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FUNSTON DIED SUDDENLY.

Been in Charge of American Forces on Border.

San Antonio, Feb. 19.—Maj. Gen. Frederick Funston, commander of the United States army since February 10, 1915, died suddenly at a hotel here tonight. He collapsed and fell unconscious in the lobby of the hotel, and was taken to a hospital where he died after a few minutes. He was 51 years old.

Ever since March, 1916, when he was placed in command of all United States forces on the Mexican border, Gen. Funston had worked at an unrelenting pace. At critical times in border developments he frequently remained on duty 20 hours of the 24. The handling of regulars disposed of at various stations on the border, the various expeditions and, of late, the handling of regular troops while awaiting the return of National Guardsmen have entailed an enormous amount of detail work, probably explaining that which fell to any commander of the United States army during the War of Secession. Only Gen. Funston completed orders for the return of the last of the National Guardsmen.

Because of the amount of work which has fallen to him, Gen. Funston's only recreation or relaxation for nearly a year has been an occasional dinner party with a few friends.

Only recently Gen. Funston returned from an inspection trip which took him as far as Nogales, Ariz. He also inspected the American expeditionary forces in Mexico just before they came to Texas, and a brief visit to Austin, Texas, last year, were virtually the only occasions when he has been absent from his desk since the border was developed.

The picturesque and dashing capture of Aguinaldo, the Filipino rebel leader, was the achievement which brought Funston prominently to the attention of the American people but he performed many services for his country besides which were probably very difficult. His administration of Vera Cruz, where he carried out the president's orders with a firm and simply holding the city when his influence about him was centered upon forcing the American army to actual fighting with the Mexicans, was probably the most notable of his career.

The American troops had been in possession of Vera Cruz only a few days when one of the Mexican generals sent in a message in most polite terms that he was unable longer to strain his troops and that they were sent to advance and drive the Americans into the sea.

"If you don't hold your troops back," was the laconic message Funston sent back.

Funston, a native of Ohio and rearer of a Kansas farm, had a remarkable career before he became a soldier. Few people know that his first work was as a scientist with a bent toward botany. As an agent of the department of agriculture in 1891 he took part in the Death Valley expedition, then he explored Alaska and the Alaskan Northwest and crossed Alaska to the Arctic ocean and traveled from Kenai to Bering sea—a journey of about 3,500 miles. He camped in the Klondike during the winter of 1897 and then alone floated down the Yukon in a canoe, a journey of hundreds of miles through a wilderness, about seeing another human being, until after that he resigned from the department of agriculture and traveled in Mexico.

Old Colored Citizen Dead.

The citizens of Camden were called on Sunday to mourn the loss of a very worthy old colored citizen in the person of Benjamin Murphy. "Uncle Ben" as he was familiarly known, was loved and respected by the citizens of Camden both white and colored. He was gentle and kind and bore the trials of a true Christian.

His funeral services were conducted Sunday 1:30 p. m. at the Trinity M. Church, of which he has been a member for more than fifty years and part of this time he was one of its elders.

In absence of the pastor, because of the sick Rev. J. W. Boykin, pastor of the North Baptist Church, assisted by Revs. J. W. Brown, W. F. Hunt and A. R. Cohen, conducted the funeral services.

There was a very large attendance, among them many of our white friends present, to show their respect and love for this very aged and worthy colored man.

J. W. Boykin.

Supper at Lugoff School.

The ladies of the Lugoff community will give a supper at Lugoff school on the evening of Friday, March 2. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the proposed Lugoff Presbyterian church. The good people of the section promise a treat to those attending.

OFFICERS APPOINTED.

Kershaw County Man Named on Federal Farm Loan Board.

Temporary organization was completed Saturday of the Columbia land bank, with the appointment in Washington by the federal farm loan board of a registrar and of men to fill the three places on the directing board which remained open after F. J. H. von Engelken of East Palatka, Fla., the director of the mint, had been appointed president of the bank, and David A. Houston, a banker of Monroe, N. C., had been designated as treasurer.

