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## SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS PUT IN PARAGRAPHS

### HAPPENINGS OF INTEREST IN THE STATE GATHERED FROM OUR EXCHANGES.

The cotton mills of South Carolina consumed 731,318 bales of cotton last year.

B. B. Brice died at his home at Sandy Springs, Anderson county, on Sunday last at the age of 91.

It is expected that the G. S. & S. railway will be in operation between Spartanburg and Greenville by January 1.

The pellagra conference, which was to have taken place in Spartanburg August 29, has been postponed until September 3.

The federal department of agriculture has released Abbeville and Chester counties from the cattle tick quarantine.

The Yorkville Publishing company has been chartered with a capital stock of \$12,000. The purpose is to publish a semi-weekly paper.

The Greenville News says that the court meets next Monday. It will find 53 persons in jail awaiting trial for various offenses.

A six-year-old negro boy was shot and killed in York county Monday by his four-year-old brother, while they were playing with a shotgun.

On Thursday dirt was broken for the new Methodist church at Johnston, on the ground of the former office, and will cost approximately \$16,000.

Dr. A. D. Gilmour, pastor of Purdy Presbyterian church, of Chester, has been elected to a chair in the Union Theological seminary, New York.

Garfield Richardson, out on parole, under two-year sentence for stealing a bicycle, stole another bicycle at Sumter Sunday and was arrested.

A number of twenty-pound parcel post packages have been received at the Greenwood postoffice recently. Umbrellas and push carts are among the articles that have been received.

Rev. W. A. Julian, a Lutheran minister, well known in this state, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. S. C. Ballentine, Leesville, on Tuesday, aged 83 years.

Clemson college will open the 14th of September. Already 821 applications have been accepted, and it is supposed the number of students will be about a thousand.

Fred Stafford, a white barber, was shot and seriously wounded in one of the "social" clubs in Spartanburg Sunday night by John Queen. The wounded man will likely die.

Calvin Blackwell, colored, aged 7, died in Anderson Monday night of hydrophobia, having been bitten 4 weeks ago by the same mad dog that bit Dora Cochran, colored, who died last Thursday night.

Two Columbia boys, aged 12 and 14, are in Lexington jail charged with larceny, having been arrested yesterday by Sheriff Miller on the charge of entering the home of a farmer and stealing his shotgun.

Will DeLoach, assistant postmaster at Ninety Six, committed suicide Sunday night by throwing himself into the pond at the Ninety Six station mills. He had threatened to kill himself.

Robert F. Bryant was elected mayor of Orangeburg on Tuesday by 92 votes over the incumbent, Wm. E. Sain, who got 197. Orangeburg is to have a commission form of government, with a mayor and two deputies.

Nettles Ridgeway was shot and seriously wounded at Bloomville, Clarendon county, on Saturday by Howard Hodges. The trouble arose from Ridgeway's running away to Florida to Hodges's sister, though he is a married man.

A wild horse belonging to George Douglas, frightened at an automobile in Bennettsville on Friday, ran through the buggy through a plate glass window into McCall Weather's store. J. R. Lyles, aged 80, was run over by the horse inside the store and seriously hurt.

A telegram from Denver, Col., on Friday reports the drowning of W. Watts, formerly of Laurens. Mr. Watts was forty and unmarried, and had been out west interested in an electrical plant for the past ten years. He had just returned to Laurens from a visit to his mother, Mrs. Josephine Watts, at Laurens.

Scrap Jones was shot with a shot in the head by John Jones, colored, at Ninety Six, Orangeburg county, Wednesday, the wound being in the head. The only provocation seems to have been that the white man asked the negro to pay for a pair of shoes he had sold him or work it out. The negro was arrested and is in jail.

At a meeting of the board of trustees of Erskine college at Greenwood on Thursday Rev. E. B. Kenith was elected to the chair of exhortation and French in place of Prof. Andrew Ph. who had resigned. The board voted to increase the endowment fund from \$100,000 to \$200,000. Dr. Moffatt to act as financial agent in raising the fund.

