

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS

Two Demonstration Agents For Sumter County For 1923

The Sumter County Legislative delegation—Senator D. D. Moore and Representatives E. W. Dabbs, Jr., John B. Duffie and S. K. Nash—held a meeting in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce at which Mrs. S. O. Plowden, District Home Demonstration Agent and a committee representing the Sumter County Women's Council, and a committee representing the Young Men's Business League and the Rotary Club were present. Mrs. Plowden and the Committee of the Women's Council presented a request that the appropriation for the Sumter County Home Demonstration be continued for the year 1923. The Home Demonstration work in Sumter county was discussed at length. This discussion took place before Representative Nash arrived, but the other members of the delegation unanimously decided to continue the necessary appropriation of \$1,300 for this work. The committee from the Young Men's Business League and Rotary Club presented the request originally formulated by the Young Men's Business League, and endorsed by the Rotary Club, that a sufficient sum be appropriated to maintain two full time demonstration agents in Sumter county. The federal appropriation for this purpose is \$1,500 for each county, and to employ two full-time agents, according to the estimate of Dr. W. W. Long, State Director of Farm Extension Work, the minimum sum of \$6,000 per year will be required. This necessitates the appropriation by Sumter county of not less than \$4,500 to supplement the federal appropriation. There was a full and free discussion of the proposition by the committee and the members of the delegation, after which the delegation went into executive session. It is stated that a decision was reached that the appropriation be made for the two full time agents.

Mrs. W. D. Boykin Entertains
Thursday afternoon, December 14th, Mrs. W. D. Boykin was the charming hostess at her home on Calhoun Street to celebrate her first wedding anniversary. Seven tables were placed for bridge in the reception room, whose attractiveness was accentuated by vases of cut flowers and pot plants. After a number of games a salad course with hot coffee was enjoyed.

A set of tea napkins was presented to Mrs. Riley Bradham as a token of appreciation, and Mrs. Peterson Dick as consolation, and Mrs. M. S. Boykin received the booty, a handsome handkerchief. Miss Helen Childs, of Hendersonville, N. C., who is spending the winter in Sumter, was presented with a lovely box of handkerchiefs.

Mrs. Boykin was assisted in entertaining by Mesdames Edward McCallum, Robert Plowden, Miss Teresa Chandler and little Miss Gussie Williams.

Death
Mr. Geo. H. Lewis died Monday night at his home in the Singleton neighborhood, near this city, aged about sixty-six years. He is survived by his wife, who was before marriage Miss Carrie Singleton, and several children. The funeral was held at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon from his late residence.

Death
Miss Mary Daugherty died this morning at 2:15. Aged seventy-nine years. The interment will be at the Sumter cemetery at eleven o'clock Wednesday morning. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. She is an aunt of Mr. M. D. Daugherty of this city.

Party for Bride-Elect
Monday afternoon Mrs. W. M. Turner and Mrs. A. A. Howell entertained a number of guests at the home of the latter on Broad street, complimenting Miss Jewelle Williams, whose marriage to Mr. Peihann Bradford will take place during the holidays. The rooms were beautifully decorated with holly, southern smilax and Christmas berries.

The merriment began when each guest was asked to cut a pattern for the bride's use. Miss McCauley proved to be the most skillful and received a box of handkerchiefs which she presented to the guest of honor. Miss Williams also received a pretty piece of hand made lingerie. Next, with the letters of her name in a crochetic form, each one wrote a page of advice to the bride-elect. Then a fortune game was played, each one being blindfolded and finding her fortune in a large heart, where she touched her arrow. When the bride's turn came the door leading to the Land of Happiness was opened. As she crossed the threshold two little fairies of happiness, little Misses Maude Minter Turner and Ida Wilcox-Howell, took her hands and led her to another room. When the blindfold was removed the bride's gaze fell upon a display of numerous and beautiful gifts from her friends. After the gifts had been viewed by all, the hostesses assisted by Mrs. E. M. Staley, and Master Avery Howell, served block cream, feed cake and minis. The Christmas colors were used in the decorations, games and refreshments.

Our idea of a good time would be to get a dog and name him Tariff and tie a can to his tail.

