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State News Paraphrased.

All the Late News from Every Section of South Carolina.

A park for colored people has been opened in Columbia.

Forty-five boys in Florence county have entered the state corn contest.

Nine young ladies graduated from the Confederate Home College in Charleston this week.

E. Robert James, a well known citizen of Darlington, is dead after a few minutes illness from heart failure.

The Manning board of trade is to establish a tobacco experiment farm for the benefit of the farmers of that section.

The Furman trustees conferred the degree of Doctor of Divinity upon Rev. R. W. Lide, of Darlington, and Rev. Rufus Ford of Marion.

In the court of sessions in Charleston this week three negroes were tried on charges of criminal assault. The victims in each case were colored.

The town of Brookland, in Lexington county, has issued \$10,000 in bonds for erecting a school building. The bonds were sold to a Chicago firm for \$10,416.

The Arcadia cotton mill at Spartanburg, of which Dr. H. A. Ligon is president, is to be enlarged by the addition of 10,000 spindles and 260 looms, making the total equipment 55,400 spindles and 600 looms.

Belton Goff, a well known young white man, 22 years of age and unmarried, whose home was about seven miles from Camden was killed by lightning. He was going from his barn to the house when struck.

At a congregational meeting of the Newberry A. R. P. church on Sunday, a call was extended to Rev. W. B. Lindsay, of Memphis, Tenn., to become the pastor of the church. It is not known whether he will accept.

A shock of oats in a field on Mr. John Black's plantation near Greenwood was struck by lightning Monday afternoon. It was set on fire and burned until consumed, although a heavy rain was falling at the time.

Twenty-five negro laborers, employed on a sewerage extension in Spartanburg, have gone on a strike for higher wages. They were getting \$1 a day, and the contractor says he can get plenty of others at that price.

The state board of assessors of South Carolina will meet in Columbia Thursday. Mr. H. P. Gadsden of Charleston, is chairman of the board, and the various textile and other manufacturing concerns will be passed.

Narris Johnson, a negro in Barnwell county, had a mule to die several days ago. In its death agonies the mule seized the negro by the leg and bit it severely. The leg will have to be amputated, the doctors say.

The trustees of Furman University conferred the degree of LL. D., upon Professor Noah K. Davis, formerly of the University of Virginia, and upon Prof. W. J. McGlothlin, of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Dr. Wm. E. Hatcher of Virginia has just closed a successful revival at Batesburg. Dr. Hatcher is now over 75 years old and has been an active minister for 53 years. He is still remarkably active, and frequently preaches three sermons a day.

Jack Riley's house at Calhoun, was struck by lightning, set on fire and burned last Tuesday evening. The electric storm around Clemson, Mr. W. G. Mauldin says, who was there, was the most terrific that he has ever seen, and he is 57 years old.

Extensions are being made to Sumter's water works system.

Messrs. Albert Anderson and W. G. Childs were in Laurens this week and submitted to the chamber of commerce drawings of the proposed new depot for Laurens. They have asked, however, that an eighteen months' extension of time be given.

Dr. W. J. Westmoreland, a leading physician of Greer, died Saturday in a hospital in Philadelphia where he had gone for treatment for a stomach trouble. He was prominent in the days of the old Farmers' Alliance and is well known throughout the state.

The Clarendon county grand jury returned "no bill" in the case of the state vs. D. O. Rhame charged with violation of the dispensary law. This is the case of the Summerton druggist against whom a case was recently made for selling Jamaica ginger. While the many friends of Dr. Rhame, who is mayor of Summerton, are glad that he is not forced to face a trial, still there are others who regret that the case was not allowed to go on in order to test the law.

A broken telephone wire which had fallen over an electric light wire, came near causing a serious accident near the Atlantic Coast Line freight depot in Sumter yesterday morning. Mr. C. W. Smith, while riding horse-back, came in contact with the wire, which struck the horse on the leg, throwing him to the ground and hurling Mr. Smith over the horse's head. The horse fell clear of the wire but in rising touched the wire again and was again thrown. This time however, he fell away from the wire and was not seriously hurt. Fortunately Mr. Smith did not come in contact with the wire, and suffered only a bad shaking up by his fall.

