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PERSONAL

Mrs. W. D. Shupe and children are visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carr. Mrs. A. A. Team and daughter are in the city at her parents' home on Hixson Ave.

War Savings Stamps

War Savings Stamps of the series of 1918 became due and are payable to the amount of \$625,000,000 January 1, 1923.

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On and after November 15, 1922, owners may apply to exchange the whole or part of their 1918 War Savings Certificates at maturity value for Treasury Savings Certificates to be dated January 1, 1923.

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Banks will cooperate with the postoffice in effecting the cash redemption or exchange of War Savings Certificates. It is important that all holders see their banker or postmaster as soon as possible if they desire prompt settlement.

Postal G. H. Q. Expects Increased Christmas Business

Washington, Nov. 28.—Post office officials are expecting a heavy business at the Christmas period this year, possibly heavier than ever before. Mail was flowing heavily as early as November 1, it was pointed out, and when the rush starts so early it is taken as a sign of a big rush of holiday mail.

The department began in October the usual preparations for the holiday increase and by December 1 the entire service will be ready. Officials see that "mail early" campaigns are having their effect on the mailing public, resulting in the unprecedented early start of Christmas business.

It is estimated that the increase in postal receipts during December over a normal month is \$8,000,000. About \$1,000,000 is spent for extra space on trains to transport the mails, the motor vehicle service, spends approximately \$500,000 above its regular service, and another \$1,000,000 goes for additional clerks hire in the various postoffices to sort mail.

Another item is \$350,000 for additional carriers. Added to these items are the millions of money order blanks, more millions of stamps, miles of twine to re-bundle poorly tied packages, and thousands of square feet of emergency warehouse space.

"Uncle Sam's total bill for Christmas is about as discouraging as dad's," the Department declares. "Deliver all Christmas mail by noon December 25," is the watchword of the service as the day draws near, and it is very seldom that the goal is missed.

However, a bad storm may delay deliveries, and adds terrifically to the bill. A storm in New York last Christmas cost the Post Office Department \$300,000 extra for motor vehicle transport alone. The postal service does not wish for a "white Christmas."

COTTON MARKET

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The reason some men leave home is because they can't pay the taxes.

How time does fly. Baseball teams are claiming next year's pennant.

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BREEDING BETTER COTTON

Results of Some Plant-to-Row Cotton Breeding Work

(W. R. Gray, Clarendon County Demonstration Agent). Mr. E. E. Hall, extension plant breeding specialist, and I, in cooperation with Mr. D. L. Tindal, of near Pinewood this year carried on a plant-to-row cotton breeding test. It is generally recognized that on well free lands of this section that Cleveland Big Boll is the best short staple cotton we have. The test was therefore made with this variety of cotton.

The purpose of the test was to determine the highest yielding strain or strains of Cleveland under our conditions. The test consisted of twenty rows, all grown under the same conditions as nearly as possible. I may say here that this test patch was planted rather late and in a comparatively low place; the yields are therefore lower than would have been the case if the conditions had not been so adverse. However, we were chiefly interested in the comparative yields of the different strains, as already stated.

The results of this work are very interesting and clearly demonstrate the value of careful seed selection and breeding. I will not attempt to give the yields of every row, but only enough to show the variation that there is in seed of the same variety grown under the same conditions. The cotton from these rows was all picked at one time and carefully weighed by Mr. Hall and myself, and from this the yield per acre was calculated. Notes were kept on earliness, type of plant, length of staple, etc.

The highest yielding row in the plot produced at the rate of 832 pounds per acre. The lowest yielding row produced at the rate of 454 pounds per acre making a difference in money value of \$43.74 per acre. Seed were saved from the five highest yielding rows and the balance discarded. The average yield of these five highest rows was 856 pounds. The average of the rows not saved was 649 pounds. Lint cotton from rows saved for seed averaged \$20.70 more per acre than that from those rows which were not saved.

This work will be carried on from year to year. We will have sufficient seed from the five highest yielding rows to plant good sized increased plots on Mr. Tindal's farm next year. Seed from certain of the highest yielding plants of most desirable type will be planted in another plant-to-row test in 1923. In this way we can in a short time develop high yielding strains of cotton.

These high yielding seed will then be sold to other farmers in the community at a moderate price, with a view to getting a superior strain of one variety generally used in a community. This will make it easier to keep the seed pure and up to standard.

