

PALMETTO HAPPENINGS

News Notes From All Parts of the State of Interest to South Carolinians in General

Fund is Growing.

The Columbia State and Saturday gives the following statement of contributions to Woman's Monument Fund:

Fund by Bounties.

Richland	\$904.00
Anderson	533.98
Greenville	479.65
Charleston	418.75
York	404.25
Rock Hill	404.05
North Charleston	336.25
Summerville	332.50
Myrtle Beach	326.10
Georgetown	260.45
North Myrtle Beach	204.24
Myrtle Beach	199.00
Myrtle Beach	186.95
Myrtle Beach	185.75
Myrtle Beach	178.50
Myrtle Beach	172.23
Myrtle Beach	164.25
Myrtle Beach	161.75
Myrtle Beach	176.75
Myrtle Beach	142.50
Myrtle Beach	159.50
Myrtle Beach	121.25
Florence	105.00
Barnwell	91.50
Calhoun	90.02
Laurens	83.50
Cherokee	73.25
Pamlico	71.00
Pickens	53.05
Oconee	53.75
Horry	50.00
Clarendon	45.25
Union	44.00
Williamsburg	26.50
Georgetown	25.00
Hampton	23.00
Dorchester	21.45
Colleton	18.75
Saluda	58.80
Charleston	16.00
Berkeley	13.50
Beaufort	13.00

Anderson Teachers Chosen.

Anderson, Special.—At the annual meeting of the board of trustees to the Anderson city schools the following elections were made for the approaching session: Superintendent, Mr. E. C. McAnts; teachers, Messrs. J. L. Vass, G. W. Chambers, E. D. Pearce and B. S. Cogburn, and Misses Lenora Hubbard, Ellen Gordon, Mary Chapman, Inez Felder, Maggie Connor, Olivia Duckett, Opelia Clinkscapes, Mary McCoy, May Russell, Anna Brown, Eddie Davis, Evie Lewis, Nellie Cochran, Martha Clark, Mattie Barksdale, Renner Farmer, Eunice Gideon, Elizabeth Forney, Willie Maynard, Nell Archer, Annie Lou Smith, Elsie Tiller and Elizabeth Coleman and Mrs. Lottie Estes. Mr. E. B. Murray, who taught mathematics in the high school, did not apply for reelection, it being his intention to go abroad to study. Mr. S. A. Derieux, who taught English in this school, also did not ask for reelection as he intends to go to Harvard university to study. The session for this year ends on May 27. The schools have passed through a most successful year.

New Press Cloth Plant.

Columbia, Special.—The decision of the Interstate Cotton Seed Crushers' Association at its meeting in Memphis last week to put up a press cloth plant, the enterprise to be backed by a capital of \$300,000, part of which was raised on the floor of the convention, is of great interest to Columbia, which is the home of the only press cloth factory in the South, outside of Texas. Particularly so since Mr. B. F. Taylor, a live wire public spirited man, is vice president of both the association and the Columbia Press Cloth Company, and in very close touch with Mr. John J. Seibels, the president of the Columbia enterprise, and likewise always keen and alert to advance the interests of his home town.

Five Suspects Are Released.

Aiken, Special.—Charles, Henry and Ben Gaultman and Lonny Price were released from jail Friday night and the charge of being connected with the robbery of the express car between Warrentonville and Augusta was withdrawn. W. M. Markie, who was arrested Thursday night was also released, after being detained a day.

Blood Curdling Trick.

Orangeburg, Special.—A performance that was thrilling in the extreme happened at the Edisto river on the foot of Russell street last Tuesday afternoon. A party of gentlemen had gone down for a boat ride, and, running along in the grass was a big three-foot moose. Mr. Frierson, a member of the party, suddenly cried, "Watch me," and the others did. Mr. Frierson ran up behind the snake, grabbed him by the tail and quickly and swiftly whirled the reptile around and then gave a snap—as if popping a whip—and off came the head of the snake.

Fear For Cotton Crop.

