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## IN THE PALMETTO STATE

### SOME OCCURRENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

#### State News Boiled Down for Quick Reading—Paragraphs About Men and Happenings.

The Orangeburg county Democratic executive committee has contributed \$100 to the Bryan campaign fund.

Last week the Southern Railway finished the work of repairing the damages caused by the flood and opened up all its lines for business.

Rev. Bunyan McLeod, now pastor of the Presbyterian church at Bennettsville, has been called to Central Presbyterian church in Anderson. He has not accepted the call as yet.

After being out but a few minutes the jury in the case of H. T. Yates, a well known citizen and photographer of Union, who was charged with burning his automobile garage and attempting to burn his home on the night of June 4, returned a verdict of not guilty.

Arthur Beckner, a young white man, who last December attacked and attempted to criminally assault a young white girl of respectable family, and who was tried in Union last week, was sentenced by Judge Klugh to 15 years in the State Penitentiary at hard labor.

At a "corn shucking" near Patrick, Chesterfield county, last Tuesday night, quite a serious cutting and scraping took place. Jno. D. Wilks became involved in a dispute with Mr. Whittier Johnson, which ended in Wilks cutting Mr. Johnson almost from ear to ear. The attending physician says his chances for recovery are very slim.

Governor Ansel last week refused to grant a pardon to Bose Cook, of Hampton county, who was sentenced to serve ten years in the penitentiary for manslaughter, he being tried in February, 1906. In this case Governor Ansel, several months ago, refused to change or commute the sentence. The petition for pardon is signed by the widow of Hamp Smith, the town marshal of Hampton, who was killed in the row with Bose Cook and his brothers, Daisy and Vincent Cook.

Wolf Winter, Elias Winter and Max Winter, three brothers, were convicted in the circuit court of Richland county last Thursday and were sentenced to serve terms in the State penitentiary. These men are foreigners, Polish Jews, and have given the police considerable trouble in Columbia during the past few years. They have been dealing in the junk business and on numerous occasions the police have found stolen goods in their possession, especially railroad trusses, etc. Two of the men were given sentences of eighteen months each in the State penitentiary, and the other got six months.

#### Accident at Race Track.

Wheeling, W. Va., Sept. 10.—Three persons were injured, two of them probably fatally, at the State fair ground this evening when the spectators crowded upon the race track and were run into by one of the contesting horses.

The injured: Eugene Keyser, Wheeling, struck in the breast by the horse, will probably die; Frank Jones, Wellsville, O., upon whom the horse fell, internally injured, condition critical; W. L. Rhodes of Guttenburg, N. J., driver of the horse, thrown to the track, hip and shoulder injured, will recover.

Scores of other persons had a narrow escape in a stampede following the accident.

The crowd, estimated at 35,000, in their excitement to see the finish of the 2:16 trot, made a rush for the track and the police and fair officials were powerless in their efforts to keep the people back.

The horse Margaret was nearing the wire at full speed when the anxious spectators thronged around the sulky.

#### Color Line Drawn.

Boston, Mass., Sept. 2.—The drawing of the color line in the organization of the United Spanish War Veterans, was the most conspicuous feature of the 5th annual convention proceedings to-day. This action was brought about through a resolution declaring the Charles M. Thomas Camp, of Washington, D. C., "unattached." Commander-in-Chief Hale left his chair at the convention to-night to defend the resolution, and he was vigorously opposed by members of the colored camp from the floor.

The commander-in-chief explained that it was the policy of the national body to have all colored camps unattached until such time as the colored camps could have a department for themselves. He admitted that the charter for the particular camp placed the camp on the same footing as white camps in the department of the District of Columbia, but explained that the charter had been granted by mistake. The resolution was finally adopted.

Outside of the convention proceedings the big event of the day was the parade of 7,000 of the veterans.

#### The Nerve of Him.

She expected a proposal from the wrong man and she decided to sidetrack it.

"I wouldn't marry the best man on earth," she said.

"You'll never have the chance," rejoined the wrong man, "because I never intend to ask you."—Chicago News.

