

NEWS INTEREST

Sept. 20.—In accordance with the general schedule, the association met today to discuss important business.

Agreeing to the general plan of the parent association for the purpose of holding for 40 years and creating an exporting corporation for low grades were adopted.

W. Wannamaker, president of the American Cotton Association, was the principal speaker. During the course of his remarks Mr. Wannamaker made it plain that he did not mind calling attention to the fact that he had been criticized for opposing the work of the association.

In telling of the meeting in Washington on a recent date where the governors of the various federal reserve banks had been invited to attend, Mr. Wannamaker stated that the secretary of the Treasury had been invited but did not attend. An effort was made to find him. Mr. Wannamaker then read from a paper in which Mr. Houston was quoted as saying that he was opposed to the exporting corporation because it would keep cotton too high. Mr. Wannamaker was free in his criticism of the secretary for his attitude.

Anderson, Sept. 20.—Mrs. Ira Copeland was painfully injured Sunday when an automobile filled with negroes ran into the car in which she and Mr. Copeland were riding on north Main street. The negroes were said to be driving at a great rate of speed and very recklessly. Several cars got into the ditch to avoid being hit. Mr. Copeland drove his car off the pavement and against a sand bank. The negroes hit this sand bank, which threw their cars against that of Mr. Copeland, and then turned completely over. Mr. Copeland's car was injured, and Mrs. Copeland thrown forward, breaking her knee, besides other injuries. Mr. Copeland was only bruised. The driver of the car was arrested and fined \$100, while the other four occupants of the car were fined \$50 each.

St. Matthews, Sept. 20.—The board of registration was kept busy today registering the women of the county. From indications there will be a large enrollment of women voters at the coming election. Many of them say that they are going to use the right of franchise and take their responsibility as voters on their own shoulders.

Anderson, Sept. 20.—The Blue Ridge train collided with an automobile Saturday, just at the Centerville crossing beyond Denver. The occupants of the car were J. H. Blackmon, J. M. Blackmon, Sam Blackmon and Miss Irene Blackmon and Elizabeth Blackmon. Miss Irene Blackmon was more seriously hurt than the others and was brought to the Anderson county hospital.

New York, Sept. 20.—Dr. Hugh T. Hooper of South Carolina filed a suit for \$25,000 for slander in the supreme court today against Chas. B. Bacon superintendent of the city hospital on Blackwell's Island. Dr. Hooper accepted a position in the city hospital to perfect his professional training. While there he said Mr. Bacon made the statement that he was soliciting business from the patients and that he was not fit to be in the hospital.

Psychology in Government

London Professor Suggests That Department of Anthropology Be Created

Cardiff, Wales, Sept. 22.—A suggestion that governments should employ anthropologists in an advisory capacity was made by Professor Karl Pearson of London University at the annual conference of the British association which is just being held here.

The governments of Europe, the professor added, had all kinds of experts in their service, but no ethnological advisers.

"One has only to study the peace of Versailles to see that it is ethnologically unsound and cannot be permanent," he said. "India, Egypt, Ireland, even our present relations with America and Italy, show only too painfully how difficult we find it to appreciate the psychology of other nations."

"If the spirit of violence be innate in man," the lecturer concluded, "if there be times when he not only sees red but rejoices in it—and that was the strong impression I formed when I crossed Germany on August 1, 1914, then outbreaks of violence will not cease till troglodyte mentality is bred out of man. That is why the question of troglodyte or hylobatic ancestry is such a vital problem to the state."

Contributions Not Limited

Chairman of Finance Committee Says that Two Million Dollars Will Be Sufficient for Democrats

Washington, Sept. 22.—Chairman Gerard of the democratic finance committee said that the democrats would not limit the size of contributions from individuals, but a two million dollars total would be sufficient for the democrats. He said that fifteen million campaign fund would shock the public conscience. The committee has raised one hundred and twenty-eight thousand.

North Carolina tobacco dealers and growers have started an agitation looking to the radical reduction of the tobacco acreage next year.

