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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, Dec. 26.—Last week has been a very damp, wet week; raining nearly the whole time. Autos are not moving about much, as the mud and water makes the roads too tough for them.

Mr. Frank Kinsey, son of Dr. C. E. Kinsey, who has been here for some time clerking for his brother, Charley Kinsey, died at his home after a short illness. He had all the attention that medical aid could give him and all the nursing that could be had, but he was called and had to go. Thus his earthly career ended. A young, hopeful life, in the prime of manhood, is taken from among us. Frank, we will miss you in all vocations. Jolly, good-natured, sober, energetic and honest was his record while among us. An all-round good young man in every way lies now at his last resting place at the cemetery at Williams, S. C., leaving his many friends to mourn his untimely departure from this life and place flowers on his grave in memory of past friendship and tokens of respect.

On Thursday last one of Col. J. C. Folk's sons was at work around their ginners, when his clothing was caught by a set screw on a revolving shaft and in a short while whirled the young life away from the body of the young man.

Our school shut down for the holidays on the 22nd of December. Can't say when they will start up in 1912. Teachers have gone to their homes for a short stay with their parents and help them devour their Xmas turkeys.

Moving picture shows have been going on nearly all of last week and had very good audiences every night, notwithstanding the rains and bad weather. This week fortune tellers, horse traders, and a carnival will hold forth. Think they will get most of the money that whiskey and clothing, by mail orders, has left in the hands of our people.

Monday night the Ehrhardt Lutheran Sunday-school had a Christmas tree for the school. Equality presents was the main idea for the little ones so as to make them feel that none was above the others in the thoughts of the superintendent and teachers. Recitations and songs were rendered by the little ones. It surely makes one's heart glad to hear the little ones sing. More of it should be indulged in by all of our schools and the result would be far better than any one has any idea of. You hear little tots singing to their dolls, why not let it be a spicy Sunday-school song in place of some other that is not so good. Then, too, it makes them less bashful on other occasions when you want their services. The Christmas service was a success and we feel happy by making the little ones happy. JEE.

##### Garris-Chitty.

Denmark, Dec. 23.—A notable society event in this section of the State was the marriage Thursday night of Miss Floride Garris, of Denmark, and Mr. Floyd Chitty, of Olar. As an event of wide social interest, as well as of unusual beauty the wedding and the reception which followed it, attracted one of the largest assemblages that have ever attended such an occasion in this section. Both bride and bridegroom are members of prominent families. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Garris, of Denmark, Mr. Garris being known throughout the State through his activities in political and financial circles. The bridegroom is a graduate of the class of 1911 of the University of South Carolina and is now principal of the Lees school.

The wedding ceremony was performed in the Bethel Park Methodist church, which had been beautifully decorated. The entire church was carpeted in white. Smilax and lilies of the valley formed the decorations. Over the altar hung a huge white wedding bell. The wedding march was rendered by Miss Emma Steadman. Edwin Neeley sang "Love's Old Song" during the ceremony. Mr. Neeley and Miss Steadman together sang "Because" and "I Love You Truly." The ribbon girls were Misses Clara Wyman, Vera Wiggins, Gertrude Cox and Daisy Tillman. The ring was brought in in a calla lily borne by Miss Caroline Starr. Little Miss Daisy Riser brought in

## YEGGS' WORK AT SAVANNAH.

### Thieves Carry Off Safe Containing \$900 from Thunderbolt.

Savannah, Dec. 26.—The near-beer saloon and grocery store of William Sawyer at Thunderbolt, a resort a few miles from Savannah, was entered shortly before day this morning by yeggmen who tried to blow the safe open. Failing in this, the visitors took the safe, which was a small one, and loaded it into a wheelbarrow, carried it some distance down the road where they evidently had a vehicle waiting to carry it further. Officers are now on their trail. The safe contained all of Sawyer's Christmas receipts amounting to about \$900.

## BODY GROUND TO PIECES.

### Railroad Carpenter Killed in A. C. L. Yards at Florence.

Florence, December 25.—Norphie Pleasants, a white carpenter, who was employed in the car repairing department of the Atlantic Coast Line shops at this place, was run over by a Coast Line work train in the freight yards here last night and instantly killed. His body was literally ground to pieces by the wheels of the train, which was backing through the yards.