Yorkville, Special.—This section, in common with the balance of the country, was visited by an abnormal rainfall last week and owing to the very cold weather that prevailed considerable apprehension is felt for the cotton crop. The stands of corn are the best in years past and the latter crop is especially promising at this time and the acreage is believed to be the largest in the history of the county.

Place for Calhoun Statue.

Washington, Special.—As the result of a consultation held here Monday between Governor Ansel, F. W. Ruckstuhl and Elliott Woods, superintendent of the Capitol buildings and grounds, the Calhoun statue is to have an excellent position in Statuary Hall in the Capitol when it is placed there, the latter part of September by Mr. Ruckstuhl. Governor and Mrs. Ansel were early visitors at the Capitol and after lunching and looking in on the Senate, the House, the Supreme Court and other places of interest, they met Mr. Ruckstuhl and Mr. Woods and agreed upon the location of the statue.

The point chosen is a spot near the big door leading into the House chamber, and second from the main aisle in the hall. This site was chosen because the statue being very large, will find a natural and easy place in between two other large ones, and will look better there than were its surroundings smaller. Just behind the statue is a large window, which will admit sufficient light and which will permit the statue to be seen at its best advantage. Mr. Ruckstuhl said that he was well pleased with the location and he thought South Carolinians who come to the unveiling would like it. He has promised to have it in place by the latter part of September, and it is proposed by Governor Ansel to have the unveiling exercises take place in December, when all the members of the Calhoun commission will be present and make the occasion a brilliant success.

The Governor, in his gallant way, told Superintendent Woods that he wanted the statue so placed that the two lady members of the commission could do the unveiling with ease, and he added that there was no use to say with grace because he was confident that the latter accompaniment would not be lacking. Mr. Woods said everything possible would be done for the pleasure and convenience of the ladies in the party and he would lend his best efforts toward making the occasion a success.

Aiken Bank Victimized.

Aiken, Special.—A clever forgery has just been detected in Aiken. A party whose indorsement is "Henry Williams," carried a check to the Farmers' and Merchants' bank, cashed it, and made good his escape, and up to this time no trace of the man has been found.

The check was drawn upon G. L. Toole, Esq., and the amount on the face of it was \$40. The forgery was one of the cleverest pieces of work of the kind ever seen in Aiken. The check was drawn upon one of Mr. Toole's checks, torn from his check-book. The writing on the front of the check is a splendid imitation of Mr. Toole's writing and the signature purported to be Mr. Toole's is almost perfect. On the back the name of Henry Williams, written in an entirely different hand, hardly more than a scrawl, is given as indorsement. The check was presented at the Farmers' and Merchants' bank, on which it was drawn on last Saturday, and was cashed. It was not discovered, however, until some time later, when Mr. Toole had occasion to call for his checks, and found this forged one among them.

The police are now on the outlook for "Henry Williams," but inquiry fails to locate such a person in this city or hereabouts.

Cotton Burned at Buffalo.

Union, Special.—Fire that started Monday night in the warehouse of the Buffalo cotton mills badly damaged about 1,000 bales of cotton. The fire was under control after many hours hard work on the part of the mill firemen. The damage is covered by insurance.

Withdraws License of State Mutual.

Laurens, Special.—Insurance Commissioner McMaster Thursday revoked the license of the State Mutual Fire Insurance company, which has its headquarters here. This is the last of the mutual fire companies which tried to do a general insurance business. The officers found themselves unable to collect assessments to pay the losses, which amounted to about \$7,000. The commissioner states that the company was economically managed, but could not accomplish its purposes and the revocation is the result. The company will apply for a receiver.

Gaffney's Newest Park.

Gaffney, Special.—Dr. W. C. Hamrick has purchased a tract of land in the southern part of Gaffney, which he is improving. He is having the property beautifully laid out by a landscape gardener and will throw same open to the public on certain days of the week. It will be a delightful place for picnics and open-air concerts. Gaffney now has three beautiful parks, the Irene, at the Irene Mills, City Park and Hamrick.

THE INVASION OF ENGLAND.

(John Bull's Latest Nightmare.)



—Cartoon by Triggs, in the New York Press.

