

JUDGE GENTRY RESIGNS.

Talk of Rev. Louis J. Bristow becoming Superintendent of Institutions.

Columbia, July 31.—Judge J. J. Gentry has resigned the superintendency of the State Baptist Hospital in Columbia, his resignation now being in the hands of the board of trustees. No formal announcement has been made as to who his successor will be, but it is understood that the Rev. Louis J. Bristow, of Abbeville, is being considered for the place. Mr. Bristow is the chairman of the board of trustees.

SKIPPER GOT RECEIPT.

From Germans Who Destroyed His Vessel.

London, July 20.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—Capt. Gedde, of the Norwegian ship Flery Cross, which was sunk by a German submarine off the Scilly Islands on July 3, brought ashore with him an official receipt signed and sealed by the commander of the submarine. It is said that he is the first mercantile seaman to demand and obtain a receipt of this kind. The document reads:

I hereby certify that I have sunk the Norwegian barque, Flery Cross, Capt. John Gedde, on July 3, 1915, at 3 p. m., as she had contraband (lubricating oil) for France on board. Signed, Forstmann, lieutenant commander of the German submarine. The official seal bears the words "Imperial Marine, His Imperial Majesty's submarine U"—the number of the submarine had been cut off the stamp.

TO DECLARE COTTON CONTRABAND.

London Paper Says Government Will Act and Will Offer Compensation.

London, Aug. 1.—The Weekly Dispatch says it understands that the British government is about to declare cotton contraband and that it will offer compensation to planters and make new arrangements with the neutral countries of Europe. The paper adds that it is stated that the government is also taking up the question of modifying the order in council for the satisfaction of the authorities at Washington.

CANDIDATES IN RACE.

Municipal Qualifying Period Closes in Charleston.

Charleston, July 31.—The close of the qualifying period of candidates for the mayoralty, aldermanic and school commissioner campaign at noon today found 47 candidates entered for 31 offices. Entrance fees, totaling \$2,875, have been deposited with the treasurer of the executive Democratic committee. Expenses are assured, as the finance committee has \$2,800 available against an estimated expense of not more than \$2,677. For the 31 offices, 16 candidates will make the race unopposed.

CONTINUES WAR ON TIGERS.

No Chief Constable, Declares Governor, All Direction of Sheriff Martin.

Columbia, July 31.—"I intend to continue vigorously to press the enforcement of the liquor law in Charleston," said Gov. Manning this afternoon in discussing the work being done by the constabulary in Charleston in the chief executive's campaign for law enforcement.

Gov. Manning stated that the report that he had sent four additional constables to Charleston was incorrect, and further, the assertion that W. Clint Cathcart, of Columbia, is the chief of the constables in the coast city is also incorrect. The chief executive stated that there is no chief constable in Charleston; that they are all working under the direction of Sheriff J. Elmore Martin.

Gov. Manning has issued instructions to the constables in Charleston to seize all fixtures, etc., as well as intoxicants, when they raid a "blind tiger."

THE CORPSE AIN'T DEAD.

Local Undertaker Receives Unusual Message.

Even the undertaker, who has the saddest of all professions, meets with something funny in his work, as is illustrated by an incident which happened in town last week. The undertaker was called by telephone late one night and asked to make immediate preparations for the receipt and burial of a body. He declined to move at that time of night, but stated that he would be at his place of business early the next morning. According to agreement, he met the party and arrangements were made for receiving the body on a morning train and disposing of it. Imagine his surprise when, a few minutes before leaving for the station to meet the train, he received a telegram as follows: "Don't meet corpse. She ain't dead yet."

FRANCE ASKS GUARANTEE.

Wants Assurance that American Goods for Switzerland Won't Reach Teutons.

Washington, July 31.—Arrangements to facilitate American trade with Switzerland through France are being made by American consul and diplomatic officers in France, at the request of the department of commerce. They are expected to alleviate the dyestuff famine here through exportation of American crude oil by-products to Switzerland for manufacture into aniline dyes for American use.

Ambassador Sharp, at Paris, notified the department that American shipments to Switzerland via France would be passed by the French authorities only upon satisfactory guarantees from the Swiss government that they would not find their way into Germany or Austria. Ambassador Sharp recommended direct negotiations through the Swiss legation in Paris to secure the necessary guarantees.

