

FAIR MANAGEMENT PLANS BIG SHOW

RESOURCES OF STATE BEING
MOBILIZED—TROOPS WILL
TAKE PART.

DISPATCHES FROM COLUMBIA

Doings and Happenings That Mark the
Progress of South Carolina People,
Gathered Around the State Capital.

Columbia.

Mobilization of the State's resources is already under way for the State fair which begins October 22 and continues through the week. State farm demonstration forces, directed by W. W. Long, of Clemson College, are here planning their exhibits. C. A. McFaddin, one of the district managers is directing the organization of county exhibits.

Home demonstration agents from Winthrop College are also busy and are expected to prepare exhibits of the usual striking character. Miss Edith Parrott, State agent; Mrs. Doris Dee Walker, assistant State agent and Miss Gladys Smith, special agent, are all on the grounds and are coordinating the efforts of the various workers from all sections of the State.

The military features of the fair are being gradually organized. A game of football between contending camp teams will be played Wednesday. It is probable that rival camps will contest the premiership. In case opposing camp teams can not be enlisted two fighting aggregations of officers from Camp Jackson will be brought into the entanglement. A game will be played on Saturday between a crack team of enlisted men and the spirited eleven from the Charleston navy yard. The usual gridiron classic between Carolina and Clemson will be played again this year on Thursday.

In addition to the gridiron contests between camp teams, military life will again be placed in the forefront by Troop M, Eleventh Cavalry. Daily exercises in cavalry drill will be given on the race track. This within itself will be an exceptionally attractive exhibit from Camp Jackson. A booth filled with all things military will also be prepared for the State fair visitors. In this will be seen everything in equipment and accoutrements. It is probable that some of the three-inch field artillery pieces will be on display.

Comedians at Camp Jackson will also give a minstrel during the week of the fair. An abundance of vaudeville and minstrel material has been rounded up and a performance of high character can easily be given.

School Prizes Being Offered.

Miss Madeline Spigener, president of the South Carolina Improvement Association, is sending out Bulletin No. 8 of the association. It contains a great deal of interesting matter to educators of the state.

The following are the prize announcements for 1917 and 1918:

"Twenty-five prizes of \$40 each to be awarded to individual schools making the greatest improvement during the time between March 1, 1917 and March 1, 1918. Each school competing for this prize must file its application along with the official prize score card. The school improvement score card must be signed by a representative of the local association, by a member of the local board of trustees, and approved by the county superintendent of education. Photographs of new buildings are usually helpful to the committee in determining prize winning schools. Incorporated towns with a population of 400, according to the census of 1910, are not eligible to compete.

"One prize of \$10 to the local association in each county raising from outside sources and depositing with the county treasurer the largest amount of money. The 45 prizes in this class are intended to stimulate local school improvement work in each of the 45 counties.

"One prize of \$50 to each local association sending in 12 reports to the county organizer for 12 regular monthly meetings between March 1, 1917, and March 1, 1918. These reports must be signed by the president of the local school improvement association and approved by the county organizer.

"A certificate of award will be given to each school district adopting compulsory school attendance through the initiative and cooperation of the local school improvement association. It is hoped that the lists of these districts will constitute a roll of honor of the progressive districts of the state favoring compulsory attendance."

Farmers Storing Cotton.

Col W. G. Smith, state warehouse commissioner, reports that there is now being received in the various state warehouses from 800 to 1,000 bales of cotton each day. It is notable that the small farmer in very much greater numbers than ever before is storing cotton. The insurance rates which the warehouse commissioner has been able to obtain are the same as those heretofore prevailing. On a farm detached warehouses, metal sides, metal roofs and constructed according to standard, the rate is 1.58

Board Making Cost Inquiry.

The State Board of Charities and Corrections is sending to the institutions under its charge a quarterly statistical report blank which will produce information of great value to the state.

The institutions to which these blanks are sent are: The penitentiary, State Hospital, white and negro reformatories, the Confederate Infirmary, Thornwell Orphanage, Epworth Orphanage, Episcopal Orphanage, Charleston Orphan House, the City Orphan House of Charleston, the Jenkins Orphanage of Charleston, the Connie Maxwell Orphanage, the Bruner Home of Greenville, the John De La Howe School of McCormick County, and the Rescue Orphanage.

