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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, Feb. 15.—Farmer rejoiced and were busy during the good weather last week, but it looks as if we are to have more rain soon. Cotton is being marketed, not waiting for higher prices, as the farmers are thinking about what to plant and how much this year. The big speeches and loss of time to go and listen to others' views is all right, nothing amiss, but it can only amount to this: Farmers be sure to plant enough provision kind to supply your entire farm plentifully, and to spare, then put in all the cotton you can tend and gather. Then you will come out all right. Try it. Some attention is being given to garden work, and should have all the care and attention it needs as this is a big saving to any family.

Mr. Lucas, his wife, and Miss Price, of Waltherboro, visited friends in Ehrhardt Sunday on an auto ride.

Mr. J. H. Kinard took his oath as trial justice and is now Judge Kinard. Don't think he has had a case to pass his views on as yet. But don't think it will be long before he will have to pass on some one's disagreement.

Commercial fertilizer is coming out very slowly this season, don't hear many farmers talking about using much for this crop. This will make the production less per acre, at least 50 per cent. So this fall's crop will not be a record breaker.

From all reports it will be many days before a train will be run on the new road between here and Bamberg. The schedule and number of trains is not made out as yet, but will be announced as soon as the railroad magnates agree upon what service to give the people along the line.

#### News From Cope.

Cope, Feb. 15.—The oyster supper with various other refreshments given Friday night by the ladies of the Baptist church proved to be a very successful affair, socially and financially.

The many friends of Mr. J. D. Thomas will be pleased to learn that he is fast recovering from his sick spell, and will soon be out again.

Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Harris, of Cordova came over Friday to attend the oyster supper that night and to spend the week-end among the members of his congregation at this place.

Misses Ethel Sandifer and Elida Hoffman, of Denmark, came over Friday night and spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Sandifer and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Smith. They returned home on last night's train.

## CAR BILL SENT TO THE SENATE.

#### House by Vote of 63 to 34 Refuses to Re-commit.

Columbia, Feb. 19.—The house is making plans to adjourn not later than Saturday, the 20th, and will do so at that time, if not sooner, unless there should be some slip in the present programme. As today's session a resolution was adopted providing that no new bills should be introduced except through committees after tomorrow. This is exceedingly important and vital unless committees allow themselves to be imposed upon. Then the house adopted Mr. Cothran's motion, which is an entirely new but praiseworthy policy of appointing at this time a steering committee which is to map out the work of the house, indicate what bills are to be taken up, when they are to be considered, and generally get matters shaped up for adjournment.

#### A. K. LORENZ TAKES CHARGE.

#### Succeeds E. C. Carman as Postmaster at Aiken.

Aiken, Feb. 19.—On Sunday the postoffice here was turned over to A. K. Lorenz, who was recently appointed to succeed E. C. Carman. A. J. Knight, a postoffice inspector, made the transfer. Mr. Carman had been connected with the postoffice here for the past fifteen years. He was first appointed postmaster in 1898 by President Roosevelt, and was re-appointed by President Taft in 1908. Prior to his appointment here he was postmaster at Marlboro, Ga., and at Columbus, Ga.

The service under Mr. Lorenz has been very efficient and he is doing the work with the best wishes of the people of Aiken.

## EARTHQUAKE IN ITALY.

#### Town of Two Thousand Inhabitants Wrecked.—Population Camping.

Rome, Feb. 15.—Renewed earth shocks occurred today in parts of central Italy visited by seismic disturbances several weeks ago.

One person was killed and six injured in the collapse of a house at Nazariano.

At Rocca Sinibaldi, the bellry of the convent of Santa Maria fell upon several houses burying ten persons.

Cittaducale was wrecked and at Veroliz several houses were rendered uninhabitable.

Since the recent disaster the district has been shaken almost daily. Today's disturbance occurred early in the morning, but not until tonight was it learned how serious had been the shock.