A cablegram from Vice Consul Dewitt C. Poole, at Paris, reports on traffic conditions in ports and on the rivers handling shipments to Switzerland. He recommends shipping via Havre, which has adequate port equipment and railroad connections and no traffic blockade.

Continued reports of depression in the textile industry because of lack of dyes prompted the negotiations. One of the largest cotton mills in New England recently notified the department that it had closed down for two or three weeks because necessary dyes could not be obtained.

ACCUSED BY UNCLE SAM.

Postmaster at Mallory Arrested by Deputy Marshal.

Mallory, July 31.—Deputy Mays, of Charleston, representing the United States marshal, arrived here today and took into custody J. A. McCall who was deposed as postmaster here on Tuesday by W. H. William, a post-office inspector. The inspector visited this office twice week before last and discovered alleged irregularities, and on Tuesday by W. H. William, a post-made Vernon Farham the acting postmaster, pending an examination and appointment.

Today Deputy Mays and Mr. McCall left for Marion to appear before Commissioner W. F. Stackhouse to arrange bond for appearance at court.

FAMINE IN MEXICO.

Actual Starvation Reported to Red Cross Agent.

Washington, August 2.—Actual death by starvation in Mexico City is reported to the Red Cross by its agent, Charles O'Connor, in the Mexican capital. People are eating grass and herbs. No food is to be had at any price. Mexico City was occupied Friday by Carranzistas. The state department announced that General Shanklin had gone to Connecticut and will not hold a conference here today.

RIOT AT FUNERAL.

Police Reserves Called Out at Becker's Funeral.

New York, August 2.—While the police fought off a morbid crowd of ten thousand, the funeral of Charles Becker was held in St. Nicholas church this morning. There was no eulogy and the service was simple. The police reserve had to be called out to clear a way for the pall-bearers. Many were clubbed.

LEASED WIRE RATE REDUCED.

Morning Papers to Secure Lower Rates on Press Matter.

New York, July 31.—Chas. C. Adams, vice president of the Postal Telegraph company in charge of the traffic department, states that on Monday, August 2nd, that company will make a 50 per cent. reduction in its leased wire rate to the press at night throughout the country.

Hard Times Comes Again.

Dark Corner, July 27.—No rain yet. We have had three small showers in 32 days and crops are failing from the high winds, cool nights and the hot sunshine. Cotton is turning white and corn is burning and watermelons and gardens are ruined for the lack of moisture.

Mrs. Eulice Geddings of Privateer and niece, little Miss Estell Geddings, visited Mrs. W. J. Ardis last Saturday evening.

The little son of Mr. Ben D. Geddings of Ramsey fell from a tree yesterday and was hurt so badly that his parents had to take him to Dr. Parler today. H. T.

A few tracts of land were sold today by the Master at the regular sales day auction.

NOTE TODAY ON FRYE.

Considerable Speculation on Attitude Assumed on Sinking of American Ship.

Washington, Aug. 1.—The German note on the sinking of the American ship William P. Frye by the Prinz Eitel Friedrich, handed to Ambassador Gerard at Berlin yesterday, had not been received at the state department tonight. It was expected tomorrow.

There is considerable speculation here as to what the German communication contains in view of the attitude taken by the American government in its last note on the Frye incident. Germany was asked to reconsider her decision to send the case to a prize court, the United States maintaining that under the treaty with Prussia of 1828, it was a matter for diplomatic adjustment. The United States declared it would not recognize a prize court ruling in the case.

Should Germany's reply include an announcement of a prize court decision the United States would not, it was said, prevent the owners from accepting the award if they were satisfied. But the American government will not recede from its contention that the case was one for diplomatic adjustment.

MONSTER TURTLE CAUGHT.

Captured by Charleston Boys at Snake Island.

News and Courier.

A loggerhead turtle, estimated, it is stated, to weigh 700 pounds is held captive here, pending the decision of his fate by five Charleston boys who captured him at Snake Island, off Kiawah, late Sunday night. The big amphibian was finally ensnared in a rowboat, and was brought to the city.

The captors of the monstrous amphibian were Messrs. Reid Johnson, Frank Jerve, James Holst and Clifton and Johnson Molloy.

Searching the beach in the vicinity of the place the turtle was captured, the fisherman found 124 turtle eggs, of which number they took 118, leaving six to provide a posterity for the prize.

A Great Contrast.