ENTER MADAME

This Pleasing Play Will Be Presented at Opera House Tuesday Evening

"Enter Madame" was very acceptably presented at the Opera House Tuesday evening by talent representing the Stage Society of Columbia. This play portrays in dramatic form the problems and perplexities of divorce, a situation that fortunately does not seriously concern South Carolinians. The play is dependent for its interest almost entirely upon the proper portrayal of character. Unless this is well done, the play has very little interest for an audience. Happily, those who took part last evening had an appreciative conception of the characters that they represented, and they acted so well as to hold the interest of the audience from beginning to end. While the characters were all portrayed with varying degrees of excellence and while it may be said that the Stage Society of Columbia is to be cordially congratulated upon the manner in which this play was presented, still the outstanding character of the play was Madame, as presented by Mrs. W. G. Peterkin. Mrs. Peterkin is formerly Miss Julia Mood, a daughter of Dr. J. A. Mood of this city. Mrs. Peterkin unquestionably has genuine "dramatic ability," and while the character that she portrayed was a very difficult one, she executed this role with the highest degree of effectiveness. Her acting was unusual and of a high degree of excellence. At Sumter she was the former daughter of one of Sumter's former daughters. A very appreciative audience evidently felt grateful to the Associated Charities and to the High School Athletic Association for bringing such an excellent play to Sumter.

Marriage License

White:
F. Pelham Bradford and Jewelle Williams of Sumter.

Colored:
Geo. W. Powell of Washington and Magnolia L. Cohen of Rembert, S. C.

Faris Butler and Adrianna Montgomery of Sumter.
William Phillips and Flora E. Brunson of Sumter.

Christmas Community Singing

Community singing will be held in the park at 8 o'clock p. m. Monday—Christmas Day. Mr. Moore will lead the singing and an orchestra will assist. All who have heretofore participated in the community singing have been asked to join the chorus. Christmas Day, and all others are cordially invited to take part. The public generally is urged to attend, participate in and enjoy this celebration of Christmas.

The job of two full time farm demonstration agents who will work in Sumter county next year will be to promote, encourage and direct the development of the dairy industry, as well as to lead the fight against the boll weevil and assist the farmers in finding methods to produce cotton at a profit under boll weevil conditions. The most effective method of beating the boll weevil is the development of a successful system of diversified farming, including dairying, cattle, hog and poultry raising, fruit and truck growing, so that cotton will be a surplus, and not the sole money crop of the farm. This can be done in Sumter county and the farm demonstration agents are the leaders entrusted for the campaign to restore prosperity.

Columbia, Dec. 21.—An interesting two-corner controversy has arisen regarding the amount of income taxes collected and collectible in South Carolina last year, with W. R. Bradley, of the state tax commission, and Internal Revenue Collector Jones, of Columbia, taking one position, and members of the Greenville legislative delegation and Internal Revenue Collector D. R. Blair, of Washington, taking the other.

Mr. Bradley and Mr. Jones have made statements to the effect that the federal government collected in federal income taxes, due on last year's incomes, during 1921, a total of between three and four million dollars, and that the state's income tax, being one-third of the federal tax, should net around a million. Mr. Bradley says that the collections already made or in sight will total "around a million," and he expresses satisfaction with the result.

Senator Bonham, Representative Foster McKissick of Greenville and Mr. Blair, of the Washington revenue office, have stated that the total federal income tax collections in South Carolina last year totaled \$11,684,765, and that this shows that the state income tax collections are far short. Mr. Bradley and Mr. Jones here contend that these collections include income taxes due and unpaid for 1921, 1919, 1920 and 1921, and Mr. Blair has wired Washington for authority to publish the exact figures showing these collections. The outcome of the dispute is watched with statewide interest.

Correct this sentence: "Our cook isn't good," said Mrs. Newrich at the party, "and it's all I can do to keep from going into the kitchen to do it myself."

"Exposure," says an Artie explorer, "develops one." Hello, short skirts.

School Savings Fund

Bank of Sumter to Inaugurate System in School

The National Bank of Sumter has started a movement that will prove one of the best ways to help beat the boll weevil to it. This bank will early in 1923 inaugurate in every white school of the city of Sumter the "School Savings System" which is the beginning of a campaign of thrift education among the thousands of pupils.

