



"TO THINE OWN SELF BE TRUE, AND IT MUST FOLLOW AS THE NIGHT THE DAY: THOU CANST NOT THEN BE FALSE TO ANY MAN."

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TWO MARRIAGES ANNOUNCED.

Seneca Social Favorites to Wed—Other Local News.

Seneca, Nov. 17.—Special: L. A. Edwards is quite sick at his home here.

Willie Wright, who was injured at the printing office here a week ago, is improving nicely, and it is hoped he will soon be able to get out, with the aid of crutches.

Mrs. B. F. Sloan has been visiting in Greenville. She was accompanied home by Mrs. J. Lee Carpenter.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church is observing this week as the one set apart for prayer and self denial for home missions.

Mrs. E. V. Moorman, of Greenville, visited Mrs. T. E. Stribling last week.

Wilkes Dendy is confined to his home this week with an attack of bronchitis.

Mrs. O. F. Bacon was hostess to the Once-a-Week Club last week, entertaining them in her usual gracious and lavish style.

The family of W. M. Kay moved to Seneca last Saturday and is occupying the Verner cottage in Fair Play street. We welcome them to our town.

Rev. I. E. Wallace will preach a sermon to the young men next Sunday evening at the Presbyterian church. It is hoped that a full attendance of this contingent of the congregation and town will be present.

J. W. Stribling has returned to Clemson after a week at home nursing a sprained knee received in the Georgia-Clemson football game.

A large number of friends and relatives of Mrs. R. E. Stribling attended the funeral services at Richland last Friday. The death of this good woman brings a real sorrow to a large connection of relatives, the writer being one of that number.

Mrs. M. W. Coleman is improving after a recent severe illness, which will be pleasant news to her many friends here and elsewhere.

Seneca merchants are beginning already to display their Christmas goods. The show windows at this advanced stage do not indicate war times.

Miss Kate McClanahan, of Westminster, spent last Friday here with Mrs. T. S. Stribling.

The present cold snap is welcomed by house-keepers, it being the harbinger of sparrows and sausage in the market.

Mrs. J. H. Adams has announced the engagement and coming marriage of her daughter, Miss Marguerite, to Frank Martin King, of Adairsville, Ga. The wedding will occur at home on December 3d.

Mrs. W. K. Livingston was hostess to a large number of her friends last Wednesday afternoon at a delightful party. The affair proved to be the formal announcement of the engagement of Miss Carrie Hunter to T. B. Jones, of Townville. A contest in the nature of an automobile romance was engaged in, culminating in the engagement and marriage of this popular young couple. Their friends are showering congratulations upon them, both being social favorites here. The wedding will occur January 12th at the Presbyterian church.

Pope Again Urges Peace.

Rome, Nov. 16.—The Pope to-day caucused to be published his announced encyclical urging peace among the warring nations of Europe. In this document the Pontiff attributes the war to four causes, namely, lack of mutual and sincere love among men; contempt of authority; injustice on the part of one class of the people against another, and the consideration of material welfare as the sole object of human activity.

The Pope's appeal urging peace in Europe follows a pastoral letter from the Pontiff issued early in September, in which he exhorted the heads of the nations engaged in hostilities to end the present reign of ruin, disaster and bloodshed. The Pope then said the spectacle of the conflict filled him with horror and sadness, and that he hoped not only for the end of this war, but of all wars.

EVACUATE VERA CRUZ NOV. 23.

Date is Set Again for Turning Over to the Mexicans.

Washington, Nov. 16.—Monday, November 23d, has been fixed as the date for the evacuation of Vera Cruz. Secretary Bryan has issued this announcement:

"Both Gen. Carranza and the convention at Aguas Calientes having given the assurances and guarantees we requested, it is the purpose of the administration to withdraw the troops of the United States from Vera Cruz on Monday, November 23.

All the persons there, for whose personal safety this government has made itself responsible, have left the city. The priests and nuns who had taken refuge there and for whose safety fears were entertained, are now on their way to this country."

Villa on the Offensive.

Gen. Villa, in command of forces loyal to Provisional President Gutierrez, has taken the offensive against Gen. Carranza, according to State Department advices.

Villa already has occupied San Luis Potosi and plans an immediate attack on Tampico. The Washington government already is preparing to take American refugees aboard ships lying in the Tampico river.

Peace Again in Sight.

Peace in Mexico after weeks of discussion among the generals of the victorious Constitutional army at last seemed in sight to-day, according to messages from United States government agents in the Southern Republic.