## NEWS FROM GOVAN.

### Residence Burglarized—School to Open—Personals and Other Matters

Govan, Sept. 14.—On last Thursday night the residence of Mr. W. A. Hay was broken into and robbed, but the burglar's plans did not work to his advantage. When Mr. Hay was at work in his store Thursday night he pulled from his pocket a roll of green backs to give change to a customer in the presence of several colored men. Among whom was Neal Howard, who bears the reputation of being a notorious rogue. Mr. Hay had no idea of being robbed, but before going to bed he put away his money, as usual, although he left in his pants pocket, his purse, which contained a one dollar bill, which was torn almost completely in half and stropped with paper, and some smaller change.

About midnight Mrs. Hay was awakened by a noise created by the burglar's running against the fire stick, which was leaning against the chimney, and thereby causing it to fall to the floor.

Before Mr. and Mrs. Hay could get up the visitor had made his escape. They did not miss anything all the next morning, when Mr. Hay found that his purse had been taken from his pants pocket. Neal Howard was at once suspected as being the guilty party, but no proof could be obtained. However, Mr. Hay began to recall what he had in his purse, and remembered the torn one dollar bill.

He immediately notified the merchants of Govan, Olar, and Denmark to look out for the bill which he described. About two hours after this action was taken, Neal Howard appeared at the Olar dispensary for a bottle of "fuss x." As payment for same he presented the torn bill that met Mr. Hay's description. Neal was at once arrested. He pleaded guilty before Magistrate W. B. Chitty, and has been given the privilege of residing with Sheriff Hunter 'till the next term of court.

Neal Howard robbed Kennedy & Lancaster's store about two years ago, and the circuit court only gave him five months on the chain gang. We wonder what will be the sentence for this offense.

The Govan high school will open to-morrow (Tuesday) under the management of Prof. Geo. W. Nichols, of Newberry, and Miss Lola Smith, of Anderson. Prof. Nichols arrived last Friday and Miss Smith will come to-night. We welcome them into our midst.

The Woodmen of the World held their regular meeting here last Wednesday night and conferred the morning degree upon six candidates.

Miss Jennie Herren will leave for Winthrop College next Thursday.

Messrs. Glenn Hutto and Buist Mickles, of Bamberg, paid their usual visit to our town Sunday. We are always glad to see them. L. A. H.

#### Car Load of Sugar Dissolved.

A train of forty loaded cars belonging to the Southern Railway Company, which had been in the midst of the recent flood at Kingville, Columbia and Augusta, was brought to Rock Hill Wednesday. The water marks on the cars were very plain and proved to those who saw them that the stories coming from these towns were not exaggerated in the least. The cars had been in water for nearly a week and the water marks were about two feet on the body of the cars.

The cars were all loaded with merchandise, groceries etc., and as far as the goods were concerned the whole thing was a complete wreck. The goods were not all for Rock Hill, but since this is the transfer station the cars were brought here to be transferred.

One car which was loaded in Charleston was caught by the flood on a siding at Kingville. When the car left Charleston it contained forty sacks and twenty barrels of sugar, but when it reached Rock Hill Wednesday the only sign of sugar that could be found was the empty sacks, the sugar having dissolved in the muddy waters of the Congaree at Kingville. The barrels were removed from the car at Kingville.

The loss of this one train will amount to a large sum of money as everything in the cars with the exception of the canned goods and the sort were ruined.—Rock Hill Herald.

#### VERY LOW RATES

#### To Denver, Colorado and Return via Southern Railway.

On account of the annual convention, American Bankers Association, the Southern Railway announces attractive low round trip rates to Denver, Col. Tickets to be sold daily until September 30th, 1908, good to return leaving Denver not later than October 31st, 1908.

For rates, details, schedules, etc., apply to Southern Railway ticket agents, or, J. C. LUSK, Division Pass. Agt., J. L. MEEK, Charleston, S. C. Asst. Gen. Pass. Agt., Atlanta, Ga.

#### Chorus Girl Wants Damages.

Byron D. Chandler, a wealthy young gentleman of Manchester, N. H., has been sued for \$100,000 for alleged breach of promise to marry Miss Joan Sawyer formerly in Raymond Hitchcock's "Merry-Go-Round" company.

An attachment has been put upon Chandler's famous summer residence, "Red Hill Farm" at North Reading.

Miss Sawyer's attorney promises a line of testimony only equalled by that presented in the Thaw case.

