

## CAPITAL FACTS.

Interesting News Gathered in the District of Columbia.

### THE AMERICAN CONGRESS.

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#### Uncle Sam's Popular Cook Book.

Uncle Sam's cook book, which has been in preparation for several years under the direction of Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, has become a mighty popular publication among Congressmen who are encountering opposition to their return to Congress. The House authorized the publication of 1,000,000 copies of the cook book, but the Senate does not put such a high estimate on the value of the publication.

The authorization for the publication of 1,000,000 copies of the cooking manual was cut down from 1,000,000 to 300,000 copies in a bill that passed the Senate.

#### Less Beer and More Work.

Brewers in Washington have conceded to their employees an eight-hour day. In return the employees have agreed to take not more than two drinks of beer during the eight hours.

No wave of temperance reform on the part of the brewery management however, is responsible, but a wish to get a full measure of work out of the employees. Before and after working hours it is agreed employees can drink all the beer they want.

#### Kemp's Prison Term Ending.

J. Arthur Kemp, former chief clerk of the police department, who was sentenced to the United States penitentiary at Moundsville, W. Va., for two years for embezzling several thousand dollars from the funds of the Police Protective Association, will be released on May 29.

#### Famous Educator Will Retire.

After 52 years of service, Dr. E. M. Gallaudet, one of the best known of educators in the country, and president of the Gallaudet College for the Deaf and Dumb, announces his intention of retiring. He is 73 years old.

#### Cadets Going on Long Cruise.

The revenue cutter service cadet practice ship Itasca, will leave Arundel Cove, Md., on the annual practice cruise, with the graduating class, on June 6. Visits will be made to England, France and the Azore Islands. The Itasca will return to Baltimore August 12.

#### Doctor Wins His License.

The action of the District Medical Board in refusing Dr. Lewis B. Thompson, a Maryland physician, a medical license to practice in Washington, is held by the District Court of Appeals, in a decision just rendered, to have been arbitrary, and the license will be issued by direction of the court.

#### An Inventor's Dream.

Rapid transit beyond the dreams of other men has been offered to the Postoffice Department by an Effingham (Ill.) inventor. The Illinois man had a scheme to run a railroad train at the rate of 80 miles an hour for 500 miles without stopping. He would unload passengers, mail and baggage while the train was in motion. His device would whirl the most delicate passenger out of the car and into the station without lessening the speed of the train or injuring the passenger. It would do the same with mails, he says. On the grounds that Congress gave to the Postoffice Department no authority to buy railroad equipment the invention has been declined.

#### White House "Home Coming Week."

The White House will be open to the thousands of visitors who are expected to be in Washington for home-coming week in October.

President Taft notified Isaac Gans, chairman of the committee which is arranging for the fall celebration, that he would be glad to have the White House visited every day of home-coming week.

#### Patent Office Must be Enlarged.

In estimates submitted to the Senate \$220,000 is asked for the enlargement of the Patent Office and \$2,500 for steel stacks for the scientific library of the department. Other estimates were for \$80,000 for the enlargement of the heating plant of Howard University and Freedmen's Hospital.

Officials of the Interior Department in their report declare the Patent Office lacks sufficient space. It is proposed to erect a four-story stone structure over the entire interior court. The addition will contain thirty-two rooms for the accommodation of 300 employees.

#### Want Soldiers' Homes Investigated.

As a result of a speech made in the House by Representative Cox, of Ohio, a special committee may be created to inquire into the conduct of the government soldiers' homes. Representative Cox charged that the national soldiers' homes were grossly mismanaged. He said that the rations at such institutions were inadequate, that discipline was severe, and he cited instances of cruelty.

## SEVEN BISHOPS ELECTED

Dr. John O. Kilgo, President of Trinity College, One of the Members.