Citizens of Greenville who are interested in the plan of issuing bonds for the paving of Main and Washington streets and the building of a new bridge at the foot of Main street, will meet in the board of trade rooms on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. It is the purpose of those who have considered the matter at some length to pave the thoroughfares with vitrified brick and to issue bonds in sum of \$300,000 for this purpose. The plan suggested for consideration contemplates the payment by the property owners of one-half of the cost, the Traction company such proportion as it may be responsible for and the city the remainder. One half of the cost of the bridge will be paid by the Traction company and the other half by the city.

A reward has been offered by Governor Ansel for Melvin Watson, colored, who waylaid and shot John Watson, at Green Sea, Horry county, Wednesday. The amount of reward is \$100, and Governor Ansel states: "I was shocked to hear of this assassination. I hope that he may be apprehended and brought to justice." The letter to Governor Ansel from Mr. J. P. Derham, former comptroller general, whose boy was on the wagon when Mr. Watson was shot, states that the killing was "a case of murder, pure and simple a cold-blooded and deliberate unprovoked murder. Our people have been scouring the country for the murderer." The escaped negro is described as being a ginger cake mulatto, gray eyes, about 25 years old, 145 pounds in weight, 5 feet, 9 inches tall, with his right arm stiff and of sullen disposition.

The new Methodist church at Fort Lawn was dedicated Sunday.

Spartanburg will ask for the reunion of Confederate veterans in 1910.

The State Epworth League will meet at St. George, June 22, 23 and 24.

The annual convention of the State Funeral Directors' association will be held in Charleston, June 22-23.

Crops in Chester county have been badly damaged by hail. They were almost destroyed in some places.

The South Carolina Cotton Seed Crushers' association is holding its annual meeting in Charleston this week.

Dr. T. M. McCetchen and family of Seneca left last week to make their future home in Dillon, in the lower part of the state.

A five-room house belonging to G. W. Buchanan at Greenwood was struck by lightning Friday afternoon and destroyed by fire.

The court of sessions of Richland county adjourned on Saturday, after a long and busy term. Out of the 70 cases on the docket only six were continued.

It is announced that the Banana mills of Goldville will double its capacity, to do which \$75,000 of preferred stock will be issued. Practically all this amount has already been subscribed. Mr. George M. Wright, president of this mill, has been in charge only two years, during which time he has developed the property wonderfully and given the enterprise a well deserved standing in the industrial world.

That Olanta is going to be the seat of a new county in the near future seems very probably. The proposed territory cuts corners from Florence, Sumter, Clarendon and Williamsburg counties. The area and amount of taxable property included in the survey have been found to comply with the constitutional requirements for the formation of new counties, and at the same time do not infringe upon the rights of the old counties concerned.

Prof. Clarence Boyd, who was offered the position of assistant Latin professor at Wofford College, has refused, owing to the fact that he had just accepted the chair of Latin and Greek in the Tallahassee (Fla.) Female college when the offer from Wofford was extended him. Prof. Clarence Boyd graduated from Wofford several years ago. For a year or two he taught Latin in Central College, Missouri. This year he takes his Ph. D. degree at the University of Wisconsin.

Mr. J. E. Barton of Easley, a member of the graduating class of Furman this year, has made a remarkable record in two respects which deserve special mention. He has been present at every chapel service for the past four years; and for three years he has served as bell ringer. The faculty can recall only one instance in the three years when the bell was rung off time, and then only a few minutes off. You may set your watch by Mr. Jerry Easley Barton—so says the president of Furman.

Governor Ansel has offered a reward of \$50 for the apprehension and conviction of a certain party or parties who shot and killed four cows belonging to Mr. W. P. Wideman, of Abbeville county, who lives on the rural route from Troy. Several petitions were presented to the governor in reference to the matter. Mr. Wideman in his letter states that he has had four fine Jersey cows shot down in his pasture in the past several weeks, and that he believed that if the governor would offer a reward the guilty person or persons would be apprehended.

