

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Husbands and little daughter, Roslyn, have returned to their home in Columbia, after spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Baker on Blanding St.

Mr. Frank P. Burgess, of Manning, was a visitor to the city today.

Miss Louise Carson has returned from Pinopolis, where she was one of the bridesmaids for Miss Sallie Causey at the Causey-Davis marriage Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. McCutchen, of Mt. Zion, were in the city on Friday.

Mrs. O. H. Polley and children have gone to Birmingham, Ala., to spend several weeks.

Miss Corhill, of Chester, is visiting Mrs. W. B. Shaffer.

Miss C. W. Sanders and P. K. Myers, of Hagerwood, were visitors to the city today.

Mrs. O. E. Mayes, of Mayesville, and her sister, Miss Ruth Wilson, of St. Charles, were visitors to the city today.

Mr. William Lee Morrison, who will be married to Miss Eva Kingman Wednesday afternoon in the Episcopal church at 4:30 o'clock, his mother, Mrs. K. W. Morrison, and Mr. Howard Gomer, of Savannah, arrived in the city Sunday, coming by way of Augusta and Columbia in Mr. Morrison's car.

Miss Anne Darby, of Florence, is in the city to attend the Kingman-Morrison wedding on Wednesday evening.

Miss Williams to be married.

Senator and Mrs. Tillman announce the engagement of their daughter, Baltha May, to John Butler of Batesburg, the wedding to take place November 20 at the Church of Our Savior, Trion. Miss Tillman is the youngest daughter of Senator and Mrs. Tillman and attended Winthrop college, later specializing in education at Agnes Scott college in Atlanta and in Washington.

Mr. Butler is the only son of Mrs. Sarah Butler of Batesburg. He is a graduate of the College of the Law School of the University of South Carolina and of the law school of Columbia University. He expects to be admitted to the bar in November.

Death of Mr. Smith.

From The Daily Item, Oct. 20.

Alma, the thirteen-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. McNeal, died this morning, after a short illness.

The funeral services will be held tomorrow, Saturday, at 10 o'clock, at the residence of the parents, 507 W. Liberty street, at 10 o'clock, the services being conducted by the Rev. John A. Brennan of Grace Baptist church.

Death.

From The Daily Item, Oct. 20.

The friends of Mrs. M. V. Whilden and Mrs. M. A. Flowers and family, invited to attend the funeral services of Mr. Frank Porter, a brother of Mrs. Whilden and son-in-law of Mrs. Flowers, at the residence of Mrs. Whilden, No. 113 Church street, at 11 o'clock Saturday morning.

Mr. Porter died in a hospital at Montgomery, Alabama, from the effects of an injury sustained several weeks ago. The remains will reach Sumter in the train from Augusta, Saturday at 7 a. m.

Always Pickpockets Arrested.

Three men who were alleged to be pickpockets were arrested Friday afternoon off the Northwestern train as it entered the city and lodged in the guard house until Saturday afternoon when they were returned to Camden to appear on the charge of theft from the person. The arrests were made at the request of the Camden officials and upon a description of the men given the Sumter chief over the telephone.

It seems that while the Buffalo Bill shows were in Camden Friday the men operated there, relieving a number of citizens of their rolls, one man being hit for two hundred dollars, according to reports here. The men gave their names as Fred Foster, William Jackson and John Andrews Miller. Foster had practically nothing of value on his person, Jackson had a watch and \$29.25, while Miller had a watch and \$176.56. These sums were removed from their persons by the police. All of the parties were colored.

Winthrop Girls to Attend Fair.

One thousand girls in blue made the welkin ring last night, when during an intermission in the entertainment, Dr. Johnson announced that he would take the girls to the State Fair on Friday of next week. A special train of fourteen coaches will be chartered, which will take the party down in the early morning and bring them back that night.—Rock Hill Herald.

INFANTILE PARALYSIS IN SUMTER.

Infant Child of W. L. Boyle, 14 South Salem Avenue, Has Contracted Disease.

From The Daily Item, Oct. 20.

It was officially stated today by the Board of Health of Sumter that a case of infantile paralysis had been located in Sumter, the nine-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Boyle, 14 South Salem Avenue, being the sufferer from the disease. The fact that the case was one of infantile paralysis was not definitely known until last night, when the State Health Officer, Dr. J. A. Hayne of Columbia, came to Sumter and, after an examination at the request of the attending physician, pronounced the disease to be infantile paralysis. The Board of Health at once took steps of precaution and is notifying the public at the first opportunity offered.

