

GOVERNOR'S ANNUAL MESSAGE

NUMBER OF SUGGESTIONS MADE TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Chief Executive Advocates Election of Judges by the People—Former Recommendations Renewed—Various Other Matters.

Columbia, Jan. 15.—The annual message of the governor of South Carolina was sent to the general assembly yesterday and read.

The governor makes the following recommendations:

That a State tax levy of one mill be made for the support of the common schools.

That the name of Clemson college be changed to Calhoun university.

That the hosiery mill at the State penitentiary be abolished.

That the general assembly take some definite action with regard to the cotton mill mergers.

That an act be passed annulling all exclusive franchises heretofore granted in South Carolina and forbidding any exclusive franchise in the future.

That an act be passed requiring all corporations in this State that are using the water powers of the State to pay a tax or license.

That an act be passed reducing the rate of interest in this State to 6 per cent.

That an act be passed prohibiting any bank from charging its regular customers exchange on any draft or check passed through the bank.

That a law be passed prohibiting express companies from charging for returning money collected on C. O. D. packages.

That a law be passed providing for a two cent passenger rate on all railroads in the State.

That the citizens of the Clover section of York county, which was visited by a cyclone during the year, be exempted from taxes for the year.

That the law against carrying concealed weapons be repealed or that it be amended by authorizing the clerk of court of each county to license persons making application to him and upon payment of a fee of \$5 to carry a pistol for a time not to exceed 30 days.

That a law be passed requiring all detectives operating in the State to secure a license from the secretary of State, and that a fee be paid.

That a law be passed making it a misdemeanor for a newspaper editor or reporter or correspondent to publish a false report of the speech of any person who is a candidate for any office.

That the general assembly submit to the people of this State such constitutional amendment or amendments as may be necessary to place the election of all judges—supreme court and circuit—in the hands of the people.

That an act be passed requiring the chief justice of the supreme court to have in his hands the certificate of a physician that any circuit judge who is to be excused from holding courts and another appointed in his place on account of illness, is in such condition that he is unable to hold court, and that no special judge be appointed unless such certificate is held by the chief justice.

The message was printed in pamphlet form and a copy was placed on the desks of the members of the house and senate.

Several pages of the message are devoted to a discussion of the prosperity of the State during the past year. The governor quotes some statistics and comes to the conclusion that much progress has been made along all lines. Last year the governor prepared an article on South Carolina for Leslie's Weekly and this is contained in the report.

Discussing education the governor says that the most serious proposition that confronts the people of the State is the education of the children. He says that the higher institutions of learning are being "most extravagantly supported," while the country schools "are receiving most niggardly support." He says that he wishes to put the general assembly on notice that unless something is done to care for the country schools that "it will take two-thirds of both your houses to get your appropriations through for your State colleges." The governor says that this statement is not a threat.

The governor recommends that an act be passed making the Medical College at Charleston the Medical College of South Carolina and that it be made a branch of the University of South Carolina. "You have a law department; why not a medical department fostered by and under the direct control of the State?" says the governor, discussing the classification of colleges.

Concerning the changing of the name of Clemson college to Calhoun university the governor has the following to say:

"Another reason for this recommendation is that I believe if you will change the name to Calhoun university, this will be a sufficient breach of the Clemson contract to bring a test

suit, and that thereby the State of South Carolina can be released from supporting an institution that is being controlled by outsiders; and then the State can reimburse the Clemson heirs and take charge of Calhoun university, now Clemson college, as a State institution, place it in the hands of its own officials, as it should be placed, and manage and control it. I think it is generally conceded throughout the whole State that the State ought to take entire control of the institution, and not have it conducted independently, as at present, and I believe the action above suggested will bring this about, and I earnestly urge it.

"I am in favor of the institution; I think it is a grand and glorious institution, and that it is doing a magnificent and noble work. If this change would cripple it, I would not even intimate a suggestion that it be made; but I believe that by placing it directly under the control of the State, instead of being crippled, it will be greatly strengthened."

Referring to the hosiery mill at the State penitentiary, the governor says "If you do not abolish it I can not make you. And I am not going to make any threats. I am getting too old for that."