The blank will secure information under a number of headings. First, as to movement of population, showing enrollment, admission and discharges. The next is administration, showing trustees, officers, attendants, guards, etc.

Then comes a statement of receipts from various sources derived, and the statement of disbursements. This is itemized showing such items as salaries, wages, subsistence, clothing, etc. The general items under gross maintenance are subdivided showing amounts paid to trustees, officers, teachers, attendants, guards and other employees. And for subsistence such items as fresh meats, salt meats, butter, eggs, poultry, milk, breadstuffs, fruits, tea, coffee, sugar, etc., and for clothing dry goods, shoes, etc.

By this means comparisons may be made between the various institutions and helpful results should be obtained. The blanks also provide for details concerning the inmates. These give the name, age, date received, sex, mentality, physical habits, etc.

A few minutes conversation with Secretary Johnston will indicate the far reaching importance of these details. In much of the information the State Board of Charities and Corrections will receive the cooperation and assistance of the commissioners of commerce and agriculture who in their child labor activities secure data available to the operation of the State Board of Charities and Corrections.

Cannot Exceed Twenty Per Cent.

In an opinion given by Charles S. Sapp, assistant attorney general, it is held that the State highway commission can not draw beyond the 20 per cent of license taxes, collected for maintenance of the department, as provided by the statute. Some of the counties of the State have not complied with the federal law, but this does not alter the circumstances, Mr. Sapp holds. The opinion reads:

"I have your letter of the 2nd inst. to the attorney general. You ask whether or not under the provisions of section 13 of the highway act, which authorizes the commission in the event any county should not comply with the requirements of the federal government in securing federal aid for their roads, to submit projects for important roads in the State and pay the amount required by the government to supplement its funds out of any unexpended funds to the credit of the State highway fund, the commission would have authority to draw upon the 80 per cent of the fund raised by the automobile license tax due the county in which such fund arose, or whether the commission would be restricted to the use of the 20 per cent allowed it for operating expenses under the terms of the act. You further ask whether or not any unexpended portion of the 20 per cent of the fund raised by the automobile license tax, to which the commission is entitled for operating expenses, at the end of the year would be placed in the general State fund by the State treasurer or whether such amount should be credited from year to year to the highway fund to be used by the highway commission in its discretion in carrying out the intent and purpose of the highway act.

"In reply thereto I beg to advise that I am of the opinion that the highway commission is without authority to draw upon the fund arising from the automobile license tax in excess of the 20 per cent specifically provided in the act for maintenance of the department and all counties, whether they have complied with the federal law in securing aid thereunder or not, are entitled to have 80 per cent of the funds arising from the sale of automobile licenses in their counties returned to them by the commission.

"Twenty per cent of all the funds arising under the provisions of the highway act to the highway commission and also to supplement the government fund on projects submitted by the commission and should thus accumulate from year to year so that in the event it should reach an amount sufficient the commission, under the terms of the act, could submit projects of its own to the government and have sufficient funds of its own to comply with the requirements."

Secretary Grants New Charters.

The Independent Warehouse Company of Cheraw was commissioned. The proposed capital stock is \$500. The petitioners are J. W. Malloy and D. L. Tillman.

The Bank of Mt. Pleasant was commissioned the proposed capital stock being \$25,000. The petitioners are Edward Tiencken, V. G. Lewis

The Jones-Pocle Mule Company of Gaffney was chartered. The capital stock is \$10,000. Officers are: J. J. Inglesby, president; W. D. Jones, secretary and treasurer.

PRISON SENTENCE FOR PAUL WIERSE

FEDERAL JURY AT AIKEN CON-
VICTS WRITER FOR CHARLES-
TON NEWSPAPER.

CONSPIRACY TO SINK VESSEL

Was Sentenced to Serve Two Years in
Atlanta Penitentiary and Pay a
Fine of \$1,000.00.