It was stated by Dr. Hayne last night and confirmed by the attending physician, Dr. H. M. Stuckey, today, that there was no occasion for alarm among the parents of Sumter, as there was little danger of the spread of the disease, since the precautions taken would render this impossible from the case reported. A strict quarantine has been placed upon Mr. Boyle's residence and the other children in the family have been moved elsewhere and will be kept in quarantine elsewhere, so that other children cannot come in contact with any of those who have been exposed to the child which is affected.

The Board of Health further states that they do not believe that there is any reason for the prohibiting of the moving picture shows to children, their being stopped from school or from attending to any of their other duties or pleasures on account of the disease being in the city.

ORGANIZE FARM LOAN BODY.

Citizens of Privateer Farm Association to Borrow \$91,000.

Two fine meetings were held in Privateer township Friday to organize a National Farm Loan Association, one meeting at Providence school and one at Bethel school.

Chairman E. W. Dabbs, Sr., Messrs. W. O. Cain, Sr., H. Drane Tindal, S. D. Richardson and Secretary B. J. Eardon of the Sumter County National Farm Loan Association committee, were present and talked to the farmers.

As a result of these two meetings the Privateer Farm Loan Association was formally launched with twenty-one farmers who made application to borrow ninety-one thousand and one hundred dollars (\$91,100.00.)

Messrs. T. E. Hodge, W. O. Cain, Sr., H. D. Tindal, S. D. Richardson and J. M. Kolb were elected as the board of directors, and Mr. H. D. Tindal acting secretary-treasurer of the association.

This board will elect a president, vice president, permanent secretary-treasurer, together with a committee on appraisement of lands offered as collateral.

Mr. H. D. Tindal of Tindal offered a very feasible and valuable plan of draining lands into the public highways under the federal farm loan association plan of borrowing money, uniting the various farms into a kind of township drainage system.

In Sessions Court.

From The Daily Item, Oct. 20.

The case against James Brown and Sarah Brown for the murder of Sam Crim went to the jury this morning and no verdict had been returned up to the time that court adjourned for dinner. Lula Crim, who was also charged in the indictment, was released at the close of the taking of testimony, when Judge Prince directed a verdict in her favor.

The case against George Richardson, grand larceny, theft of two bales of cotton, was taken up next and is in progress of hearing. George Richardson, D. Ragin and Isaac Colclough were charged with stealing two bales of cotton from the cotton platform last April. Ragin and Colclough were tried and found guilty at the summer term of court and are now serving their terms on the farm. Richardson did not appear for trial at that time, but was arrested shortly afterwards and held for trial at the present term of court.

Hallowe'en Party.

All the young people over fourteen, of Trinity Methodist church, are invited to a Hallowe'en party at the parsonage to be given by the Senior Epworth League tonight, October 20th, at 8 p. m. If possible come in costume and mask.

McLaurin to Speak at Dalsell.

John L. McLaurin, State warehouse commissioner of South Carolina, has been invited to make an address at the Dalsell school house on Thursday, November 2, when an oyster supper and barbecue will be held for the benefit of the church at Dalsell.

IN SESSIONS COURT.

Cotton Case Excites Much Interest—Judge Prince Refuses Motion for a New Trial.

The case against George Richardson, colored, for the alleged theft of two bales of cotton was concluded on Friday, the jury returning a verdict of guilty. This case elicited much interest among the cotton buyers, as they were anxious to stop any stealing of cotton from the cotton platform. Judge Prince refused a motion for a new trial and sentenced the defendant to eighteen months on the farm.

The jury Friday afternoon, after being out for several hours returned a verdict of guilty of manslaughter with recommendation to mercy, as to James Brown and not guilty as to Sarah Brown, in the case against those two for murder. Lula Crim was ordered released by the court, as there was no evidence to show that she was concerned in the case. James Brown was given a sentence of two years.

Rowland James was tried Friday and Saturday morning on the charge of housebreaking and larceny and was found guilty of petty larceny. He was given a sentence of \$100 or 30 days.

Walter Harrington, who was convicted of murder with recommendation to mercy on Thursday, was sentenced Saturday to life imprisonment.

All motions for new trials were refused by Judge Prince.

This term of court is unique in that every indictment handed to the grand jury was returned as a true bill and every case tried by a jury has resulted in a verdict of guilty being returned. There were four murder cases, two of them resulting in convictions for murder and two for manslaughter.

MAKES STRONG ADDRESS.

Dr. E. W. Sikes of Coker College Speaks under Y. M. C. A. Auspices at Rex Theatre.