## RIGHT ARM AMPUTATED

### MR. D. H. WOODWARD VICTIM OF HORRIBLE ACCIDENT

#### While Unclogging a Cotton Gin His Right Hand Was Caught and Drawn Into Gin Saws.

On Wednesday morning, Mr. D. H. Woodward, one of the most prominent farmers of Montmorenci, had the misfortune to get his right arm so lacerated that it was necessary to amputate it to save his life. He is now in a serious condition, but his attending physicians are hopeful of a recovery.

Wednesday morning early, he went to the ginney of the Montmorenci Farmers Co., of which company he is one of the leading stockholders. The ginney had already started to ginning and when Mr. Woodward was present one of the gins became clogged with cotton. He reached his hand under the breastboard to get the clog out when his hand in some way came in contact with the gin saws, drawing his entire arm inward with great force. One of the employees was fortunately nearby, and he succeeded in throwing the gin out of gear in time to save Mr. Woodward from further injury. However, he had already sustained very serious injury. His arm was torn, and the bones broken in several places, and the shoulder bone jerked out of place.

Physicians were summoned as soon as possible, and the injured man was taken to his home, where the physicians found it necessary to amputate the arm at the elbow. Yesterday he was resting easily, but is still in a serious condition.—Aiken Journal and Review.

#### COURT DISBARS DUNCAN.

#### Unusual Punishment Imposed on Columbia Lawyer.

Columbia, Sept. 11.—John T. Duncan has been disbarred. The Supreme Court of the State, taking up the matter of its motion, has decreed that John T. Duncan shall no longer be enrolled as a practicing attorney of the Courts of South Carolina. This is an action seldom taken by the Courts of this State, seldom by any State, and in this case the circumstances are pathetic indeed.

The case in question, in which Mr. Duncan was brought before the court for submitting to the Supreme Court affidavits which he knew to be false and fititious, is familiar to the public, and the opinion of the court gives a full and succinct history of the proceedings. The opinion is written by Circuit Judge Memminger, who sat in place of Justice Gary, and is concurred in by all members of the Court, Chief Justice Pope, and Associate Justices Jones and Woods.

The order of the court was this morning served on Mr. Duncan, who later called at the office of the clerk of Supreme Court and carefully read the entire opinion. The order commands him to surrender his license to practice law in this State.

It has been seldom that any lawyer has been disbarred in this State, and the mere fact of disbarment is the heaviest punishment which can be meted out to a lawyer. In this view of the matter the Supreme Court has not acted on the charges involving contempt of Court.

The order of the Court is as follows: "That said John T. Duncan be, and he is hereby ordered, to be stricken from the roll of attorneys of this State, and that he appear before the clerk of this court and render up unto him his certificate of admission to the practice of the law in this State for cancellation by said clerk; and that he, the said John T. Duncan, from henceforth and forever more be disbarred and not be heard as an attorney or counsellor at law, nor otherwise act as a lawyer in the State of South Carolina; nor in other State basing his claims upon the same certificate hereby ordered to be cancelled and forfeited; and let the decretal portion of this opinion be forthwith served on said John T. Duncan. And it is so ordered."

#### DOG ASSISTANT TO THIEF.

#### Takes Lady's Purse and Runs Away, the Owner Following.

Paris, Sept. 8.—If thieves exercised their ingenuity in legitimate pursuits they might accomplish wonders. Who would dream of bringing up a faithful dog in ways of dishonesty? But a dishonest master has done it only too well.

An elderly lady who had lost her four-footed pet quite recently, was quietly walking home from church, when she met a young fellow in the street who had a small dog for sale, and who was making him go through any number of tricks. The lady wished to buy him, when the owner continued declaiming about the animal's talent, and to prove how intelligent he was asked the lady to offer him her bag, which hung from a chain, to carry.

The dog dutifully took it in his mouth and at a signal from his owner darted away up the avenue. In a few seconds he was out of sight and the thief was following him as fast as he could, pretending that he was trying to stop the animal.

In vain the lady screamed that the bag contained her purse and over \$150 in cash. She has not seen her bag or the dog since, though the young man has been caught and taken to prison.

