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CITIZEN AID FOR CONGRESS.

The suggestion made recently by Otto Kahn, of New York, that non-office holding citizens might well act in conjunction with senators and representatives in holding hearings and investigating economical and other non-political subjects, is worthy of careful consideration. In speaking on the subject Mr. Kahn said,

"Experience has proved that congressional committees cannot give to the task that continuous and concentrated attention which it requires. The best ability and ripest experience of the country could be called upon and would surely be found ready to serve. It should come to be looked upon as a distinguished honor to be asked by congress to act as one of its instrumentalities, and the resulting sense of responsibility and of public duty and trust, should—and I have no doubt would—cause those thus selected and honored to give service wholly free from the bias of self interest. Such committees might be composed of, say, five non-office holding citizens and six or seven senators and congressmen.

"The reports emanating from the deliberations of such a committee would, it may be hoped, come to be considered as sources of reliable information to the public on social and economic subjects, and if the committees were wisely selected and rightly conceived their functions, their conclusions would surely come to have the public confidence for impartiality and competency, irrespective of party affiliations.

"They ought also to make it easier for the political parties to have the courage of facing squarely and dealing, without too much zigzagging and compromising, with questions of a non-political nature, because the parties could point to the backing of the reasoned judgment of expert and trustworthy men without political axes to grind."

It was part of the suggestion that these committees be chosen by congress acting through the president of the senate and the speaker of the house, as the method least likely to inspire partisan and personal antagonism.

The counsel of men of experience and business integrity was thus sought during the war, generously and impartially given and proved of immense value from every point of view. If some method could be worked out for securing the same sort of co-operation in times of peace the benefits to the nation cannot be doubted.

Both side are sure they're going to win. And that's all right. It's hope that makes the world go round.

The easiest way to make money on the election: Don't bet.

What's royalty, after all? A cat may look at a king, and a monkey may bite one.

Those in charge of voting booths are urging women to do their voting in the middle of the day, and a lot of anxious candidates are hoping they will keep in the middle of the road.

Judging from a lot of the brainy political arguments we've heard lately, the hard-wood supply of this country isn't anywhere near so short as it's represented.

The very name "Bolshevik" is hypocritical. The word means "majority," and the Reds using it are a small minority.

One of the laws governing the casting of the ballot reads, "No electors are entitled to advice or assistance except the blind or the physically in-

firm," and every ardent supporter of one party thinks he ought to be allowed to direct the vote of any ardent supporter of the other party, on the ground that "none are so blind as those who will not see."

Keep your money moving—a rolling dollar gathers no moss.

A constant reader reports that he asked a man he met the other day who he thought would be elected president, and the man replied, "President or what?" If more than one chief executive has not asked himself the same thing on many occasions, we are no judges of human nature and politics.

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It's a little late to begin studying up about the various candidates, but at that there is probably time to learn all that some of them would care to have you know.

Fair Week Boosterettes

E. I. R. Takes His Pen in Hand To Slay a Few Things

Sumter is going to conduct a school of instruction to teach every individual how to resign from the crape hangers' union and banish his or her grouch to Jonah land. If the jinx is pursuing you and you don't know how to get away from it, why just line up with the battalion of boosters and pessimism exterminators of the merchants' bargain and gala week and greater Gamecock County fair for November 16th to 19th inclusive.

If you are totting your "jinx" around you are overloaded with imaginary troubles, your back is weak, your feet are sore and cold, and you have cobwebs on your brain. You can't think clear nor can you dance to the music of optimism. Your conjured up bogey man of "Old Man Hard Times" has you hoodooed. He will ride you to despair and failure if you don't shake him off. His greatest success lies in your gloomy outlook.

There is really nothing the matter with you but you just don't know it. Your troubles diagnosed and remedies provided with a sure cure guarantee in the booster battalion. Your brain and eyes made to think and see the bright sunshine of hope, to look ahead for the brighter times, and to forget the good old days of profitable profiteering, and to learn how to live and do business profitably under normal conditions.