Duncan Succeeds Sparks

Comptroller General Elect Heads Dollar Democracy Campaign in State

Columbia, Sept. 23.—Walter B. Duncan, nominee for the office of comptroller general, has accepted the position of financial director for the presidential campaign fund in South Carolina, according to announcement made from the democratic campaign headquarters in Columbia today. Mr. Duncan succeeds Joe Sparks, who was recently elected assistant treasurer of the nation-wide democratic campaign, and who left the city last night for Atlanta, where he begins a tour of the south in the interest of the drive for democratic dollars.

Mr. Duncan will also be assistant to Mr. Sparks who is financial director for the entire south, as well as assistant treasurer for the entire campaign.

Mr. Duncan is editor of the Aiken Standard and associate editor of The Columbia Record. He was elected in the recent primary without opposition to the nomination for comptroller general.

Mr. Duncan is to devote his time for several weeks to the campaign for Democratic Funds. He will work without pay and will head up the work from Columbia. His aim is to have every county thoroughly organized for the drive.

Socialization of Mines

Berlin, Sept. 23.—The preparation of a bill for the Socialization of the mines of Germany has been decided on by the cabinet.

Wishes to Visit America

London, Sept. 22.—Pu-yi, the 14-year old former Emperor of China, is anxious to visit the United States and Europe; but the uncertain political conditions in Europe render an immediate visit unlikely, says the Daily Mail.

The betrothal of Pu-yi to the daughter of President Hsu-Shih-Chang of the Chinese republic may be announced before long, the paper states.

Pu-yi, the last "Son of Heaven," came to the Dragon throne in 1908, when he was only two years of age. Since the republican revolution in 1911 the boy has been virtually a prisoner in the Forbidden City of Peking. His education is in charge of an English tutor.

Words Difficult to Spell

Washington, Sept. 23.—Those who consider themselves expert spellers may be interested in the result of a series of old-fashioned spelling bees held in a popular summer resort of North Carolina to determine the words which are most difficult for the person of average education to spell.

By almost unanimous consent, "eleemosynary" was given the stellar position, 91 percent of the contestants meeting disaster upon one or another essential vowel. "Connoisseur" wrecked the ambitions of all except those who could be classified under that term itself; "fuchsia" was third in terms of difficulty, being followed in order by "tranquillity," "fricassee," "consensus," "supercede," "questionnaire" and "periphery."

"Separate" long in disgrace as the most easily misspelled word in the ordinary vocabulary caused little trouble in this particular circle; and despite the spread of the neomystic cult "ouija" was familiar to only 5 per cent. The 's' and one 't' in Cincinnati still keep it in the general class of "sacralaureate."

Wages in Hungary

Budapest, Sept. 22.—The misery of the formerly well-to-do people and a stidlight on the exchange situation are afforded by the bill in the national assembly increasing certain judges' salaries from 5,000 to 6,000 crowns. This represents, in American money, a raise of about 50 cents a month.

We Like His Frankness

A candid merchant in Greeley, Colorado, unblushingly advertises: "Others have cheated you. Why not give us a chance?"—B. L. T. in October Hearst's.

New York, Sept. 23.—The police found dynamite with a fuse burning on the platform of the Reed Avenue elevated station in Brooklyn, it was announced today. The fuse was stamped out and the package taken to the bureau of combustibles.

A Sumter man who keeps in touch with the fluctuations of the coal market, although not a coal dealer, stated yesterday that the indications are favorable for a decline in soft coal prices. Let's all hope so.

The rain last night, if general throughout the south caused much damage, to there are several million bales of cotton open in the fields.

The illicit manufacture and sale of whiskey is becoming so well standardized in Sumter county, according to those who know what is going on in this department of industry, that booze hounds are beginning to be particular as to what special brands they buy. Some of the moonshiners are establishing a reputation for turning out a first class article and demand higher prices for their goods than the ordinary lard can stuff.

