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## COUNTRY NEWS LETTERS

### SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

#### News Items Gathered All Around the County and Elsewhere.

##### Ehrhardt Etchings.

##### Govan Letter.

Govan, Sept. 19.—The lovely autumn days reminds us to meditate on Keats's poem on "autumn." One of his admirers said he didn't know there was such beauty and magnificence displayed in autumn until reading Keats's poems. Such exquisite ideas adorn these master minds and lift them into the ideal sphere of life. We can be somewhat elevated by breathing in imitation their emotions. But they fail to express their depth of emotion or profundity in their feeble lines, and then when their lines are handed to us, how still more feeble is our effort to understand.

Rev. Alston Wilkes held regular preaching service at Salem Sunday in the morning. His text was in substance: "Repent and be converted." He said that "local optionists" would go to hell. Guess he gives this appellation to those who are neither converted or are neither vile sinners—just luke warm—who do not obey the injunction. If this is not the correct interpretation we need some light, for we cannot understand the phrase used in a like discourse. The text was ably handled.

Plenty of hogs around, and a plentiful harvest of corn, etc., suggestive of good times the coming fall.

It is reported that Mr. Jeff Whittle, of Blackville, expects to gather from two hundred and fifty acres of cotton five hundred bales, and he believes the seed will settle his guano bill. It is an inspiration to farmers to go and inspect his farm. The great quantity of fertilizer has kept the weed so vigorous and growing so long that the top fruit will hardly mature before frost catches it.

We are sorry to record the illness of Miss Carrie Free, of the Springtown section, and the recent indisposition of Mrs. Sallie Hay.

Seems that old Barnwell county wants the dispensary back. This proves a great responsibility upon the ministers of the gospel over in that county. Some who vote for the sale of liquor (who do not use to excess either) say that the preachers have not anything to do with this matter. I wish they would prove to me from what source we American people get our moral inspiration. But the ministers are only the instruments who expound the moral truths. Then we readily see the point of origin. "Speak now or henceforth forever hold your peace," you dispensary advocates.

##### News of Olar.

Olar, Sept. 16.—The Olar graded and high schools opened on last Monday morning, September 12, under most favorable circumstances, for a successful session. Sharply at 9 o'clock a goodly number of the patrons were present to see the children take up their duties. The enrollment numbers about the same as last year. After scripture reading and prayer by J. L. Proveaux, some timely remarks were made by Drs. L. A. Hartzog and McCormack to the children. Prof. J. O. Allen, the principal, outlined his work. The corps of teachers consists of J. O. Allen, Miss Lydia Jenkins, Mrs. Doris Goolsby, Maud D. Owens, Kitty Hooton.

All of these teachers are new, with the exception of Misses Hooton and Owens, who have taught here before.

Miss Anna E. McCormick, who has been visiting relatives and friends at Guyton and Metter, Ga., returned home last Wednesday.

The following students will leave for college next Tuesday: Miss Floyd C. Chitty, Charlie Chitty and Athan Morris, University of South Carolina; Cecil B. Ray, Medical College of South Carolina.

Prof. Wm. Hart and daughter, Miss Lillian, are visiting relatives in town.

##### Shot to Death From Ambush.

Huntsville, Tenn., Sept. 19.—Ed. Sherrod and T. J. Hewitt were shot to death from ambush at Cooks Camp, 20 miles north of Huntsville, Sunday. Pending investigation, Jno. Bunch and his son, Joe Lowe, Nelson Lowe, Jack Lowe and Jack Bradley are in jail. The killing is supposed to be a sequel to the killing of Riley Lowe by Hewitt three months ago.

## BLACKVILLE BUDGET.

### An Interesting News Letter From a Flourishing Town.

Blackville, Sept. 20.—The Blackville high school opened last Monday with an enrollment of 192 pupils. Mr. N. H. Fender is principal of the high school, and Miss Mabel E. Waters is assistant in the high school, having the seventh grade also. Mrs. C. R. Kelley, Miss Julia Kirkland, Mrs. Verona Daniel, and Miss Kathleen Minus are the graded school teachers. Prof. G. W. Coggins is the superintendent. He was with us last year and proved himself very worthy of the position. Miss Waters and Miss Kirkland were with us last year, and Mrs. Kelley has been teaching in Blackville for years.