## CENSUS OF COTTON REPORTS.

### Cotton Ginned to September 1st Less Than Last Year.

Washington, Sept. 8.—A total of 397,924 bales of cotton ginned from the growth of 1908 to September 1, and 6,613 active gineries are announced in the census report on cotton ginning issued to-day.

This is against 200,278 bales at the corresponding date in 1907, and 4,080 active gineries, 407,551 bales and 6,628 gineries in 1906, and 476,155 bales and 8,629 gineries in 1905. These figures count round bales as half bales. Report includes 20,514 round bales for 1908, 11,502 for 1907, 21,855 for 1906, and 22,231 for 1905. Report also embraces 1,324 sea island bales for 1908, 85 for 1907, 63 for 1906.

Counting the round bales as half bales, the report gives the following by States for the number of bales and active gineries, respectively:

Alabama, 26,096 and 966; Arkansas, 319 and 110; Florida, 2,291 and 82; Georgia, 62,940 and 1,419; Louisiana, 4,219 and 383; Mississippi, 4,261 and 546; North Carolina, 98 and 28; Oklahoma, 8 and 7; South Carolina, 9,339 and 637; Tennessee, 6 and 3; Texas 288,347 and 2,432.

#### State Loses Dispensary Case.

Richmond, Va., Sept. 15.—Setting forth that the two main propositions to be considered in the famous South Carolina dispensary cases, which involves the question of State rights and alleged collusion between the old dispensary board and the whiskey distillers for the purpose of defrauding the State, are those of jurisdiction and as to whether the dispensary commission created by the State, is a court, the United States circuit court of appeals, in an opinion of far reaching importance, handed down to-day, sustains Judge Jeter C. Pritchard, of the United States circuit court of South Carolina, in every particular. The case in which the opinion was rendered was that of the Fleischman company and others against the South Carolina dispensary commission. It is alleged in the original allegation that certain funds due the whiskey men had not been paid by the commission and that the State, in protecting its interest, held that it was a sovereign power, and, as such, ought not to be liable to a suit.

Although the decision is against the State, Attorney General Lyon says he will fight to the last ditch. The case will be appealed to the United States Supreme Court, and forty days has been allowed for filing the appeal.

#### Mr. Conrad Ehrhardt Dead.

Bamberg, Sept. 14.—Mr. Conrad Ehrhardt, one of the most prominent and wealthy citizens of Bamberg county, died at his home in Ehrhardt yesterday morning. His death was very sudden and was due to apoplexy. He was in his apparent good health a short while before the stroke came and his death was a great shock to his family and friends.

Mr. Ehrhardt was a German, having come directly from the old country. He was born December 13, 1832, hence he was 76 years of age. He prided himself on his good eyesight, never having to wear glasses for reading purposes. He was county commissioner for Barnwell county from 1868 to 1872, and county treasurer for one term. He has always been a Democrat. He was a member of the Mount Pleasant Lutheran church, and has been an elder in that church for over 50 years. He has done much for his town, which bears his name, and much for old Bamberg county and later for Bamberg county after it was formed in 1896. He was a quiet, unassuming gentleman and was recognized as a business man of much ability. He made it the rule of his life, as he says in "Men of Mark," to "first of all build up a character, next after that attend to your chosen business. Try to owe no man anything but good will, and endeavor to pay that to all."

He was married to Miss Anna D. King in February, 1851. To them five children were born, four of whom, with the mother, survive Mr. Ehrhardt. Among the children is Mrs. Jno. F. Folk, of Bamberg.

The funeral services were held to-day, the interment taking place in the Lutheran burying ground and being conducted by Rev. P. E. Monroe, pastor of Mount Pleasant Lutheran church, quite a number from here attended the services.

#### Death of Mr. C. Ehrhardt.

The death of Mr. Conrad Ehrhardt, which occurred at his home in the town which he founded and which bears his name, last Sunday morning, while not unexpected, caused many sad hearts in this county. Mr. Ehrhardt was one of the most prominent citizens of the county, and by industry, good management, and thrift he had accumulated a considerable fortune. He was well known all over the county and was admired and respected for his many good qualities as a man and citizen. No tribute from us could do him justice. He has left a monument in the hearts of the people among whom he lived a useful life. The esteem in which he was held was shown by the tremendous crowd which attended the funeral exercises, it being one of the largest gatherings ever known at a funeral in this section. The articles written by the correspondents at Bamberg of the State and News and Courier, in reference to Mr. Ehrhardt's life and character, are reproduced in this issue.