A Counterfeit Reason

"Yes, I still have the first pound note that I made," said the gray-haired passenger.

"Good gracious!" exclaimed his traveling acquaintance, "how did you keep it so long?"

"Well, it was very imperfect, being my first, and I'd have had trouble in passing it"—London Weekly Telegraph.

Easy Graft in Turkey

Foreign Business Men Enjoy Period of Prosperity in Constantinople

Constantinople, Sept. 22.—Foreigners, or so-called foreigners, are enjoying great commercial prosperity in Turkish cities, especially in Constantinople. Turkish officials have been easily corrupted. Business men who were not too scrupulous in their methods have found Turkey a profitable field.

In spite of all the propaganda which has been circulated about the appropriation of Christian property by Mohammedans, the stubborn fact remains that Greeks and Armenians own a disproportionate part of the best business property on the prominent streets in Constantinople and many of them have been more successful at war profiteering than Turks.

The leading hotel of Constantinople is owned by a Greek who made a great fortune selling supplies to the German army. He has invested his money in hotels in various parts of Europe. The Constantinople hotel cost him \$35,000 a year ago. In a single year the hotel has paid for itself. He charges \$8 a day for a small single room without bath and the cost of meals is in proportion. The only other hotel run on European lines is owned by an Armenian, and his prices are equally high.

Turkish officials are not permitted to regulate prices. The Germans did it when they were in control of Constantinople. But the entente high commissions make little attempt to check profiteering because such efforts only intensify the friction which exists between the various missions.

Constantinople is really a group of religious principalities, which are more political than religious, and acknowledge the authority of no government. The Greeks are under their patriarch, the various religious faiths of the Armenians have their patriarchs, and the Jews have a grand rabbi. All these races hate each other nearly as much, apparently, as they do the Turks. Westerners are unable to comprehend the hatred in which the rival nationalities of the Levant have stewed for centuries. Entente high commissioners now have some appreciation of the task Turkish officials had in trying to administer such mixed populations.

Every nationality has to have its own churches, its own schools, orphanages and hospitals. Even small children of different nationalities cannot be put together without serious friction. American relief workers who have been trying to assist refugees of all races, regardless of religion, find the task almost impossible. Armenians complain if Turks are fed. Greeks allege favoritism to Armenians and the relief committees of the various races and religious heads take up the walls of individuals and waste the time of relief administrators in considering petty quarrels.

Broadly speaking, foreign relief workers have little to say for the adults of any race in Turkey, but pin their faith to the children and urge child welfare work and education as the most hopeful fields in this land of hate. Foreign relief workers who came to Turkey expecting to find gentle Christian minorities had a rude awakening. The Greek and Armenian bandits and outlaws are just as wild as the Mohammedan bands. Relief workers have learned that "Christian" means a man who is not a Moslem. It is a political term, and does not necessarily imply that the man so designated practices the ten commandments.

State Chamber Of Commerce

Important Meeting to Be Held in Columbia in November

Columbia, Sept. 23.—Every Chamber of Commerce and other commercial organization in the state will be asked to have representatives at the meeting of the State Chamber of Commerce, to be held in Columbia sometime during November, exact dates for which are to be announced later. The executive committee of the state organization met in Columbia yesterday and made plans for the November meeting. This committee is composed of E. O. Black, of Columbia, president of the state chamber; A. V. Snell, Charleston, secretary, and Dr. C. B. Whilden, of Marion, vice-president.

It is stated that matters of great importance to the entire state will be brought up at the November meeting of the organization.

Millerand Elected Today

National Assembly Formally Elects Premier to Succeed Deschanel

Versailles, Sept. 23.—Alexandre Millerand was today elected president of France by the national assembly to succeed Paul Deschanel, who resigned because of ill health.

Hotel Guests Poisoned

Five Negroes Held Under Suspicion in Greenville, Ala.

Greenville, Ala., Sept. 23.—Five negroes are being held on suspicion of being responsible for the poisoning of twenty-four guests of a hotel here, who became ill after the evening meal.

