

COL. ORR DIES OF ERYSIPELAS.

Only a Short Time but Critical from Start.

A SKETCH OF HIS LIFE
In Statue as in Intellect he Toward Above Most Men of His Day. The Whole State is Afflicted by his Death.

Col. James L. Orr died at his home in Greenville on Sunday night at 9:20 o'clock. He had been ill with erysipelas for only a short time but his condition while not hopeless was considered critical from the beginning.

His Life.

Col. Orr was the son of the late Judge James L. Orr, of Anderson, who was Speaker of the National House of Representatives before the war, Governor of South Carolina immediately after the war and American minister to the Russian Court. His mother was a member of the distinguished Marshall family of Abbeville, and he was born in Abbeville at the home of Dr. Marshall, his father, August 29, 1852. The gallant Col. Foster Marshall, of the Mexican war, who was afterwards killed while commanding a regiment of the Confederate army, was his uncle.

Col. Orr's first public service was as private secretary to his father at the Court of the Czar in 1872 and 1873. In 1876 he was elected by the Democrats a member of the South Carolina General Assembly from Anderson County. He was then a young lawyer. He was an active, aggressive and daring participant in the fight led by Gen. Wade Hampton for the redemption of the State. His splendid services in the long, bitter contest after Gen. Hampton's election for the possession of the State House will never be forgotten. It was he who led the advance on the Republican "Mackey House," when the "Wallace House," which had been meeting in the old Carolina Hall, determined to enter the hall of the House of Representatives, where E. W. M. Mackey and his motley crew were in session. His six feet five or six inches, towering above his fellows crowding at his elbow at the entrance to the hall, as big a man in body as in brain, Lawrence Orr threw his great strength against the locked door, brushed aside the sergeant-at-arms, and the "Wallace House" following in his wake took possession.

Col. Orr became a popular idol. In 1878 he was elected solicitor of the 8th circuit to succeed Col. W. H. Perry. As a prosecuting officer he was a marked success. He was not an orator in the ordinary acceptance. He was a man of common sense. His mind went straight to the meat of every subject. He could speak good English if he chose, but he frequently "murdered the King's English," and spoke regardless of grammatical and rhetorical rules. But he never uttered a meaningless word. He was always clear. His homely, vigorous, cleaving phrase was understood by the yeomanry of the Piedmont and they "swore by Lawrence Orr." As an effective speaker it is doubtful if he had any equal in South Carolina except Senator Tillman.

Retiring voluntarily from the solicitorship, Col. Orr settled down to the practice of law in Greenville in the early eighties. The firm was at first Wells & Orr, the late Capt. G. G. Welles being the senior member. Afterwards Mr. M. F. Ansel and Judge J. S. Cothran entered the firm and it became Wells, Orr, Ansel & Cothran.

In 1891 Col. Henry P. Hammett, president of the great Piedmont Manufacturing Company, whose daughter Col. Orr had married, died. The textile business in this State was young then. Col. Hammett was one of the most successful of the pioneers. Who should succeed him? It was a grave question, but the directors chose wisely in selecting his son-in-law, though his experience had been limited to the law and the general business life of the public spirited man.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

Mr. H. Terry is in New York.

Mrs. Cora Wharton will leave for Baltimore today.

Mr. W. P. Harris of Youngs was in the city Monday.

Miss Mary Allen was the guest of Miss Grace Simmons last week.

Mr. R. W. Davis of Fountain Inn spent Sunday in the city.

Mr. P. H. Pike of Spartanburg was in the city Sunday.

Mr. R. T. Hollingsworth of Cross Hill was in the city Monday.

Mrs. N. B. Davenport of Cross Hill was in the city Monday.

Mr. O. L. Lanford of Lanford Station was in the city on Monday.

Mr. C. G. Crews of Atlanta, was in the city a short while last week.

Mr. W. L. Taylor is still improving, and is now able to sit up some.

Mr. R. Calhoun Wallace was in the city on Monday.

Mr. J. R. Pinson, of Cross Hill, was a visitor in Laurens last Friday.