The population of Cittaducale is camping in the open air despite a torrential rain. There are about 2,000 persons in the town which is in the province of Aquila, five miles east of Rieta.

## SECOND DISTRICT LLOSES.

#### No New Judge for South Carolina.

Washington, Feb. 15.—The united efforts of Congressman Aiken, Finley, Johnson and Ragsdale, who were present when the bill came up in the house today, were unavailing for the purpose of securing the appointment of an additional federal judge, district attorney and marshal for the western district of South Carolina, and for the time being at least there will be no further action on this matter here.

The bill, which recently had a favorable report from the house committee on judiciary, was placed on the "unanimous consent" calendar, and was called up here late this afternoon. It was hoped that Congressman Mann might relent in his objections for a sufficient time to permit the bill to pass, but fortune did not favor its passage. Indeed, as soon as it was called by the speaker Mr. Mann ridiculed the idea of South Carolina requiring an additional judge at this time, and "reserving the right to object," which gave him the opportunity to speak on the subject. Mr. Mann scoffed at the idea.

That brought Congressman Finley to his feet and he explained the past history of the bill, saying that it had once gone so far as to get to the white house, when former President Roosevelt vetoed it, and that there appears to be great need for it now.

Mr. Mann said he did not propose to have the bill passed at the present time.

Then Congressman Ragsdale, who had been over on Mr. Mann's side of the house, began to argue the matter. He was cut short by a direct objection from Congressman Clifton, of Indiana, and there the matter ended, the bill being summarily stricken from the calendar.

## AEROPLANES CAUSE FRIGHT.

#### Military Authorities Directed to Take What Precaution They Could.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 14.—Premier Sir Robert Borden received a telegram from Brockville stating that at 10 o'clock tonight three aeroplanes were seen flying over that place, heading in the direction of Ottawa.

Brockville is about sixty miles due south of Ottawa. The message caused considerable excitement in Ottawa. The military authorities were directed to take what precaution they could.

The Brockville message came from the chief of police of that town and said that three or four aeroplanes had crossed the St. Lawrence river from a point in New York near Norristown, and after dropping light balls had headed towards Ottawa. At 11 o'clock the authorities had the street lights of Ottawa turned out, and lights on the parliament buildings were obscured by the drawing of window blinds.

Lights at Rideau Hall, the residence of the governor general, also were turned out. The duke of Cornwallis, the governor general, is on an official trip to Winnipeg to inspect the garden troops, but the duchess and the two Misses Patricia are at home.

Reports of aeroplanes in the sky were widespread in the city. Some of the reports were that aeroplanes were seen flying over the city at 10 o'clock, and that they were seen flying over the city at 11 o'clock.

Three good farm mules for sale cheap. Bentz & Felder, adv.

## IN THE PALMETTO STATE

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

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

The legislature is endeavoring to wind up its business and adjourn the session on Saturday next.

The local option compulsory education measure has passed both houses, and will doubtless become law.

The governor states that he will investigate all persons recommended for appointment on dispensary boards before he issues them commissions.

Governor Manning has stated that he will sign the prohibition referendum bill, submitting to the voters the question of abolishing the legal sale of whiskey in this State on the 14th of next September.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Hyde, a newly married couple, returned to their home in Charleston Sunday evening, only to find that robbers had carried off their wedding presents valued at several hundred dollars.

Nicholas W. Melver, formerly United States consul general and judge of the United States circuit court at Yokohama, died Tuesday, at St. Luke's hospital in Tokyo, Japan. The deceased was born in Cheraw, S. C., in 1860.

Mr. Rivers, of Chesterfield, has introduced a bill in the general assembly which provides that sacks of fertilizer offered for sale shall bear tags which will tell specifically of what the guano is made and specify more clearly the percentage of its chemical contents. The bill has passed to a third reading without opposition.

C. M. Justice, agent for the Armour Fertilizer Co., at Spartanburg, has been arrested on a warrant sworn out by C. C. Butt, of Atlanta, auditor of the company, charging breach of trust in handling the funds of the company. The amount involved is said to be in the neighborhood of \$5,500. Justice has been released on bond.