Dr. H. W. Sikes was the first speaker for the series of Sunday afternoon talks to be given to men under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. at the Rex theatre. Dr. Sikes is president of Coker College at Hartsville and upon his first appearance in Sumter yesterday proved himself an able speaker.

There were one hundred and five men present by actual count at the meeting, which was presided over by Dr. S. H. Edmunds, president of the Y. M. C. A. board. A choir of men had been secured and the singing was a pleasant feature of the meeting. Dr. Sikes was presented to the audience by Dr. Edmunds with a few appropriate remarks.

Taking for his subject "The Land of Far-seeing Distances," Dr. Sikes impressed upon his audience the necessity of thinking and planning for the future, saying that it was the man who had vision beyond the things at hand and near about him who made a success, whether it was in morality, business or statesmanship. He also showed that the man who did not plan for the future did not make the most out of life.

Dr. Sikes' address was a practical and able exposition of his subject and set before his audience in such a manner as to catch and hold their attention and to cause each one of his hearers to do some thinking of the future on his own account.

ROUGH RIDER SUPPORTS WILSON.

Buffalo Bill, Who Was Seen Here Saturday, is for President.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Oct. 22.—The greatest rough rider of them all, "Buffalo Bill" himself, has come out for President Wilson's reelection. Col. Cody is a great admirer of that other eminent colonel and rough rider but he can not unite with Theodore Roosevelt in endorsing Mr. Hughes.

"Buffalo Bill" had always been a Republican until a few years ago, when he lined up with the Progressives. How he stands this year is shown by a characteristic telegram sent by him from Kingston, N. C., to Frank L. Houx, secretary of state of Wyoming. Col. Cody's announcement reads:

"Hughes can't ride Woodrow. He is pulling leather already and will be disqualified.

"Bill Cody."

Col. Cody has never been a Democrat before, but he knows a real president.

Marriage License Record.

Licenses to marry were issued to Willie Flemming and Miss Lilla Hodge, of Tindal, and the following negroes: Dennis Griffin and Susan Cantey, Remini; Willis Washington and Martha Mellett, Sumter; Kidd Elias Palmer and Florence McKnight, Sumter; Jeffrey Simmons and Mathilda Green, Wedgefield; Jeff Brown and Lou Ellen Sanders, Wedgefield; Stonewall Ballard and Mary Emma Murray, Wedgefield.

COTTON GRADERS ARRIVE.

Two of Them at Chamber of Commerce Headquarters to Sample Cotton Free of Charge.

When Congressman A. F. Lever spoke here on October 9th, the Sumter Chamber of Commerce requested him to try to have an expert government cotton grader placed on the Sumter cotton market for a while, as an experiment to show the cotton farmers how to sell their cotton. This was proposed as an educational proposition to give the cotton producers an idea of the value of cooperative marketing and the benefits to be derived by the formation of a cotton selling association. Mr. Lever immediately wrote the secretary of the Sumter Chamber of Commerce that he has requested the bureau of the United States department of agriculture to send a cotton grader here as a government grader.

This morning Messrs. B. M. Botto and C. B. Killingsworth, of the department of agriculture, office of markets and rural organization reported to the Sumter Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Killingsworth will be located on this market and will have his office in the rooms of the Sumter Chamber of Commerce, second floor of the City National Bank building for the present.

If the farmers wish to know the grades, staple and value of their cotton before selling they must bring their samples of cotton to the government cotton grader, having a sample representing each side of the bales, before asking for bids on the cotton. These services are absolutely free to all cotton sellers. Neither the government or the Chamber of Commerce charge anything for their services. It is now up to the farmers to show interest and take advantage of the expert advice offered. The extent of the services rendered will depend largely on the interest displayed by the farmers. This movement is endorsed by the Sumter Chamber of Commerce, leading merchants, bankers and professional men.

NOT FEDERAL MATTER.

Washington, Oct. 21.—Promoters of fraudulent schemes for organizing joint stock land banks in the new rural credits system can not be prosecuted under the federal fraud and conspiracy law, according to an opinion given by the attorney general.

He said the frauds apparently fell within the scope of the State laws.

The board has received many complaints of swindling and has given public notice that no charter would be issued, for any bank in whose organization promotion expenses were paid, in order to correct a wide impression that farmers can borrow on second mortgages under the new farm loan system, Herbert Quick, a member of the board, issued a statement today pointing out that the law expressly prohibits acceptance of second mortgages.

