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PERSONAL NEWS.

Miss Miriam Mellett has returned home after a two weeks stay with relatives in Laurens.

Misses Margaret and Helen Perass, of Savannah, Ga., are the guests of the Misses Epperson, on North Main Street.

Mr. Frank A. McLeod has returned to the city after a visit to his sister at Birmingham, Ala., and to a brother in Mississippi.

Mrs. Harry Green has gone to Saffire, N. C., to spend the remainder of the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Lemmon are spending sometime at Tate Springs, Tenn.

Mrs. A. V. Snell, of Charleston, who has been visiting friends here left yesterday for Waynesville, N. C.

Mrs. E. J. Wachner and her three daughters are visiting relatives and friends in Columbia and vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Courtney, of Aiken, are here for a short stay with their son, Dr. C. H. Courtney, after a visit to Baltimore, where Mr. Courtney was under treatment at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

Mrs. W. C. Wise is visiting friends at Summerville and Charleston.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Cleaver left this morning for Florence on a visit to the latter's sister, Mrs. A. A. Dole, where they will stay for about ten days.

Mr. C. J. Gaillard of the Howell Mercantile Company left this afternoon for a visit to Washington and Baltimore, combining business and pleasure on the trip.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. White are spending a few days at Glenn Springs, and from there they will go to Lake Tuzaway for some time.

Mrs. J. N. Strange and children left this morning to visit relatives in Summerton and Manning.

Miss Janie Strange left this morning to visit her sister, Mrs. Wadford.

Messrs. J. H. McCollum and Henry Strickland leave this afternoon for the northern markets to purchase goods for Shaw & McCollum.

Miss Evie White is visiting friends at Manning.

Mrs. A. N. Wannamaker and Miss Bertha Wannamaker left this morning for a ten day visit to friends at Washington, Baltimore and Richmond.

Mrs. J. J. Davis left this morning for a stay in Hendersonville, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Jao. D. Lemmon left this afternoon for New York city and other northern points. Mr. Lemmon will purchase goods for the Ladies Outfitting Co.

Misses Lou and Mattie Pate left this morning for Hendersonville to spend the rest of the summer.

Mr. Harry Bultman has gone to Waynesville, N. C.

Miss Viola Benbow has returned home after a months' stay with friends and relatives in Summerton.

Messrs. O. E. Rose and F. M. Farrah have gone to Charleston to spend several days.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Moses have returned from their bridal trip to points in the West.

Messrs. T. W. and H. W. McCollum left yesterday afternoon for the North in the interest of McCollum Brothers.

Mr. H. D. Barnett was among those to leave Tuesday afternoon for New York and other points North.

Mrs. C. L. Stubbs, Mrs. A. W. Crosswell and Mrs. Lula Atkinson, are spending some time at Saratoga, Springs, N. Y.

Miss Idaline Flowers, of Bishopville is visiting relatives in the city.

Mr. G. E. Haynsworth left Tuesday evening for New York and other points north.

Mr. V. H. Phelps left Tuesday for New York and Baltimore, stopping at Richmond on the trip.

Big Party Leave for North.

There was a big party to leave here yesterday evening for New York and other points. North, the excursion rates proving attractive to many. Two extra Pullman coaches were attached to the train to provide accommodations for the fifty or more passengers who left from here. The second section of the train carried nine Pullman coaches and then was crowded to capacity when it passed through.

Real Estate Transfers.

Tyre S. Stuckey to Leon Stuckey, 23 acres in county, \$5 and other considerations.

Mary E. Lyles to E. Alexander, lot on Anderson Avenue, \$425.

The up-to-date farmer is now making plans for his winter cover and storage crops.

TO AID COTTON BELT.

SOUTHERNERS IN WASHINGTON TO URGE PLANS FOR RELIEF.

Congress of Delegates From Producing States Will Deal With War Situation and Measures to Help Southern Farmers.

Washington, Aug. 12.—Plans for relief of the South from embarrassment growing out of the closing of European markets during the war are expected to assume definite shape here tomorrow. The Southern Cotton congress, composed of cotton men from every Southern State, will open a special session called to deal with the war situation, and Southern senators and representatives will cooperate with them in perfecting financial legislation to enable growers to hold a part of a big crop over until the market becomes more nearly normal.

