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A Bloody Record.

To the shame of South Carolina reports from twenty-nine counties in this State, with seventeen counties not heard from, show there were 60 homicides in the last three months. There were 183 homicides reported in 1919.

What a horrible exhibit! It would still appear that a human life is the cheapest thing in South Carolina.—Rock Hill Record.

A man was killed by a runaway horse team in South Bend, Ind., recently. Sounds very much like a clipping from the files.

We observed that there's more notice taken of one typographical error in the paper than there is in a whole column that's correct.

South Carolina's automobile population for 1920 reached a total of 93,843 cars and trucks, according to figures from the State highway commission. This is the grand total for the year as no more 1920 licenses will be issued.

Twenty cotton mill corporations of Greenville county will pay a million dollars in dividends on January 1 or soon thereafter.

The man who never tells his wife a lie is like the Lord High Admiral of the Swiss navy. There ain't no such animal, says Luke McLaure.

Some Good Community Hints.

Some men will not pay \$1 a year to support a commercial organization but will cheerfully hand over \$100 for a hunting dog.

If town building was like scolding everybody would push it along.

Agassiz says a full grown man can live 10 days chewing the leather of a boot. But no full grown town can live chewing the rag.

Job, according to historical belief, was patient man but he never was a commercial secretary and had an important committee out.

Some towns don't do things to please themselves, but to worry their neighbors.

More dangerous than any foreign foe is to endeavor to make one citizen hate another.

A community is much like an egg. Keep it in hot water and it is bound to become hard.

An optimist is a commercial secretary with a \$5,000 deficit in his organization and a State convention on his hands.

There is a wide difference between the best known and the known best men of the community.—Nation's Business.

The Confederate Infirmary in Columbia, is in need of repairs that will cost \$21,000, according to G. Croft Wilkins, secretary of the state welfare board.

The Crime Wave

A writer in the Lexington Dispatch News signing himself "Justice" furnishes the following timely article to that paper:

Your editorial in your last issue was interesting and timely, though not conclusive. "The Crime Wave" which is treated is undoubtedly with us. In most of the publications along this line are views which harmonize with yours. They invariably set upon the juries with great vigor, as mainly responsible for this unhealthy state of affairs, and the juries deserve their share of the blame. I take issue with you in their being the chief offenders. I make the charge that our lawyers and judges are more responsible, than all other influences, for the shameful miscarriages of justice which disgrace our criminal annals. Nobody blames an attorney for fighting to the last ditch for the man in the dock, whose money he is earning, but they should not be allowed the advantage they enjoy in prosecuting their work. The machinery of our criminal courts is a millstone around the neck of those who would suppress crime by adequate punishment. Our judges are entirely too lenient. Upon the flimsiest pretenses of the attorneys they continue cases until the heat of the public sentiment abates. A man shoots down his neighbor. Before his gun-barrel cools or his cell is warmed, his attorney hot-foots to the nearest judge for bail, and gets it in wellnigh every instance. If a jury finds him guilty there is usually some technicality upon which the supreme court will order a new trial. This red tape is elastic and is generally spread out over long months until people grow indifferent and the guilty, with a long pocket book goes free. Now who is to blame—the juries or the higher-ups? Just a word, in this connection, on the "blind tiger" situation. He generally represents the lowest type of morals in a decent community. He is not only a law violator, but debauches his neighbor. In his nefarious traffic he does not hesitate to burn out those who object, or shoot to kill, in a cowardly manner, from ambush. In spite of this a fine and a few days in jail is all the punishment he gets; while the man who sells the poor morphine fiend a grain of the drug to relieve his suffering is railroaded off to the Atlanta penitentiary. We see all this day after day, and yet we wonder why the killing goes merrily on. Our court procedures have not advanced an inch in a hundred years. Every other profession has been marching on with banners flying. New and better methods introduced on every hand. Our ancestors would stand amazed at the farming of today compared to thirty years ago. Think of the changes in mechanical appliances of every description in all lines of industry. But go into a criminal court building and you see the same fossilized machinery draped with archaic moss and manipulated with the same slow and antiquated methods of a hundred and fifty years ago.

The juries are not to mainly blame. I have made bold to diagnose the case with great brevity. I don't believe any man who runs and reads can successfully dispute this position. Repeal and fumigate our court procedures. Give us fair, but speedy justice and we would soon see the crime wave recede. There is less murder in London than in many of our villages, because England meets out justice promptly while our courts give them every chance to escape. There is no use dodging the fact that the people have little confidence in our administration of law.