Our school will run nine months. On account of not getting any revenue from the sales of whiskey, the school funds were a little short, but the trustees met and decided to charge an entrance fee of one dollar for each pupil now, and also when they enter after Xmas, in order to lengthen the school term.

Prof. Coggins made a "new departure" here in the sanitary line. He requested that each pupil bring an individual water cup.

Mr. Fullerton Buist offered prizes to the first, second, third, fourth and fifth grades—one dollar to the first, two to the second, etc., to the pupil making the highest average in each grade, but said after they passed the fifth grade they ought to take interest enough in themselves to study without prizes.

Everybody seemed filled with the spirit of co-operation, and we predict a very successful session.

Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the residence of the bride's mother, Mr. Willie Sanders and Miss Annie Gribben were joined in holy matrimony. The ceremony was performed by the Episcopalian minister, Rev. Evison. Immediately after the ceremony the young couple left for Columbia and other points, amid showers of good wishes, "rice and old slippers."

The many friends of Mr. Cleveland Risher were surprised to learn of his marriage last week to Miss Margaret Clarkson, of Atlanta. Mr. Risher was formerly of this place, but has been holding a position in Atlanta for some time, but we hadn't an idea he was so "wedded" to the place until he telegraphed his mother last week of his marriage.

Miss Jennie Connor, of Branchville, is the guest of Miss Sarah Hammet.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Sanders and family, from Columbia, who came down to attend the Sanders-Gribben marriage, have returned home.

Miss Lula Backley and her two nephews, Carl and Raymond Ketchums, of Savannah, who have been the guests of Mrs. E. G. Sanders for several weeks, have returned home.

Miss Carrie Allan, of Savannah, is the guest of Mrs. H. Fullerton Buist.

Misses Lucile Molony and Caroline O'Gorman, two charming little girls from here, have gone to Aiken to attend school at St. Angela's Convent.

Edmund Walsh, Mike Groves, Kelley and Wyatt Browning, have gone to Belmont, N. C., to attend St. Mary's College.

Carlisle Altman and Lewis Free left last week for Clemson College.

Mr. Willie Briggs, of Athens, Ga., visited his brother and sister, Dr. H. K. Briggs and Mrs. J. B. Hammet here last week.

Our town was saddened Saturday by the death of little Marjorie Brown, the eighteen-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Brown. The little one had been delicate all of her life, and everything was done for her that love and money could do, but God saw fit to take her.

The funeral services were conducted from the house Sunday morning. The Rabbi, from Augusta, conducted the services, and made a beautiful and comforting talk to the bereaved family. Immediately after the funeral services, the body was taken to Augusta, on the 11:30 train, for interment.

##### Will Build Monument.

Washington, Sept. 19.—In conformity with the recommendation just before his death of Judge Oakes, federal commissioner for marking graves of Confederate soldiers and sailors who died in Northern prisons during the War Between the Sections, the war department has awarded a contract for the construction of a monument costing \$20,000 in the Confederate cemetery at Fort Lookout, Md., where lie buried the bodies of 3,386 Confederates. Lack of identification prevented the erection of individual headstones.

## IN THE PALMETTO STATE

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

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

Assistant Adjutant and Inspector General W. T. Brock has tendered his resignation to Governor Ansel, to be effective November 1st.

In the race for house of representatives in Barnwell county in the second primary, R. P. Searson, Jr., of Allendale, defeated Dr. A. B. Patterson, of Barnwell. For auditor, R. W. Riley defeated J. C. Moody.

The law requiring fire escapes to be placed on all hotels over two stories in height will go into effect on October 1. The effective date can not be extended by the insurance department. The penalty is \$10 per day.

A movement has been on foot among some of the officers of the National Guard of this State to have the next adjutant and inspector general appoint W. T. Brock his assistant, but Col. Moore, the adjutant general-elect, states that he will not reappoint Mr. Brock.

Sumter wants to issue bonds to permanently pave the main street of that city, and it is likely that vetted brick will be used in case the bond election for this purpose carries. Sumter is a good town, but it is somewhat behind other towns of its size in the matter of municipal improvements.

