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The Sumter Watchman was founded in 1850 and the True Southron in 1865.

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.

The usual crop of Christmas homilies and accidents has been harvested.

This crop is always irrigated with bores, generally of the blind tiger brand.

Could not arrangements be made to send the Citadel and Clemson cadets to Washington to attend the inauguration of President Wilson.

The expense would not be prohibitive and the boys would have a good time and a great occasion to remember as long as they live.

Gov. Brown of Georgia protests against that State being made the dumping ground of paroled criminals.

But is powerless to interfere with this sort of inter-State commerce.

One small county in Minnesota produces butter and cheese that sell for more than the entire crop of Sumter county, and in addition the same county produces grain, hogs and cattle each year exceeding in value the entire crop of Sumter county.

It costs more to house, feed and care for cattle in Minnesota than it does in South Carolina and that county is well adapted naturally to raising and dairying in this State.

The Minnesota farmers tried to make a living growing one crop—grain—and when they were practically bankrupt and ruin stared them in the face they took up live stock and dairying as a last resort.

Now they are the most prosperous farmers in the country.

Productivity of the farms has been increased that they grow much wheat to the acre as before and they make a profit on grain and live stock.

Good Chinamen make it a point never to pay all debts before the Year.

What a great country we would be if all would adopt that paragraph from the Chinese code of business ethics.

The gentlemen who gather in Columbia, South Carolina to save the State have sent their Jim-swinger coats to the pressing club and are almost ready to move on the Congaree.

We wonder if the legislature will find time during the approaching session to consider the Torrens system of land registration.

We fear not, as this legislation of entirely too constructive a nature to appeal to lawmakers who adore antiquities, such as the present school law and the cumbersome and costly method of transferring and recording land titles.

If the Seaboard Air Line has under serious consideration a plan to extend its lines to Charleston in the near future, the Chamber of Commerce, and the special railroad committee of the organization especially, should take whatever steps are necessary to convince the officials of the Seaboard that the best route is that from Sumter.

There being no election next year to distract attention South Carolina might profitably act on the advice of the late Senator Ingalls to raise more hogs and less hell.

The Florence Times is urging the farmers of that section to plant tobacco.

It is inferred that the advice is that more farmers plant tobacco, not that tobacco farmers plant more tobacco.

The advice is good, for tobacco is a money crop and is harvested and out of the way before cotton picking.

Fine tobacco has been raised in all sections of Sumter county.

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DYNAMITERS ARE GUILTY.

THIRTY-EIGHT LABOR UNION OFFICIALS CONVICTED.

Men Who Conspired to Destroy Property and Kill Non-Union Workmen Must Pay Penalty for Crimes—Attorneys Will Appeal to Higher Court.

Indianapolis, Dec. 28.—The United States government with stern and decisive swiftness, today took into its possession 38 union labor officials convicted of conspiracy in promoting explosions on non-union work throughout the land, of aiding in the destruction which brought loss of life at Los Angeles, Cal., and of carrying on a reign of terror declared to be unparalleled in the history of the country.

Almost the entire executive staff of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers was convicted. Only two officials of that union now remain out of jail. At the head of the list of convicted stands Frank M. Ryan, the president. It was of this union, with 12,000 members, that John J. McNamara was secretary-treasurer while he conducted the dynamitings out of which the present conviction grew.

Today's convictions, coming on a scale unprecedented in a federal court, were an aftermath of the killing of 21 persons in the blowing up of the Los Angeles Times building, October 1, 1910. McNamara and his brother, James B., The Times dynamiter, are convicts in California. Ryan, and his fellow officers are awaiting sentence. Two of those affected were not affiliated with the Iron Workers union, but they were found guilty of joining with the iron workers in promoting the conspiracy.

One of these is Olaf A. Tveitmo of San Francisco, a recognized labor leader on the Pacific coast, the testimony against them was that he aided in causing explosions at Los Angeles, wrote letters about them and referred to them as "Christmas presents" after the fatal Times explosion, and that he aided in concealing evidence wanted in California. He is secretary of the California Building Trades council.

Howard R. Kline of Muncie, Ind., the other member of another union convicted, was formerly an organizer for the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners in Detroit. Another top of the Los Angeles explosion came in the conviction of J. E. Munsey, who was charged by the government with harboring James McNamara for two weeks in Salt Lake City, while that dynamiter was fleeing from the scene of his crime.

Many of those convicted were charged with knowing only of local explosions on the work of constructors who refused to recognize the union, but were thus brought into the general conspiracy.

Ryan, John T. Butler, vice president of the union, Buffalo; Eugene A. Clancy, San Francisco; Frank C. Webb, Michael J. Young, Boston; Phillip A. Cooley, New Orleans; Henry W. Legleitner, Denver, and Chas N. Beum, Indianapolis, were all convicted as having appropriated out of the union funds \$1,000 a month which McNamara paid for explosions.

Herbert S. Hockin, who resigned as secretary of the union a few weeks ago, and branded as the "Iago of the conspiracy," helping to form the conspiracy plots and employing Ortie E. McManigal to carry them out, while afterwards "betraying his fellow conspirators," to promote his own interests, stands among the most prominent of those convicted. He figures almost daily in the testimony.

