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Camden, S. C., February 26, 1915.

The plant of the Newberry Herald and News was sold last Saturday. Since the sale a plan has been devised for continuing the publication. Col. E. H. Aull to continue as editor and the Herald and News Company to be the publisher. The publication will probably be renewed this week.

Some miscreant with a parlor rifle assassinated a chicken belonging to Editor Hamel, of the Kershaw Era, while said chicken was quietly feeding in his back yard. It was a mean act, and the culprit should have been only too glad to know that the editor owned a chicken instead of killing it.

We have read the compulsory education bill and intend within the next week or so to give it to our readers in full. It is quite a lengthy piece of legislation and it will take quite a lot of study for the average school trustee to see just what the general assembly was driving at. To our way of looking at it it seems that it could have been put in fewer words.

In publishing the roll of honor for the Camden Graded School last week the superintendent left out several names. The telephone tells us that there is going to be war, bloody war, if the like ever happens again, and we want to tell these teachers that they had best not leave out any more names in the future.

Many of the towns of the state will cut out their horse show this year. The Camden Horse Show under the auspices of the Camden Polo Club will be held as usual—the dates being March 17 and 19, and it promises to be better than ever. The premium lists are now being mailed out.

The News and Courier says that two cabbage plant growers on Yonge's Island shipped 2,800,000 cabbage plants on Thursday, and that 175,000,000 plants are shipped from Yonge's Island and Meggett's annually during the months of January, February and March.

Capt. Charles Petty, associate editor of the Spartanburg Journal, and possibly the oldest newspaper man in South Carolina, died at Spartanburg Tuesday at his residence on North Dean street, after a short illness. He was 80 years of age, and until ten days ago was regularly at his desk in the newspaper office. He was a Confederate soldier and served with distinction throughout the War Between the States. He was at Gettysburg and surrendered at Appomattox Court House.

Some of the leading papers seem to think that Russia's game is to let Germany capture an enormous amount of her prisoners and in that way help in a manner to starve Germany without the slaughter of her men. From recent reported captures of enormous number of Russians it looks as if there may be something to it.

The Boyd-Carlisle bill, prohibiting tipping in South Carolina, has been passed by both houses of the general assembly. The law prohibits the giving of money to employees of any public place.

Canvassers for a lyceum attraction have been in the city for the past week endeavoring to get a guarantee for their company. Failing in their effort to get a sufficient guarantee they have been endeavoring to sell enough season tickets to warrant the attraction coming here. They have endeavored to get the Civic League behind the proposition, but have failed. Their idea is to get a guarantee of \$300 and all over that the League will receive 50 per cent. It looks to us if the attraction is as good as the promoters tout it to be, the company should have no hesitancy in coming on their own hook. We are glad the Civic League did not fall for it, and The Chronicle is another that did not take any stock in it. We are ready and willing at all times to help any worthy home enterprise, but we do not care to put money in and boost something that we know absolutely nothing about.

WORK OF LEGISLATORS.

List of Many Important Bills Passed at Recent Session.

The session of the general assembly which adjourned on Saturday night passed many bills of State-wide interest. Among the many important bills passed were the following:

- Reformation of the management of the state hospital for the insane.
- Provision for a fund of \$150,000 for consecutive years for the development of the hospital property.
- Compulsory education system.
- Medical inspection of school children.
- The board of charities and corrections.
- Enactment of Democratic party requirements for the reform of the primary system.
- Adoption of the Australian ballot system for the city of Charleston.
- Adoption of a mild form of the Torrens' system as to the registration of land titles.
- Provision for a tax commission with ample authority for the revision and adjustment of all assessments and taxes in the state.
- Provision for a bureau to handle welfare work in mill communities and the appointment of a special agent in charge of this work.
- Reformation and concentration of authority in various counties notably Greenville and Richland.
- Proposition by which communities or counties can tax themselves for the establishment of public libraries.
- An important innovation which provides that the State bank examiner or his assistants make regular expert examination of all State and county offices and institutions receiving public support.
- The State undertaking to quarry and grind limestone for sale to farmers at actual cost, the work to be done by convict labor.
- Re-establishment of the use of interchangeable mileage, force out of use by the enactment of a law requiring the railroads to adopt mileage books in this state for individual railroads. This will bring into force the sale of old style mileage books, good on all larger railroad systems in and out of the state.
- The decided development of the policy of bond issues for permanent road work as illustrated by the legislation for Greenville, Richland, Anderson, Chesterfield, Union and other counties.
- The adoption of an appropriation bill that is in consonance with the development of the State and which at the same time does not show an increase in the levy over previous years.
- The reorganization of the Confederate Infirmary.
- The reorganization of the historical commission so as to take it away from politics as far as possible.
- The increase in the Confederate pension fund from \$250,000 to \$300,000 and the removal of all property restrictions in the granting of pensions.
- The passage of the Webb liquor law with reference to the importation into this state of whiskey.
- The adoption and approval of the referendum bill by which the people of the state will next September vote on the question of statewide prohibition.
- The repeal of the cotton acreage statute.
- The last three propositions were not a part of the administration propaganda but have developed in the course of legislation.
- The only thing that might be called freak legislation was the passage of the bill through both Houses providing a punishment for giving tips to railroad porters, waiters at hotels and other public servants.
- The primary election bill, compulsory school attendance bill, establishing a state board of charities and corrections, asylum bills, tax commission, medical inspection of school children commission to investigate the workman's compensation act, and the bill, providing for the examination of all state offices and institutions by the State bank examiner, are administration measures, and were recommended and had the warm support of Gov. Manning. He is particularly pleased with the results of the session.
- The house of representatives on Thursday night refused to agree to a legislative investigation of the Confederate Infirmary in Columbia, which was proposed by Mr. Martin of Kershaw, in a concurrent resolution.
- The senate on Friday killed a resolution offered by Senator Goodwin for an appropriation of \$10,000 to pay the railroad fare of South Carolina veterans attending the Confederate reunion in Richmond.
- A. B. Flowers, a prominent farmer of Florence county, was severely stabbed by John Turner, a drunken negro farm hand last week. The cutting occurred when the farmer remonstrated with the negro on account of his conduct.
- Nelson L. Stark, of Bozrahville, Ct., invited every one in the town to a banquet to celebrate his election to the general assembly.

