

FATHER WOOD FOR BISHOP.

Popular and Beloved Florence Priest Urged as Successor of Late Rt. Rev. Northrop.

Father Charles DuBols Wood may be the next bishop of the diocese of Charleston. The death of the beloved and revered Bishop Northrop left a vacancy in the bishopric to be filled according to the canons of the Catholic church in this country and several names have been suggested.

All of this is said without the knowledge and consent, and probably against the wishes of Father Wood, but it is a fact and it is said and he may raise all of the fuss he wants to after it is published.

Father Wood came to Florence about fifteen years ago a young priest with limited experience, but with a firm determination to make good in the big charge that had been given him.

Father Wood has made friends everywhere and has built up congregations and built churches and done a wonderful deal of things, that show that he is a real leader of men.

His appointment as bishop would be pleasing to a large number of people not connected with his church who are admirers of him and his work.

The appointment is made by the Pope on the recommendation of the clergy of the church.

Father Wood has charge of the churches in Florence, Georgetown and Cheraw, and all the country in between. He has built churches in Georgetown, Sumter, where he was transferred for a while to do that special work, and he is now finishing a most beautiful church at Florence.

SALMON PRAISES ASYLUM EXHIBIT.

Shows Clearly Just What Occupational Work Seeks to Accomplish—Conditions Improve.

Columbia, July 11.—Dr. Thomas W. Salmon, medical director of the national committee for mental hygiene, in a letter to Gov. Manning referred to the State Hospital for the Insane in the following words:

"I wish you could have seen how greatly interested the people who attend the meeting of the American Medico-Psychological association were in the exhibit of the State Hospital for the Insane at Columbia. I frequently heard it stated that it showed more clearly just what occupational work seeks to accomplish than the other exhibit. When we realize the conditions which prevailed at that institution only a short time ago and the fine work which is under way at the present time, I can not see how the people of South Carolina have any choice than to support you in your efforts to continue this work."

The exhibit referred to was the one sent by the State hospital to the last meeting of the American Medico-Psychological association held in New Orleans.

TO OFFER NORMAL COURSES.

To Establish Five Training Schools for Teachers.

Columbia, July 12.—The State board of education at its meeting in the office of the State superintendent of education today will consider the selection of five normal training courses for teachers in high schools. Much interest is being shown in this experiment by the progressive high schools of the State. Committees from more than a dozen places will appear before the board.

Under the act of 1916, \$1,000 annually was set aside for use in each of five such courses. The work will be outlined by the State board of education and the teachers will be appointed and paid by the same authority. The five communities selected for the work will have a fine opportunity for real community and county service.

CONFERENCES ON MEXICO.

Plans Made for Meeting of Representatives at Some Northern Resort.

Washington, July 12.—Conferences between representatives of Mexico and of the United States will probably be held soon at some northern resort. This plan has been tentatively agreed upon by Arredondo, Mexican ambassador designate, Henry P. Fletcher, American ambassador to Mexico, who has not yet gone to his post, and Acting Secretary of State Polk. Fletcher and Arredondo will probably attend with others.

Aeroplanes Bombard Calais.

Berlin, July 12.—The admiralty announces that two German naval aeroplanes bombarded Calais, the French port, Monday night, and also the troop depots at Bray Dunes.

TO LAUNCH CHARLESTON PAPER.

American, to Appear July 16, Starts With Paid Circulation of 15,000—Has Strong Men at its Helm.

American Press. Much of the preparatory work of launching the Charleston, S. C., American is complete, and the first edition will go to press on July 16. New equipment has been purchased and is already installed in the new building, which is owned by the paper.

John P. Grace, publisher and editor of the American, has been active in South Carolina political and legal circles. He has been prominent in securing drastic reforms and is known as a man of the people. In keeping with the policy of Mr. Grace, the American will carry on a direct campaign in support of the industrial class of the State. It will be liberal and independent in politics.

The editorial department will be supervised personally by Mr. Grace, assisted by Joseph P. Burns, formerly of the Montgomery Advertiser, with a full corps of reporters.

A. J. Furlong, business manager, has had an active career on southern newspapers. He started about eleven years ago as office manager of the Cumberland (Md.) Times, later going to the News of that city as advertising manager. He then became advertising manager of the Mobile Item and on the sale of that paper went to the Montgomery Advertiser. About a year ago he joined the Dothan, (Ala.) Eagle as advertising manager.