The women's clubs of Rock Hill have opened a public library.

J. C. Cox has been appointed United States commissioner at Abbeville to succeed H. T. Wardlaw, deceased.

Monroe Gantt, white, was tried at Aiken for killing a negro at a negro dance several weeks ago and acquitted.

Mr. E. W. Gaillard has moved his family from North Carolina to Westminster, and it is said, will establish a newspaper.

The city of Chester has gone out of the electric lighting business and has granted the franchise to the Southern Power company.

The Farmers Bank and Trust company of Sumter will open branch banks at Pinewood and Summerton, small towns in Sumter county.

Ed O'Neil, a Charleston young man, attempted to commit suicide at Aiken by drinking laudanum. The quick presence of a physician saved his life.

The Beaumont cotton mills at Spartanburg will be enlarged in the near future by the addition of 25,000 spindles and 600 looms. The work of construction has begun.

Rev. A. A. James, an aged Presbyterian minister of Spartanburg county, was thrown from his buggy and painfully hurt. His horse became frightened at an automobile.

Dr. B. L. Wiggins, vice chancellor of the university of the South at Suwanee, Tenn., is dead. He was a native of South Carolina, having been born in the lower part of the state.

Out of 13 applicants for teachers' certificates at the recent examination held in Lancaster county only one passed, Miss Connie Porter. Miss Porter was awarded a first grade certificate.

Officers Harbin, Merrick and Gaines captured an illicit distillery on Ramsay's creek, eight miles from Walhalla, last Saturday night. One man was captured at the still and lodged in jail.

The Progress reports a chicken shown by Mr. H. H. Robinson, of Union, that has four legs, four wings, two backs and two necks, but only one head. It lived only a short while after being hatched.

The Columbia State of Tuesday says: Quite a little excitement was created on Gervais street yesterday morning by the biting of a little girl, little Miss Naomi McCarthy, by a baby leopard. The child was more frightened than hurt, the teeth of the leopard not penetrating very deeply into the skin, although the stocking of the little girl was badly torn and the wearer of the stocking badly frightened. The leopard is a well known curiosity having the Congaree house as its place of abode, where it can be seen playing most of the time.

Columbia Record: The comptroller general's office has just completed the checking up of the accounts of the late County Treasurer H. A. D. Neely of York, who held that position for 23 consecutive years. He had on hand at the time of his death a balance of \$40,073, which was on deposit in the various banks of the county. As was always the case his books were in splendid condition and the comptroller general's office had no difficulty in checking him up. He was one of the few treasurers of the state who get his monthly report in promptly each month. In brief he was just about the best county treasurer this state has ever had at any point. In his 23 years' work he handled funds amounting to over three and a half million dollars, an average of about \$130,000 a year, for which work he was paid \$900 a year.

Frank Dukes, a merchant of Orangeburg, has been adjudged a bankrupt.

Considerable interest is felt in Greenville in the approaching municipal primary. The three candidates already out for mayor are G. Hayward Mahon, the incumbent, Alderman J. C. Milford and Mr. John B. Marshall. The race promises to be warm and the outcome will depend largely on the issues presented.

Requisition papers have been issued from the office of governor Ansel, for the arrest of Yancy Fuller, who is now in Atlanta. He is being held for the authorities in Laurens county. Fuller is accused of obtaining goods under false pretense. The prosecuting witness is L. B. Dillard. The arrest is to be made by J. D. Owings, agent for this state.

The eight year old son of Mr. Tom Nickels of Abbeville was bitten by a dog that has since been pronounced mad by the Pasteur Institute in Atlanta. Dr. C. C. Gambrell will get the virus fresh every day and treat the boy at home. Early in April the South Carolina state board of health authorized the establishment of a Pasteur institute in Columbia, but it seems they are not in position yet to treat patients.

The board of railroad assessors will meet in Columbia in the office of the comptroller general on June 24. This board consists of the following: R. H. Jennings, state treasurer; R. M. McCown, secretary of state; J. F. Lyon, attorney general; J. P. H. Earle, chairman of the railroad commission, and A. W. Jones, chairman. It assesses the following property: Railroads, telegraph companies, telephone companies, palace car and express companies.

