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COUNTRY NEWS LETTERS

SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

News Items Gathered All Around the County and Elsewhere.

Ehrhardt Etchings.
Ehrhardt, July 11.—Farmers are on the fence about selling their cotton before it is ripe and ready for market. Some are offered 1 1/2 cents for so many bales delivered on a certain date. While this might be a good sale, it might not, should anything befall their crop to hinder its being gathered by that time, then, too, I believe it will have something to do with the future sales of cotton by them and others who do not participate in the sales of cotton to be.

Mr. Perry Carter, of the Folk's Store section, died on yesterday. Will be buried at Wesley Chapel grave yard this afternoon. He leaves several sisters and brothers to mourn his death. He was a bachelor and has been with Adam Folk's family long before Mr. Adam Folk died, and has been managing the farm for Mrs. C. C. Folk since her husband's death.

We had a heavy rain last week which revived everything but the dust, which it settled. Not at all objectionable to travelers and those at work outside.

Watermelons are on the market now and the darkies rejoice when they get a nice one that has red meat.

A colored man named Alfred Bryant lost a mule Sunday. Don't know what was the ailment. The mule was left with Chief J. W. Priester to doctor for the darkey.

Mr. Willie Hiers is talking of going to the springs. Did not say what springs. Perhaps he does not want this known.

The Cubias Club of Mt. Pleasant church have announced their intention of building a shed to cover their tables when they have picnics, so they can eat rain or shine. Let the good work go on.

The young ladies are very busy getting subscribers for The Herald. They don't let an opportunity slip.

Wiggins Happenings.

Wiggins, July 5.—One of the most surprising events that has ever struck our town, was yesterday when it was learned that Mr. David J. Sanders, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Sanders, of Hubert, N. C., had made the choice of Miss Ida Dolous Mattocks, of Swansboro, N. C., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Mattocks, his life's companion. Mr. Sanders is the able and capable saw filer of the Westmoreland Lumber corporation's plant at this place, while Miss Mattocks is one of the most charming young ladies of this place. They were accompanied to Walterboro Saturday by the bride's sister, Miss Sue Mattocks, and were married at the Baptist parsonage by the Rev. Curtis.

After the ceremony they went to Charleston to spend the Fourth at the Isle of Palms.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanders returned yesterday on a special train from Charleston and Green Pond.

We all wish them a long, bright and happy life and may God's blessings rest upon both of them. They will make this their home for the present time, and we are certainly glad to have such striving young people in our midst.

Mr. Herbert M. Anderson, our able store manager, left here on 1st of July and returned to Walterboro. Some time in the near future he will be traveling salesman for a large grocery house stationed in Beaufort. We are indeed sorry to have such men as he leave us.

Capt. J. H. Hainsworth and W. E. Mattocks are spending a few days in Beaufort.

Messrs. F. E. Cordray, Frank Wilson and J. F. White made a flying trip to Savannah yesterday.

Mr. J. P. Damon and Dr. C. C. Daniels are spending a few days in Charleston.

We are sorry to learn that Miss Gertrude Thomas will leave to-morrow for Richmond, Va.

Mr. A. H. Howard struck a stumbling block while enroute to see a friend at Four Mile, Mr. A. Butler B. Hamilton. Get up and go again.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Hickinson are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Fletcher.

Revival at George's Creek.
Dear Editor: The revival will begin at George's Creek Baptist church, Govan, S. C., the first Sunday in August.

The Rev. W. R. Smith, of Denmark, will assist the pastor, and the public is cordially invited.
Come one, come all.
PAUL A. BOLEN, Pastor.

Sudden Death.
Aiken was again startled and surprised Tuesday morning by the sudden death of Mrs. Julia B. Kennedy, who dropped dead while combing her hair before a looking glass at her residence there. This is the third sudden death of prominent women in Aiken in a few weeks.

FAIRFAX HAPPENINGS.

Facts, Fancies and Furbelows from Flourishing Fairfax.