Aiken.—Paul Wierse, editorial writer on the staff of the Charleston American, and Johann Klattenhoff, formerly captain of the German merchant vessel Liebenfels, were found guilty in federal court here of conspiracy to sink the Liebenfels in Charleston harbor last February.

The jury returned the verdict at 12:25 o'clock after having been in the jury room since 12:35 o'clock. At 1:15 o'clock they came out to ask the court whether they could return a verdict of guilty or not guilty as to all of the three defendants, Wierse, Klattenhoff and Dr. W. Mueller, formerly German consul at Atlanta, Ga., who is named with them jointly in the indictment. Judge Smith advised the jury that Mueller could neither be acquitted nor convicted, he is at present a fugitive.

Judge Smith immediately sentenced the men. Wierse was sentenced to pay a fine of \$1,000 and to serve two years in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta. Klattenhoff, who is already serving a penitentiary term, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$100 and to serve six months in addition to his present term.

The first witness for the defense when the court resumed the hearing of the case, was the warden of the Atlanta penitentiary, Warden Zerbst, testified that Captain Klattenhoff had been in the hospital since he was received at the Atlanta penitentiary. Klattenhoff did not take the stand as was expected. The defense had no further witnesses and the United States nothing in reply.

Upon the completion of the testimony John P. Grace asked the court to direct a verdict in favor of the two defendants, which was promptly refused.

T. Waites Waring, assistant district attorney, made the opening argument for the government. Mr. Waring's argument was clinching. He went from the evidence which had been presented a strong case against Wierse and Klattenhoff and laid particular stress upon the congratulatory telegram which was sent by Wierse to Dr. Mueller on the evening of January 31, the day before the sinking of the Liebenfels.

Mr. Waring was followed by John P. Grace. At the close of his argument Mr. Grace made the statement that the government had brought the charge of conspiracy against Paul Wierse because of Wierse's connection with the Charleston American; that the government officials had overlooked the German consul and the son of the German consul at Charleston to strike at the Charleston American through Wierse.

"You have no right to make such statements, sir," said Judge Smith, indignantly interrupting Mr. Grace. "This court will not permit them."

Mr. Grace then asked for more time. "Not another word, sir; sit down."

District Attorney Francis H. Weston in the closing argument for the government, assumed all responsibility for the prosecution of Wierse, Klattenhoff and Dr. Mueller.

Fatal Shooting at Mills Mill.

Greenville.—Mouree M. Willis was shot and killed by Arch McCullough in the Mills Mill village, dying almost instantly. It is understood that the tragedy resulted from a quarrel concerning Mrs. McCullough, who is a niece of the decedent. Mr. Willis was a farmer at Hunts Bridge in Pickens county and was about 35 years of age.

Spartanburg to Get Coal.

Spartanburg.—Spartanburg's coal famine is going to be relieved through the acceptance on the part of the local coal dealers of the proposition of the Clinchfield Fuel Co. to supply them with 50 tons daily at \$2.75 per ton. Adding to this the freight, which is \$1.95, the coal will cost placed in the coal dealers' yards \$4.70. Before the Spartanburg chamber of commerce representatives of dealers said they were going to figure their gross profits for 1915 and add 20 per cent to that and announce the price.

Farming With Tractor.

Bamberg.—E. P. Johnson, a progressive farmer of this place has just purchased a traction engine to be used on his large plantation near here. Demonstrations have been made with the engine on Bamberg county lands and it has worked ideally.

The engine does many kinds of farm work, including plowing and harrowing. It is used as a labor-saving device and is said to be economical. It is run by gasoline and requires only one man to operate it, the engine consuming about 16 gallons of gasoline

SEND OUT SCHOOL BULLETIN

Improvement Associations Do Good
Work—Dillon is Showing the
Way.

Columbia. The South Carolina School Improvement Association bulletin has been issued and is being distributed throughout the state. This bulletin contains definite suggestions and information that will be helpful to the associations, and facts concerning last year's work that are interesting.

Many associations have been holding regular monthly meetings during the summer and the work for the fall has started very satisfactorily. A significant fact is that schools have opened up with a full attendance. In many sections county superintendents are reporting a fuller attendance than heretofore despite the conditions that have arisen due to the war. This conservation of education of the children at this critical time is most commendable and encouraging.

