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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 7.—The glorious fourth of July has gone, glad to say without any fight or killing added to the day's record in this section. Only heard of one negro getting cut and that was done near Bamberg at what is known as Bamberg's cow barn. The cut was painful but not mortal unless not attended to by a physician. Heard of only a few melons for the 4th, but one is enough to show and settle the question that melon seed point to the vine, in place of the heart.  
Crops are in good condition, and this warm weather has got a hump on the little cotton.

A. B. Coggins has commenced work on his home, getting lumber, bricks and carpenters on the grounds.

Mr. L. E. McKenzie and little daughter, Meana, went to Charleston, yesterday to visit his mother and perhaps take a bath.

Mr. O. L. Copeland and his brother have ordered their engine and boiler for gin outfit. Intend to put it near the Fender Place on H. A. Hughes's land. Will be on the new rail road when built. JEE.

#### Notice.

The surviving brothers, sisters, relatives, and especially old comrades in war of the late John J. Copeland, deceased, will unveil his monument on July 26th, 1913, at noon, at Mount Pleasant Lutheran church cemetery. Suitable music, records of his church life, and war records, will be spoken of by Rev. D. B. Grose-close and comrade C. L. Folk. JOE I. COPELAND.

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#### Newberry College Reunion.

Ehrhardt, S. C., July 7, 1913.—The annual Newberry College reunion for Bamberg and Barnwell counties will be held Wednesday, July 23rd, at Mt. Pleasant Lutheran church, near Ehrhardt, S. C. Dinner will be served on the grounds. The public is cordially invited to attend.

LEREO YOUNG,  
E. P. COPELAND, President.  
Secretary.

#### Fairfax Fancies.

Fairfax, July 7.—There is a family reunion this week of all the members of the family of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. O'Neal, three sons, G. S. Jr., Elliott, and Matthew, are now living in Florida. Mesdames Chivette Jamison, Carrie Rutland, with their husbands and infants, from Orangeburg. Mrs. Annye Moyer O'Neal and infant, all are with them. Mr. O'Neal has been our accommodating and efficient post master ever since this was a town, and he and his wife are much esteemed here. Friends congratulate them upon having all members of his family, together, and hope these reunions will be frequent and happy, as they now are.

Mrs. Ursula Cope, of Ulmer, is visiting relatives here.

While at McCormick and Lowndesville Misses Ruth Wilson and Sadie Harter were the recipients of much social attention, quite a number of parties being given in their honor. They are two of our brightest and most attractive high-school girls, and give great pleasure with their fine piano performances.

Mrs. Wm. Boyles and daughter, of Allendale, are spending some time with Miss May Brunson. Mrs. Lily Preacher celebrated little Lily's seventh birthday by having all her little friends partake of delicious refreshments with her.

Mrs. Lily Myrick and Miss May Brunson treated their Sunday school scholars to nice ice cream last week. They formed a pretty picture playing ring-around games on the green grass.

Mrs. Martin Lightsey and children are spending the heated term in North Carolina.

Mrs. J. F. Lightsey and children are at Sullivan's Island.

There was a lawn party and silver tea at Mrs. S. L. Sanders's on the afternoon of the fourth under charge of the Ladies' Aid Society. A nice sum was contributed, and all seemed to enjoy it.

A party was given last week by Miss Alma Knight, complimentary to her friend, Miss Halford. The young folks are enthusiastic in praises of the whole affair, and everything was

## CONVICTED OF BRIBERY.

West Virginia State Senator and Wife Overcome at Verdict.

Webster Springs, W. Va., July 1.—State Senator Ben A. Smith was convicted of bribery to-night in connection with accepting \$2,200 to vote for Col. William Seymour Edwards as a candidate for the United States Senate. After a prolonged trial the case went to the jury shortly after 4 o'clock this afternoon. The verdict of guilty was returned at 9:35 o'clock to-night. Senator Smith is the first member of the West Virginia Legislature ever to be convicted of such a charge.

Senator Smith and his wife were overcome when the verdict was signed. Smith was taken into custody. The penalty is from 5 to 10 years in the Penitentiary.

Six members of the lower House of the Legislature charged with a similar offence are under indictment and awaiting trial.

## TWO MEN ARE KILLED.

And Two Wounded in Fight Between Cops and "Bootlegger."

Champaign, Ill., July 6.—Two men were killed and two others seriously wounded in a fight here today between the police and alleged illicit liquor sellers.