Sixteen minutes was all the time required by the court to receive the jury, read its verdict of "38 guilty and two not guilty," and dismiss the jurors.

That verdict brought to an end the historic three months' "dynamite conspiracy" trial. It meant, except in the cases of Herman G. Seiffert of Milwaukee and Daniel Buckley of Davenport, Iowa, who were the two men out of 40 to be adjudged not guilty, the government charges about dynamite plots extending over six years have been sustained.

The verdict was handed to the clerk, who read the same as follows:

"We, the jury, find the defendants, Frank M. Ryan, Herbert S. Hockin, Eugene A. Clancy, John T. Butler, Michael J. Young, Henry W. Legleitner, Phillip A. Cooley, Frank C. Webb, Olaf A. Tveitmo, Jack Bright, alias J. Munsey; Edward Smythe, Jeter J. Smith, George Anderson, Michael J. Cunnane, William E. Reddin, John H. Barry, Paul J. Morrin, Ernest G. W. Basy, Fred Sherman, Murray L. Pennell, Michael J. Hannan, William Bernhardt, Edward E. Phillips, Fred Mooney, Chas H. Beum, W. Bert Farrell, William L. McCain, James Cooney, Edward H. Moulton, Wm. Shipps, James Coughlin, Frank J. Higgins, James E. Ray, Charles Wachmeister, Frank J. Murphy, Hiram Kline, guilty as charged in the indictment, and the defendants Daniel Buckley and Herman G. Seiffert,

not guilty as charged in the indictment.

Dare, "Foreman."

May Turn Guilty Over to States.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Attorney General Wickersham will consider the question of turning over to various State authorities the evidence taken at the dynamite trial for such action as local authorities might wish to take toward the prosecution of the convicted men on charges of being accessories to murder.

According to department of justice officials it is possible that sentences for the federal conviction might be suspended until the men were tried in State courts, or after serving part of their sentences, they might then be turned over to the State authorities.

Kern Prepared to Appeal.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Senator Kern, of counsel for the defendants, when told of the verdicts at Indianapolis, declared the cases would be appealed.

"Preparations for the appeal were made in advance," said Senator Kern, "and will be made to the United States circuit court of appeals in the regular way."

Further than that, Senator Kern declined to comment.

Senator Kern does not expect to continue as counsel for the convicted men in the dynamite cases, because of the pressure of his duties in the senate. It was said today that Mr. Kern, when he associated himself with counsel for the defense, did not expect the trial would continue long enough to keep him away from congress.

Death.

Mrs. Sallie Caroline Bryan died early Tuesday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. M. Jenkins, at St. Charles, where she had lived for a number of years. Mrs. Bryan was nearly 81 years of age and had lived in Sumter county all of her life, where she has many friends and relatives. The funeral services will be held at Tirzah Church at Dalzell Wednesday at noon where the interment will take place.

As Miss Jennings she was married in 1854 to the late W. H. Bryan of this county by whom she leaves one son, Mr. W. H. Bryan of St. Charles, and two daughters, Mrs. R. T. Gillespie of Effingham, formerly of Rock Hill, and Mrs. R. M. Jenkins of St. Charles. She is also survived by two brothers, Messrs. L. R. and W. M. Jennings of this city, and one sister, Mrs. Rosa Spain of Providence, and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren throughout the State.

An informal dance was given in the Armory Hall Thursday night which was much enjoyed by a number of the young people of the city.

Some of the merchants report the best holiday trade in years, while others say business was only moderate or dull.

Ruth Helse, aged 8 years, fell forty feet from the Automobile grand stand, Savannah, Ga., Sunday and a short time afterwards was playing as usual, having escaped injury.

Mr. Ashley C. Tobias, of Charleston has declined the position of Assistant Attorney General which was tendered him by Attorney General-elect Thos H. Peoples.

The garment workers of New York have been ordered to strike by union officials. It is expected that 150,000 men, women and children will be idle and the clothing manufactures will be tied up.

Revolutionary General's Uniform.

A Continental uniform more than 100 years old, which was once the property of General Christie of Revolutionary war fame, was one of the interesting relics of the estate of the late Margaret C. Benjamin of Ithaca, N. Y. The uniform is of white broadcloth, with silk and satin waist, knee breeches and satin stockings.

Uses of Nitrate of Soda.

Sodium Nitrate is the only nitrogen salt that can be used in solution, as all the other soluble salts of nitrogen become fixed as soon as they come in contact with the soil. However, they become available in a short time. The released sodium may correct soil acidity or may liberate calcium, potassium or magnesium from the soil.

They Knew—the Little Dear!

With reference to Sir Almoth Wright's opinion that, from a hygienic point of view, washing is an evil, it is interesting to note that children have always shown a wonderful instinct in this respect.

Exquisite British Humor.

"A fox which was hand pressed by the Essex Union bounds entered a house in High street, Billerica, and bolted upstairs into a bedroom. When found," says Punch, "he pretended to be a wolf rehearsing 'Red Riding Hood' for a cinematograph show, but his tale was cut short."

