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## COUNTRY NEWS LETTERS

### SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

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

##### Colston Clippings.

Colston, May 29.—The weather is somewhat dry and dusty these days. We had a good rain last week, which helped, but we are in need of it again.

Mr. Albert McMillan and sister, Miss Ethel, of Bamberg, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McMillan, Sunday.

Messrs. Frankie Kirkland and Roy Williams visited at the home of Mr. Isham Goodwin Saturday night week.

Mr. John G. Clayton, of Walterboro, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Clayton, Sunday and Sunday night.

Quite a large crowd attended preaching at Colston Sunday, but we were very sorry to know that Mrs. Thomas Clayton was too ill to attend.

Miss Bessie Kirkland was the welcome guest of Mrs. J. A. Jennings Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Claire Kearse has returned home from Rock Hill, where she attended school at Winthrop college.

##### Branchville Breezes.

Branchville, May 27.—Miss Hay, of Columbia, is the guest of Mrs. D. L. Rhoad.

Mrs. Carrie Byrd, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Islar, in Augusta.

C. A. Dukes, of Anderson, spent several days here last week.

D. D. Bell left last Tuesday for Richmond, Va., where he will spend about two weeks.

H. L. Barr is visiting in Tampa, Fla.

Misses Emma and Reba Watson spent a day or two recently in Augusta.

J. G. Metts, of Augusta, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Mary E. Metts.

##### NOTED BANDIT SLAIN.

Candelario Cervantes Killed by Gen. Pershing's Men South of Cruces.

Field Headquarters, Near Namiquipa, Mexico, May 25.—Candelario Cervantes, the Villa bandit leader, was killed by American troops south of Cruces today.

One other Mexican, Jose Bencorne, and an American were killed. Two Americans were injured.

When the engagement began the bandits outnumbered the Americans two to one, there being twenty of them. The engagement lasted almost an hour, with a hot interchange of bullets. Then reinforcements from the 7th cavalry came into sight and the bandits broke for the hills.

Private George O. Hullitte was the hero of the fight. Bullets from his rifle laid low both the bandits killed.

Cervantes' home was in Namiquipa. He has been a thorn in the side of the army in Northern Chihuahua ever since the expedition began, as he had succeeded in avoiding persistent cavalry searches. His death probably means the breaking up of the Villa followers in this section.

Gen. Pershing was gratified over the latest fight, saying that there remains only a few scattered bands of marauders to be hunted down.

##### COMES ON PEACE MISSION?

Rumored Former German Chancellor is to Visit U. S. as Peace Delegate.

London, May 24.—A rumor that Prince Von Buelow is to visit the United States as a peace delegate is current in diplomatic circles here, but up to the present hour it has not been possible to obtain confirmation from any authoritative source.

The rumor, however, attracts much attention in consideration of the fact that Prince Von Buelow recently was summoned to see the German emperor and that, as he has not been in office during the war he can disclaim any share in the waging of the war.

The Exchange Telegraph company says it learns from diplomatic circles that Prince Von Buelow, former German chancellor, is proceeding to Washington, being charged by Emperor William with a special mission.

The Exchange Telegraph company says it also understands Prince Von Buelow will become ambassador to the United States. This information is said to have been obtained from diplomatic circles in London.

## PEACE IN SIGHT?

American Ambassador Thus Quoted in Munich.

Berlin, May 26.—United States Ambassador James Gerard is convinced that peace is in sight, according to an interview published in a Munich newspaper today from its Berlin correspondent. Mr. Gerard is quoted as saying:

"Nothing can shake my confidence that peace is on its way."

The ambassador referred to the settlement of the differences of the United States and Germany as preparing the way for President Wilson to take up the question of peace.

"President Wilson," he said, "has much greater freedom of action now to deal with the immense world problem which will determine the future attitude of nearly all the countries of the globe."