## GOV. MANNING'S FIRST VETO.

#### Only Way Possible to Get Rid of Duplicating Bill.

Columbia, Feb. 13.—Governor Manning today sent in his first veto. It was on a duplicate bill. The house and senate each had duplicate bills and both the house and senate bills had been passed, and there was no occasion for the duplication. The veto was the only way to get one of the acts out of the way. The veto was unanimously sustained by request of the author of the bill. The measure referred to bonds issued by Cherokee and Union counties.

Mr. T. M. Lyles, of Spartanburg, who has been seriously ill, is at his desk now. He was the one-hundred and twenty-fourth member to qualify—the complete enrollment.

The Greenwood delegation today received the resignation of Maxistrate B. L. McDowell, of Greenwood.

## ARRESTED IN DARTINGTON.

#### M. M. Foster, Proprietor of Damaged Store, Held for Trial.

Dartington, Feb. 13.—As a result of the recent fires which have occurred locally the police have been unusually vigilant, and as a result arrested last night M. M. Foster, proprietor of one of the stores damaged by fire on Monday night last and again last night.

Following the earlier fire the police had placed a guard at Foster's store. Last night, it is stated, he was seen to enter his store and about 3 o'clock the fire alarm was sounded, when flames were seen in this building. When the firemen and police broke into the building they found that the windows had been covered with furniture or bedding and found Mr. Foster, covered with paper, in a large box in the building. He was immediately arrested and was carried to the county jail, where he is now held for the next term of court. No steps have been taken to secure bail, as this can only be secured from a circuit judge.

The whole set simply has been destroyed by this occurrence as Mr. Foster has had only a few days' work, and he has no money to pay for the rebuilding of the store.

The fire last night caused much damage as usual to the property of Foster, and will do the people of the town a great deal of harm.

## CHILD LABOR BILL PASSED.

#### Palmer Measure Bars Products From Interstate Commerce.

Washington, Feb. 15.—The Palmer bill to bar products of child labor from interstate commerce was passed by the house tonight, 232 to 14, after a lively debate and the issuance of a writ of arrest for absentees to suppress a filibuster.

Opposition to the bill, led by Representative Byrnes, of South Carolina, was based on the contention that it interfered with States' rights.

The measure declares it unlawful for producers, manufacturers or dealers to ship or deliver for transportation in interstate commerce the products of mine or quarry made wholly or in part by children under 16 years of age, or products of mills, canneries, workshops, factories or manufacturing establishments made by children under 14, or those between 14 and 16 who work more than eight hours a day, or more than six days a week or after 7 o'clock at night. Inspection by the department of labor would be authorized and fines of from \$100 to \$1,000, or imprisonment from one month to a year, or both imposed for violation.

When Representative Palmer proposed suspension of the rules to pass the bill several Southern members protested and started a filibuster marked by repeated points of no quorum, roll calls and rulings.

## KILLED YOUNG WOMAN.

#### Mill Operative Arrested After Shooting Sweetheart.

Spartanburg, Feb. 15.—Miss Roxie Steadman, a 17-year-old girl, was instantly killed this morning by J. L. McElroy, in a pathway leading to the rear of Beaumont mills No. 3. Four bullets of a .38-calibre pistol were emptied in the body of the young woman. As her slayer retreated he fired the remaining bullet at himself, the shot taking effect in the head in the rear of the right ear. He will probably recover. McElroy came to town and was arrested by Sheriff White in the rear of the Kennedy Library. The Steadman girl, with her mother, it is reported, came to Beaumont mills from Clifton mills three weeks ago. It is reported that McElroy came to the Beaumont village as an operative in the card rooms shortly after from the same place. It is supposed that the love affair was of recent origin, since it is asserted that McElroy had only been at Clifton for a few months. He came originally, it is stated, from North Carolina.