I failed to state that this cotton was all dusted with calcium arsenate and the entire plot average 700 pounds per acre. These rows were checked and the seed planted by hand in order to get the same number of plants per row and the same distance between plants.

Government Plans Series of Suits

Many Cantonments Involved, Including Camp Jackson

Washington, Nov. 24.—The government plans a series of suits to recover money spent on construction of war cantonments as the next step in the alleged war fraud campaign. It was indicated a dozen or more suits involving seventy-five million dollars would be filed. First cases are expected to involve Camp Jackson, at Columbia, Upton, at Yaphank, N. Y., Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio, and Funston at Fort Riley, Kansas. The Camp Upton suit involves six millions, Jackson six millions five hundred thousand, Sherman five millions and Funston four millions.

The complaints in the cantonment suits allege fraud, gross negligence, inefficiency and wastefulness on the part of contractors and their agents.

Killed by Automobile

Greenville, Nov. 26.—T. G. Batson, 63, well known merchant of Gantt, a suburb, who was struck by an automobile on River street here Saturday afternoon, died at 5 o'clock this morning at a Greenville hospital from his injuries. His skull was fractured.

The inquest has been set for Tuesday morning and Browning Marshall of this city, driver of the automobile, has been released on \$3,000 bond by Judge T. P. Cothran, pending the inquest. Funeral services of Mr. Batson will be held tomorrow.

Cotton Mill Strike Ended

Manchester, N. H., Nov. 26.—The strike in the Amoskeag mills, whose units comprise the largest textile plants in the world, was declared off tonight. The action was taken following the tabulation of the votes of 22 local unions of the United Textile Workers of America on the recommendations of the international organizations' representatives that the operatives return to the mills under protest. Seventy-five per cent of the voters favored the recommendation, union leaders announced tonight.

The report that Mr. Jack Dempsey offers to play the All-American football team is untrue.

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CO-OPERATIVE MARKETING

Cotton Association Proves To Be a Stabilizing Influence

Columbia, Nov. 24.—Cooperative Marketing of cotton is the greatest constructive force now working for the development of southern prosperity, in the opinion of Carl Williams, president of the American Cotton Grower's Exchange. Mr. Williams has been in Columbia for two days in conference with the Board of Directors and management of the South Carolina Cotton Grower's Association.

"The orderly marketing program followed by the Cotton Cooperatives of the South, is generally acknowledged to be a great stabilizing force on cotton prices," said Mr. Williams. "This year it has assured the southern farmer of the good price for cotton during the period when farmers themselves had cotton to sell. This same result has been experienced by other commodity cooperative Associations in the United States. These agricultural sections, which have profited for the longest period by this system of marketing, are today first in the United States in per capita bank deposits and among farmers, first in good roads, first in quality of rural schools, first in salaries of county teachers, first in number and size of country churches, first in salaries of rural preachers and first in rural recreation.

"These things have a direct relation to city and town business. The effect of the co-operatives has been to increase the percentage of the consumer's time, which the farmer receives, and thereby to increase his buying power and raise his standard of living. The natural result is that all business is benefited proportionally.

"I am very much pleased with the progress of the South Carolina Cotton Growers' Association, and equally well pleased with the support, which has been given the association by farmers, business men and bankers of this state. The Association has already passed the experimental stage and has become a permanent part of the life of South Carolina. There is every indication that it will handle more than twenty per cent of the total cotton crop of South Carolina this year, and that it has become a dominant figure in the cotton business of this state.

"Eight other state organizations of similar size, character and policies are working with the South Carolina Association. Their total membership is more than 175,000 cotton farmers."

EDUCATION WEEK PLANS

Columbia, Nov. 25.—Cooperation in many parts of the state in the plans for observing "Education Week" is reported by the committee in charge, and a great impetus for the strengthening of the school system of the state is expected to result, according to Powers W. Bethea, of Columbia, secretary of the organization. Reports from Spartanburg county, Greenville county, Calhoun, Wilkingsburg, Dorchester, Newberry, and Horry counties are especially encouraging, Mr. Bethea says.

The committee is Saturday, issuing from the press a bulletin explaining the plans of education week, and making suggestions for its observance in the various communities of the state. This is to be sent to business men, school trustees and educational leaders of the state, with a view to aiding in the local plans being made for the education week. The bulletin was prepared by Mrs. B. L. Parkinson, Dr. Wilson Gee and Mr. Bethea.