"It is useless to discuss at this moment the question as to whether President Wilson's intermediation is desirable or probable. In this instance facts alone must speak and that the neutrals are probably as much interested in bringing about an early peace as the belligerents. America urgently needs peace and for this reason alone the American government is under an obligation to its citizens to do and support everything that serves the cause of peace. A fact of chief importance is that my government is really willing to take action for the promotion of peace."

"I am very optimistic regarding the progress already made of the idea that the war should be ended, even among belligerent nations. The wise and moderate words of the German chancellor regarding Germany's readiness to make peace had probably their strongest echo in America and strengthened the impression that Germany will take all further steps calmly and with confidence."

"When another step will be taken and what shape the further development of the peace idea will take is not clear. At any rate I am convinced that my government will leave nothing undone to support with all its power peace movements from whatever side they come. Even although weeks or months elapse before the thought takes tangible form nothing can shake my confidence that peace is on its way."

Referring to the recent crisis in German-American relations the ambassador said: "I hardly know from what quarter the present good relations between the United States and Germany could be disturbed. The establishment of good relations with Germany is one of the most important factors of the diplomatic situation now confronting the United States."

## LUTHERANS HOLD MEETING.

Southern Conference With St. Nicholas Church at Jenny.

Jenny, May 27.—The Southern Conference of the Lutheran Church recently closed a most successful session held in St. Nicholas church here. The Conference was called to order by the president, the Rev. H. J. Black, of Charleston, with the Rev. J. W. Oxner, of Cameron, as acting secretary. Devotional exercises were conducted by the Rev. E. F. K. Roof, of Ehrhardt, and the Conference sermon was preached by the president. The confession and absolution service was conducted by the Rev. J. W. Oxner, and the holy communion followed.

At noon a bountiful and greatly enjoyed picnic dinner was served on the grounds, and after dinner the election of officers was held and resulted as follows: President, the Rev. H. E. Beatty, of Orangeburg; vice president, the Rev. E. F. K. Roof, of Ehrhardt; secretary, the Rev. J. W. Oxner, of Cameron; treasurer, J. F. Lightsey, of Fairfax.

Appropriate topics were discussed among those speaking being the Rev. J. H. Wilson, of Sumter; Dr. M. G. G. Scherer, of Charleston, and the Rev. D. B. Groseclose, of Fairfax. An interesting programme was carried out on the second day of the meeting and included an able sermon by Dr. Scherer. The visitors were delightfully entertained by the people of St. Nicholas.

The naval appropriation bill carries the following items for the Charleston navy yard: Dredging Cooper river approach to yard, \$175,000; to continue other dredging, \$12,000; toilet and locker facilities, \$8,000; repairs and improvements of machinery department of construction and repair, \$10,000; repairs and improvements of machinery department steam engineering, \$20,000. Total, \$225,000.

## IN THE PALMETTO STATE

SOME OCCURRENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

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

The governor has appointed W. H. Parks, treasurer, and C. W. Pennel, auditor of the new county of McCormick.

Alf Butler, colored, killed Ike Rice, also colored, near Easley last week. Butler has not been apprehended.

Four divisions of the South Carolina naval militia will take a cruise on the battleship Illinois during June and July.

Elliot McMichael, a negro, has been arrested in New York city. He is wanted in Orangeburg on a charge of killing a negro there.

Columbia is hopeful of securing a home for printers which will be built somewhere in the east by the International Typographical union.

The Funeral Directors and Embalmers' association of South Carolina, closed its session in Florence Tuesday, after selecting Greenwood as the place of the next meeting.

J. C. McAuliffe, business manager of the Augusta Chronicle, has accepted an invitation to deliver an address before the South Carolina Press association in Yorkville on June 7.

People of the Bowman section of Orangeburg county, have hopes of securing a railroad. The Seaboard Air Line has made a survey of the territory which the railroad would serve and work will probably be begun within the next few months.

