

That the projected cotton mill for Kings Creek, Cherokee county town, situated a few miles from the York line, is now a certainty was the information given this week by A. W. Love, of Kings Creek, promoter of the enterprise. The mill will be capitalized at a little under \$200,000 and will be of 6,000 spindles. No northern money will be in the enterprise,

the stockholders being from Cherokee, York and contiguous counties. The greater part of the capital stock has been subscribed and the raising of the residue presents no difficulties, it is said. Mr. Love, who is one of Kings Creek's leading business men and farmers, is the promoter of the enterprise and will be one of the largest stockholders.

Bank No. 235. STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE BANK OF BETHUNE

LOCATED AT BETHUNE, S. C., AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON APRIL 3, 1923.

Resources table with columns for Loans and Discounts, Overdrafts, Bonds and Stocks Owned by the Bank, Furniture and Fixtures, Banking House, Other Real Estate Owned, Due from Banks and Bankers, Currency, Gold, Silver and Other Minor Coin, Checks and Cash Items, Total. Liabilities table with columns for Capital Stock Paid In, Surplus Fund, Undivided Profits less Current Expenses and Taxes Paid, Individual Deposits Subject to Check, Time Certificates of Deposit, Cashier's Checks, Total.

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. G. B. McKinnon, Cashier. Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 6th day of April, 1923. Correct Attest: A. R. McLaurin, D. L. Yarbrough, A. K. McLaurin, Directors. H. E. Hyatt, Notary Public for S. C.

No. 318 STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF LOAN & SAVINGS BANK

LOCATED AT CAMDEN, S. C., AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS APRIL 3, 1923.

Resources table with columns for Loans and Discounts, Overdrafts, Bonds and Stocks Owned by the Bank, Furniture and Fixtures, Due from Banks and Bankers, Currency, Gold, Silver and Other Minor Coin, Checks and Cash Items, Total. Liabilities table with columns for Capital Stock Paid In, Surplus Fund, Undivided Profits, less Current Expenses and taxes paid, Dividends Unpaid, Individual Deposits Subject to Check, Savings Deposits, Time Certificates of Deposit, Certified Checks, Cashier's Checks, Bills Payable including Certificates for money borrowed, Total.

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. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th day of April, 1923. Correct Attest: Thos. J. Kirkland, P. M. Wooten, I. H. Clyburn, Directors. John Whitaker, Jr., Notary Public.

No. 9083. REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CAMDEN

AT CAMDEN IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON APRIL 3, 1923.

Resources table with columns for Loans and Discounts, Overdrafts, U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation, All other United States Government Securities, Other Bonds, stocks, securities, etc., Value of banking house, Furniture and fixtures, Real Estate owned other than banking house, Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve, Cash in vault and amount due from national banks, Net amount due from banks and bankers, Checks and cash items, Total. Liabilities table with columns for Capital Stock Paid In, Surplus Fund, Undivided Profits, less Current Expenses and taxes paid, Dividends Unpaid, Individual Deposits Subject to Check, Savings Deposits, Time Certificates of Deposit, Cashier's Checks, Bills Payable including Certificates for money borrowed, Total.

State of South Carolina, County of Kershaw. Before me came J. S. W. VanLandingham, 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. S. W. VANLANDINGHAM, Cashier. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of April, 1923. Correct Attest: C. J. Shannon, Jr., John T. Mackey, I. A. Wittkowsky, Directors. W. S. Burnet, Notary Public for S. C.

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The arrest of three men in connection with aiding and abetting John Barfield in his escape from the officers of the law, and the later arrest of three more white men from the Bethune section in connection with the horrible murder temporarily takes six bad eggs out of the community and it is hoped that when they are brought to trial that they will be given long terms in prison. Their removal from the county would make this section safer for law-abiding citizens to reside in, and it would at least stop the flow of moonshine liquor in this section for a while. Public sentiment is rapidly frowning down upon this evil and the courts can help matters by imposing long prison sentences. Propaganda has already been started in behalf of Barfield—some saying that Youmans was shot by his own men. If Barfield was not the guilty man he made a desperate effort to get away.

While traveling the highway from Asheville to Greenville in this State last Sunday the automobile driven by two young ladies was riddled with bullets by prohibition officers near Travelers Rest because the young ladies did not stop when halted. It is considered miraculous that they were not hit by stray bullets or their car wrecked. It would be far better that one hundred rum runners escape than one innocent person be killed. The affair will cause delight in the ranks of the enemies of prohibition and real friends of prohibition cannot defend it, and as the Greenville News says, "When it becomes unsafe for ladies to travel the public highways of South Carolina it is time for all good citizens to give attention to the situation."

