

**GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER.**

**Greenville Jury Reaches Verdict After Being Out All Night. Sentences Are Passed.**

Greenville, March 20.—After being out all night the jury deliberating upon the case of W. S. Chadwick, accused of murdering Deputy Sheriff Lindsey at Dunean mill on October 5, last, returned a verdict of manslaughter this morning. Judge DeVore sentenced Chadwick to spend 15 years in the State penitentiary.

Judge DeVore also sentenced Tolbert Pittman and William Forrester to life imprisonment, these two white men having been convicted of murder and recommended to the mercy of the court. Forrester and Pittman were convicted of murdering James Bruce at his home near Greer several weeks ago.

James Gowan, a negro was sentenced to death in the electric chair for the slaying of his brother-in-law, James Guiton. The negro's attorney appealed for a new trial on the ground that his client had not had adequate representation at the trial. The judge refused the motion but said he would recommend a commutation of sentence to life imprisonment.

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NOTES.**

**Congressman Lever to Speak Here April 16—B. R. Vardaman also Coming—Election for Directors.**

Hon. Asbury F. Lever, member of congress and chairman of the house committee on agriculture, has written the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce accepting the invitation to deliver an address in Sumter on the evening of April 16th. Mr. Lever regrets very much that he will be unable to speak in Sumter on Sumter County School Day, April 17, as he has an engagement in Florence for that date.

Mr. Ben R. Vardaman, associate editor of the Merchants Trade Journal, of Des Moines, Iowa, will deliver one of his brilliant lectures in Sumter from the same auditorium on the evening of Mr. Lever's address.

Mr. Vardaman will remain over and address the farmers, patrons, trustees, teachers, and pupils of the rural schools on County School Day.

The Chamber of Commerce committee, Messrs. G. A. Lemmon, D. R. McCullum and J. Z. Hearson, are at work trying to secure the necessary capital stock to put the Parrott Milling Company plant into operation with the addition of a flour mill, and increased bin capacity for storing grain.

The business men of Sumter and the Sumter banks are vitally interested in the furnishing of ample marketing and manufacturing facilities for corn, wheat, and oats in Sumter this summer and fall. Very little time is left to install the wheat mill if Sumter expects to be ready to handle the wheat business so that wheat can be turned into cash by the farmers who do their trading and banking business in Sumter.

The County Supervisor and Board of County Commissioners will please thousands of farmers and consumers if they will build that curb market shed on the vacant county lots.

**VICTIM OF PISTOL FIGHT.**

Pageland, March 19.—J. D. Wallace, aged 65, one of the men wounded in the pistol battle on the streets of Pageland March 12, died of his injuries at a Charlotte hospital early this morning. The body was brought here tonight and the funeral will be held tomorrow.

The coroner's jury, after an inquest, held Walter Arant for the killing and he was taken to jail at Chesterfield. Application for bail for Arant and for Sheppard West, held in jail for killing Wesley Arant in the same affray, will be made at once.

Wallace, who was thought to be seriously wounded in the battle which arose out of the trial and acquittal of one of the Wests for violation of a labor contract, was taken to Charlotte the day the battle occurred. At first his chances seemed good and he was reported to be making progress toward recovery. Late yesterday, however, there came a turn for the worse and early this morning came the end, making the second fatality. The others injured in the affray will recover.

The body was brought home from Charlotte tonight. Tomorrow the funeral will be held at the Liberty Hill church.

Wallace leaves a wife and six children, four daughters and two sons. The coroner empaneled a jury and held an inquest as soon as the body reached Pageland. The verdict was: "That J. D. Wallace came to his death through gunshot wounds at the hands of Walker Arant."

Sheriff Douglas, who attended the inquest, at once took Arant into custody and carried him to Chesterfield. There the prisoner was lodged in jail along with Sheppard West, also held for homicide in connection with the fatal pistol battle.