Our town is over run with visitors this week. Laurens avenue and Dr. street are the chief promenades for the gay throng. A big picnic, barbecue, speaking and two games of base ball between Charleston and Fairfax were on the program for Tuesday, 6th. The crowd sure came, and the dinner was very tempting and nice, while the committee saw that the meat could not have been better barbecued.

The speaking was fine. Then the merry crowd hastened to the base ball ground. Charleston beat the first game, but Fairfax beat 8 to 1 in the next one. Last night the crowd was a very merry one, whistling, jabbering, singing, etc., on the streets. But later on they all repaired to Young's hall, where a dance was the order of the evening. This morning finds quite a number of visitors here, all loath to leave. One lady said to this scribe: "When I visited Fairfax ten years ago, there was but one lonely infant in the town, now the baby carriages swarm the streets every afternoon."

Mrs. Annie Durant Gregg, with children, finds it a pleasant change here from the crowded city of Savannah, where she lives.

Mr. Frank Moyer visited us recently, and finds many changes in his old home.

Mrs. Mary Bryan still lingers with us, but is exceedingly low.

The death of Mr. John Compton, aged 33 years, on Saturday last, caused sorrow to many hearts. He had been ill for several weeks, and when he told his wife that he'd never get well she asked him where he'd like to be buried, he said "At your family burying ground," which is a few miles from Charlotte, N. C. So after the body was embalmed the K. of P.'s and Masons assembled to show respect to their beloved member. The heart broken wife, her mother, his brother and Messrs. Otis Lyles, Clyde Harveley, and Martin Thomas, representing the Masonic lodge of Brunson, also Messrs. B. Brunson, J. T. Wilson, Knights, of Fairfax, accompanied the remains to Griffith, near Charlotte. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Hulston, Presbyterian minister, of Charlotte, and Rev. Dr. Wright, Baptist, of Griffith. Messrs. Smith, of Charlotte, Lyles, Brunson, Wilson, Thomas and Harveley were pallbearers. The remains were then turned over to the members of the Masonic lodge of Charlotte. The grave was whitened and most beautiful flowers covered it.

Letter from Georgia.
Hahira, Ga., July 11.—As I have been away from South Carolina about six months and haven't written a letter to The Herald yet, I will try to give you a bit of news from Georgia.

I just don't see how we could do without The Herald. It gets better every week. All of our friends who have seen it say that it's the nearest county paper they ever saw.

We are having lots of rain now and our crops are fine. We are very well pleased with our new home and friends. South Georgia is a fine place, and has a very bright outlook.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McMillan, of Hahira, papa and I, took a trip last Sunday over to Cat Creek, a Primitive Baptist church, about nine miles east of Hahira. It was the occasion of the annual footwashing, and there was a very large crowd in attendance. On the way we stopped at one of the finest springs of water in the country. This spring is situated in a bunch of poplars, on the very summit of a little mound about eight feet in diameter. The water is about three feet deep, as clear as crystal, and almost ice cold.

Well, if I don't stop soon I guess this will find its way to the waste basket.

Wishing you continued success,
RUTH McMILLAN.

Contracts for New Equipment.

Chattanooga, Tenn., June 13.—The Southern Railway Company has contracted for the use of \$1,400,000 worth of new equipment, as is shown by a lease which was filed in the office of the secretary of state in Nashville to-day. The equipment comprises engines, coaches and baggage cars and is leased from Edward T. Stotesbury, of Philadelphia, Pa. The lot consists of 25 consolidated freight engines, 10 passenger engines, 15 six-wheel switch engines, 38 first-class passenger cars, three chair cars, six passenger and baggage cars, six baggage and express cars, six mail and baggage cars, six postal cars and four dining cars.

The contract was made June 1, and was to-day sent to the secretary of state of each State through which the road runs.

Storm Damages Anniston.