ENGLAND HAUNTED BY GERMAN GHOSTS

President Butler's Remark That It is a Form of Present-Day Emotional Insanity Strikingly Borne Out by Series of Absurd Events.

London.—The speech at the Lake Mohonk Conference on International Arbitration of President Nicholas Murray Butler, of Columbia University, in which he described Great Britain's attitude to Germany as a form of "present-day emotional insanity," has been strikingly confirmed during the past week. Sensational stories of German airships, stacks of German Messengers stored in a London cellar, thousands of German waiters and hair dressers eagerly anticipating the Emperor's signal to deliver England to an invading army of their fellow countrymen, have been the main features of the newspapers throughout the country.

The Mauser myth, to which attention was first called by Sir John Barlow, has been contemptuously dismissed by War Secretary Haldane in the House of Commons as "an exceptionally silly story," but it has been quite surpassed by accounts of mythical nocturnal visitations of a German airship.

The phantom "Flying Dutchman" soon developed into a large fleet, the competing papers vouching for the accuracy of their respective stories and giving signed statements circumstantially detailing the manoeuvres

BRITISH ARMY A SHAM, SAYS ROBERTS.

London.—"Our army is a sham! We have no army!" exclaimed Field Marshal Lord Roberts earnestly in a debate in the House of Lords upon the Duke of Bedford's motion for an inquiry into the condition of the reserve. Earl Roberts, who is known to favor compulsory military training, declared that he was amazed at the manner in which both houses treated the army as a party question and at the apathy of the nation regarding military defense. The nation, he said, did not believe in the danger of invasion, and no wonder. For their leaders told them there was no fear of it. He added:

"I know perfectly well that the leaders in both houses are anxious about the future, but they do not tell the country that we have neither an army to send abroad nor to defend the country at home. While we are sitting here, taking it easily and comfortably, the danger is coming nearer and nearer to us daily, and unless you cease telling the people they are living in safety and get an army fit to deal with any enemy we shall one day come to such utter grief that you will bitterly regret your inaction."

"It is a perfect marvel to me how anybody can see what is going on around us in Europe and be content with the condition of our army. No country in the world would attempt to defend itself with the paucity of men and with the untrained men we have got. You will never have a real army until you have taken the nation into your confidence and tell them their danger. You may think you are safe, but you are not. Be frank and tell the nation what is before them. They will respond."

His admonitions were addressed to the Government representatives.

GLUCOSE TRUST MAY RUN CANDY STORES

National Confectioners See a Big Fight Coming For Control of the Trade—Arranging For Factories—And Afterward, President Bedford Says, May Sell Their Product Through Its Own Establishments.

New York City.—The Corn Products Refining Company, of which E. T. Bedford, of the Standard Oil Company, is president, and in which James A. Moffett, F. Q. Barstow and William M. Pratt are directors, and Charles M. Rockefeller and the late H. H. Rogers were generally understood to be largely interested, is likely to go into the retail candy business.

As has been generally known, the directors at their last meeting took the preliminary steps toward starting a project for utilizing the glucose manufactured in the company's plants by establishing candy factories. This step, it was said recently, is likely to be followed by the retailing of the product of the factories, through a company yet to be organized, in its own stores. The candy business has recently seen in a smaller way signs of approaching organization on the modern lines of combination, but this step will be far

Original Honest Man Lives

Des Moines, Iowa.—William Wilson, a laboring man of this city, found \$120 in greenbacks under a tin can several weeks ago.

Did William Wilson spend that \$120? No, he did not. He turned it over to Justice of the Peace Roe, made an affidavit as to how he found the money, and that's why he is called Iowa's Original Honest Man.

Wilson was picking mushrooms near Beaver Creek when he made the find.

Sea Cuts Away Great Stretches

of Cape Cod Coast.

Wood's Hole, Mass.—The north-east gale that for over a week blew steadily along the shores of Vineyard Sound and on Nantucket shoals cut up the beaches all along the shores of Cape Cod, and hotels and summer homes along the coast will have to be moved back.

The life-savers say that they never before witnessed such great changes in the coast line of Cape Cod, and where they formerly patrolled the beach the tides now run riot.

