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## NEGRO LABORER LOSES BALANCE

### Drinks Heavily of Some Moonshine Then Goes Raving Mad

### SHERIFF HANDLES MATTER Two Other Men Are Charged With Transporting White Liquor

There is nothing that can raise fright in a neighborhood any quicker than a crazy man. The section of Bucks township, out near Cedar Grove, had its share of this kind of excitement when a negro by the name of Ephraem Scott, thirty-year-old farm hand went mad last week, and which resulted in his being lodged in jail for a time by the sheriff of Horry County.

The sheriff of the county got a message to go out there and to go quick before this crazy person had done himself and the community some serious injury. The sheriff went. The result was the jailing of the negro, and the placing of two other defendants behind the bars. Hereon hangs a tale of some length.

The two other parties locked up were Guss Hemingway, once tried for pilfering a railroad car, and again put on trial for violation of the prohibition laws, and Zack Johnson, who was with Hemingway on Sunday.

It is told upon good authority and the fact is testified to by the negro Scott that his troubles began with moonshine whiskey on Sunday, given to him by the other two parties, Hemingway and Johnson.

When the negro came to his senses he told that he was given a quantity of white mule; that he liked this stuff and that he partook of it in a big quantity. It made him not only drunk but perfectly crazy; but not so crazy at first as to keep him from consulting a doctor.

Now and then in the daily papers it is published to the world that this "white mule" that is concocted in gasoline barrels and galvanized iron pipes is very unsanitary as to the making of it, and very uncertain as to its wholesomeness as a beverage; that it may under certain circumstances be rank poison to the user. Still it is used more or less by people who will use the language of some who use it—drink or die. This negro liked the whiskey and he says he took a big drink and that was about the last thing he knew until he waked up to find himself in the county jail, accused of no crime, but with his sanity greatly doubted.

The negro was taken to the doctor on Monday after he had taken the medicine on Sunday. He procured medicine from Conway and was taken back home to take this medicine and try to get better so he could perform his farmwork on the land of R. B. Glasgow, where he has been working this year. He took some of the medicine but it did not bring relief. Later in the day he went raving mad and he carried on to such an extent that the sheriff was sent for to arrest him. He was the same as a wild man and undoubtedly dangerous to be left alone in the community.

After a time he had so far recovered from the experience that he was able to tell the sheriff how it all happened in such a way that the sheriff could readily understand that the trouble was caused by the drinking of moonshine. After the man had been kept in the county jail over night he appeared to be in a normal condition, and he said that his taste for moonshine had departed, and upon that assurance he was allowed to go, there being no crime charged against him and his time being needed in the crop he is supposed to help work.

The people of the community who reported the matter were wise in acting in time. The other parties were allowed to make bail for their appearance at the next term of the criminal court on the charge of transporting whiskey in violation of the prohibition laws.

## HAS CHARGE OF FAILED BANK

The Burroughs Bank & Trust Co., is the agent of W. W. Bradley, State Bank Examiner, in the handling and liquidating of the Bank of Loris. The Bank of Loris closed its doors in the early days of March, 1923, and has not been opened since.

Proceedings were taken whereby it was ordered by the court that the affairs of the bank should be wound up under the direction of the State bank

That country which is the least governed seems to be the one that gets along the best. All government is by the common consent of the governed. The tendency of some of the laws of today is to force things which evidently is to the extreme distaste of a big majority. This may not turn out well.

## FLOYD AGAINST PAGE IS FIRST

### Second Trial of Notable Land Suit Between Two Horryites

The first case which will be taken up for trial at the court next week is that of John T. Floyd, plaintiff, against William Page. It concerns the ownership of a tract of land in Gallivants Ferry township, near the home of the defendant, and in the trial of the suit an ancient deed made to Mr. Page by Nancy Floyd, the mother of the plaintiff, will come in for construction. It is alleged that at the date of this deed the plaintiff, John T. Floyd, was under the age of twenty-one years; that the property conveyed did not include the interest of the plaintiff as an heir-at-law who had left this land as a part of his estate.

There has already been a trial of the case. In the first trial the jury failed to reach an agreement and the court declared a mistrial. At the trial both sides moved the court for a directed verdict and this was refused. After the mistrial had been declared both sides appealed to the Supreme Court from the order refusing to direct a verdict.