Starting with a paid circulation of 15,000 and owning their own home, the men at the helm of the American feel confident that they will be able to weather any storm that may break short of a hurricane.

Hurry J. Chapman, formerly assistant circulation manager of the Charleston Evening Post, has been placed in charge of the American's circulation.

POLICE CHIEF CLEAR.

Charleston Committee Finds Alderman at Fault.

Charleston, July 11.—The report of the special committee, Alderman Pinckney, chairman, appointed by city council to investigate charges brought against Chief Black of the police department by Alderman Kuck, was submitted to city council today, and gave it as the opinion of the committee that in the controversy between the chief and the alderman, the latter was the aggressor, and had no right to interfere with the police official in the disciplining of his men. The committee states that the chief of police must at all times treat the public with courtesy. Aside from the controversy, the only specific charge is the acceptance by Chief Black of a bottle of champagne. The report states that there is nothing illegal in the acceptance of the champagne, but by the circumstances surrounding it the acceptance is regarded as an act of indiscretion. City council unanimously adopted the report.

PRIZES FOR STATE FAIR.

Amount for Premiums is Over \$17,000.

Columbia, July 12.—Copy of the premium lists for the State fair has been placed in the hands of the printers, and the booklet is to be ready for general distribution within the next ten days or two weeks. The total amount of money to be paid out in premiums this fall is \$17,037.25. In addition to this, 26 medals have been offered. The appropriation for the fair purposes is \$1,650. The distribution of other premiums is:

Field crops, \$1,504; horses and mules, \$3,505 and 26 medals; South Carolina cattle, \$3,113; cattle exhibits from beyond the State, \$2,703; South Carolina sheep and goats, \$595; sheep and goats not native grown, \$294; South Carolina swine, \$844; swine not native, \$715; bench show, \$220; poultry, \$940; household \$232.25; needle and fancy work, \$295.50; field and flora, \$137; fine arts, \$214; education, \$75.

SPECIALISTS TO CONFER.

Mayor Mitchell Calls Noted Doctors to Plan Fight on Epidemic.

New York, July 12.—Mayor Mitchell rushes the conference of medical specialists this afternoon instead of tomorrow to study plans for handling the infantile paralysis epidemic. Among the experts are Dr. Simon Flexner, of the Rockefeller Institute, Dr. E. L. Emmel Holt, the noted specialist, Dr. John McCorkle, the noted diagnostician. Brooklyn continues to report the largest number of new cases and deaths. A new center of the disease is in an apartment house in the edge of the New York business district.

Marriage License Record.

A license to marry was issued to H. E. Drenstedt, Salem, O., and Miss Agnes Haynsworth, Sumter. One negro couple secured a license: Joseph Henderson and Emma Julia Lunneamann, Sumter.

A WASHINGTON FARMER ANSWERS THE RAILROADS.

Tells Them They Can Expect No Sympathy From Class of Workers They Have Consistently Robbed for Years.

C. R. Cottrell, of Kent, Wash., who is a farmer and incidentally national marketing and rural credits commissioner for the Washington State Grange, received a circular from the Western Railway Managers' Association recently, asking for sympathy and assistance for the railroads and attempting to show him the injustice of the demands of the workers for an eight-hour day. Mr. Cottrell's reply follows:

"Kent, Wash., March 12, 1916. To the Executive Committee of the Association of Western Railways:

"Gentlemen: In reply to your circular letter (a perusal of which leads me to believe that you seek sympathy from farmers in your adjustment of wages with your employes) sent to me, I presume, because of the fact that I follow farming as an occupation, I beg to state that if your committee imagines it will strengthen its cause by appealing to that class of people (the American farmer) who have felt the oppression of excessive freight rates for the past twenty years, they will be somewhat surprised to learn that the farmer of today is not permitting himself to be used as a cut's paw to pull chestnuts from any corporation fire.

"I note in your circular letter that you very neatly sidestep the real cause why your employes are demanding an increase in salary, but elaborate upon the new inventions added to your equipment which makes the occupation less hazardous than in former years.

