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JOHN W. HOLMES—THE MAN.

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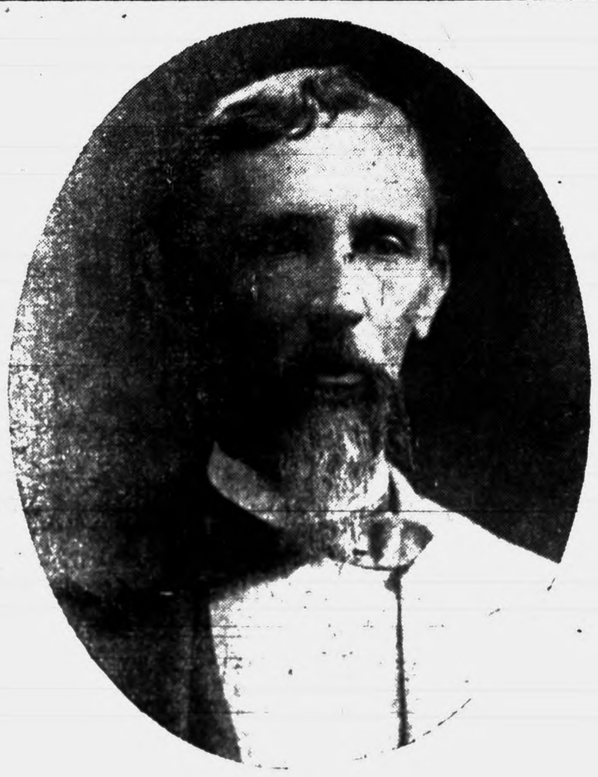
THE PEOPLE carries to its readers this week the sad news of the death of its founder and editor, Major John W. Holmes. For thirty-five years, under his able management, the paper has made weekly visits into the homes of several hundred families within and without the borders of Barnwell county, and the writer has reason to believe that those visits have been welcome ones, for it was ever the aim of the editor to present an impartial statement of events as they occurred, "with malice towards none and good towards all." That he succeeded in this is evidenced by the universal confidence and esteem in which he was held by all.



Major John W. Holmes.

—Courtesy of The News and Courier.

Our friend and your friend is dead, but to quote his own words, "death was to him only the transition from the couch of suffering into the eternal Paradise." Sitting in the same old chair in the old office that for so long has been the home of THE PEOPLE, surrounded on every side by his belongings, memories of the days spent in companionship with him come to us. Of his early life, his record in the war and the unhappy times that followed, we shall not attempt to write, preferring to leave that to others, but to the man himself we shall endeavor in some small part to pay tribute.

We have known Major Holmes since our boyhood, and for a number of years have been intimately associated with him. During that time we realized to some extent the true worth of the man and grew to love him, as did every one with whom he came in contact. The writer feels sure that all of "the boys" who have worked in his office felt the same affection for him. Certainly he was more like a friend than an employer, for he was always considerate of the rights and feelings of those who were associated with him, and not one single instance do we recall of his having knowingly hurt the feelings of any one, be he ever so humble.

He was a man of many admirable traits of character. Although he was not blest with an over abundance of this world's goods and never given to a public display of his charity, he was ever ready to give when he thought that the object of his charity was deserving. There are many needy ones in this county who have reason to feel grateful to him.

He was the soul of honor and paid all debts that he contracted and he contracted none that he could not pay. He never did less than he promised, but on the other hand always tried to do even a little more. He gave much and exacted little. His tastes were simple and his mode of life unostentatious. More like the violet than the rose, he made life sweeter for those who passed his way and there were no thorns to hurt the feelings of any with whom he came in contact. Numbers have gone to him in sorrow and distress and to none did he deny the comfort of his friendship. It seemed to us that he emulated the life of the Nazarene more than any other man of our acquaintance.

Never having married, the love of a naturally affectionate disposition was given to the people of his adopted county. Although offered the editorial management of several daily papers he preferred to remain among the people with whom he first cast his lot after the fortunes of war had stripped them bare of all save the actual necessities of life. He was tempted to retire from active service, but the thought that he was still needed—that his work was incomplete—spurred him on and kept him at his labors in the evening of his life, and not until the shades of night were closing about him did he lay down his pen. He was faithful unto death.