We are publishing on this page today all of the quarterly statements of the financial institutions of the county. A perusal of them will show that all of the banks are in healthy conditions and this county is far from broke. They are all managed by conservative business men and all enjoy a large patronage.

Eugene V. Debs is soon to make a visit to Russia and it is said he will be given an official welcome by the soviet government. We hope he will stay there.

Signs of the times: When all kinds of agents pass among our folks with all kinds of propositions to take their money away from them, you may know business is good. These rascals do not work in dull times. The public should learn a lesson from a few years back when times were good and profit by past experiences. Say no to the slick tongue salesman.

The Chronicle this week had the unusual experience of receiving payment on one of its accounts by a telegraphic money order. It was unusual in two ways—in that it came from a lawyer. We withhold his name but he does not live in South Carolina. Others owing us need not be in such a hurry, as a check by mail will serve the same purpose and be less expensive.

Judge Shipp, opening court for Richland county Monday, announced that judges cannot legally suspend the days or any portion of them of defendants found guilty of violating this liquor law; for the law says they "must serve at least 30 days."

Judge Henry, one of the new judges recently elected by the legislature, opened his first court Monday at Greenwood with prayer by Rev. R. W. Saunders, and ordered arrangements to be made for similar opening every day.

W. D. Coggs, a prominent citizen of Darlington, and one of the leading business men of the state died suddenly at his home in Darlington Monday morning.

M. B. Chandler, for the last nine years chief of police of the Greenville police department, has accepted the position of captain of the guard in the city of Darlington to succeed C. J. Roberts, resigned. Mr. Chandler has a record of 10 years of service in the police force of Greenville.

Winnona Holzengohern, erstwhile empress of Germany, now a citizen of Darlington, has cast aside her backward and is doing his wood sawing with an electric saw.

Following the lead of the United States steel corporation, a number of the largest steel companies of the country on yesterday announced an increase of 11 per cent in the wages of all day labor employed by them. More than 150,000 employees are affected and the increase in the payroll amounts to half a million dollars weekly.

Members of the "American Women" said to be an auxiliary of the Ku Klux Klan, staged a street parade in Dallas, Texas, Saturday night. The women were led by horsewomen, three abreast, followed by a seventy-five piece band, and marchers dressed in white gowns on the arms of each was a red cross. They wore peaked caps over their heads.

OUR NEW SECRETARY.

Splendid Tribute to Reardon From His Home Town Paper.

Sumter and Sumter county will lose a mighty valuable and popular citizen when Mr. E. I. Reardon, for years the efficient and hustling secretary of the Sumter County Chamber of Commerce, leaves within a few days to become secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Camden and Kershaw County.

The Sumter Herald desires to express its regret over his departure and to congratulate Camden and Kershaw on Mr. Reardon being selected as the commercial secretary of that organization.

Mr. Reardon has thousands of good friends all over Sumter county and already the Sumter County Council of Farm Women and the Coöperative Cotton and Tobacco units of Hagood and Horatio have adopted very nice and complimentary resolutions of thanks to him for his splendid work in behalf of the rural districts, the schools, churches, home demonstration clubs and farm demonstration work and regretting his severing of his connection with the commercial organization of Sumter county. We are glad these resolutions were adopted and published, and we think and hope that many more such kind expressions will be adopted and published.

Emmett I. Reardon, known all over South Carolina and in other states as "E. I. R." "the Sumter County Booster," has for years performed valuable services in many ways for his native city and county as secretary of the Chamber of Commerce and as a newspaper writer. That is an undisputed and indisputable statement we make with great pleasure. The Sumter Herald has published hundreds of columns of his brilliant writings, published in numbers of other papers also, which have done much to put Sumter on the map in the limelight of publicity. He has brought many hundreds of thousands of dollars of capital into Sumter and has been prominent in many ways in public affairs of this city and county. He is a good scout, a jolly natured Irishman and a friend maker of the highest order.

We are quite sure that we voice the sentiment of an overwhelming majority of Sumter County men and women when we say that Mr. Reardon carries with him to his new home and new field of endeavor the thanks and best wishes for a long life of happiness, health and prosperity and for equal success in Kershaw county as a commercial secretary and as a booster. If Camden and Kershaw will stand back of him "E. I. R." will do much to put Camden and Kershaw county "on the map" as we say. He is one of the best impromptu speakers we know of—never at a loss to respond on short notice—on any subject, any time, and anywhere in his line of work.

To "E. I. R." the best we can say in conclusion is "Thank you, God bless you, and temporarily at least, goodbye, old friend."—Sumter Herald.