Soon after American Consul Silliman telegraphed from Mexico City early in the day that hostilities between the forces of the Aguas Calientes Convention and those loyal to Carranza had ceased, came a message from Leon Canova, special agent of the American government of Aguas Calientes, stating that Carranza had telegraphed his intention of resigning.

Two communications from Gutierrez were laid to-day before President Wilson. The formal notification of his assumption of office added that he soon would set up his government in Mexico City and seek to bring about peace. The other, guaranteeing protection for foreigners, made no request for recognition by the United States.

Program Union Meeting.

The union meeting of the upper division of Beaverdam Baptist Association will convene with Madison Baptist church next fifth Saturday and Sunday, November 28 and 29. Program as follows:

Saturday Morning.

10.30 to 11—Devotional exercises conducted by A. P. Duke.

11 to 12—The importance of personal work in evangelism. Jas. C. Shockley, J. L. Vaughan, Thomas M. Elrod.

12 to 12.30—The present condition of the Beaverdam Association. Round table, conducted by the Moderator.

12.30 to 2—Dinner hour.

Saturday Afternoon.

2 to 3—The State Mission Board. (a) What it has accomplished; (b) its present condition; (c) its aim for the future. Rev. L. M. Lyda, J. W. Shelor, Rev. D. F. Carter.

3 to 3.30—What should be the attitude of our people toward the so-called holiness ideas being propagated in our midst? Rev. M. G. Holland, Rev. W. T. Abbott, Rev. L. D. Mitchell.

3.30 to 4—What are the public schools contributing to the religious development of our children? Rev. G. C. Mangum, W. M. Brown.

Evening Session.

7 to 7.30—Song and praise service. 8 o'clock—Sermon by Rev. J. H. Clark.

Sunday Morning.

10 to 11—Sunday school exercises. 11 o'clock—Sermon by Rev. L. M. Lyda.

Visiting brethren are welcome to come and help us to make this our best meeting.

J. W. Shelor, L. M. Lyda, L. D. Mitchell, for Committee.

MULLINS MERCHANT MURDERED

Cause of Tragedy is Shrouded in Mystery—Slayer Escapes.

Mullins, S. C., Nov. 15.—B. D. Strickland, a prominent merchant of this place, was shot here last night, it is alleged by Frank Price, a next-door neighbor, and died at 4 o'clock this afternoon in a Wilmington, N. C., hospital, where he was taken for surgical attention in an effort to save his life. Mr. Strickland was 40 years of age. He leaves a wife and one child.

Price Not Arrested.

Frank Price, who is charged with the killing of Strickland, has disappeared, apparently. It is not believed that he is in this vicinity. According to reports reaching here to-day, Price drove last night, after the shooting, to Latta, a distance of 20 miles, where, it is said, he boarded a north-bound Atlantic Coast Line train. Price is a young man, probably not more than 22 years of age. He is

MRS. E. R. STRIBLING DEAD.

Passed Away Last Thursday at Ripe Old Age of 83 Years.

Richland, Nov. 16.—Special: In the early hours of morning, while everything was yet in darkness, a light went out—not one that was hidden under a bushel, but one that had been a bright, golden light set on a hill. Eighty-three years it had been shedding a soft, beautiful radiance over all humanity in reach, but it flickered and went out, and the gentle spirit of Mrs. Emily R. Stribling was at rest. It was on Thursday, November 12th, that she passed away.

She is not dead; she is only sleeping, for the influence of this noble Christian woman will be for good down through the ages, like the waves that start from the shore and have no ending. Her life was of the three Christian graces, and the greatest of these was her love. Her life was made up of it; it ever shone round about her; it started in her home and went to the stranger; and best of all she loved her God with an almost perfect love. She loved her church next to her family. In her whole life her pew was never empty except in sickness. Richland Presbyterian church has lost one of its best members, she having been a member 70 years. Indeed her place will be hard to fill. Her kindly face was always an inspiration to her minister, and her home was his home.

She was the daughter of Capt. James H. and Elizabeth Dendy and had spent her life here. She was born June 5th, 1831. In 1850 she was married to Warren W. Stribling. After not many years of happy wedded life her husband was taken from her, leaving her with eight small children to fight life's battles alone, but by ever keeping her eye on her Master she came out at the last conqueror in everything. She educated her children, all of them receiving a college education, and she never had cause to be ashamed of a single act of one of them. They are all following in her footsteps, and with such a mother to lead them by the hand they have made some of our best and most useful citizens. All are Christian men and women, each one training his or her children like their mother led them.

