

Scraps and Facts.

Chicago dispatch: Negro students at the Northwestern university are having difficulty in securing rooms.

News and Courier: Two towns in North Carolina, it is reported, have entered in earnest in the proposed boycott of the tobacco trust.

Edna, Texas, dispatch of September 13: Three men were shot and killed here this afternoon at the city jail.

A dispatch from Bloomington, Ill., to the Chicago Record-Herald says: Colonel William Jennings Bryan talked to several thousand farmers scattered over DeWitt county at the annual fair at Clinton today.

Washington Letter: There is another item of expenditure that must be reckoned with in the future.

King Edward, of England, is now conceded to be the most popular monarch of Europe.

Washington special of Saturday to the News and Courier: Senator Clay paid a flying visit to Washington today to consult the postmaster general relative to the feeling of alarm prevailing all through the south owing to the threatened curtailment of the rural free delivery service.

The subject Mr. Bristow gave the senator his personal and official assurance that the postoffice department would not interfere with any of the rural free delivery routes already established.



YORKVILLE, S. C. TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1903.

JUDGE Advocate General Davis, says a dispatch, has decided that Washington was "the front" during the civil war, and that volunteer soldiers who were stationed there are entitled to pensions.

There is no appreciable change in the Macedonian situation. Massacres continue as of daily occurrence, and there is talk of increasing danger of war between Turkey and Bulgaria.

ALTHOUGH it was at first understood otherwise, it appears that the order of the governor appointing Judge Benet to preside over the Kershaw circuit, does not affect the arrangement whereby Judge Townsend has been chosen to preside over the Tillman trial.

A TORPEDO shaped airship, about thirty feet long and containing two men passed over Indianapolis this afternoon. It came from the northwest, circled over the southern part of the city at a height of 700 feet and disappeared in an easterly direction.

We reproduce the above in order that we may take the opportunity to remark that the production of practicable airships is a small matter to the imaginative liar, who happens to be short on salable facts.

THE free pass sometimes serves other than transportation purposes. After taking a meal in an Indiana restaurant the other day, Senator Albert J. Beveridge discovered that he had no money, and sought to bolster up his credit by announcing his name.

By way of illustration, suppose the railroad commission had, three weeks ago, or even six months ago, made such an examination of Fishing creek trestle as the York county grand jury last week made of Bullock's creek trestle, it would have, in all probability, been condemned then and there, and the commission would have forbidden the running of any more trains over it until it was fixed.

ALTHOUGH Senator Tillman affects to make light of the matter and wants other people to think lightly of it, the story of the famous free pass No. 1, if it were fully investigated, would no doubt be interesting.

Boston dispatch of September 10: Grieved because the silk American flag in which she put thousands of stitches, something like 150,000 of them, was refused as a gift by President Roosevelt, Miss Marie Costeau, of 1205 Washington street, is wondering whether patriotism pays.

McBee afterward turned informer. But that did not end the story. After Mr. Tillman went to the United States senate, Bunch McBee lost his job with the Southern railroad. It was given out generally that the reason of his dismissal was because he was objectionable to Senator Tillman.

The Trestle Disaster Again. While it is not the purpose of THE ENQUIRER to try to fix the responsibility for the recent disaster at Fishing creek trestle, we desire to go on record as holding that the South Carolina railroad commission is not to be held entirely blameless in the matter.

In making this assertion, we do not want to be understood as minimizing even in the slightest degree the responsibility of the Southern railroad. If it is a fact that the accident was due to rotten timbers, and this we have every reason to believe, then there is no question but that the railroad has been criminally negligent; but still this does not excuse the commissioners, as we shall endeavor to show.

To assert that the Southern railroad willfully contributed to this catastrophe would be silly. However, shortsighted some of the railroad people may be in some things, they are not fools, nor do they lack more than any of the rest of us in their regard for human life.

But we must remember that the interests of the railroad are to be considered from another standpoint. Whatever sentiment, etc., there may be in the business of carrying passengers, it cannot be denied that its basis is profit. Probably it would be unfair to assert that the sole object of the business is profits. We think such an assertion would be unfair; but at the same time we are quite positive that if there were no hope of profit the business would not be run.

These points having been made reasonably clear, let us assume that this old trestle appeared to be rotten and worn out, and that it had been reported by the employes as dangerous, does it seem remarkable that the higher officials should have been inclined to take some risks in postponing the repairs, possibly in the interest of some other work that appeared to be more pressing?

The general assembly knows full well that railroads understand the terrible expense of disasters of this kind, and it knows also that railroads understand best how to guard against such disasters. At the same time, however, the general assembly appreciates that element of chance which enters into the proposition—how a railroad company may be tempted to take risks for the sake of profits and that is probably why it set the railroad commission as a guard over the railroads.

Benet instead of Townsend. Columbia special of Saturday to Greenville News: Gov. Heyward this morning commissioned former Judge W. C. Benet as a special judge to hold court at Kershaw, for the week beginning Monday. The appointment is made because of the sickness of Judge G. W. Gage, who is the regular circuit judge.

with which the silk of the stripes were sewed was chosen with care, and the forty-five stars embroidered on their field cost \$1 each. When the flag was finished, Miss Costeau placed it in a satin box and sent it to the president with best wishes and the hope that he might find it available for his personal use.

MERE-MENTION. The physicians who had charge of the case of the late Pope Leo, now assert that they understood the true nature of his illness from the first; but the information was suppressed because Cardinal Rampolla refused absolutely to allow it to go on the bulletin board.