At Grace Church. There will be services in Grace church on Sunday, Aug. 31st, as follows: Celebration of the Holy Communion, 7:30 a. m.; Morning Prayer and Sermon, 11:00 a. m.; Evening Prayer, 6:00 p. m. The Rev. F. H. Harding, will officiate.

## GEORGE GILMAN ALEXANDER

### Died at His Home Here Wednesday Morning—Funeral Yesterday.

This entire community was shocked and saddened Wednesday when the news was spread that Mr. Geo. Gilman Alexander, city clerk and treasurer, and one of Camden's most prominent and highly respected citizens, had passed away at his home residence at about seven o'clock. He had been confined to his bed for a little more than three weeks, and though it was known that his condition was quite grave, it was considered that he was steadily improving, and the end came as a surprise to all Camden.

Mr. Alexander was 67 years of age, having been born in Camden January 9, 1846, the son of Isaac Alexander and great grandson of Abraham Alexander, chairman of the committee which drew up and signed the Mecklenburg Declaration. During his entire life he has been identified with the public life of this section and has served the community in many capacities. As a member of Company K, Waterloo Mounted Riflemen, 7th South Carolina Cavalry, he served during the entire War Between the States under Colonel A. C. Haskell and Captain D. St. Pierre DuBose. The fearlessness which characterized his entire life, characterized him as a soldier.

After the close of the war Mr. Alexander spent seven years in New York city as a printer, working on such publications as Leslies Weekly and the like. Leaving New York he returned to Camden.

From 1882 to 1884 he was mayor of Camden, and served Kershaw county as state senator during the administration of Governor Richardson. For many years he was editor of the Camden Journal, and for two terms was post master at Camden.

In every walk of life Mr. Alexander proved himself a man of indomitable courage, and enjoyed a well deserved reputation for uprightness, honesty and integrity. His loss is keenly and broadly felt and he is mourned by a host of admiring friends.

Besides his wife, one brother, Dr. I. H. Alexander, and a sister, Mrs. J. T. Hirschman, he is survived by six children: G. G. Alexander, Jr., Mrs. John F. Jenkins, of Ocala, Fla., Isaac B. Alexander, of Jacksonville, and Misses Elizabeth M. Minnie and Emily Alexander.

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## FRANK FOUND GUILTY.

### After Twenty-Nine Days Famous Trial Comes to End.

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 25.—At 4:56 o'clock this afternoon the jury in the case of Leo M. Frank, on trial for the murder of Mary Phagan, found the defendant guilty. No recommendations were made by the jury.

Judge Roan's charge to the jury, delivered immediately after he had over-ruled a motion of the defense for a mistrial, was terse and direct. During the trial much stress was placed by both sides on the question of Frank's character. Judge Roan charged the jury that while evidence of the defendant's good reputation previous to the death of Mary Phagan was to be considered possibly as creating a doubt of his guilt, such evidence would not suffice to clear him if, in the opinion of the jury, other evidence was sufficient to show that he had committed the crime charged against him.

Frank showed no visible signs of emotion when he was informed that he had been found guilty. The factory superintendent's wife was with the prisoner when the message was delivered and she collapsed.

More than an hour before Frank was notified, the jury's verdict of murder in the first degree was received with a noisy demonstration by the crowd, estimated at more than 2,000 persons which had assembled outside the court house. All spectators were excluded from the court room before the verdict was announced. By agreement of counsel the prisoner was permitted to remain in his cell at the county jail. Only lawyers, court officials and newspaper men heard the verdict.

After listening to the presentation of evidence and argument of counsel for more than four weeks the jury retired at 12:47 o'clock this afternoon when Judge Roan concluded his charge. Shortly after 4 o'clock it was announced that a verdict had been reached but it was nearly 5 o'clock before the jury returned to the court room.