Louis I. Guion of Lugoff, this State, a cattle breeder and planter, was Saturday made vice-president; Howard C. Arnold of Greenville, Ga., was appointed secretary, and S. C. Warner of Palatka, Fla., was appointed a director. The law provides that of the five directors one shall be president, one vice-president, one secretary and one treasurer.

The principal salaried post outside the directorate is that of registrar, which goes to Robert H. Welch, an attorney of Columbia. The position of appraiser is yet to be filled.

Columbia is the first of the 12 land banks to be organized. It will serve the Carolinas, Georgia and Florida. President von Engelken and Treasurer Houston expected to reach Columbia the middle of last week, but were detained in Washington. Mr. von Engelken's resignation from the directorship of the mint became effective last Thursday.

The president draws a salary of \$6,000 (perhaps more; the amount was in negotiation a few days ago); the treasurer and the registrar \$4,000 each; the secretary \$3,500 and the appraiser \$2,100. Only per diem and expenses are to be paid to the vice-president and to the one director who holds no office.

Insurers Coming Back.

Preliminary steps toward the reorganization of agency forces have been taken by several of the larger fire insurance companies, contemplating re-entering the South Carolina field as a result of favorable action by the legislature on the seven insurance measures. The rating act will not become effective until March 5. It is said that none of the companies will resume business before that date. It is said on what is described as good authority that most of the fire insurance companies will return to the State if the legislative program goes through.

Negro Killed Sunday Night.

James Brown, a negro, was shot and killed Sunday night about 8:30 o'clock in the eastern section of the county by F. C. McCaskill, more familiarly known as "Coot" McCaskill.

The affair happened on the public highway about 8 miles from Camden on the road leading from Camden to Lucknow. There were three men in the party—William McCaskill, Lewis Cook and "Coot" McCaskill. At the coroner's inquest William McCaskill and Lewis Cook stated that they heard the shots, but were not eye-witnesses. "Coot" McCaskill in his statement says that the negro was advancing upon him with a knife when the shot was fired in self-defense.

McCaskill is now confined in the county jail.

Mrs. Alexander Buried Here.

Mrs. Leila B. Alexander, wife of Mr. L. B. Alexander, who has been residing at Saluda, S. C., for the past few years, died in that town Saturday, and her remains were brought to Camden for burial Sunday in the Quaker cemetery in this city. She was a native of Lee county and is survived by her husband and a little son, Rivers, five years of age.

Saluda, Feb. 20.—Mrs. L. B. Alexander, wife of a Saluda merchant, passed away at her home Saturday morning, after an illness of over six weeks. She was about 30 years of age and born in Lee County. The remains were taken to Camden for interment. Besides the husband, one son, aged five years, and mother, Mrs. M. C. Johnson, Mrs. Alexander is also survived by four brothers who reside in Lee county.

The family came to Saluda shortly before Christmas, Mr. Alexander having opened a store here.

Card of Thanks.

Mr. Editor: I take this means of thanking our many friends for their kindness to us during my father's sickness and death, and especially the teachers of the Antioch School, Miss Irene Britton and Miss Lucile Britton.

Mrs. C. W. Shiver.

Court House Robbed.

Burglars entered the county court house Tuesday night and made a haul of about \$40 and a gold watch. Entrance was made by raising a window at the back of the Clerk's office. The money and watch was taken from an iron box and the parties who got it evidently had a key as the box was not broken. Clerk Clyburn had the bloodhounds from Columbia brought over next morning. The hounds quickly took a trail and followed it to the Southern railway where the chase was given up.

FOOD RIOTS IN NEW YORK.

Abnormal Exportation and Subnormal Production the Cause.

New York, Feb. 20.—After many clashes between the police and women food rioters at the City Hall and in congested tenement districts today, Joseph Hartigan, commissioner of weights and measures, announced that he was doing everything in his power to stimulate the flow of foodstuffs into this city from all parts of the country. Reports received by the commissioner indicate that the situation has reached an acute stage which he asserts calls for the establishment by Congress of "some sort of food control commission to meet the per capita consumption of food in the United States."

