

# The Herald and News

VOLUME XLIX, NUMBER 16.

NEWBERRY, SOUTH CAROLINA, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1911.

TWICE A WEEK, \$1.50 A YEAR.

## DALLAS CALDWELL WAS FOUND IN KNOXVILLE

### LOCATED THERE YESTERDAY IN A SANATORIUM.

#### Young Prosperity Farmer Who Disappeared From Sister's Home in Charlotte—In Ill Health.

Considerable anxiety was felt for the safety of Mr. Dallas Caldwell, a young man of the Prosperity section of this county, who suddenly disappeared on Monday from Charlotte, N. C., where he was visiting his sister, leaving \$50 for his sister, and a note to her saying that he had reached the conclusion he could not get well, and had given up the fight. Those fears were relieved here yesterday, when a message was received saying that the young man had been located in Knoxville, Tenn., where he is in a sanatorium.

Mr. Caldwell is a brother of the Rev. Ira S. Caldwell, and of Mr. W. H. Caldwell, of Prosperity. With the latter brother he has been engaged in farming near Prosperity. Being afflicted with lung trouble, he several weeks ago went to Florida in search of health. Several days ago he left Florida and went to Charlotte to visit his sister, Mrs. A. P. Trice.

Then the message was received in Newberry announcing his disappearance on Monday and the leaving of the note and the money. It was feared that the note could only mean that the young man had become so despondent that he had decided to put an end to his life. The message from Charlotte yesterday stated that it was learned he had bought a ticket to Knoxville, and as a result of inquiries, originating from this clue, his whereabouts were learned. Mr. Caldwell having gone to the sanatorium on account of his physical condition. He is twenty-two years of age.

A dispatch from Knoxville in the Greenville News yesterday morning gave an account of a young man who had been located there in feeble health, who was thought to be from Newberry on account of the trademark in his hat. It is presumed that this dispatch referred to Mr. Caldwell. The certainty as to his being in the sanatorium, however, is based upon messages received by the family.

Mr. W. H. Caldwell left yesterday for Knoxville to be with his brother.

## NEWS OF PROSPERITY.

### Corn Prizes Offered by Commercial League.—Personal Mention and Other Matters.

Prosperity, Feb. 23.—Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Wise are spending this week in Columbia.

Mr. T. A. Berley left Wednesday for Winstboro for a few days.

Miss Mattie Miller, of Mount Pilgrim, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. B. Hartman.

Mrs. D. E. Ridgell, after spending several months with her parents, has returned to her home in Jacksonville, Fla.

Mrs. E. E. Young and Master George Wise have returned from a short stay with relatives in Little Mountain.

Mrs. C. T. Wyche and Miss Isoline Wyche spent Monday in Columbia.

Mrs. F. E. Schumpert and children are spending a month with Mrs. Schumpert's parents in Saluda.

Miss Toy Lathan has returned to Columbia, after a visit to Mrs. J. F. Browne.

Mr. L. Nicar, of Charleston, spent the week-end with his sister, Miss Bessie Nicar.

Mrs. Jno. Caldwell and Mr. Dallas Caldwell are visiting relatives in Charlotte, N. C.

Mrs. Mary Brown and little son have returned from a short stay in Clinton.

Hon. Geo. S. Mower was in town Tuesday.

Miss Minnie Boyd Brown, of Due West Female college, spent the week-end at home.

State Constable T. P. Adams has been in town for the past few days.

Mrs. G. Y. Hunter was one of the shoppers in Columbia on Wednesday.

An automobile party will go from here next Tuesday to Columbia to see Lillian Russell in "In Search of a Sinner."

Mrs. W. T. Wyke, of North Carolina, has been called here on account of the

death of her father, Mr. Jno. Seybt. Mr. M. L. Buford, of Newberry, was in town Wednesday.

Mrs. J. H. Crosson will entertain the U. D. C. next Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock.

The following invitations have been received in Prosperity:

Mrs. Rebecca Eleanor Bedenbaugh will give in marriage here daughter Ida Beatrice

to Mr. George Alva Hope on Tuesday afternoon February the twenty-eighth

nineteen hundred and eleven at four o'clock

St. Pauls Lutheran Church Pomaria, South Carolina.

Your presence is requested.

At a meeting of the Commercial League Tuesday afternoon it was decided to offer three prizes to the corn growers of Nos. 9 and 10 townships as follows: First, ten dollars; second, six dollars and third, four dollars. They will offer several prizes later for the best wheat crops.

## NEWS OF WHITMIRE.

### Cotton Destroyed by Fire.—Presbyterian Sunday School Organization Perfected.—Personal.

Whitmire, Feb. 23.—Miss Corrie McCarty left Saturday for Atlanta, to buy the spring millinery for the C. H. Cooper company.

