

SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Items of Interest Condensed and Paraphrased for Quick Reading.

Oscar Lewis, Walter Edwards and Butler White, all white, were lodged in the Anderson jail Tuesday for assaulting the chain gang guards.

Mr. B. F. Holman, of Aiken, is a candidate for a position on the board of penitentiary directors.

George Thomas, a negro wanted for murder in Columbia, has been arrested in Savannah.

Division Chief Grady and Constables Ogg, Pegues and Harling seized eleven barrels of contraband corn whiskey at Cheraw on Saturday. This whiskey was being floated down the Pee Dee river from North Carolina.

Oscar M. Massey, a prosperous citizen of Chester, was found dead in the gutter near his home Tuesday morning. No marks of violence were found on his body and the doctors who made an examination stated that death was due to heart disease.

The barn and stables of B. W. Davis, of Fairfax, were burned Monday by a spark from a Seaboard Air Line engine.

The monument to be erected to the memory of the late N. G. Gonzales is now being built by the McNeal Marble Company, of Gainesville, Ga. It will have a height of 40 feet and will be built of selected Winnsboro granite.

A company has been organized in Conway to establish a furniture factory.

One of the most destructive fires in the history of Union broke out in the work shop of the Bailey Lumber and Manufacturing company, at 1:30 o'clock Wednesday. The total loss is about \$38,000.

Two tenant dwelling houses belonging to W. R. Barringer and one to Thomas Sweet, Florence, were destroyed by fire at midnight Tuesday night.

Jim Wilson, a negro employe, met a horrible death at the Chester Oil Mills Tuesday night. His arm was caught in the bolting, carrying him up and winding his body around the shafting. His neck and legs were broken in several places and his head was beaten to a jelly against the ceiling. The coroner's jury found a verdict that he came to his death by his own carelessness.

The Bennettsville Cotton Oil Mill and Ginnery were burned Wednesday afternoon. The fire caught in the lint room about 12:30, about the time the Bennettsville and Cheraw train came in, and it is thought that it was fired by a spark from the locomotive. The fire was twice stopped for two hours by brick walls but the intense heat of burning oil finally burst through. The mill was owned by the Southern Cotton Oil Company and was worth about \$100,000. About 2,000 tons of meal were burned. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

Col. D. K. Norris died Sunday at a hospital in Baltimore where he had gone to undergo an operation for appendicitis. Colonel Norris was a member of the board of trustees of Clemson college and one of the most prominent citizens of the state. He was originally from Orangeburg county, but moved to Anderson several years ago and took a prominent part in politics in that section of the state at one time.

The railroad commissioners have adopted an important resolution offered by Commissioner Caughman in regard to complaints received by that body. The board has decided that it will, upon any invitation from any board of trade or commercial organization from any town, visit that town and hold hearings upon any complaint that might be made. As a result an invitation has been received from Greenville along this line and has been accepted by the commission.

Fire broke out in the cotton mill village in Lancaster Thursday, destroying three cottages before the flames were checked. The operatives occupying the buildings saved the greatest part of their effects. The loss of the mill company is covered by insurance.

In the court of general sessions for Greenville county John B. Waldrop was found guilty of the murder of Samuel Maddox, the jury recommending mercy. Waldrop is a well known farmer.

The cotton house of County Auditor Sondley of Abbeville burned at 1 o'clock Thursday morning. Two bales of cotton were consumed. A negro man slept in the house, and escaped by breaking through the weatherboarding. It was probably an accident.

The tobacco acreage in Darlington county will probably be double this year to what it was last. This will make about the right size crop for a county which plants both cotton and tobacco.

A passenger of the Clyde steamer Arapahoe, enroute from Jacksonville to New York, jumped overboard while the vessel was in her dock, in Charleston Friday. It is thought with suicidal intent. The man first threw his watch and then his pistol into the water and climbed the rail and followed these articles. The immersion in the cold water soon brought him to his senses and he offered no objections to the

rescue by the crew of the vessel, who lowered a life boat and went after him immediately upon his rash act.

The \$2,000 residence of Mr. A. H. Miller, near Greers, was burned Friday.

The work on the new railroad from Conway to Marion and Sumter is still progressing. The surplus debris not used in grading is being hauled across the river and is dumped in the trestling in the swamp, on the Conway sea-shore end.

Mr. Weinberg, of Ridgeland, has determined to begin a cigar manufacturing business at Beaufort.

The associated railways of Virginia and the Carolinas have announced a reduced rate of one and one-third fare plus 25 cents from all points in South Carolina and Augusta on account of meeting of the South Carolina Live Stock association in Columbia on February 15-17.