**TORPEDOED WITHOUT WARNING.**

**British Steamer Glenartney Sent to Bottom by Submarine—One of Crew Drowned.**

London, March 18.—The British steamer Glenartney of Glasgow was torpedoed today off Beachy Head by a German submarine, which gave no notice of her intention. In the scramble for boats one of the crew was drowned; the others, numbering 40, several of whom were injured, were picked up by a steamer and landed at New Haven.

The Glenartney, which was of 3,309 tons register, was bound from Bangkok, Siam, for London with 8,000 tons of rice.

**WRECK IN A. C. L. YARD.**

**Four Fertilizer Cars Left Track and Two Overturned in Central Freight Yard.**

From The Daily Item, March 22.

A bad freight wreck occurred in the Central Road freight yard this morning about 6 o'clock, four cars filled with fertilizer left the track, two of them being overturned. The wreck is supposed to have been caused by an open switch. No one was injured.

The Wrecking train was sent for and arrived from Florence at about 10.30 o'clock and at once set to work to replace the cars on the track and to repair the damage which was done. The cars were pretty badly damaged and the track was torn up for some distance.

**COTTON DISPUTES NOT SETTLED.**

**Secretary of Agriculture Can Decide Some Points, His Ruling Being Prima Facie Evidence.**

Washington, March 19.—Disputes arising between parties to contracts involving delivery of cotton under the federal futures act will not be decided by the internal revenue bureau according to a decision today by Acting Commissioner Gates.

In a letter published by the treasury department Mr. Gates points out that the bureau is interested in a contract only to see that it conforms with the futures act and that disputes involving the obligations in such cases are matters for the courts or the parties to settle.

The only exception is a disagreement as to the grade, quality or length of staple of the cotton involved, which may be determined by the secretary of agriculture, whose findings will be prima facie evidence in court.

The letter points out, however, that the rules of a cotton exchange made a part of a future contract may provide that cotton involved be inspected and classified by the exchange before tender is made. Such rules, nevertheless, can not abrogate the right of either party, if dissatisfied, to tender cotton on his own notice and get the case before the secretary of agriculture for determination of grade, quality of length of staple.

**CLEAN YOUNG SPORTSMEN.**

**Florence Times Praises Sumter Baseball Team.**

The Florence Times comments as follows on the Sumter High School baseball team, which played there Friday afternoon against the Florence High School team:

"In a rather loosely played game of baseball yesterday the Sumter High School baseball team defeated that of Florence by a score of 15 to 5.

The Sumter team hit their stride along about the sixth inning and while they had the Florence boys well up in the air, started the scoring machine. Up to the sixth inning it was anybody's game. The entire Sumter team was in superb physical training and showed the effect of the well organized system they have over there. It can be truthfully said that there is not a cleaner set of little gentlemen playing in High School Athletics than the teams sent out to represent the Sumter High School. For Sumter the entire team played well with Flowers at third base as the shining star. This lad played way above anything yet seen on the local diamond in both fielding and hitting.

The Florence boys lack practice and physical condition. They seem to lack the speed and vim necessary to win any athletic contest, and entirely too quick to give up. This condition will be remedied though by hard regular practice and Florence will begin to get in the winning column next Thursday and Friday when she plays Marlon and Latta respectively. Howell pitched a fine game yesterday but his support was poor and showed awful lack of practice.

Two alleged blind tigers were arrested on Saturday night by the police. Paul Spears was charged with transporting whiskey for an unlawful purpose and Viola Cordes was charged with storing it. Both were called up in the Recorder's court and the case set for Friday and Monday afternoons, respectively.

**FERTILIZER TRAFFIC PICKS UP.**

It was learned this morning that the fertilizer traffic through the city has increased considerably during the past few days, but it is not yet nearly so great as it was at this time last year and the percentage of fertilizer handled is much smaller than last year at this time. It was also stated at the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad freight office that other traffic had increased during March to a considerable extent over what it has been for the past few months, an indication that conditions are nearing normal again.