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ACTING ON RECOMMENDATIONS. The recommendations of the special committee of the grand jury which were served on the Southern railroad last week have been treated by the railroad company with the most commendable consideration.

Through a telephone message from Hickory Grove this morning, THE ENQUIRER learned that the rebuilding of the Bullock's creek trestle has almost been completed.

SAM JONES HAS ANOTHER FIGHT.—Rev. Sam P. Jones and Postmaster Walter Akerman had a fist fight on Bank block in Cartersville, Ga., yesterday morning, says a dispatch to the Atlanta Journal.

Mr. Jones denounced Akerman for selling wine and threatened to report him to President Roosevelt if he did not stop.

Mr. Jones called at the postoffice this morning and asked Mr. Akerman if he would stop selling wine.

COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE. Acting on the recommendation of the chairman, C. W. Garris, in his report on the wreck at Fishing creek, says the Columbia correspondent of the News and Courier, the board of railroad commissioners on Saturday addressed a letter to Superintendent J. A. Heether, superintendent of the Charleston division of the Southern railway, ordering him to appear before the board on September 21.

Witnesses will be heard from the railroad authorities and the chairman of the board, Mr. Garris, stated Saturday: "That he had addressed letters to the editors of THE YORKVILLE ENQUIRER and the Rock Hill Herald, asking that they furnish names of a few responsible parties in York county to testify in the case."

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Will Anderson—Has lost two ten dollar bills, and requests the finder to notify him through The Enquirer of Office.

First National Bank—Publishes an official statement of its condition at the close of business on September 9th.

Jas. M. Starr & Co.—Say that now is a good time to pay for the fertilizers bought last spring.

C. F. Lowrance & Co.—Want to purchase all kinds of country produce and promise the top of the market.

York Drug Store—Asks you to think of it when in need of any kind of school supplies. It has everything needed in this line.

T. W. Speck, The Jeweler—Asks what you shall do with your old jewelry. He suggests different articles in cut glass and sterling silverware, and offers to duplicate the prices of small order houses.

W. M. Kennedy, Agent—Has his new fall style book of Lamm & Co., and invites you to see the styles and let him take your measure for clothing.

PICNIC AT BETHANY. There were four or five hundred people at the educational rally at the Presbyterian High school last Saturday, and the people enjoyed themselves thoroughly listening to good music and good speeches and in eating the good things of that hospitable section.

Music was furnished by the King's Mountain cornet band, and dinner was served in family groups to which all strangers were invited.

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the 21st day of September, and that you have present with you your superintendent of bridges, roadmaster and section master, whose duty it was to constantly observe the bridge at Fishing creek. It is the law that this board, on occasions of this kind, subpoena you regularly, but we presume that you will require no legal formalities, and we content ourselves to address you informally, but you will do us the kindness, however, to advise us at once, whether you can be present on the date named.

NOTE AND COMMENT. The corn yield of this section promises to be fairly good this year.

Mr. A. W. Bradford has sent THE ENQUIRER a sweet potato vine that measures fourteen feet in length. It came from a potato patch belonging to Mr. T. M. Whisonant of Hickory Grove.

Since last Saturday trains have been running over Catawba bridge at the rate of ten miles an hour and over Bullock's creek trestle at the rate of only four miles an hour. This is because of the recent caution from the grand jury.

The King's Mountain chapter, D. A. R. is making great preparations for the unveiling of their monument to the heroes of the field of Huck's defeat on October first. An attractive programme has been arranged, and it is expected that it will prove the red-letter-day of the chapter's life and work since its organization.

The grand jury of York, says the Charleston Post, seems to have proceeded without regard to the dictum of Railroad Commissioner Garris that the only legal method of fixing the responsibility of a railroad company for dangerous condition of its trestles is by suits for damages to those injured in an accident.

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Mr. Walker Latimer left on Monday for Sumter where he has accepted a position with the Sumter Telephone company.

Mr. Jennings K. Owens has given up his position as editor of the Rock Hill Journal, and gone to Owens, Miss. He left last Saturday.

Mrs. J. B. Mackorell of Lancaster, and Miss Lizzie Mohan of Chesterfield, are visiting in Yorkville, the guests of Mr. J. C. Elliott.

Misses Daniels and Whisonant arrived in Yorkville last Saturday and commenced their work in the Graded school on Monday.

health nearly all summer and who hopes to be benefitted by the change. Rock Hill Herald, Saturday: Mr. J. H. B. Jenkins has tendered his resignation to the mayor as first assistant policeman of this city, to take effect on Tuesday next.

WITHIN THE TOWN. Business has been unusually good during the past week or ten days, cotton receipts being beyond expectations.

Secretary and Treasurer Witherspoon is ready to accept for Commercial club membership fees. His receipts are in shape of stock certificates of the par value of ten dollars each.

The second floor of the Witherspoon building on the corner of Congress and Liberty street is being remodeled for the accommodation of the Commercial club, which is to make its home there.

Mr. Louis Roth has remodeled his store room so as to permit the use of the up-stairs for additional goods. He intends to handle clothing, shoes and certain lines of dry goods more extensively than heretofore.

Yorkville buyers paid from \$1.50 to \$2.00 more per bale for cotton last Saturday than did the buyers of surrounding towns. They not only bought everything they could from wagons, but took the receipts of several surrounding buyers.

A very pleasant entertainment was given in the opera house on Friday evening by Mr. W. Bedford Moore, complimentary to the cadets of the K. M. A., and the young ladies who are leaving this week for their respective schools.

In another column is an announcement of the result of Mr. J. Q. Wray's sewing machine contest, which closed at noon today. The contest has been in progress since last summer and has excited much interest.

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