

The Watchman and Southron.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 1907.

The Sunter Watchman was founded in 1850 and the True Southron in 1866. The Watchman and Southron now has the combined circulation and influence of both of the old papers, and is manifestly the best advertising medium in Sumter.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Subscribers are requested to examine the label on their papers, which show the date to which the subscription has been paid. Those who find that they are in arrears are requested to call and settle or remit at the earliest convenient date. The amount that each subscriber owes is small, but in the aggregate the amount due us for subscription is quite large—and we need the money.

COMPLETE TIE UP.

Telegraph Operators All Over the Country Go On a Strike.

The telegraph strike is now so wide spread that practically all telegraph business throughout the country is suspended.

The local offices of both the Postal and Western Union are neither receiving nor sending any messages. The operators in the Postal walked out Sunday morning and the Western Union quit Monday.

The operators in New York, Washington, Augusta, Columbia, Wilmington, Charleston, Savannah, Atlanta, Nashville and practically all other large cities are out and the operators in the smaller towns are striking in sympathy with the others. Not a message is being handled in this section, and in the larger cities where a few non-union operators are at work but a fraction of the business is being handled.

The Daily Item is cut off from press service, not a message having been received today.

The strike may be of long duration, or may end at any moment. At present both sides express a determination to fight it out to a finish.

Weekly Weather Bulletin.

For the week ending 8 a. m., Aug. 12, 1907:

The week had moderate temperatures, ample sunshine, nearly normal relative humidity and scattered showers occurred on one to four days.

The daily mean temperatures were below the normal at the beginning and at the close of the week; they were above normal during the middle portion with maximum temperatures of 90 degrees, or above, over practically the entire State. The extremes were 100 at Blackville on the 8th and 55 at Greenville on the 9th. The weekly mean temperature was nearly normal.

The rainfall was excessive in a few places in the eastern and north central portions, and was generally light in the western division, though a few places in the extreme western portions had amounts in excess of one inch. The heaviest rainfall for the week was 4.15 inches at Society Hill. The average precipitation for the State was below the normal.

Severe thunderstorms occurred on the 9th over the whole State, and they were accompanied by destructive winds and by light hail in places. The greatest damage was noted in the northwestern counties.

SOLICITOR WILSON RESIGNS.

Sent Letter to Gov. Ansel on Saturday.—Resignation Takes Effect August 20th.

Hon. John S. Wilson, of Manning, on Saturday sent the governor his resignation as solicitor of the 3d judicial circuit, which is caused by his election at the last session of the general assembly as judge of his circuit to succeed Judge R. O. Purdy. The resignation of Judge Purdy takes effect on September 1, at which time Solicitor Wilson will be duly sworn in as judge of the circuit of which he has for nearly 20 years been the efficient and fearless solicitor. He has made his resignation as solicitor effective August 20, so that the governor can appoint his successor in time to take the office on the first of September or earlier. Mr. Wilson has had a desperate illness since his election as judge, but has recovered, and his friends expect soon to see him preside with that learning and ability which he has prosecuted for so long a time.

There has been a number of lawyers suggested as possible appointees to the office of solicitor, but, of course, it is not yet known who will be the lucky man. The 3d circuit comprises the counties of Sumter, Florence, Williamsburg, Clarendon and Lee. The appointment is by the governor for the unexpired term, subject to the senate's ratification.

Judge Wilson's resignation was tendered in the following letter to Gov. Ansel:

Manning, S. C., Aug. 10, 1907. To His Excellency, M. F. Ansel, Governor, Columbia, S. C.—Dear Sir:

Having been elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Hon. R. O. Purdy as judge of the 3d judicial circuit of this State, I hereby tender my resignation as solicitor of said circuit to take effect on the 20th of August instant.

Yours very respectfully, John S. Wilson.

DANCE AT STATEBURG.

Cherry Vale the Scene of an Enjoyable Social Event.

Stateburg, Aug. 7.—Last night at "Cherry Vale," the home of Mrs. E. N. Frierson, there was given a dance by the young people. Quite a large crowd was present and the dancers made merry with the waltz and two-step until the "wee sma' hours."