The appeal on both sides was dismissed by the court of last resort and the case remanded for a second trial, the following being the opinion of the Supreme Court in full:

"MARION, J. This action is for the recovery of real estate. The case was tried at the October term, 1921, of the Court of Common Pleas for Horry County. At the close of all of the testimony, both plaintiff and defendant moved for a directed verdict. The presiding judge refused both motions and sent the case to the jury. The jury failed to agree, and a mistrial was ordered. The cause is brought to this court upon appeal by each of the respective parties from the refusal of the trial judge to direct a verdict in his favor.

"The effect of the mistrial was to leave the parties litigant in statu quo ante, with the cause still pending for trial in the circuit court. The rulings of the trial judge in the court below having eventuated in no binding adjudication of the rights of the parties, the appeal is prematurely brought, and jurisdiction thereof may not be entertained. In the case of Parham-Thomas-McSwain, Inc., vs. Atlantic Life Ins. Co., 106 S. C., 211, 90 S. E. 1022, in which there was a mistrial on circuit, the defendant appealed from an order refusing a motion to direct a verdict. In that case, Mr. Chief Justice Gary, speaking for an unanimous court said:

"An order refusing a nonsuit, or the direction of a verdict, is not appealable until after final judgment. The reasons are fully stated in Agnew vs. Adams, 24 S. C. 86. This ruling is recognized in Barker vs. Thomas, 85 S. C. 82, 67 S. E. 1; Woods vs. Fertilizer Co., 102 S. C. 442, 86 S. E. 817 and numerous other cases. \* \* \* As the defendant's cause of action and the defendant's counterclaim are dependent upon questions of fact, it necessarily follows that judgment absolute cannot be rendered by this court. \* \* \* If the court should entertain jurisdiction of the appeal under such conditions, and should reach the conclusion that there was sufficient testimony to carry the case to a jury, it could not make any orders changing the present status of the case. The tendency of the court is to discourage appeals from interlocutory orders, in order that there may be an end of the case. It therefore feels constrained to refuse to entertain jurisdiction of these appeals, and it is so ordered."

"The appeal is therefore dismissed without prejudice, and the cause remanded to the circuit court for trial. \* \* \* Dismissed. \* \* \* Gary, C. J. and Watts, Fraser, and Cothran, J. J., concur."

## FINE TOBACCO IN DOG BLUFF

Reports coming from Dog Bluff township last week were to the effect that the tobacco crops in that section are the best in many years. Tobacco crops were especially looking well and likely to produce a large quantity of bright grades for the market.

Last week the following growers of Dog Bluff were putting in the barns their first ripe leaves of the season: Pearl Sellers, J. D. Skipper, W. H. Elvis, John Doyle, H. G. Turner and W. B. Carroll. The latter was not ready to cure before Friday of last week but expected to gather the first barn on that day if the weather proved favorable.

It is said that a number of warehousemen from Mullins, S. C., were around in that community last week talking to the growers and bragging on the extra fine looking crops of tobacco that Dog Bluff is producing this year.

The examiner has appointed the Burroughs Bank & Trust Co., as his agent to collect in the outstanding assets of the failed bank and wind up its affairs.

## TWO EXTREMES OF REAL LIFE.

Every man, whose life began on the farm and ended in some business office, has noticed two things attending his life in the two different situations.

In the first, where he had to labor and work with his hands in the sun, he could never get enough food in his stomach to satisfy his hunger nor would his stomach hold enough water to slake his thirst.

On the other hand, when he spent his days in the business office and worked with his brain instead of with his hands, he never found the time when he really wanted any food to eat or felt that he needed any water to drink.

In the one place he wanted more than his capacity could undertake, while in the other he did not enjoy what little food and drink he actually took.

This is a good illustration of life as it really is, and not as it seems to be in the imagination of men.

## YOUNG BOY IS RECOVERING

### Robert Livingston Recently underwent an Operation at Marion Hospital

Robert Knox Livingston, six-year-old son of J. C. Livingston, of the Wampee section, was taken home recently from the Marion hospital where he had an operation following a severe illness from pleurisy and pneumonia.

He developed the disease and went to bed on April 27th, Dr. J. A. Stone attending him for five weeks, then as his condition did not improve another physician, Dr. H. L. Scarborough, was called into consultation. It was decided to take the child to the hospital for an operation. He had gone through the throes of one disease only to be attacked by another. The attack of pneumonia left his lungs in such condition that he could not be expected to live unless a remedy could be found by means of an operation.