You can't bring back the past. Time, like water that has turned the mill's wheel is gone, like the days of the divine rights of kings, gone, never to return again. Sumter is going to manufacture a new future out of the experiences of the past and the opportunities of days to come. Every man can be a Marshal Foch or a General Perching in the booster's battalion. We have no grouches in this company. No up-to-date business concern in Sumter, wholesale or retail can afford to not be in the Battalion of Boosters. Those who are on the outside will be noticed as much as those on the inside, but if you are on the inside you will be classed as a booster, as one trying to help; those on the outside might be mistaken for slackers, grouches, failures. Therefore line up with "the never say die" with the crowing gamecocks who defy pessimism, defy any condition to put Sumter down and out.

Sumter is famous as the most successful fall festival producing city in the southern states. Sumter is going after more business whether business wants to come here or not—going after new business and new customers. Sumter is going to show the world that Sumter is not dead or discouraged if other cities think they are. The gamecock is crowing and fighting for victory and he is going to keep crowing, and then some.

Ohio in Doubt

Nobody Knows Who Will Win The Election

Columbus, Nov. 1.—Ohio is trying to pick the winner in the presidential election, after an avalanche of political argument and a stirring campaign

RIDE OF NEGRO JOY RIDERS ENDS SUDDENLY

A seven passenger Peerless car belonging to Mr. A. T. Heath was badly damaged yesterday afternoon when it turned over completely. The accident happened on the Stateburg road about two miles from Wedgefield. The car was being driven by a negro named Tom Harvin, who is in the employ of Mr. Heath, and three other negroes, one man and two women, were the only occupants of the car. The reason for the accident seems unaccountable. The negroes were all thrown out, badly shaken and frightened. Both men received cuts on their hands from the glass of the broken windshield. The overturned car was lying longways across the road making it necessary for all vehicles traveling the road to get completely out of the road.

Both Managers Express Confidence

Will Hays Says Harding Will Have 368 Electoral Votes— White Says Cox Will Be Elected

New York, Nov. 1.—On the eve of the election both Democratic and Republican headquarters are confident that their candidates will win. Hays claims that Harding will have not less than 368 electoral votes. White says Cox and Roosevelt will win.

Monument For Italian Soldiers

Men Who Died Fighting on Mountain Front to Be Buried on High Peak

Rome, Oct. 31.—A great national subscription is now being made to collect together all the bodies of Italian soldiers who died fighting on the mountain front and are insufficiently buried, all the bones which are whitening on the rock mountain sides and to give them fitting sepulchre on one of the highest peaks, probably San Michele. It is proposed that a simple, noble monument should be erected under which will rest together officers and soldiers, rich and poor. One of the sad phases of Italy's war on the mountain front was the difficulty of burying those who fell fighting. The soil on the Carso range is such a thin crust over the massive rock of which the mountains are formed that dynamite had often to be used in order to make a sufficiently deep grave especially on those historic peaks like Monte Santo, Monte Nero, the Grappa and the Hermada, where Italian blood flowed like water. The Austrians originally held all the passes there and decimated Italians at every point but they were taken and retaken over and over again until the final victory gave them to Italy forever.

Jury List

Fall Term of Court of Common Pleas Will Convene November 15th

The court of common pleas will convene on Monday, November 15th, for a term of three weeks, with Judge I. W. Bowman of Orangeburg presiding. The jury for the first week was drawn Saturday, as follows: J. A. Reames, Rembert. W. M. Gayland, Dalzell. J. L. Haysworth, City. C. W. Dwyer, City. A. J. Ard, City. L. M. Jackson, Sumter, R. 2. W. E. Prescott, Sumter, R. 1. C. E. Sanders, Hagood. L. J. Newman, Sumter, R. 1. F. K. Ellis, City. T. D. DuBose, Oswego, R. 1. C. S. James, Rembert. Robert Muldrow, Mayesville. H. G. Stone, Tindals. J. M. Barrett, City. J. T. Keels, Lynchburg. J. C. Huger, City. E. W. Nettles, Wedgefield. C. M. Prescott, Sumter, R. 1. W. D. McLeod, Oswego. Abe Ryttenberg, City. W. N. Bradford, City. S. J. Blackwell, Greeleyville. S. F. Weeks, City. A. L. Northcutt, Sumter, R. 4. Tal Geddings, Tindals. B. S. Moore, Olanta. T. M. Pierce, Shiloh. J. L. Sanders, Hagood. R. P. Gainley, City. C. B. Richardson, City. Henry Benenahley, Dalzell. C. M. Phifer, City. W. N. McLeod, Mayesville, R. 3. W. C. Jones, City. J. R. Wingate, City.