Harmon Geiger, of Anderson, had his arm broken last week while

## YOUNG OPERATOR KILLED.

Struck by Passenger Train Near Spartanburg.

Spartanburg, May 27.—R. F. Young, 19 years of age, telegraph operator at Mount Zion station, four miles north of Spartanburg on the main line of the Southern railway, was struck and instantly killed by southbound train No. 29, Washington to Atlanta, early yesterday morning.

According to evidence brought out at the coroner's inquest. Young had just relieved the third trick operator and had started to a nearby spring to get a bucket of water and was walking down the track when the train struck him, throwing him to one side of the track and causing several fractures of the skull, resulting in almost instantaneous death.

Young had been working at Mount Zion but four days, having been transferred from the Danville division on May 21. His home was in Burlington, N. C., where his mother and several sisters and brothers reside.

## ATTACKED BY MAD COW.

Head of Animal Will Be Examined by State Board of Health.

William Griner, 12 years old, was knocked down and slightly bruised by a supposedly mad cow late Friday afternoon. The animal was in the pasture on the Smith branch, where the Seaboard Air Line trestle spans north Main street. The little fellow saved himself by striking with a stick while the cow was trampling upon him and trying to gore him to death. James Craps was later attacked by the same animal. The cow died during the night, and the head has been sent to the laboratory of the State board of health to detect symptoms of rabies.—The State.

## MY HOME TOWN.

I believe in My Town. I believe in her people, in her boys and her girls. I will make myself a committee of one to make of this a good place in which to live and a mighty good place to leave.

I believe in My Town. I believe in her institutions, in her schools, in her churches and her stores.

I believe in the street broom, and in the street sweeper, and in the paint pot. I believe in n'er an empty can on vacant lots, but many a full one in the larder. Never again will I throw waste paper or rubbish in the street or alley.

I believe in My Town. I believe in trees. God's first temples, grass instead of ash heaps, and flowers instead of weeds. May God bless the tongues that give honest praise and commendations, and may He doubly bless the ear that is deaf to scandal and gossip. If I cannot speak well of my neighbor I will hold my peace. When it costs me nothing, at least, I will spend my money here, and by so doing leave a part of the purchase price to circulate in the channels, where its equivalent in wealth was originally created, to do good among the folks who are a part of the community of which I am a part, in the place that I call home, sweet home.

I believe in My Town.—National Hardware Bulletin.

cranking a Ford automobile. The car was driven by a Georgia woman. When the crank kicked the woman asked Geiger if he was hurt. He replied that his arm was broken. The lady drove off and left him without even a resolution of thanks.

David Ulrich, Garfield Matthews, Rhett Matthews and Walker Anderson, of the Coward section of Florence county, have been arrested on the charge of killing Wash Rogers in that county in November, 1914. The body of Rogers was found beside a railroad track with a wound in the side of his head and apparently he had been struck by a train.

## HEARING ON NEW COUNTY.

Arguments for and Against Catawba Heard.

Lancaster, May 26.—Arguments by legal representatives for and against the establishment and creation of the proposed new county of Catawba, were made here today before Judge Ernest Moore. This hearing on the alleged unconstitutionality of the ill-shaped county act in connection with the new county of Catawba was referred last week to Judge Moore by Chief Justice Gary. Judge Moore says he will render his decision in a few days. R. H. Welch, of Columbia, made the argument for the proposed county, while J. E. McDonald, of Winnsboro, A. L. Gaston and J. H. Marion, of Chester, appeared for the opponents.

## THE CAPTIVE'S SONG.

How Persistent Singing Caused a Bird's Relief.