The little fellow was taken to the Marion hospital on June 3rd. The operation was performed and was successful.

He was reported last week as being well on the way to complete recovery. The father and mother of the boy have asked that their thanks be expressed through the columns of The Horry Herald to the many friends who extended to them their kindness, sympathy and assistance during the severe illness of their boy.

## HAS THE PLANS FOR NICE HOME

Plans have been drawn for the erection of a fine new house for Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Ambrose. It is understood that the plans have been submitted to a number of contractors and builders and that work on the handsome new structure will begin at an early date. The name of the successful bidder for the work was not learned. An architect in Columbia was selected to supervise the construction of the home.

The building will be three stories, and will have a basement where the heating plant and storage of fuel will be provided for. The third floor will be occupied by servants' rooms. The first floor will have the living room, sitting room, dining room, kitchen and pantry, and breakfast room. On the second floor will be five bed rooms, two sleeping porches, and two bath rooms.

The site of the building is a large lot containing several acres lying near the national highway in a section of North Conway where development is going on at a rapid rate. The erection of such a structure in that section of the town will enhance the value of real estate in that community.

The price of building lots in the vicinity of the new structure is expected to be increased.

The brick veneer style of construction will be used in this building. Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose are at the present time occupying a nice cottage on Fifth avenue where they have lived for the past ten years or more. He is the manager of the Conway Lumber Co., the largest timber enterprise in this section of the State. The Conway Lumber Co., is also the owner of valuable real estate within the town of Conway.

## ARRIVE IN CONWAY

J. R. Bowles and his partner, Mr. Bass, arrived in Conway on last Wednesday, coming through the country by motor. They arrived rather late in the day on account of a breakdown. They are here to perfect their plans for opening of the Peoples Brick Warehouse, which will be run on the auction plan this year, and will visit the farmers in many sections of the county during the next few weeks soliciting the business for their place.

## GENTS STORE WILL REOPEN

### Satisfactory Settlements Made With Various Creditors Last Week

The store of Gents Furnishing Co., after remaining closed for nearly three weeks, was released from the claims of creditors last Thursday afternoon, satisfactory adjustments having been made by the firm and the creditors satisfied.

The store had been closed under executions issued on seven different judgments obtained within the last three or four months in favor of the following creditors: Royal Blue Tailoring Co., Master Knitting Mills, International Tailoring Co., Regal Pants Co., J. Schoenman, Inc., Young Hat Co., and Isaac Hamburger & Sons. These seven judgments amounted in the aggregate to the sum of \$1,438.58. This was only a fraction of the entire amount involved on the part of creditors, as the total indebtedness of the firm amounted to about twelve thousand dollars.

The cause of the failure of the firm was laid mainly to the bad slump in the prices of drygoods and notions following the inflated period during and before which the store became heavily stocked on very high priced goods which they could not turn from their shelves when the prices of goods dropped downward.

All of the indebtedness of the firm was finally compromised for twenty-five cents on the dollar. This was a good settlement for the creditors as it meant that the firm would have gone into bankruptcy if the offer of compromise had not been made and accepted, and in that event it is not believed that the creditors would have received as much as twenty per cent and probably not more than fifteen per cent of what was due to them.

The firm was composed of L. A. Permenter and John M. Vaught as partners. The firm first began business in the small store in the rear of the One Price Shoe Store on Laurel Street. After remaining in business there for a short time they moved to the store on Main street in the Masonic hall building, and they were doing business there when their doors were closed recently.

Since the failure it is understood that Mr. John M. Vaught is no longer connected with the business but that the assets of the firm, including the stock of merchandise, which is now released, and the accounts and bills receivable belong individually to L. A. Permenter.

It is understood that the business will continue to run at the same stand and will be under new plans and new management to some extent. The definite plans of the store cannot be stated just at this time. Having made a satisfactory settlement with the creditors the store will undoubtedly continue to conduct business and with new additions to the stock of merchandise now on the shelves.

The notices of sale of the stock and fixtures in the store will be discontinued. These notices of sale continued for the past two weeks while the negotiations for a compromise of the creditors' claims were pending.