Coroner Cooper held an inquest and the verdict was that Pleasants came to his death by being struck by a Coast Line train through his own carelessness. The body was shipped to his old home at Aberdeen, North Carolina, this morning.

A white pillow, on which the bride and groom knelt during the ceremony.

The bridesmaids entered with the groomsmen. The bridesmaids were: Misses Wilhelmina Antley, Gladys Milhous, Martha Ray, Bertha Rich, Lalla Byrd, Florence Bell, Ruth Gilliam, Alexina Sauls, Metz Starr, Kate Patterson and Zelma Riser. The groomsmen were: Atticus Neeley, W. B. Lane, D. G. Yarborough, Geo. Morris, James Chitty, C. Grant Wyche, Wesley Crum, Algie Guss, Bert D. Carter, Kelley Browning, Ira Garris. Following these came the maid of honor, Miss Livy Ray, gowned in pink satin trimmed with gold fringe and satin ribbon and forget-me-nots. She carried pink roses.

Following the maid of honor came the bride with her father. Miss Garris wore a lovely creation of white satin, trimmed in real pearls, pearl medallions, pearl fringe and point lace. She wore in her hair a pearl crescent the gift of the bridegroom. At the altar the bride was met by the bridegroom with his best man, Charlie Chitty. Rev. T. E. Morris performed the ceremony.

The bridesmaids were gowned in white crepe de chine, trimmed in white satin with crystal fringe and allover lace.

The ushers were: Frank Starr, Dr. Hartzog, Homer Kearse and J. W. Browning. Joe Matthews carried the bride's train.

Immediately after the ceremony the party was conveyed to the home of the bride's father, where an elaborate and beautiful reception was held. The house, like the church, was decorated in white and green, smilax and lilies of the valley continuing the color scheme.

The many beautiful presents added to the attraction of the scene.

Members of both families were assisted in receiving by Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Wyman, Mr. and Mrs. Frank James, Mr. and Mrs. Sigman Walker, Mr. and Mrs. John Martin, Mrs. Joe Corbett, Miss Pauline Turner, Miss Lillie Cooper, Mrs. Leighton Hartzog, Mrs. Frank Starr, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Homer Kearse, Mrs. J. Arthur Wiggins and Miss Pauline Turner.

Mrs. Garris, mother of the bride, wore light blue satin with black over-dress. Mrs. Chitty, mother of the bridegroom, wore a gown of black satin trimmed in heavy beading.

Elaborate refreshments were served, including white ice cream with the date, December 21, 1911, in green.

The bride's cake was cut by all the bridesmaids. Miss Byrd drew the ring, Miss Antley the thimble, Miss Bell the button, Miss Milhous the dime and Miss Martha Ray the rock.

A large number of guests were present, including visitors from Olar, Bamberg, Orangeburg, Blackville, Columbia, Williston, Spartanburg, Augusta, Aiken, Johnston, Edgefield.

After the reception Mr. and Mrs. Chitty left on a three weeks' honeymoon tour to include Jacksonville, St. Augustine, Silver Lake and other Florida points.

## IN THE PALMETTO STATE

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

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

Standard Burrows, colored, was shot and instantly killed by a pistol in his own hands, while tussling with two other negroes in a buggy near Timmonsville Tuesday. Martha Jackson, seeing the act, fainted and fell in a fire, being burned so that she died some time later.

At Harvin, Clarendon county, Bruce McCall, white, while handling a 38-calibre pistol Tuesday morning, shot his wife, Lula Nichols McCall, through the right breast, inflicting an ugly wound, which may later prove fatal. Mrs. McCall is getting along very well and resting fairly comfortably.

The Lutheran board of publication have sold their building in Columbia to the Carolina Casualty and Insurance association for \$80,000. It is said the board made for the church \$47,000 in the difference between what the property cost five years ago and its selling price. The board will buy and build on another street.

#### Deputy Sheriff Now a Bride.

Uniontown, Pa., Dec. 21.—Deputy Sheriff Miss Lucy Beench Johns, daughter of Sheriff and Mrs. Peter A. Johns, was married to John Cummins Greer, of Pittsburgh, to-day. Mr. and Mrs. Greer left on a western trip. On their return they will live in Pittsburgh.