Mr. Niles Craig of Greenwood was in the city on Monday.

Mr. Gibbon Traynham is on a visit to his father Col. Jas. H. Traynham.

Mr. W. W. Bryson of Mountville was in the city yesterday.

Mr. M. H. Burdine of Gray Court was in the city yesterday.

Mr. R. P. Cole, of Cross Hill, was in the city on Friday, looking after some legal business.

Mr. Sam R. Todd has returned from a trip to Panama and other South American countries.

Mr. J. E. Minter has returned from a trip to California and other western points.

Mr. J. D. Johnson one of the proprietors of the Lanford jug factory was in the city on Monday.

Mr. W. D. Pyles one of Mountville's young farmers who has corn to sell was in the city this week.

Mr. James Sheppard of Darlington is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. N. Richardson.

We are as bad as Clinton was a month ago. Everybody seems to have the 'grippe and they have it bad, too.

Mrs. J. H. Sullivan is visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. C. Richardson, at Pinewood.

Mrs. W. B. White of Greenville is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. A. Copeland.

Mrs. W. R. Dillingham and children of Spartanburg are visiting Mrs. J. A. Copeland.

Mrs. Mary Bowen has returned from a visit to Raleigh and Wilmington, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Rogers of Enoree are visiting Mr. J. S. Drummond's family.

Mrs. Eugene Hudgens and Miss Lattie Wright are visiting their sister, Mrs. T. F. Jones at Ninety-Six.

Mrs. T. H. Nelson will leave tomorrow for Baltimore to buy the Spring millinery for the "Hub."

Mr. E. P. Minter, of the firm of J. E. Minter & Bro. will leave today for the northern markets to complete the spring purchases of his firm.

Mr. S. W. Mitchell, of Hickory Grove, S. C., who managed the Laurens Hotel here last year, was in the city Monday on business.

The Week in Society.

The Euchre Club celebrated George Washington's birthday on the afternoon of the 23rd and Mrs. W. H. Washington, who was hostess to the club on this patriotic occasion, bore well in mind the story of the little hatchet. In the parlors many hatchets adorned the walls, and appeared from innocent looking nooks and corners, in fact were in evidence everywhere. The tables were arranged for six handed euchre with crimson hatchets for score cards. At the conclusion of the game, a course of salads, followed by a course of sweets were brought in. The refreshments were most beautifully served, small boats surmounted by a picture of Washington crossing the Delaware, being used for the salad. Like all of Mrs. Washington's entertainments, the decorations and pretty accessories gave evidence of the cleverness and good taste of this popular young matron.

The guests were Misses Emmi-Meng, Tallulah Caine, Lillier Stevens, Helen Goggans, Willie Jones, Mesdames T. D. Darlington, J. H. Teague, W. H. Anderson, J. E. Clardy, Claude Fuller, W. O. Prentiss, W. C. Irby, Jr.

Miss Rosa Wright was hostess at one of the pretty social affairs given in the city on Washington's birth-day. Miss Wright always gives her friends a good time and all of her guests greatly enjoyed her entertainment of last week.

Hymeneal.

Married, on February 1st, at 6 p. m., at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. John Chapman, Mr. Eddie Reeves, of Eden, Laurens County, S. C., to Miss Emma Chapman, of Tony Creek, Greenville, S. C., E. C. Watson officiating.

Dr. L. M. Roper, pastor of First Baptist Church, Spartanburg, was in the city on Tuesday. He was on his way to visit his mother, Mrs. Caroline Roper, at Paul.

Mr. B. F. Terry, of Simpson, and E. Y. McQuinn, of Clinton, were in to see the new reporter of the Advertiser last Friday. They jollied him a good deal, but he was glad to see them all the same, and hopes they will call again.

Mr. Cliff Cunningham met with a very painful but not serious accident a few days ago. He was assisting in the boring of a well on Col. Shaw's place when the windlass in some manner struck him on the head and caused a deep cut in the scalp. Dr. Christopher dressed the wound.