Asheville, N. C., Special.—The members of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, are delighted with the choice of men so far elected to the Episcopacy. It has been conceded since the opening of the conference that Drs. Collins Denny and J. C. Kilgo would be elected on the first ballot. Dr. Denny received the largest majority ever voted on the first ballot in the history of the Southern Methodist church. The election of Rev. W. B. Murrah, D. D., L. L. D., was never in doubt. Dr. Collins Denny is professor at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., Dr. Kilgo is president of Trinity College, Durham, N. C., and Dr. Murrah is president of Millsaps College, Jackson, Miss.

Rev. W. R. Lambuth of Tennessee, Rev. E. D. Mousen of Texas, and Rev. R. G. Waterhouse of Virginia, were elected bishops on the fourth ballot.

The fifth ballot showed no election, but on the sixth ballot, Rev. J. H. McCoy, of Birmingham, Ala., was elected as the seventh bishop, filling the college of bishops to full quota.

The committee on Episcopacy reported the passage of Bishop H. C. Morrison's character and recommended that he be continued on the effective list but be given light work. The committee found that the complaints against his administration were sustained but recommended itinerancy because Bishop Morrison promised to correct the matters complained of in his official administration.

#### Wanted Lutheran Pastor to Remain.

Columbia, S. C., Special.—As a result of the resignation of the Rev. J. H. Wilson as pastor of the Lutheran Church of the Ascension at Savannah, Ga., on May 9th, and the attack on him by two women members of the congregation, officials of the Lutheran denomination Monday issued the following statement of facts covering the action of Dr. Wilson.

"1. Conditions involving the welfare of the congregation, at Dr. Wilson's request, were reviewed by the church council on April 14th, with the result that the church council requested Dr. Wilson to remain as pastor.

"2. Perceiving a faction in the congregation, on May 7th, Dr. Wilson as a matter of expediency, presented his resignation in writing to the secretary of the council and asked to have it accepted at a meeting of the council to be held Monday night, May 9th. This was done.

"3. The assault on Dr. Wilson Monday morning, May 9th, had no part in the bringing about of Dr. Wilson's resignation. Neither was Dr. Wilson in any way connected with the affidavits involved, except that he alleged that he had been told that they existed, and when requested he gave the name of his informant."

#### Woman's Union Adjourns.

Baltimore, Special.—With a great missionary massmeeting the convention of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union, which began last Wednesday, adjourned Monday afternoon.

There were 320 delegates and 700 visitors in attendance, making the convention the largest in the organization's history.

The women planned to raise \$244,000 for missions during the coming year, besides \$35,000 for enlarging the training school for women missionaries at Louisville, Ky.

A resolution was passed urging Congress to appropriate \$250,000 for a detention house for immigrants at Loonet Point.

Next year the convention will meet at Jacksonville, Fla.

#### What a Pity!

Washington, Special.—By the lack of one vote the House Monday declined to accord the necessary two-thirds vote to submit to the several States of the Union, the question of changing the date of the inauguration of President and Vice-President from March 4 to the last Thursday in April.

#### Greatest Convention Ever Held.

Washington, Special.—The World's Sunday School convention will be held in Washington, May 19-24. It will be attended by official delegates from every state in the Union, from every province in Canada, and from more than 50 countries—the most cosmopolitan gathering ever held on this continent. The roster of American delegates was long ago full, and the visitors will outnumber the delegates. There will be more than 200 meetings in connection with the convention. Previous World's Sunday School conventions have been held in London, St. Louis, Jerusalem and Rome.

#### Thirty-Six Convicts Meet Death.

Centerville, Ala., Special.—Thirty-six negro convicts lost their lives early Tuesday when the stockade of the Red Feather Coal Company, at Lucile mines, Bibb county, about fifteen miles north of Centerville, was destroyed by fire which was set by one of the prisoners in an effort to escape. Thirty-five of the convicts were burned to death and another was shot to death by guards while trying to escape.

## PALMETTO HAPPENINGS

News Notes of General Interest From All Parts of the State.