Forty inebriates have been cured by the city council of Columbia, as the result of the cure room established in the city hall. When an habitual drunk appears before the recorder he is sent to the medical department of the city for treatment. No "go backs" have been reported to Mayor Gibbs. The idea of the city curing inebriates was conceived by Mayor Gibbs. Columbia is possibly the only city in the United States having a feature of this nature as a part of the city government.

##### Negro Shot to Death.

Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 14.—Isaac Glover, a negro, was shot to death by a posse of citizens four miles south of Springville at 6 o'clock this evening. The negro shot two members of the posse before he was fired upon.

Glover killed Capt. John Terry, one of the most popular citizens of St. Clair county, last Sunday afternoon without provocation. Capt. Terry met him in the road and the negro evidently thought he wanted to arrest him and fired point blank, killing Terry instantly.

Posses were immediately organized and had been searching for the negro ever since.

About 50 armed men with dogs came across the negro's trail this afternoon shortly after 5 o'clock. Soon afterward the dogs came upon the negro in a clump of bushes. The negro kicked the dogs away and armed with a pistol and shotgun began to fire on the posse. Practically 50 guns returned the fire and the negro was filled with bullets.

Practically every store in Springville was closed this evening in order that owners and employes might join in the chase.

##### Youths Mangled by Train.

Albany, Ga., Sept. 17.—The two young sons of LaFayette Yarbrough of Edison, near this place, were tossed from a high trestle near here to-day by a passenger train of the Georgia, Florida & Alabama railroad. One of the boys was ground almost to a pulp before his body was hurled from the trestle, and his brother, though still alive, is so frightfully injured that his recovery is hopeless. A third boy leaped to safety.

##### NEGRO LODGED IN JAIL.

He is Alleged to Have Assaulted Young White Girl.

Marion, Sept. 20.—Willie Brown, a negro about 20 years old, was lodged in jail here last night, having been brought from Fork, in Dillon county. Brown is alleged to have attempted criminal assault upon a young white girl in Williamsburg county last August. Other reports have it that he slapped the girl because she would not get out of his path as she was coming from school.

The father of the girl and the sheriff of Williamsburg are expected here to-night to identify the criminal. It is also rumored that the negro has confessed, though this could not be confirmed. There is no excitement.

## GIRL FIRED SHOT.

### Startling Developments in Buff Case in Lexington.

Lexington, Sept. 19.—There was surprise in the Lexington court room to-day when Miss Melissa Buff took the witness stand and admitted that she fired the shot at the three Hendrix men for which offense her father, M. B. Buff, and Artie Buff were on trial, the charge being assault and battery with intent to kill. Miss Buff stated that she tried to shoot John Hendrix because he had wronged her under promise of marriage. The case will not go to the jury before to-morrow.

The first case to be called was that of M. B. Buff and Artie Buff, father and son, defendants, who, it is alleged, made assault upon John W. Hendrix, Sr., John W. Hendrix, Jr., and James Hendrix on the 25th of last March while the three were passing along the road in front of the house of the accused. The three men swore that the elder Buff and his son fired two shots at them.

The defendants claim that the shots were not fired by either of them, but that Miss Mallissa Buff, a daughter of M. B. Buff and a sister of Artie Buff, fired the shots. The young woman went on the stand and admitted that she did the shooting; that John Hendrix, Jr., had, under promise of marriage, wronged her, and that she wanted to get revenge. She said that neither her father nor brother knew that she was going to shoot, and that Artie Buff took the gun away from her after she had fired the second shot.

Miss Buff is just 18 years old, and made a star witness.

All of the parties are prominent farmers of the Hebron section of the county, and a large crowd has been in attendance upon the trial to-day.

M. B. Buff, one of the defendants, is a Confederate soldier. The prosecutor, Jno. W. Hendrix, Sr., is a former county commissioner.

## COURT WILL DECIDE.

### Formation of Eleventh Kentucky District Before Tribunal.

Washington, Sept. 18.—With the notorious Caleb Powers running for congress in the eleventh congressional district of Kentucky and the formation of that district made an issue before the United States supreme court to determine a State's power to "gerrymander," its territory in that mountainous region is to be a political centre this fall.

Unless the supreme court throws the case out on a question of jurisdiction of some subordinate point of law the decision is looked forward to as sure to have a widespread bearing on the proposed reappointment of representatives next year. The political complexion of two or more districts is said to depend upon the outcome of the case.

