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**BYRNES PLACES** 

BILL FOR RECORD

South Carolinian Makes Foxy Move in House.

Washington, Dec., 21 .- Congressman Byrnes'of South Carolina yesterday turned a neat trick on some of his Republican colleagues from the North, thus forcing recognition of the fact that it is his bill now pending in congress, and not that of other members from different sections of the country, for the suppression of I. W. W. publications, which should pass the house. Mr. Byrnes some time ago introduced a bill providing that all publications with an I. W. W. streak should be denied the use of the mails and since that time has been vigorously pushing it in the house judiciary committee. A day or two ago he ascerted that the Republicians for politicial reasons, could not afford to do anything but act on this bill and to make a favorable report upon it, thus practically insuring its passage by the house. But the South Carolina member was not to be caught napping. He proved himself a little more foxy than some of those who were laying plans to take his bill away from him and pass it under a Republican label.

Today when the bill for the deportation of aliens was before the house Mr. Byrnes got the floor and made such a determined demand for the ment at the escape did not prevent it will be the South Carolinian who will have fired the first gun in the house for it.

Mr. Byrnes deplored the fact that nothing had been done to prevent these periodicals from using the mails alongside honest papers. They are going into many homes all over the land, he said, and some of them are managed by white men and some by negroes, but that makes no difference they should be denied the use of the mails.

Figures were produced showing that with the armistice the real big business of printing these I. W. W. papers began in this country, there are now hundreds of them scatered everywhere, Mr. Byrnes said. There is or should be no place in America for such sheets, he continued, "and the sooner we pass this bill the better for the Americian people."

Representative Cllark of Fllorida, wants no papers printed in this country except those printed in plain English, and Mr. Fess of Ohio, would call the hand of any alien using the privilege of citizenship here when found to be using this privilege for an unlawful purpose. "If he can not refrain from his I. W. W. tactics," he said "his papers of citizenship, even though he is naturalized, should be cancelled and he should be deported. If for any technical reason he could not be deported then he should be interned until some method might be devised to make him quit his tendencies toward anarchy and his desire to use physical force in order to secure his alleged rights."

## South Carolina Conquering Typhoid Fever.

vance sheets of the annual report of. the State Board of Health showing that in 1918 the number of typhoid deaths in the State totalled 469 erally and improved methods of the second grade. I have to close. treatment probably account for the smaller death rate. When it is remembered that during the first part of 1919 many South Carolina physicians were in the service of their bers have been advised by the Com country, the showing is all the more remarkable.

# Mrs. F. H. Cater.

The many friends of Mrs. F. H. Cater of Dunbarton, will be sorry to know she is sick at the Margaret to pay their taxes BEFORE January Wright Hospital.

Bamberg, of Lyndhurst, Ben J. Brown man can perform in one day and of Blackville, colored, know the val- those who wait fintil the last minute ue of a good county paper. They pay will run the risk of having the penalty added. in advance.

ASTONISHED THAT WORLD DID NOT COME TO AN END

Prof. Porto Had Scheduled Crash for December 17th.

The omnious position of the planets had been well press agented and some astrologists and astronomers had maintained that at the precise moment when the major leaguers of the solar system formed themselves in a straight line with Neptune, Saturn, Jupiter Mars, Venus and Mercury on one side of the sun, and Euranius on the other, the earth, which had moved four or five solar paces to the front of the line, would behave like the one horse shay.

### Ask for a Holiday.

Students ir Porto Rico are reported to have been so unfavorably impressed with their chances for continuing life yesterday that they asked for a holiday to prepare for the worst. Harold Jacoby, professor of astronomy at Columbia University intimated that their actions might have been due to the desire of youth everywhere to have a holiday. He and many other scientists maintained that the effect upon the earth of the planetary alignment would be nil.

Astrologers have predicted the end of the world on somewhat similar occasions for centuries. As early as 1186 the world escaped one of their threatened cataclysms. Disappointimmediate passage of this bill that Stoffler from predicting a universal hereafter even the measure of some deluge for the year 1524-a year, as Republican member should be passed it turned out, which was distinguished for drought:

## People Desert Home.

Mother Shipton, "witch" of tudor times, was credited with being equally sure that 400 years after her time -in 181-to be exact-the world would come to an end. The prediction caused much agitation in England when the date she set arrived. Thousands of persons deserted their homes and went out into the fields to await annihilation.

Various religious cults have made specialty in more recent years of specifying an hour as the earth's last setting forth scriptural or pseudoscientific arguments in support of their contentions.

Prof. Albert F. Porta, a meteorologist, is given credit for first thinking up today's catasthrophe.