#### Proceedings: Democratic Convention.

The State Democratic convention was called to order Wednesday, at Columbia, by the chairman of the state committee, Gen. Willie Jones, who was re-elected to that position by the committee, after a proposition to defer the election of chairman had been defeated by a vote of 25 to 12.

Opponents of General Jones desire to have the selection of state chairman made by the convention instead of the committee, as is required under the present rules, and this proposition was presented to the convention by the Chesterfield delegation. It is said General Jones is opposed because of his connection with the defunct Seminoles Securities company, through which hundreds of persons in this state lost money.

Gen. Jones' election was followed by applause on the part of the committee and those present. Thirty-four of forty members voted for Gen. Jones, the other six not voting at all because of their view that the election should not be held before the convention. Superintendent D. J. Griffith of the State prison, executive committee member from Lexington, was nominated for the chairmanship, but declined, thanking Mr. L. I. Parrott, of Sumter, who nominated him, and saying, "I am not a candidate."

The Richland delegation presented proposed amendments to comply with the state law as to registration and payment of poll tax before being qualified voters.

As president of the convention, Richard S. Whaley, of Charleston, speaker of the house, was elected without opposition.

The convention did not in any manner consider the prohibition question, as it is not the policy of the party in South Carolina to consider state issues in convention, all such matters being decided in the primaries.

#### Work of Convention.

The South Carolina Democratic convention called:

The proposition requiring a voter in the primary to comply with the law governing qualified electors.

Killed the suggestion that the chairman of the State Democratic executive committee be elected by the convention instead of by the committee, as at present.

Passed a resolution condemning the investigation by Attorney General Wickersham in certain dealings by certain cotton dealers and commending Senator E. D. Smith for his opposition to this movement by Wickersham.

Made a few minor changes in the rules and constitution.

Adopted a platform, most of the issues relating to federal affairs.

The convention adjourned at 10:45 Wednesday night.

#### White Man Stole a Gold Watch.

O. P. Sasser was arrested at Branchville by a detective for the Southern Express company and carried to St. George, where he was arraigned in the court of Magistrate Moorer on the charge of stealing a gold watch from the Southern Express company on or about December 23, 1909. It is reported that Sasser, on being arraigned in the magistrate's court, entered a plea of guilty and that the magistrate immediately fixed bail in the sum of \$1,000.

#### Columbia Jailor Died.

Hilton Smith, the Columbia city jailor, who was shot by the negro, John Rabb, late Tuesday night, died Wednesday night at a local hospital. The negro was arrested at Blaneys, near Columbia, and is in the Penitentiary.

#### "Jones, He Pays the Freight."

Much surprise has been expressed in Columbia that W. T. Jones should have been able, through his attorney, to secure a stay of sentence. A member of the judiciary of the State has been quoted as saying, in the course of a conversation, that the stay of execution of sentence is, practically unheard of, in the circumstances of the present case.

#### "Little Willie" Has Flown.

That W. B. Avant, of Georgetown, has left for parts unknown is now certain and Sheriff Scurry is offering a reward of \$100 for his apprehension.

Dr. Bigham's brother at Greenville states that Dr. Bigham is not in the United States. Sheriff Scurry says that he intends to make every effort possible to apprehend Avant and Bigham, but the chances now seem doubtful.

D. W. Avant and George Parsons, close relatives of Avant, are on his bond for \$3,500, while Dr. Bigham's mother is on his for \$1,500.

#### Vicious Curs vs. Human Life.

Raymond Livingston, the 6-year-old son of James K. Livingston, of Charleston, who was bitten a few weeks ago by a mad dog, died last Wednesday morning in frightful agony. The attending physicians seemed unable to aid the little sufferer who, it is said, barked as a dog and had to be confined to his bed with great force.

The child was dying about two days.

## INTERESTING STATE NEWS

Column of Current Events Caught in Every County From Coast to Mountain Cap.