Another evidence of efficient school organization is shown in Dillon county. Miss Mamie McLees, supervising teacher for the county, reports an association in every school in the county. These associations are all doing active work. The same efficient organization exists in Darlington county, while Laurens and Spartanburg are making close seconds for the lead in this progressive work. The associations have in many cases been directly responsible for increased tax levies and modern buildings. In some cases they have worked faithfully for the accomplishment of this and have failed. However, they have proven to be valuable adjuncts to any community, stimulating school spirit and in every way helping to make the school the real community center.

The influence of the association has been enlisted by the United States food administrator in the campaign for food conservation as well as food production. These workers have already proved their efficiency in co-operation, because every school improvement association is a volunteer in civic and school betterment. The association may do much to assist the government in conserving the food necessary to win the war.

War Mothers to Organize.

The "War Mothers" of America are organizing to promote the food registration campaign from October 21 to 28. The South Carolina food administrator received the following article from the United States food administration at Washington:

"War mothers are organizing in every state of the union to assist during the week of October 21 to 28 in the house to house canvass to obtain signatures to the pledges of the United States food administration. The plan contemplates utilizing the services of every woman who has a son in the army, navy or marine corps or a son enrolled under the selective service law and subject to future call. The war mothers were formally welcomed into the ranks of the food administration workers in a statement issued by the director.

"It is peculiarly fitting," said Mr. Hoover "that the mothers of the men who are to fight the nation's battles should enlist in this vitally essential service they are sending their sons forth to endure the supreme test of citizenship. They want their sons to return to them as soon as the peace of victory may be achieved. They will hasten the coming of that peace by the work they have undertaken. In no war in which the nation has engaged has the loyalty, devotion and self-sacrifice of American women ever failed. In no other war have they had a greater opportunity for service than is offered in the movement for conservation of the nation's food supply. Not only does this food administration cordially welcome the 'war mothers' into the ranks of the volunteer workers, but an equal welcome will be extended to the wives and sisters of our soldiers and all other loyal women who will enlist for a service which President Wilson has said is more essential than any other which American women can render. The Liberty loan must be subscribed and will be subscribed, but it would be useless to gather this money or prosecute the war if we failed to make sure of the food which will win the war and the lack of which will surely lose the war."

Don't Neglect Kidneys

Swamp Root, Dr. Kilmer's Prescription, Overcomes Kidney Trouble

It is now conceded by physicians that the kidneys should have more attention as they control the other organs to a remarkable degree and do a tremendous amount of work in removing the poisons and waste matter from the system by filtering the blood.

The kidneys should receive some assistance when needed. We take less exercise, drink less water and often eat more rich, heavy food, thereby forcing the kidneys to do more work than nature intended. Evidence of kidney trouble, such as lame back, annoying bladder troubles, smarting or burning, brick-dust or sediment, sallow complexion, rheumatism, maybe weak or irregular heart action, warns you that your kidneys require help immediately to avoid more serious trouble.

An ideal herbal compound that has had most remarkable success as a kidney and bladder remedy is Dr. Kilmer's Swamp Root. There is nothing else like it. It is Dr. Kilmer's prescription used in private practice and it is sure to benefit you. Get a bottle from your druggist.

However, if you wish first to test this great preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure and mention this paper. Adv.

Why Look?

Mrs. Jenkins, a regular visitor in the doctor's consulting room, started on the long story of her troubles. The doctor endured it patiently and gave her another bottle. At last she started out, and the doctor was congratulating himself, when she stopped and exclaimed:

"Why, doctor, you didn't look to see if my tongue was coated?"

"I know it isn't," wearily replied the medical man. "You don't find grass on a race track."

To Extend Railway.

Oshkosh, Wis., street railway system is to be extended and improved in equipment.

Gen. B. H. Young has been a Sunday school superintendent 50 years in Louisville, Ky.

A Medicine for Women

For Forty Years Lydia E. Pinkham's
Vegetable Compound has Relieved
the Sufferings of Women.