E. I. Reardon, secretary of the Sumter Chamber of Commerce has interviewed W. J. Crawford, Jr., cashier of the National Bank of Sumter and reports the following interesting information about this savings system. Mr. Crawford explained that in each of these schools there will be installed by this bank an automatic receiving teller in the shape of a machine which will contain savings stamps somewhat similar to the thrift stamp of the denominations of one cent, five cents, ten cents and twenty-five cents. When the pupil pushed the automatic machine after depositing his or her money a stamp of whatever denomination is paid for will be thrown out. Every pupil will be supplied with this bank with a folder in which to post the thrift stamps. When one or more dollars in stamps is accumulated this folder is taken to the bank and the stamps deposited in the regular savings department and the pupil is given a savings department pass book. The pupil is then enrolled as a regular depositor of the bank.

Even though the amount is small the officers of the bank, according to Mr. Crawford's statement, will take as much interest in the small deposit as though it were one of the large amounts deposited. The pupil will then be a real asset to the bank and to the community.

Mr. Crawford said that for two or three years he has been investigating the field and looking for a practical school savings system. This plan of stimulating the habits of thrift about to be inaugurated was submitted to Dr. Samuel H. Edmunds, superintendent of Sumter city schools and he is very enthusiastic over the plan and believes that the pupils will be only too glad to take advantage of this opportunity offered them.

In order to create interest in this proposition Dr. Edmunds had Mr. R. D. Epps and Mr. W. J. Crawford, Jr., talk to the pupils of the Boys' high school and the Girls' high school, and on the day the machines or automatic receiving tellers are installed additional talks will be made. The National Bank of Sumter has the approval and co-operation of other Sumter banks in this movement. It encourages the pupils to save their money. Nothing, from an economic standpoint could be done towards teaching boys and girls the value of being thrifty and saving their money or at least a good part thereof than this convenient and tempting method of saving presented at considerable cost by this bank.

If during the formative period of their lives the boys and girls contract the habit of putting aside a portion of their money or earnings they will in later years be impressed with the value of the custom from practical experience in savings and in banking experience. This school savings system makes a depositor of every pupil—makes them more or less "business men" and "business women" doing business with a regular bank and drawing interest on their savings deposits annually.

That the community and the county will greatly benefit in the years to come by the education of thousands of youngsters along the lines of conservative economy is a foregone conclusion. The National Bank of Sumter and the Sumter city schools are to be congratulated and commended for this admirable installation of a plan that means so much to the thousands of pupils of today and the years to come.

A. C. L. Train Wreck

Forty Persons Hurt in Derailment of Train 83

Jesup, Ga., Dec. 20.—Forty persons were injured, none seriously, when seven Pullman cars of passenger train No. 83, southbound, on the Atlantic Coast Line railroad, turned over between Allenhurst and McIntosh about 10 o'clock tonight.

Dr. Branch of Luzovici, who was the first to respond to the call for physicians, found that there is only one person in the group of injured who will have to go to a hospital. He said that she was from New York state, accompanied by her husband and nephew, en route to Florida. He did not take her name. He said that he rendered only first aid to the injured.

This woman and all of the other passengers on the Pullman were brought here, only the rear portion of the train being derailed. The injured were then taken to Jacksonville, Fla., where the passengers will receive further medical attention.

"None of the wounds are serious," said Dr. Branch. "They are lacerations and bruises. The Pullmans were turned over on their sides and men, women and children were thrown on to a tangled mass inside the cars. That there was no limb broken seems almost miraculous."

The Real Christmas Spirit at the Schools

The Pupils Learn That It is More Blessed to Give Than to Receive

On the eve of the closing of the city schools for the Christmas holidays, the pupils seem to be thoroughly imbued with the real Christmas spirit, which is the spirit of doing for others. This makes Christmas a period of genuine joy because it is only by giving happiness to others that we can ever hope to be happy ourselves.

At the Girls' High School Building a beautifully decorated tree had been placed on the rostrum of the auditorium. The tree was not only beautifully decorated but suggestive of joy and happiness. It was not a Christmas tree from which those who were present were to receive, but by which they were to give joy, happiness, and comfort to others.

Among the contributions for the tree were clothing, toys, groceries, fruit, books and farm produce. In addition to these things, an offering of \$6.50 was contributed from the school. There was a special offering from Mr. Metropol of a box of oranges and ten pounds of candy.