#### Cotton Tare Act a Hardship.

The cotton tare case to be heard in the circuit court is brought by the Columbia firm of M. C. Heath & Co., cotton buyers against W. G. Mullins, who represents Maybank & Co., to test the 1910 enactment of the General Assembly as to cotton tare. The 1910 act provides that there shall be a reduction of six per cent for the tare and heretofore the amount had been only 20 pounds. The new law, if declared constitutional would make the cotton bales ten pounds less in weight because ten pounds more would be deducted for tare.

It is estimated that the difference on account of the cotton tare act of 1910 will be \$1,800,000. This is figured on 12,000,000 bales at 10 additional pounds to the bale at 15 cents per pound.

#### Deaths Continue After Tragedy.

While digging the grave of the mother of John Rabb, the negro, who is held for the murder of Hilton Smith, the city jailer, at Potter's field, Henry Barber, the aged negro grave digger, dropped dead. The cause of the death is supposed to be heart trouble. The inquest over the body will be held by Coroner Walker. The aged mother of John Rabb died while the officers were searching the house for the negro. She did not know that her son was being sought as a murderer.

#### Youngest Bank Cashier.

Earle F. Martin, of Donald's, holds the record for being the youngest bank cashier in the United States. He is 18 years of age and is cashier of the Bank of Donald's.

L. A. Merger, of Belvit, Kas., aged 20, is the next youngest cashier.

#### Dry Counties Responsible.

Dispensary Auditor W. B. West states that the sales of alcoholic drinks in the six counties now retaining the dispensary system will equal one half, if not more, of the total sales the year before in the 21 counties, then having the dispensary system. The sales last year were nearly \$4,000,000.

#### Bonding Business Without License.

B. A. Wharton, deputy insurance commissioner investigated the bonding business of H. T. Edens, of Sumter, which the grand jury at its last session asked Commissioner McMaster to investigate. His report on this has not been made public, except that he found that Edens had been doing a bonding business and had not paid the license therefor.

#### Whiskey Concern Reimburses State.

Gallagher & Burton, a Pennsylvania whiskey firm which did an extensive business with the old State dispensary turned over \$11,000 to the dispensary commission by representatives of the company.

#### Inspectors Work Both Ways.

A co-operative arrangement has been made whereby the inspectors to be appointed for the enforcement of the commercial food stuffs act will have charge of the work of enforcing the pure food and drug act of the State which was passed in 1907.

#### Chips From the Palmetto Log.

No warrant has been issued by the United States commissioner for Saluda county in nearly eight years. Columbia has been put down in the house building bill for an appropriation of \$75,000 for a site for a new postoffice building.

The officers of the Second regiment of the National Guard of the State at Sumter decided to camp at the national camp ground at Chickamauga.

Solicitor Wells of the Twelfth circuit who prosecuted the Bigham-Avant case, says as soon as court in Georgetown opened he would, take steps to collect the bond.

"This is the season of the year for pellagra," said Dr. J. W. Babcock, the superintendent of the State Hospital for the Insane and who is looked upon by the medical world as one of the best experts on the dreaded disease in the country.

The Charleston and Western Carolina Railway Company inaugurated additional passenger train service on its line between Allendale and Port Royal on Sunday, May 22.

The war on blind tigers has not ceased in Sumter, and every week one or two dealers or transporters are caught.

The mail service began on the C. & O., between Spartanburg and Bostie on May 23.

The installment of several dry wells in Fort Mill is the subject of considerable adverse criticism by a number of citizens who fear that such depositories for sewerage will menace the health of the community.

The jury at Beaufort brought in a verdict of guilty of murder with recommendation to mercy in the case of Lewis Harvey, who shot and killed Buddie Brown on account of a dispute which arose during a crap game in the ferry house at the Adams Ferry landing on Ladies' Island, just across from Beaufort, the amount involved being 1 cent.

An election at Marion for \$20,000 bonds for high schools and \$30,000 for graded schools purposes was unanimously carried.

## TWENTY BOILERS BURST.

Mighty Force Tears Men to Pieces—Man Blown Through a House.