Suppose our judges would insist on going to trial when with da natm fata going to trial and our supreme courts slow to demand new trials. Suppose bail is withheld except in the plainest cases and our governors more careful about pardons, with a stunt or two on the electric chair, and killings would about cease.

The former German Emperor has written a book, the closing pages of which are devoted to a defense of his own course, and placing the blame for the world war upon Great Britain. In France the American army conducts headquarters at 7 Rue Tilsitt, in Paris, with a staff of twenty-five officers. About 3,000 claims remain to be settled, mostly small amounts, bills from French civilians for services or supplies.

Birds and the Boll Weevil.

A news item from Lexington, South Carolina says that more farmers are posting their lands against bird-hunting and trespassing than ever before, and the explanation given is that farmers wish to preserve the partridges on their lands because of the good work that they do against the boll weevil. It would not be surprising if Lexington's example in this respect were followed all over the state. The importance of the partridge or Bobwhite as a natural check on the increase of the boll weevil has long been known and the advisability of preserving partridges in territory invaded or about to be invaded by the weevil has been emphasized again and again. For the most part this advice has gone unheeded so far, but now that the weevil has arrived the people of at least one South Carolina county have begun to realize that it is good advice and are acting accordingly.

The results should be highly beneficial. An impressive demonstration of the practical value of the partridge as an ally of the farmer may be expected, and perhaps this will lead many people to pay more attention to the matter of protecting wild birds in general for the same reason. The great majority of the wild birds found in this state are useful to the farmer in various ways, and the most careful scientific investigation has shown that their protection would save the farmers of the state vast sums of money every year because of the unceasing warfare they wage upon many destructive pests.—News and Courier.

"Careful canvass of the 800 cotton producing counties brings to light the positive assurance that the 1921 cotton crop will be reduced 50 per cent, and that food and feed crops in the south will be correspondingly increased," says J. Skottowe Wannamaker, president of the American Cotton association in a statement issued from Columbia. "We are convinced," says Mr. Wannamaker, "that not more than one-third of the cultivated lands in 1921 will be planted in cotton. Thousands of farmers, large and small, in various sections of the belt have taken a solemn oath that they will not plant, nor permit to be planted, an acre of cotton on their lands in 1921."

Wants--For Sale

FOR SALE—Several dozen glass canning jars, Ball and Ideal Lightning One dollar a dozen. Address Chronicle Office. 40

FOR RENT—Completely furnished Bungalow for remainder of season. Price right. Call 282 J.

FOR SALE—One three room house on corner of Lytleton and Savage Sts. Apply 850 Main street, Camden, S. C. 40pd.

LOST—Door off Auburn automobile. Lost between Camden and Cantey Hill. If found return to Kershaw Motor Co., at Camden, S. C. 39-40-41pd.

LOST—On Tuesday, December 28, 1920 lost between school house and Mrs. C. C. Whitakers, one cameo pin. Reward if returned to this office. 40

GET INTO BUSINESS—Watkins 137 products sell to every farmer. If you own auto or team, can give bond, write today for information where you can get territory for selling products of largest institution of kind in world. Twenty million users. J. R. WATKINS, CO., Dept. 111, Winona, Minn. 40-41pd.

WANTED—A few nice men, can get board at a reasonable price. Mrs. C. F. McCoy, 1009 Lytleton street, Camden, S. C. 40pd.

WANTED—You to know. When the MERCURY FLIRTS with ZERO Prest-O-Lite service will save your Battery. A Frozen Battery means a new one, so keep it fully charged. Beard's Garage, Camden, S. C. 40tf.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE—City houses and lots, business property and farm lands for sale. Prices and description upon application. L. C. Houch, Camden, S. C. 40-42pd.

PAINTING—If you want painting of any kind done interior and exterior—or your floors fixed up nicely or if you have some old furniture you would like to look new. No job too small or large. Just phone 322 and you will get the painter at once. S. D. Hammond, The Painter, 1008 Fair street. All work guaranteed. Have your rooms catimined. 40pd.

STRAY DOGS TAKEN UP—Two big dogs taken up at my home. Owner can get them by paying for advertisement and expenses. T. L. Smith, Rfd. 4, box 59, Camden, S. C. 39-40pd.

WANTED—Thirty horse-power steam boiler, must be in first class condition and cheap. P. O. Box 197, Camden, S. C. 39tf.

STRAYED OR STOLEN—One female found dog, black with white legs. Left front foot had two toes missing. Answers to name of "Queen." \$5.00 reward if returned to H. R. Tiller, Ingoff, S. C. 39-40pd.