The tree was given through the Junior Red Cross organization. In connection with the tree a Junior Red Cross program was given by the members of the high school. The president of the organization stated that for five years a membership of one hundred per cent had existed in the Girls' High School. She called upon the members to renew their pledge of service. This was done; the whole school standing at attention, while the words of the pledge were repeated. Of all the things contributed will go toward making a happy Christmas time for those less fortunate ones in our country.

The same spirit has manifested itself to a remarkable degree in the other buildings. A class of girls has donated boxes of home-made candy and boxes of nuts to be sent to the base hospital to those who were wounded in France or have contracted tuberculosis. One class of boys has a family for whom they have made a beautiful Christmas tree, and this family is expected to come to the tree. A class of girls has a Christmas tree for a little girl, who is expected to come and see it. Another class of girls has a tree, and they expect Santa Claus to go with them to deliver the gifts on Christmas eve. This same class has an offering of \$6.00 with which to buy groceries. All of the classes in the Hampton School have contributed wool, fruit, clothing, canned goods, and chickens to make other people happy.

In the Washington School, there stood in the hall a beautifully decorated Christmas tree with many colored lights. Around the foot of this tree were placed fruit, clothing and canned goods. Besides these things, this school has an offering of \$15.00. All these little folks will be happier on Christmas because they have made happiness for others by their gifts.

At the Boys' School they are at all times active through the Red Cross in helping in every way that they can. This morning they sent fruit and other substantial gifts.

The Daugherty Case

Judiciary Still Struggling With Impeachment Whitewash

Washington, Dec. 19.—Hearings on the Daugherty impeachment case were resumed today by the house judiciary committee. The committee is trying to reconstruct the hearing on its own initiative since Representative Keller, who made the charges, declined to continue. Representative Woodruff, who last April general had failed to prosecute was frustrated testified that conditions had changed.

Questions about the reports that he had been shadowed by a justice department detective, Representative Woodruff told the committee he had reason to believe the reports were true. He said he believed his mail had been interfered with and his office entered. The only evidence was circumstantial he said.

Making Good in Mission Work

Richwood, W. Va., Dec. 20.—A farewell party was given in honor of James McDowell Dick Saturday night at the L. H. Juergen's home on West Main street. Twenty of the city's most prominent young Christian workers were present and a very pleasant evening was spent.

Mr. Dick has won a warm place in the hearts of West Virginians in this city as well as Weston, Buckhannon and Sutton, where he has charge of missions for the St. Paul's Episcopal church, making headquarters at Weston, W. Va.

Mr. Dick, who is still a theological student, is making unusual success in his work. At the close of the services Sunday the Episcopals presented him with a number of gold coins as a token of remembrance just before he leaves for Sumter, S. C. James McDowell Dick, Sr.

Says an agitator: "There are crooks in high places, but the man in the street is upright." Not if a flivverite sees him first.

If there is any agreement between Germany and Russia, it is probably something in the nature of a suicide pact.

Over in Paris sealskin coats are being made of rabbit skins—much to the disgust of the rabbits.

GRATIFYING ATTENDANCE

Some Remarkable Records in Attendance Just Before the Christmas Holidays

As has been the custom for a good many years a campaign was waged again this year for unusual attendance just before Christmas holidays. The girls and boys have always taken especial pride in this work. The attendance this year has been remarkable considering the amount of sickness that seems to be prevalent everywhere. On last Friday in the high schools there were six sections that had one hundred per cent attendance record.

In the Girls' High School building in the early part of the year one of the classes had a one hundred per cent record for twenty consecutive days, and recently there have been several days when there was one hundred per cent attendance on the part of several of the classes of this building. In this same building another of the classes had a perfect record for more than one month. This same class recently has made some unusual records in attendance. In the Calhoun School for boys one of the grades, during the first month of the year, had a perfect record of attendance, not a single absentee or a boy who was tardy. This same class kept its record throughout the whole fall, and recently has had five consecutive days of unbroken perfect attendance.

In this building there has been a remarkable achievement by one of the classes. There has been on the part of this class an unbroken record of attendance for the past eight days. This achievement will appear remarkable when it is remembered that there are in this class members from the county and in order to keep their record perfect they had to get up every morning at five o'clock. This sort of spirit is worth while and will have a desirable effect upon the work of the whole class. In the Hampton school the most remarkable record was made by a group of girls who have had during this fall the following attendance record: For thirty-five days this class had none absent nor tardy and for thirty-four days there was no tardies. This class has had only four tardies this year.

