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The executive committee of the state press association selected Rock Hill as its next convention city. It was decided to hold the convention on June 9 and 10 inclusive.

The Blue Ridge Mountains of Tennessee, once noted as the source of a large part of the nation's supply of Bourbon whiskey, are today famous mostly for strawberries and tobacco, and the corn growers of olden days have become wealthy in the meanwhile.

Less than two hours after arguments in his case had been closed, Charles Marshall, accused in indictments by the Monroe County grand jury of the killing of four members of a family near Amory, Miss., on the night of June 15, was taken back to his cell in the Lee County jail, having been found guilty of the murder of Wm. Miller, infant victim of the tragedy—alleged to have been his illegitimate child—will be hanged on May 14.

Atlantic coast steamship traffic from Maine to Mexico is likely to be tied up indefinitely by the strike of long-shoremen unless higher rates are granted by the interstate commerce commission, it was declared Wednesday by William Z. Ripley, chairman of the national adjustment commission.

A recommendation that the United States government supply to the new republic of Armenia sufficient arms and ammunition "to equip a stable Armenian army" was made Wednesday by a senate sub-committee which has conducted an exhaustive investigation into conditions in the Near East.

The city of Columbia is disappointed over the census of its people and a movement is being agitated for a recount. The census gives the city 37,524 people. In 1910 there were 26,000 within the city limits. Since that time three suburbs have been added to the incorporation which meant an increase of about 6,000. This would bring the total to 32,000 so that the census of 1920 represents an increase of little over 7,000.

Secretary of State Bainbridge Colby has accepted an invitation to deliver the principal address at the commencement exercises of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, June 16.

Commissioner B. Harris, of the South Carolina Agricultural Department, has found that 50 per cent of the scales in Columbia are not true, and some yardsticks have also fallen short of righteousness and justice, as it were.

David R. Coker of Hartsville has placed himself in the \$1,000 class donations for the South Carolina memorial building. A check for this amount was received from him by the headquarters of the memorial.

In the United States court at Florence Judge Smith sentenced Dr. H. T. Kendall, Columbia physician, convicted last week of violating the Harrison narcotic act, to pay a fine of \$500 and the costs in the case. Mitigating circumstances connected with the case influenced Judge Smith according to the court's statement.

Political Activities Start Next Month.

The Democratic clubs will meet on the fourth Saturday in April which is the 24th.

The county conventions will be held on the first Monday in May, which is the 3rd at the county seats.

The State Democratic convention will be held on May 19.

The first primary will be held the last Tuesday in August.

The Democratic club rolls will be opened on the last Tuesday in June, according to the party rules in South Carolina, and will remain open until the last Tuesday in July.

Sheriff Offered Reward For Son.

A special dispatch from Atlanta, Ga., under recent date says:

"Sheriff S. J. Scarborough, of Lee county, South Carolina, arrived in Atlanta today to take back his son, T. L. Scarborough, alias B. F. Hicks, twenty-four years old for whose arrest he had offered a reward of \$100 and who was taken into custody by Patrolman W. C. Hardy in this city. It is charged by Sheriff Scarborough that his son is wanted on a charge of highway robbery.

"Young Scarborough declared when taken into custody that he had committed no crime in Lee county, but said he did hold up several gamblers and four policemen in Sumter and relieved them of \$200 in cash. He said he was arrested, convicted and later paroled and was on parole when arrested by Patrolman Hardy.

Governor Cooper on Wednesday granted five paroles and two pardons. Former auditor C. G. Bruce, convicted of forgery at the June, 1917, term of court for Dillon County and sentenced to twelve years' imprisonment was pardoned to restore citizenship.

The Rock Hill Way.

On a request from the local school for bids for money for running expenses of the schools, the recent General Assembly having granted them permission to borrow up to the amount of \$25,000, only two bids were received—that of the Citizens Bank and Trust Co., which was for 1 3-4 per cent, and from the People's National Bank, which agreed to loan them \$25,000 without interest and pay a premium of \$11 on the same for the privilege of making the loan. The proposition of the Peoples National was of course accepted.—Rock Hill Record.