Cleveland, Oct. 23.—With the sinking of the steamer Meridi practically confirmed by the discovery of three bodies of members of her crew. Death total of Friday's storm over Lake Erie is estimated at fifty-two. The Meridi carried a crew of twenty-five. Three other large vessels were lost.

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Special Trains will be operated as follows on Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 25 and 26:

Lv. Nicholls 6.25 A. M.

Lv. Mullins 6.40 A. M.

Lv. Marion 6.55 A. M.

Lv. Florence 7.55 A. M.

Lv. Timmonsville 8.19 A. M.

Lv. Sumter 9.35 A. M.

Ar. Columbia 11.00 A. M.

Returning—

Lv. Columbia 6.00 P. M.

Ar. Florence (about) 7.25 P. M.

Ar. Nicholls (about) 10.20 P. M.

These trains will stop at all stations to take on passengers going and to let off passengers returning.

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BELIEVES HECTOR CAN BE SAVED.

Naval Constructor Williams Rather Optimistic Concerning Salvage Work.

Washington, Oct. 20.—Naval Constructor Henry Williams is on his way back to his station at the Charleston navy yard, after a conference with the bureau of construction and repair at the navy department on the work of salvaging the collier Hector, which was wrecked sometime ago in a storm off the South Carolina coast.

Constructor Williams was delegated by Capt. Bryan, commandant at Charleston, to represent the government in connection with the operations of the Meritt and Chapman Wrecking Company, which has undertaken to save the great ship.

The conference just held here was to decide whether to go ahead with the efforts to rescue now, in spite of the increasing danger of bad weather, or to put the work over until next spring, in the meanwhile protecting the Hector against being injured further. This protection can be afforded by stopping the leaks and taking other adequate precautions against the ship's sinking into the sand.

Though at first skeptical about the chances of saving the giant collier, Constructor Williams is now inclined to be optimistic. He thinks the effort well worth while, considering the great value of the property involved.

Mr. S. C. Snellgrove, chief clerk of the supply office at the Charleston yard, who is passed assistant paymaster of the South Carolina naval militia, is at the navy pay office school here for a month's instruction in connection with the naval appropriation act of August 29, last.

The President's Bath.

The wife of the president of a New England university one morning upon entering the bathroom found the 8-year-old hopeful was busily engaged in sallying some tin fish in the bathtub, guarding them with a magnet. Mother gathered up the toys and advised the child that he must defer his amusement, since dad wanted to take his bath.

Reluctantly the youngster submitted. He went out into the street, where he chanced to meet a lady, to him unknown, to whom he confided:

"You see, you know some thing? The president of the university won't have any bath this morning. I've got the plug to the bathtub in my pocket and it's going to stay there."—Boston Journal.

COUNTY TEACHERS MEET.

Judge J. E. Prince Impresses Upon Instructors Importance of Their Work.

Judge J. E. Prince was the speaker on Saturday at the meeting of the Sumter County Teachers' Association meeting, which was held in the Hampton school building. There were comparatively few teachers present, however, to hear the speaker impress upon his audience the importance of the profession which they had adopted.

Judge Prince stated that teachers should be paid better salaries and that everything possible should be done by the schools to secure good teachers and to improve the school system in the county and State. He said that the necessities and comforts of life should be provided by the school districts for the teachers in order that the schools could get good teachers.

HUGHES GETS SEVERE JOKE.

J. W. Dawson, Millionaire Coal Man of West Virginia, Withdraws His Support.

Washington, Oct. 21.—Political circles here are much interested today in the sensational joke which has been thrown into the Republican campaign in West Virginia by the announcement of J. W. Dawson, a millionaire coal man of Charleston, and a Republican presidential elector at large, that he is so disappointed with Hughes' speeches that he can see no reason for a change in administration at this critical time. Dawson critic on the State chairman to withdraw his name as elector. In the course of his public statement Mr. Dawson says: "I am convinced, whether correctly or not, that a vote for Judge Hughes would be assisting to turn over the United States and the destinies of 100,000,000 people to the corrupt old guard, dominated and controlled absolutely by such men as Barnes, Penrose, Crane and Smoot, and I will never be a party to such treachery to our country."

Saturday, while his family was at the show, a thief visited the residence of Dr. J. G. DeLorme, cutting his way through the wire screen door, and stole a pocketbook containing about three dollars. A Shriner's pin was also taken. The pocketbook was later found under the house, where the thief had evidently thrown it away. The same thief, it is supposed, also broke into the residence of Mr. R. B. McNeal, but nothing of value was missing.

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