It was stated at the Northwestern Railroad of South Carolina offices that there had been quite a number of fertilizer cars through here recently, the road having handled probably a hundred cars in the past two days. This showed that there would be some fertilizer handled, although not nearly so much as last year.

At the Coast Line station it was learned that that road had handled through here about twenty-five per cent. of the amount of fertilizer handled through here last year up to this time. It was coming in steadily now and an extra engine had to be set to work Sunday to handle the traffic and it was expected to have an extra engine at work at night during this week to handle the fertilizer cars in expeditious manner.

The Southern road has handled about thirty to forty per cent. of the amount handled last year up to this time, it was stated at their office here. They are not expecting as much fertilizer as was handled last year.

It seems from these reports that the fertilizer used in this community will not be more than thirty to forty per cent. of what was used last year, as the farmers will have to get in their supply within the next two weeks or so, as it will then be time to plant cotton and they will have to have it before they plant.

**GOV. CLOSES DISPENSARIES.**

Columbia, March 20.—Pending the appointment of a new board of control, Gov. Manning yesterday closed all of the dispensaries in Barnwell county. The old board was removed several days ago. Many names have been suggested for appointment on the new board.

The following letter was addressed to all of the dispensers in Barnwell county by the governor:

"Under authority of section 556, criminal code of 1912, you are hereby immediately on receipt of this order, required to close the dispensary at \_\_\_\_\_, Barnwell county, and to keep said dispensary closed until further orders from me."

The letter was addressed to the following dispensers in Barnwell county: B. A. Best of Ulmers, C. D. McClendon of Fairfax, W. P. Walsh of Williston, D. E. Rice of Allendale, R. M. Wise of Blackville, M. C. Lee of Kline, F. M. Cave of Barnwell, S. J. Hutto of Elko, F. H. Gault of Baldoe and E. G. Holen of Dunbarton.

"The letter speaks for itself," said Gov. Manning.

**NAPIER IS RELEASED.**

Winnboro, March 21.—Following a preliminary hearing before Magistrate T. M. Lewis yesterday at Rion, at which a material witness failed to appear and at the earnest request of the alleged victim's father that the case be not prosessed, providing the defendant agree to leave Rion and accept one or two other proposals, W. C. Napier, prominent Y. M. C. A. worker, who has been in the county jail since Thursday, the day of his arrest on the serious charge of attempting to assault a young Italian girl, was released today.

Several persons residing near the vicinity of the alleged crime assert that Napier was the victim of a fraud on the part of the Italians of the industrial community among whom the former was not so well liked. Napier is an American but understands the Italian language perfectly.

**Leo County S. S. Convention.**

Plans are on foot to hold a splendid County Sunday School convention at the Bethany Baptist church on April 15.

The committee in charge of place and program wish to ask that all Sunday schools of the county begin to elect delegates to this meeting. At least two delegates aside from superintendent and pastor should be sent from each school.—Leader and Vineator.

**Sumter Conference to Meet.**

Bethune, March 17.—The Sumter District Conference of the Methodist church will convene in the Bethune Methodist church on the 16th of April and will be in session till the 18th. Bishop Collins Denny will probably preside over the deliberations of the conference and a large number of preachers and laymen will be present. The members of the Methodist church here have recently had the inside of the church building painted.

**GOVERNOR KEPT BUSY.**

**Private Secretary Moses Gives an Idea of The Steady Grind in the Executive Office.**

From The Daily Item, March 22.

Mr. Herbert A. Moses, secretary to Gov. Manning, spent Sunday in Sumter. Mr. Moses said that he greatly enjoyed his week-ends at home after the hard work in Columbia. That it was hard there was no doubt, he said, adding that he could count on the fingers of one hand the nights that he had not been in the office till eleven or later. The administration was having a busy time said Mr. Moses, and the contributing causes were various. "Why," he said "our correspondence covers all subjects, from a request from the Swedish consul general for all amendments to the State constitution, to appeals from lunatics at the State Hospital to have them released."