Anniston, Ala., July 13.—A terrific electric storm, accompanied by a heavy rain, passed over this city to-night, the wind reaching a velocity of 40 miles an hour. More than an inch of rain fell within 15 minutes. The water was two feet deep in some sections of the city and considerable damage was done to property. The theatre was unroofed, awnings, billboards and fences are down and the telephone exchange is out of commission.

IN THE PALMETTO STATE

SOME OCCURENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

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

At a meeting of the board of trustees of Clemson College last week Dr. P. H. Mell, the president, tendered his resignation. The reason given for his action was interference with his authority by the commandant and others. The trustees did not accept the resignation, but will meet next month to consider it.

The State Pharmaceutical Association, at its annual meeting in Anderson last week, passed a resolution recommending that the legislature pass a law which will place the dispensing of intoxicating beverages in the hands of the druggists. The druggists evidently expect South Carolina to be prohibition soon.

Sumter, both city and county, suffered from a very heavy rain Tuesday of last week. The rain fell all day, and in the afternoon there was what might be termed a cloud burst. Great damage was done to crops, as well as roads and bridges. A steel and concrete bridge near the city, recently built, was washed away, as well as part of the mill dam. The rain fall is variously estimated from three to six inches.

Governor Ansel has ordered an election for August 17th on the question of creating Rutledge county from portions of Williamsburg, Clarendon and Florence. Lake City is the proposed county seat. It is not likely that the proposition will carry, as the county will be a small one in territory and have less taxable property than any county in the State. The benefit to be derived from a small county would not compensate for the high tax rate its citizens would have to pay, and they will show good sense to defeat the scheme.

A white man named Messervey shot and killed a constable, C. P. Fishburne, and his assistant named Altman at Ravenel, Colleton county, last week. Messervey was a notorious blind tiger keeper, and he had gone to the depot to get a shipment of whiskey. As soon as he loaded the whiskey and started away he was stopped by the constables, one of whom caught the bride of his horse. Messervey at once drew a pistol and fired rapidly, killing both men. There is much indignation over the double murder, and a special term of court will be held to try him.

Letter from Georgia.

Guyton, Ga., July 12.—As it has been some time since I wrote you, I will write you some news from Georgia.

On last Friday I started to take a trip over three counties, namely: Effingham, Chatham, and Liberty. I saw a lot of fine corn. When you meet a man over here he never asks how is your cotton. It is always how is your corn or sugar cane?

I never saw as much fine corn in my life as I saw on my trip.

Mr. O. B. Lain, from the Olar section of Bamberg county, was over here a few days ago. He said that I had the best cotton he had seen this year, but I have seen some patches lots better than mine. When I say patches I mean three or four acres, for that is just about as much as any one man plants here.

Mr. C. W. Besinger has a fine crop. He has some corn that bids fair to make 25 or 30 bushels per acre.

I am sorry to pen the illness of Mr. Larkin Lancaster's son, Harry. He has been down for several days with typhoid fever. Mr. Lancaster is a prosperous farmer in the Stillwell section and a good man.

We are having some fine weather now, and have had fine seasons all the year.

The most of our farmers are done plowing now and are enjoying themselves with the finny tribe. We would like to see some of our Bamberg friends over here to enjoy fighting yellow flies and scratching red bugs and catching red breast perch.

DOWN IN GEORGIA.

Negro Murderer Kills Self.

Wilmington, N. C., July 13.—A special to The Star from Burgaw, N. C., says that early to-day Walter Williams, colored, 35 years old, living near that place, shot and instantly killed Henry Hayes, his brother-in-law, his wife, Mary Williams, and then himself.

Williams and his wife had not lived happily and three weeks ago agreed on peaceful separation after dividing their personal effects, the man leaving for Georgetown, S. C.

He returned Sunday, however, and attempted a reconciliation and upon its failure this morning, tanked up on a so-called prohibition beverage and repaired to a back yard where his brother-in-law was at work and fired upon him, killing him instantly. Then going to the home of his wife he shot her to death through the right breast. Re-loading his gun he emptied the contents of both barrels into himself, dying two hours later.