Governor Ansel and Commissioner Watson are working on a scheme to get the next National Irrigation congress on the Atlantic Seaboard. The idea is to have a delegation representing the two Carolinas, Georgia and Florida, headed by the four governors to attend the Spokane meeting in August in a special car and extend the invitation. Charleston has a good chance for its effect on the solution of the drainage problem.

Anderson Babb a negro escaped from the Lexington chain gang some time Saturday morning. He was a trusty and had been the cook for the gang for several months. He carried a suit of clothes and a double barreled shotgun. Babb was one of the prisoners from the penitentiary and his time would have expired in July. He was sent up from Greenville county for a term of seven years. This makes about seven prisoners to escape from the Lexington chain gang during the last six months.

Mr. W. V. Hegler, of the Primus section of Lancaster county, had a unique experience last Wednesday. He went to his blacksmith shop to do some work, and on undertaking to operate the bellows he found that it wouldn't work. While trying to ascertain the cause of the trouble a snake stuck its head out of the hole. Hegler secured a pair of tongs and withdrew the reptile and killed it. It was a large chicken snake, about six feet long. Returning to his bellows Mr. Hegler found that it still wouldn't work, and while examining it, another snake's head was thrust out of the hole. The astonished farmer pulled it out also with his tongs and killed it. The snakes were both of the same kind and size. There is now a very offensive odor about the bellows, and Mr. Hegler thinks that there is one or more dead snakes in it.

The physicians of Saluda county have started an active anti-tuberculosis campaign.

William H. Miller, an R. F. D. carrier of Ninty-Six, was thrown from his buggy and his leg broken.

John Kirby and Dr. H. A. Edwards of Dillon had a shooting scrape. Dr. Edwards was painfully hurt and Kirby dangerously shot. Kirby was drunk, it is said.

According to the prospectus received in Laurens this week from Architect Sistine of Greenville, the proposed trolley line from Laurens to Clinton will cost \$180,000. The estimates have been sent to the Clinton business league, and a joint meeting will be held at an early date.

A letter has been received at the governor's office from a Florence lady asking advice concerning the offering of the reward for her son who disappeared on June 1 from the Broad-oaks Sanitarium at Morganton, N. C. It seems that the young man was carried to the sanitarium the latter part of May. On the evening of June 1 he left the place and has not been heard of since.

There is good reason to believe that the movement which has been on for some time to have the mail from Colon and probably other Central and South American counties sent through the port of Charleston, is about to bear results. It is known that Charleston is considered the "convenient port" at Washington, and information has been received that in a few days an official announcement on the subject is likely to be made.

During the electrical and rain storm Monday afternoon a son of Dr. R. A. Turner and a son of J. F. Turner, were badly shocked by lightning, while hitching their horse to a tree on Main street at Clifton. The horse was killed. The boys were caught in the rain and drove up under a tree for shelter. While they were in the act of tying the horse a bolt of lightning struck and they were knocked down. At first it was thought they were killed, but in a few minutes they came around alright and at last reports were doing well. The horse was instantly killed. The tree under which they sought shelter was not barked in any place.

One afternoon last week Mr. John Perry of Newberry turned his cow in his front yard to eat grass. While the cow was grazing Mr. Perry's little girl Mildred, aged three or four years, was playing in the yard. The cow being a gentle one there was no thoughts of danger. Suddenly the cow made a dash at the little girl, caught her up on its horns and threw her some distance, then rushed at her again. Mr. Perry, being near by, rushed at the cow and gave it a tremendous kick in time to save the child. The child was right badly bruised, the horns of the cow tearing her clothing entirely off and making an ugly mark nearly the length of the body. But for the fact that the horn of the cow had been broken off and was consequently blunt, the child would likely have been gored to death before the father could have interfered. Mr. Perry in kicking the cow severely sprained his hip, and was laid up a day or two at home, and is still quite lame.

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LONG YALE MASCOT

RECENT DEATH OF HANNIBAL REGRETTED BY ALL.