HAWAII'S VOLCANIC INFERNO.

A Peep Into Kilauea's Lake of Brimstone and Fire.

Kilauea, in Hawaii, is a round, extinct crater about three miles across and 700 or 800 feet deep. It has been the scene of terrific explosions in past ages, but it has now dwindled to the small active crater of Halemaumahu which is sunk near the middle of it like a huge pot, 200 or more feet deep and 1,000 feet across.

In the mid-afternoon a party of eight of ten of us on horseback set out to visit the volcano. The trail led down the broken and shelving side of the crater, amid trees and bushes, till it struck the floor of lava at the bottom. Our course took us out over cracked and contorted lava beds, some no green thing was growing, and forms of the lava flow were mailed and writhing dragons, and horrid, gaping mouths and claws. The lava crunched beneath the horses' feet like shelly and jagged. At one point we passed over a jagged crack on a bridge. As we crossed the crater the rocks grew red and sulphur and other fumes came out of the air.

When half a mile from the crater we dismounted and, leaving our horses in charge of the guide, proceeded on foot over the cracked and pitted lava rocks toward the brink of this scalding devil's caldron. The sulphur fumes are so suffocating that a man be approached only on the windward side. The first glance into the fearful pit is all that your imagination can picture. You look upon the traditional lake of brimstone and find it did not seem to appear so flaming about over the surface with phantoms burning their victims as the book says, but frying crullers in the spluttering fat, it would not much surprise you. This liquid is rather thick and black, but it is boiling furiously. Great masses of it are thrown up forty or fifty feet and fall with a crash like that of the surf upon the shore.

The mass of boiling lava is said to be about one and one-half acres in extent. Its surface is covered with large masses of floating black and smooth, like leather or waxed paper, and between these masses, or islands, the molten lava shows in broad, vivid lines. It is never quiet.

Looking upon this scene with the thought of the traditional lake of fire and brimstone of our forefathers in mind, you would say that these black, filthy, boiling masses floating about on the surface were the accumulation of all the bad stuff that had been fried out of the poor sinners since hell was invented. How much wickedness and uncharity and evil thought it would represent if the poor victims were clarified and made pure by the process, then it would seem worth while. John Burroughs in Canada.

Reading the Books.

People about to install new libraries should see who find their books in bad condition will be glad of the advice given on this subject by a writer in L'Espresso (Paris). Glass cases should always be avoided except for a few precious volumes which are especially valued and frequently dusted since the contained atmosphere and lack of ventilation in such book-cases are favorable to the development of germs, insects and mold. "Secondly," adds the Scientific American, "the simple precaution should be taken of placing on the shelves behind the books strips of cloth or funnel moistened with lemon, phenol, tobacco juice or turpentine. These strips give excellent results if renewed from time to time."

One of the Speculations.

A vegetarian engaged a German cook lady not long ago. His wife liked the appearance of the applicant. Her references were good and the wages she demanded not exorbitant.

"I'd like to know you come," said the lady of the house, "but perhaps you won't want to live with us. We are vegetarians and never have any meat in the house. Would you be satisfied with a vegetable diet?"

The fraulein scratched her head. "Well," she said hesitantly, "I'm beer a vegetable?"—Christened in Dealer.

Word Evidences.

Verbal antipathy is not new. Most of us hate the feel, and some of certain words—"virtuous," for instance. Is verbal astigmatism a pretense, too, we wonder? We need only the difference between "subliminal" and "objective," and we have a respect for writers who use their words intelligently. "Ingenious" and "ingenuous" always puzzle us too—especially P. Adams in Metropolitan.

Sharp Tongued German.

Sarah Bernhardt is quoted as having paid her respects to Isabella of Bavaria, consort of Charles VI. of France, in this wise: "It is to her that we owe the invention of the corset, but it was she, too, who sold the half of France to England. There was no crime of which that woman was not capable."

Told Her Why.

"I'd like to know why you hired a young woman for a typewriter?" demanded Mrs. Hilow of her husband. "So I could have some one to dictate to," replied the unhappy man.—New York Sun.

The Way He Put It.

He—I have a compliment for you, dear. She—What is it? He—Mrs. Jones says you have the handsomest husband in town. Life.

Go on and make errors and fall and get up again. Only go on! Brackett.

ADAM AND EVE NOT IN NEW BIBLE.

Should Good Book's Language Be Modernized Again?

Kansas City Star.

The publication last week of a new revised version of the Bible by the American Baptist Publication Society, with headquarters in Philadelphia, has caused a revival of a question over which Biblical students have differed since the first translations from the original Hebrew and Greek texts—should the language of the Bible remain that of the early translations or be modernized?

The new version of the Bible is a revision of the Revised Version, which was published in 1885. It is a revision of the Revised Version, which was published in 1885. It is a revision of the Revised Version, which was published in 1885.

Most noticeable of all changes perhaps are those in the Lord's Prayer. It is shortened, three whole clauses at the end being dropped, and the diction made smoother. "Deliver us from evil" becomes "Deliver us from the evil one," and closes the prayer. Even the customary "Amen" is omitted.