Mr. E. L. Street has resigned his position as policeman and Mr. Wm. Stuart has been appointed his successor.

The sounding of the Glenn-Lowry company's mill whistle Saturday evening about 8 o'clock, told us of trouble at the mill. Almost every man in town responded promptly. A box car of compressed cotton, which had come in that afternoon and been left standing on the spur track, just in front of the warehouse, was found to be on fire. The men rolled the car up the track above the mill, emptied the cotton on the ground, and extinguished it. The damage done was only the loss of the cotton.

Walden and Co., magicians, gave an entertainment in the school auditorium Thursday evening.

Mr. H. T. Renwick was here Saturday to meet his brother, Mr. Erwin Renwick, of Union, who was coming to the home of his father, Dr. M. A. Renwick, to be present at a family reunion.

Messrs. H. L. Parr and F. W. Higgins, of Newberry, and Mr. L. Briggs, of Clinton, were here one day last week.

Mr. James Henderson and daughter, Miss Winnie, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Abrams and son, T. J., and Mr. Elmore Suber spent Sabbath at the hospitable home of Mr. M. E. Abrams.

Miss Cornelia Shannon is visiting Miss Sarah Pant.

Misses Willie Mae Shannon and Iola Cromer were here last week to attend the Walden show. They were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Finney at the hotel.

Mr. Metts Fant has returned to Columbia to resume his studies in Draughon's Business college.

Master Joe Howie, who spent some time with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Coffield, has gone to his home at Inman.

Floyd Abrams, the small son of Mr. Pinkney Abrams, deceased, is making his home with his aunt, Mrs. McD. Metts.

Messrs. Thomas J. Dillard and John and Lawrence Keck and Misses Sallie Belle and Bessie Dillard and Miss Pearl Steadman visited Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Finney last week.

Mr. "Eph" Wilson and sister, Miss Kathleen Wilson, of Lowrysville, after a pleasant visit at Mr. Wash Dean's and Mrs. Sallie Payne's, have returned to their home.

Dr. Hilton has returned from a business trip to Lockhart's.

Mr. Hazel Miller has returned from Cross Hill and is again at his post of duty.

Mr. Henry Miller went to his home at Cross Hill yesterday.

Miss Mattie Pearl McCracken, of Newberry, and Miss Inez Dobbins visited Miss Sara Scott last week.

Miss Ollie Howard, of Lancaster, is visiting Miss Toy Evans.

Mrs. Mary Evans Bye is spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Evans.

Mr. Jno. Ruff was in town last week shaking hands with his many friends.

## COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC WORKS SUBMIT REPORT

### FREE LIGHTS FOR CITY AFTER THIS YEAR.

#### \$7,000 Profit Last Year Used in Extending Plant.—That Friend Street Light—Other Matters.

Mr. M. L. Spearman, chairman of the board of commissioners of public works, was present at the meeting of city council on Tuesday night, and submitted the annual report for his commission with the request that it be published in the county papers. The report is published elsewhere in this issue.

Mr. Spearman called the attention of city council to the fact that the town had failed to turn over for three years now the amount required by the act and made part of the funds to be held by the commissioners as a sinking fund to meet the bonds when they become due.

Alderman Earhardt moved that the report be received as information, and that the finance committee be instructed to make arrangements to pay the amount due the sinking fund, which motion prevailed.

### Lights For Opera House.

Mayor Langford said he would like to ask the commissioners if they would not furnish free lights for the opera house, inasmuch as the opera house is now being run by the city. He also asked if the commissioners would not furnish an arc light in Friend street at the union station without extra cost to the city.

Alderman Lominack made request of the commissioners for extension of the water line in the eastern part of the city.

Mr. Spearman stated that he could not state for the commissioners whether they would put the opera house on the free list, or whether they would put a light in Friend street as requested.

### That Friend Street Light.

He stated, however, that if city council ordered the light put up in Friend street at the union station, that it would have immediate attention.

In regard to the extension of the water line in the eastern section, Mr. Spearman assured Alderman Lominack that this would be done at once.

### Net Profit of \$7,000.

According to the report submitted, the commissioners made a net profit last year of something over \$7,000, but this amount had been used in extending water lines, and in the erection of a cistern. He also said that he thought that after this year, the commission would be able to furnish the city with light without cost, as he thought the net income for this year would be something like \$10,000. Of course, if this were done the commission would not have the money to make improvements and extensions that it would have otherwise. Mr. Spearman stated that the commissioners were now furnishing water free, and that the city was paying \$75.00 per year per arc light, the total amount paid being about \$600 per month.

### Hydrants Needed.

Alderman Goree said that there were about a dozen residents in High Point who needed a water hydrant, and who paid their proportion of the tax. The nearest hydrant to this residence section was at least 300 yards distant.