Oscar Lewis, Butler White and Walter Edwards, three young white men arrested in Anderson a few days ago on a charge of assault and riot, were given a preliminary hearing Thursday before Magistrate Snipes. Their cases were sent up to the higher court. All gave bond for their appearance and were released.

Three cars for the Anderson street railway system have arrived and they will be put into use next week. A portion of the system is completed, the power house is ready for use and the electric connections have been made.

Mr. Amzi Steele, one of the oldest and most highly respected citizens of Rock Hill, died Thursday morning after an illness resulting from advanced age. He was in his 77th year.

Ed Foster, a colored plasterer and bricklayer, had his right leg crushed by a freight train in the railroad yard at the Columbia union station Friday.

John Estes, colored, of Columbia, was shot in the face by his brother, Sam Estes, about 5 o'clock Friday afternoon.

J. R. Couch, a well known citizen of Spartanburg, was sent to jail Friday for contempt of the court of Magistrate A. H. Kirby. A case was in progress in this court in which Couch was suing J. N. Gurley for three months' rent of a show case and damage by a glass of the show case having been broken. Gurley contended that he had bargained to buy the show case for \$3.00 and had already paid 50 cents on the transaction, but after several months' time Mr. Couch wanted more for the piece of property, and he decided to let him have it back. The court found a verdict for Mr. Gurley, and after it had been rendered, Mr. Couch stated in open court that Gurley had testified point blank lies, and also several of his witnesses. Magistrate Kirby told him not to repeat his offensive language in the court, but this Couch did, and he was fined \$2. After a while he again denounced Gurley's testimony as a point blank lie, and the fine was made \$4. Couch was given the alternative of paying the \$4 or remaining in jail one day. He chose the confinement.

Congressman Lever has secured an amendment to the agricultural appropriation bill making \$5,000 immediately available for the investigation of the rice blight in this state.

Ten years at hard labor in the penitentiary was the sentence imposed upon Joe Wade by Judge Gage on the charge of wife beating at the closing session of court at Monck's Corner Friday.

Congressman Legare of Charleston has accepted an invitation to make two speeches upon the south and its industries in Michigan next week.

A man who gives his name as Will Allison has been arrested near Rockingham, N. C., for the murder of Maude Allen in Columbia last August. The arrest was made at the instance of C. B. Quick, of Columbia.

Judge Gary and Solicitor Boggs are determined to clear up the Greenville county criminal docket at this term of court, and in order to do this effectively court will continue three weeks. There are more than 100 criminal cases for trial and included are about a dozen murder cases.

Sassistry at Lumber.

Quite an enjoyable entertainment was given by Mrs. J. Sam Ard of Cat Island last Friday evening in honor of Mr. J. R. Daniel and Mr. V. Varcoe. Music, refreshments and dancing were the social features of the event. Mr. Varcoe's fingering of the banjo is something wonderful. He was the winner of the first prize, a sack of seed oats. The second prize, a string of red pepper, was carried away by Mr. J. R. Daniel, whose handling of the mouth harp and accordion was wonderfully touching. In fact he moved his audience to tears. The "slow drag" was excellently executed by Mr. A. M. King who was presented with a peck of sweet potatoes.—Lumber correspondent Darlington News.

Washington, Jan. 28.—The Little resolution for the investigation of the steel trust by the department of commerce and labor was unanimously adopted by the house today.

THE DOING OF SOCIETY FOLK—WHAT THEY FIND TO MAKE THE TIME PASS PLEASANTLY.

The Ladies' Social club was entertained on Wednesday afternoon by Mrs. R. L. Temple at the residence of Mrs. Mikell. Progressive whist was played and the first prize, a silk work bag, was won by Mrs. W. H. Ingram. Mrs. F. M. Spann drew the consolation prize, a deck of cards, while Mrs. D. J. Winn, having a score of 1, was given the booby, a miniature deck of cards. Salad and hot chocolate were served. The presence of a gentleman at the meeting was a decided innovation and added much to the pleasure of the ladies. Those present were: Mesdames W. H. Ingram, H. M. Stuckey, D. J. Winn, J. M. Knight, F. M. Spann, E. K. Coyner, Agnes Bogin, Hubert Osteen, Geo. D. Shore, S. C. Baker, S. H. Edmunds, J. L. Alnut, Perry Moses, Misses Moneta Osteen, Janie Mikell, Minnie Moses, Isabel Mays, Kate Moses and Mr. W. H. Ingram.

