

### THE CAMDEN CHRONICLE

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Camden, S. C., March 24th, 1922.

One man was killed and twenty thousand were rendered idle by a fire that wiped out a block of office buildings in the centre of Chicago early last Wednesday morning. The property loss is estimated at not less than \$5,000,000 but insurance experts say between \$10,000,000 and \$15,000,000 is nearer the correct figure. The fire is said to have broken out at several places at the same time, and is believed to be of incendiary origin. In all fifty-two fire companies were called to the scene, and it was three or four hours before they had the situation in control. The big fifteen-story "freemason" Burlington building stands in the centre of the ruin with everything gone except the towering walls; the window glass having run away like water and all the contents including records having been destroyed. The fire department believed from all the circumstances in the case that the fire was the work of organized incendiarism carried out by a half a dozen or more incendiaries working together.

In court of general sessions at Greenville Wednesday last, Judge Frank B. Gary imposed death sentences upon Cliff Hawkins, white, convicted of the murder of William Morgan, on the night of July 9, 1921, and upon Will Wood, negro, convicted of the murder of G. W. Smith, at Poe mill September 21, 1921. Both had been under death sentence pending appeals to the supreme court, appeals which were dismissed. Both were sentenced to die in the electric chair on April 2 between the hours of 11 a. m. and 4 p. m.

The William J. Bryan estate, known as Fairview, and consisting of buildings and ten acres of ground, near Lincoln, Nebraska, has been tendered to the Methodist church on no other condition than that it be maintained as a hospital.

#### Hermitage Mill News.

The Royal Ambassadors Class of the Hermitage Sunday School entertained the Working Workers Class at a fruit supper at the Community House Saturday night. Most of the members of both classes were present and a very pleasant evening was spent playing games and other amusement. Mr. A. F. Bridges, Superintendent of the Orange Mills in Bessemer City, N. C. spent Thursday at the Hermitage. Mr. Bridges was the guest of Mr. J. D. Player. Misses Elizabeth Yarborough, Nancy Ieter and Mary Simpson attended the State Teachers meeting held in Columbia last week. Mr. Curtis Crutcher, of Columbia spent the weekend with his brother, Mr. S. L. Crutcher. Mr. Capers Guy was a visitor in the village the past weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Threat were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Motter last week. Roy W. D. Williams has received a call to the Anshel Baptist church. It is understood that he will accept. Miss S. A. Croxley, Misses Beadie and Carrie Croxley left Tuesday for St. George where they were called on at court of the Regess of Mrs. Pearl E. Singer. Misses Kate Walker and Elizabeth B. Smith spent the week-end with Mrs. M. S. Simpson.

### HERE AND THERE

Short News Stories Gathered From All Sources.

It has been definitely decided that the strike of the United Mine Workers of America will take place on May 1. The estimates contemplate the idleness of not less than half a million miners and perhaps a great many more. Greenville merchants have started a movement to test the constitutionality of the state income tax law. The Columbia city council has passed a resolution under which the names of twenty Columbia streets will be changed to bear the names of twenty Columbia soldiers who were killed in the world war. At Greenville Wednesday Judge F. B. Gary signed an order restraining the sheriff of Greenville from interfering with a carnival that wanted to show there until the constitutionality of the act of the last legislature can be passed upon by the supreme court. His honor said that a prima facie case of unfair discrimination had been made out.

#### Self-Preservation.

During a train journey a man dashed down the corridor of a sleeping car calling out: "Has anyone any whisky? A lady has fainted in the next car." A flask was handed to him. He took a liberal drink, returned the flask and then said calmly: "It always upsets me so to see a lady faint."

#### In The Long Ago.

We copy the following from the Charleston News and Courier of March 15th, which was sent out from Camden under date of March 7, 1822: Camden, Mar. 7, 1822: We congratulate our fellow citizens upon the increasing prosperity of Camden. Business has revived, and enterprise is once more putting forth its energies. More produce has been purchased here this season than in any preceding one. Our warehouses are filled with cotton; there is not sufficient number of boats employed on the Wateree to convey it to Charleston. Cotton has been purchased here this season from within sixty miles of Charleston, and on an average, at the difference of price transportation to that city. At least five times the present amount of capital might be employed to advantage in the trade of the place.

In Spain a woman's mantilla is held as sacred and it cannot be sold for debt.