Nothing can be greater than the contrast between the great armies fighting one another in Europe and the great army now being massed in this country: to harvest the great crops of wheat and other cereals. In one case the armies are for the purpose of destroying life, while in the other it is for the sustenance of life. The one means bloodshed, destruction of property, misery, poverty and bereavement greater than the world has hitherto seen, while the other means prosperity, comfort, happiness and other blessings. Such is the difference between war and peace.—Manning Times.

A Hard Task.

What the South and the nation demand of Wilson is that he induce or force Germany and Great Britain to do what we want them to do without going to war with either. That is exactly what Wilson is trying to do and the country is with him. He may succeed or he may find it a superhuman task. If such it should prove to be, then the South and the nation may be down on Wilson. If he succeeds in his purpose to secure what we want from Great Britain and Germany without the use of force, then it's bully for Wilson!—Wilmington Star.

The Goat Proved to Be a Fighter.

At the Thestone theatre Friday night Mr. McCarter, in a liberal frame of mind, gave away a goat. The goat was one of those pugnacious kind. Arrangements had been made whereby the city treasurer was to lead a parade across the stage, having the goat in charge, and his "goat-ship" was to be decorated with pink ribbon, and Mr. McCarter's assistants were to follow with the other prospects. The plans went far naught. Mayor Moseley is a man of curiosity and he expressed a desire to see the goat. As usual his ubiquitous pointer was with him. The mayor was taken behind the scenes and the goat brought forth.

What follows is the truth. Mr. Goat took offense at the dog's presence and forthwith proceeded to show it. Mayor Moseley says that his pointer is some scrapper but the dog found his match in the goat. "Biff" and again "biff" and the dog was in the corner, begging for mercy, and "Billy" standing guard over him. Treasurer McCarter says the goat had the dog whipped before the scrap started.

You don't blame Jimmy for calling off the parade. He says that his Shrine experience was a plenty.—Aiken Journal and Review.

ANGELES HAILED AS HERO.

Garrison and Population of Nogales Arise to Cheer Villa's Former Lieutenant.

Nogales, Sonora, Mex., Aug. 1.—Gen. Felipe Angeles, until recently Francisco Villa's chief lieutenant in the field, arrived here today and was acclaimed a hero by the population and garrison. High officials of the staff of Gov. Jose Maytorena, Villa leader in Sonora, greeted him as Mexico's next president.

Maytorena officials say Angeles will lead a revolution with Villa as general in chief, assisted by the Carranza Gens. Obregon and Iturbe.

GENERALS REMAIN TRUE.

Carranza Denies That Obregon and Iturbe Will Desert.

Los Angeles, Aug. 1.—Gustavo Espinosa Mireles, private secretary to Gen. Carranza, denied here tonight that Gens. Obregon and Iturbe were about to desert Carranza and join Gen. Felipe Angeles in a new revolution.

NEGROES VOTE FOR PROHIBITION.

In Richland County More than Hundred Have Secured Registration Certificates.

Columbia, Aug. 2.—A large number of negroes of Richland county are appearing before the board of registration and securing registration certificates to vote in the prohibition referendum to be held September 1, 1915. Members of the board say that fully 100 have resigned during the past month, raising the total number of negroes in Richland county holding registration certificates to over 400. The negro preachers of Columbia have been urging their male members to vote for prohibition and they are taking advantage of the movement.

Stabbed Mule.

One day last week a negro boy working on Mr. H. W. Adams' place near town came hurriedly to the house and informed the young ladies that a big negro had attacked him and cut Mr. Adams' mule, which the boy was plowing at the time. The ladies telephoned to town, and Messrs. W. M. McCue and H. G. DeK went out to the farm in Mr. DeK's auto. When they investigated the matter, it pointed to the fact that the boy had cut the mule himself. Presumably he became angry with the animal and wreaked his vengeance by stabbing it with a knife, and told the story to escape punishment himself. The gentlemen caught the boy, and put him on the back of the automobile and started back, but the boy jumped off and has not been seen since.—Bamberg Herald.

The South and Horse Sense.