In most of the schools of the state Education Week will be observed with special exercises. The committee has asked that ministers touch on education in their sermons on December 3. In most of the school districts of the state an educational rally is to be held, and in each county seat on December 3 a county mass meeting is planned, with special speakers. Rural schools will be the chief subject for all of the rallies. The American Legion is co-operating heartily in the program of "Education Week" in South Carolina.

Since the legislature of 1922 made certain reductions in appropriations for education, a loud protest has gone up all over the state, resulting in a state conference here recently, which launched the general movement for the state-wide observance of "Education Week."

It is the hope of the education leaders of the state that the importance of education, especially in the rural sections, may be so stressed by the special meetings, that public sentiment may develop to such an extent as to make limitation of education appropriations again impossible.

State Superintendent of Education J. E. Swearingen today issued a statement in which he appealed to the public to stand by the schools of the state. "I hope to see the exercises and discussions of 'Education Week' crystallize the educational sentiment of our people by insisting upon efficient schools, with adequate support," he says. "The compulsory attendance law should be more uniformly and carefully enforced; the physical welfare of pupils and teachers should be better safeguarded; careful, competent, conscientious Christian teachers should be put in every classroom and should be paid a living wage. The course of study should be enriched and varied, so as better to meet the manifold needs of childhood. A minimum term of seven months for the country schools should be provided. The campaign against illiteracy should proceed vigorously."

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WORLD NEWS IN BRIEF

Columbia, Nov. 22.—Cotton ginnings in Richland county are about twenty-six per cent off, compared with last year, according to a report made today by James W. Wesinger, of Ballentine, in the county, who is the government's agent for reporting ginnings. The ginnings for the county to November 1 were 5,325, as compared with 7,266 for the same period of last year.

Gaylord, Mich., Nov. 23.—The price of potatoes fell to 18 cents a bushel today at producing centers throughout Northern Michigan, this being the lowest figure in years.

London, Nov. 24.—The government won the first division in the new house of commons today, by a majority of one hundred and three over the laborites.

Dublin, Nov. 24.—Erskine Childers, chief lieutenant of Eamon De Valera, was executed here today for having an automatic pistol in his possession, when arrested at Wicklow November 10th, according to an official bulletin issued by the national army. He was convicted by a military court November 17th.

Boston, Nov. 24.—Clemenceau today lashed back at senate critics in his first American interview, given to the Associated Press. In answering Hitchcock in demanding he explain why France uses black troops in Germany, he said the senator had been misled by German propaganda. All black troops have been removed, he said. "Senator Hitchcock calls me a militarist."

"Well, I'm glad to tell Mr. Hitchcock he is in the senate for only a few days more. When he is free I dare him to go to France and learn the facts."

Rome, Nov. 24.—Italy today mourned the passing of Baron Sonnino twice premier and a foreign minister during the world war. He died last night after an apoplectic stroke earlier in the day.

Washington, Nov. 24.—The house convened an hour early today to give more time for general debate on the shipping bill, which ends Monday when the measure will be taken up for amendment. Representative Edmonds announces that provisions giving the shipping board jurisdiction over charges of interstate water carriers will be stricken out and hearings held on coastwise rates questions.

Columbia, Nov. 24.—The college press association convention will come to an end here tonight, with a banquet at the Jefferson Hotel. Yesterday afternoon, members of various clubs of Columbia gave the delegates a ride over the city.

London, Nov. 24.—The announcement of the execution of Childers came as a surprise to England. It had been believed that the free state authorities would hesitate to execute him in view of the possibility of a rematch. De Valera, several days ago made a threat that if Childers was executed blood would flow. The question now asked here is whether the republicans will attempt reprisals and the situation is regarded as having ugly possibilities.

Greenville, Nov. 23.—The South Carolina Supreme Court will be asked to pass upon the constitutionality of the two-cent gasoline tax, and a temporary injunction to restrain the prosecution of the law until it is decided, will be asked by the South Carolina Oil Jobbers Association, it was announced tonight by J. V. Dudenhoff, local oil dealer, at a meeting of the Greenville Wholesalers' Bureau.