Discussing the board of pardons the governor comes to the conclusion that the members are not amply paid for the work done. He expresses the opinion that the board should "have a respectable salary attached to it so as to place it upon a dignified plane at least."

After calling the attention of the general assembly to his previous charges against the alleged cotton mill mergers the governor says that the Carolina Public Service corporation is a trust and that it is buying ice plants throughout the State for the purpose of controlling the prices of ice. "I thought the attorney general would take some action in regard to these matters, under the law, but nothing has been done, and I now call upon you to take some steps before these corporations have so far stuck their fangs into the people that it will be impossible to get them out," says the governor.

The governor says that he has been hindered in the enforcement of law by several officials, including A. W. Jones, comptroller general of the State. He says the comptroller general has refused to pay warrants presented by several detectives, notably Col. L. M. Green and Rev. C. W. Creighton. The governor asks the legislature for the right to appoint five men to be stationed through the State for the enforcement of law. An appropriation of \$5,000 is asked. The governor asks that it be made mandatory for the comptroller general to pay claims on this fund which are approved by the governor.

Concerning newspaper workers the governor says:

"I further recommend that you pass an act to the effect that when any newspaper publishes a statement in regard to any person that is injurious, that when that person sends to the paper a correction of said report, the editor or manager of the paper be required to publish said correction in the same column of the same page, and with as large headlines as the original article appeared wherein the person was misquoted or misrepresented."

THE BARNEY EVANS CASE.

Columbia Attorney Must Show Cause Why He Should Not Be Disbarred.

Columbia, Jan. 15.—Following the information furnished by Attorney General Lyon the supreme court of South Carolina issued the following order yesterday:

"It is considered by the court that the public interests require investigation of the charges against Bernard B. Evans, an attorney, presented in an information filed by J. Fraser Lyon, attorney general, on the 6th day of January, 1912.

"Therefore it is ordered: That Bernard B. Evans do show cause before this court on the 3rd of February, 1913, at 10 o'clock a. m., why he should not be disbarred on account of the matters alleged against him in the information, and that he file a copy of his return in the office of the clerk of this court on or before January 29, 1913.

"Ordered further: That the sheriff of Richland county do forthwith serve a certified copy of the information and of this order on Bernard B. Evans.

"Ordered further: That evidence and argument to support of the information and return be heard on February 3, next, in open court."

Marriage License Record.

A marriage license was issued Tuesday to Mr. F. A. Stewart and Miss Sallie Atkinson, of Providence.

Licenses have also been issued to Samuel McLaughlin and Anna Belle Pearson, Sumter; Richard Phillips and Lida Gale, Wedgefield, and Lucius Holliday and Mabelle Ford, Broglon.

SCHOOL FOR BOYS AND GIRLS.

Plan Is to Teach Corn Club Boys and Tomato Club Girls at National Corn Exposition.

Columbia, Jan. 12.—Arrangements have been perfected whereby the exposition school for prize winners, to be conducted during the first week of the Fifth National Corn Exposition here, will be co-educational. In addition to the 800 or 900 prize winning corn club boys from all parts of the South, some half a hundred prize winning tomato club girls from nearly a dozen Southern States will also take part in this unique feature of the exposition. The National Corn Exposition opens on January 27th.

The boys who attend this school will be housed in a special building at the exposition grounds. Arrangements have been made for the entertainment of the girls in some of the best homes in Columbia, and plans are being perfected for social features. The girls will spend practically the entire day at the exposition grounds, hearing lectures in common with the boys, and attending special courses of instruction covering domestic science and arts, canning, cooking, lectures on floral culture, growing of vegetables, poultry raising, and kindred subjects. Special attention will be given to the exposition exhibits. Mr. J. B. Hodby, of Auburn, Alabama, is superintendent of this school for prize winners.

Each State will send five prize winning tomato club girls to this exposition school. The tomato club work is conducted by the Farmers' Co-operative Demonstration Work of the Federal department of agriculture, in co-operation with the State agricultural institutions.

WILL BE DEPUTY CLERK.

Mr. R. L. McLeod Will be Appointed to That Office by County Clerk.