PROF. GUNTER WRITES OF COUNTY SCHOOLS.

Made Visit to This County and Gives Praise to Educational Work as He Found It.

Writing under date of February 16, 1915, from Columbia, S. C., Prof. Luceo Gunter, State Supervisor of Rural Schools, has addressed the following communication to County Superintendent of Education C. W. Birchmore, relative to the schools of Kershaw County:

It was a pleasure to the State Supervisor of Rural Schools to spend four days in the schools of your county in the company of yourself and your county rural school supervisor. The people of Kershaw County, it seems to me, deserve congratulations for the improvement that they have made in the past few years. A study of school conditions in Kershaw County had been made from reports, and newspaper accounts of educational progress in the county had been read, but the State Supervisor is pleased to report that the schools are in better condition than he had hoped to find them.

In the matter of adequate buildings especially, great success has been achieved. We found several modern school buildings, ideal as they represent the purpose and needs of the communities contributing to their erection. The present school building law and appropriation are being used to give people in various sections over the state just this type of modern building. Your county has prospered greatly by the appropriation and your people deserve congratulations for their alertness to reap the advantages that the law provides.

We saw several buildings that are well constructed, provide adequate facilities for the proper instruction for the children in the community, but are not modern in design. Unfortunately, the building bulletin and plans had not been consulted in the erection of these buildings, but substantially built as they are, and neat in finish, at a small outlay of funds many of these buildings could be made to conform to modern plans.

We visited some communities where the buildings are wholly inadequate and new ones need to be erected. From expressions on the part of the people in these communities, I feel sure that new buildings will be erected at these places within a short time.

As to the teaching, the State Supervisor is pleased to report that he saw during the week as good teaching in Kershaw County as he has ever seen anywhere. From a study of your report, the Supervisor is pleased to state also that your salary for competent teachers is as large as is to be found in most of the counties in the State.

Classroom efficiency is a need everywhere and every good teacher is always striving to become more efficient. As a rule this spirit among your teachers was as manifest as I have found in any other county in the State. This condition is doubtless the result mainly of your own activity and the constant study and persistent efforts of your capable supervisors of schools.

With the business details of your office it is impossible for any superintendent to give the necessary time and attention to the improvement of the teachers' in classroom instruction that this matter demands. It was a wise step, therefore, that Kershaw county took in placing a competent supervisor in charge of this work. With a continuation of this work in Kershaw County incompetency in the teaching corps will be weeded out; the competent will become more competent, and the classroom work will become more and more efficient.

Consolidation of schools is hardly a great problem in Kershaw County. There are a few that could be combined, and doubtless will be combined in a few years, but your schools are at present so well distributed over the county that this does not seem to be one of your problems.

The State Supervisor was especially pleased to find in almost every school so large a percentage of attendance on enrollment. The enrollment of all the pupils in a district and the regular attendance of all the pupils is the work of the officials and the teaching force in every community and in every county. The attendance now in the schools would indicate that the average for the county the present scholastic year will be considerably improved over the past year.