New York, Sept. 23.—Democratic Chairman White announced that the national committee would raise five hundred thousand additional as a "match the president" fund. Thousands of friends of the League of Nations, he said, would be asked to follow the president's example in giving five hundred dollars.



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CIGARETTES

History Study Club

Col. Dargan Organizes Literary Society at Stateburg

Editor Daily Item:

In 1897 while I was teaching a private school in the town of Darlington, a pupil of mine, then in her teens, now resident at Stateburg with her sons to be pupils in the General Sumter school, recited on the stage, in the opera house, Timrod's Carolina, and I and a successful teacher were behind curtains listening to the recitation and when the words "Tell how Rutledge ruled and Laurens glod," came out, I said to the teacher: "What did Laurens do to cause him to be referred to, in this way, by the poet?" But the teacher could not tell me and I declared to him that I had never heard of Laurens. And strange to say we were both college bred in South Carolina, our native and beloved state, one at the Citadel and one at Furman University. From that hour to the present, as I am writing this (23 years after) I solemnly affirm I have never let up one minute in the purpose to know what it was Laurens had done and when I found out what it was, to use the lines of Tennyson, "Let his great example stand colossal, seen of every land, Till in all lands and thro' all human story The path of duty be the way to glory."

Now, after intervening years of disabling illness, I am helping, might and main, to see that the portrait of Laurens, which for nine years has been in the South Carolina state house, is unveiled, under such ceremonies as will call the world's attention to his glorious life and sacrificial death for liberty in America. And the General Sumter school has called the neighborhood together to contribute its share to this grand undertaking.

Last night twenty members of the club, to advance this end, particularly, formed a society to study history, and other literature and its first meeting will be held on Friday, October 1st. The society has gone to work with no narrow minded sentiments or views, with a full understanding that this period of airships and wireless communication, when all the world is interlocked in interest, material and spiritual, expressed so well in the adopted song of the school, "And Lord make the nations see That men should brothers be, And form one family The wide world o'er."

The society, thus formed, starts out with zeal and determination to move upward and onward and true to the line," with the following officers at its head:

Mrs. Elizabeth Frierson Sullivan, president; Mr. W. W. Sumter, vice-president; Mrs. Carrie Reese Bull, secretary; Miss Janie Nelson, treasurer and Mrs. John L. Frierson, chairman of the executive committee.

It is hoped that many other schools and colleges in the state will enter upon similar work in the near future and attend the unveiling exercises of the portrait of John Laurens in the State house at Columbia on January 13th, 1921.

By act of the legislature the government of the state will preside over the assembly of people in these exercises.

JOHN J. DARGAN,
Stateburg, Sept. 22.

Cooper's Guernseys Win Prizes

Lee County Herd Makes Fine Showing in Competition With Best in Middle West

Wisacky, Sept. 20.—R. M. Cooper's Guernsey cattle from the Mimosa farm are entered in the Guernsey class at the following fairs:

Indiana State fair, Indianapolis, Ind.

Kentucky State fair, Louisville, Ky.

Tennessee State fair, Nashville, Tenn.

Tri-State fair, Memphis, Tenn.

Knoxville, Tenn. fair.

National Dairy show, Chicago, Ill.

Southeastern fair, Atlanta.

State fair, Columbia, S. C.

This herd was shown at the Ohio State fair, Columbus, Ohio the first part of September where there was keen competition from some of the largest herds of the country. The Mimosa herd was awarded the following prizes:

Age Bull—Lord Mar of Elmendorf No. 3247, 2nd.

Mar's Mimosa Boy, 4th.

Two Year old Bulls—Sea Bell's Raymond of Anna Dean farm No. 49-322, 3rd. There were five entries in this class.

Yearling Bulls—Mimosa's Sequel Roy, 1st. Mimosa's Kenilworth Gold No. 9589, 2nd. Five entries in this class.

Junior Yearling Bulls—Kelsey's Special No. 65589, 1st. Eight entries in this class.