"In adding your automatic couplers and other labor-saving devices, have you thought that by so doing you have deprived certain former employes of the right to sell the only commodity they have to sell—labor? Have you considered that your present employes pay a certain per cent. taxes towards the maintenance of this unemployed brother? Did you say that he could take up land and become a farmer? Perhaps that would be feasible if you would assist in eliminating the waste between himself as a producer and the consumer, but at present any railroad man on the continent would starve as a farmer.

"If I have been correctly informed, it takes combustible material, properly placed, to make the various parts of your iron monsters do the bidding of man and transport the farmers' crops to market at a price sufficiently large to guarantee a certain per cent. to your bona fide stockholders and large enough to pay dividends on the watered stock. The only added cost to you from former years is the increased cost of labor to produce, as you own your own mines of fuel.

"Has it occurred to you gentlemen that it takes combustible material properly placed to cause the human machinery to move and do your bidding? Your employes does not own his mine, but must purchase in the open market at a price from 50 to 200 per cent. in excess of what he had to pay twenty years ago? Do you know that \$1 today will possibly purchase the same article that cost 30 cents twenty years ago?

"No, Mr. Railroad Owner, instead of using such methods to keep your employes down to the lowest level, you should seek the cause of this high cost of living. Open up your closet door and there you will find the skeleton of high freight rates between producer and consumer. Go farther on and upon opening other doors you will find other skeletons that will explain to you why your employes ask for an advance in wages. You have one of the strongest organizations on earth. Why antagonize your employes because he has seen fit to follow the example you have set him? Rather seek co-operation.

"I take pleasure in informing you that the farmers of Washington State are thoroughly organized and in harmony with organized labor.

"Good luck to your employes. Yours truly,

(Signed) "C. R. Cottrell, 'Farmer.'

SUBMARINE BOMBARDS SEAHAM.

Germans Make Naval Attack on English Coast Town.

London, July 12.—A German submarine bombarded Seaham harbor on the North sea coast of England during the night, one woman being killed, it is officially announced.

GERMANS REGAIN TRENCHES.

London, July 12.—German troops have regained lost ground at Mametz and in Trones woods, it is officially announced. To the north on the Somme the British open an offensive at Loos, penetrating the German trenches.

Dutch Steamer Submarine.

Mulden, Holland, July 11.—The Dutch steamship Geer Truida was sunk yesterday by a submarine. The crew of nine were saved.

TO BREAK BLOCKADE.

Voyage of German Submarine Across Atlantic Is Real Effort to Break English Blockade.

Baltimore, July 12.—Ambassador von Bernstorff has taken informal charge of the Deutschland case. It is learned that the Germans are desirous of having other submarines come as quickly as possible so they can contend that a big volume of traffic is going on through the blockade and demand that the blockade be held ineffective and illegal.

COMPLAINANT WINS CASE.

Decision Rendered Against Olanta First National Bank.

At Charleston, S. C., on July 10, 1916, in the cause of Hartwell M. Ayer, as trustee of the estate of McLendon-Cole Co., Inc., bankrupt, complainant, against the First National Bank of Olanta, S. C., defendant, Judge Henry A. M. Smith, of the United States district court, rendered a decree awarding judgment in favor of the complainant and against The First National Bank of Olanta for the sum of \$3,000, together with interest and cost. This cause was in the nature of a bill in equity by the complainant to recover an alleged preferential payment of \$3,000 made by the bankrupt to The First National Bank of Olanta within four months prior to the date of adjudication in bankruptcy. The decree further orders the defendant to pay over this fund to the complainant within twenty days. Mr. J. D. Gilland, attorney of this city, appeared in behalf of the complainant, while the defendant was represented by Messrs. Spears, Hicks, Muldrow and Saint Amand, attorneys of this city and Darlington, S. C.

How to Detect and Prevent Spread of Infantile Paralysis.

Dr. C. Balduan, director of public education of the health department, and Dr. Simon Flexner, director of the Rockefeller Institute, of New York, here explains how to detect symptoms of infantile paralysis and how to ward off the disease and prevent its spread.

The first symptoms are fever, bowel disturbances, headache and irritability.

After a few hours, pains develop, usually in the lower part of the legs and in the feet.

Sometimes there are also pains in the region of the spine, in the arms and neck—stiff neck.

Within twelve hours, the patient is unable to move his arms or legs and sometimes can not talk.

Vomiting, delirium, twitchings and convulsions accompany the progress of the disease.

A temperature of from 100 to 106 degrees lasts two or three days.