Williams charged his brother-in-law with undue interference in his domestic affairs.

TAFT TO APPOINT "BEST MEN."

Selection of Negroes as Census Enumerators Not Expected.

Washington, July 10.—President Taft will not appoint negroes as census enumerators in the South. Senators Frazier and Taylor, of Tennessee, to-day called on the president and spent some time with him discussing the question of whether or not negroes would be named in the South for this work. They assured the president that not only would it be poor politics to ignore white men in taking the census but that in addition negroes would be unable in many instances to secure any information whatever, needed in preparing the required statistics, to say nothing of other results that might follow were negroes empowered under the law to do this work.

At the termination of the conference the president assured the Tennessee senators that only the "best men" would be appointed. While he did not say directly that no negroes would be chosen, he did say that the "best men" in every instance would be named. Both Senators Frazier and Taylor feel assured that the president means to give the work to white men all through the South. The chief executive, they say, knows conditions in the South so well that he would hesitate long before undoing all his good work there by the appointment of negroes to take the census. If the "best men" only are appointed throughout the South much embarrassment that has recently existed because of the doubt surrounding the possible appointment of negroes will be dissipated.

Three Fatally Injured.

An eight-year-old newsboy, an eleven-year-old office boy and a 48-year-old crippled man, were probably all fatally injured a few nights ago by being run down by automobiles at Pittsburg, Pa. Only in one instance, that of the newsboy, did the driver of the machine stop to find out how badly his victim had been hurt.

Workingman Wants Rest Day.

Not so long since it was the workingman with the slogan of personal liberty on his lips who demanded Sunday for his recreation, says Mabel Potter Daggett in The Delineator for August. "Yes," public sentiment said, "he's worked six days; let him enjoy the seventh." So there were handed over to him, seldom legally, but rather by common consent to his need, the Sunday saloon and the Sunday excursion and the Sunday theatre. Now witness the anomaly: he brings these privileges back, urging, "Take them away!" And lo, it is the church militant that leads him.

To the ordinary citizen who carries neither a dinner-pail nor a Bible, the paradox demands explanation. It was the laboring man who sells the Sunday cigar and the Sunday drink, who runs the Sunday train and the Sunday steamboat and who does the Sunday vaudeville turn, who first began to ask the others, where did he get off in the personal-liberty galaxy of pleasures? For a while his brothers in other callings ignored these petulant queries of protest. But of late they have been increasing in volume. Larger and larger have been the numbers drawn into the ranks of Sunday labor to make the holiday of the others.

To take care of the crowds abroad on Sunday, one industry after another has been summoned; employees of hotels, restaurants and eating-houses, butchers, bakers, confectioners, florists, candy and popcorn vendors, barbers, druggists and small shopkeepers. And since the community has lost the habit of providing for itself in advance on Saturday, there are others—icemen, milkmen, coalmen and delicatessen dealers. Thus the list widened until so many laborers were employed on Sunday that it seemed that a few more might as well be. Then the factory belts began to turn.

How large do you suppose is become this army of Sunday laborers in the United States? In the last ten years they have increased fifty-eight per cent. Statistics probably haven't counted them all, but it is known that they are more than four million. And these are four million men who want their Sunday back.

Weevil Invades Georgia.

Americus, Ga., July 13.—Apprehension is felt among cotton farmers of a large area about this place over the sudden appearance of the boll weevil. That the insect is the destructive agent that has drifted eastward has been clearly set forth by Texas farmers here.

The State entomologist has been advised of the appearance and ravages of the weevil, and it is expected that the State will render aid in checking its spread.

"Drys" to Contest Election.

Bristol, Va., July 13.—On the ground that 125 illegal votes were cast in the local option election held here last week, which resulted in a victory for the wets by 32 majority, the temperance leaders this evening decided to contest the election and select a committee with power to proceed to retain counsel and file suit attacking the legality of the election.