Among those present were: Misses Sarah, Janie and Lottie Nelson, Helen, Bettie and Julianne Frierson, Lee and Sarah Moore, Amelia Holmes, Theo, Sarah and Bessie Dargan, Anna and Daisy Burgess, Roberta and Christine Williamson, Mattie Perry and Annie Smith, of Charleston, Hattie Saunders, of Hagood, Emma Frierson and Annie Burgess.

The gentlemen were: Messrs. Gilton Fishburne, Henry Moses, Ransom, Seyman and Deas Richardson, Marshall Wescott and Murray Nelson, of Sumter, Elliott and Burney Thomas, Kenneth and Colin McLaurin, John and Gerald Ryan, of Wedgefield, James Pagan, John Frierson, Nelson Murray, R. M. Cantey, Guy Nelson, Frank Burgess, Eugene James, W. N. Wells, Matt and Henry Moore, Robert Moore, Algie Alston, Frank Saunders, Henry Rembert, Charlie Williamson, John Lee, Marion Platt, Charlie Gaillard and Mr. Hilderbrand, of Hagood.

The chaperones were: Mr. E. F. Holmes, Mrs. E. N. Frierson and Mrs. F. N. McLeod.

Spent Fortune in Vain.

From the New York World.

The Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, trustee under the last will of Catherine Ann Ten Eyck, who died in 1893, is seeking to have the estate partitioned. Alfred C. Cowen, of 203 Broadway, is opposing it on behalf of eight defendants, who contest the will of Mary E. Shaw, one of the legatees under the Ten Eyck will. The contest has brought out a strange story of squandered money, hallucinations and the futile effort of a colored woman to break into European society.

Mrs. Ten Eyck was a mulatto. Her husband, who had been a servant of the old Dutch Ten Eycks, accumulated as a caterer \$150,000 before the civil war. He was accounted the wealthiest colored man in the north.

Among Mrs. Ten Eyck's servants was Mary E. Shaw, to whom she left her estate.

In possession of property, Mary Shaw announced that she was fitted for higher society than that of Minnetta Lane and Macdonald street; that she was, in fact, a queen, and would have to go to Europe to be recognized.

Lawyer Owen says that Mary spent not far from \$100,000 in storming the citadels of fashion in London, Paris, Berlin and Vienna, but the citadels remained intact, and Mary returned to America broken up in health. She made a will, bequeathing \$50 to her husband, John William A. Shaw, and the remainder of the trust estate to friends, relatives, the Tuskegee Institute and other institutions.

A new contrivance, likely to be of great service in eye diagnosis, is reported by the Academy of Science. Dr. Fortin has discovered that the light from a mercury vapor lamp, passing through two sheets of blue glass and reflected into the eye by a large lens, reveals the internal condition infinitely better than the ordinary white light. By placing a screen with a pinhole between the light and the eye a magnified image of the vessels at the back of the retina, which has been, hitherto almost invisible, has been obtained. The capillary veins, the diameter of which is only two-thousandths of a millimeter, are seen to distend with each heartbeat, and it is even possible to count the blood globules.—Paris Cable N. Y. Times.

Unlucky Monday and Friday.

From New York Evening Post. In the hearts and minds of the superstitious, Friday is in danger of being replaced by Monday morning. In many lines of trade the employees are afraid of Monday morning.

"So strong is the feeling against it in this business," remarked the manager of a clothing establishment, "that I have had work to get anybody to wait on the first Monday morning customer. The clerks seem possessed of the idea that bad luck for the whole week is bound to be the portion of the one who makes the first Monday sale, and each tries to shift the early caller over to the other. Sometimes to relieve the tension I wait on the first customer in this department myself, and so give everybody a fair start. Proceeding on the same principle, waiters in restaurants next shy of the first Monday breakfast, barbers and bootblacks

Sale of Unclaimed and Refused Freight

By the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company.

Sumter, South Carolina, July 24, 1907.

By authority of F. C. A., I will offer for sale on August 23, at 10 A. M., 1907, the following refused and unclaimed freight. No guarantee as to quality and condition.