Sometimes, but rarely, the patient has chills, sore throat and skin eruptions.

Health is no protection. Often children go to bed apparently well and awake in the night with the first symptoms and are partly paralyzed by morning.

Cleanliness is the only known preventative.

The isolation of children in the house is next in importance.

Have children wash their hands and faces often.

Avoid buying candy, ice cream and fruits which are eaten without being cooked, from peddlers and storekeepers who are not careful of their wares.

Don't kiss children on their mouths. Keep their noses clean. This applies especially to young babies.

Don't cough in their faces. Protect them from flies.

The germs of this disease, which are so small that they can not be seen with microscopes and which pass through germ filters, almost always enter the mucous membranes of the nose and throat.

Keep children away from their mates in the streets or at moving picture shows.

Report all cases at once to the board of health, so that the city's doctors can immediately investigate and remove the patients to hospitals.

Adults are not free from the disease. If your hands are dirty, or if you are not careful about the preparation of your children's food, remember that you can give your little ones the disease as readily as can outsiders.

ATAK DEADMAN'S HILL.

German Crown Prince Shifts Point of Assault.

Paris, July 12.—The crown prince shifted his attack during the night to the west bank of the Meuse, assaulting Dead Man's Hill with a large force. All attacks repulsed and a brilliant counter attack on the east bank of the Meuse resulted in the French recapturing a part of Fumin wood. The French are still successful in the Champagne, making numerous raids upon the German trenches.

NEW RAILROAD BRAKE.

W. R. Chandler of Sumter Has Patented a Device That Will Render Railway Traffic More Safe.

Mr. W. R. Chandler, the well known Southern Railway engineer, has recently perfected an improved railroad air brake and has been awarded patents on same. He is now making arrangements to have the appliances manufactured for the purpose of having them placed on cars of one of the leading railroads for a thorough test under the severest operating conditions that they can be subjected to in regular service. The new brake is said to be a decided improvement on any similar device now in use, being both simpler, more durable, and more effective. It has one outstanding merit that will recommend it to practical railroad men in that it will prevent accidents that frequently occur from the brake beam dropping down. After the new brake has been tried out and given a satisfactory test in regular service Mr. Chandler will make arrangements to have it manufactured on a large scale and will start a campaign to have it adopted as a regular equipment of all railway cars.

NAVAL EXPERTS BARRED.

Submarine Captain Refuses to Permit Examination of Deutschland.

Baltimore, July 11.—United States naval experts were barred from the German submarine Deutschland by Capt. Koenig and agents of the owners of the line. Collector Ryan and naval experts were informed that they would not be allowed to make a technical examination until German Ambassador Bernstorff could be communicated with. The ambassador is expected to come here.

GRAND JURY PRESENTMENT.

Committees Make Reports on Offices and County Public Works.

To the Hon. R. W. Memminger, Presiding Judge.

Dear Sir: Our foreman, Mr. Neill O'Donnell is out of the State and while he agreed to return to attend this meeting of the court, we did not deem it necessary to put him to the expense and inconvenience of doing so, and by the action of a majority of the jury he was excused and Mr. S. A. Harvin elected as acting foreman.

We passed upon all bills handed us by the solicitor and returned our findings thereon to the court. At the last term we appointed various committees to look after the matters most important to the county and we are pleased to submit herewith a report of the chairman of each committee except that of rural schools and of finance. The reason why the report of finance is not ready is due to the fact that we are having an audit made of the books of the county officials by expert accountants and as the fiscal year closes on June 30th, these gentlemen have not been able to complete their work in time for this court, but it will be submitted at the fall term.

The following is the report on public buildings:

Dear Sir: We, your committee of the grand jury on public buildings, jail and city school buildings, beg leave to report that we have personally inspected these buildings.

We find the county jail in very bad condition, and especially the water-works. This matter was brought to the attention of Mr. C. M. Hurst, clerk of the county board, and he stated that he would have a plumber look after it right away, which we know he will do. In view of the fact that a new jail is soon to be built we would advise no other expense there at this time.

We found all county offices nicely kept, and the officials very courteous to us.

We found a part of the court house building unused, and we would suggest that if the county is paying rent for Master and Magistrate's offices that they be requested to move these offices into the vacant offices in this building, which will be a saving to the county.