In the Washington School, while the attendance has been good, there has been more sickness among these little folks than among the older students. One class of boys had a record that was very good.

On the whole the attendance has been remarkable and the people of Sumter should be filled with the spirit, not of boastfulness, but of genuine gratitude, that their boys and girls have been able to come to school in such large numbers.

Wateree Bridge Celebration

Secretary Reardon Going Ahead With Preliminary Arrangements

The Columbia Chamber of Commerce and the Columbia Kiwanis club have entered into the spirit of the celebration of the opening of the Wateree river bridge with much interest and enthusiasm and two former Sumter county citizens have been named as members of the Columbia Chamber of Commerce committee that will work with a committee from Sumter Chamber of Commerce, Sumter Kiwanis club, Sumter Rotary club, Young Men's Business League, Sumter Retail Merchants' Association, City Council, Sumter County Board of Commissioners, and Sumter County Permanent Road Commission.

President F. Wm. Cappleman of the Columbia Chamber of Commerce has named Mr. Eddie A. Jenkins as chairman of this Columbia committee, and Messrs. R. I. Manning, F. H. Gibbs, representing the Auto Motor Trades Association, Councilman S. L. Sweeney who will represent the Columbia city government and Chamber of Commerce, and F. A. Pierson, secretary of the Columbia Chamber of Commerce.

President Cappleman has written Secretary E. I. Reardon of the appointment of this committee and asks for suggestions as to the kind of celebration, date for same, etc., to name a date for conference of the two committees from Sumter and Columbia.

The Columbia Kiwanis club, according to a letter received by Secretary Reardon from Mr. E. A. Jenkins has enthusiastically endorsed this celebration and will name a special committee to work with the Sumter Kiwanis club and other organizations of Columbia and Sumter to put this celebration over in great style.

It was stated by Secretary Reardon today that inasmuch as the Sumter Chamber of Commerce had started the celebration idea and has lined up Columbia in great shape for same, that immediately following the Christmas holidays there will be held a mass meeting of Sumter and Sumter county citizens to take charge of the Sumter county end of the program. This meeting will be allowed to name the committees representing Sumter county to cooperate with Columbia and Richland county.

In the meantime every organization in Sumter is requested to take this matter up for indorsement and cooperation and all citizens, men and women of Sumter county are urged to give their hearty support to making this celebration the biggest thing ever pulled off in either Sumter or Richland counties. Every organization should appoint a special committee to attend the mass meeting to be called one day next week.

Buy two toy trains. One for the kids and one for father.

STRAIGHT TALK TO CONGRESS BY UPSHAW

Georgia Representative Calls on Government Officials to Take Lead in Observance of Law

Washington, Dec. 20.—High government officials, governors, judges and members of congress were asked today by Representative Upshaw (Democrat) of Georgia, in a speech in the house, to emulate Marshal Foch, who "refused to touch intoxicants while on American soil out of respect for the dry constitution."

"No longer must the higher ups say 'Go,'" shouted Mr. Upshaw. "They must say 'Come.' Anything less than this will be a farce and a scandal. Timorous souls have never inspired anybody. This is no time for pussyfooting utterances and actions on the part of our state and national leaders."

Mr. Upshaw urged that the president issue a "ringing Christmas proclamation calling every citizen and especially every official to total abstinence for the common good." Referring to the recent governor's conference, he said, "Let these governors, led by the president and vice president of the United States and all the members of the cabinet, walk out in the open and lift their hands before high heaven and take a new oath of allegiance to the whole constitution and the American flag."

"Let them solemnly declare," said Mr. Upshaw, "that, regardless of what their tastes and practices have been, they will never again build up a bootlegger's barbarous business by drinking any form or any amount of illicit liquors at any dinner, at any function or in any hall or in any back alley." Let every member of congress and every United States senator follow suit; let every state and federal judge and every prosecuting attorney in America stand up like patriotic men and declare they will never again personally trample the constitution which they have sworn to obey and defend.

Declaring the "plain people" at high sounding pronouncements because they believed that "many high officials believed in that 'half-altruistic' hypocrisy which claims the privilege of buying and drinking illicit liquors themselves, while denying the privilege to the poor devils down among the masses who are foolish enough to want the opportunity to buy and drink illicit liquor damnation." Mr. Upshaw said that "if these government officials put their feet under the mill, let them remember what the beloved and immortal Sam Jones said: 'If you want to reform the world, begin on yourself.'"