The dead are: Ray Williams, alleged "bootlegger," and Thomas Dods-worth a policeman.

The wounded are: Albert Keller, chief of police, and Oliver Harding. As a result of the affair the streets are crowded with men threatening violence to liquor sellers. Chief Keller and Dods-worth went to Williams' home to arrest him on a charge of selling liquor illegally. As Keller began to read the warrant, Williams, it is said, fired three shots at the officer. Dods-worth ran to the Chief's aid and Williams fired at the policeman, killing him. Williams then was shot dead by Keller. Harding was struck by a stray bullet.

## Denmark Social News.

Denmark, July 5.—Misses Lillal Jaeger, of Florence, and Janie Ford, of Chester, are the guests of Mrs. John R. Martin.

Mrs. H. W. Matthews has returned to her home in Birmingham, Ala., after a visit of several weeks to her father, Mr. James B. Guess.

Mrs. J. W. Wyman, accompanied by Misses Christobel Mayfield, Vera and Martha Wiggins, left Tuesday for a visit to Mount Pleasant.

Misses Hazel Osteen and Lucile Cole, of Florence, are visiting their grandfather, Mr. H. C. Rice.

Mr. J. E. Steadman, Jr., has gone to Chappelle for a few days.

Miss Anna Matthews has returned from a visit to relatives in Charleston.

Mr. St. Clair P. Guess has returned from a trip to Sumter.

Mr. W. H. Rice is visiting his brother, Mr. C. S. Rice.

Mrs. R. M. McCartha, of Bamberg, spent Monday in town with her mother, Mrs. W. L. Califf.

Mrs. S. D. Guess is in Sumter for a week's stay.

Messrs. T. B. Wilkerson, Jr., and C. H. Pool have returned from Garrett.

Miss Louise Zeigler is visiting Miss Emma Warren in Allendale.

Mr. J. E. Cohen, of Richmond, Va., was in town this week.

Mr. J. R. Minor is spending several weeks with relatives in Atlanta.

enjoyed.

There was a picnic on the fourth at Youmans's mill. Children, young ladies and gents and some chaperons. All enjoyed the ride, the dinner, and games.

Miss Lily Preacher gave a sociable Thursday evening.

Miss Margaret Folk entertained the young people on Friday evening. A most enjoyable occasion.

Miss Wethersbee, of North, visited Mrs. Wm. Simpson on Saturday.

Little Joy Gregs, of Savannah, is visiting her aunt, Miss DuRant.

Fairfax was best in a visit from Mr. Warren Lipscomb, brother of Mrs. Johnston, recently. A graduate of Furman University, he decided that preaching was his calling, so is taking a theological course at Rochester, N. Y. He gave a fine talk at the Baptist church, then sang, oh so sweetly at the Y. P. U. meeting that evening. A trio by Mesdames Johnston and Harter and Mr. Lipscomb was much enjoyed.

Mr. Johnston, our popular cashier, made a fine talk to the U. P. U. Sunday evening. Miss Ruth Wilson sang very sweetly "Moment by Moment."

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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.

About four hundred and fifty teachers are attending the summer school at Winthrop college.

W. H. Aughtry, a looker-on at the automobile races in Columbia on Friday, was struck by an automobile and had his leg broken.

The New York Journal of Commerce reports that the South Carolina cotton crop improved from 69.9 to 73.3 within the past month.

The fines in the recorder's court in Charleston for the month of June amounted to \$6,499. It is not stated how much of this sum was paid by blind tigers.

Sam Dukes, colored, aged 22, was electrocuted in the state penitentiary on Tuesday. His crime was the murder of Policeman Barwick of Pine-wood, Clarendon county.

Comptroller General A. W. Jones has reported to Attorney General T. H. Peoples shortages in the accounts of former Treasurer J. N. Jenerette and former Sheriff B. J. Sessions of Horry.

Mack Smith, assistant superintendent, and W. L. Hames, weave room boss of the Glendale mills, Spartanburg county, were fined \$50 on Saturday for working their employees longer each day than the law allows.