To Put On Evangelistic Campaign.

The executive committee of the Kershaw Association met in Camden Wednesday March 31, Dr. W. T. Derieux, State Secretary of Missions was present and suggested that the churches of the Kershaw Association put on a simultaneous evangelistic campaign the first two weeks in August. Those present heartily endorsed the suggestion and called a meeting of all the pastors and representatives from each church to be held at the Camden Baptist Church on Saturday before the first Sunday in May.

It was also decided to hold two victory conferences on the afternoon of the second Sunday in April. Rev. J. Furman Moore, of Greenville will conduct one for the upper division at Providence and Dr. C. J. Thompson of Columbia will hold one at Mizpah for the lower division. It is very important that each church send a delegation including the pastor.

J. S. Sturgis, Clerk.

The Francis Marion Hotel, a ten story structure is to be constructed in Charleston, a hotel company having recently been organized for that purpose. The company will be capitalized at \$500,000.

The jury in the case of Miss Mittie Davis of Columbia, charged with violation of the postal laws by sending through the mails an alleged obscene letter, on Friday afternoon announced that it could not agree on a verdict and a mistrial was ordered. The jury was out several hours. The girl was charged with addressing and posting an alleged obscene letter intended for Mrs. Edd Harris, of Blythewood, although the letter itself was addressed to her husband, Edd Harris, and was received by him.

Married.

Mr. Albert Hinson and Miss Jamie Elizabeth Stewart, of Camden, were married by Rev. Edward B. Jenkins, pastor of Pleasant Plains Baptist Church on March 21.

Mr. Thomas Wiley Wilson and Mrs. Clara L. Gregory, both of Camden, were married at the Probate office on March 25th.

Shipped Cattle North.

On last Friday Mr. R. L. Sowell shipped 35 head of cattle to Jersey City that he had fattened on his farm. About two weeks ago he made a shipment of another lot of 38. The average weight of the cattle shipped by Mr. Sowell was about fifteen hundred pounds. Mr. Sowell bought the cattle in Tennessee last November in poor condition and has fed them on velvet beans, cotton seed meal and hulls. This is the second year that Mr. Sowell has experimented with the matter of fattening cattle for market, and though he has had to buy a considerable portion of the feed for them he has found it profitable. The chiefest profit he has found in them, has not been in actual dollars and cents but in the manure, which he says is worth more to him than money, for the reason that it is the most valuable fertilizer that he can use and that it is next to impossible to buy. But he also makes some profit in dollars and cents as well and is amply paid for feeding the cattle. He recommends that all farmers try it.—Kershaw Era.

An Appreciation.

I desire to publicly express my grateful appreciation for the kind and generous action of the Service men of this section in naming their Post of the American Legion for my son Leroy Belk.

This action, showing the esteem in which he was held by his comrades, and the reverence they feel for his memory, makes on to whom his death was a sore trial, feel that he did not die in vain. I have not the words to express my thanks for the commemoration of his name in this manner, suffice to say that the knowledge of it shall be throughout my life, my most treasured possession.

His father,

J. M. Belk.

Camden, S. C., April 1, 1920.

Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, wealthy young Philadelphian recently court-martialed for desertion because of his alleged failure to report for military service during the draft, was sentenced to five years in prison, according to a decision of the court made public Tuesday.

Real Estate Changes.

S. M. Latham this week sold his house and lot on Mill Street to W. K. Thompson, who has recently moved here from Liberty Hill.

Mrs. S. K. von Tresckow sold to J. R. Hartness, of Lugoff, a house and lot on Lafayette Avenue.

Both of these sales were made through the real estate agency of L. A. McDowell.

Death of Mrs. G. L. Dixon, Sr.

Mrs. G. L. Dixon, Sr., aged 74, died at her home in the Mt. Olivet section Saturday evening and was buried Sunday afternoon at Mt. Olivet church, the Rev. M. M. Benson officiating at the funeral. Mrs. Dixon was the mother of Coroner Dixon and leaves her aged husband and a great number of children and grand children to mourn her departure.