For eleven months Mrs. Greer has been deputy sheriff in her father's office, being sworn in to be able to act for him in his absence from the court house.

As the only woman deputy in the country she gained much newspaper fame, but contrary to some reports, she is far from being the "terror of bad men" that she was pictured. Instead she has made good friends far and wide over the country by her never failing courtesy.

On December 4 she handed over the badge of office and revolver presented to her when she was sworn in and became a society girl once more, being honor guest at many affairs given by girl friends.

#### TOURIST GONE; CHECKS RETURN

##### Supposed Citizen of Los Angeles, Cal., Has Left Aiken.

Aiken, Dec. 23.—J. E. Borden, who last week came to Aiken after having leased for the winter season a furnished cottage and who was purported to be a prominent citizen of Los Angeles, Cal., has left here under peculiar circumstances, after several irregular transactions. Borden leaves behind him several "certificates" but worthless checks, which he gave to several merchants in exchange for goods and cash. These checks were drawn on a Los Angeles bank, and in every instance where Borden gave one, he secured amounts from \$25 up in cash. He left Saturday, stating he was going to Charleston to meet his wife and children to bring them here, and since that time has not been heard from, but in the meantime the checks he gave have been returned from Los Angeles.

#### CHILD SHOOT'S SISTER.

##### Thirteen-year-old Boy Kills Girl of Eleven.

Olive, Ark., Dec. 23.—Bryan Bridwell, 13 years old, blew his 11-year-old sister's head off to-night with a shotgun after she had refused to divide her Christmas candy with him. The children were returning home after making holiday visits. The boy asked the girl for a portion of the candy they had bought. The girl refused, and he threatened her with the gun. As he pointed the muzzle at her the trigger caught in his coat and discharged the weapon in her face.

Heaven help the man who imagines he can dodge enemies by trying to please everybody! If such an individual ever succeeds pass him over this way that we may have one look at his mortal remains ere he vanishes away, for surely this earth cannot be his abiding place. Now we do not infer that one should be going through this world trying to find beams to knock and thump his head against, disputing every man's opinion, fighting and elbowing and crowding all who differ from him. That, again, is another extreme. Other people have their opinions, so have you. Don't fall into the error of supposing they will respect you more for turning your coat every day to match the color of theirs.

## MAIL BY FAST FREIGHTS.

### Hitchcock says Government is Saving Large Sums on New Plan.

New York, Dec. 26.—Postmaster General Frank H. Hitchcock intends to extend the practice of carrying second-class mail by fast freight trains. He so stated in an answer he filed in the United States Circuit court to-day in the case of the Review of Reviews Company, which complained of discrimination because its magazines were carried by freight instead of by mail trains through the middle West for distribution to far distant points.

The postmaster general says the government lost seven cents a pound on all second-class matter transported from New York to the Pacific coast by mail trains in 1907-08, but that since early this year, when the fast freight rule was enforced on certain periodicals issued at intervals of a week or more a saving of \$1,400,000 has been made.

The rule has so far been applied only to the so-called third central section, but as soon as contracts with railroads in three other sections expire the rule will be enforced there. This, says the postmaster general, will make an annual saving of \$3,000,000 in the transportation of second-class mail.

#### LOCKOUT OF WEAVERS.

##### Lancashire Cotton Workers, 160,000 Strong, Shut Out To-day.

Manchester, England, Dec. 26.—Nothing has happened to warrant the hope that the lock-out of 160,000 cotton workers in Lancashire can be averted. The lock-out is scheduled for to-morrow, and officially both sides maintain an uncompromising attitude. The weavers in the Halene Mill, at Accrington, went on a strike December 20, because of the employment of non-union labor. Two days later the committee of the Lancashire Cotton Spinners' and Manufacturers' Association decided to lock out the workers in all the mills belonging to the Federation as a protest against the attempts of trade unionists to force weavers to join their ranks.

To-day was a general holiday and few cotton men remained in Manchester. Therefore, it was not possible to ascertain the views of the majority, but among some there is a disposition to refer the disputes to the Industrial Council, of which Sir George Askwith, the noted strike settler, is president.