While retail shop keepers and pushcart peddlers have been offered to bear the brunt of the assaults of the angry housewives here, the Bureau of Weights and Measures announced that "the abnormal exportation of foodstuffs and the subnormal production are the underlying causes of the advance in prices." It was said, however, that there is "abundant evidence of speculation in canned goods."

So desperate have the women in some parts of the city become, it is said, that hundreds of food peddlers have locked their push carts in stables and suspended business. A number of these dealers who ventured out on the upper east side today were set upon by a mob of housewives when it was found they were selling onions at 15 cents per pound and potatoes at 9 and 10 cents per pound. The peddlers were driven from the streets into hallways of tenements, where the women tore their clothing and scratched their faces. Meantime the push carts were demolished and their contents strewn about the streets.

After several hundred women had stormed the City Hall in an effort to see the mayor, Mrs. Ida Harris, president of the Mothers' Vigilance League, issued a statement in which she declared it had been decided to keep children away from school, until the prices of food are lowered. This step, Mrs. Harris asserted, was justified on the ground that poorly fed children are in no condition to profit by schooling.

Lenten Services at Grace Church.

Sunday services at 11 a. m. and 5 p. m. and on all Sundays except first Sunday, Holy Communion at 7:45 a. m., Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays the service will be at 5 p. m. Wednesday nights, the Holy Communion at 11 o'clock.

All are cordially invited to attend these services. Special services will be announced later.

F. H. Harding, Rector.

Marriage.

Mr. Craver Walter Owens, Westville, S. C., and Miss Lucy Moore, of Camden, Rfd. 2, were married on February 17th, 1917, by Probate Judge W. L. McDowell.

Mr. C. L. Britton and Mrs. Ida D. Maxey, both of Providence, S. C., were married at the home of Probate Judge W. L. McDowell on Tuesday the 20th inst.

More Territory Freed From Tick.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 20.—The Federal tick quarantine will be raised on March 1 from four counties in North and South Carolina. A total of 3,446 square miles is affected by this order. The counties to be freed are Duplin and Pender in North Carolina and Clarendon and Orangeburg in South Carolina.

These are the first areas to be released from quarantine in 1917. More than 42 per cent of the territory originally infested with the tick has now been freed from the pest and released from quarantine. Active work is planned for this year in every state in which the tick exists, and very considerable reductions in the quarantined area are expected in the course of the year.

The Lecture Wednesday.

A pleasing feature of the Wednesday evening program at the Majestic was the lecture by Dr. W. S. Rainford, the noted African hunter. His story of the life in Africa was illustrated by slides and the large audience was greatly pleased. The proceeds of the evening went for the benefit of the Boy Scouts of Camden and a neat sum was realized.

Coburns Blues Coming.

Don't miss the Coburn Blues parade and band concert next Wednesday Feb. 28th at noon and the J. A. Coburns Greater Minstrels at the Camden Opera House at night at 8:30. It's an all new production and performance throughout with new scenery costumes and musical numbers opening with the beautiful ensemble in the palace of the Maharajah in India who with the Princess Rainee receives the Millionaire Hunt Club of America and their valets in a complete departure from old style minstrel first parts. A splendid singing dancing laughing clean comedy feature performance with twenty years of fair dealing and sterling reputation as a guarantee of excellence. Seats on sale at W. Robin Zemp's Drug Store.

OLD BOOZE MUST GO.

Barrier is Raised Against Importation of Liquors.

Washington, Feb. 21.—Absolute prohibition legislation took its fondest forward stride in the nation's history today when the House, after two hours of uproarious debate, approved by a four to one majority a Senate measure which would raise an iron clad barrier against importation of liquor into prohibition States. It is expected to receive the approval of resident Wilson within a week, adding immediately to the "bone dry" territory about one-third of continental United States.