NEWSY GLEANINGS.

Ex-Congressman Seth W. Cobb died at St. Louis.

No attempt was made to enforce the Blue Laws at Coney Island.

The new British Dreadnoughts will have twelve-inch guns of increased power.

A memorial service for George Meredith was held at Westminster Abbey, London.

Impressive scenes were witnessed at the annual military mass at the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

Many police and Socialists were injured in riots at the Cemetery of Pere Lachaise, at Paris.

A Z. Drew, former president of the defunct State Bank of Hamlin, Minn., was sentenced to two years in Stillwater Penitentiary.

Park Commissioner Smith, of New York City, asked for more policemen to guard against the stealing of plants in the parks.

Clifford W. Hartridge made affidavit that he spent \$10,000 to head off the publication of scandalous stories about Harry K. Thaw.

Police Captain Walsh and forty policemen broke up a meeting of Anarchists at which Emma Goldman had started to speak, in New York City.

Postal authorities discovered that European lotteries were using new mail order methods to catch the dollars of New York's downtown district.

President Taft is gathering exhaustive tariff data of his own, to be in position critically to examine the Tariff bill when it reaches him for approval or rejection.

When arrested for speeding in New York City, Charles L. Force, a Wall Street broker, admitted that it was his car, driven by William Darrah, which ran down and killed Ingvaard Trimble on March 27.

FIREMEN STRIKE SETTLED.

Exact Terms of Settlement Have Not Been Disclosed, But It is Said That the Conditions Are Eminently Satisfactory to the Georgia Railroad and to the Firemen.

Atlanta, Ga., Special.—The strike of the firemen on the Georgia Railroad was officially declared off at 2 p. m. Saturday. An hour and a half later the first train after the resumption of service was sent out on Augusta with a negro fireman in the cab.

The terms of the settlement were not officially given out, but it was learned that they are substantially as follows:

The men to return to work under conditions existing at the time the All negro firemen at the terminal stations will be dispensed with.

All discharged Brotherhood firemen will be reinstated.

Three other points are yet to be decided, as follows:

First, whether negro firemen shall be eliminated from the road.

Second, if not eliminated, what percentage of negroes there shall be. Seniority of negro firemen over white firemen.

These other questions are to be discussed and if they are not adjusted, they will be settled by arbitration under the Ashman act.

The strike commenced May 17 and lasted 13 days. It was caused by the attempt of the company to put negro firemen on the best runs in the place of white firemen, who were given inferior runs or made subs. The men presented a new agreement to General Manager Scott, demanding that he recognize the seniority of white firemen over blacks, and thus practically do away with the negro in the cabs. Scott refused, claiming that he had no authority to sign such an agreement. The men looked in vain for some official who had authority, and failing to find one, struck. General Manager Scott retaliated by practically annulling all trains and thus tying up traffic.

After a few days the situation became grave in some communities. Food supplies ran low and no new stocks could be secured. The new necessities of life were hauled in wagons and automobiles. No mails were sent or received and even funerals were prevented.

Henry H. Rogers' Will.

New York, Special.—The will of the late Henry H. Rogers was admitted to probate here Friday. Practically the entire estate, valued, according to Wall street estimates, at between \$50,000,000 and \$75,000,000, will ultimately be divided among the four children and their heirs. Half of the equal shares into which the residuary of the estate is divided will go given to the four when they reach the age of forty years.

Senate Discusses Sugar.

Washington, Special.—For more than seven hours Wednesday, the Senate was engaged in the discussion of sugar, as that subject is involved in the tariff bill, which is now pending. Beginning with an effort by Senator McEnery, the Louisiana Democratic protectionist, there were four set speeches. Three of these were in support of the sugar schedule, as reported from the committees on finance, while the fourth was a plea for material reductions.

CRYSTALLIZED CURRANTS.

Select firm, ripe fruit, leaving it on the stems. Dip first in the beaten white of eggs, then in powdered sugar. Arrange on a paper, and set in a cool oven for 10 minutes; when the icing becomes firm, pile in a dish, and set in a cool place until time to serve.—Boston Post.