The last wish that we ever heard him express—that he would "wake in some happier clime"—has been granted, and the State has lost a gallant son, the world a gifted writer, the weak and oppressed a champion, all mankind a friend, but the fragrance of his memory still lingers and will abide with us always. The world is the better for his stay in it.

"None knew him but to love him,
None spoke of him but in praise."

B. P. DAVIES.

JOHN W. HOLMES.

News and Courier.

Rich in years and at peace with God and all mankind, Major John W. Holmes, for thirty-five years the owner and editor of THE BARNWELL PEOPLE, is dead, and all of us will miss him, those of us whose good fortune it was to know him personally and those of us whose only acquaintance with him was through the enjoyment which the weekly visits of THE PEOPLE never failed to afford. He had a heart of gold. There was the spirit of sunshine in all that came from his ever delightful pen. A man of no mean scholarship, years of observation and keen analysis had crowned and blessed him with a rich and ripe philosophy, but it was the inimitable grace and sprightly fancy with which he expressed himself which lent distinction to his chronicling of the most ordinary happenings of every-day life. He enjoyed especially writing on agricultural questions and bringing home to the farmers of Barnwell County vividly but very practically, lessons of value to them. His reminiscences of the stirring period through which he had lived and in the events in which, with all becoming modesty he had bravely borne his part, will have permanent value, and steps should be taken now looking to their preservation. There are many of us who are genuinely sorry that he is gone. He belonged to a school of which there are few survivors. He had individuality and was not afraid to give it play.

"A SPLENDID CITIZEN."

The following telegram was received here Monday evening and shows in what high regard Major Holmes was held outside of Barnwell county:

"Maj. R. Boyd Cole,
Barnwell, S. C.

Will you not kindly convey to the surviving relatives of Major Holmes sincere condolences on behalf of South Carolina Press Association? The Association loses a valued and esteemed member, the State a splendid citizen.

H. L. Watson, Pres."

Mr. Watson is President of the South Carolina Press Association.

Governor Blease has threatened to pardon all the convicts who work in the hosiery mill at the Penitentiary unless the Legislature, at its next session, abolishes the mill, which is said to be a menace to the health of the operatives. Instead of resorting to such stringent measures, we suggest that he have them given other work.

$71,719.58 represented the proceeds from the sale of 956 bales of cotton and the cotton seed, grown by convicts on the Mississippi State farm.

South Carolina needs more farmers. Why not teach these unfortunates scientific farming, and then, when they have served out their sentences, they will be better prepared to earn a livelihood.

OBEYED GOD'S CALL.

Charles Brant Manuel, the youngest son of Mr and Mrs. Wyman A. Manuel, departed this life early Friday morning, Dec. 27, 1912. He was born July, 26, 1909, and lived to be 3 years, 5 months and one day of age.

Little Charles was only sick a short while and his death was a shocking one to the community.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. H. Simpson at Bethel Church Saturday morning. Then the little body was taken to the family cemetery and was placed in its final resting place beside others who had gone on before.

Little Charles was a member of the Bethel Sunday School's Cradle Roll but had been promoted to the primary department a short while ago. His parents feel that they have lost the life and light of their home but we feel assured that their loss is God's gain.

He is survived by his loving parents, three brothers and an infant sister. We extend to the bereaved loved ones our warmest sympathies.

A Friend.

Ulmer, S. C.

GEN. JAMES W. MOORE DEAD

Gen James W. Moore, for 18 years State Senator from Hampton county and one of the most prominent lawyers of lower South Carolina, died at the home of his son-in-law, Dr. E. A. Hines, in Seneca last Friday morning, in the 76th year of his age, after two months of ill health. He was an uncle of Adjt. Gen. W. W. Moore of Barnwell and has other relatives and many friends living in this county.

Gen. Moore was a gallant Confederate soldier and at the close of the war practised law as a partner of the late Leroy F. Youmans. He was the first Senator from Hampton county, being elected in 1878, and at one time was chairman of the State Executive Committee. He married Miss Nella Tillinghast, a sister of Mrs. Leroy F. Youmans of Columbia.

His body was laid to rest Sunday morning in the family burying ground at Gillisonville, Jasper county.

NEWS NOTES.