The provision is regarded as the most far-reaching that could be enacted by the federal government and as sweeping as would be possible under any method short of national prohibition amendment. It would cut off entirely liquor importations, amounting now to millions of dollars annually, into the large number of States which have forbidden manufacturer or sale but have permitted importation for personal use.

Atlanta, Feb. 21.—Into only three States in the South—Florida, Louisiana and Texas—may liquor in any quantity be imported legally for personal use after June 30 next. They alone have retained local option.

Congress by its action in adopting the Reed amendment makes absolute the statewide prohibition legislation of Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, and Mississippi. Thus they join the "bone dry" States Arkansas and Tennessee, which already had enacted statutes forbidding the importation of liquor.

The Florida Legislature at its biennial session in April is expected to adopt a resolution providing for a referendum on the statewide prohibition although there are only five out of 32 counties in the State where liquor can be sold legally. Dry forces in Louisiana are preparing to fight for a statewide bill at the next session of the Legislature in 1918. About half of the Louisiana parishes are dry under the local option law.

SCORES GAME WARDEN.

Governor Charges Him With Illegal Collection of Money.

"From many sources, by letters and by word of mouth I have received complaints that Mr. Richardson's deputies, with his approval, have made illegal collections of money; that they have held up presumed violators of the game laws, in the field and demanded cash payment of fines, without process provided by law."

The foregoing are sensational charges embodied in a message read from Governor Manning in the senate Wednesday, in which he vetoes the act, recently passed by the general assembly placing the office of chief game warden in the general election in 1918 and providing for the retention of the incumbent, A. A. Richardson, in office until his successor is elected and qualified.

The governor charges extravagance in the operation of the office, asserting that he does not contest the placing of the office in the general election, but he deprecates the effort to legislate a man into office.

"The conduct of the office of chief game warden under Mr. Richardson, and the bold lobby for this legislation," says the message, "forced me to the conclusion that the election at the remote date specified was simply proposed as a screen to blind you to the sinister aspects of a deplorable situation."—Wednesday's Columbia Record.

Buried at McBee.

Mrs. Louise Watkins, of McBee, who sustained a severe fall some time ago died Saturday morning in a Columbia hospital. The funeral and burial occurred at McBee on Sunday afternoon. Messrs. B. M. Pearce and W. H. Pearce of this place attended the funeral.

The Barbers Raise.

The barber shops of Camden will raise the price of shaves from 10 to 15 cents for a shave and the wonder of it is that the Camden barbers have held off so long. The high cost of living effects the barber the same as any other class. So far as we have learned there has been few kicks on the new prices and most of the patrons will pay it willingly.

Died in Washington.

News was received in Camden this week of the death of Mr. William T. Bauskett, which occurred in Washington Sunday morning. Mr. Bauskett was a former citizen of Florida and at one time resided in Camden. He was married to Miss Margaret Nelson, of West Wateree, in this county, who with three children survives.

Mr. Bauskett was at one time secretary to Senator Bryan, of Florida, and at the time of his death was holding an important position in Washington. The burial occurred in Washington Tuesday.

Mr. D. J. Carrison, of Jacksonville, Fla., is in Camden for a stay with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Carrison.

HOTELS ARE ALL FILLED.

Large Number of Visitors From North Now in Camden.

At the present time Camden's tourist season is at its height. All of the three large hotels are filled; the private boarding houses are filled and many applications have been received for board at private residences.

Washington's birthday was the occasion for the Ladies Golf tournament on the Country Club course. The committee in charge was Mrs. Clarence Morgan, Miss Olive Whitledge and Mrs. Mrs. M. H. Barrett and the matches were played off in eight wing sets according to preliminary scores. In the qualifying rounds on Wednesday, Mrs. Lincoln Smith having low score, 106 won first prize; Miss Frances Sales taking second with 110. Thursday the first round match play for four flights took place. There will be a trophy for the winner of each flight.