## TWO HUMAN HEADS IN BAG.

#### Boy Makes Grotesque Find in an Alley.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 10.—Two human heads, two feet and a hand wrapped in a burlap bag, were found by a boy this afternoon in an alley behind a bottling works on Beaubien street. Features were almost obliterated by acid. The police believe one of the heads is that of a man and the other is a woman's.

Detectives found a satchel containing clothes marked "M. F. A. Eason," a few feet from the spot. The satchel had been covered with rubbish.

Eason, who formerly conducted a mission on Beaubien street here, died in Detroit two days ago.

## REFUSE TO FORWARD DISPATCH.

#### German Authorities Decline to Transmit Sealed Package.

Luxemburg, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, Feb. 13.—The German military authorities here have refused to transmit a package containing the American consular agent's accounts because it was sealed in an envelope addressed to the State department at Washington. The package, under instructions from the commandant, was returned to the agent unopened.

Interference by the German authorities with American officials probably will elicit a protest from the State department at Washington.

The German government was reminded recently that Dr. Van Dyke was minister to Luxemburg as well as the Netherlands and that he had been rendered incompetent so far as his relations with Luxemburg were concerned. The news expressed confidence that the status of the minister at The Hague had not been changed by the imperial government.

Some time ago a woman needed a cabinet for the wash and tubs, which she had made at their stable. If you need a table or horse cabinet call to see these boys.

## TO OPERATE IN 2 WEEKS

#### R. E. & W. RAILROAD TO BEGIN SERVICE SOON.

#### Announcement is Made That Arrangements Are Being Made For Opening Road.

The Bamberg, Ehrhardt and Waltherboro railroad will be put into operation within the next two weeks, according to Mr. Jones A. Williams, Mr. Williams and other gentlemen made a trip several days ago to Wilmington, N. C., on business connected with the new railroad. Yesterday he stated that arrangements are now being perfected for putting the road into operation. Mr. Williams also stated that the new road will be in position to handle fertilizer shipments this season. The following is his statement:

"To the farmers along the line of the Bamberg, Ehrhardt and Waltherboro railroad: The new railroad will be put into operation within the next ten days or two weeks. The road will be opened in plenty of time to handle fertilizers this season."

When asked further about the plans of the railroad, Mr. Williams said that it would be premature to state more than that the road would be operated in the next ten days or two weeks, but stated that the details of the transaction whereby the road will be operated would be made public within the next few days.

The news that the road is to be opened will be welcome information to those who reside between Bamberg and Ehrhardt, along the line of the road. The road has been in the process of building for some years, and seemingly unsurmountable difficulties have been overcome. It will prove to be a great convenience to the people, and they will welcome the sight of the first train. The road will provide opportunities for the people along the line to plant truck and watermelons on a larger scale, as well as providing facilities for handling the usual crops. What will interest the farmers more than anything else now is the fact that they can haul the fertilizers this season over the new line.

## LEE COUNTY JAIL ON FIRE.

#### Blaze Under Roof Does Considerable Damage—Insured.

Bishopville, Feb. 13.—Fire broke out under the roof of the Lee county jail here yesterday and considerable damage was done the building before the blaze was gotten under control. The fire is thought to have originated from a defective flue. There were eleven prisoners in the jail, and they were immediately transferred to the city guard house. The lower part of the jail was occupied by Mr. W. E. Grooms, the jailer. His furniture was damaged considerably by the water and moving. Mr. Grooms had no insurance on his furniture. The jail was fully insured with the sinking fund commission.

## THE FRENCHMAN RETURNED.

#### Kaiser Permitted Prisoner to Visit Dying Mother.

Berlin, Feb. 13.—Raoul Davidot, a French prisoner of war, returned to Germany today from a visit to his home in France, where he was permitted to go by order of Emperor William to see his dying mother.