#### Eastern Star Chapter Organized.

This scribe spent Saturday, it being the first Saturday of the month, at Jennys, and of course attended the regular communication of Buford Lodge. A fine attendance was present, and while no degree work was on hand, the communication was very pleasant and considerable business was attended to. From labor the lodge was called to refreshment, and you never saw such a spread. The ladies of that section did themselves proud in providing every good thing eatable, in season and out of season. Then, to wash down these good things, was hot coffee, iced tea and lemonade. Many kings, princes, and potentates have lived and died, and feasted, but never in all their days of feasting ever saw such a sumptuous repast. It was indeed a marvel in the art of the cuisine. These ladies met there to entertain Mr. W. C. Davis, of Manning, the worthy patron of the Eastern Star Grand Chapter. He was there, and after dinner proceeded to organize a Grand Chapter, which was done, the grand officers being W. C. Davis, W. P.; A. W. Abraham, Grand Secretary; J. L. Folk, Grand Marshal; J. C. Mayer, Grand Chaplain. These then proceeded to organize an Eastern Star Chapter, initiating twenty-two candidates into the beautiful mysteries of the order.

Mr. Davis made a beautiful lecture and the election of officers took place: Mrs. Ollie M. Chitty and G. W. Jenny, Matron and Patron; Mrs. Rena R. Jenny, Conductress; Ada, Mrs. Bessie J. Rast; Ruth Mrs. Leda R. Kearse; Esther, Mrs. Emma S. Jenny; Martha, Mrs. Donie Loadholdt; Electra, Mrs. Rebecca W. Jenny; Secretary, A. W. Abraham; Treasurer, Dr. G. W. Loadholdt; Warden, J. R. Loadholdt; Doorkeeper, J. C. Loadholdt; Marshal, J. L. Folk; Chaplain, J. C. Mayer.

The Chapter will meet on the same day that the Masons meet, and that means a picnic once a month; and the good people there know how to provide for a picnic. Ben Franklin said that a fat kitchen meant a lean will, and if that is true all the wills made in the Jenny section will be as lean as the seven kine that Pharaoh saw in his dream. We don't think "Poor Richard's" philosophy will hold good in this instance, for we do not know any section more prosperous than Jennys. The people all have money, and they spend it. Long may they live, and may they ever prosper, is the wish of your scribe. By the way, the kind treatment to visitors causes, each month, visitors to come from Fairfax, Brunson Crockettville, and other places, to share in the pleasantries of these monthly meetings, and Masons are talking of getting dimits and coming to our lodge. It is prospering, and we have some room to spare.

P. S. Mrs. Addie J. Coleman also holds an office in the Chapter, but not having the minutes, we cannot call to mind the position she occupies.

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## DROWNED IN CONGAREE RIVER.

J. W. B. Beckham, of Calhoun County, Meets Tragic Fate

St. Matthews, July 5.—News was received here this morning of the drowning of J. W. B. Beckham in Congaree River, about dark yesterday afternoon, in the extreme upper portion of this county. After a long and tedious search, Beckham's body was found late this afternoon.

He was known to the public as having killed his step-father, Henry Frank, by the roadside, October 22, 1912, was tried for the offence at the first Criminal Court in November following and acquitted. Since that time, it seems, he lost interest in his farm, built a tent on the bank of the Congaree River, and lived the life of a fisherman.

Reports all agree that he had been drinking heavily under his new and weird surroundings, and his unfortunate end was not a surprise here. He was 42 or 43 years old, and when not in his cups was a man of splendid manners and pleasing personality. Nineteen years ago he married Miss Ellen Davis, daughter of Kinsler Davis, deceased, who for years, represented Lexington County in the Legislature. She died in 1907, leaving one son and two daughters. His mother, Mrs. Frank, two half-brothers and one half-sister, are still living.

His father, Dr. Beckham, while on his way from Columbia to his home, was thrown from his buggy into a ditch and his neck broken as the result of the runaway. This happened when "Willie" Beckham, the son, was just four months old.

The death of Mr. Beckham ends a family feud which had existed for many years. He and his step-father were enemies of long standing, and only the graves of both would have ever covered the wounds engendered.

#### Yeggman is Shot Robbing Postoffice.

Atlanta, Ga., July 5.—Barricaded in the postoffice of Kirkwood, a suburb, where he had blown open the safe, J. W. Johnson fought a posse of constables and citizens early today until he fell, probably mortally wounded, by a bullet. Johnson said he came from Philadelphia.

The noise of the explosion aroused constables and a posse surrounded the postoffice before Johnson could complete his work and escape.

J. W. Johnson, alias "Portland Ned," and a number of other names known to the police of the country, is said to have made a statement today in which he claimed to be Walter Turpin, recently released from the Atlanta Federal penitentiary. He stated he came from Bedford county, Virginia, where he said that he has relatives.