One plan for providing this relief, details of which have been worked out by Southern congressmen in consultation with experts of the department of agriculture, will be embodied in a measure introduced tomorrow in the senate by Senator Hoke Smith of Georgia, and in the house by Representative Lever of South Carolina. The measure will propose establishment of a chain of licensed and bonded warehouses, where cotton may be stored until conditions become normal and be made the collateral for issuance of emergency currency.

The advisability of some such action was urged before the house agricultural committee today by commissioners of agriculture of the cotton States. E. J. Watson, commissioner of agriculture of South Carolina and president of the cotton congress, outlined his view that cotton should be made a stable basis of credit and that the federal reserve board should be given power to make warehouse receipts the basis for currency issued under the federal reserve act. His suggestions were seconded by E. R. Kone and R. C. Hollingsworth.

"We don't want a system of valorization," Mr. Watson told the committee. "We do not want the government to advance money to the holders of cotton. We want you to lend the money to finance this crisis on proper security, and we want the money withdrawn just as soon as the need for it has passed."

AN APPROACHING MARRIAGE.

Miss Lois Cain to Become Bride of Mr. E. S. Rives.

The following invitation, which has been received by friends of the contracting parties, will be of much interest in Sumter, where Miss Cain is well known:

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Cain, Sr., invite you to be present at the marriage of their daughter Lois to Mr. Edwin Samuel Rives

Wednesday evening the twenty-sixth of August nineteen hundred and fourteen at four-thirty o'clock Wedgefield Baptist Church Wedgefield, South Carolina.

WRECK ON EXCURSION.

Fireman Killed in Southern Railway Smashup.

Asheville, N. C., Aug. 12.—A Southern railway excursion train from Savannah, Ga., to Asheville was wrecked at Tuxedo this afternoon, the engine turning over and killing the fireman, Bert Cooley. Several passengers were injured.

The train, a special excursion on the Southern railway, was derailed on a broken switch 27 miles from this city. All of the injured were in the Pullman car at the time of the wreck. The fireman met death by being scalded beneath his overturned engine.

The injured, all of Savannah, are Mrs. Morgan Fender, ankle and knee sprained; Mrs. Ida Barnwell, bruised about the head and body; Mrs. J. E. Herbert, forehead cut; Mrs. W. J. Leonard, bruised about the face; R. D. Graham, hand cut; L. B. Coates, back sprained.

The excursion left Savannah yesterday morning.

The Men's Tennis Tourney.

In the men's tennis tournament the second match in the first round was played off Wednesday evening between Bryan and Crowson, Bryan winning two of the three sets played. This match proved to be an interesting one, especially at the close when Crowson had the advantage game and forty-fifteen on the set game, but was unable to make the winning point. The first set went to Bryan, 6-2, in easy style; the second was won by Crowson 6-4, while the third was fiercely contested for and finally went to Bryan 8-6.

BETTER ROADS WANTED.

Columbia Chamber of Commerce Calls for Good Roads Rally at Columbia on October 1.

The time has come when some concerted action is necessary to obtain legislation to provide for the construction of gaps in our system of roads caused by the lack of bridges crossing of the rivers of the State and to provide a system of road maintenance for the highways leading to the State capital at Columbia and for those connecting the county seats and larger towns. Disconnected efforts have been made at past meetings of the legislature to provide for road construction, but they have been fruitless, and it is only by concerted action of all parties interested in good roads that we can hope for legislation providing a definite system for road construction and maintenance. With this end in view, it is proposed to hold a good roads rally in Columbia on the first of October which will be attended by delegates from the following organizations:

- All Commercial bodies. County Supervisors' Association, Mail Carriers' Association, Farmers' Union. All Good Roads and Automobile Organizations.

This convention would be expected to formulate a law to be pushed at the next meeting of the legislature, providing a system for road construction and maintenance for all classes of roads and to provide funds for the construction of highways and bridges that are for the use of large sections of the State, and for the maintenance of highways between the county seats.

It is not proposed to interfere with the work of the present supervisors, but to provide means of assisting them in the maintenance of the county roads. There are however many roads that are not demanded by local county interests but which are needed in system of intra-State highways, and should be constructed by or under the direction of some central authority, such as the State department of agriculture.