Mr. Upshaw commended Commander Alvin Owsley of the American Legion, who, he said, had declared he would not touch a drop of liquor while head of the legion, and then launched on an attack on Governor Parker of Louisiana, who he said, had asserted at the recent governors' conference at White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., that "prohibition is a failure."

"I can not," he said, "close this honest, desperate Christmas exhortation to the governors of America and all other high officials without the inevitable observation that conferences of governors will be in a bad fix and will leave the president and his cabinet and the whole country in a bad fix if they are all with the same complaint which afflicts that visionary hero of windmills, the fantastic governor of Louisiana. Hitherto holding him in high esteem, we have seen him plunge from his high pedestal of state and national confidence by rushing to the nation's capital for help to free his state from the tumultuous reign of 'goblins' and 'wizards' when his own representatives in both branches of congress, Protestant and Roman Catholic, rise up to discount his flaming follies, declaring that Louisiana is beautifully tranquil and grandly able to take care of her own police powers. And now Governor Parker comes forth with the dismal words to the governors' meeting on West Virginia soil that 'prohibition is a flat failure.' Thus he indicts the majority of citizens of his state as lawbreakers and liars. I do not believe it. Shades of American heroism! Paraphrasing the words of the judge to the man who is going to be hung—'May the Lord have mercy on his timorous soul!' If prohibition is a failure in Louisiana or any other state it is because the women made a mistake when they got married and the people made a mistake when they elected a governor."

Cost of Chicago Race Riots

City Will Have to Pay More Than Half Million

Chicago, Dec. 21.—The 1919 race riots will cost Chicago over half a million dollars besides the cost of maintaining troops for nine days, it was estimated today. Eighteen death claims were settled yesterday for eighty-one thousand dollars. Five claims were previously settled for \$20,800. Fifteen are still unsettled. The property damage was over half million.

The man who shoots the bull usually is a calf and easily cowed.

ANOTHER APPEAL TO HARVEY

Attorney For Jeffords Makes Another Effort to Save Slayer of Arnette

Columbia, Dec. 21.—Efforts to save the life of Frank M. Jeffords, sentenced to die between the hours of 10 a. m. and 2 p. m. on Friday, December 22, continue as the hour for his execution draws nearer. No stone looking to securing the executive clemency is being left unturned by attorneys for the chief figure in the tragedy of last May in which J. C. Arnette, business partner of Jeffords, was slain.

Glenn Treese, alleged lookout for Jeffords and Ira Harrison, the latter two convicted of the actual slaying, is serving a life sentence. Ira Harrison, lying in an apparent state of coma in the prison hospital, secured a stay of execution when his attorneys appealed from a decision by Justice Cotman of the supreme court. Thus Jeffords, the alleged leader in the killing, will be the first to meet his fate unless the governor acts.

The latest effort of Jeffords' attorneys to prevail upon Governor Harvey to change his decision not to interfere in the case, was to bring before the chief executive Clint F. Graydon, Columbia attorney and former legal adviser for Jeffords in his business affairs. The effort was to show Gov. Harvey that the killing had not been plotted two weeks before it occurred, as had been charged, by showing conversations regarding business that Jeffords held with his attorney on the day of the killing.

Mrs. Julia C. Smith of Charleston, a friend of the Jeffords family and also of the governor, has been interesting herself in the case. The local attorney was before the governor for sometime and after he had concluded his statement the governor gave out this statement: "Mr. C. T. Graydon called of his own volition on the Governor, acted, he stated, in so doing by the newspaper publicities of this morning. He presented papers showing the murder, discussed with him matters concerning the dissolution of the firm of Arnette and Jeffords existing between the parties and that on the afternoon of the murder that Jeffords had talked with him (not early in the night of the murder as stated by Jeffords) concerning primarily the matter of judgments being served against the firm; that as he (Graydon) was to leave on the 5:40 train for Richmond, it was agreed between Jeffords and himself that Jeffords would call back on his return from Richmond for him to give the matter the necessary attention."