Mr. H. L. Scarborough, county clerk of court, has announced that he will appoint Mr. R. L. McLeod, clerk to the county commissioners, his deputy clerk, to execute papers during his absence from the office.

Mr. McLeod's work, as deputy clerk, will be only nominal, as he will simply have to sign an occasional paper, when Mr. Scarborough is absent from his office. Mr. Scarborough stated that he would not appoint a regular deputy clerk who should be employed in his office unless he found it necessary to have one, but that it would be necessary for him to leave his office, possibly, at times and in his absence Mr. McLeod could execute papers in order that the prompt dispatch of business would not be interfered with.

I. O. O. F. Election.

Dick Anderson Lodge, No. 138, I. O. O. F. elected officers Monday night as follows:

- A. E. Bentley, N. G.
- N. G. Osteen, Jr., V. G.
- W. J. Crowson, Secretary.
- R. E. Wactor, Treasurer.
- A. H. Barbor, Warden.
- J. R. Bracey, Chaplain.
- S. F. Faribow, Inner Guard.
- F. A. Wood, Outer Guard.
- J. N. Strange, Conductor.

The officers elected will be installed at the next meeting.

Charleston business men are hard at work trying to devise plans to extend and perpetuate the "great white way" on King street. There was imminent danger of the discontinuance of the electric illumination that, for the past year or two, has made King street one of the most brilliantly lighted and attractive thoroughfares in the South. The city and merchants of King street were not providing sufficient funds to pay the lighting company for the actual cost of maintenance, and the company gave notice of intention to discontinue the white way. This aroused the up-to-date merchants and they have been busying themselves devising ways and means to retain the chief attraction of King street. The experience of Charleston has a local application, although the conditions are not precisely the same here as there. Sumter has the beginning of a white way on Main and Liberty streets, but the illumination has never been adequate to accomplish the intended purpose. The arches are good of their kind but there has never been enough of them. It was expected that the merchants would unite in raising a fund to maintain sufficient number of arches to supplement those provided by the city and the lighting company, but this has never been carried out. Consequently Main street is not a real "white way" and can never be unless a number of additional arches are erected where needed. To have Main street brilliantly illuminated would add a great deal to the attractiveness of the city and would make a favorable impression on visitors.

In the county the general public has been on its good behavior for the past two days. The sheriff's office reported no arrests and only one of the rural policemen has been in town this week to jail a prisoner.

PLAN CORN SHOW EXHIBIT.

Sumter County Products Will be on Exhibit at National Corn Show in Columbia.

With the purpose in view of having a display at the Fifth National Corn Exposition which convenes soon in Columbia which will adequately show Sumter's agricultural prosperity, Secretary G. A. Waterman and Messrs L. L. Baker and J. Frank Williams of the Farmers' Co-operative demonstration service will meet together this afternoon to perfect plans.

Mr. Waterman is very anxious for Sumter county to be well advertised at the corn show, and is already arranging to have the exhibit so placed that it will attract much attention and thereby enhance its value as an advertising proposition. When it is remembered that visitors from all over the United States and even from other countries will attend the corn show in Columbia, it is all the more to be desired that Sumter be well represented there.

Mr. Waterman said that when he and Messrs. Baker and Williams had arranged the details concerning the exhibit he would put the matter officially up to the Chamber of Commerce for action to be taken.

MARRIAGE BY PROXY.

A Man in America to Marry a Girl in Germany.

New York, Jan. 13.—According to terms of a contract drawn up by a Paterson, N. J., notary public yesterday, Wm. P. Dumoulin, an automobile salesman, appoints his friend Hendrix Kniefert as his proxy in a marriage ceremony to be performed at the Hague, Holland, within the next few days. The bride-to-be is Miss Maria H. Vanderveer. After the wedding ceremony Kniefert is to place the bride aboard the first vessel sailing for America.

Dumoulin and Miss Vanderveer were children together in Holland. Recently he wrote asking Miss Vanderveer to come over and marry him. But her mother objected to her leaving home before she was married and the contract was drawn up to overcome this objection, Dumoulin being unable to take the trip at this time.

During the past week 350 bales of cotton were sold on the local market. Of this number 50 were sold Saturday.

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