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NO LIVES REPORTED LOST.

Vast Freight Terminals Destroyed. Export Trade Seriously Crippled. And Heavy Losses to Fire Insurance Companies.

A tremendous fire occurred in New Orleans on Sunday night. The vast freight terminals of the Illinois Central were wiped out, and three thousand and five hundred feet of war-ware destroyed. No lives are reported lost, but export trade is seriously crippled. A tremendous quantity of freight was burned, besides twenty-three thousand bales of cotton, and a number of grain elevators. It is estimated that the loss will exceed five millions of dollars, over four millions of which is covered by insurance. This added to the one and one-half million dollar fire at Hot Springs on the night before will be a heavy blow to the insurance companies.

Mr. Jesse S. Hix Passes Away.

Mr. Jesse S. Hix died at his home in this city Saturday morning at 2 o'clock, aged eighty-two years. He was born in this city and has made it his home ever since. At the time of his death he was the oldest citizen of Laurens. Mr. Hix was twice married. His last wife was Miss Harlo Boyd, who survives him. He leaves five children, a son, Clarence E. Hix, and four daughters, Misses Jessie M., Lucile, Shirley and Helen Hix.

His brothers and sisters still living are Edward M. Hix, of Johnston, S. C., W. Preston Hix of New York, and Mrs. Sue Adams of San Antonio, Texas, and Mrs. Martha Wilkes of Laurens.

Mr. Hix belonged to one of the most prominent families of this county. The burial took place at the city cemetery Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The funeral ceremonies were conducted by Rev. Robert Adams of First Presbyterian Church, assisted by Rev. J. D. Pitts of First Baptist Church.

The pall bearers were: Active—Messrs. J. J. Pluss, C. B. Bobo, W. B. Bramlett, P. A. Simpson, John M. Hudgens and Dr. H. K. Aiken. Honorary—W. H. Garrett and Dr. J. A. Barksdale.

County Equalization Board.

The following names have been recommended by the members of the General Assembly as the Board of Assessors for Laurens County. The appointments are made by the Governor:

Laurens City—J. W. Henderson, J. C. Owings, C. E. Kennedy.
Laurens Township—B. B. Blakely, J. D. W. Watts, W. M. Bryson.
Youngs—W. P. Harris, J. E. Patterson, T. J. Hughes.
Dials—W. C. Curry, V. A. White, J. H. Wolf.
Sullivan—T. M. Roper, E. E. Simpson, M. B. McCuen.
Waterloo—G. M. Moore, D. C. Smith, M. W. Hill.
Cross Hill—W. B. Fuller, G. M. Hannah, Joe A. Hill.
Hunter—R. P. Adair, R. T. Dunlap, J. L. Crawford.
Clinton—J. T. Robertson, R. Z. Wright, George A. Copeland.
Jack's—J. I. Young, J. A. Jones, D. W. Mason.
Scuffletown—M. A. Sumner, W. M. Meyers, A. Y. Thompson.

Fill Up the Old Wells.
Mr. John Brownlee of the Gray Court section had a good horse to fall in an old well a few days ago. The horse's neck was broken by the fall.

A household necessity—Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Heals burns, cuts, wounds of all sorts; cures sore throat, croup, catarrh, asthma; never fails.

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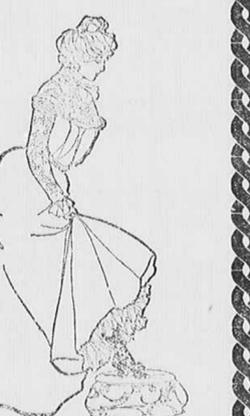
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STATE AND GENERAL NEWS.

The impeachment trial of Judge Swaine before the Senate was concluded on Monday. He was acquitted.

Thomas F. Riley of Greenwood is dead. He was the general proprietor of Riley's Hotel and pleasantly known all over the state.

President Roosevelt has issued a proclamation convening the Senate in special session at 12 o'clock M. on March 4th.