We found the county poor house in excellent condition. All the inmates are well cared for and their houses clean, and we would suggest that these houses be screened, these inmates all seem to appreciate the kindness of Mrs. Mitchell, who was also very kind and courteous to us, and we congratulate Sumter county on having this good lady in charge of this institution.

We have made a personal inspection of all the school buildings in the city of Sumter and find them nicely kept. We found no fires escapes on the Hampton Avenue and Calhoun Street buildings, and we would suggest that these buildings be provided with them.

At the colored school building we found one fire escape on south side of building, which seems to be alright. At rear of this building we find long wooden steps, which in our judgment is unsafe. In case of a panic we feel sure that these steps could not hold the crowd of children, and in giving

away under such a load of human beings many would be killed and others seriously hurt. We find that most of the stove pipes in building need attention and would advise that they be looked after before another session; also that the old part of building be painted outside, and all walls inside be painted in some light color.

If there is anything more that you would like this committee to attend to we will take pleasure in doing so.

Respectfully submitted, D. M. Dick, J. A. Middleton, Jr., T. Scriven Doar.

Report of Committee on Public Works.

Sumter, S. C., July 10, 1916. Mr. Neill O'Donnell, Foreman Grand Jury.

Your committee on public works beg leave to submit their report as follows:

In company with the County Supervisor the committee visited and inspected the county convict camp and we are pleased to report that we found conditions there most satisfactory, being sanitary and the convicts well cared for.

We also went over the different roads which have been undergoing building and are gratified to state that these roads are all in excellent condition. These roads include the Bishopville, Wedgefield and Pocalla.

On the Pocalla road the supervisor has built a concrete bridge over the creek which is a permanent improvement and one very much needed.

The supervisor is now at work on the road leading to Pinewood over Green Swamp and will soon have this in fine condition also.

Respectfully submitted, Chairman.

We thank your honor and other court officials for courtesies shown us. S. A. Harvin, Acting Foreman.

EGYPT HAS FINE CROPS.

Farmers Busy Working Crops—Boys Join Kershaw Guards—Politics Getting Warm.

Egypt, July 11.—We wonder if any one of your readers still remember the country called Egypt. Well, in reality the place still exists. The country is so called from its former production of corn, and that crop bids fair to exceed all previous records this year.

The farmers have been very busy working the small cotton and trying to clear it of grass. Fruit and water-melons are very scarce, and no one seems ready to lay by cotton. In fact the cotton crop is about one month behind.

Messrs. C. K. McCaskill, C. E. McCaskill, Calle Johnson, R. P. Cook and Cooper Peebles have gone from this community with the Kershaw guards.

Rev. J. P. Attaway and several children have gone to Anderson and other points on a vacation. Mr. Attaway went through the country in his machine.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. White spent Sunday at the home of Mr. W. T. McLeod.

Messrs. S. A. White, T. B. White, Walter Harlee, Edward Bradley, T. A. Bradley and Mrs. J. P. Attaway and Mrs. T. A. Bradley represented the St. John's Sunday School at the Sunday School Federation in Sumter last week.

Mr. E. O. White has returned home for the summer, after teaching in Saluda the past year.

Mr. J. K. Richbourg was in Camden last Saturday.

Mr. Wellington Stuckey of Bishopville was a visitor at the home of Mr. L. A. White on July 4th.

Politics are fast becoming a hot issue in Egypt and candidates are not so rare as they were last July. The race for superintendent of education bids fair to be the hottest race in the county.

THE CHILDREN'S EPIDEMIC.

Increase in Number of New Cases and Deaths Reported in New York.

New York, July 11.—The number of deaths and cases of infantile paralysis took a sudden jump today, despite the efforts of the authorities to stamp out the epidemic. The health department reported 195 new cases, and thirty-two deaths within the last twenty-four hours.

Bremen on the Way.

Baltimore, July 12.—Paul Hiken of the Schumacher company announces that the super submarine Bremen is positively now on the way to America, but he refused to give further facts regarding the port she left from or where she will arrive.

In The Police Court.

From the Daily Item, July 12.

The following cases were disposed of in the Recorder's Court today:

Joyce Stevens, vagrancy, defendant unable to work and directed to go to his people at Wilmington, N. C.

Cliff Wilson, drunk and refusing to pay back fare, \$10 or 20 days.

Lambert Ford, disorderly conduct, \$7.50 or 15 days.