Noah Davis, a negro living near St. Matthews, was attacked on Christmas day by a mad boar and so severely bitten than 18 stitches were necessary to sew up his wounds.

Jack Parish, a white man of Marion county, who was paroled by Governor Blease on December 9th, will be sent back to the penitentiary to serve out his sentence of eight months for adultery. He violated his parole by being drunk and disorderly.

Lincoln Taylor, a Sumter county negro, was bitten on the stomach by a mule Monday, and before he could be freed the mule had to be killed and the jaws pried open. The mule's head was sent to Columbia for examination, as it was thought the animal had rabies.

W. T. Lindsay, principal of Glassy Mountain school and a citizen in a country church in what is known as the "Dark Corner" of Greenville county, pleaded guilty last week to working in an illicit distillery, the case being sent to the next term of the Federal Court and the defendant released on bond. The still was located within a stone's throw of the school house.

UNCLE SAM CONVICTS MANY

Thirty-eight out of forty men were convicted at Los Angeles, Cal., Saturday for conspiracy to destroy by explosions property throughout the land, the charge being that the men belonged to the band which blew up the Times building in Los Angeles, Cal., and of carrying on a reign of terror designed to be the worst wicked in the history of the country. The other two defendants were acquitted.

All the men were convicted on all the charges, which included counts of conspiracy to violate the laws of the United States, carrying a maximum imprisonment of two years, and twenty-five charges of transporting explosives and aiding and abetting, carrying a maximum imprisonment of eighteen months. The charges against each defendant aggregated fifty-two counts. The men were sentenced Monday.

William J. Burns, the detective who was responsible for the arrest of many of the defendants.

And this ends the famous "dynamite" case which has occupied the front pages of the daily newspapers for months.

Teachers Examination.

Pursuant to an order of the State Board of Education, notice is hereby given that a special teachers examination will be held at the Court House in Barnwell on Friday, January 10, 1913, beginning at 9 a. m. and closing at 4:00 p. m.

The examination will be based upon the following subjects: Agriculture, English, Algebra, Arithmetic, Physiology and Hygiene, Civics and Current Events, Pedagogy and Geography.

This examination is ordered to allow teachers, whose certificates have expired, who failed on the last examination, whose diplomas are not recognized by the State Board of Education, and under age applicants at the last examination to comply with the certificate requirements of the General School Law of 1912.

Horace J. Crouch,
County Supt. of Education.
Barnwell County.

Barnwell, S. C., Dec. 21, 1912.

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Charlie Brown,
Your Friend.

MASTER'S SALE.

State of South Carolina, }
County of Barnwell. }

Court of Common Pleas.

Ex Parte,

Tillie E. Trotti, in her own right and as Administratrix of the estate of H. H. Trotti, deceased, et al.,
Petitioners.

By virtue of a decretal order to me directed in the above entitled cause, I will sell at Barnwell, in front of the Court House, on Monday, January 6th, 1913, it being salesday in said month, within the legal hours of sale, the following described real property: All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon, if any, situate, lying and being in Rosemary Township, in Barnwell County, South Carolina, containing one hundred and fifty (150) acres, more or less, and bounded now or formerly on the North by the Charleston and Augusta Public Road which separates this tract from lands of the estate of Bryant Weathersbee; On the East by lands of Rosemary Baptist Church and by lands of W. I. Jowers; On the South by lands of W. A. McLemore and on the West by Rosemary Creek, being the tract of land conveyed to H. H. Trotti by S. W. Trotti, Jr. on November 1st, A. D. 1907, the deed of and to which is recorded in the office of the Clerk of Court for Barnwell County in Book eight (8) E, at page 110.

Also:

All that certain tract of land situate, lying and being in Williston Township, Barnwell County, State aforesaid, containing one hundred (100) acres, more or less, together with the buildings and improvements thereon, if any, bounded now or formerly on the North by lands of Z. Foutz and by lands of Calvin Owens; On the East by John Johnson; On the South by the public road leading from the Town of Williston to the town of Elko, separating this tract from lands formerly of the estate of Lewis Stansell; and on the West by lands of Mingo Holman, C. V. Trotti and others. This tract being a portion of the old "Tom Stansell plantation" in Williston Township.