# Court News.

South Carolina Asparagus Association vs. Greene Lumber and Crate Co, verdict for plaintiff for \$197.27. Georgianna Best against Barnwell

for plaintiff for \$2,000. J. A. Porter against J. R. Kelly and

County, a suit for damages, verdict

others, verdict for the plaintiff for \$1,079.70.

Manufacturing Barnard gainst J. H. Sanders, verdict for the

defendant \$200. J. C. Matthews against Alice D. Whittle, verdict for the plaintiff, \$1,

John Nolf and others against John Patton and others, verdict for-

# Mr. Harley Sells Three Cars.

Mr. W. D. Harley, the local Hudson-Essex automobile dealer reports the following sales in the past few days. Sherriff C. Keys Sanders, South Carolina has genuine cause Essex touring car; Mr. D. W. Brown, to be proud of the record made dur- of Meyer's Mill, a Hudson Super-six ing the past year in combating the seven passenger. Mr. W. A. Meyer, ravages of typhoid fever, the ad- of Meyer's Mill, an Essex touring car

Blackville, S. C., Dec. 19, 1919.

Dear Santa Claus:-I am writing to let you know what while in 1919, the number of deaths I want for Christmas. I would like was 294, a decrease of 175. A bet- for you to bring me a doll baby with ter understanding of the treatment curly hair, some fire works, fruit and of typhoid causes by the public gen- candy. I am seven years old and in Myrtle Woodward.

The County Auditors and Treasurtroller General that in many counties officers have "playing politics" in the matter of adding the penalty to delinquent taxes, and the local officials state that this part of the law will be rigidly enforced in Barnwell County. Taxpayers are requested, therefore, 1st if they wish to avoid payment of the penalty of one per cent Richard Care, of Donora, J. C. There is a limit to the work that a



Barbara Kerr

OMMY-TROT," christened Thomas Trotwood Birney, sprawled on the table at his father's elbow. He was engaged in printing something which he carried about with him. "It's an awful hard job, ain't it daddy? But I guess gentlemans has to do it anyway, don't we?" "What's that, Sir Thomas?" asked

his father, glancing up from his book. "Why, the New Year res-o-lution thing," answered Tomey as he laboriously put on some finishing touches. "Pretty big word, that. What about

"Yep, but then I don't say it much It's sort of like a bet. You bet you do or you bet you don't. An' I'm going to bet I do." And Tommy closed his book on a little fat finger and climbed on his father's knee.

"And what is it you're betting you'll do, Busterkins?" smiled his father, rumpling up the boy's brown curls. The child was unusually serious: he looked intently at his father. "I'm going to see about getting a lady for our home, daddy. I'm so tired being wivout one. I-I want a muvver, daddy-a muvver is so handy." And try as he might to make his declaration very matter of fact, Tommy-Trot's chin quivered and he hid his face on his father's shoulder.

Mr. Birney laid aside his pipe and for a full long minute said nothing. "So that's your New Year's resolution,



# Engaged in Printing Something.

is it, old man, to get us a lady for our home?" He somehow could not say the word mother lightly, though it had been five long years since Tommy's mother died. "It would be nice. Have you found any one, spoken to any one yet?"

"I'd like to have the lady wiv the shiny eyes that takes me to school mornings," admitted Tommy. "I asked her once was she a muvver, and she said no, just only a little boy's aunt. I spect she's so busy being a aunt that she wouldn't have any time to be a muvver," and the child sighed dejectedly. "I wisht you'd ask her daddy. Won't you?"

"Why, I don't know Miss Woodburn, old man." The father smiled a little ruefully as he' remembered that he had thought to strike up an acquaintance through the child, but Miss Woodburn had coldly repulsed him, though she had long been a fast friend of Tommy's, stopping for him to slip his hand into hers as she hurried to her schoolroom, which was in the same building as the kindergarten. "I think we have pretty good times together, after all,

Shall daddy be the bear tonight?" "I'm most afraid I'm sick, daddy," murmured the boy; "I spect I'd better

go to bed." Mr. Birney gathered Tommy-Trot up solicitously and prepared him for bed. "I wisht your lap fitted me better, daddy. I'm going to get the New Year lady's lap to fit like Benny Jones' muvver's does," complained the child,

drowsily. The next morning Miss Grace Woodburn slackened her pace, expecting Tommy to come running as usual, then she retraced her steps, walking slowly past the house. The door swung open and Mr. Birney, contless, an apron tied about his neck, frantically explained that Tommy-Trot was sies with the erous, that the doctor

RECORD OF VALUES MADE IN FARM CROPS

Record Prices and Bountiful Produc tion Total 14 Million Dollars.

Washington, Dec. 12 -Record prices and bountiful production sent the value of farm crops harvested this year to the unprecedented total of \$14,092,740,000, exceeding the value of last year's crops by almost \$1,-500,000,000.