#### SHOT DOWN BY POSSE

Andrew Solomon Killed and His Brother Wounded.

Waycross, Ga., July 3.—A Coffee county posse today surprised Andrew and Randall Solomon, wanted for various crimes, at the home of Henry Marier, near Kirkland, and when the men showed fight the officers opened fire on them, Andrew Solomon being killed and his brother Randall seriously wounded. It is believed he will die. In response to the command to surrender, Andrew Solomon made a movement to bring his gun to his shoulder. A volley from the posse sent him reeling to the earth, mortally wounded. His brother surrendered after being wounded thrice.

The dead man's body was brought here tonight. His wounded brother was taken to Douglas.

#### WOMAN SHOT IN SCUFFLE.

Abbeville Man Claims His Mother was Accidentally Killed.

Abbeville, July 3.—Ben Ashworth, of Calhoun Falls, 21 years of age, is alleged to have shot and killed his mother Monday night in a scuffle over a pistol. Ashworth's version of the affair is that he went home, had been drinking and his mother asked him if he was drinking, and he said, "Yes, I have had a drink." She said, "You and your father will kill me yet." Ashworth claims then that his mother went to the bed and got a pistol and when he tried to take it away from her the pistol was discharged, killing his mother instantly, and wounding Ashworth in his left hand. It is stated that his mother's hand is powder-burned.

Rural Policeman Bruce was at Calhoun Falls and arrested Ashworth and brought him to Abbeville, and he is now in jail here. There were no eyewitnesses to the affair, except Ashworth.

## FATHER AND SON IN DUEL

FORMER LIES DEAD AS RESULT OF FAMILY TROUBLE.

John Dobson Receives Four Bullet Wounds from Pistol of Will Dobson in Pickens County Tragedy.

Anderson, July 8.—In a pistol duel on the Pelzer plantation, just across the Pickens County line, John Dobson, a white farmer, was killed and his 13-year-old son, Roy, was probably fatally shot. The duel was between John Dobson and his 17-year-old son, Will Dobson, and occurred at the Dobson home.

It seems that John Dobson was overbearing toward his wife and that they quarrelled on Sunday. Afterwards he left home, going to Pendleton. Dobson returned to his home late yesterday and again quarrelled with his wife, it is said.

She sent to the field for Will Dobson, who, it is said, went in the house, and secured his pistol. The father had his pistol in his hand, and some say that he was the first to fire. Will Dobson fired five times, four bullets striking his father, who fell in a heap on the ground.

One of the bullets from John Dobson's pistol hit Roy Dobson, who was in the house shielding his mother. This ball broke a rib in the left side, puncturing the colon in three places and tearing the intestines fearfully. Roy Dobson was hurried to the Anderson Hospital and was operated on, the surgeon's knife nearly cutting him in two in the attempt to save his life. The doctor in charge says he has a fighting chance for recovery.

Will Dobson surrendered to the Pickens County officials. John Dobson died from his wounds early this morning.

#### Account from Greenville.

Greenville, July 8.—John Dobson, a farmer living about a mile from Central, in Pickens County, died about 2 o'clock this morning from wounds received in a pistol duel yesterday evening with his seventeen-year-old son, who had, it is said, attempted to save his mother from abuse at the hands of her husband. The shooting occurred about sundown yesterday at the Dobson farm.

A twelve-year-old son of Dobson, who was standing by, was struck accidentally by a bullet from his father's pistol and is to-day lying at the point of death in a hospital in Anderson.

Will Dobson, the boy who shot his father, immediately went to Pickens, where he surrendered to the sheriff and was placed in jail. He has made no statement.

The tragedy is said to be the culmination of a period of domestic infelicity between Dobson and his wife lasting over several years. During this time, Dobson, it is said, had severely abused his wife on many occasions. Trouble of this kind occurred only a few days ago, reports stated, and the boys had warned the father that it must not occur again.

Yesterday afternoon Will Dobson was in the field at work, and hearing trouble at the house, rushed to the defense of his mother. Both he and his father had revolvers and a number of shots were exchanged, the father, it is declared, firing first. Young Dobson fired six shots, four of which took effect.

#### OLD-FASHIONED FIST FIGHT.

Saluda Rural Policeman and Citizen Have Lively Scrap.