The U. S. Senate has passed a bill authorizing the secretary of war to return Union and Confederate flags to the States of the regiments by which they were borne in the war between the Sections.

Gen. Miles has made public the letter which Mrs. Jefferson Davis wrote him, and which he claims exonerates him from all charges of harsh treatment toward President Davis. The letter which he publishes is as follows:

"Fort Monroe, Va., May 23, 1865.
"Please receive my thanks for your courtesy and kind answers to my questions of this morning (May 23). I cannot quit the harbor without begging you again to look after my husband's health for me.
"Yours very respectfully,
(Signed) "Varina C. Davis."

Instead of excusing him the letter condemns him as undertaking to place the wife of the Confederate chieftain in a false position.

AT OPERA HOUSE FRIDAY NIGHT.

The Great Maud Muller Company Supporting Miss Beulah Thompson.

The beautiful pastoral play, "Maud Muller," which will be presented at the City Opera House, Friday, March 3rd, will no doubt prove to be the banner attraction of the season. Every school boy or girl has read Whittier's beautiful poem on which the play is founded. Miss Beulah Thompson, the popular little actress who will appear with the "Maud Muller Company" in the title role of "Maud," is said to be a great beauty and an accomplished little actress. She will render some choice, up-to-date songs during the play. She was especially engaged for the part of "Maud Muller" several months ago.

There will be special scenery, etc., and the costuming is said to be magnificent. Miss Thompson will be supported by the following strong company, all well-known artists in their respective lines:

Mr. Charles Hylott, late leading man with Proctor's Stock Company, Montreal, Can.; Seth Smith, the well-known character-actor; L. D. Blondel, an old-time popular favorite; Miss Esther Farquharson, Miss Marie Davis, Mr. Robert Dudley, and others, are in the cast, making one of the very best productions now on tour.

This great Play will be at the City Opera House on Friday, March 3rd.

V.-C. Company Helps.

President Morgan, of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company, has sent President Jordan, of the Southern Cotton Growers' Association, a check for \$1,000.00. In the letter accompanying the check, Mr. Morgan states that the interests of his company are closely allied to those of the agriculturists of the South, and that he was willing to aid in any cause that had for its object their material advancement.

Death of Mrs. Little.
CLINTON, Feb. 27. — Mrs. Maggie Little of this place died on Saturday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. J. McMahan in Greenville. The remains were brought here yesterday, the burial taking place immediately after the arrival of the train. She leaves three daughters, Miss Minnie Little of Clinton, Mrs. Gregory of Alabama and Mrs. McMahan of Greenville, besides a large family of relatives.

Mrs. Emma Glenn and Mr. Dave Little of Spartanburg attended the funeral.

The Greenville News has published an interview from an unnamed citizen of that city who attended the recent cotton growers' convention in Columbia and who now asserts that the meeting was full of politics and dominated by politicians. Without passing on the propriety of publishing stuff of this sort, which is likely to injure the farmers' efforts to help themselves, it may be safely guessed that the gentleman who did this talking to the Greenville News has not a superior in that town when it comes to playing politics on the cotton market.—The State.

25-CENT COLUMN.

FOR SALE—Albemarle Seed Corn at \$1.25 per bushel. W. D. Pyles, Mountville, S. C.

FOR SALE—A Cow fresh in milk. Apply to Mrs. Janie C. Clarke, Laurens, S. C.

WANTED—The good farmers to know that I can sell them Anderson Phosphate and Oil Company's high grade Fertilizers; also other good brands' phone me. E. W. Copeland, Laurens, S. C.

LOST—Double Case Gold Watch, Ladies' size. Liberal reward to finder. W. B. Knight, Laurens, S. C.

STRAYED—A Large Newfoundland Dog. Answers to name of Rob. Last seen in the Tumbling Shoals neighborhood. Information of him or his return will be rewarded. Mrs. W. H. Martin, Laurens, S. C.

LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN—One mouse colored horse mule, fifteen hands high, four years old, has letter "F" on left jaw. C. S. Fuller, Laurens, S. C.