Appointments, said the governor's secretary, took up much time of the chief executive, as the governor considered well before making them; consequently, he believes that the appointees are a pretty capable set of men. "The governor's appointments," said Mr. Moses, "have been well received by the public, from all we can gather: we hear commendations from all sources." Applications counted nothing at all with Gov. Manning, he went on to say; in most cases an outside man who had not applied at all, but who was very capable, being offered the place. "Applications are annoying, and at the same time amusing," said Mr. Moses. "It seems that recently the coroner of Greenville county got in a row and was arrested. The next day applications for his job began coming in and have been coming in ever since. I have not heard of the coroner resigning. Mighty few resign. The hard times have without doubt had a lot to do with the hunt for jobs; all the time, letters come in from men who have been thrown out of employment, and are asking for work; but except for some free places that take especial training the governor of this State has very few salaried places to give out."

Gov. Manning is greatly sought after as a speaker, said Mr. Moses, and every day, nearly, has to refuse some invitation. He has as many engagements already as he could spare the time for well up into June, and could not accept any more because there was so much office work all the time. "To the making of many notaries there is no end," sighed Mr. Moses, saying that applications came in all the time; that that was one job that had to be applied for. "Among others that we have commissioned as notaries are ex-governor Ansel, and Former Chief Justice Ira B. Jones," said Mr. Moses.

Keeping in touch with and consulting with sheriffs and magistrates occupy a good deal of the time of the executive office according to the secretary, and is an interesting work. The idea that a public officer is not to have any initiative is gradually being lost and they are coming to the conclusion that it is their duty to look after things without being asked by some other party. "You know" Mr. Manning is not an idler," said Mr. Moses, "and he does not expect others to be." In regard to the summons to the sheriff of Kershaw county, he said that charges of misconduct and neglect of duty had been preferred against him, and that the sheriff would have to answer to them.

Asked about the Charleston situation Mr. Moses said "Mayor Grace's illness has delayed matters; I cannot say more."

Mr. Moses returned to Columbia this morning.

**CHECKED ON FIRST NATIONAL.**

**Crook Who Masqueraded as Son of Gov. Manning Made Checks on Sumter Bank.**

The young man who was arrested in Charleston last week for passing fraudulent checks, representing himself to be a son of Gov. R. I. Manning, made the checks that got him into trouble on the First National Bank of this city. He had obtained a supply of the regular blank checks of the First National Bank and used them both in Aiken and Charleston. As soon as the first check came in from Aiken Cashier O. L. Yates notified the Aiken bank that "A. D. Manning" was an imposter and the same notification was sent to Charleston when a check came in through a bank of that city. It has not been ascertained how this check passer obtained a supply of First National checks, but it is the supposition that he visited Sumter recently and laid in a supply preparatory to his tour as the governor's son.

A Salvation Army officer from the Columbia Post is here for the week, soliciting funds for the support of the work in the Columbia territory.

School districts that accept the local compulsory school attendance law are forbidden by the law to charge a contingent fee of any kind or description.

**WHY HE IS LEAVING MEXICO.**

**Returns Home Because of Chaotic Conditions.**

Yokohama, March 21.—The forthcoming return to Japan of Mineichiro Adachi, Japanese minister to Mexico, the foreign office explains, is due to chaotic conditions and the absence of a responsible government in Mexico. The secretary of the legation, the foreign office announced, will remain in Mexico.

**Violates Gallon-a-Month Law.**

A negro giving his name as Taylor Dunham was arrested Saturday afternoon by Rural Policemen Boykin and Newman at Cain Savannah on the charge of violating the present liquor law, when arrested he had in his possession six quarts of whiskey in a crocus sack, a gallon jug and two quart bottles. Dunham gave several names, but finally stated that that was his right name. He was lodged in jail.

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