Two of the sons died while young. Stiles died June 29, 1879, and J. Dendy died June 9, 1897. The other children are: Mrs. J. B. Wilson, Granbury, Texas; Mrs. G. B. Jordan, Greenville; Marshall S. Stribling, Westminster; Rev. T. M. Stribling, Cedartown, Ga.; Mrs. Sloan Bruce, Avalon, Ga.; and J. Paul Stribling, who lives at the old homestead. The losing of his mother will be doubly sad for the latter, for the reason he had never been separated from her except when at college.

Mrs. Stribling loved The Courier, and had been a regular subscriber since the first copy was published.

On Friday afternoon her remains were laid to rest beside her husband, who had gone on before so long ago. But now they are reunited and are waiting for their children. Her pastor, Rev. I. E. Wallace, delivered a beautiful eulogy on her life, and indeed he spoke the truth. Her six grandsons were the pall bearers. Being just in the bloom of youth, they made a very impressive picture.

And so another Mother in Israel has gone from us, and might we not say of her: "Beautiful toller, thy work well done; Beautiful soul into glory gone; Beautiful life, with its crown now won, God giveth thee rest."

BIG DAY AT WESTMINSTER.

Commissioner Watson and A. G. Smith Will Be Present.

E. J. Watson, South Carolina Commissioner of Agriculture and Industries, and A. G. Smith, of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, will be at Westminster next Friday, at which time a meeting will be held in the interest of increased grain production in this State. The meeting will be held at 12 o'clock, and it is hoped that every farmer in Oconee who can so will attend.

Both Commissioner Watson and Mr. Smith will deliver addresses on this occasion, and it will be the endeavor of the meeting to impress upon all in attendance the great importance of increasing largely the area put to grain this year. Even if you have already got a full acreage in the ground, it will be well to attend the meeting and hear what these gentlemen, both of whom are in position to know much of the needs of the country in general and what it will take to supply those needs, will have to tell to those present.

Remember the meeting at Westminster Friday of this week at 12 o'clock, and be present if possible.

married and has two children. He is a son of H. G. Price, a prominent merchant of Zion, in Marion county. This deplorable affair is deeply shrouded in mystery, so far as regards the actual cause of the tragedy. Nobody seems to know anything about it, except that it took place after Strickland and Price had been engaged in an altercation on the streets of Mullins.

THE CAROLINA COTTON CROP.

1914 Shows Increase of 62,143 Bales Over 1913, to Nov. 1.

Below is given the total ginning of cotton for South Carolina up to November 1st, 1914, with comparisons, by counties, with ginnings on same date in 1913.

In 30 of the counties of the State increased ginning is shown for 1914 over 1913, while 14 counties show that the 1914 ginning is slightly less than for 1913.

Following are the figures for each county of South Carolina:

Table with columns: County, 1914, 1913. Lists counties like Abbeville, Aiken, Anderson, Bamberg, Barnwell, Beaufort, Berkeley, Calhoun, Charleston, Cherokee, Chester, Chesterfield, Clarendon, Colleton, Darlington, Dillon, Dorchester, Edgefield, Fairfield, Florence, Georgetown, Greenville, Greenwood, Hampton, Horry, Jasper, Kershaw, Lancaster, Laurens, Lee, Lexington, Marion, Marlboro, Newberry, Oconee, Orangeburg, Pickens, Richland, Saluda, Spartanburg, Sumter, Union, Williamsburg, York.

Totals.....910,611 846,468

SAVE PEAS TO FOLLOW CORN.

Prepare to Sow Grain Stubble to Cow Peas Next Season.

Clemson College, Nov. 17.—Special: State Demonstration Agent W. W. Long, of Clemson College, who is now engaged in making a tour of the State as a final course in the grain campaign the extension division of Clemson College has conducted this autumn, is eager for South Carolina farmers to realize the value of their cow peas at this time and to save all the cow peas they can get their hands on. The reason for this is that, in order to get the greatest benefits from sowing their lands to grain this winter, farmers should sow the grain stubble to cow peas next year. Land sown to oats or wheat this autumn and to cow peas next year will be in a greatly improved condition a year from now.

Clemson's wheat propaganda will be continued throughout November, which is the best month to sow wheat in South Carolina. In many parts of the State it may be sown up to December 15 with good results. Mr. Long states that all indications are that South Carolina will have more land sown to oats and wheat this year than ever before in the history of the State. Both crops are expected to bring record prices next spring.

BOYS' CORN CLUB AND OTHER MATTERS.

Editor Keowee Courier: The Boys' Corn Club of Oconee county will make their 10-year exhibit on Friday, the 27th, at 12.30 p. m., at Blue Ridge school building. All members, and those who have been members, are expected to come. Members especially should be present.