## COTTON FARMER SENDS BLOOM

### How He Knocked Out the Weevils With Arsenate and Molasses

The Horry Herald has received an open cotton blossom from the cotton farm of S. H. Harrelson in Green Sea Township. This open blossom was picked from the field on June 23rd. It was a very healthy looking flower when it reached the Herald office through the United States mail.

Mr. Harrelson has twelve acres of cotton. He is expecting to make a good crop in spite of the boll weevils. His crop, he says, was badly infested with the weevils about three weeks ago. He got busy and poisoned the insects with arsenate and molasses mixture which has been highly recommended in many sections of South Carolina.

He says that in twenty-four hours the weevils were all gone. The cotton in his field is looking fine at this time.

He will poison again this week and will report the results that he has this time for the readers of the Herald.

Advantages of Horry County were advertised by this means to the people of far distant corners of the State, and to some extent outside of South Carolina.

The coming of the editors again next year will find this section still further advanced along lines of development, better roads, and a better outlook on things in general. It will be better in the way of advertising than it was before.

This town needs the individual efforts of each of its business men in bringing more business to it, and progress and improvement.

## SEASON READY FOR BIG SALE

### Horry Crop is Now Being Gathered and Being Cured

### THREE AUCTION HOUSES Some Crops May Have Been Topped Too Low

This week sees the tobacco growers or Horry County engaged in the work of maturing the crop of 1923 for the market. Some of the farmers were putting weed in the barns last week, a number of farmers being as early with the first barn as the first of the week.

In some sections of the county where the crop is very late owing to late transplanting, the work of gathering the leaves is only beginning, in some cases it may not yet be started.

The advice this year has been to top the tobacco high in order to produce a smaller and more highly colored leaf, it is said, this kind of leaf being best for the making of fine cigarettes.

There seems to have been no general effort to comply with this advice of the warehousemen. Most of the growers of the weed throughout this section have their own notions about the raising of a tobacco crop and they prefer using their own methods to those of any other man or men.

The advice appeared to be good because of the fact that the market is said to be already well supplied with the heavier grades of tobacco. It is the smaller leaves, nicely colored, that is more in demand now than the other grades.

Looking in on some of the farms in this county, it is very plain that the tobacco was topped too low if the production of a small leaf was what was intended. Some crops are of the heavy growth kind which produces a wide heavy leaf.

On other farms it is to be noticed that the tobacco plants have grown rather tall and at the same time have smaller leaves and to a greater number, the leaves being all about the same size from the extreme bottom almost to the top of the plant. These leaves will evidently make a bright grade that is used in the manufacture of cigarettes.

As to the methods of selling, the fight is on between the co-operatives and the independent warehouses.

Last week a prominent warehouseman of Mullins, S. C., was in this section talking up the advantages of his warehouses and extolling the independent plan to every farmer he met. He was having something to say about the recent decision of Judge S. W. G. Shipp, when a case came up in the Florence courts recently, in which a man in that county had been sued by the association for failing to deliver his tobacco to the association warehouses.

There seems to have been a great deal of understanding about this case which was tried in Florence. The man sued had planted a crop but did not mature it, he has disposed of that part of his farming business, in some way, before the crop was fully cultivated and produced. The court held that the association contracts covered only such tobacco as the signer of it produced, and the mere fact that he had only planted it and did not succeed in producing it for market, did not hold him under the contract with the association. It was on this point that the case turned and the farmer won. If he had produced the crop the decision would have been different, of course.

Conway will have three independent warehouses this season. They are the Planters Warehouse, the Peoples Brick Warehouse and the new place recently decided upon on Fourth avenue, and which is located in the same block where the Peoples Warehouse is.

On the other hand there are two warehouses run on the co-operative plan. They are the Horry Tobacco Warehouse and the Farmers Warehouse.

The firm of Bowles & Bass are already laying their plans to make a great effort to increase sales at Conway on the auction plan at the Peoples Brick Warehouse. They have the house leased for a term of years. It will be to their interest to get as large a following as possible and to keep that following by striving to please their patrons. They are both tobacco men of wide experience. Mr. Bowles is known to every grower in the county with only a few exceptions among those who have only lately entered into the raising of tobacco.

The Planters Warehouse will be (CONTINUED ON PAGE EIGHT)

The business men of Conway are neglecting every day the opportunities which lie at their doors for a bigger and better Conway; and incidentally a more successful individual life. It is time to wake up and do something before outsiders come in and do it for them.