It hardly seems possible that there is a woman in this country who continues to suffer without giving Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial after all the evidence that is continually being published, proving beyond contradiction that this grand old medicine has relieved more suffering among women than any other medicine in the world.

Mrs. Kieso Cured After Seven Month's Illness.

Aurora, Ill.—"For seven long months I suffered from a female trouble, with severe pains in my back and sides until I became so weak I could hardly walk from chair to chair, and got so nervous I would jump at the slightest noise. I was entirely unfit to do my house work, I was giving up hope of ever being well, when my sister asked me to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I took six bottles and today I am a healthy woman able to do my own housework. I wish every suffering woman would try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and find out for herself how good it is."—Mrs. KARL A. KIESO, 596 North Ave., Aurora, Ill.

Could Hardly Get Off Her Bed.

Cincinnati, Ohio.—"I want you to know the good Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for me. I was in such bad health from female troubles that I could hardly get off my bed. I had been doctoring for a long time and my mother said, 'I want you to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.' So I did, and it has certainly made me a well woman. I am able to do my house work and am so happy as I never expected to go around the way I do again, and I want others to know what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for me."—Mrs. JOSE CORNER, 1668 Harrison Ave., Fairmount, Cincinnati, Ohio.

If you want special advice write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential) Lynn, Mass. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman and held in strict confidence.

The "Cat Squadron."

Great Britain was the first naval power to build the battle cruiser. Close on her heels came Germany, Russia and Japan; but all others, including the United States, have no battle-cruisers in their line of battle. It was in 1907 when the Indomitable, the first one, was begun. One year later she crossed the Atlantic at a speed of a little more than 25 miles an hour. The Inflexible and Invincible followed, and when the European war came, Great Britain had a squadron that proved of immense worth to her. In the Jutland battle, however, three of the British battle cruisers were sunk, shells penetrating their armor and exploding their magazines or boilers. The armor of a superdreadnaught would most probably have proved too strong for the shells that destroyed these battle cruisers. The famous "Cat Squadron," so called because it included the Lion and Tiger, is today the last word in the battle cruiser; but in a few years the American battle cruisers that are now being built will far outstrip the "cats" in every feature.—Frank E. Evans, in St. Nicholas Magazine.

The Description.
"I'm sure you will like him. He has a pleasant personality, an easy flow of conversation and a wonderful fund of information."
"What is he?" inquired Miss Alma Cayenne, suspiciously, "a book agent?"

MOTHER!

Have you ever used MOTHER'S JOY SALVE for Colds, Coughs, Croup and Pneumonia, Asthma, and Head Catches? If you haven't get it at once. It will cure you.—Adv.

Not a Bit of Use.

There was some speculation as to whether the instrument would benefit the old gentleman or not. One was holding the ear trumpet, while another was explaining its use and showing old Mr. Shortcath how to hold it to his ear.

"Say something to him through it, Binks," said one to the other.

Now Binks had long waited for an opportunity to reach Mr. Shortcath's ear, so, speaking very distinctly into the trumpet he said:

"You've not paid me that five dollars you owe me yet, Mr. Shortcath."

But the old gentleman put the instrument down with disappointment on his face, and they could see it was a failure even before he had time to say:

"That thing's not a bit of use to me."

And he sighed, but his sigh was not so deep as that which came from Binks.

Sure Enough.

The ball had gone over the fence, as balls will in suburban gardens, and a small but unabashed batsman appeared at the front door to ask for it.

Then appeared an irate father.

"How dare you show yourself at my house? How dare you ask for your ball? Do you know you nearly killed one of my children with it?"

"But you've got ten children," said the logical lad, "and I've only got one baseball."

Where the Gender Comes In.

Teacher—Willie, how many seconds in a minute?
Willie—Masculine or feminine?
Teacher—Masculine or feminine!
What do you mean?
Willie—There's a big difference. When pop says he'll be down in a minute it's sixty seconds, but when sister Susie says she'll be down in a minute it's 600 seconds.

A good-looking woman ought to make a successful detective.

Better a cheerful nature than a morbid success.



YOU BET I'M HELPING SAVE THE WHEAT says Bobby

Post Toasties For me 3 times a day