Final estimates of production were issued today by the department of agriculture and based on prices paid Black of Springfield. Mrs. Martha to producers December 1. The area of harvested crops this year was more than 2,600,000 acres larger than last year, amounting to a total of 359,124,473 acres. Corn easily maintained its place as king of crops with a vallue of \$3,934,234,000, while cotton, including cotton seed, was second with a total value of \$2,232,913,-000. The hay crop was third with \$2,129,087,000. Wheat, combining the winter and spring crops, was fourth with \$2,028,522,000. Oats, a billion dollar crop last year, reached a total of only \$895,603,000, because of decrease in acreage.

sweet potatoes and hay were grown, while the production of all wheat, rye, and tobacco was next to the largest ever harvested.

Prices paid producers were higher this year for every crop than they were last year with the exception of beans, cranberries and oranges.

Misses Jennie and Emily Kirkland of Winthrop College, are at home for the holidays.

was trying to get a nurse, out ne feared the child would die before they could get help, as the woman who kept their cottage was away.

Fortunately Miss Woodburn had taken a first-ald course; also, in her strenuous business of being an aunt she had helped to take little Nephew Peter through a very severe attack of croup. She knew that every minute was precious. She began drawing of her gloves and unfastening her wrape as she hastened after Mr. Birney. She telephoned her assistant to take her place till further orders, then reached out her hand for the apron. Lovingly she bent over Tommy-Trot, who held

out his hand to her; deftly she smoothed his pillow, asking quick questions as to doctor's orders and follow them, all the time talking in soothing, comforting little sentences to the child. "We're good pals, aren't we. Tommy? And we're going to have some awfully good times together, aren't we? And will you make a bargain with me? When my little Peterkins was sick he did just what I wanted him to do. Will you do that, darling? If you will you may call me Aunt Grace, just as he does. Will you, dearest?"

"Ravver call you muvver," whispered the child hoarsely.

The color flooded Miss Woodburn's face, but with a little life hanging in the balance there was no time to hesitate. "All right, little man, it's a bar-



"Ravver Call You Muvver."

gain and you'll take the bad medicine

just as if it were good." Patiently she worked, sending the grateful father flying on errands, or telephoning the doctor to ask for fuller directions. No man has any conception of a woman's resourcefulness till he sees her trying to save the life of some one dangerously ill. Mr. Thomas Birney watched, fascinated, the movements of this highly competent young woman who seemed never to give him a thought except to order him about. Noon came—the afternoon was almost spent before the child was seping calmly in her arms, the crisis passed.

"We've won!" she announced to the

Mr. Clarendon Black Dead.

The death of Mr. Clarendon Black

of the Reedy Branch section on Friday night of last week was a great sorrow to the entire country. Mr. Black was one of the oldest citizens of the County, being 89 years of age and had lived a quiet life and was one of the most honest and straight forward citizens of his entire camunity. He died after a short illness at his home, and leaves surving him eight children, Riley Black, Tobias Black, Johnson Black, Jr., William H. Black of Barnwell, and Mr. M. E.

Maggie Black of Blackville. The funeral took place at his late residence and was conducted by the Rev. D. W. Heckel, his pastor, and the interment was at the Still ceme-

Grubbs and Mrs. Lizzie Grubbs, of

the Reedy Branch section, and Mrs.

tery of that section.

A Card. To the Voters of Barnwell and Allendale Counties:

On account of the arrival of the boll weevil, I will be compelled to move back to my farm in Allendale County but still feel that I am satisfactorily Record Crops of winter wheat, rice, but still I feel that I can satisfactorily represent the people of Barnwell County as well as Allendale. The more so, as my daily work is still 50 per cent in old Barnwell County, and from this fact I am thoroughly in touch with the feelings and wishes of the people regarding any question pertaining to the public welfare which may arise.

Respectfully, Dr E. W. Ellis.

Blackville, S. C., Dec. 19, 1919. Dear Santa Claus:-

I am writing to let you know what want for Xmas. I want a doll and carriage and a little bit of fruit and fire works. I am a big girl and do not want very much. I have got to close for this time. I am ten years old and in the fifth grade.

From your little girl, Mabel Woodward.

Mr. J. P. Harley, of Barnwell Route No. 2, called at The Sentinel office while in town one day last week and renewed his subscription for another year.

father, "and if you will get me a glass of hot milk I will be very grateful."

"I'm ashamed not to have thought showing the bewildered father how to of that myself," he told her remorsefully as he hurried to obey. When he returned she tried to dispatch him to get himself something to eat.

"I'd rather not," he assured her; "! do not think I could eat. I only want to make you understand how much I appreciate what you have done for me and Tommy-Tot. We'll be your devoted slaves from now on and Tommy's father will run him a close race, Miss Woodburn."