Mrs. Geo. D. Shore gave a delightful luncheon to a number of her friends on Thursday morning. Mrs. H. M. Stuckey and Miss Kate Furman entertained the guests with music until 1 o'clock when lunch was served. The dining room was decorated and four small tables were set. The place cards were white and gold with appropriate quotations to be filled out and the souvenirs were bouquets of white hyacinths, heliotrope and ferns. The lunch was served in three courses—oysters, salad and ice cream and cake with wine and was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Those present were Mesdames R. D. Lee, R. I. Manning, Vaughn, Thos. Childs, Mark Reynolds, H. H. Covington, Hubert Osteen, Nina Solomons, F. M. Spann, S. C. Baker, S. H. Edmunds, George Dick, T. H. Clark, H. M. Stuckey and Miss Kate Furman.

The Thursday Evening club met with Miss Marguerite Cromer at the residence of Mrs. Hubert Osteen on West Hampton avenue. After playing Progressive whist until 11 o'clock the prizes were awarded to Miss Jessie Moise and Mr. E. S. Carson for the highest scores and Dr. F. K. Holman for the lowest. They were two fancy deck of cards, a copy of "The Clansman," and a pocket knife, respectively. The score cards were especially pretty, dainty little white cards, decorated with hand painted flowers. Oyster cocktail, crackers, olives, cake and punch were served before the club adjourned to meet with Miss Theo Lopez.

Those present were: Misses Jessie Moise, Lydia Lee, Ella DeLorme, Moneta Osteen, Edith Duvall, Rosie Cooper, Theo Lopez, May Brock, Isabel Mays, and Messrs. F. C. Manning, F. G. A. Lemmon, E. S. Carson, W. S. Graham, Raymond Shelor, L. C. Moise, Edward Haynsworth, Hugh Haynsworth and Drs. F. K. Holman and W. B. Alford.

BRADSTREET'S REVIEW.

Cold Weather and Low Price of Cotton Has Caused Much Depression in the South.

New York, Jan. 27.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say:

Inclement weather has retarded distributive trade, railway traffic and some forms of production throughout a wide area. The result is some irregularity in the reports from different sections. The northwest sends relatively the best reports in advices that spring business is in excess of a year ago, and it is to be noted that the southwest shows an improvement over recent rather depressed conditions. The cold weather, however, has accentuated the dullness at the south, growing out of lower cotton prices and brought business and collections down to a low ebb as compared with the exceedingly prosperous conditions ruling a year ago at this time.

Industry still leads distribution in activity. The volume of new buying in iron is light, but specifications are coming out freely and current production is above the maximum. Seasonal influences affect sales of lumber, but that industry is in a very strong position in the northwest.

The southern lumber and naval stores industry shows general improvement, and even in the Pacific northwest there are signs of reaction. In distributive trade the backwardness of cotton goods is still a feature, but signs of improvement are seen here. Business failures for the week ending Jan. 26 number 228 against 242 in the like week a year ago.

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GOSSIP OF NATIONAL CAPITAL.

TRUST CONTROL OF CONGRESS EVIDENT.

Measures That Would Benefit the Taxpayers by Controlling the Trusts and Curtailing Their Power to Rob the Public Is Being Tangled.

Washington, Jan. 24.—The complete domination of congress by the extreme protectionists has been strikingly illustrated during the past week, when the Ways and Means committee has been conducting hearings on the bill urged by both the president and the secretary of war, and which provides that but 25 per cent. of the Dingley tariff shall be collected on sugar and tobacco imported from the Philippines and that other imports from the Philippines shall be admitted free. The president urged this legislation in his message as essential to the welfare of the archipelago and Secretary Taft has haunted the halls of congress trying to impress their duty in the matter on members of the lower house, but the fact that "hearings" have been held is regarded as indicating the unwillingness of the leaders to permit the passage of the bill. The fear that some protected interest, and particularly the sugar trust, may suffer, is leading such prominent Republicans as Dalzell, Grosvenor and others to oppose the measure and its chances in the house are indeed slim, while in the senate they are nil.

The course of certain members of congress believed to be controlled by railroads is being watched with extreme interest by those who espouse the cause of the people versus the great common carrier monopolies. The president has made it so plain that no member of congress can be in doubt as to his duty regarding the railway rate question. The small shipper needs the protection of the American government against the rebates and discrimination which have built up the great trusts of the country by methods conceived and first practiced by the Standard Oil Company and since then adopted by every successful trust. Despite these facts, however, there seems to be a set determination to prevent adequate legislation and the opposition is developing in most insidious form. Astute members of congress are resorting to their favorite tactics and less wise members are making their usual blunders.