Also:

All that certain lot of land situate, lying and being in the Town of Williston, Barnwell County and State of South Carolina, together with the buildings and improvements thereon, fronting on Railroad Avenue and measuring thereon, from East to West, seventy seven (77) feet and four (4) inches more or less, and running back therefrom for a depth of two hundred and ten (210) feet, more or less, and bounded now or formerly on the North by said Railroad Avenue; On the East by a street or Alley separating it from the lands of the South Carolina and Georgia Railway Company; On South by lands of Carolyn P. Cumming and on the West by lot of J. C. Cochran; said lot being known as the North-East corner of the property formerly called the "Burckhalter Block," and being that lot conveyed to H. H. Trotti by Carolyn P. Cumming on the —— day of October, A. D. 1896, the deed of and to which is recorded in the office of the Clerk of Court for Barnwell County in Book six (6) H, at page 330.

Also:

All of that certain lot of land situate, lying and being in the Town of Williston, in Barnwell County, in the State aforesaid, fronting on railroad avenue and measuring thereon, Eastward from the north east corner of the brick building formerly occupied as a post office thirty (30) feet, and running back for a depth of two hundred and ten (210) feet, more or less and bounded now or formerly on the North by Railroad Avenue; On the East, South and West by lands formerly owned by Carolyn P. Cumming. Said being a portion of what was formerly known as the "Burckhalter Property" conveyed to H. H. Trotti by Carolyn P. Cumming on the 29th day of January, A. D. 1908 the deed of and to which is recorded in the office of the Clerk of Court for Barnwell County in Book "H" at page 185.

Terms of sale cash. Purchaser to pay for papers.

H. L. O'Bannon,
Master.

Master's office, Dec. 16th, 1912.

MASTER'S SALE.

State of South Carolina, }
County of Barnwell. }

Court of Common Pleas.

British and American Mortgage Company Limited,
Plaintiff,

vs.

Katie Reed, et al.,
Defendants.

By virtue of a decretal order to me directed in the above entitled cause, I will sell at Barnwell, in front of the Court House, on Monday, January 6th A. D. 1913, it being salesday in said month, within the legal hours of sale, the following described real property: All that tract of land, situate, lying and being in Williston Township, containing one hundred and ninety-six (196) acres, and bounded as follows: North by lands of M. F. Hair and W. H. Kennedy; East by public road leading from Williston to Edisto River, which road separates it from lands of Mrs. Harvey; South by lands of Mrs. H. J. Harvey and West by lands of S. A. Wise.

Terms of sale cash. Purchaser to pay for papers.

Re-sold at risk of former purchaser.

H. L. O'Bannon,
Master.

Master's office, Dec. 14th, 1912.

MASTER'S SALE.

State of South Carolina, }
County of Barnwell }

Court of Common Pleas.

British and American Mortgage Company, Limited,
Plaintiff,

against

W. W. Harley, et al.,
Defendants.

By virtue of a decretal order to me directed in the above entitled cause, I will sell at Barnwell, in front of the Court House, on Monday, January 6th, 1913, it being salesday in said month, within the legal hours of sale, the following described real property: All that tract and plantation of land situate, and being in George's Creek Township, County of Barnwell and State of South Carolina, and containing (125) one hundred and twenty five acres, more or less, and bounded on the North by land of Wash Croft; East by land of Charles Croft and lands of Mary E. Harley; and South by lands of Levy Still and West by lands of Charles Croft and lands of Harriet Sanders.

Terms of sale cash. Purchaser to pay for papers.

H. L. O'Bannon,
Master.

Master's office, Dec. 14th, 1912.

MASTER'S SALE.

State of South Carolina, }
County of Barnwell. }

Court of Common Pleas.

Citizens Bank, Blackville, S. C.,
Plaintiff,

vs.

Harriet Coker,
Defendant.

By virtue of a decretal order to me directed in the above entitled cause, I will sell at Barnwell, in front of the Court House, on Monday, January 6th, 1913, it being salesday in said month, within the legal hours of sale, the following described real property: All that piece, parcel or lot of land, situate, lying and being in the Town of Blackville, County of Barnwell, and State aforesaid, and having the following metes and boundaries: Measuring on the North fifty-five (55) feet, and bounded by South Boundary Street, Measuring on the East one hundred and forty (140) feet, and bounded by lot of Tama Jackson; Measuring on the South sixty (60) feet, and bounded by lot of C. C. Farrell; and measuring on the West one hundred and forty (140) feet, and bounded by ten (10) foot right of-way reserved by C. C. Farrell for a driveway.