The one great need of Kershaw County, in the opinion of the State Supervisor, is a longer school term. In the matter of buildings, the quality of teaching, the attendance and interest of the pupils, Kershaw County is abreast of the leading counties in the State. But your children cannot be educated with less than a 7-month school term. It seems to me, therefore, that the attention and interest of the people should be immediately centered upon the lengthening of the school term. This can be done only by the voting of special taxes. With the return of normal financial conditions the people will doubtless respond to appeals for longer school terms.

I wish to express my appreciation of the kindnesses shown by the State Supervisor in every community visited by us. I wish to record also my gratification at the confidence that the people of Kershaw County have in the leadership of their county superintendent. I shall look forward to do anything within my power to further the interests of the schools in your charge.

There is a likelihood of the government discontinuing a number of rural routes in sparsely settled communities who do not make an average of a certain number of pieces of mail handled. This would mean a decided inconvenience to many of the patrons of the rural routes to have their daily mail facilities cut off from their very door. A good way to help out in this matter would be to send in a subscription to your county paper or as many papers as you could afford to take—it might help out in keeping your route going.

A Berlin professor estimates the commercial value in electricity of a flash of lightning lasting for one-thousandth of a second at 20 cents.

Polo This Afternoon.

A game of polo is scheduled for this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The Whites—E. Shaw, A. G. Mites, B. Hill, and A. Perkins, will play the Blues—C. R. Little, N. C. Boykin, E. Y. Clausen, and K. G. Whistler.

Coburn Coming Back.

J. A. Coburn's Greater Minstrels are scheduled to appear at the Camden Opera House March 18th. Press comments say the show this year is the best ever sent out on the road. Many of the old favorites such as Charlie Gano, Nick Glynn, Lester Lucas and many others famous in minstrelsy are in the company this year and they will be greeted with a full house as usual.

GENERAL NEWS NOTES.

The house of representatives on Friday killed the Carlisle bill to permit Luther K. Brice of Spartanburg, to practice law without complying with all the requirements of the act regulating admission to the bar. Brice is not 21 years old and therefore not admissible to practice law.

The Greenville county legislative delegation has reduced the salary of Sheriff Rector of Greenville from \$2,100 to \$1,800 per year. The county will pay the sheriff's deputy \$1,200 per year and will also provide for a bookkeeper for the sheriff's office at a salary of \$360 per year.

Three men were arrested at Tyler'sville, in Laurens county, last week, charged with stealing cotton from a field and selling to a merchant. A warrant has been issued for George Clardy, the merchant who bought the cotton, charging him with buying loose cotton after dark.

The ways and means committee of the house on Thursday presented Representative George W. Dick, of Sumter, with a glass punch bowl, in token of their esteem. Representative Dick, who is the present chairman of the ways and means committee of the house of representatives, will resign his seat shortly to become postmaster of Sumter.

The "gallon a month" act of the general assembly under the bill looking to have South Carolina receive the benefits of the Webb-Kenyon act has been signed by Gov. Manning. The act will go into effect in 20 days.

The forest fire which started Saturday afternoon on Paris mountain near Greenville was extinguished by the rain, which fell Tuesday morning. Possibly one-fourth of the western face of the mountain was burned off by the flames. The extent of the damage is not known, though there were no houses lost, so far as reported. The flames did not reach the "circle" where most of the summer homes are located. Fire fighters were busy in fighting the flames from the time they started but until the rain came, the conflagration had not been entirely extinguished.

Frank Smith, a negro employed by the Hope Engineering and Construction company of Pittsburgh, was injured early Wednesday afternoon when the ditch that the company is digging on Divine street in Columbia caved in. Smith had his right side bruised, internally, it is thought, and was taken to a hospital. Several other negroes who were caught by the cave-in received slight injuries, which did not incapacitate them in their work.

Carter H. Harrison now completing his fifth term as mayor of Chicago, was defeated by the Democratic nomination by Robert M. Sweitzer, clerk of Cook county. Sweitzer's plurality was estimated at more than 75,000.

A memorial has just been unvelled in Nottingham, England, cemetery to Harry Paulson, a prize fighter, who, in 1856, fought Tom Sayers for 100 rounds.

There arrived at Havre on December 22, 1914, the American steamer Pinar del Rio, the first merchant vessel flying our flag which has come to that port since January 18, 1911. The steamer is of 2,504 gross and 1,607 net tons and brought to this port 3,500 tons of refined sugar. Previous to being put under American registry it belonged to the American and Cuba Steamship Company and flew the British flag.

Sale of Personal Property.

State of South Carolina,
County of Kershaw,
In the Magistrate's Court.

S. B. Beard, administrator of the Estate of Mary E. Man, deceased,
Plaintiff,
against
Sam Miller, Defendant.

In pursuance of the distress warrant issued herein, I will sell, at the store house occupied by the said Sam Miller, at Camden, S. C., during the legal hours of sale, on Monday, the 15th day of March, 1915, the following personal property:

All goods, wares and merchandise, and all fixtures, situated in the store house occupied by Sam Miller, on the West side of Broad Street, Camden, S. C.

