

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NOTES

Reasons For Change of Quarters to Council Chamber

City council in extending to the Sumter Chamber of Commerce splendid quarters, free of rent in the city hall exhibits a spirit of cooperation which it will pay many merchants, bankers, manufacturers, professional men, and the farmers also to follow.

As private citizens the members of council are backers of the commercial organization, as public officials they take the position that the Chamber of Commerce is an all round public institution, working for every business interest and for every occupation and calling.

Now, in common with practically every other organization and business enterprise, economy in operation until times get better is considered good practice by the chamber of commerce which has been hit hard with other institutions and general business by the scarcity of money.

The Sumter Chamber of Commerce has proved its value and its usefulness to Sumter and Sumter county. It is not now an experiment. It ought to be and doubtless will be a permanent institution in Sumter.

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get together and back up our chamber of commerce. It is a place for "live wires" in war it was unbecomingly to civilian slackers, but backed up our boys over there in times of peace it opens its doors to all legitimate lines of business and to every reputable citizen.

BARNARD EVANS MAKES APOLOGY

House Accepts and Incident is Dropped Permanently

Columbia, Feb. 24.—Barnard B. Evans, of Columbia, an attorney, was presented before the bar of the house of representatives today for an alleged assault on H. H. Evans, of Newberry, former member of the house, and Claud N. Sapp, of Columbia, a member of the house of representatives.

Mr. Evans made an apology to the members of the house for any untoward act that he might have made last night.

Speaker Atkinson, when Mr. Evans was presented at the bar of the house, said he was charged with disrupting the dignity of the house in two particulars, one within the bar of the house and the other in the lobby.

Mr. Evans replied: "I was invited to attend the house to hear a speech on a certain bill. During the evening, before I came to the house, I attended a dinner party and I indulged in two pints of champagne, which of course you gentlemen know is a rarity. Probably I was under the influence of the champagne and did not know what I was doing.

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HOLD UP IN COLUMBIA

Columbia, Feb. 25.—W. H. Galloway, well known Columbia business man, head of a paper company, is recovering from the effects of a hard blow on the head, which he received Wednesday night when he was struck with a blackjack. He was returning home at night and near the house was struck on the head and knocked unconscious.

SEARCHING FOR BODY OF SUICIDE

Columbia, Feb. 25.—Police and sheriff's office forces of Richland and Lexington counties spent Thursday searching for the body or some signs of the body of James Wolf, an employe of the Columbia mills, who lived in Brookland, just across the river from Columbia, and who is supposed to have committed suicide by jumping in the Congaree river.

Hagood News and Views.

Rembert, Feb. 23.—I saw a picture in a prominent newspaper the other day of Abe Lincoln the rail splitter that would have amused him immensely because it represented him as driving a wedge with an axe.

Yesterday, Washington's birthday, went out to the home of E. Parker Sanders. He and his near neighbor and cousin Benjamin Sanders are making things happen. Parker has a beautiful well-kept young orchard that gave him a splendid return last year and will do immensely better in the days to come.

WEEKLY MARKETGRAM. U. S. Bureau of Markets For the week ended Feb. 24.

Hay. Colder weather causing slightly improved demand. Receipts very light except at Kansas City and Omaha. Timothy prices up 50c; alfalfa unchanged except at Memphis where it is 82c lower.

Southeastern markets report an easier tendency with prices of all feedstuffs about 1% lower in Atlanta. Northeastern markets lost part of last week's gain because of extremely light demand. Stocks generally good and accumulating in a number of markets.

Fruits and Vegetables. Sacked round white potatoes up 10 to 15c per 100 pounds f. o. b. northern shipping stations, reaching 90c to 1.05.

Onion movement light; markets irregular. New York up 2c at \$1 to \$1.25. Pittsburgh down 5 to 10c at 75 to 90c; other markets mostly 5c to 1.15.

Florida celery slightly lower in consuming markets at \$2.50 to \$3 per crate. Shipping points \$1.60 to \$1.75.

Carrot shipments weak ended February 23: Potatoes 2,198 cars; boxed apples 484, barreled apples 919; cabbage 495; celery 430; lettuce 274; onions 359; sweet potatoes 324.

Prices declined the early part of the week but on the 19th and 21st there were upturns on renewal of export demand and limited offerings.

Factors contributing to weakness at the close were, decidedly bearish local sentiment, weakness in stock market and economic conditions, and a further decline in cash wheat prices. Chicago cash market No. 1 red winter wheat 12c over March as compared with 31c premium on the 18th.

Live Stock and Meats.

Higher prices ruled on practically all classes of live stock at Chicago. Greatest advances occurred in the sheep and lamb market. Fat lambs up \$1.70 to \$2.25; feeding lambs generally \$1 per 100 lbs.