Canton, O., Special.—With a roar that was heard 3 miles away a battery of seven boilers at the plant of the American Sheet & Tin Plate Co., exploded Tuesday afternoon killing twenty to thirty and injuring about fifty. Among the injured are a half dozen who, it is said, will probably die. Others, physicians say, cannot recover from their injuries.

The body of one man, unknown, was blown through a house, over seven hundred feet from the plant. The body entered the house from the east side and continued in a straight line through a bed room and out of the other side of the house to Louis avenue. The torso of another man was found in the garden of a yard about five hundred feet west of the scene. Arms, legs and parts of bodies were strewn about the neighborhood.

#### Colored Methodist Editorial Board.

Augusta, Ga., Special.—To better safeguard the interests of the General Church, the General Conference of the colored M. E. Church Monday made provisions for an editorial board, which will determine the editorial policy of the official organs. The Western Trumpet, published in Kansas by J. A. Hamlet, and the North Carolina Index, published in North Carolina by R. S. Stanton, were made official organs of the Church.

#### President's Son Wants Morse Freed.

New Haven, Special.—Robert Alphonso Taft, son of the President, has signed the petition for the release of Charles W. Morse, from the Federal prison at Atlanta. The petition is addressed to President Taft, and the son therefore is asking his father to free the imprisoned father of Edwin Morse, who is young Taft's classmate at Yale. Robert Taft placed his signature to the petition along with all the other members of the senior class.

#### North Carolina Socialists in Field.

Salisbury, N. C., Special.—It is stated that the Socialist party in Rowan county will nominate a full ticket to be voted for in the coming election and that a full State ticket is also to be put out, a State convention to be held some time in June, probably in Greensboro. There are quite a number of Socialists in this community, the town of East Spencer having an entire set of Socialist officers.

#### Foreign Laborers Riotous.

Hannibal, Mo., Special.—Five companies of State militia arrived here under orders of Governor Hadley to go to Ilasco, four miles south of here, where 1,500 foreign workmen are threatening to damage the \$4,000,000 plant of the Portland Cement Company and injure American laborers. A strike is on.

#### Stork Train in New Orleans.

New Orleans, Special.—For the third time this year a stork train has reached here from the New York Foundling Asylum. In charge of three Sisters of Charity, 59 babies arrived Saturday morning and were pounced upon by a mother-hungry horde of women of comparative wealth and refinement. There were not enough waifs to go around by 300. Most of the eager women, not understanding the condition, thought their unbacked promise was sufficient to procure a child.

Twenty-five went to Kansas farmers, another 25 of the foundlings were paroled out to good homes in New Orleans while 9 will be carried to foster parents in Memphis.

#### Doctor's Child Refused Vaccination.

Wheeling, W. Va., Special.—A decision of State-wide interest was handed down by Judge Harvey, in the Circuit Court, when he decided the board of education could not keep the daughter of Dr. E. W. Boyd out of school because she refused to be vaccinated. He declared the city ordinance providing all children must be vaccinated was unconstitutional.

#### Million Dollar Defaulter Convicted.

Cleveland, Special.—U. G. Walker, former president of the defunct South Cleveland Banking company, was sentenced to five years' imprisonment Wednesday. He was found guilty of perjury and of making false statements to the state bank examiner. The bank failed for more than \$1,000,000.

#### Office Seekers in Ohio.

Cleveland, Special.—Forty-two candidates were nominated in Ohio Tuesday for the 21 seats belonging to the state in the lower house of Congress. Under the state election laws, democrats and republicans joined in the primary.

#### Carolinian Confesses Wrong Doing.

Savannah, Ga., Special.—A man claiming to be W. M. Lazenby, employed in Jacksonville agency of Atlantic Coast Line, walked into police barracks here Wednesday and gave himself up, saying he was short in his accounts \$571, which was found out through auditor checking his accounts recently while sick. He claims to be a native of Statesville, N. C.