The above property having been seized under said distress warrant, and having been duly appraised.

J. D. SINCLAIR,
Constable.

February 25th, 1915.

MAY POSTPONE BIG BOUT.

Johnson's Chance of Reaching Juarez on Time Slim.

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 22.—Virtual postponement of the Jack Johnson-Jess Willard boxing bout was admitted late today by the promoters. It was believed that Johnson could not arrive at Juarez, Mexico, from Havana, by way of any Mexican seaport by March 6.

Jack Curley, the promoter, declared, however, that he believed Johnson would arrive at Juarez within a short time after the original date. Caranza officials have announced they will arrest Johnson on the ground that he is a fugitive from justice in the United States.

Johnson cabled from Cuba today that if it were considered impossible to hold the fight in Juarez the bout could be held at Havana. Curley, however, declared he would not consent, since all matters had been arranged at Juarez.

Curley declared again today that no other boxer would be substituted for Johnson. He said Johnson would need at least a week's training at Juarez before the fight. This week, with the time required for Johnson's trip thru Mexico, would make it impossible for him to fight March 6.

Willard is continuing his training at his camp on this side of the boundary.

Willard To Fight Johnson.

Jess Willard, the giant of six feet and seven inches, who is in training near Ysleta, Texas, for his fight of forty-five rounds with Jack Johnson, is a perpetual wonder to the Mexicans of the border. Willard is already in pretty good condition for the fight. He weighs 245 pounds, and he wishes to be reduced to 230. He expects to enter the ring with Johnson at that

weight. Johnson will be considerably smaller, and will probably not go more than 215 pounds, if he can get down to the proper condition. Johnson is older, but not near so large a man as Willard. Of course, those persons now on the ground expect to see Willard win. He has shown such capability in his training they cannot imagine how a smaller man will stand in front of him.

Fired Fatal Shot, He Claimed.

Mount Carmel, Ill., Feb. 22.—John L. Willman, who declared he fired the shot which killed the Confederate General, Albert Sydney Johnston at the battle of Shiloh is dead. Willman was a member of the Forty-eighth Illinois regiment.

Outlaw Paint And Powder.

Topeka, Kans., Feb. 23.—Kansas women under 45 years of age who wear ear-rings or treat their faces with cosmetics "for the purpose of creating a false impression" will be guilty of misdemeanor and upon conviction be subject to fines, if a bill introduced in the lower house of the legislature becomes a law.

Face powder, perfume, false hair, and bleaching materials for the hair are among the articles the women would be forbidden to use.

The bill provides that the women may not have their ears pierced nor wear ear-rings at "parties or in any public place."

Anderson Starr, an 11-year-old boy whose father is a tenant on the plantation of Dr. W. B. Byers, near Rock Hill, was killed Saturday by being dragged by a mule. Starr and another boy riding mules with gears on attempted to race. Starr was thrown and his foot caught in a part of the gears with fatal results.

SAFEGUARD YOUR HAIR

At all times and places beautiful suites of Hair is the envy of all people of all stations. It is not necessary for those in possession of hair to become bald.

ACROLINE


Dandruff's enemy, and the chief cause for falling hair, is scientifically prepared by the country's leading chemists, and by actual test ninety per cent of cases treated with ACROLINE were cured when persistently used.

All electrical appliances necessary for the treatment of the scalp with this wonderful dandruff remedy can now be found at the EUREKA BARBER SHOP. A trial will convince the most skeptical of its merits.

For the convenience of the ladies at their homes the services of Lottie L. Cook has been secured. She is a graduate of Prof. Rohrer's School of Instruction in New York, and holds a diploma in Artistic French-American Hairdressing, Marcel Waving, Manicuring, Facial Massage and Care of the Hair and Scalp.

Eureka Barber Shop

Telephone 211-J I. B. English, Proprietor



Buy a Ford Car

We have accepted the agency from the Factory and offer this year a Ford Roadster for \$474.00 delivered, and a Touring Car for \$524.00 delivered.

People laughed at Marconi and his wireless. They scoffed at Marconi and his wireless. They poked fun at McCormick and his reaper. They called Columbus a fool. It seems odd now doesn't it? Hundreds of people saw a teakettle lid teetle, yet only Watt and Newton actually cashed in on the experience.

Now is the time for you to cash in on a Ford. Lots of men told you that a Ford was too light. They did not see its future. Now they realize that the Ford has become an absolute business necessity. Come in and see the new Fords, you will find what we tell you worth your attention, and that it will set you thinking.

Smith's Garage