FOR SALE—One million large, stocky Wakefield cabbage plants for immediate shipment, dollar and fifty cents per thousand shipping point. South Carolina grown. Now is the time to send for early cabbage. G. J. Derick, Lancaster, S. C. 40-41pd.

FOR SALE—A limited quantity of Durango long staple cotton seed, measures over the standard 40 per cent lint early as King, easily picked. The kind to beat the Boll Weevil. Recommended by E. W. Bailey of the U. S. Agriculture Department. Seed absolutely pure. Grown from Government seed, specially ginned. Price \$6 per bushel. Write or apply to C. C. Brown, Box 107 Camden, S. C. 38.

FARM FOR RENT—Four horse farm in Boykin section, 1 mile from Camden. Six room dwelling, four tenant houses, barns and stables. Apply to C. P. DuBose and Co. Real Estate and Insurance. 38tf.

CARBIDE for ACETYLENE LIGHTS—Carload stored in Camden for all sizes of Gas Generators, at manufacturers prices plus the freight to Camden, S. C. E. B. McClain, Camden, S. C. 35tf.

FOR SALE—Dey pine, four-foot wood, \$7. per cord delivered. Apply to Henry Smyrl, Cantey, S. C. telephone 2102. 34tf.

AGENT WANTED—For Worthmore Hair Preparation. See or call on Madam K. E. Bolton, 1713 Gordon Street, Camden, S. C. 20tf.

FOR SALE—One black, saddle mare for sale at a bargain. Suitable for a lady to ride. Apply Henry Savage, Camden, S. C. 32tf.

LOANS—on approved real estate, easy terms. L. C. Houch, Camden, S. C. 45

FOR SALE—Baths for sale. Apply Henry Savage, Camden, S. C. 40.

BROOD SOWS FOR SALE—Grade Durocs, bred to thorough-bred boars. Apply to Henry Savage, Camden, South Carolina 32tf.

COTTON STORAGE—I am now prepared to store several hundred bales of cotton at old the plant. J. B. Zemp. 30tf.

FOR SALE—A concrete and tile barn, new, overlooking lake and golf links. Six rooms, bath and screened piazza. \$6,500—easy terms. Apply to Henry Savage, Camden, S. C. 32

Storage Batteries—Service Given on all make batteries. Recharging, Repairing and Rental. Free distilled water. Battery-called for and delivered. Phone 118-J. Beard's Garage & Battery Service, Camden, S. C. 34tf.

No. 22.

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF BANK OF CAMDEN

Located at Camden, S. C., at the Close of Business on Dec. 31, 1921.

Resources.	
Loans and Discounts	\$748,993.47
Overdrafts	12,387.56
Bonds and Stocks owned by the Bank	110,500.00
Furniture and Fixtures	19,017.23
Banking House	86,007.49
Due from Banks and Bankers	68,657.71
Currency	10,030.00
Gold	372.50
Silver and Other Minor Coin	1,855.50
Checks and Cash Items	13,532.90
Total	1,016,041.38

Liabilities.	
Capital Stock Paid In	100,000.00
Surplus Fund	100,000.00
Undivided Profits, less Current Expenses and Taxes Paid	8,387.92
Due to Banks and Bankers	634.39
Dividends Unpaid	12,058.00
Individual Deposits Subject to Check	386,655.70
Savings Deposits	378,325.46
Bills Payable, including Certificates for Money Borrowed	30,000.00
Total	1,016,041.38

State of South Carolina, County of Kershaw. Before me came H. G. Carrison, Jr., Cashier of the above named bank, who being duly sworn, says that the above and foregoing statement is a true condition of said bank, as shown by the books of said bank.

H. G. Carrison, Jr.
Cashier

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of January, 1921.
C. H. Yates, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:
W. M. Shannon
W. G. Wilson
Leo Schenk
Directors

No. 382.

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF LOAN & SAVINGS BANK

Located at Camden S. C., at the Close of Business Dec. 31, 1920

Resources.	
Loans and Discounts	468,702.75
Overdrafts	21,590.46
Bonds and Stocks Owned by the Bank	9,048.06
Furniture and Fixtures	4,852.13
Other Real Estate Owned	5,000.00
Due from Banks and Bankers	35,775.10
Currency	5,293.00
Gold	367.50
Silver and Other Minor Coin	1,454.04
Checks and Cash Items	1,345.80
Total	658,428.69

Liabilities.	
Capital Stock Paid In	\$97,000.00
Surplus Fund	20,000.00
Undivided Profits, less Current Expenses and Taxes Paid	1,148.98
Dividends Unpaid	4,600.00
Individual Deposits Subject to Check	206,054.86
Savings Deposits	98,287.99
Time Certificates of Deposit	15,118.76
Certified Checks	511.70
Cashier's Checks	2,305.55
Bills Payable, including Certificates for Money Borrowed	109,000.00
Total	658,428.69

State of South Carolina, County of Kershaw. Before me came John S. Lindsay, Cashier of the above named bank, who, being duly sworn, says that the above and foregoing statement is a true condition of said bank, as shown by the books of said bank.