VOLLEY BALL SUPPER.

The monthly volley ball supper will be held tonight at the "Y" dining room at 8 o'clock. All volley ball and basket ball artists are expected to enjoy the specially prepared chicken supper.

At this supper plans shall be discussed for carrying on two leagues at the same time. Owing to the large number of men who come out at 6 o'clock in the afternoons and are always ready to indulge in the wonderful pastime and exercise of volley ball, the single gymnasium court is inadequate to accommodate the men so work has commenced on a court electrically lighted at the rear of the Y. M. C. A. building. This court is soon to be put in splendid condition and will indeed be ideal for pleasant weather play.

All plans for the basket ball team will also be discussed at the supper tonight. A captain and manager will be elected and convenient nights for practice arranged.

Don't forget the hour, 8 bells.

DEATH.

Notice was received Saturday of the death of Mrs. J. A. Scarborough last night in Asheville, N. C. Mrs. Scarborough has been in ill health for some time which caused her to go to Asheville with the hope of regaining her strength. The last illness which caused her death was due to a stroke of paralysis, which occurred about four weeks ago. Since that time she has been critically ill, and not expected to live.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

A marriage license has been issued to Mr. Dalton Daniel Jones of Tindal and Miss Bertha Thigpen of Manning, Colored. McDuffie Mack and Magdalene Johnson of Davis Station. Henry Anderson of Shiloh and Christine Bennett of Camden.

Cotton Warehouse Fire

Edgfield Cotton Warehouse Damaged by Fire Suspected of Being Started by Incendiary

Edgfield, Oct. 31.—Fire was discovered in the office of the brick warehouse of the Edgfield Warehouse company near the station yesterday morning about 5 o'clock. The alarm was given and as soon as hose could be rushed to the building a strong stream of water from the recently installed municipal water system was turned on and the fire was extinguished without damage to the warehouse proper in which was stored about 1,500 bales of cotton. From the office the flames spread to a small adjoining section of the warehouse in which a large quantity of seed oats and feed stuffs belonging to J. D. Kemp & Co. were stored. Their loss was about \$4,500 with insurance of \$3,500. The owners of the warehouse will sustain a loss to the property of two or three thousand dollars, which is fully covered by insurance.

There is strong suspicion here that the fire was of incendiary origin.

Negro Night Riders

Two Residences, Gin and Other Buildings Burned in Alabama

Montgomery, Ala., Oct. 31.—Ten negroes are in the Montgomery county jail charged with arson as the result of the burning last night in the "Black Belt" district of the county, about 20 miles south of Montgomery, of the summer home of Dr. N. H. McCrummel, the residence of G. Gibson, the cotton gin of J. T. Davis with ten bales of cotton and a quantity of cotton seed a grist mill, several barns and negro tenant houses.

Sam Watkins and Bim Lee, negroes, were shot and killed by a sheriff's posse shortly after midnight after they had fired upon an automobile containing Sheriff Scoggin and three deputies. The sheriff and his deputies were en route to the scene to investigate the fires.

The outbreak occurred on the farms of J. T. Davis and M. S. Holton, white farmers, but the negroes killed and arrested are tenants and laborers for the most part on an adjoining farm and no motive is ascribed for the attacks.

The fires broke out simultaneously and a reign of terror ensued among the families of the white farmers who began telephoning the sheriff's office for assistance. Responding promptly, Sheriff Scoggin, with four deputies, set out for the scene in an automobile, which was fired upon from the roadside as it approached the locality. The sheriff's posse had narrow escapes from death and only saved themselves by jumping from the car on the opposite side of the road from whence the shots came and falling to their knees. Using the automobile as a shield they killed two of the negroes and effected the capture of ten others.

A hurried telephone call to the county jail and police department brought reinforcements and a dragnet was quickly spread about the locality but only two other suspects were thereafter arrested during Sunday. A strong guard of deputies is patrolling the affected scene tonight. The governor's office has not as yet been officially notified of the outbreak and it is not expected that troops will be called out.

Montgomery, Ala., Oct. 31.—Activities of fire torch bands broke out in Montgomery county anew Sunday night when the cotton gin of M. E. McLemore, nine miles from Montgomery was burned to the ground.