As the news was flashed to the crowd outside there was loud cheering. Mounted policemen rode thru the crowd in an effort to disperse it but the demonstration continued unabated.

Solicitor Dorsey, who conducted the prosecution was the first person to leave the court room. As he stepped into the street he was lifted to the shoulders of several men and carried thru the shouting crowd.

On account of the demonstration Judge Roan announced that he would not sentence the prisoner until tomorrow and possibly later.

The judge was also cheered when he left the court room. Counsel for the defendant announced that a motion for a new trial would be made immediately.

Mary Phagan's body was found in the basement of the National pencil factory early on the morning of the 27th of April. She had previously been employed at the factory, and had gone there at noon on April 26 for a small amount of wages due her. Near her body were found two notes, on which were scrawled accusations against a "long, black negro."

Newt Lee, negro night watchman of the factory, who found the body was immediately arrested on suspicion. Supt. Frank and several other persons connected with the plant, were detained several days later. Among these was James Conley, negro sweeper.

After an exhaustive coroner's investigation, Frank and Lee were bound over to the grand jury. Frank was indicted for murder on May 24. Lee is still held in jail, as is James Conley.

Frank's trial began July 28. The State built a basis of circumstantial evidence and then called James Conley to the stand to give the only direct testimony against the defendant. Conley swore he had stood as guard outside the factory office while Frank was closeted with the girl who had come for her pay and later helped Frank carry the body to the basement. The negro also told a revolting story of other alleged incidents at the factory office, charging the defendant with degeneracy.

Late in the trial the defendant made a statement denying any knowledge of the crime.

Frank asserted to friends who visited him in his cell: "I am as innocent now as I was a year ago." His appearance and general demeanor remained as impassive as through out the trial.

Rabbi David Marx is quoted as saying: "I am stunned. I cannot believe it. I know he is innocent. I know he is incapable of such a crime. I ask the public to suspend final judgment until an appeal for a new trial is made."

To Hang October 10. Atlanta, Aug. 26.—Judge Roan today sentenced Leo Frank, convicted of the murder of Mary Phagan to be hanged on October 10th. Frank received the sentence stoically. Luther Rosser, the defense attorney, immediately moved for a new trial. He declared that if the motion is denied he will carry the case to the supreme court of Georgia.

Protests His Innocence. Judge Roan set October 4 for the date for hearing arguments for the defense on the motion for a new trial. Only thirty persons were present when sentence was passed on Frank. He declared his innocence just before the judge sentenced him.

## HARD WORDS TO SPELL.

### How Many of These Could One Write Correctly From Memory?

The freshmen in the state university did not cover themselves with glory in a recent test—probably because they were too far away from the spelling books of their younger days, says the Chicago Inter-Ocean.

Fifty words in every day use—no trick words—were given out to 46 freshmen in the English composition classes, and the average grade of the papers turned in was only 55 per cent.

About half of these freshmen were just beginning their English work in the university; the others had had one semester of it. The latter group made slightly better grades than the beginners. Three students tied for the highest mark with seven misspelled words each; the worst record of the lot was 36 mistakes.

Of the 50 words in the list "consensus" proved the greatest stumbling block. Thirty-eight students—all except eight—got it wrong, most of them beginning the second syllable with "c" instead of "s."

Next in order was "renaissance," misspelled by 36, followed by diphtheria, on which 35 tripped.

Rhythm, the most misspelled word in a test at the University of Virginia, got 34 victims, being tied with judgment, supersede, indispensable, and hypocrisy.

The easiest word proved to be receivers, which only one student got twisted. Separate, the bugbear of the average grade school student, brought down only seven.