There will be discussions on this important work and its advantages. Interest is what brings success.

I will try to give some points and advice on what State and county fairs mean to any State or county, and how we can have a county fair.

Sow wheat, oats and rye. Do deep plowing. Clear away the mist of gloom by profitable employment. Quit howling "hard times and worse coming," for you don't know. You have proved that by the condition things are in at the present. We have the soil and ability to be a prosperous people. We have just been caught in a snare. There have always been "pickpockets" and "highway robbers" and there will always be. Cotton growing is a gambling game, and the speculators cleaned up "us boys" on every side in 1914. Don't forget it, and it will help your children and also your grandchildren. I am hit as hard as any one, but I cannot afford to give my energy and efforts up because I fell into the

COTTON EXCHANGES REOPENED.

New York and New Orleans Are Again Active Centres.

New York, Nov. 16.—The New York Cotton Exchange reopened for unrestricted trading at 10 o'clock this morning. It had been closed since July 31, when the market went into convulsions and three firms failed through the demoralization created by impending war in Europe.

The floor of the exchange was thronged with brokers when the gong sounded to-day. During the first few minutes trading was exceedingly brisk and somewhat nervous. There was a little confusion because of unfamiliarity with the new style contracts and the new rules imposed on the market by the operation of the so-called cotton futures law.

Early trading was confined almost entirely to December cotton sold on old style contract. The market opened at 7.45 and dropped quickly to 7.40. A low level of 7.39 was reported in the first half hour. The market then grew steady and the nervous tone departed.

A the end of the first half hour trading appeared to be normal and the number of brokers on the floor had dwindled to usual size. Prices were approximately three cents below what they were when the exchange closed on July 31. January sold at 7.75 to 7.85, March at 7.85 to 7.88, May at 8.10 to 8.12, and October at 8.40 to 8.50, all on new style contracts.

Wall street brokers, inactive because of the darkened stock exchange, were interested spectators at the opening. A sprinkling of other spectators, friends and families of cotton brokers were in the galleries.

New Orleans Opens.

New Orleans, Nov. 16.—With the exchange gayly decorated with palms and flowers and women crowding the visitors' gallery, the cotton market opened to normal trading conditions at 9.05 this morning, after a suspension of almost three months and a half.

The first trade between New Orleans and Liverpool went through to completion, passing censors' hands and all in 17 minutes.

First trades in local options did not show much change from last week's liquidation trading, January's first transaction being at 7.50. The market was somewhat complicated because trading was carried on in two styles of contracts, one being the form used up to the time of the suspension last July and the other framed to meet the Federal cotton futures act. Old style March brought 7.61 and the new style 7.86 on the first call, showing that the trade was willing to pay a premium of a quarter of a cent a pound for the new style.

FATAL BROOKLYN EXPLOSION.

Building Occupied by Chemical Company Wrecked—Many Killed.

New York, Nov. 13.—From 12 to 32 persons were killed and a number of others were injured in an explosion this afternoon in the Becker Chemical Company, Brooklyn. The plant was wrecked. The wrecking crew of the fire department was called to dig out the bodies.

The factory was a large two-story building. The explosion blew off the roof and let the whole contents of the building, including the employees, fly in the air and then drop into the cellar. Then came the fire in the debris.

The cries of the wounded caught in the crash drove the firemen and police to furious efforts to effect rescues. The spreading flames hampered their work. Owing to the fire and the heat it was impossible for the rescuers to dig for the bodies of the victims. At 5 o'clock the police reported that there were 54 persons in the factory at the time of the explosion. Only 18 had been accounted for up to that time. As fast as they could be dug out they were rushed to the hospitals. Twelve of the employees were taken out badly wounded. Officers of the concern, the superintendent and foreman, were caught in the crash.

The explosion was heard a mile away. Every window in the block and in the houses opposite the works was smashed. Operatives in a five-story factory on the corner were thrown into a panic and rushed to the street pell mell, but none was hurt.

Furniture in homes nearby was wrecked, dining tables overturned, mirrors broken and the inmates fled from their homes panic-stricken. A horse and wagon stood in the street in front of the factory. The horse was killed and the wagon turned upside down.

hands of the enemy. Let us do the very best we possibly can. Do as little moving as possible. Take special care of the necessities of life. Be reasonable with one another. We are all human, and when we oppress one of the human family we should try to realize that he is also one of God's creatures.

With best wishes for The Courier and its force, I am, very truly, M. G. Holland, Dem. Agent. (Other county papers please copy.)