The Frenchman wrote direct to the emperor his request to be allowed to visit his mother, pledging his word of honor to return on March 1. The emperor immediately granted the request and Davidot made the trip to France by way of Switzerland. After the death of his mother he returned to the detention camp in Germany.

## Happy Childhood.

A small boy seated on the curb by a telephone pole, with a tin can of his side, attracted the attention of an old gentleman who happened to be passing, says Judge.

"Going fishing?" he inquired, zood-naturally.

"Nope," the youngster replied.

"Take a peek in there."

An investigation showed the can to be neatly filled with caterpillars of the tassled moth.

"What in the world are you doing with them?"

"I'm putting 'em out of the house."

"So I understand."

"Why, I'm feeding a box of them."

"How?"

"Squid 'em up this telephone pole."

## CHARGED WITH FOGERY.

#### Man Wanted in Spartanburg Arrested While on Honeymoon.

Spartanburg, Feb. 15.—W. M. Woodby, of Asheville, was brought to Spartanburg tonight and placed in jail on the charge of obtaining \$200 through forging the name of a Baltimore merchant to a check. It is said the check was endorsed by D. W. McLean, of Spartanburg, traveling representative for a Virginia dry goods house. Representing himself as R. W. Johnson, a successful merchant of Baltimore, Woodby is said to have placed orders last week with McLean and two other local salesmen for about \$1,000 worth of goods. The next day, it is claimed, he got Mr. McLean to endorse his check for \$200. After getting the money, it is alleged, he returned to Asheville and got married. McLean and Asheville officers met the man and his bride out driving Sunday and, after an exciting chase, overtook them.

## FIGHT WITH VICE SUCCESSFUL.

#### New York is Being Cleared Up.—Report of Committee.

New York, Feb. 14.—Commercialized vice is rapidly being driven out of New York and disreputable resorts almost has disappeared in a space of ten years, the committee of 14 formed to drive organized vice out of the metropolitan district asserted in its annual report made public tonight. Within the next 12 months the committee predicts the police and the courts will have taken a firm grip on the remnant of vice that flourishes.

To these and other optimistic sentences adds a supplementary report which contradicts statements of vice investigators who declared that department stores in the large cities offered the most productive recruiting places for the agents of commercial vice.

For six months the committee's trained investigators worked as employees in a big department store. The committee concluded that the general conditions among the employees were normal; that little could be done in the store to preserve moral rectitude because the investigators failed to find immorality among the employees and established as well that vice agents do not go there for recruits.

"This investigation would seem to show," the report states, "negative conditions so far as the social evil is concerned, with which the committee of 14 specifically deals—a most gratifying result. There is a sincere desire in those stores in general, it believes, to establish and maintain conditions which shall insure morality."

For comparative purposes the report names many of the once well known resorts that infested the Bowery, the old Tenderloin, Harlem, Brooklyn, the lower East Side and other sections of the city and shows that virtually all have been closed permanently and that their operators either are dead, in prison or driven permanently from the city.

## WANT EMBARGO ON WHEAT.

#### Chicago Bakers Will Join Bakers in Demand on Congress.

Chicago, Feb. 19.—Chicago bakers will cooperate with the National Master Bakers' association in demanding that congress place a 90-day embargo on American wheat shipments. Reports from large cities throughout the country indicate the bakery business has materially decreased since the price of bread has been raised. In Chicago 300 bakers cut out of business in the month of January, according to B. H. Dahlheimer, president of the Chicago Master Bakers' association, and similar reports are received from other large cities.

## REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIER?

#### Casket Containing Man's Body Dug Up at Fort Motte.

St. Matthews, Feb. 13.—While hands of the Southern railway were doing some excavating near the tracks in the town of Fort Motte this morning they unearthed an iron casket containing the remains of a man. The body had been dressed in a military uniform. The hair of his head showed no signs of lightening. The fact that a man was the scene of considerable military operations during the Revolutionary war and during the War Between the Sections, and there is a possibility that he is the identity of the man. The casket had evidently been buried a long time.