The idea originated by the Columbia Record of having at least one first-class highway from every county-seat in South Carolina to Columbia is a mighty good one, and we feel sure that Bamberg's people will lend hearty support and encouragement to the project. While we have a right to be proud of our past record along this line, let us resolve to improve present opportunities.

TOWN NEARLY WIPED OUT

NORWAY AND YEMASSEE VISITED BY DESTRUCTIVE FIRES.

In Both Towns the Flames Were Discovered About the Same Hour. Losses and Insurance.

The business districts of two South Carolina villages, Norway and Yemassee, situated miles apart, were practically destroyed by fire about the same hour, 2 o'clock, Tuesday morning. The loss at Norway was about \$30,000 and at Yemassee about \$25,000.

Norway, July 13.—Norway was visited by the greatest fire in her history this morning. About 2 o'clock fire was discovered in the general store of S. C. Huff. As all buildings were constructed of wood the angry flames soon spread and the effort to save any of the adjoining buildings was futile. At such an early hour the citizens gathered rather slowly and it was some time before much work could be accomplished. Mr. Huff's dwelling was joined to his store. For some time it was feared that some of the children had been left in the house, but it was discovered that all were safe.

This being the business block of the town the flames soon reached the large general store of H. P. Fulmer. This was a two-story building and the fight to save other buildings became a still harder.

Mr. D. Hyden's dry goods and notions store was next the building that caught. Messrs. Bonnett & Sandifer's general store, being under same building, was enveloped in flames.

Next came the maddening rush of flames to the general store and dwelling of P. W. Hutto, which was soon destroyed.

Mrs. Ione Hutto's millinery, across the street, was burned with contents. The bank building was badly damaged.

The barn and its contents of Mr. J. L. Glover were totally destroyed. The amount of damage cannot be accurately ascertained as some of the parties are out of town, but below is a fair estimate:

S. C. Huff, stock \$700, dwelling \$1,000; store of goods \$700. Insurance \$1,500.

H. P. Fulmer, store \$2,500; stock \$10,000; insurance \$6,000.

D. Hyden, stock \$1,500; insurance \$800.

P. W. Hutto, store and dwelling \$2,000; stock, \$3,000; insurance \$3,000.

Mrs. Ione Hutto, stock \$500; no insurance.

Bonnett & Sandifer, stock \$3,500; insurance \$2,000.

Bank of Norway, damaged, \$600.

B. B. Williams, building \$3,000; insurance \$1,000.

Total loss \$29,000; insurance \$14,300.

To-day there is nothing to mark the spot of the once business part of the town save a few chimneys and smoldering embers, but with all these calamities the people are determined. Orders have already gone out for brick to rebuild.

Flames Sweep Yemassee.

Beaufort, July 3.—A fire that destroyed about \$25,000 worth of property swept out most of the village of Yemassee early this morning.

The large general store of Mr. W. D. Sanders, Weeks' drug store, Lithfield's store and the postoffice were burned to the ground with all their contents. The nearby railroad, freight and passenger depot were saved by the efforts of the four members of the railroad night force.

The cause of the fire is unknown. It started at 2 o'clock and burned until 5 without check.

Attorney in Trouble.

Spartanburg, July 9.—With a fine of \$100 against him in police court, imposed by Mayor Flord for disorderly conduct, C. P. Sims, attorney at law, it is said to-night, will be arrested to-morrow on a warrant charging him with assault and battery of a high and aggravated nature upon the person of R. J. Belue. Mr. Sims' troubles are the results of a personal difficulty between himself and R. J. Belue, his client.

FOR HEALTH AND PLEASURE

Visit Glenn Springs, the Queen of Southern Summer Resorts.

Glenn Springs Hotel, Glenn Springs, S. C., July 10, 1909. The Bamberg Herald—Dear Friend Wilkes:

According to promise I am sending you an advertisement of Glenn Springs hotel and Glenn Springs water, and trust that it may induce many of your good people to spend a while with us this season. We already have several here from Bamberg, Orangeburg and Colleton counties, in fact from almost every county in the State, especially in the southern and eastern sections. We would have been delighted to have had you come by from the Press Association, and mingle with our nice, pleasant crowd and lingered for a while with us.