Our State is divided by its large rivers, the Santee, Congaree, Wateree, Broad, Catawba, the two Pee Dees, and the lower part of the Edisto, into sections between which at present, there is little communication except by railroad. The only bridges across these streams at present are as follows:

- Santee, none. Wateree, one at Camden. Catawba, one between Lancaster and York counties. Congaree, one at Columbia. Broad, one near Columbia and one between York and Cherokee counties. Little Pee Dee, one between Conway and Marion. Lower Edisto, none.

The cost of construction has been too great, or local interest not sufficient to warrant the building of other bridges across these streams, though their need is felt by large sections of the State. It is too much to expect Richland and Sumter counties to build a bridge across the Wateree, for which there is little local demand, but which would be of immense benefit to people living in the counties of Sumter, Darlington, Florence, Clarendon, Williamsburg, Georgetown, Horry, Marion, Dillon and Marlboro, who wish to come to Columbia and all points west of Columbia.

Likewise there is probably comparatively little demand for a bridge across the Santee, between Clarendon and Orangeburg counties, yet such a crossing would be of great use to the entire lower part of the State.

There should be a highway across the upper part of the State, connecting the counties of Union, Chester, Lancaster and Chesterfield, but the lack of bridges across Broad and Catawba rivers prevents.

Those who have traveled by automobile, or who have thought on the subject, know the great limitations on travel, and the large extra mileage between points that the lack of bridge crossing of rivers entails on the traveler.

Commerce and travel between these river-divided sections of the State is limited to the railroads, and neighbors within a few miles of each other remain strangers.

It is hoped that by all interested parties getting together and agreeing upon what legislation is wanted, and then using their influence in one direction at the coming meeting of the legislature, the necessary law can be enacted to provide the plan and the funds.

Marriage License Record

Licenses to marry have been granted to the following colored couples: John DeGraffenried, Chester, and Lucile Bryant, Sumter; Marion Grant, Dalzell, and Easter Grant, Stateburg; James Lincoln, Dalzell, and Virginia Jenkins, Providence.

CHANGE SPEECHES AT DILLON

CANDIDATES ATTACK EACH OTHER ON DIFFERENT GROUNDS IN ADDRESSES.

Audience Listens Attentively and Gives Speakers Excellent Attention—Jennings and Smith in Good Form—Blease Draws Away Few When He Stops Speaking—Smith Favorite.

Dillon, Aug. 12.—In their speeches here today, United States senatorial candidates broke away from their customary shamble, each of the four injecting some particular high lights of interest in his arguments for Dillon county suffrage.

Gov. Blease, the initial speaker, began by heaping the usual abuse on newspapers and reporters, and in this connection read a letter from the circulation department of The State in which the offer was made to send the paper on one months trial gratis. The governor would see that the United States government found out who was paying for this, he promised.

The chief executive made another striking departure when he made a direct criticism of the new banking and currency law. Favoritism would be practiced, he prophesied, when this was put in operation.

When L. D. Jennings was introduced, he warned the people that it was time that they should sit up and take notice. He had never heard of any Democrat, he said, who had charged Woodrow Wilson with disloyalty to the people. The governor's charge, he said, was an inclination toward Republicanism. The president, he went on, would have never signed a bill which was not designed for the benefit of the masses of the people.

W. P. Pollock said that he did not believe Senator Smith had raised the price of cotton. He was equally emphatic in his disbelief that the governor was responsible for the increase of taxable property in South Carolina during the last three and one-half years. He was worth a little more himself, he said, but this was due to the fact that he had kept working.

Senator Smith today answered the governor as to appointments. When in the Piedmont, the governor charged that the senator had neglected the lawyers there when it came to the appointment of a United States district attorney. The farmers were likewise overlooked when a United States marshal was needed, he claimed. A duplication of these charges is being made in applying them to the Pee Dee.

In offsetting this at the Dillon meeting today, Senator Smith explained that the appointment of James L. Sims as United States marshal was by Senator Tillman. Francis H. Weston was made district attorney, Senator Smith urged, because of his faithful fight with E. D. Smith in 1904, when Mr. Weston reached into his own pocket and paid expenses all over the country in organizing the cotton growers.