STRAYED—A small Berkshire Sow, about Feb. 1. Suckled pigs recently. Any information will be appreciated by me. R. Calhoun Wallace, Alma, S. C.

STATE CONVENTION MET IN COLUMBIA.

Every County Sends a Delegation.

THE PLAN OF ACTION

Officers Elected, Committees Appointed, Resolutions Adopted, and Adjourned With Interest Unabated.

The Cotton Growers' Convention, which met in Columbia on the 21st ult., was attended by farmers, bankers and other business men interested in the price of cotton.

The meeting was held in the House of Representatives, and every delegate seemed to have the success of the movement at heart.

The Association was permanently organized by the election of E. D. Smith as permanent Chairman and President; H. B. Tindall, of Greenville, Vice-President; F. H. Hyatt, of Columbia, as Treasurer, and F. H. Western, of Columbia, as Secretary.

Messrs. E. D. Smith, the President, and W. S. Lipscomb, of Gaffney, were made members of the National Executive Committee.

Two delegates from each county composed the committee on rules. (W. L. Gray and J. H. Wharton were from Laurens.)

The committee on resolutions submitted the following, which were adopted:

First. The reduction in acreage to be planted in cotton during the present year, as contrasted with that of 1904, by 25 per cent.

Second. A like reduction in fertilizer for cotton.

To these two points your committee insists that there shall be no exception, either directly or indirectly, and they shall be requisites for membership in the Association.

Third. The firm holding of cotton now on hand and to judiciously market, in accordance with plans now before the Convention.

Fourth. The increasing by every means within our power of the enlarged market for our cotton products.

The committee further recommends that our farmers and ginners co-operate with the agricultural department at Washington in obtaining correct statistics of cotton production and consumption.

All other questions we recommend to the State executive committee.

Mr. F. H. Hyatt, as Chairman of the Finance Committee, made a report as follows:

First. That each and every farmer be assessed ten cents per head horse or mule worked on his or her farm each year.

Second. That this Convention respectfully asks that each and every fertilizer company selling fertilizers in this State be asked to contribute ten cents per each ton sold.

Third. That each and every person now holding cotton be assessed ten cents per bale.

Fourth. We recommend that this money be collected by each county organization and sent to the State Treasurer of this organization not later than the 15th of March.

Fifth. That each County Chairman collect this amount at once and remit same to the Treasurer of State Finance Committee.

The report was much discussed, and finally passed by a vote of 89 to 78. At this stage Mr. Hyatt suggested that there was nothing for the Finance Committee to do but resign. Mr. W. L. Gray, of Laurens, thought that the vote should be reconsidered, and this was done. He then moved that report of Finance Committee be adopted, and that it be amended so that assessment be made five cents instead of ten cents. The clause regarding the assessment of cotton now on hand should be stricken out.

Mr. Ellerbe offered as a substitute that the fertilizer companies pay five cents per ton and that no per assessment be made.

Mr. Johnson wanted to know why this was not offered forty years ago. The substitute was adopted. The assessment made bill on the basis of fertilizer sold in 1904, which was the largest made in the history of the State, and in addition to this there is an initiation fee of 25 cents for each farmer.

It was decided to wire President Roosevelt a vote of thanks for his reception of delegates of the Cotton Association.

Col. Johnstone wanted to know how much money the Finance Committee needed and for what purposes. This was discussed but not settled. The matter of fixing bonds and salaries was left to the Executive Committee.

Mr. J. A. Banks offered a resolution that negro farmers be asked to help the movement.

J. E. Smith, of Lee, was the only negro delegate present.

It was decided that the constitution covered the ground.

The salaries of the officers, as fixed by the Executive Committee, are as follows: President, \$1,000 per annum; Treasurer, \$600 per annum, and Secretary, \$300 per annum. It was also decided to make the bond of the Treasurer, as provided by the by-laws, \$10,000.

Dial Township.
Notice is hereby given that a meeting will be held at Dials church on Saturday, March 4, 1905, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of organizing a Township Cotton Association.