"It was mighty fortunate that I re membered that I had promised to stop for him," she said quietly. "But I think now that you had better get your dinner at once and then I will run home for mine when you return." Her tone brooked no argument, although Mr. Mecca, for vagrants, particluarly Birney much preferred to look at the picture of her holding his sleeping child than to eat.

Shortly after Miss Woodburn had her dinner Mr. Birney, in distress, telephoned that Tommy had awakened and was crying hysterically for her. Would she come and stay a little while automobile thefts now pervailing in and get him to take one more dose of Augusta. medicine? Hastily putting on her wraps, Miss Woodburn started for the Birneys', taking with her an old nurse who she knew would stay with Tommy for the night.

"You pwomised me!" he wailed. You shan't go back to Peter; I'll fwash him!"

Abashed, but smiling, Miss Woodburn soothed the child, who clung to her till she assured him over and over again that she would return in the morning, and Mrs. Brown would sta till she came back. When Tommy-Trot was finally quieted for the night, Mr. Birney insisted on taking Miss Woodburn home, and it seems that most of meantinge it is being called on at the time was spent in telling her about his family and his prospects, as though he felt it necessary that she should be thoroughly acquainted with his blography. Next day ne made the acquaintance of her father and repeated the story and much more about himself and Tommy-Trot. And as Tommy soon learned the way to the Woodburns' also the neighbors are wondering whose courtship is the most ardent, Mr. Birney's or Tommy-Trot's. But certain it is that Miss Crace Woodburn is to be the New Year indy in the Birney home.

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MANY CARS STOLEN:

BURGLARS AT WORK Not Enough Policemen to Handle

Situation. With the police department badly nandicapped by the municipal government failing to reinforce it with extra men, Augusta today is in the grip

of a crime wave which the depart-

ment, although working hard, is hard-

ly able to cope with. Automobiles are being stolen at random, show windows of Broad Street stores are being smashed with padded bricks and articles removed, residences are being burglarized and all varieties of petty thievery are go-

The two latest victims of automobile thieves are:

Miss Florida Allen, county demonstration official.

L. E. Ogletree, a commercial trav-

Miss Allen's automobile, a Dodge touring car, was stolen at 10:30 o'clock last night from in front of the Lamar Building.

Mr. Ogletree's machine, a new Ford roadster, equipped with a self-starter, was stolen from in front of the Plaza Hotel at about 11 o'clock last night.

The latter machine was taken while the owner was in conversation with another party at a distance of about

fifteen feet from where it was parked. Schneider's department store, located on the 1100 block of Broad Street, according to a report to police headquarters yesterday morning was the only victim during the past twenty-four hours of window smashing thieves. One plate glass window was smashed and two suits of clothes, several hats and a few ties, which were on display in the windows, were

It was announced at heaquarters yesterday afternoon that authorities in Crawfordville, captured two young white men, James O'Neill and Howard Brown, alleged to be from Augusta, driving a Ford roadster, which answered to the description of the car stolen from William Rountree, of Evans, Ga., from in front of the Mod-

jeska Theater Wednesday night. Chief to Investigate Chief of Police S. E. Grubbs stated last night that he will go to Crawfordville today to further investigate the case of the two men. Two officers from Richmond County also are scheduled to go to Crowfordville this morning to bring back the prisoners.

It is expected that Augusta police will seek the aid of authorities in nearby towns to check the automobile stealing. It is suspected that only a few of the stolen machines actually machines are renovated and sold as sold here, but that the majority are secreted out of Augusta and are sold in nearby cities.

Then, too, it is suspected that the rendezvous of the automobile thieves is a garage located nearby where the machines are renovated and old as second-hand property by a person claiming to be proprietor of an au-

tomobile exchange. Augusta, at present seems to be a those of the "hight class" variety, who depend on "butterflies" for their upkeep and who sleep in the day and 'sport" around at night. There is but little doubt as to those of such character being connected with the

Police Plan Crusade.

A vigorous campaign against vagrancy by the police is in the air. It is the most logical solution to the problem, and when the police do start this crusadde there will be fewer crimes in Augusta. Eighteen white men a number of negro men were arrested yesterday for vagrancy.

However, in order to be successful the department must have more men. It has been badly handicaped since the reduction of its personnel by the city several years ago, and in the present to enforce more laws than ever before in its annals.

The prohibition, vice and other laws too numerous to mention are. keeping the department on the go day and night.

The police are being critized by he public for not geeting busy but the public is not aware of the fact that the city has in its employ only four plainclothesmen and less than one hundred uniform men to protect a municipality now boasting of having approximately 54,000 inhald