The uninitiated senator or representative takes it for granted that the best way to kill a bill, or defeat a policy, is to speak against it and vote against it. Not so the initiated. He appreciates the danger of such a course where the bill or policy commands popular respect and he therefore poses as its friend, but he is too solicitous. With a determination to secure "full and complete and accurate knowledge on the subject" he persists in bringing in witnesses who take up the time of the committee having the measure in charge, until it becomes too late in the session for action. This is called "strangling in committee," and is the favorite method of Senator Elkins, Representative Dalzell, General Grosvenor and similar "statesmen." Another practice especially with measures of national importance and affecting the railroads, is to amend the bill with the professed purpose of rendering it unconstitutional so that after the government has pressed it in the courts at great cost of money and time it will fall before the supreme court of the United States. These are the methods employed by the astute statesmen, but they have still another to fall back on. As a last resort, they excite the radicals in congress to a pitch of enthusiasm which utterly beclouds their better judgment and leads them to insist on such extreme legislation as to insure ultimate defeat for the measure which they have been instrumental in amending.

All of these methods will be employed before the opposition will allow the remedial legislation urged by the president to be placed on the statutes. The friends of the administration, and the Democrats, will exercise the utmost vigilance to prevent the success of any of these methods without a complete exposure of the perpetrator, whoever he may be. Of course, a majority will rule in any event, but it is regarded as almost as important that the snakes in the grass be exposed to the public gaze as that the legislation itself be enacted, as such exposure will insure the ultimate success of the legislative policy.

The indications are that the Statehood bill, in which no one is particularly interested, other than Senator Beveridge, who is prompted by motive of personal pride, will fail of enactment at this session. It seems certain that the Democrats in the senate will vote solidly against it and a considerable number of Republicans will either vote against it or absent themselves if a day is fixed for a vote. In the opinion of the Democratic leaders it is held that the only hope that is ahead of the measure is that it may be shorn of all provisions referring to Arizona and New Mexico and then passed, so that it will have the effect

of creating a single State out of the territories of Oklahoma and Indian Territory.

Decency and good order have triumphed in the house of representatives and articles have been adopted impeaching Judge Charles Swayne of the Northern District of Florida. There is some slight question as to whether the senate will hear the case this session but the leading lawyers in the upper chamber believe they should do so and their views will probably prevail. This will be the first impeachment case heard by the senate since the impeachment of Secretary of War Belknap in 1876. The decision of the house to impeach was a noteworthy triumph for the Democrats, Speaker Cannon and other Republican leaders having exerted their utmost influence to save Swayne from trial, despite the fact that it was unanimously admitted that he had falsified his expense accounts and that it was generally believed that he had been guilty of other and more serious offenses.

YELLOW JACK ON WARSHIP.

United States Cruiser Boston Arrives at Panama With Seven Cases of Yellow Fever.

Washington, Jan. 27.—The state department has received two dispatches from Consul General Guger at Panama City reporting the outbreak of yellow fever on the cruiser Boston, which arrived at that port yesterday from one of the coast ports of Panama. The Japanese messenger, he reports, died yesterday morning and Paymaster Rackett, Lieutenant Leiby and Dr. Kuhlaus, have mild attacks. There are seven cases altogether. The department has ordered the vessel to proceed anywhere that Captain Miles might deem best to stamp out the disease.

WILL MEET IN ASHEVILLE.

Another Meeting of Cotton Growers to Be Held August 15.

New Orleans, Jan. 28.—The executive committee of the Interstate Cotton Growers' association had two meetings yesterday to perfect the final plans of the organization. At the night session the officers of the association were re-elected. A general meeting of the whole Southern Cotton association was called for Asheville, N. C., on August 15.

New York, Jan. 28.—William H. Hunt, president of the Pan-American Banking Company, of Chicago, who mysteriously disappeared several days ago, was arrested in this city at a late hour last night. The arrest was made at the request of the chief of police of Chicago, who said Hunt was wanted there on the charge of embezzlement.

Straight Facts.

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Berlin, Jan. 27.—Prince Eitel Frederic, Kaiser William's second son, who is ill with inflammation of the lungs, is worse. He passed a bad night and had high fever. The inflammation has extended to the greater part of his left lung. The empress was at his bedside all night.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the health of the people of this county is in imminent danger and must be taken care of. It has been decided, that every precaution be taken to prevent prolonged cases of pneumonia, grippe, etc. The best thing to do is to give a good cough mixture as soon as the cough starts. Get MURRAY'S HOREHOUND, MALLEIN AND TAR. Only 25c. a bottle. At all druggists.

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA. COUNTY OF SUMTER.

By Thos. V. Walsh, Esq., Probate Judge. Whereas, Isaac M. Nichols, made suit to me to grant him Letters of Administration with the Will annexed of the Estate of and effects of Mary E. Holladay, deceased. These are therefore to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said Mary E. Holladay, late of said county and state, deceased, that they be and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Sumter, C. H., on February 8th, 1905, next, after publication thereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said Administration should not be granted. Given under my Hand, this 25th day of January, A. D. 1905. THOS. V. WALSH, Judge of Probate.

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