## KILLS FATHER'S PARAMOUR

### WHITE WOMAN DIED IN HOSPITAL FROM WOUNDS.

#### Cause of the Shooting is Said to Have Been Married Man's Intimacy With Mayme Elrod.

Anderson, Sept. 8.—Mayme Elrod, a white woman about 40 years old, died in the hospital here at six o'clock this morning as the result of a gun shot wound inflicted at the hands of Calhoun Donald, a youth of 18.

The shooting occurred in the Townville section, just across the line in Oconee county and about 20 miles from Anderson, yesterday morning and the wounded woman was brought here last night.

Reports conflict as to the real cause of the killing but a well founded report is to the effect that Calhoun Donald had been prompted to fire the shot by the continued immoral relations between his father, Marion Donald, and the woman, she having lived in the same house with the elder Donald and his wife and family for some years.

The ball entered the abdomen, the larger and smaller intestines being perforated, and hemorrhage resulting. When it became known here this morning that the woman was dead, the Sheriff of Oconee county was notified and said he would at once send an officer to the scene, but at a later hour to-night no arrest had been made so far as could be learned here. The shooting occurred in a field some 300 yards from the house where the woman with several others was picking cotton.

Sylvester Donald, a brother of the man who fired the shot, together with several others from the section, came for the body this afternoon. They said the shooting had been accidental, and that no arrests had been made.

But from past records of both the dead woman and Marion Donald who lived in Anderson county until a few years ago, the cause outlined above is given most credence.

#### GAVE HER HUSBAND POISON.

#### Anderson Negro Dead from Eating "Rough on Rats" in His Food.

Anderson, Sept. 11.—Eliza Moats, a negro woman 40 years old, was placed in jail here this afternoon charged with the murder of her husband. Evidence at the coroner's inquest held here to-day was to the effect that she had administered rough-on-rats, mixing the poison with his food. Arsenic was found in the stomach after the chemical examination made by Dr. J. C. Harris.

The negroes lived on a farm, seven miles northeast of Anderson. Moats worked hard in the field all of Wednesday and was apparently in good health, being of powerful build. After eating supper he became ill, and Dr. Harris was called the following morning. He suspected that something was wrong, and as the negro died a few minutes after he arrived he removed the stomach and brought it here where it was examined.

The coroner's inquest was held to-day and a verdict returned that Moats came to his death from poison administered by his wife. She was arrested by the coroner and committed to jail here this afternoon.

#### CORN EATING CONTEST.

#### Champion Cleans Off Twenty-four Cobs at One Meal.

There is a contest on in Sullivan county, New York state, between the corn-eaters. Several claim the championship of the county. As a result, an effort is being made to have a public corn-eating contest, and award a loving cup to the winner.

Fred Owens, a 13-year-old boy of Grooville, is declared to be the champion sweet-corn-eater for his age. The other day he ate the corn off cobs which, when laid out end to end, measured 11 feet nine inches. This feat was performed after he had eaten a hearty dinner.

William Portz, of Roscoe, claims the championship, he having cleaned off 24 cobs, which measured 16 feet when laid out together. This was done at one meal, and Mr. Portz challenges anyone to beat it.

#### Water Menaces Jacksonville.

Jacksonville, Fla., Sept. 10.—With a total rainfall of 1.09 inches in two days, by the measurement at seven o'clock to-night, with a perfect deluge of water falling over the city to-night, the city of Jacksonville is threatened with a flood that will exceed the one of 1903, when the merchants on West Bay street, the principal thoroughfare, were driven from their places of business.

To-night the water stands three and a half feet deep on west Bay street and is still rising, as McCoy's creek, a large stream which empties into the St. John's river, has overflowed its banks, and the water in the street and the entire western section is rapidly rising.

In Springfield, the select residential district, the water in many places is from two and a half to three feet deep and is still rising, being on a level with the porches of many homes in that section.