The point of Mr. Graydon's statements was that Jeffords' agreement in calling later to attend to the firm's business might be taken by the governor as an indication that there was no conspiracy of the murder up to that date. The governor heard Mr. Graydon's statement acting his visits and stated he would give the matter his consideration along with other matters connected with the unfortunate affair."

Personnel of New Legislature

Columbia, Dec. 21.—There will be sixty-four legislators in the South Carolina general assembly when that body convenes on January 9 who served in that body during the two years just ended. Of these twenty-nine are in the house of representatives and thirty-five in the senate.

The house of representatives, according to a list of occupations recently compiled here, will have among its members 48 attorneys and 41 farmers. There will be seven merchants, three editors and publishers, two salesmen, two locomotive engineers, two doctors, two bankers, two insurance men, two dentists and two capitalists. The bottlers, labor unions, lumbermen, saw millers, field engineers, realtors, railroad conductors each will have one representative.

The attorneys again will outnumber the farmers in the senate. This branch will have nineteen attorneys, sixteen farmers, three bankers, two merchants, two physicians, and one wholesaler, one editor and one insurance agent.

The legislature will not have had time to get well under way before the new governor, Thomas G. McLeod will be sworn in. This ceremony will take place on January 16.

The legislature will have a number of important matters before it that are now known. Among these are the election of four new circuit judges to fill three vacancies caused by death and one by the resignation of Judge James E. Peurifoy of Walterboro. The judges who died were Ernest Moore, Edward Melver and Frank B. Gary.

A superintendent for the state penitentiary also is to be elected, a number of men already having made application.

Difference between a henpecked man and one who isn't is one gives excuses and the other gives reasons.

Alcohol was distilled first in Arabia so maybe that it why those Arabian nights were so wonderful.

BANK ROBBERS IN LOS ANGELES

Two Successful Robberies Pulled Off in One Day

Los Angeles, Dec. 18.—The Southwestern States bank was robbed of \$1,000 today by a young man with his hand dropped in a bandage who walked into the bank. He presented a check for \$1,000 and a letter to B. H. Brundage, the cashier.

"You are looking into the barrel of a revolver in this building," said the letter. "I want you to sign this check, go to the money teller with me and get the money."

Mr. Brundage stepped with the man to the paying teller and directed him to cash the check, which he did.

"I want you to go with me," the bandit then told Mr. Brundage, and he walked the latter a block down the street, passing three policemen who stood chatting on the corner.

"You can go now," said the bandit. "And thank you, you've been awfully kind." With that he disappeared around a corner.

Los Angeles, Dec. 18.—The Walnut State bank at Walnut park a suburb, was robbed late today by three masked men who secured with between \$2,000 and \$3,000 in currency. Two of the men pointed revolvers at the teller while the third picked up the money. The bandits escaped in an automobile. Stockholders of the bank were meeting in a back room of the building at the time, but knew nothing of the robbery.

CHRISTMAS WEEK FOOTBALL

Thornwell Orphanage and Gaffney Play Off in Greenville

Greenville, Dec. 18.—In an effort to break the scoreless tie resulting from a game played in 22 mud at Chester last Friday, the Thornwell Orphanage and Gaffney High school football teams met here this afternoon at Manly Field. Furman University's athletic grounds. On the outcome of the contest depends the title of champions of the northern district of South Carolina and the right to play the Charleston Midgets for the state championship.

The contest will be played here because it is regarded by both teams as neutral ground. Gaffney authorities made the choice, it having been left to them by the Thornwell authorities. Thornwell chose Chester as the scene of last Friday's game and for that reason allowed Gaffney to choose the field today.

SWIFT JUSTICE IN IRELAND

Seven Men Executed For Interfering With Trains

Dublin, Dec. 19.—Seven men, who were convicted with interfering with trains in county Kildare, were executed today. Four were railway men and three laborers.

The men executed were captured November 15th charged with train wrecking. Their deaths make 13 executions in a little over a month.

Circuit Courts 1923

Chief Justice Assigns Judges to Hold Court

Columbia, Dec. 19.—Assignments of circuit judges for the three regular sessions of the circuit courts for the year 1923, today were made public by Chief Justice Eugene Gary. The second session in each circuit will be presided over by the judge of the circuit from which he was elected.

The judges for the first session will be as follows: First circuit, judge of the eighth circuit; second judge of the ninth; third, judge of the tenth; fourth, judge of the eleventh; fifth, judge of the