A TORNADO IN TEXAS

Hundreds Saved by Taking Refuge in Storm Cellars.

DEATH AND RUIN IN ITS PATH

Thirty-Two Persons Killed Outright and Perhaps Fifty More Fatally Wounded—Nearly Fifty Houses Entirely Demolished—Lightning Causes a Fire that Sweeps Away a Business Block.

Brownwood, Tex., Special.—A tornado of great fury struck the little village of Zephyr, in the eastern portion of Brown county at 1 o'clock Sunday morning and left a path of death and destruction seldom paralleled. The death list has reached a total of 32 and the number of seriously and fatally wounded will reach 50. A score are more or less injured.

The storm formed half a mile southwest of Zephyr and swept down upon the village, cutting a wide swath directly through the residence and business district.

Nearly 50 houses were entirely demolished. Lightning struck a lumber yard and started a conflagration which destroyed one entire business block.

No effort was made to fight the fire as the care of the dead and wounded victims demanded all attention.

Hundreds of persons directly in the storm's path saved themselves by taking refuge in storm cellars.

More than a dozen bodies were horribly mutilated. County Clerk Thad Cabler, his wife and two children, who had gone to Zephyr to spend the night were killed. The big stone school building and two churches were swept from the face of the earth. By daylight 16 surgeons were working on the wounded.

Brownwood hurried her second relief train at noon Sunday loaded with provisions, clothing and necessary articles and forty nurses.

Sunday night three persons were still unaccounted for. Two children were found dead late Sunday afternoon, two miles out from the town, having been blown that distance.

The storm was three hundred yards wide and swept the earth for only a short distance, probably less than a mile. Its fury is considered the most terrific of any tornado ever experienced in this section.

The hillsides at Zephyr were covered with debris of all kinds and bodies of dead animals and human beings. The ruins were dimly lighted by the burning buildings and the cries of the wounded rose above the sound of the elements which threatened a second storm. A hog roaming through the debris-strewn streets was killed while attempting to devour the body of an infant. Bodies were found twisted about trees and in every conceivable shape. People walked the streets almost naked, crying for their loved ones. Residences which escaped the storm, were turned into hospitals where were carried the bodies of the dead and wounded.

One storm house collapsed on a family of nine without serious injury to any.

Brownwood, with splendid organized relief work, has the situation well in hand.

Zeppelin's Great Feat.

Berlin, By Cable.—Count Zeppelin, whose remarkable performances in his first airship brought unbounded honors to the inventor Sunday accomplished the most striking feat in his career. He guided his Zeppelin II from Friedrichshafen to Bitterfeld, a distance of more than 456 miles without landing. The journey lasted nearly 22 hours and so far as known Sunday night Count Zeppelin was still in the air, on the return journey to Friedrichshafen. He has beaten all records for dirigible balloons.

Wind and Electrical Storm.

Biloxi, Miss., Special.—A severe wind and electrical storm struck this section early Monday evening and grave fear is entertained for the safety of small craft and their occupants in Gulf waters near here. The city's electric lighting system was put out of commission.

Uprising in Peru.

Lima, Peru, By Cable.—A rising of political factions occurred here at 4:30 Saturday afternoon with the object of overthrowing the government of President Leguia. An attack was made upon the palace and firing was heard in all parts of the city. It is reported that many are dead and wounded. Adherents of Augusto Durand, who was concerned in the revolution at Chosica, near Lima, in May, 1908, and of Isais Perola, also a notorious agitator, made an assault upon the palace and seized President Leguia. The army, however, remained loyal and came to his support.

Labor Leaders Convicted.

Chicago, Special.—After 46 hours of almost constant wrangling, the jury in the case of M. B. Madden, M. J. Boyle and F. A. Pouchot, labor leaders, Saturday brought in a verdict of guilty, fining each of the defendants \$500. Madden is the so-called labor "Czar" of Chicago. The men were brought to trial on an indictment, charging that they conspired to extort \$1,000 and did extort that sum, from Emil Klicka,