### DOES YOUR HOUSEWORK SEEM HARD?

### HAS YOUR STRENGTH LEFT YOU? GUDE'S PEPTO-MANGAN WILL RESTORE IT.

If you have dyspepsia and headaches, and feel "all in," don't take it for granted that there is no relief. Strength and ambition for your tasks will come when you build up your weakened blood with Gude's Pepto-Mangan. Take it with your meals a few weeks and see the permanent benefit. It is just the thing to aid you to recover full health. This wonderfully efficient form of food iron quickly improves the appetite, adds color to the cheeks and lips and imparts strength to the jaded muscles. Remember to ask for "Gude's Pepto-Mangan." Sold in both liquid and tablet form. Advertisement.

### Letters From The People

#### Writes of The Long Ago.

Vanice, California, March 12. Editor Camden Chronicle: Received your paper of March 3rd and have enjoyed your reading it. The various names—Kershaw, Shannon, Cantey, DePass, and others "carry me back." It was with DePass' artillery I marched away to the war. What has become of the old "Mission House" on corner of DeKalb and Main streets? and the old town pump at the intersection? and the "Factory Pond" where I carried our grain to be ground, and took a swim while waiting my turn. The article from the Boston Transcript takes me back 57 years. I can see the "Sand Hill Crackers" coming into town, with their two wheel carts, driver astride of the horse, a little brown jug tied under the cart, the body of the cart filled with the products of his "creek bottoms," the little jug taking back part of the proceeds. We town boys thought it a dull Saturday if we did not witness several fist fights. No Volstead law these days. Immediately around Camden: Hobbs hill, Kirkwood and other sandhills were the homes of the "bar-tococrats." The denizens of the town were "Democrats" and those from the pine hills were "poor white crabs." Probably things have changed now, so long ago. I left Camden in 1865, turned my face to the land of the sunset and live in 100 feet of the Pacific, where we slip every day in the year. My! have you not fixed the streets yet? They were being (discussed) when I left there. Yours, E. G. Robinson.

#### Hydro-Electric Power Needed.

The Chamber of Commerce is receiving inquiries from different sources, asking for information concerning Camden's hydro-electric power. One party writes: "I have heard some marvelous stories about the development of your section, considerable of it being attributable to hydro-electric power" and also asks about our manufacturing interests, products, pay rolls, etc. The above goes to show the need of such power in Camden, for although we have an unlimited supply right at our doors, Camden's development is being stunted because of the lack of it, and without it, the writer is in position to know that enterprises which would be of untold benefit to us are being kept away. It is embarrassing to have to answer these inquiries as truth compels—when by a "pull together" of all our citizens, this power, which means everything to Camden's future, could be had. Will not our people awaken to the vital need of development and call upon "the powers that be"—Mayor-elect Carrison and his cabinet—to see that this great boon to Camden is obtained? B. G. Sanders, Secretary Chamber of Commerce

Owing to the recent rapid advances in the price of flour wholesale bakers are advancing the price of bread a cent a pound.

The jury for the third trial of Roscoe Arbuttle was made up at San Francisco, last Wednesday, and accepted by the state. The safe of T. G. Patrick at White Oak, was blown by yegamen last Monday night and robbed of Liberty bonds and cash.

#### ORDER APPOINTING GUARDIAN

State of South Carolina, County of Kershaw, Court of Common Pleas. John Meek, Plaintiff against Jennie E. Meek, Minerva Meek, Glasgow S. Meek, Denwith Meek, Jimmie L. Meek, Hilda M. Meek, Hattie E. Meek, W. S. Nelson, executor of the estate of W. M. Shannon, deceased, and H. G. Carrison, Sr. Defendants. To the Clerk of said Court, Minerva Meek. Upon the showing made by the plaintiff herein it is ordered that Sammie S. Nicholson being a suitable person be appointed Guardian ad Litem for you unless you or someone in your behalf appear and make application within ten (10) days after the completion of service hereof upon you. It is ordered that service hereof be made by publication, same to be published in The Camden Chronicle for three successive weeks and that a copy be mailed to you at Crawford, Florida. J. H. CLYBURN, Clerk of Court Kershaw County, Dated at Camden, S. C., March 22, 1922.