The habit of the thistle-bird, which always sings persistently when in trouble of any sort, is a good one to imitate, says the May St. Nicholas. A gentleman living in the village of Silver Creek, Nebraska, had heard under his window, for many successive days, the persistent song of one of these little birds, and finally called the song to the attention of a naturalist friend, who constantly studied birds and their ways. Upon investigating the source of the notes, the friend discovered that the thistle-bird was a captive in its nest. A ladder was brought, and bird and nest were taken down for examination. One leg of the little prisoner had become entangled in the wool which formed the nest's lining, and it took twenty minutes of painstaking effort before the leg was freed. When this was done, the spectators were greatly surprised to see the bird fly away, a trifle unsteadily but apparently not at all injured. The bird's parents or some of its feathered friends had kept it supplied with food during its captivity. But the remarkable part of the story is that its habit of singing was the cause of its release.

The U. S. public health service issues free bulletins on rural sanitation.

## THE CAMPAIGN ITINERARY

OPENS IN SPARTANBURG, CLOSSES IN WINNSBORO.

Last Day for Filing Pledges and Paying Assessments Will Be June 19, at 12 O'clock.

Columbia, May 29.—The county-to-county canvass of the candidates in the Democratic party will open at Spartanburg on Tuesday, June 20, and wind up at Winnsboro on Saturday, August 26. The itinerary was given out here today by a sub-committee of the State Democratic executive committee. The last day for filing pledges with the State chairman, John Gary Evans, and paying the assessments to the treasurer, Willie Jones, at Columbia, will be noon, on June 19.

The campaign opens at Spartanburg on the 20th, goes to Greenville the next day, and then to Pickens, Walhalla, and closes the first week at Anderson, on Saturday, 24th. The party will tour the western and upper section of the Piedmont, then western Carolina, swing through the Pee-Dee and the low country, and wind up in the right edge of the Piedmont section. The first primary will be on August 29, three days after the county-to-county canvass closes. The campaign party will speak at each of the 45 county seats in the State.

The sub-committee of the executive committee announced the following assessments on candidates to enter the Democratic primary for 1916: Candidates for congress, \$200; for governor, \$100; for railroad commissioner, \$75, and for all other State officials, including solicitors, \$50.

The schedule of the State campaign meeting for South Carolina: Spartanburg, Tuesday, June 20. Greenville, Wednesday, June 21.

Pickens, Thursday, June 22. Walhalla, Friday, June 23. Anderson, Saturday, June 24. Greenwood, Tuesday, June 27. Abbeville, Wednesday, June 28. McCormick, Thursday, June 29. Laurens, Friday, June 30. Newberry, Saturday, July 1. Columbia, Tuesday, July 4. Lexington, Wednesday, July 5. Saluda, Thursday, July 6. Edgefield, Friday, July 7. Aiken, Saturday, July 8. Barnwell, Tuesday, July 18. Hampton, Wednesday, July 19. Beaufort, Thursday, July 20. Ridgeland, Friday, July 21. Walterboro, Saturday, July 22. Charleston, Tuesday, July 25. St. George, Wednesday, July 26. Bamberg, Thursday, July 27. Orangeburg, Friday, July 28. St. Matthews, Saturday, July 29. Sumter, Tuesday, August 1. Manning, Wednesday, August 2. Moncks Corner, Thursday, Aug. 3. Georgetown, Friday, August 4. Kingstree, Saturday, August 5. Florence, Tuesday, August 8. Marion, Wednesday, August 9. Conway, Thursday, August 10. Dillon, Friday, August 11. Darlington, Saturday, August 12. Bishopville, Tuesday, August 15. Bennettsville, Wednesday, Aug. 16. Chesterfield, Thursday, August 17. Camden, Friday, August 18. Lancaster, Saturday, August 19. Union, Tuesday, August 22. Gaffney, Wednesday, August 23. York, Thursday, August 24. Chester, Friday, August 25. Winnsboro, Saturday, August 26.

## BRING DOWN BALD EAGLE.

York Man Shoots at Pair, But One Escapes.