**Broiled Sweetbreads.**  
Split into flat slices, dust with salt and pepper and dredge lightly with flour. Broil over a clear fire, basting often with butter. Serve with maitre d'hotel butter, made by melting a quarter pound butter in a saucpan, adding as it heats a tablespoonful each water and chopped parsley, a little paprika or cayenne and the juice of a half lemon.—New York Telegram.

**Dandelion Salad.**  
Gather in the early morning before the sun has touched the fibre. Wash thoroughly leaf by leaf, drain, pat dry on a soft cloth, then lay on the ice until ready to serve. Put into the salad bowl, dress with a good French dressing of olive oil, vinegar, salt, pepper, then add hard-boiled eggs cut in quarters, to garnish, and serve. Or sprinkle the salad with powdered sweet basil to flavor and garnish with fillets of anchovy.—New York Telegram.

**Cream Pie and Orange Dessert.**  
Cut the oranges in thin slices and sprinkle sugar over them; let them stand two or three hours; serve on ordinary fruit plates; the pie is made with a bottom crust only, and that not thick, but light and flaky; take one coffee cupful of thick, sweet cream, one-half cup of pulverized sugar, a tablespoonful of flour, one egg; flavor with lemon extract; bake until you are sure the crust is brown and hard, so that it will not absorb the custard.—Ann M. Fuller, in the Boston Post.

**Creamed Sweetbreads.**  
Cook until tender, then flake or cut in dice. Put a little butter in a frying pan and toss the diced sweetbreads in it until slightly fried. Have ready a cream sauce, allowing for a pair of sweetbreads two tablespoonfuls butter, two tablespoonfuls flour and two small cupfuls cream. Add the sweetbreads, season with salt and pepper and a teaspoonful minced parsley, if you like; then pour over slices of hot toast freed from crusts and serve very hot.—New York Telegram.

**Ganskein or Schwarz Sauer.**  
This is an economical dish beloved of the Germans. It is made with the feet, wings, gizzards, hearts, necks and blood of several geese. Scald the feet in boiling water and remove the skin. It will peel off like a glove finger. Cut wings into two and necks into three pieces. Wash all in cold water, then place over the fire with just enough water to cover. For every quart of water used, allow two onions with three cloves stuck in each, half a tablespoonful of salt, one bay leaf, twelve peppers, and a sprig of thyme, tied with three sprigs parsley. Cook until tender. Now make a white sauce by cooking together in a small stewpan one teaspoonful butter and two of flour, cooking a few moments, then add a quart of water in which the pieces of goose were cooked. Cook five minutes, then add blood and just enough vinegar to give a sour taste. Add a tablespoonful sugar and a quarter teaspoonful pepper, cook two minutes and strain. Skim out the good pieces, add to sauce and serve with bread, farina or potato dumplings.—New York Telegram.



A cloth wrung out of vinegar, and wrapped round cheese, will keep it from moulding.

When you seal an envelope with the white of an egg it is impossible to steam it open.

A large safety pin makes a convenient holder for odd buttons and loose hooks and eyes.

Ammonia water that has been used for washing may be used for plants. It is an excellent fertilizer.

A coarse cloth dipped in salt and water, and rubbed over straw matting will prevent it from turning yellow.

A can of Welsh rabbit is all ready for serving when melted in a little water or milk and turned over a hot fire.

Suede shoes that have become shiny and worn-looking can be freshened by rubbing them with fine sandpaper.

If you are obliged to burn a light in your bedroom, it had better be a candle or a night lamp. Ordinary gas flame consumes much of the oxygen.

For a cheese omelet, beat six eggs slightly and stir in an eighth of a cupful of grated cheese with a little salt and pepper. Cook like an ordinary omelet.

As a substitute for a bodkin needle a safety pin is excellent. It opens up the way without puncturing the cloth. It is especially good to use with starched articles.

Girls who are expert with their needles could cover their own parasols if an old frame is available, for a cover could be ripped away, one section opened and pressed and this will serve as a pattern for the new cover. When ripping examine carefully the sewing.