##### The Alleged "Gerrymander."

The Kentucky Republicans claim that, by various acts, the Democratic legislature of that State has added Republican counties to the Republican stronghold, the Eleventh district, thus making the adjoining Third and Eighth Democratic. In 1908 the Republicans elected their candidate for congress in the Eleventh district by 21,000 majority while the Democrats carried the Third by 476 and the Eighth by 1,676.

When the case was brought before the courts of Kentucky the judges held that the State courts were not clothed with any power to question the discretion expressed by the legislature in redistricting the State for congressional purposes.

##### Did Not Settle Point.

Doubt was expressed as to whether congress had any right under the federal constitution to say how the State should proceed in the formation of districts, but the court refrained from passing directly upon the point.

The case was brought to the supreme court on the claim that the Kentucky statutes were invalid because in conflict with congressional enactment providing that the districts should be composed of "contiguous and compact" territory. Such enactments have been passed by congress following each census in the last 30 years. However, it is said that no test of the force of the words has been made before the supreme court. So far the legislatures have been free to district the States according to their opinion and the determination of the Kentucky case will be watched for with interest to see if the power of the legislature is to be limited.

Guaranteed Black Cat Hosiery for men, ladies, and children, at W. D. Rhoad's.

## PRIMARY NOMINEES NAMED

### STATE DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MET TUESDAY.

Governor, Adjutant General, Railroad Commissioner and Two Congressmen Declared Elected.

The State Democratic Executive committee meeting Tuesday in the office of the secretary of State, declared the nominees of the party for governor, adjutant general, railroad commissioner and congressmen from two districts.

The following official vote was reported for the second primary to the committee and adopted.

##### For Governor.

C. L. Blease ..... 56,250  
C. C. Featherstone ..... 50,605

##### Adjutant General.

W. W. Moore ..... 71,331  
J. M. Richardson ..... 35,193

##### Railroad Commissioner.

G. McD. Hampton ..... 54,537  
James Cansler ..... 51,233

##### Congress, Second District.

J. F. Byrnes ..... 6,248  
J. O. Patterson ..... 6,190

##### Congress, Sixth District

J. E. Ellerbe ..... 8,916  
P. A. Hodges ..... 6,502

The closest race was in the Second district, where Mr. Byrnes received a majority of 58 votes.

##### PROTEST DROPPED.

### Executive Committee Declares Mr. Byrnes Elected.

Following one of the closest races in the history of Democratic party in this State, James F. Byrnes, of Aiken, was declared to be the nominee of the Democratic party for congress from the Second district. Attorneys for J. O. Patterson appeared before the State executive committee and stated that the protest filed by the incumbent from that district had been withdrawn. The majority of Mr. Byrnes is 58. J. N. Patterson, of Allendale, appeared in behalf of J. O. Patterson.

Mr. Byrnes will be the youngest member of the congressional delegation from this State and will possibly be the youngest member in the national house. He is at present solicitor for the Second circuit.

In the protest of J. O. Patterson irregularities were alleged to have occurred in Aiken and Hampton counties.

##### Mob Tried to Lynch Negro.

York, Pa., Sept. 17.—James Yellets, a negro barber of Wrightsville, was attacked by a mob of several hundred persons who made a strenuous effort to lynch him yesterday afternoon.

He had sent a Black Hand letter to Miss Helen Detwiler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Detwiler, prominent residents of the borough. The negro was slightly injured, but was finally lodged in the borough lock-up by Constables Wilson and McCaulley, who had to fight their way to the prison.

In his letter to Miss Detwiler, received yesterday, the negro, after stating that he was in love with her, demanded that she place \$25 at a certain place on the Detwiler farm or forfeit her life.

Miss Detwiler and her parents were greatly alarmed and decided that they would do as the latter requested. Going to the place designated in the letter, Mr. Detwiler and his daughter were depositing the money when they saw a negro standing in a corn field watching their actions. Mr. Detwiler started after the colored man, but he was too fleet of foot and escaped. Miss Detwiler recognized the negro as Yellets, and a warrant was sworn out for his arrest. News of the negro's threats spread like wildfire, and when the constables took him into custody a crowd collected and there were cries of "Lynch him!" "Kill him!" "Give him justice now!" Some threw stones at him, and several struck their mark.