The burning of the McLemore gin followed a Saturday night of marauding in which two negroes were killed, two cotton gins, four horses, eight barns, ten bales of cotton, two tons of cotton seed and 40 bushels of crushed corn were burned. Sheriff John L. Scoggin, and a posse of county deputies and policemen arrested 20 negroes early Sunday morning, all but six being released.

War on Loafers

Soviet Government of Russia Finds Work is Necessary

London, Oct. 31.—Advice from Moscow say that an appeal has been issued by the soviet government for overtime work, under the heading of "the war with loafers" in which the soviet government declares it cannot tolerate anyone living in the soviet republic at the expense of others. Loafers must be pursued mercilessly.

In one village which refused to fulfill the compulsory labor order, 75 cows have been confiscated and will not be returned until the set task is completed.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

A marriage license has been granted to Willie Gadsden and Willie Washington, colored, of Sumter.

Woman Vote Has Politicians Guessing

Professionals Cannot Figure Out How the Suffragists Will Line Up

Chicago, Nov. 1.—The mystery as to the tide of the tremendous woman vote is belied in the many eleventh hour discussions of the general election situation. It is stated on all sides that the woman vote would delay the returns.

Grade Crossing Tragedy

Three Persons Killed and Several Fatally Injured Near Asheville, N. C.

Asheville, N. C., Oct. 31.—With one boy killed at the collision, two men dying soon after being brought to a local hospital, two others expected to die at any time, two others seriously injured and one slightly injured, the most serious automobile accident to occur in western North Carolina for many years took place today at Morrison's crossing, one mile east of Old Fort, near here. Passenger train No. 15, en route to Asheville, collided with a touring car, the property of Tommy Rhinehardt of Marion, and in which seven other people were riding. Paul Condry, son of W. P. Condry, aged nine, was instantly killed and Ernest Mullnex and Jeter Rhinehardt died from injuries soon after having been brought to the Biltmore hospital. W. P. Condry and J. S. Y. Rhinehardt are not expected to live through the night, while Carl Lowry and Tommy Rhinehardt are also seriously injured and J. T. Myers is slightly injured. All the injured are at a local hospital.

Harding Simply Waiting

Republican Candidate Says He Has Done His Best

Marion, Nov. 1.—Senator Harding has finished his campaign and is resting at home. He and Mrs. Harding plan to vote in the afternoon and spend the day quietly receiving the returns in their home. He said he had made the fight to the best of his ability and was ready to abide by the results.

Millerand Remembers Teddy

Paris, Oct. 31.—President Millerand greatly resembles physically the late Colonel Theodore Roosevelt. He has the same broad chest, short, thick-set stature, the twinkling blue eyes look searchingly at one through thick lenses; the same large head, strong powerful neck; the same capacity for hard work.

At Versailles, after Millerand had been officially invested with the powers of president of the French republic, the correspondent of The Associated Press was one of a large group of newspaper men with whom the president shook hands.

"How do you feel, Mr. President?" the correspondent asked. "Splendid!" Millerand fairly shouted. Somehow, the word sounded very much like one heard years ago: "Dully."

GONE FOR GOOD.

Results That Last are What Appeal to Sumter People.

Kidney sufferers in Sumter want more than temporary relief. They want results that last—Results like Mrs. Carnes tells about.

Her's was a thorough test. Four years is a long time. Doan's Kidney Pills have stood the test and stood it well.

Why experiment with an untried medicine? People here in Sumter have shown the way.

Read the story of Mrs. Annie C. Carnes, 531 W. Oakland Avenue, Sumter. She gave the following statement January 12, 1915: "My kidneys were out of order and my back ached. I had headaches and dizzy spells, too. I used Doan's Kidney Pills and they cured me of all the trouble."

Over three years later, or on February 13, 1918, Mrs. Carnes said: "I can certainly recommend Doan's Kidney Pills, for they give me a permanent cure. I am glad to confirm my former statement."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Carnes had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.—Advt 83

FOR SALE — One Vapor cooking stove, used about six weeks. F. M. Moise.

To the Farmers of Sumter County Many of you are going to hold your cotton and surely you are not going to leave it in the weather. Storage room is becoming scarce. We have room yet for a considerable amount in the Palmetto Warehouse, Columbia, S. C., and will be glad to furnish terms and information to any desiring them. W. GORDON McCABE & Co., S. J. Smith, Agents SUMTER, S. C. Office over Barnett's Store, Phone 304