The street car traffic is tied up, the tracks being under water, and much damage has already been done. Merchants in many sections built dams across their store doors late this afternoon in an effort to keep the water out. If the rain continues throughout the night much damage is feared by the floods.

## DR. LINDER ACQUITTED.

### Prominent Union Physician Not Guilty of Murder.

Union, Sept. 10.—At 11:56 this morning the jury in the case of Dr. W. L. Linder, a prominent young physician of this city, who was charged with having caused the death of Lucy Lipsey, a negro woman, here last October, after being out nearly four hours, returned with the verdict of not guilty.

Much interest has centered in the case, because the woman who met her death was the one who had, during the month of March preceding, gone to the private office of Dr. W. L. Linder and after a short conference with him, when he went to answer a knock at the door, had shot him in the back with a revolver, inflicting a wound which for some time was considered critical, but from the effects of which he recovered.

The most interesting part of the evidence introduced was the dying declaration of the woman, Lucy Lipsey, in which she declared that she did not want Dr. Linder hurt and that she forgave him. The testimony of John Humphreys, the driver who drove Lucy Lipsey home after she was shot, and who swore that he heard her say: "It was well that Dr. Will shot me when he did," and the testimony of the defendant himself, who, on the stand, told of having received letters from the woman containing threats against his life, particularly stating that she would shoot him on the streets.

After all evidence was in, strong arguments were made this morning by counsel for both the State and the defense. The charge of Judge Klugh took about 16 minutes, after which the case went to the jury.

#### COLLEGE BOYS WORKED.

#### They Went out West and Helped Harvest Wheat.

Five young men of Anderson assisted in harvesting and gathering the immense wheat crop in the west this summer. These gentlemen, John Prince, Grady Hamlin, Josh Pruitt, Van Pruitt, and Gourdin Allen, have returned to the city, and according to their own admission the experience was profitable and healthy, as well as very enjoyable.

When college closed this spring for the summer holidays John and Van Pruitt and Gourdin Allen, Auburn students, entered into a compact with 3 other Auburn students to "go west," this summer. John Prince of Wofford college and Grady Hamlin of Clemson College were invited and accepted the invitation to join the party.

On July 4th these young men of Anderson departed for the west. No definite destination was agreed upon—they were going west until they could find work for the summer.

As everybody knows, the wheat crop in the western states this year was something tremendous. It became known everywhere that the producers lacked labor to harvest the abundant yield. As a result crowds and crowds from the east went in search of jobs in the wheat fields. On account of the dull conditions existing in the mills, foundries, etc., in the east the crowds in search of this out-door-work were larger than they would have been under normal conditions.

The Anderson heroes easily found jobs and they made good, no doubt. It was but three days of travel for them, for on the 7th of July the party, eight strong, arrived at Spearville, Ark. They entered into their work on the morning of the eighth.

"The people out there harvest their wheat crops a little bit different from our farmers," said John Prince. "They don't shock it out there. Instead they use what is called a header machine, which is pulled by six horses. This big machine cuts the straw, picks it up, tics it in bundles and pushes it on a wagon with a canvas roller. The wagon keeps close to the machine, and no hands are necessary to get a load. The machinery is a great labor saving device, and one or two men can do the work of several. We worked with these machines, and also in the wagging. As for pay we got \$2 a day—just twice the amount paid hereabout. We did not make any money on the trip—just enough to live on and pay our way back to South Carolina. We had a jolly experience and the work was good exercise. We thoroughly enjoyed the trip."

The young college men returned with the earmarks of toil on their hands and faces. They were considerably sunburned and their hands were terribly roughened. As far as health is concerned the trip was most beneficial.—Anderson Mail.

#### Ingenious Johnnie.

Mother had a bright red apple which she wished to give to her children, at the same time teaching the little brother a lesson in generosity. Johnnie had a peculiar fondness for apples.

Calling him to her side, she said, "Now, dear, mama has a nice, rosy apple to give you, and she wants you to be generous." That word was not in Johnnie's vocabulary, so he said, "Mama, what do you mean by being generous?"

"Oh, dear, that means you are to divide the apple into two parts, and give sister the larger."

Johnnie was silent. Suddenly his face brightened, as he handed the apple again to his mother, saying, "Mama, give it to sister and tell her to be generous."—The August Delineator.