Here are the other words in the list, with the number of times that each was misspelled:

Innocuous 32, kimono 31, luscious 30, chaffeur 29, villain 29, dirigible 27, occurrence 27, inoculate 25, prerogative 25, adviser 25, embarrass 24, accommodate 23, aeronautics 21, battalion 21, kerosene 21, privilege 21, benefited 20, twelfth 18, nickel 17, procedure 16, occasionally 15, development 15, weird 15, vacuum 15, harass 15, initiate 15, indictment 14, prophecy 14, its (possessive of it) 13, lose 12, vacillate 11, precede 11, opportunity 10, laundery 10, mirth 9, discipline 9, laboratory 8, biplane 8, apparatus 6, advisory 2.

Careless Proofreading. We have just glanced through a few of our exchanges to see what they call their humorous column. In one it is called "In a Lighter Vein" in another "Bits of Humor" and in a third "May Cause a Smile."

Many of the bits of humor that cause a smile are met with in a newspaper office, sometimes in copy that is not written in a lighter vein. These are due to unfortunate slips of type. The majority of these do not get beyond the watchful eye of the proofreader. "Spreading a few weeks in the mountains" may have been true of the newly married couple on their bridal tour, but the copy only said that they were spending a few weeks in the mountains. Nehemiah as "a man who prayed and lied" does not appear so well as when we turn to the copy and read "the man who prayed and lied."

"She wore his gown" was a far cry from the "The work has grown."

Occasionally one of these errors gets by the proofreader and, it may be true, amuses the reader but mortifies the author. An editorial was written a few years ago on the "Laborer Abundant" of one of our missionaries, but what was written appeared under the head of "Saloons Abundant." There is a stock joke of a veteran of the War Between the States, who was like some other men in that he was fond of his dram. He was visiting in the West and the local editor attempted to say something nice about him, but an "o" got in where "a" should have been and the veteran was offended and the editor humbled because the notice referred to the former as a "boodle scarred veteran."

The next week an effort was made to correct the error and this is what appeared, "A battle scarred veteran."—Associate Reformed Presbyterian.

Winsoro Takes Two. Winsoro took two out of the three games of ball played here last week. The first was won by a large score and Manager Gelsenheimer strengthened his team so that Tuesday's game was a pretty exhibition of ball, going to Camden by a close score. The last game commenced pretty well, but the team scoring in the first inning, but went to the bag in the second inning—the visitors piling up six runs in this inning owing to several glaring errors on the part of a Camden player.

Mr. A. L. Gelsenheimer worked hard for the success of the series and succeeded in getting a fairly good attendance at all the games. As it was the first games of the season the fans enjoyed the sport and we are hoping other games will be arranged before the season is too far gone.

Robbed Postoffice. An automobile with two of the penitentiary's blood hounds passed thru Camden Sunday morning, enroute to Lynchburg in Lee county. They were to be put on the trail of the thief who broke into the postoffice at that place. The building was entered about 2 a. m. Sunday and robbed of twenty dollars in cash. A policeman discovered the man in the act, but let him escape thru the rear door. He carried the money till off some distance from the building and then robbed it. The dogs could not catch the trail and there is no clue to the thief.

## ADVERTISING THE SOUTH.

### Atlantic Coast Line Sends Exhibit Car to Attract Settlers.

The Atlantic Coast Line's specially equipped exhibit car left Wilmington Monday night, the 18th, with one of the very best Southern exhibits that has ever been sent out, with a view to attract settlers to the Atlantic Coast Line territory, viz: Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida and Alabama.

The first stop will be the Canadian National Exposition, which will be held at Toronto, August 3rd to September 8th. Then the car will double back and the exhibit will be displayed at various fairs in New York State, and the New England States, until November 1st.

The exhibit consists of sixty-three glass jars of fruits and vegetables; seventeen glass jars of grain; peanuts, peas, rice, etc.; fifteen glass jars of pecan nuts; Georgia and Florida cane syrup; three large cases of grain in straw, forage grasses, tobacco, corn; peanuts and miscellaneous products; grape fruit, pineapples, watermelons, sugar cane; twenty small bales of different kinds of hay grown in the South; coconuts; a small bale of cotton; cotton on the stalk; sweet potatoes; corn on the stalk, showing the prolific varieties with four to six ears to the stalk.