#### CITY REGISTRATION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the books of Registration of the City of Camden will be open in the office of Zemp & DePass Drug Store on the corner of Broad and Rutledge streets, in the City of Camden, County of Kershaw, State of South Carolina for the registration of the names of the qualified electors therein on Thursday, March 9th, 1922, and will remain open from 9 a. m. to 1:30 p. m., and from 3 p. m. until 5:30 p. m. each day except Sundays, until Saturday, March 25th, 1922, inclusive. JAMES R. DeLOACHE, Supervisor of Registration for the

### STATE INCOME TAX LAW.

The Most Unpopular Law. Anderson Mail: Well, the Legislature has passed an income tax bill, and it has become a law. In our opinion; it is going to be one of the most unpopular laws that has ever been enacted by the State of South Carolina, and for more reasons than one, but as it is law, the people have nothing else to do but try as best they can to obey it. This is what all law-abiding citizens usually do, but that does not prevent them from protesting and, in our opinion, there will be more protests against this measure than any one that we have had in a series of years. May Become a Farce. Greenwood Index Journal: The State income tax, amounting to one-third of the amount paid as Federal income tax, is one which will affect the general business life of the state. An income tax is probably the most equitable tax in theory that can be devised. It is not always so in practice. In the case of the State's new income tax law, the amount fixed, one-third the amount paid to the Federal government, is higher than seemed to us wise to impose at this time. Time and experience only will show whether it amounts to anything at all or not. If enforced, it should greatly relieve the burden of the payers of a direct property tax. If allowed to become a farce, as did our previous income tax experiment, it will mean the state will have a huge deficit to face a year hence. Should Not Be Retroactive. Greenville News: The Senate showed tolerance in voting a state income tax equal to one-third the amount collected by the Federal government, but it made a serious mistake, the News believes, in making the tax retroactive to 1921. The arguments against retroactive taxes are numerous and conclusive, but in this instance the fact that the period on which the tax is levied has already passed by nearly three months is sufficient argument against its unreasonableness. It is unbusiness-like if not unfair to dun a man three months after he innocently and unconsciously contracts a debt. Caught by a fish hook as it floated on the surface of the Saluda river, 200 yards from where it went down, the body of fourteen-year-old Johnny Yonge, who was drowned on December 26, near Piedmont, was recovered last Tuesday by M. C. Hall, who was fishing in the river. It is believed that the body was held at the bottom of the river by a sand bed and was only released by the recent high waters. Jefferson Davis Highway. Columbia, March 15—The South Carolina Highway Commission has granted the request of the United Daughters of the Confederacy that the highway from Cheraw, Camden and Columbia to Augusta, be known as the Jefferson Davis Highway, and it will be so designated on the map.



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Broad Street Camden, S. C.

### How Firestone Has Reduced the Cost of Tire Service

Size	Jan. 1921 Price	Jan. 1922 Price	Reduction
30 x 3 Fabric	\$18.75	\$ 9.85	47%
30 x 3 1/2 "	22.50	11.65	48%
30 x 3 3/4 Cord	35.75	17.50	51%
32 x 4 "	36.55	32.40	43%
32 x 4 1/4 "	67.00	42.85	36%
33 x 4 "	81.50	52.15	36%

**HOW** the cost of building quality tires has been brought down to the lowest level in history was explained by H. B. Firestone, President of the Company, in the stockholders at the annual meeting on December 16, 1921.  
1. All inventories and commitments at or below the market.  
2. Increased manufacturing efficiency and volume production reduced factory overhead 55%.  
3. Selling costs reduced 33%.  
Mr. Firestone stated, "This reduction in prices is made possible by our unusually advantageous buying facilities, and the enthusiasm, loyalty and determination of our 100% stockholding organization."  
"Des credit must be given to Firestone dealers who are selling Firestone tires on a smaller margin of profit. This brings every Firestone saving direct to the car-owner."  
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Bank No. 235.

### STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE BANK OF BETHUNE

FOR ALL THE MONTHS SINCE THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON MARCH 15, 1922.

Resources	
Assets and Cash	\$118,162.91
Overdrafts	4,051.54
Bonds and stocks owned by the Bank	2,100.00
Furniture and Fixtures	2,246.70
Banking House	1,492.00
Due from Banks and Bankers	6,629.83
Currents	1,233.00
Gold	240.00
Silver and other Minor Coins	600.00
Checks and Cash, Items	318.87
Interest and Dividends collected	1,428.38
Total	\$138,633.66
Liabilities	
Capital Stock Paid	\$15,000.00
Surplus Fund	10,000.00
Individual Deposits Subject to Check	48,943.06
Time Certificates of Deposit	39,444.96
Cashier's Checks	245.08
Bills payable, including Certificates of Money Borrowed	85,633.06
Total	\$138,633.66

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, County of Kershaw  
Before me came G. B. McKinnon, 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.  
Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 22nd day of March, 1922.  
Collect Attest  
N. A. Bethune  
D. T. Yarborough  
E. Z. Truesdell  
Directors  
G. E. Parrott, Notary Public