Miss Ollie Manson, after a short stay with her step-sister, Mrs. Thad. Coleman, has returned to her home in New Orleans.

A number of the parents and children of the Presbyterian Sunday school met at the home of Rev. Jno. R. Roseboro last Friday evening to plan the better organization of and new methods to be used in conducting the Sunday school. Messrs. Henry Miller and F. H. Burns and Mesdames S. A. Jeter and Barney Herren were appointed a committee to complete the arrangements.

Mr. J. M. Major spent the week end here. His little daughter, Sarah Hyne, was quite ill last week.

Nita.

## PLANS NEW BASEBALL LEAGUE

### Chamber of Commerce of Abbeville Trying to Put Game in That City On More Secure Footing.

An Abbeville dispatch says: An important undertaking of the chamber of commerce is to organize a baseball league composed of Abbeville, Greenwood, Chester, Newberry and Laurens and Elberton and Athens, Ga. The idea is to organize on professional baseball rules and regulations, have a small minimum salary limit not to exceed \$500 a month, adopt a regular schedule, hire umpires and conduct the league the same as professional leagues are managed, but with the small salary limit the league could not secure membership in the league of professional baseball. Elberton and Athens have already indicated their willingness to join such a league, and the secretary is in correspondence with the South Carolina towns mentioned, hoping to get some one interested in the matter.

All of these towns have tried independent ball, which proved failures in most cases, largely on account of the fact that, with no regular schedule, they could not play every day. It is believed with an organization as proposed each team would be self-sustaining as the friendly rivalry that would exist would naturally draw out much larger crowds than under independent ball. The idea is to have either a four or six club league and play ball for two months. As soon as the other towns are heard from a meeting will be called to go into the details, and it is hoped that such an organization can be perfected. The committee of the chamber of commerce that has the matter in hand is W. N. Graydon, W. H. McFall and the secretary, E. C. Horton. Those interested will please write the secretary at once.

## PREACHER GETS WRATHY.

### Dr. H. L. Jones, of Charleston, on Vetoing of Commission Form Bill.

Charleston, Feb. 31.—During the course of an address before the Christian Temperance workers at the Spring Street Methodist church last night, the Rev. Howard Lee Jones, pastor of the Citadel Square Baptist church, characterized the action of the governor of South Carolina in vetoing the commission form of government bill as "unwarranted" and "dirty," condemned the present system of city government as "rotten to the core" and "self-condemned," declared that Governor Cole L. Blease, to whom he referred to as "the man," had been "elected by the very ballot-box stuffing in the city of Charleston," and stated that it was the duty of every citizen in Charleston to find out "who are the friends of the governor in this city that have been behind this movement."

The address as listened to by but comparatively few people. The audience consisted in most part of the lady members of the Christian Temperance Workers' society. Dr. Jones made an earnest and eloquent address in the cause of temperance. He stated that there were three methods being pursued by the adherents of this cause in their fight against the demon rum, viz, the method by pledge, the construction method and the legal method. It was while elaborating on this last named method that the speaker entered into the realm of politics.

"The fight against liquor has naturally been taken into politics," stated Dr. Jones. "Now I know that some will say that politics is dirty. Well, if politics is dirty, and it is, it is the commission of every man in the country to enter into this field and make it clean."

High license, local option and State and nation-wide prohibition all had their adherents in the ranks of temperance workers, who believed that their particular method furnished the best opportunity to fight the liquor traffic. But, stated the speaker, it behooved them all to "get together" on the legal side of the question for the purpose of warring against lawlessness. Dr. Jones declared that "lawlessness is reigning in this city now," and that some means "must be found to enforce laws of the statute books. If the plain written instructions on the books are not earnestly and honestly enforced, they do no

## City Council Re-Opens Power Co. Franchise

good."

Dr. Jones then in sarcastic language referred to an arrest of a little boot-black which he had witnessed last Sunday. "Two majestic minions of the law laid hold of the little fellow, who could not commit a crime, and threw him into the police patrol, while not quite a block away a blind tiger was running in open defiance of the laws and Sunday ordinances of our city." He later referred to "the gambling hells which were damning the students who are coming to this city to learn."

"It is of no use to roast the mayor of the city or to denounce the chief of police," declared the speaker. "What I want to attack is the system, a system that is rotten to the core. Get rid of it and the lawlessness in the city will be cured."

In referring to the action of the governor in vetoing the commission form of government bill, Dr. Jones stated: "I have just heard of this act, committed by a hand which believes that it has dealt the death blow to the chance which would give the people of Charleston a right to say what they wanted. It all is dirty and unwarranted. The man who was elected by the very ballot-box stuffing in the city of Charleston, has already taken away the constables and now, at the direction of his friends, vetoes, over a petition signed by over fifteen hundred people of the city, representing \$10,000,000 worth of property, a bill which gives the people of Charleston a chance to say what system of government they wanted."