As to the office of collector of internal revenue, the senator said he could not say much. He had created the office, he explained, only to wake up and find a man slated for the job as soon as this was done. He was only cutting his eye teeth then as to securing appointments. When he was reelected, he added, he would know better how to go about it, and would be in a better position to get his share. In making the one appointment of district attorney, he too, had only stood by his friend, and by the friend of every other farmer as well.

There were approximately 1,000 persons at the meeting here today, which was held in the high school auditorium. Many ladies were in attendance, these being as enthusiastic as the male populace, and the lines of partisan cleavage were definitely cut.

A. B. Jordan, county chairman, presided, and the Rev. A. G. Buckner offered the invocation. The best of order was maintained, there being only one or two slight efforts to heckle the speakers. It is doubtful if throughout the entire campaign the speakers have had a more thoughtful hearing, or have been more heartily applauded when telling blows were struck.

Throughout the campaign it has been the practice of the governor to back up charges preferred against Senator Smith by producing newspapers or newspaper clippings. Despite this, in few of the 37 counties yet visited has the governor failed to warn the people that they can not believe anything seen in the newspapers.

Today the reporters got their usual daily dish of vituperation. In answer to this one man, who didn't declare his political faith, volunteered, "but there are a whole lot of—liars who are not even paid for telling them." Senator Smith, the governor said, could have held this cotton conference in Columbia as well as in Washing-

ton. Lewis Parker, the head of the mill merger, and one of the conferees with Senator Smith, was characterized as 'one of the bitterest enemies the farmers ever had.' The governor charged that not a farmer had been in attendance.

LEE COUNTY FARMER MARRIES.

Mr. Wheeler of St. Charles Marries Miss McCall of Gibbs, N. C.—Mayesville Personal News.

Mayesville, Aug. 12.—A wedding of much interest to the friends of the groom in this section was that of Miss Mary Louise McCall to Mr. W. Sanford Wheeler of St. Charles, which took place on Wednesday, the 12th, at Gibbs, N. C., the home of the bride. Mr. Wheeler is one of the leading farmers of this section and has a large host of friends to wish him much happiness in his wedded life. Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler will be at home after the 25th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cooper and Miss Alice Cooper have gone on a visit to Washington and other points.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Parnell left this morning for a visit to Richmond and other places of interest.

Miss Sarah I. Grant has gone to Bedford, Va., to visit Mrs. John Gray. Rev. W. B. Chandler of Live Oak, Fla., is at home for a short visit.

Misses Myra and Hortense Dorsett of Burlington, N. C., spent Sunday and Monday here on their way home from Florence, where the former has been quite ill for several weeks. Her many friends here were glad to learn of her recovery.

Miss Sadie Mayes has returned home from a visit to Rock Hill.

R. J. Mayes, Sr., and family have returned from a trip to Murrell's Inlet.

F. A. Stuckey and family have returned home after a stay at Myrtle Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Shaw are spending some time at Myrtle Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Muldrow and Miss Edna Mayes are at home after a trip to Myrtle Beach.

R. F. DesChamps and family have

returned from a motor trip to Chick Springs.

Quite a number of Mayesville citizens went over to Florence on Tuesday to attend the campaign meeting.

Miss Kathryn Miller has returned from a visit to Miss Mary Dudley King at Florence.

J. R. Mayes returned on Monday from a visit to Hendersonville and other mountain resorts in Western North Carolina.

News and Views of Pisgah.

Pisgah, Aug. 11.—Fine rains have fallen through here, but too late for corn. If they had come a month ago the finest corn crop even raised here would have been made. Cotton is injured by the drought and heat.

The political meeting at Bishopville yesterday was anything but a success, because only one side was heard.

Smith made a sub-treasury speech that I have read and heard many years ago. It was the same old story. Jennings made his usual speech, thrashed over the old straw for the 28th time. Nobody seems to take any interest in it. Judging from the red ribbons it was a Blease crowd in town. Pollock and the governor were not present.

Jennings said there were two factions in the State. Everybody has known that since 1890.

The crowd wanted to hear Pollock, the little bantam that ran against Finley a few years ago and Finley said he did not know he was in the race after the votes were counted. The women are in politics good, the cotton blossoms and red ribbons were pinned on them. Possibly the governor will find time to speak at Bishopville.

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