Saluda, July 6.—An altercation between Rural Policeman J. E. Zeigler and George C. Wheeler occurred here Friday afternoon. No weapons were drawn. It was an old fashioned "fist and skull" affair. Zeigler being the larger man, had Wheeler at a disadvantage when they were separated by Henry C. Smith, clerk of the Court. The trouble grew out of the bond being given on behalf of Cary McCarty, a white man arrested by Zeigler for the alleged selling of liquor at the Zoar barbecue yesterday.

The magistrate was out of town, and the parties had repaired to the clerk's office to give bond, Wheeler intending to go on the bond. Zeigler suggested that it was customary for two to sign bonds. This suggestion, it appears, nettled Wheeler and one word brought on another until Wheeler cursed Zeigler and was cursed in return. Then Wheeler struck the rural policeman, who at once struck back and a clinch followed. Some blood, not much, flowed. Both parties, as well as their friends, regret the affair.

## EX-CONVICT SHOT AT LAURENS.

Albert Boyd, Colored, Probably Fatally Wounded.

Laurens, July 6.—Albert Boyd, negro, ex-convict, was shot and probably fatally wounded some time after midnight last night by Jess Reeder, a negro farm hand. Reeder was arrested early this morning by Sheriff Owning and lodged in jail. The shooting occurred at a house near Davis Springs, two miles from the city. It is said that Reeder was trying to shoot his wife when Boyd interfered, whereupon Reeder, it is alleged, turned his gun on Boyd, shooting him through the body. Boyd was paroled about eighteen months ago, after he had served six or seven years of a life sentence for the killing of another negro, near the city.

#### LEAVE CHURCH TO HAVE FIGHT.

Father and Son Are Killed by Two Church Members.

Lahlequah, Okla., July 6.—Henry Sanders was shot and killed and his father, Matthews Sanders, a former sheriff of Cherokee county, was stabbed and probably fatally injured at Dykes Chapel, a country church five miles south of here today as the result of a difference with Henry and Will Johnson, members of the church over the management of a Sunday school class. The Johnsons fled.

The disagreement arose during the services. The principals left the building, the audience following, but when the congregation reached the scene the tragedy had been enacted. Young Sanders died in a few minutes and his father, suffering from several knife wounds, was lying on the ground.

#### BIG FIRE AT SPARTANBURG.

Lightning Starts Destructive Blaze at Junction.

Spartanburg, July 2.—Fire which started during a violent thunder storm to-night and was supposedly caused by a stroke of lightning, burned six frame buildings at Spartanburg Junction. The flames were first discovered in Robert Swain's Hotel, which collapsed almost immediately after the railroad men living there had fled. There were no facilities available to fight the fire and the wind caused it to spread to James Stone's store, Wallace Whitlock's store, James Evans' store, a negro restaurant, the railroad depot and a car of cotton. All were destroyed. The loss is about sixteen thousand dollars and the insurance about nine thousand dollars.

#### VICTIM OF PECULIAR ACCIDENT.

Skull Crushed by Stone Thrown by Automobile Wheel.

Louisville, Ky., July 6.—Unconscious and with his skull crushed, Alfred Attebury, a Louisville grocer, is in a local hospital, the victim of a peculiar accident. Attebury was sitting in front of his store this afternoon when the wheels of an automobile, running swiftly along the street, caught up a stone about five inches in diameter and hurled it against his head with such force that the skull was fractured. The doctors do not think he will recover. The driver of the automobile has not been identified.

#### DROPPED DEAD WHILE PLOWING

Alfred Guntharp, of Blacksburg, Overcome by Heat.

Gaffney, July 3.—Alfred Guntharp, a well-known and respected planter, about 50 years of age, living in Blacksburg, dropped dead between his plough handles while ploughing in his field this afternoon. Death was presumably due to heat prostration. Mr. Guntharp was town constable at Blacksburg and well known. The mercury reached 101 in Gaffney to-day.

#### A Versatile Speller.

It requires versatility to spell words more than one way. Here is an example of real ability in handling the language, received by a Georgetown merchant, names being omitted for obvious reasons:

"dair sir i want you to send me a price liss for soda wauter, ginger ale 10c seller for i wont to handle some of yor soda wauters and i know i can retone the crate better know for i am dueing biness know at — s. c. right at the railroad stahion and i can retune the crate back bouthout any truble a toll so please to let me hair from you by retune mail and yers very truly —" Georgetown Times.