Mary Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks have been married, it became known Tuesday. They obtained a license last Saturday and the ceremony was performed Sunday by the Rev. J. Whitcomb Brougher, pastor of the Temple Baptist church.

The first flat declaration from Herbert Hoover that he might under certain circumstances accept a presidential nomination was contained in a telegram sent by Mr. Hoover to the Hoover Republican club of California, in which he said he would accept the Republican nomination "if it felt that the issues necessitate it, and it is demanded of me."

William H. Sondley, for thirty-five years captain of the guard at the state penitentiary died in Columbia last Wednesday.

The Rev. James A. Wilson, widely known Presbyterian minister, after sickness continuing over a period of eight years, died last night at a hospital in Columbia.

Peru Alarmed Over Chinese.

The continued influx of Chinese into Peru is being viewed with alarm and agitation is being carried on by the recently formed Anti-Asiatic league, which has as its purpose the securing of more stringent immigration laws. The chief fault found with the Chinese is that they enter into small businesses and sell at such low prices that local business men cannot compete. Feeling has run high on several occasions, with disastrous results to the Chinese merchants.

Picturesquely Put.

Disgusted Cop (at crossing)—Some chance you are! Ser. If you were crossing the Sahara desert you'd run into a hydrant.—Boston Transcript.

KIDNAPPED YOUTH

Locked Two Days in Bathroom of Lexington Hotel.

Lexington, Ky., March 26.—with Mr. Little, 12-year-old son of Mr. R. Little, Lexington capitalist, safe at home. Authorities tonight were searching for men who kidnaped the lad Wednesday afternoon and held him for 38 hours in a room at a local hotel.

The boy was returned to his parents early this morning after he had been bathed in which he had been imprisoned by his abductors and some members of his family by telephone to his whereabouts.

The youth, after being kidnaped, taken to the hotel and locked in a bathroom. During his long imprisonment he was given only a little and a piece of cake to eat. Every hour during the period his captors threatened him by threats against his face by the two men. Shortly after 7 o'clock this morning, the boy's captors left the hotel, leaving the door to the room was broken down and the bathroom unlocked. The boy entered the room and cautiously telephoned to the Little home. The father of the boy went immediately to the hotel, and door to the room was broken down and Paul rushed into his father's arms.

Describing his abduction, the boy said he had been lured to the hotel by one of the kidnapers, who offered him a dollar to deliver a box of candy.

The boy was told repeatedly by the men that he would be killed if he made an outcry, he said.

The room in which the boy was a prisoner had been rented previously to the kidnapping by a man who was known as J. C. Cox, Cincinnati. The proprietors of the hotel said the door to the room had been locked for two days.

Search is being conducted through out Ohio and nearby states for the kidnapers.

That the kidnapers feared arrest they appeared on the street to view the \$25,000 ransom money placed in public garbage can by Mr. Little Tuesday night, was the opinion expressed by the police. The ransom demand was that the money be placed in a can. A half hour after it had been deposited, Mr. Little removed it, abductors having failed to put in appearance.

Wofford Harris, magistrate of Lee county, is in jail charged with importing and handling whiskey. Other men have been arrested and are in jail in Union as witnesses against Magistrate Harris.

The First Baptist Church

OF CAMDEN, SOUTH CAROLINA

Will Begin a Series of Revival Meetings on Sunday, April 4th

TO BE CONDUCTED BY

Rev. T. V. McCall

of Bennettsville, S. C.

On Sunday at 11:15 A. M. Dr. W. J. McGlothlin, of Furman University, will preach and 8:00 P. M. Dr. McGlothlin will deliver an address on Education, a subject which the parents of Camden and vicinity cannot afford to miss.

Beginning Monday, April 5th, Rev. T. V. McCall will preach each evening at 8:00 o'clock.

Other Congregations and the Entire Community, Including the Strangers Are Invited and Are Welcomed.