Quaint Old Negro Candy Man Had an Interesting Career—Said to Have Been More Than a Century Old.

The death of Hannibal, the negro candy man, has left Yale with no mascot but "Pop" Warner, the cross-eyed expressman, whose auto truck now takes an official crowd to all the athletic games. "Pop" has just made his debut, and it will be years before he attains the fame of "Pop" Smith, "Davy," the candy man, "Murray, the hackman," and Hannibal.

In many respects Hannibal was the most remarkable of the long list of Yale favorites. He was gifted with a versatility granted to few men, black or white. He was one of the campus favorites in 1869, when G. F. Woods wrote in "Four Years at Yale": "Candy Sam's chief rival is a crafty black man named Hannibal, whose entrance into the room is always accompanied by some such formula as: 'Not wishing to disturb the gentlemen in their studies I call to see if either of the gentlemen would like to invest in purchasing from me some packages of superior old-fashioned home-made molasses candy.' This rigmarole, like the rest of Hannibal's speeches, is delivered with the greatest appearance of gravity and without pause or inflection of any sort."

Hannibal's age was in dispute. He was said to have crossed the century mark. One of his original sayings when asked how old he was used to be that he had a faint recollection of the first thunderstorm in Connecticut. The mock orations he delivered will live in the memory of Yale men as long as they cherish a recollection of the university, and hardly an alumnus will read of his death without recalling some anecdote of the old negro who sold candy, gave boxing lessons, sleight of hand exhibitions, sang and danced and made speeches on all occasions.

Early in life he was an instructor in boxing in the Yale gymnasium. He was one of the quickest pugilists in action who ever struck a blow, and he met George Dixon in several bouts without the former negro world's champion getting the decision. He was thrown into a room with John L. Sullivan when that champion was at the height of his popularity. John L. at that time weighed more than 250 pounds, and when Hannibal was asked if he wished to meet the champion he answered: "Hannibal is not Mahomet, and must refuse to mix it up with the mountain."

Approaching a group of college students, Hannibal used to say: "Not wishing to interrupt the gentlemen, and wholly in the search for knowledge, which has been my unvarying custom through life, I would like to ask the gentlemen here a question. What is the first thing a gentleman puts on when he gets up in the morning?"

Everybody took a chance in answering, and when all had finished Hannibal would say: "Not wishing to place myself above the gentlemen present in knowledge, I beg to say that all you gentlemen are wrong. The first thing a gentleman puts on in the morning is his foot—on the floor."

His Latin orations were his specialties. He had attended commencement half a century ago, had learned by heart some of the addresses and had copied the pronunciation of the speakers.

Had Extraordinary Taste.

A woman with two little girls alighted from her motor car for tea at a restaurant in a midland town in England, recently, and ate an extraordinary meal. She ordered tea, a Welsh rabbit and a bottle of port wine. When the order had been given she took from the cruet stand a bottle of Worcestershire sauce, put it to her lips and emptied it down her throat. She then lifted the anchovy sauce bottle to her lips and emptied that. Then she picked up a bottle of tomato ketchup and drank that. The waitress had now come in with the Welsh rabbit, the port and the tea. Then the woman drank the port, then eagerly emptied the mustard pot on the Welsh rabbit and, while she was eating it, ordered another bottle of port. While her mother was thus engaged one of the little girls picked up the cream jug, put her tongue into it and licked it out.

Hearing Both Sides.

Last summer there died at Washington a lawyer who for many years had shocked a large number of his friends by his rather liberal views touching religion.

A friend of the deceased, who cut short a Canadian trip to hurry back to Washington for the purpose of attending the last rites of his colleague entered the late lawyer's home some minutes after the beginning of the service.

"What part of the service is this?" he inquired in a whisper of another legal friend standing in the crowded hallway.

"I've just come myself," said the other, "but I believe they've opened for the defense."—Harper's Weekly

Child is you

"Didn't he roll his eyes?" asked little Dorothy, gulphed foreigner had "I didn't notice," was "but I saw him roll his eyes."