Junior Bull Calves—Mar's Kelacy, 1st; Good Luck's Memento No. 66590, 5th. Ten entries in this class.

Age Cows—Rockingham Tulip No. 44619, 1st; Mar's Jolly Rose No. 64-165, 2nd. Ten entries in this class.

Three Years Old Cows—Moss Violet of Elmendorf No. 77548, 1st. Four entries in this class.

Senior Yearling Heifers—Tulip of Guernsey Home Farm No. 88958, 2nd; Dora Mar of Mimosa No. 98590, 5th. Ten entries in this class.

Senior Heifer Calves—Mar's Tulip of Mimosa, 3rd. Twelve entries in this class.

Junior Heifer Calves—Mar's Primrose of Mimosa, 1st.

Breeders' Young Herd, 2nd. Five entries in this class.

Calf Herd, 1st and 3rd. Six entries in this class.

Product of Cow, 1st and 3rd. Eight entries in this class.

Champion Female—Rockingham Tulip No. 44819.

Junior Champion Bull—Mar's Kelsey.

Among the other breeders of South Carolina exhibiting at the large State fair is Henry Jordan of Ridge Springs who is showing his Holstein herd.

Farm Tenancy Increasing

Sixty-Three Per Cent of the Farmers of South Carolina Work Rented Land

Columbia, Sept. 22.—That farm tenancy is on the increase in South Carolina at an alarming rate, sixty-three per cent of the farmers of the state now being tenants, is the outstanding conclusion reached in the monthly bulletin of the University of South Carolina, issued today. Only two states in the union have a greater percentage of tenancy, says the bulletin, these being Mississippi and Georgia, the former with 66.1 per cent, the latter with 65.6 per cent.

The bulletin was prepared by S. M. Derrick, a University graduate, and it gives some startling insight into the farm tenure situation in South Carolina. According to this bulletin, 68.7 per cent of the land in South Carolina is lying idle.

Land owners in South Carolina operate a greater percentage of all farm lands than do tenants in South Carolina, it is shown, but the tenants operate a greater percentage of the improved lands, than do owners.

The following are some of the striking conclusions reached in the bulletin:

The farms of tenants in South Carolina contain approximately twice as great a percentage of improved land as do the farms operated by owners.

The size of farms operated by owners is nearly three times as large as the size of the farms owned by tenants.

The average size of farms is smaller in the upper part of the state, where there is a greater degree of tenancy than in the lower part of the state.

Over twice as many of the tenant farms of the state are operated by negroes, as are operated by whites.

There is a smaller percentage of farms operated by white tenants than is operated by white owners. The percentage of farms operated by negro tenants is nearly four times as great as the percentage operated by negro owners.

Negro owners operate a little over one-tenth of all the farms in the state, and slightly less than one-third of all the farms operated by owners.

Negroes have acquired farms nearly twice as fast in the lower part of the state as in the upper part.

Farm mortgages have been steadily increasing in South Carolina, having tripled in twenty years. Only four per cent of the money borrowed from the federal land bank has been used for buying land.

Paris, Sept. 22.—Premier Millerand was today chosen as a candidate for the presidency to succeed M. Deschanel by a joint caucus of members of the chamber of deputies and senate.

Rome, Sept. 22.—The Italian metal workers who occupied many factories throughout Italy are refusing to vacate in accordance with the settlement agreement recently made, according to dispatches to the Giornale d'Italia.

Douglas, Ga., Sept. 21.—Having lived one hundred and twenty years without a surname Aunt Hester, a negroess born near here in 1799, is dead.

Fierce Fighting at Grodno

Moscow Wireless Reports Beginning of New Offensive by the Poles

London, Sept. 22.—The Poles have commenced an offensive in the Grodno region on the northeast front, a Moscow wireless says. Fierce fighting is proceeding.

Columbia, Sept. 21.—James Washington, colored, of Greenville, will be electrocuted at the state penitentiary Friday of this week, for assault upon a 14-year-old white girl near Pelzer in August.