Meanwhile, the original cause of the dispute—the refusal of a man and his wife to join the union at Accrington—is likely to be removed. It is said that the man has agreed to join and that his wife will leave town.

The Federation of Master Cotton Spinners will meet here to-morrow, and it is expected, in the event of a general shutdown of the weaving sheds, that they will propose the early closing of the mills in Lancashire, as it is pointed out that it would be ruinous to continue spinning yarn while the looms are idle. This would cause a general suspension of labor in the cotton districts.

#### Thirty Times Wed.

New York, Dec. 21.—There is a couple in this city who have been married so many times that they have probably lost count, and every minister who smiled over them and bade them good fortune and success is the possessor of a \$20 check, for which he gave \$10 in change. The checks were bad.

It is an entirely new swindle and it apparently worked with ease, for the police have complaints from nearly 30 ministers, who did not for a moment doubt the happy couple.

Rev. W. F. Kerney, then of 33 West Twenty-sixth street, was the first clergyman he police heard from. On October 23 there called on him a young man, who said he was Eugene Keller, of 247 West Thirty-sixth street, and a young woman who seemed very shy and upon whom Mr. Kerney beamed with corresponding benevolence. They were in a great hurry and were united with all reasonable speed.

Mr. Kerney took a \$20 check with alacrity, and when he came back with the change he found the couple extricating themselves from an embrace that brought blushes to the cheeks of the bride. They were very much in love, he thought, and as they went down the steps and left him with the check in his hand, the clergyman meditated on what makes the world go round and went slowly back to his study.

## KING'S SLAYER LIBERATED

### JOE DAVIS, WHO KILLED BAMBERG'S POLICEMAN, PAROLED.

#### Gov. Blease Presents Thirty Convicts with Christmas Presents in the Form of Freedom.

Gov. Blease last Saturday paroled and pardoned thirty convicts, among them being Joe Davis, who, in 1903, killed Chief of Police King, of this city, while drunk, was paroled during good behavior. It will be remembered that at the time of this killing public sentiment was much against Davis, and it was feared at first that the citizens would take the law in their own hands, but cooler heads prevented this, and the law was allowed to take its course, and Davis was tried, convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary.

It will be remembered that Davis killed King at his (Davis's) home, shooting him just above the heart with a shotgun, as King opened the door to enter, after having been asked by Davis's wife to go with her and try and make Davis behave, who was drunk and threatening to kill her. Davis shot Policeman King at a house on what is known as Factory Hill, killing him instantly.

The cases in which executive clemency were exercised are from many parts of the State and include a number of offences, from non-support of family to murder.

#### The list of pardons follows:

##### Full Pardons Granted.

E. Winter, convicted of grand larceny at the September term of court for Richland county, in 1908, before Judge Gage, and sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment; was pardoned for the purpose of restoring his citizenship.

Marion Dawkins, convicted before Judge Izlar, at Newberry, in March, 1890, of arson, and sentenced to 25 years' imprisonment in the State penitentiary, was pardoned.

Walter Black, convicted of grand larceny at the November term of court, at Spartanburg, in 1910, was sentenced by Judge Aldrich to nine years' imprisonment, was pardoned.

Alfred Gray, convicted at the March term of court for Barnwell, in 1897, of murder with recommendation to mercy and sentenced to life imprisonment in the State penitentiary, was pardoned.

Frank Bailey, convicted in September, 1886, at Pickens, of burglary and larceny and sentenced by Judge J. H. Hudson to life imprisonment in the State penitentiary, was pardoned.

Frank Johnson, convicted at Georgetown in March, 1884, of arson, and sentenced to life imprisonment in the State penitentiary, was pardoned.

Fed Hodge, alias Fed Hopkins, convicted in July, 1888, at Newberry, of burglary and larceny and sentenced by Judge Witherspoon to life imprisonment in the State penitentiary, was pardoned.

John Green, convicted of murder with recommendation to mercy, and sentenced to life imprisonment in the State Penitentiary by Judge Norton, at the June term of court, 1888, for Berkeley County, was pardoned.

#### Released on Parole.

The following were paroled:

Frank Klutz, convicted in Richland county, September, 1907, before special Judge Johnston, of manslaughter and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary, paroled during good behavior.

