veterans of Torreon who are in hospitals here.

Constitutionalist sympathizers and rebel officers in Chihuahua again have become anxious as to the fate of their military leader and the remnants of the 12,000 men who marched to Torreon with him to engage in the revolution's first decisive battle. No word from Villa came early to-day to relieve the anxiety which obtains throughout Chihuahua. Reports that heavy re-enforcements were hastening to relieve Gen. Refugio Velasco, the Federal commander at Torreon, who has made a resourceful resistance against the rebels, were received here with misgivings. But the fact that no news of Gen. Villa's progress has been received for many hours is responsible for the greatest anxiety as to his fate. Such advantage has been with the rebel leader in the past free access to telegraphic communication was given newspaper correspondents at the front, but when he met with reverses Villa would allow no news sent over the wires.

TWO KILLED IN WRECK.

Head-on Collision on Seaboard—Two Men Seriously Injured.

Abbeville, March 28.—Engineer W. E. Williams and Fireman Boyd were killed and Engineer W. G. Cunningham and Fireman Frank Purseley were injured in a head-on collision on the Seaboard railway near Carleton, Ga., this morning.

Boyd was killed instantly and Williams died in about an hour. Purseley is seriously injured, perhaps fatally. Cunningham will recover.

Both were freight trains, and a misreading of orders is said to have been the cause of the wreck. A wrecking train was sent at once from the shops here and a little later a special with physicians.

Engineer Williams was the father of Miss Margaret Williams, a student in Anderson College. All parties are from Abbeville.

CONEROSS AND COMMUNITY.

Meeting of Sunday School Convention Was Great Success.

Coneross, March 30.—Special: The Sunday School Convention held here Saturday and Sunday was very interesting and much enjoyed by all present, and we want to thank those who gave such inspiring talks on important subjects for their efforts in making the convention enthusiastic, and also to thank the convention for meeting with us. We feel that it will be an uplift to our Sunday school and church. The assistance in music rendered by Messrs. Durham and Murphy was also much appreciated.

S. M. Hunnicutt spent yesterday with his father, J. M. Hunnicutt, of Seneca, who is quite indispensed. We hope he will soon recover.

Mrs. Lizzie Bearden, of Tallulah Falls, Ga., spent last week with her mother, Mrs. Mary Dilworth. Mr. Bearden is also with her at present. J. S. Abbott and family spent last Thursday at Return with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Asa Wood, of New Hope, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Hunnicutt and attended the convention Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. M. Abbott, who has been quite ill, is much improved.

Paul Maret, of South Union, visited W. O. Alexander and family recently.

Miss Julian, of Clearmont, spent several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Abbott here.

Mrs. Jim George spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, of New Hope. Mr. Steward, from above Walhalla, has recently moved into our community.

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