We had quite a large attendance in Greenville at the Press Association, and after things got straightened out, considering the weather, we had quite a pleasant sojourn and profitable meeting.

Glenn Springs hotel management is delighted to know that our generous and cordial invitation was accepted, and almost unanimously at that, and you can rest assured that our "brethren" of the press next year will have the best, biggest and most enjoyable annual meeting since the organization of the Association. Glenn Springs hotel will serve refreshments on "half shell," "whole shell," "on ice," or otherwise, just any way that appeals to the varied tastes and appetites of the members.

So you can rest now tell Mrs. Knight and the rest, to be ready to accompany you to Glenn Springs, at the next meeting of the Press Association.

We have in the hotel now nearly two hundred guests, representing many of the best homes in the South, and from July 20th to Sept. 20th we expect to register from 25 to 50 new arrivals daily. We have here now Governor Jennings and family, of Florida, who is a first cousin of the Democratic champion and leader, Hon. William Jennings Bryan, also Governor J. C. Sheppard and Attorney General G. Duncan Bellinger, of South Carolina, besides many prominent citizens from various sections of the United States—at least fifteen legislators.

We have just received intelligence that, perhaps, the latter part of August Senator Tillman, with his friend, President Taft, may visit Glenn Springs for two weeks, as the Senator is extremely partial to Glenn Springs water, having recommended it, we suppose, to the president.

The dining room fare and service is not surpassed, if equalled at any other summer resort in the South, and we have no "knockers," all are delighted, and every patron of Glenn Springs hotel returns home a walking advertisement for our health imparting and pleasure bestowing emporium, and through their influence and kind words of praise and commendation, they are continually increasing our already large and cultured "hotel family."

Comstock's famous orchestra, from the grand opera house, in Greenville, S. C., is daily discoursing exhilarating music, these are musical artists of national reputation, and good dancing can be enjoyed every evening during the season. It is now cool and pleasant, fires all day, and sleeping under blankets at night, for we are in the foot hills of the Blue Ridge.

This is a most romantic and picturesque place, shaded verandas, grassy lawns, winding walks, singing birds, various amusements for physical recreation. Come on, and drink the best mineral water in the United States, meet your friends and enjoy a few weeks of relaxation from the business and domestic cares of life.

Respectfully,
J. PRESTON GIBSON.

Kills Wronged Husband.

Kankakee, Ill., July 12.—When J. B. Saylor, vice president of the First National bank of Crescent City, returned from a baseball game Sunday night and upbraided Dr. W. B. Miller for paying court to his wife, Dr. Miller drew an automatic revolver and fired four times at Saylor, one bullet piercing the heart and passing the right lung, and two others taking effect in each arm. Saylor fell dead at his wife's feet. Dr. Miller hurried home and went to bed, where he was arrested later by the sheriff, who placed the doctor in jail. The story of the shooting was made known to-day.

Several days ago Dr. Miller sent his wife and family away. Coincidentally Mrs. Saylor sent her 17-year-old daughter on a visit. It is said that Dr. Miller had been paying considerable attention to Mrs. Saylor for two years.

SHOOTING AFFRAY AT SUMTER.

Eugene Pettit Seriously Wounded by Joe L. Wells.

Sumter, July 13.—As the result of a quarrel last night which was renewed this morning, Joe L. Wells, who runs a small store near the depot, shot and seriously wounded Eugene Pettit. It seems that yesterday Wells used some profane language in his store which could be heard by Mrs. Pettit at her home across the street. She protested to Mr. Wells, but he would not quit, it is alleged, and when Mr. Pettit returned from work she told him of it. He went to the store to see Wells and the quarrel ensued. This morning it was renewed and Wells shot Pettit in the right breast just below the liver. The attending physicians are unable to state just how serious Mr. Pettit's wound is as yet, and Wells is being held awaiting the results.