The Morning Star, of Wilmington, N. C., referring to some statements made in New York papers about the handling of cotton, says: "So far as the South generally is concerned, there is calm here over the prospects of moving cotton this fall, whatever the difficulties may be. Yet one who reads some of the New York papers would think that the South is about to lose its head and attempt to force the administration to do something desperate. There is too much horse sense in the South to think that the cotton growing and exporting interests possibly would conceive that by adding to the world's conflict it would help the cotton interests a little bit. . . . The thinking men of the South would only laugh at the absurd idea that the cotton interests could help their cause by compelling, under political pressure, any course of retaliation in behalf of cotton in the South, wheat and meat in the West, or anything in the North. The South is fully aware that this situation is one for diplomacy and not a matter for retaliation, a more or less puerile idea involving complications that would be more ruinous to the cotton cause than even present conditions and prospects possibly can be. The South may lose something on its cotton, but it will not lose its sense." The Star, with its usual good horse sense, is correct, but, unfortunately, there are in the South a great many politicians and some newspapers and some business men that are doing exactly what The Star says the horse sense of the South will prevent this section from doing. We have too much fool talk loose in the South, and such good horse sense as the Wilmington Star puts forth is not in evidence everywhere. If some politicians and some newspapers should be taken as the voice of the South, it would indeed be sad for this section, for they thoroughly misrepresent its best interests and would lead it to destruction. Would that every paper in the South could view the matter as sanely as The Star does in the editorial from which we have quoted.—Manufacturers' Record.

BERLIN HAS BEER SHORTAGE.

Another Increase in Prices Causes Concern to Authorities—Restaurants and Cafes Hurt.

Berlin, Aug. 1. (Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—Prospect of a beer shortage, and as its natural resultant, another increase in prices, is giving concern to the authorities. For some time now the beer production has been reduced to 60 per cent. of its former figures—for the purpose of cutting down the quantity of barley used. At the same time the breweries are required to set apart 20 per cent. of the old production figure for the army—with the result that Berlin has to subsist on 40 per cent. of its one time supply.

Aside from the general public, which either is getting less beer to drink than before, or is paying more for it, the restaurant and cafe proprietors are the ones hardest hit. Even the raises in prices that have been effective for months have not compensated for the material reduction in number of sales.

As one means for aiding them it now is proposed to stop the sale of bottled beer in grocery and other stores that have other income sources, limit materially the bottled beer production, and permit the restaurant to handle all that is produced. The sale of bottled beer in municipal or government buildings it is proposed to stop altogether as a further means of lightening the load of the restaurateur.

A restriction of spirituous liquors so severe that it amounts almost to a discontinuance of their sale is also proposed.

Great Excitement.

On Thursday of last week a bunch of fellows from the Elloroe and Parlors section of Orangeburg county, consisting of six white men and one negro, came to Scott's Lake, and seined for some considerable time and caught lots of fish, and when the report of this work reached Magistrate A. J. Richbourg, he put forth every effort to find out the names of this crowd, but failing to find out from the negroes down there, he has offered a reward of \$25.00 to any one who will report these parties to him, and it is known that no white men from Clarendon were fishing at this lake on that date. He has also reported this matter to the state chief game warden, and asked him to assist him in stamping out the above practice at once.—Summerton Correspondent Manning Times.

The Sumter and Columbia Collegians play two games here this week, on Thursday and Friday.

MOB WREAKS VENGEANCE.

Clears "Boot Leggers" Retreat of Inhabitants and Sets Fire to Buildings.

Osceola, Ark., July 31.—Enraged by the killing of S. B. Maulding, sheriff of Mississippi county, Arkansas, citizens today cleared island 37, a "boot leggers" rendezvous in the Mississippi river near here, of its inhabitants and applied the torch to the dozen or more frame buildings which housed the residents of the island. Eight white men and ten negroes were arrested and imprisoned here and at Marion and Blytheville, Ark. Tonight extra guards were placed about the jails.

Maulding was killed early today in a battle between a posse of officers and citizens and residents of the island, who barricaded themselves in a cabin and contested the right of the sheriff to arrest a negro accused of the illicit sale of liquor. After Sheriff Maulding had been killed the posse riddled the cabin with bullets. The occupants surrendered after they had exhausted their ammunition and one of their number, a negro, had been killed.

Later a mob of several hundred men visited the island, set fire to the buildings and arrested several men who had escaped from the sheriff's posse. Late tonight the mob had not disbanded, and it was feared an attempt would be made to lynch the prisoners.

For years island 37 has been virtually a "No man's land," because of a controversy as to whether Arkansas or Tennessee authorities had jurisdiction.

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