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Ku Klux Speaker in Charleston

Col. J. Q. Nolan Asserted That He Came Only to Explain What the Klan Is

Charleston, Nov. 23.—Col. J. Q. Nolan, a representative of the Ku Klux Klan, from Atlanta, addressed a capacity audience at the Artillery Hall last evening. He styled himself as the national lecturer of the Klan, and introduced himself to the audience, saying that he represented a secret order and that for a fellow Klansman to introduce him would identify the latter as a member of the order. He stated that he was a personal representative of William Joseph Simmons of Atlanta, the Imperial Wizard of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

There was disappointment that Mr. Theodore D. Jervey was not given permission by Col. Nolan to reply to his Klan address. Mr. Jervey's position, as set forth in his advertisement in The News and Courier of yesterday attracted much attention in the community. Mr. Jervey attended the meeting last night. He made this statement yesterday afternoon: "At about 2 p. m. I was rung up at my residence by Col. Nolan, advertised to speak at Artillery Hall on Thursday at 8 p. m. He said he had seen my advertisement asking him if I could speak at the meeting and that as he would speak for about an hour and twenty minutes, he did not think I should reply to him; but he was willing to have me speak before him. This I told him I had not requested permission for; but had requested the unknown head of the organization here, to permit me to reply; but that I had no idea of thrusting myself on the meeting and if it did not suit, I was perfectly satisfied. He said there was no head here, that he had come simply to explain the purpose of the Ku Klux and if I followed him that I might say something he would like to reply to and that would make the meeting too long. I said that that was perfectly satisfactory to me and if it was not suitable for me to reply I would attend and hear his speech; that Charleston was too hospitable a place to interpose in any way with the privilege of a speaker to run his meeting the way it suited him. It was his meeting and I accepted his reasons for not having me reply; but did not think there was any impropriety in requesting the reply which I understood him to agree with me and with some pleasant remarks the matter ended."

Col. Nolan gave as his reason for not permitting Mr. Theo. D. Jervey, who, in an advertisement in The News and Courier yesterday morning, addressed to the unknown local head of the Ku Klux Klan, asked permission to reply to Mr. Nolan, that he had quite a lot to say to the audience and that if Mr. Jervey replied, he would be forced to make replies to the words of Mr. Jervey and that this would take entirely too much time. He said that he talked to Mr. Jervey over the telephone during the day (stating that he had called at the former's office to see him and failed to find him) and offered to allow him to precede him, but that Mr. Jervey had declined this offer.

The meeting was, for the most part, orderly, with the exception of several periods during which questions were hurled from the audience at the speaker, none of which he answered directly to those asking the questions. During these brief periods, one of which threatened to become boisterous, but was immediately quieted following the removal from the hall of a man who apparently was the center of the storm, such questions as "What is the Ku Klux?" "Why do you wear masks?" and "Tell us what you are?" came from male members of the assemblage. Most of

RUMORS ARE DENOUNCED

Seaboard President 'Sees No Danger of Receivership'

Washington, Nov. 26.—In connection with the weakness in the rail stocks, rumors have been persistent that Seaboard Air Line was in danger of a receivership. S. S. Davies Warfield today characterized these reports as malicious lies. He declared the earnings for the last two weeks to be the highest in the history of the road and that progress made with new and rebuilt equipment has been greater than on any other system in the United States. He points out that loadings for the first twenty-one days of November show an average increase of 29.6 per cent with traffic on an increasing scale. The Seaboard is just entering into the period of its greatest traffic which extends through the next four months, being increased by the winter traffic passenger and freight from the northern states to Florida.

Plant City, Fla., Nov. 25.—Thanksgiving strawberries will come high this year, for buyers are paying \$4.25 a quart for them delivered on the railroad platforms here. Plant City, center of the production area in Florida and one of the largest strawberry shipping points in the country, began its shipping yesterday, the earliest date in seven years. The bidding opened at \$1.25 a quart and the berries rapidly went up to \$4.25 while bids went as high as \$4.30 with no berries in sight.

One farmer received a check for \$72.25 for a lot of 17 quarts, the best actual sale price of the day. It was at the rate of \$4.25 a quart and represented the highest price ever recorded here.

One quart of berries was sold at auction today for \$102, the bidding having started at \$3. The seller sent the money to the children's home at Tampa as a Thanksgiving gift.