A great deal of time was consumed in getting the very best products grown in the South, and much time was consumed in preparing and putting up this exhibit in an attractive manner.

A fact which the Southern farmer should be proud of is that this exceptional exhibit was secured from regular farms and not a single item from an experimental farm.

In addition to their regular "Nation's Garden Spot" booklet, they prepared a very handsome booklet containing twenty-five beautiful agricultural and horticultural views along the Atlantic Coast Line, especially for distribution on this trip.

The exhibit is in charge of two experienced men who will take special pains to explain the exhibit and the conditions in the South to all visitors.

We think this kind of advertising should certainly attract settlers to this unexcelled country if they can be attracted.

On Charge of Burglary. Armed with an old-fashioned 41 calibre, rim fire, eight-inch barrel revolver, a negro who says he is John Williams of Camden was arrested at the Seaboard Air Line station last night when train No. 1 arrived. Earlier in the evening the sheriff of Kershaw county had telephoned from Camden that a negro wanted for burglary in Kershaw county was supposed to be on that train. Sergeant Irby and Detective Richardson were detailed to meet the train, and when this negro, who answered the description furnished by the Kershaw officer, alighted he was put under arrest. He was brought to jail and the dangerous weapon was found on his person. He was held on the double charge of burglary and carrying concealed weapons and the Kershaw officer was notified of his arrest.—Monday's State.

Sheriff Huckabee went to Columbia Monday for Williams and he is now in jail. The negro is charged with having burglarized K. S. Villipue's store just north of Camden several months ago.

For Sale. Four room cottage on Hampton Avenue, lot 108x150 ft., price \$1,500. Cash or terms. C. P. DuBose & Co., Agents, Camden, S. C.

HELP SOUTHERN PRODUCERS Find Markets For The Products of The Soil.

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 26.—"To Help Southern Producers Find Markets for the Products of the Soil" is the slogan of the market department of the Southern Railway and affiliated lines, (including the Mobile and Ohio, the Cincinnati, New Orleans and Texas Pacific, the Alabama Gt. Southern, and the Georgia, Southern and Florida,) and with this end in view, two booklets have recently been issued which should prove of great value to fruit, vegetable, and truck growers of the southeastern territory.

One of these booklets contains a complete list as could be compiled of the brokers, commission merchants, jobbers and receivers of vegetables and berries located at the principal cities of the United States and Canada east of the Rocky mountains. The booklets give the names of dealers, character of business, and commodities handled, in each town together with the population of the town. A copy will be furnished free of charge to any grower of vegetables or berries along the line of the Southern Railway or affiliated lines. The second booklet contains a list of the fruit, vegetable, and melon growers in the territory served by the Mobile and Ohio Railroad and the Southern Railway in Mississippi and will be placed in the hands of dealers throughout the North and East. It is planned to issue similar booklets covering other territory thruout the Southeast.

The work of the market department is in the hands of market agents located at Atlanta, St. Louis, Cincinnati, and Washington whose services are at all times at the disposal of farmers living along the Southern Railway and affiliated lines.

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### MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST SECURED BY OUR REPORTERS.

Mr. E. J. McLeod spent Saturday in Columbia.

Mr. Bratton deLoach was at Fairfax this week.

Miss Nan Hough has returned from Bennettsville.

Mr. N. O. Epps spent the weekend at Jacksonville.

Mrs. S. A. McCaskill is visiting her father at Union.

Mr. Walter Parker spent Sunday at the Isle of Palms.

Mrs. A. E. Robertson spent Tuesday in Charlotte, N. C.

Mrs. Ella Twitty has returned from a visit to Richmond.

Mrs. Lewis Clyburn and daughter have returned from Savannah.