Further improvement put aids in butter market with trade calling for all the better grades. Fresh butter somewhat scarce. Support is lent to market by buyers who anticipate further advances and who have been buying ahead.

Cheese markets firm. Advances on the 21st at Wisconsin primary markets has caused slight advances in some distributing markets and buyers who look for a general advance to follow have been buying more freely.

Pittsburgh Banks Holding Back Data

Accusation Made by Comptroller of Currency

Washington, Feb. 25.—The Pittsburgh Clearing House association was accused by Comptroller of the Currency Williams today of having forbidden its member banks to furnish data asked for in the national bank call issued yesterday by the comptroller.

Several items not heretofore given on the face of the reports were requested in the current call, the comptroller explained. These items, he said, included a statement as to the amount of money which was being loaned on bond and stock collateral in New York city, a statement showing the aggregate amount of salaries paid to the executive officers of banks and the number of such officers, and the amount of salaries paid all other employes of the bank and the number of such employes.

Oppose Publication of Salaries. Pittsburgh, Feb. 25.—When informed that Comptroller of the Currency Williams had accused the Pittsburgh Clearing House association of having forbidden member banks to furnish data in connection with yesterday's bank call, John R. MacCune, president of the association, said tonight that the information asked by the comptroller was being given.

At a meeting of the association yesterday," said Mr. MacCune, "we decided, on advice of counsel, that we were not required to publish in the newspapers the salaries of bank officials as requested by the comptroller. This information is given to the comptroller but is not incorporated in bank statements for publication. We believe we are right in our position."

Representative McFadden also issued a statement declaring publication of figures as to salaries would result in "great harm, because it will stir up a feeling between the employers and employes by pointing out, in the way of contrast, salaries paid."

No Rest for The Weary.

New York Herald. Mount Popocatepetl, in Mexico is showing signs of increased activity. Nature is unkind to the republic on the southern side of the Rio Grande.

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First Class Scout—I ate three chickens today. Tenderloin Scout—Gee whiz. Honest? Roasted or friend?

Just So.

"Lady lawyers are beginning to appear in our courts." "I know."

NEXT!

Now Mr. Weather man, be as considerate as you can. For Easter's coming And spring's most here.

Take away the chilly winds; Let us forget the cold cold bins. Give us balmy breezes And send along the sun.

We like the winter weather, If it doesn't last forever. Put now we want to see, The good old summer time.

The appropriate salutation in raising a glass of hooch to one's lips would be "Here's lookin' at you—for the last time!"—Rockford, Ill., Star.

RAILROAD GOES BROKE

High Cost of Operation Too Much For Alabama Road

Atlanta, Feb. 25.—Federal Judge Sibley today signed an order appointing President E. L. Bugg receiver for the Alabama Railroad. The order was issued on a petition of the Birmingham Trust and Savings company which alleges it holds a note for ninety thousand dollars due March 7th, which the road is unable to pay.

SENSATIONAL CASE IN NORTH CAROLINA

Greensboro, N. C., Feb. 26.—The federal jury in the case of Mrs. Florence Varner, who sued her husband, Colonel Henry B. Varner, the Lexington publisher for support, today returned a verdict for the defendant, after two days deliberation. One issue required the jury to find whether she was guilty or innocent of the charge of improper relations with Baxter McCrary, a wealthy negro of Lexington. The jury answered this affirmatively.

"Brains are sexless," says British Columbia's woman cabinet officer. But this doesn't stop the sexer from being brainless.—St. Louis Post Dispatch.

When we overhear the neighbor women talking in their worried way about what to do to the growing girl we often wonder why they don't just let her grow.—Ohio State Journal.

HOOVER GATHER-ING INFORMATION

Holds Conference With Secretary of Commerce

Washington, Feb. 26.—Herbert Hoover, who will be secretary of commerce after March 4, arrived here today from New York and conferred with Sec. Alexander to discuss the affairs of the department of commerce. Hoover and Alexander post-poned moving pictures after the conference.

WAR IN CENTRAL AMERICA

Panama, Feb. 26.—Hostilities have begun between Panama and Costa Rican forces in the vicinity of Coto, on the Pacific end of the frontier between the two countries, according to unofficial dispatches. Official confirmation is lacking. A formal declaration of war had not been made up to late last night.

DENBY APPOINTED SEC. OF NAVY

Mr. Harding announced that Denby has been appointed secretary of navy and Theodore Roosevelt, son of the former president, assistant secretary. Both have accepted the appointments.

"Don't drift into a pacifist state of mind."—Pershing. No danger, general. The income tax season is upon us.—New York Mail.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF The National Bank of South Carolina, At Sumter in the State of South Carolina, at the Close of Business on February 21, 1921.

Table with 2 columns: RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. RESOURCES includes Total loans, Deposited to secure circulation, Notes and bills rediscounted, etc. LIABILITIES includes Capital stock paid in, Surplus fund, Undivided profits, etc.