Thinking About Roads

(Spartanburg Herald). In practically every county in South Carolina the newspapers are discussing the question of highways from some point of view. There are still many points of view as to the solution of this question, pressing as it is for solution, in South Carolina and other southern states. The Waterre Messenger, of Camden, has recently expressed this view: "A state highway system work in conjunction with the federal government will be the only way to build so-called permanent roads."

"We would hail with delight some legislation at the next session of the legislature looking to the building of permanent highways under a well devised plan. If each individual county is to build its own roads, then the sand-clay roads are their only hope."

The Waterre Messenger is coming very near the truth. It is thinking along the right line. While South Carolina counties—and especially the wealthier counties—have contributed to the state many miles of highways carrying the traffic more comfortably and more expeditiously than ever before, in the history of the state, a system of state highways will never be realized until they are built and maintained by the state and not by the several counties. Certain counties have contributed splendid highways, other counties can never do such a thing because they are without the resources.

Second to the question of taxation in this state is the question of highways. The next legislature should determine upon a policy and launch the state's road program that will yield results. We are not going backwards—but forward.

Illinois congresswoman has four children so should pick up things quickly in the House.

A baby grand costs less than a grand baby but doesn't last as long.

CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY

FOR THE RELIEF OF Coughs, Colds, Croup, Whooping Cough, Hoarseness, BRONCHITIS - SOLD EVERYWHERE -

Names Three Judges

McLain, Epps and Ramage Appointed by Governor

Columbia, Nov. 23.—W. C. McLain of Columbia, R. D. Epps of Sumter and C. J. Ramage of Ludra were appointed special judges by the governor yesterday upon the recommendation of Chief Justice Gary.

Mr. McLain was named to hold the court of common pleas for Marion county commencing December 4.

Mr. Epps was named to hold the special term of common pleas court for Allendale county beginning the second Monday in December.

Mr. Ramage was named to hold the court of general sessions for Spartanburg county commencing December 4.

Columbia, Nov. 24.—That mulch flesh is bringing a good price was shown in a sale conducted by large stock concern here yesterday when it sold more than four hundred mules at auction. The top price was \$280. Attending the sale were 150 buyers. One of them, D. E. Scarborough, of North stated that he believes the prices of mules will continue to increase.

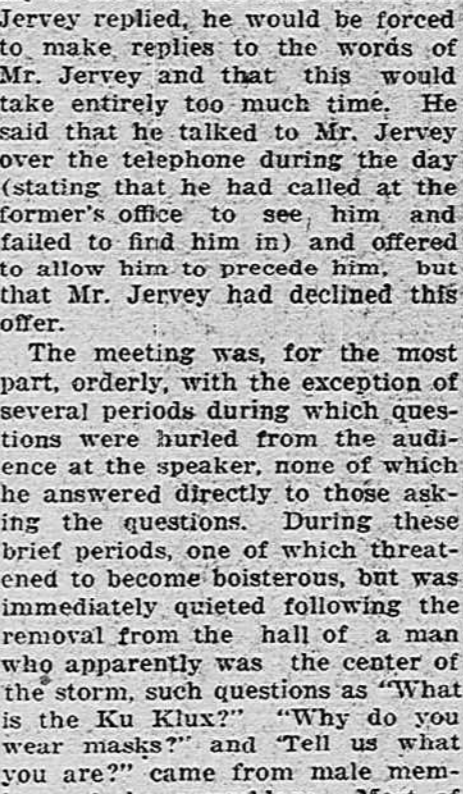
Crushed by Passenger Locomotive and Cars

Conway, Nov. 23.—An infant son of Kelly Jones, of the Adrian section of Horry county, was fatally crushed under a passenger train yesterday. Engineer O'Neill reported that he noticed what appeared to be a large piece of paper between the tracks and that he watched it intently. As his locomotive was almost on it, the child moved and Mr. O'Neill brought his train to a stop. The infant was picked up under the mail coach and rushed to Loris for treatment, but died in a few minutes. At the time of the tragedy, the infant's father was working in a nearby field.

Train Kills Infant

Columbia, Nov. 24.—The Colonia Hotel, a tourist hotel of this city, was sold at auction yesterday and brought \$65,000. It was bought in by the mortgages. It was sold under order of bankruptcy against D. C. Shaw, former owner. Mr. Shaw is a prominent Sumter man.

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DOINGS OF THE DUFFS