The borough residents, it is feared, may attempt to take him from the officers when they bring him to the county jail.

##### Bolt Strikes Clay Statue.

Lexington, Ky., Sept. 19.—Lightning to-day struck the statue of Henry Clay in the Lexington cemetery, shattering an arm and leg of the figure. The memorial was unveiled in July and took the place of a similar monument, which was struck by lightning in 1903. Part of the cost of \$12,000 was defrayed by a legislative appropriation. The storm to-day was one of the heaviest ever known here and its total damage is estimated at \$50,000.

## BOAT PLEDGED FOR EDISTO.

### Orangeburg Business Men Subscribe Money for Purchase.

Orangeburg, Sept. 19.—At a special and most enthusiastic meeting of the Orangeburg chamber of commerce this morning the business men of this city pledged themselves to subscribe \$10,000 for the purchase of a boat and building of a dock for the Edisto river. Orangeburg has put down in black and white that she will place her boat and dock upon the Edisto river once it is made navigable.

Congressman Lever was the main speaker at the meeting. He stated the reason for the calling of this meeting to be that he secure some assurance from the business interests of Orangeburg to the effect that if the federal government made the Edisto river navigable by appropriation for the work, that it will get business and be used. He stated that it was necessary for him to show that it would be a paying investment from a matter of business and that he have a guarantee from the citizens of Orangeburg of the reestablishment of a boat line and he would be sure of an appropriation. He asked that this guarantee be given him in writing and that the boat to be placed cost not less than \$7,000.

##### Not Costly.

Mr. Lever stated that the trip made down the river with Captain Adams was a most enjoyable one and the observations showed that the only work to be done is a little snagging and dredging, the most part of which is to be done on the north fork. From an engineering standpoint making the Edisto river navigable is feasible and can be accomplished in a few years. The trip down the river to Jacksonboro was made in 20 hours, having traveled 144 miles. Mr. Lever said that the matter of developing the Edisto river had passed the hot air stage and is in the business stage. The only thing needed is federal aid and commercial aid. Captain Adams has pronounced the Edisto river as a good river and stated that a boat 21-2 feet draft, 60 feet in length could be operated on this river carrying 65 to 75 tons.

Mr. Lever said that this project he considers to be the greatest he has ever undertaken in congress for this section; when the great benefits to be derived from the low freight rates and drainage advantages are considered. The congressman praised W. L. Glover for his untiring efforts to secure data and to work for the navigation of this river.

##### Raise the Money.

Mr. Lever's speech was loudly applauded, and the chamber was quick to act. Orangeburg grasped her opportunity and a petition was drawn up for the business men to subscribe stock upon. A limit of \$500 was made to each subscriber, as it is the purpose to have the stock subscribed to by all the business men of the city. Of the \$10,000 to be subscribed by Orangeburg, \$4,700 was taken this morning and just as soon as the petition can be taken to the business men who were absent, the rest will be subscribed.

M. O. Dantzer, B. H. Moss, W. W. Wannamaker and W. B. Martin were appointed as the committee to secure the additional subscriptions. This committee with W. L. Glover as chairman was instructed to go to Charleston as soon as the \$10,000 was subscribed in this city and ascertain whether Charleston would subscribe \$10,000 for her boat.

##### Ends Life With Morphine.

Cartersville, Ga., Sept. 19.—Dispatches received here to-day state that Dr. Lundy H. Harris, of Nashville, formerly assistant secretary of the board of education of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, died at Pine Log, near Cartersville, of an overdose of morphine, taken Sunday morning with suicidal intent. Dr. Harris was at Pine Log to recuperate from nervous prostration.

Sunday morning Dr. Harris went for a walk and several hours later was found unconscious on the banks of a small stream. He left notes to his wife and to an undertaker. The body will be shipped to Nashville.

Dr. Harris was the husband of Cora N. Harris, a well known writer.

##### Kills Woman and Himself.

Abbeville, Ga., Sept. 19.—B. Manass to-day shot and killed Mrs. Cole Williams, wife of Former Mayor Williams, because he believed she had interfered to prevent the success of his suit for the hand of her sister, Mrs. Eugene Rohal, a widow. The latter saw the shooting. As Mrs. Williams collapsed he turned his revolver on the widow, wounding her in the hip, and then killed himself.