JOHN S. LINDSAY.
Cashier

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of January, 1921.
H. A. Kirkland, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:
Thos. J. Kirkland
F. M. Wooten
T. L. Little
Directors

No. 426.

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE MERCHANTS & FARMERS BANK

Located at Bethune, S. C., at the Close of Business Dec. 31, 1920.

Resources.	
Loans and Discounts	77,143.92
Bonds and Stocks Owned by the Bank	2,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	2,974.40
Banking House	1,125.00
Due from Banks and Bankers	12,540.07
Currency	877.00
Gold	195.00
Silver and Other Minor Coin	498.58
Checks and Cash Items	287.39
Total	97,641.36

Liabilities.	
Capital Stock Paid In	\$20,000.00
Surplus Fund	1,000.00
Undivided Profits, less Current Expenses and Taxes Paid	3,128.12
Individual Deposits Subject to Check	38,021.98
Savings Deposits	28,382.24
Time Certificates of Deposit	1,506.22
Cashier's Checks	199.80
Bills Payable, including Certificates for Money Borrowed	5,000.00
Total	\$97,641.36

State of South Carolina, County of Kershaw. Before me came J. D. Lafitte, Cashier of the above named bank, who being duly sworn, says that the above and foregoing statement is a true condition of said bank, as shown by the books of said bank.

J. D. LAFITTE, Cashier.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of January, 1921.
C. C. Parker, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:
W. M. Stevens
C. C. Gardner
W. E. Davis
Directors

WE WANT MEN WHO KICK

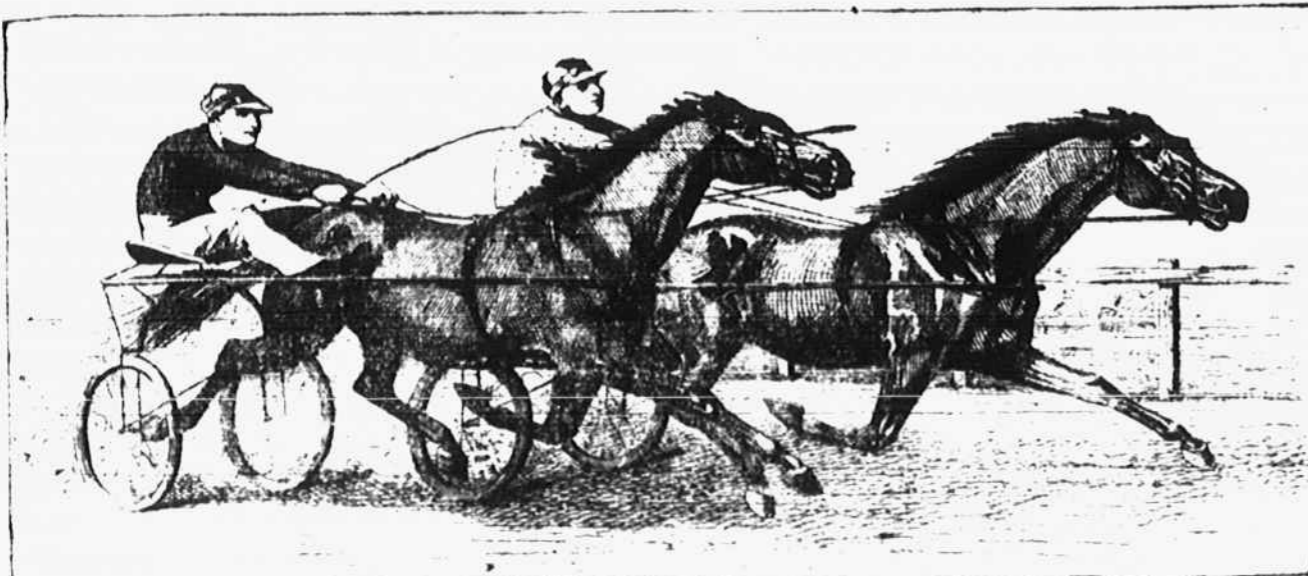
About the way their clothes are cleaned, pressed and repaired to let us care for their apparel—then the "KICKING" stops.

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Phone us about anything you have cleaned, pressed, repaired or dyed.

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