Joe Davis, convicted in Bamberg county in April, 1903, of manslaughter, before Judge Gary, and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary, paroled during good behavior.

W. L. Manley, convicted in Pickens county in February, 1911, before Judge Gage, of breaking jail, and sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment, paroled during good behavior.

Smart Floyd, convicted in Aiken county in October, 1908, before Judge Wilson, of assault and battery with intent to kill, and sentenced to five years' imprisonment in the State penitentiary, paroled during good behavior.

Abram Ancrum, convicted in Bamberg county in December, 1903, of manslaughter, and sentenced to 20 years' imprisonment in the penitentiary, paroled during good behavior.

John Westley Satterwhite, convicted in Laurens county in September, 1906, before Judge James Aldrich, of manslaughter and carrying concealed weapons, and sentenced to 15 years in the penitentiary, paroled

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## JURY EXONERATES CONSTABLE.

### Acted in Self-Defence and in Discharge of Duty.

Summerville, Dec. 26.—S. P. Miller, constable for Magistrate Driggers and acting assistant marshal, who shot and killed a man named McCants, was declared to have acted justifiably by a jury yesterday, at the inquest, it being the opinion of the coroner's jury that Officer Miller acted in the discharge of his duty and in self-defence, when he fired the fatal shot that caused McCants's death.

According to the testimony offered the jury, it seems that Officer Miller was trying to arrest McCants, for being disorderly in the town limits, on the north side of the Southern Railway tracks, when McCants raised his gun to shoot Miller. A bystander knocked McCants's hand into the air, and the load of his gun passed harmlessly over Miller's head. It was then that Officer Miller, seeing his life in danger, fired at and killed McCants, death following the shot almost instantly.

#### Fired Four Shots.

Branchville, Dec. 22.—A. M. Dantzer fired four shots at a negro by the name of West in Edwards street on Thursday but luckily none of the shots took effect and West is none the worse off for his experience. Both of the principals were placed under arrest and a fine of \$10 was placed on Dantzer by the mayor of the town.

The row started in the store of S. S. Byrd and was precipitated, it is stated, by a dispute over a sum of money which Dantzer is claimed to have said West owed him. The negro acted in a most disrespectful manner and when he did so Dantzer hit at him with a board. The negro got out of the way and backed out of the store. The fuss was renewed on the street and here it is said Dantzer claims that the negro threw his hand to his hip pocket as if to draw a revolver. When he did so Dantzer drew a pistol and began firing. A bystander knocked the hand of Dantzer up and all four shots went wide of their mark. The negro is said to have had no pistol on his person when taken in custody.

Branchville's postal bank will be open for business on January 11. All of the papers for same are now in the hands of Postmaster Byrd.

#### GARLINGTON-YOUNG CASE.

Bleese Sends Letter to Seminole Trustees and Receiver.

Columbia, Dec. 24.—Gov. Bleese has addressed a letter to Messrs. Thomas Bryan, Willie Jones and W. A. Clark, trustees of the Seminole Securities Company, and to Mr. Frank G. Tompkins, chairman of the board of receivers of the Seminole, informing them that he had under consideration petitions for the pardon of John Y. Garlington and James Stobo Young, and telling them if they can show any cause or desire to furnish any reasons why Garlington and Young should not receive executive clemency, he would be pleased if they would present the same on or before the first of January.

This is the only development in the matter of the Garlington and Young petition for pardon now in the hands of the governor. Both Garlington and Young were before the governor in person on Wednesday and he announced then that he would take the matter under advisement and make known his decision later.

The letter addressed to the trustees of the Seminole follows: "I am informed that you are a trustee of the defunct Seminole Securities Company. I now have under consideration petitions for the pardon of Messrs. Garlington and Young for their association with that company. If you or your associates can show cause or desire to furnish any reasons why these parties should not receive executive clemency, I would be pleased if you would present the same to me on or before the first day of January, 1912."

Practically the same letter was sent to Mr. F. G. Tompkins, the chairman of the board of receivers of the Seminole.

#### A Great Lawyer on Work.

Rufus Choate believed in hard work and struggle. When some one said to him that a certain fine achievement was the result of accident, he exclaimed: "Nonsense! You might as well drop the Greek alphabet on the ground and expect to pick up the Iliad."