The final announcement that the Camden Horse Show has been scheduled for March 29th and 30th has created widespread interest among prospective visitors. The Committee in charge have prepared an attractive and varied prize list which will consist of thirty odd classes and there is every indication that the event will be the largest on record at Camden. The annual meeting of the Camden Polo Club was held Monday night at the Country Club and officers elected were: C. M. Thinter, President, Henry Savage, Vice-President, T. Edmund Krumbholz, Delegate with James B. Wallace, Secretary. Eighteen new names were proposed and elected members.

At the Kirkwood Tuesday evening added entertainment will be enjoyed when a concert of jubilee songs and plantation melodies will be given by a delegation from the Denmark, South Carolina School of Industry.

The young men of Camden had charge of the Washington's Birthday Dance at the Country Club Thursday evening and in honor to Northern visitors everything was done to make the occasion a record one and the result was the most charming occasion—that has taken place in Camden in some time.

The Hobkirk Inn is enjoying the lushest season in years. The regular Monday Night Dance becoming more popular each week, and tennis plays no small part in the busy doings at that delightful little resort.

This week's arrivals at the Kirkwood include Captain E. E. Buckleton, Liverpool, and from Trenton, N. J., Mr. Herbert Sinclair has arrived with a delegation of golfers and holiday-makers to add to Camden's busy season, including in the party Charles E. Stokes, W. M. Dickinson, E. M. Hunt, Harold Harvey E. A. Stillman, G. Adams and A. Nevin Parker.

Other arrivals are Mrs. Charles Hazard, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Dieckhoff, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stelle, Mr. and Mrs. F. Desmond Sprague and Charles C. Tough.

Mrs. J. Francis Weller, P. W. Adams and D. G. Anderson, from Rochester, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Jefferson, Jr., Springfield, Mass., R. J. Mackenzie from Buffalo; Mr. A. H. Lockett, C. V. Messer, L. Homans and C. L. Marvin, Englewood; E. L. Harder, Mrs. Charles A. Harder and Miss Harder, Philmont, N. Y. and Mrs. D. T. Moore, from New York.

Marshal Kiel, from Princeton University, has arrived to spend a week or two with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Kiehl of Pittsburgh who are spending the winter at The Kirkwood.

Recent arrivals at Timrod Hall are: R. E. Wilson, Duluth, Minn.; Miss Wilson, Duluth, Minn.; Mrs. E. C. Ritchie, Catonsville, Md.; Miss Katharine A. White, Westport, Conn.; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McAllister, Toronto, Canada; Mrs. H. E. Hotchkiss, Torrington, Conn.; Miss Isabelle Hotchkiss, Torrington, Conn.

A number of the ladies at Hobkirk Inn held a bridge tournament Tuesday evening for the benefit of the Red Cross Chapter and a neat purse for this work was raised.

Arrivals for the week at the Hobkirk Inn are: Mrs. Edward C. Walker and maid, Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McKinney, Binghamton, N. Y.; Charles A. Avery, Miss Gladys Avery, Boston, Mass.; Henry H. Blaykin, Pinehurst, N. C.; Edward R. Green, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Carr, Boston; Miss Randall, Miss Warren, Master Thomas Granden, Master Robert Granden, Cleveland; Frank M. Sines, Philadelphia; Paul Lippincott, Jr., Moulton, N. J.; A. N. Gusler, New York; C. B. Saunders, Mont Clair, N. J.; Mrs. Frank Read, Philadelphia; Clifford J. D. Read, Philadelphia; M. B. Rowwell, New York; Mrs. P. Carson, New York; Miss Louise Homer, New York; Miss Eleanor L. P. Lyon, Short Hills, N. J.

MR. WILSON BURIED HERE.

Former Florida Citizen Died in New York City.

The remains of Mr. T. M. Wilson who died in New York City were brought here for burial Saturday in the Quaker cemetery. Mr. Wilson was a brother of Mrs. G. G. Alexander of Camden. He was born in this city March 1, 1854 and went to Florida when 18 years of age. He was a member of the Jacksonville Board of Trade and was prominently connected with many business enterprises. He was quiet and unassuming in manner and did a great deal of charity work that the world did not hear of.