J. A. Huske, R. A.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE R. R.

Table listing freight items for Atlantic Coast Line R.R. including items like Lake City, Eastover, Walterboro, etc., with quantities and descriptions.

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NORTHWESTERN RAILROAD.

Table listing freight items for Northwestern Railroad including items like Summerton, Camden, etc., with quantities and descriptions.

C. N. & L. RAILROAD.

Table listing freight items for C. N. & L. Railroad including items like Newberry, Columbia, Clinton, etc., with quantities and descriptions.

shun the first stubby beard and rusty shoes, and public stenographers, who work by the piece, dread the first letter."

Ice Cream Festival.

An ice cream festival will be given by the ladies of Hebron Church, at Pineville, the residence of Mr. W. E. Dick, near Heriots, on the evening of Tuesday, August 20th, from 4.30 to 8 o'clock, for the benefit of the Hebron Presbyterian Church.

THE CONFEDERATE HOME COLLEGE FOR GIRLS.

with Preparatory Department, 62 Broad street, Charleston, S. C. Session of 1907-1908, begins Tuesday, October 1, 1907. Students are required to report at the College to the matron on that date. One hundred and fifty dollars covers cost of board, uniforms, medical attendance and tuition in English, Latin, French and Drawing for term of nine months. Music, Stenography and Typewriting extra. The department of Belle-Lettres will be under the charge of Prof. Hugh Swinton McGillicuddy. The faculty will be increased by the addition of Miss Susana King Mazyck, of Radcliffe College. For particulars apply to Mrs. J. T. Hill, President Board of Control, 199 Logans street, Mrs. S. G. Stony, Chairman School Committee, 181 St. Philip street. Prof. P. B. Winn, B. S. C. E., Columbia University, Professor of Physics and Chemistry, Mrs. W. Branford Frost, 22 South Battery, Corresponding Secretary. HARRIET F. RONAN, Principal.

Master's Sale. Master's Sale. Master's Sale.

By virtue of a decree of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, in the State of South Carolina, in the case of Marion Moise against Silas White, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the Court House in the city of Sumter, in the county and State aforesaid, on sale day in September, 1907, being the second day of said month, at the usual hours of sale, the following described real estate, to wit: "All that tract of land in Sumter county, in said State, containing five acres, more or less, bounded on the north by land of Sarah Wilson, east by DesChamps' Mill, south by land now or formerly of January Durant, and west by land of Conyers White." Terms of sale cash. Purchaser to pay for papers. H. FRANK WILSON, Master. Aug. 6, 1907—4t.

By virtue of a decree of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, in the State of South Carolina, in the case of Rebecca H. Moise against Henry Ruyford and A. A. Strauss, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the Court House in the city of Sumter, in the county and State aforesaid, on sale day in September, 1907, being the second day of said month, at the usual hours of sale, the following described real estate, to wit: "All that lot of land in said county of Sumter, in said State, being lot No. 6 on Block C, on a map of villa sites made by H. D. Moise, surveyor, on October 30th, 1903, said lot measuring one hundred and fifty feet on its northern and southern lines, and fifty feet on its eastern and western lines, and being bounded as follows: On the north by lot No. 4 on Block C, east by Orange street, south by lot No. 8 of Block C, and on the west by lot No. 5 on Block C." Terms of sale cash. Purchaser to pay for papers. H. FRANK WILSON, Master.

By virtue of a decree of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, in the State of South Carolina, in the case of Marion Moise against J. W. Williams, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the Court House in the city of Sumter, in the county and State aforesaid, on sale day in September, 1907, being the second day of said month, at the usual hours of sale, the following described real estate to wit: "All that lot of land in said county and State, measuring fifty feet by one hundred and fifty feet, being lot No. 9 on a plat made by John R. Haysworth, surveyor, on November 18th, 1901, bounded on the north by Earle street, on the west by lot No. 8 of S. C. Willard, on the east by lot No. 10 of J. E. Whilden, and being the land conveyed to J. W. Williams by C. G. Rowland by deed dated December 31st, 1904." Terms of sale cash. Purchaser to pay for papers. H. FRANK WILSON, Master.