York, May 27.—One of a pair of large bald eagles that had been ranging about in Bethel Township for several weeks was killed by Hamilton Barnett last Wednesday. It appears that the eagles had been seen at different times by various people and that they had caused considerable interest, their presence having been made known principally because of their "scrapping" with the crows. When Mr. Barnett saw them they were in a tree near his home. He procured a single barreled gun and killed one while the other flew away. The dead bird measured six feet, four inches from tip to tip, and was the first eagle killed in York county in twelve years.

Take a man, his wife and three children, under fourteen: Experts have agreed that for such a family \$6 a week must be spent for food, \$2.60 for clothing, \$2.50 for rent, 80 cents for fuel and light, and then \$2 for insurance, health, furniture, recreation, education and so on—a total of \$14 a week.

## BERLIN INTERPRETS.

Germany May Consider Good Offices Toward Peace.

Berlin, May 24.—A wireless dispatch from the United States giving the substance of President Wilson's speech at Charlotte, N. C., in which he referred to the possibility of American mediation in the war, is given the place of honor in the morning papers. The afternoon editions return to the subject and their comments together with the wide interest shown by the public, indicate how this news is regarded here.

Though definitely stated nowhere there is little doubt that Germany is willing to consider a tender of good offices to inaugurate peace negotiations. The former attitude in the highest quarters that America had disqualified herself as a peace mediator on account of her shipments of munitions to the allies has now changed. If President Wilson can hold out any tangible possibilities that peace may result through his mediation Germany will undoubtedly be willing to consider such suggestions as he may offer.

This receptive attitude is naturally subject to the conditions that Germany is not jockeyed into a position of announcing her readiness to accept President Wilson's good offices only to find the allies later rejecting the tender and asserting that Germany is suing for peace. There is equally little doubt that the great masses of the people, aside from the professional hot-spurs in the newspaper offices, would willingly see America in the role of peace intermediary, despite the persisting bitterness over the munitions questions.

## PYTHIANS CLOSE SESSION.

Grand Lodge Elects Officers and Adjourns Sine Die.

Columbia, May 24.—The annual meeting of the grand lodge, Knights of Pythias, adjourned sine die here this afternoon, about 1 o'clock, after one of the most largely attended and successful sessions. The following officers were elected for the coming year: Grand chancellor, Alva M. Lumpkin, Columbia; vice grand chancellor, W. E. Derrick, Orangeburg; grand prelate, the Rev. Louis J. Bristow, Columbia; grand master-at-arms, E. R. Cox, Darlington; grand inner guard, W. A. Fewell, Rock Hill; grand outer guard, W. H. Ohlandt, Beaufort; grand keeper of records, C. D. Brown, Abbeville; grand master of exchequer, Wilson G. Harvey, Charleston.

Union was selected as the next place of meeting.

Several changes were made in the grand statutes, among the more prominent being the abolition of district grand chancellors. The work formerly carried on by these officials will be developed upon some officer of the grand lodge. Another important change made was the matter of appointment of committees. Hereafter the committees will be appointed from the members attending the meetings to serve during the sessions, instead of from year to year, as present.

Resolutions of thanks were extended to the city of Columbia for the entertainment, to the proprietor and attaches of the Jefferson hotel for the use of the hotel as convention headquarters, and to the chamber of commerce for the street car ride given the visitors Tuesday afternoon.

Several committee reports were made, which showed that the Pythian order is growing and improving in South Carolina.

## WORLD'S WIRELESS RECORD.

Steamer Picks Up Message Nine Thousand Miles Away.

Sydney, N. S. W., May 24.—The American steamer Ventura, which has just arrived here from San Francisco, reports that she picked up a message from the station at Tucker, N. J., when 9,000 miles distant from that point. This is said to be a world's record.

## RESOURCES OF THE STATE.

Classified by Naval Reserve Board for Defence.

Columbia, May 25.—The State's resources were generally classified at a meeting of the South Carolina members of the naval reserve board, held in Columbia today. Fifty assistants, all civil engineers, will be appointed to assist the board in gathering all information possible as to the State industries and resources to be used for the national defence.