Terms of sale cash. Purchaser to pay for papers.

H. L. O'Bannon,
Master.

Master's office, Dec. 14th, 1912.

MASTER'S SALE.

State of South Carolina, }
County of Barnwell. }

Court of Common Pleas.

Mrs. M. L. Still,
Plaintiff,

against

W. O. Fickling, Jones A. Williams, F. G. Fickling and Mrs. Minnie B. Merchant,
Defendants.

By virtue of a decretal order to me directed in the above entitled cause, I will sell at Barnwell, in front of the Court House, on Monday, January 6th, A. D. 1913, it being salesday in said month, within the legal hours of sale, the following described real property: All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, with the improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in the Town of Blackville, County of Barnwell, State of South Carolina, containing and measuring 150 feet, more or less fronting on Pascallis street and running back North from Pascallis to a depth of 250 feet, more or less, and the said lot situate on the South-West corner of Pascallis and Campbell Streets of said Town and bounded as follows: On the North by what is known as Neriand's Lane; On the East by lot now of Thomas L. Wragg; On the South by Pascallis Street and on the West by Campbell Street of the said Town of Blackville.

Terms of sale cash. Purchaser to pay for papers.

H. L. O'Bannon,
Master.

Master's office, Dec. 14th, 1912.

MASTER'S SALE.

State of South Carolina, }
County of Barnwell. }

Court of Common Pleas.

John H. Davison and Charles T. Fargo, copartners under the firm name and style of Davison and Fargo,
Plaintiffs,

vs.

Virginia K. Duncan, et al.,
Defendants.

By virtue of a decretal order to me directed in the above entitled cause, I will sell at Barnwell, in front of the Court House on Monday, January 6th, 1913, within the legal hours of sale, the following described real and personal property: All that tract of land in the Town of Millett, County of Barnwell and State of South Carolina, containing half an acre, more or less, being the land bought by J. H. Duncan from Mrs. S. E. Bates, bounded North by C. & W. C. Railroad, East by lands of Kate M. Black and South and West by lands of Mrs. S. E. Bates.

Also

The 35 H. P. Engine and boiler and all other machinery of every nature in the gin house, seed house and boiler house, pulleys, shafting and belts and pulleys with the exception, however, of two seventy-saw VanWinkle gin-suction, two feeders, one condenser, one double revolving press for packing cotton, and everything connected with the said ginning outfit, the same having, according to the report of the Master, been sold under a chattel mortgage held by the plaintiffs against J. H. Duncan.

Terms cash. Purchaser to pay for papers.

H. L. O'Bannon,
Master

Master's office, Dec. 16th, 1912.

MASTER'S SALE.

State of South Carolina, }
County of Barnwell. }

Court of Common Pleas.

Daisy A. Bonham, et al.,
Plaintiffs,

against

Marcella Cave, et al.,
Defendants

By virtue of a decretal order to me directed in the above entitled cause, I will sell at Barnwell, in front of the Court House, on Monday, January 6th, 1913, it being salesday in said month, within the legal hours of sale, the following described real property: All that piece or parcel of land containing one hundred acres, more or less, set aside by the decree of the Court of Common Pleas in Barnwell County, South Carolina, to Mrs. Daisy A. Bonham, for life, with remainder to M. L. Bonham, Jr., P. A. Bonham and Martha A. Bonham as under and by the terms of the will of Mrs. Martha A. Aldrich, deceased. Said land being bounded by the lands of Robert Aldrich, Mrs. Mary E. Allen, the residue tract of the lands of Mrs. M. A. Aldrich and by Cave, et al.

Terms of sale cash. Purchaser to pay for papers.

H. L. O'Bannon,
Master.

Master's office, December 16th, 1912.

NOTICE OF FINAL DISCHARGE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will on Monday, January 27th, 1913, file with Hon. John K. Snelling, Judge of Probate for Barnwell County, their final return as Executors of the will of Charles E. Gyles, deceased, and apply for Letters Dismissory.

Herbert E. Gyles,
W. A. Gyles,
Executors.

Dec. 27, 1912.

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