The funeral services occurred at the grave, services being conducted by the Rev. John H. Graves and the following gentlemen acted as pall bearers: W. G. Wilson, Dr. F. M. Zemp, G. C. Bruce, J. H. Burns, F. M. Wooten and R. R. Team.

The following notice of his death is reproduced from the Florida Times-Union of February 15:

"Thomas M. Wilson, former proprietor of the Windsor hotel, and for years a resident of Jacksonville, died of heart disease at his apartments in New York City, 315 West Seventy-ninth street, at 1:30 p. m., yesterday. He was in bed at the time and had just asked a maid to bring him his food. A physician was called, but he found that Mr. Wilson was beyond medical aid.

"The deceased was born in Camden, S. C., about sixty years ago. He removed to Jacksonville in 1872, going to Lake City for a short time, but again removing to Jacksonville in 1876, where he had resided continuously up to last winter.

"For many years he was associated in the brokerage business with George M. Parker, the firm name being Wilson and Parker. Mr. Wilson retired from the firm about eight years ago. He was married in July 1907 to Mrs. Elizabeth Cullen, who at that time was the owner of the Windsor hotel.

"He is survived by his widow and two sons, Thomas M. Wilson, Jr., and Frank Cullen Wilson, besides a sister, Mrs. G. G. Alexander, of Camden, S. C., and a nephew, Isaac B. Alexander, of Jacksonville and several cousins.

"Following the purchase of the Windsor hotel last winter by Robert Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson traveled in South Florida and Cuba for a few weeks, going north in the spring. They spent the summer at one of the coast resorts near Boston, and in the fall they moved to New York City, where they took an apartment."

STEVENSON THE WINNER.

Defeats Sapp for Congress From The Fifth District.

W. F. Stevenson, of Cheraw, has defeated Claude N. Sapp, of Lancaster, for the seat in the National House of Representatives, made vacant by the death recently of Representative D. E. Finley. The returns from the general election held yesterday in the Fifth district are incomplete, but they show that Mr. Stevenson has a lead of more than 2,000, and it is not possible for Mr. Sapp to overcome it. About forty boxes are missing in the whole district and the average vote to the box will be much smaller than is the case in a Democratic primary. The vote so far received follows:

Cherokee	328	642
Chester	312	650
Chesterfield	219	1,971
Fairfield	112	179
Kershaw	107	253
Lancaster	863	476
York	779	795
Total	2,720	4,866

Congratulate Mr. Stevenson.

Cheraw, Feb. 21.—W. F. Stevenson the newly elected Congressman from the Fifth district, was called upon at his residence tonight by a delegation of enthusiastic townsmen, and called to his porch. Col. McIver, the spokesman, assured him of the pride of his neighbors of his success. Mr. Stevenson responded, thanking them for the manifestation of interest and dwelling upon several important national questions of the day.

Philadelphia: L. C. Tucker, Boston; E. A. Haney, Mass.; Rufus P. Keith, Brockton, Mass.; A. F. Turner, Lexington, Mass.; Harry A. Wheeler, Lexington, Mass.; A. R. Dickerson, Atlanta; W. P. Finnerson, Boston; H. W. Hoyer, C. F. Walden, Geo. S. Knapp, Brooklyn, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Gilmore, Mrs. George Whiting, Mrs. C. A. McKean Miss Carver, Lexington, Mass.; Miss I. E. Patterson, Los Angeles; Mrs. M. P. Hale, New York; Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Jones, Boston; Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Gano, Denver; Dr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Vandon, Burg, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Willie McDonald, Brooklyn; Horace McGrive, Rochester; Miss Loder, N. Y.; Miss E. W. Bull, Coreland, N. Y.; Irving L. Roe, New York; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Presborg, Miss Presborg, N. Y.; Mrs. Joseph Woodward, Miss E. A. Hall Waterbury, Conn.; Miss N. A. Upson, Bridgeport, Conn.; E. P. Crowe, Williamsport, Pa.; Geo. F. Harvey, Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Erben, Radnor, Pa.; Geo. Maxe Savannah, Ga.