Dr. Jones ended his address by urging the members of the society to "get together" in real earnest in their fight against the demon rum.

### Sale at Bee Hive.

The Bee Hive will conduct a big special sale from 5 to 11.30 o'clock tonight. See ad.

### A CARD FROM DR. JONES.

#### His Own Version of His Address at Spring Street Church.

To the Editor of The News and Courier: I do not mean to charge that your report of my address delivered at the Spring Street Methodist church on Monday evening, which appeared in today's issue of your paper, was prompted by a desire to misrepresent me, but I do wish to say that if it had been inspired by such a desire it could not have succeeded more admirably. After having read the report over very carefully, I am prepared to say that not in a single instance where quotation marks are used in my language correctly quoted, and such a twist is given to the alleged report of speech in general as to render it a travesty. I did not make use of the words "dirty," "rotten," "demon rum," etc. attributed to me in the report. In describing the condition of lawlessness in the city of Charleston, I said that the fault lay back of the mayor and the chief of police, and that the conditions spell out an indictment against the system of government which so ties their hands that they do not even profess to fulfill the plainest term of their official duty. I referred to the governor of the State and said that it was a very generally expressed belief that he was elected to his exalted position by the illegal votes of this city. I stated that his acts tended to make the city more lawless, and referred to the removal of the constables and to his veto of the commission government bill, which would have given the citizens of Charleston the right to decide whether or not they desired to change the system of their city government. I called attention to the fact that a petition that this right might be given the citizens had been signed by some fifteen hundred voters, including business interests, which, represented by a conservative estimate, more than ten millions of dollars. In characterizing this veto, I used the following language: "The governor is evidently carrying out his announced policy of 'remembering his friends.' Our duty as citizens of Charleston should be to find out who these friends are, and also to urge and expect to be present."

Howard Lee Jones.

Charleston, February 21.

## ABANDONS MAXIMUM RATE REQUIREMENT

### AMENDS FRANCHISE IN THREE OTHER PARTICULARS.

#### Letter From Mr. Taylor.—Council and Power Company Are Now Nearer Together.

At the meeting on Tuesday night city council receded from its position taken at the former meeting, requiring that the franchise for the Southern Power company should have a maximum rate proviso, but amended the franchise in three particulars; first, by requiring that the company shall not charge higher rates than it charges in any other city or town in the State; second, that the company shall build within the city limits all stations or sub-stations for the distribution of power in Newberry; and third, that the company shall not sell power for resale and distribution in quantities of less than one hundred horse-power. Aldermen Earhardt and Rodelsperger stood by the maximum rate proviso.

From a letter from Mr. Z. V. Taylor, representative of the company, published in full herewith, it would seem that the company is willing to abide by these conditions, but is unwilling for its standard form of franchise to be changed by inserting them in the franchise.

At the meeting of city council on February 7 Mr. Taylor, in an address to council, stating that his company would not come into Newberry with a maximum rate proviso, agreed that it would let the condition as to the erection of sub-stations in the city limits be made an inducement for the granting of the franchise, and would agree for the resale clause to go in the franchise. He seems to have changed his position on these matters. The franchise of the company in Greenville, it has been stated, has a proviso as to not charging more than in other cities similarly situated. The city, however, and the city plant are amply protected by the franchise submitted, without the provision insisted upon by council.

As a result of the meeting on Tuesday night, of council having receded from its position as to the maximum rate proviso, council and the company are much nearer together than they were, and the hope is generally expressed that they may meet on common ground.

Mr. Taylor's address to council at the former meeting was reported stenographically and verbatim by a representative of The Herald and News who was present, and was published in full in The Herald and News of February 10.

The proceedings of council in detail follow.

### Proceedings in Detail.

The meeting was called order by Mayor Langford at 7.30 p. m., and the full council was present as follows: Mayor J. J. Langford, Aldermen Jno. W. Earhardt, R. B. Lominack, C. T. Summer, E. L. Rodelsperger and O. S. Goree. The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the clerk and approved as read.

Mayor Langford asked if council desired to take up, at the meeting, the matter of granting a franchise to the Southern Power company. Alderman Earhardt wanted to know if the Southern Power company had made any request that council re-open the matter of granting a franchise to the company. Mayor Langford then had the clerk to read the following letter which he had received from Mr. Taylor:

Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 20, 1911.

Hon. J. J. Langford, Mayor, Newberry, S. C.—Dear Sir:—Since my return to Charlotte our company has received communications from citizens of Newberry, stating that in all probability the council would at its next meeting grant the franchise asked for by the Southern Power company.

I have intended writing you on this subject, but have waited to do so un-

(Continued on page six.)