W. M. Hagood, Jr. was elected mayor of Easley Monday by 492 to 295 for E. W. Allen, the incumbent. Mr. Hagood is 36 and blind.

Col. LeRoy Springs has awarded a contract for the erection of sixty modern textile residences for operatives of the Fort Mill Manufacturing company in Fort Mill. The contract goes to the Minter-Humes company of Greenville.

The 1923 income tax in South Carolina has reached the million mark. The largest check received was for \$67,000 from a corporation; several payments for one cent were received.

April 1st completed the first quarter of a century of automobile building in the United States and up to that time 10,000,000 had been built. The first car sold was a Winton one-cylinder.

Gerald Chapman, noted bandit, the leader of a gang that staged a \$1,000,000 mail robbery in New York in 1921 and since doing time in the Federal prison in Atlanta, escaped from that institution recently, and has been leading the secret service officials a merry chase since. Together with bank thief Gray, another prisoner, he jumped from a second story window, landing heavily in a garden below. The guards had to follow by running down the steps, and the prisoners were out of sight. Making their way into Atlanta, they cut out of the city at Decatur, and caught a freight train into Athens, Ga. Here the conductor made them get off and notified the police, who engaged them in a photo fight, and wounded Chapman as badly as he was recaptured. He was then taken to a hospital and placed under guard, but managed to escape again. The guard and a nurse tell a story that late at night Chapman was discovered in the boiler room of the hospital, and the guard was prevented from recapturing him by the nurse who took fright and held to him in her hysteria while Chapman got away. That story is subject to doubt. In the meantime, the secret service men are hunting for Chapman everywhere they can think of. William J. Burns says that Chapman was aided by confederates who came down from New York for the purpose and that they used a large sum of money in the perfection of their plans. Burns says he will recapture the man.

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No. 22. STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF BANK OF CAMDEN

LOCATED AT CAMDEN, S. C., AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS APRIL 6, 1923.

Resources table with columns for Loans and Discounts, Overdrafts, Bonds and Stocks owned by the Bank, Furniture and Fixtures, Banking House, Other Real Estate Owned, Due from Banks and Bankers, Currency, Gold, Silver and Other Minor Coin, Checks and Cash Items, Total. Liabilities table with columns for Capital Stock Paid In, Surplus Fund, Undivided Profits, less Current Expenses and Taxes Paid, Due to Banks and Bankers, Dividends Unpaid, Individual Deposits Subject to Check, Savings Deposits, Time Certificates of Deposit, Certified Checks, Total Deposits, Bills Payable, including Certificates for Money Borrowed, Total.

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. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of April, 1923. Correct Attest: H. G. Carrison, Sr., Leo Scenek, G. A. Rhame, Directors. C. H. Yates, Notary Public.

No. 436 STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE MERCHANTS & FARMERS BANK

LOCATED AT BETHUNE, S. C., AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS APRIL 3, 1923.

Resources table with columns for Loans and Discounts, Overdrafts, secured by cotton, Furniture and Fixtures, Banking House, Other Real Estate Owned, Due from Banks and Bankers, Currency, Gold, Silver and Other Minor Coin, Checks and Cash Items, Other Resources, Total. Liabilities table with columns for Capital Stock Paid In, Surplus Fund, Undivided Profits, less Current Expenses and taxes paid, Individual Deposits Subject to Check, Savings Deposits, Time Certificates of Deposit, Cashier's Checks, Total.

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 10th day of April, 1923. Correct Attest: W. M. Stevens, C. C. Gardner, W. E. Davis, Directors. G. E. Parrott, Notary Public, Darlington County, S. C.

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF The Peoples Bank of Camden

LOCATED AT CAMDEN, S. C., AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS APRIL 3, 1923.

Resources table with columns for Loans and Discounts, Overdrafts, Furniture and Fixtures, Banking House, Other Real Estate Owned, Due from Banks and Bankers, Currency, Gold, Silver and Other Minor Coin, Checks and Cash Items, Other Resources, Total. Liabilities table with columns for Capital Stock Paid In, Surplus Fund, Undivided Profits, less Current Expenses and Taxes Paid, Individual Deposits Subject to Check, Savings Deposits, Time Certificates of Deposit, Certified Checks, Cashier's Checks, Total.

State of South Carolina, County of Kershaw. Before me came J. B. Wallace, 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. B. WALLACE. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of April, 1923. Correct Attest: W. E. Johnson, E. R. Ray, W. F. Nettles, Directors. C. W. Biremore, Notary Public for S. C.