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COUNTRY NEWS LETTERS

SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

News Items Gathered All Around the County and Elsewhere.

Ehrhardt Etchings.

Ehrhardt, Sept. 30.—We have had some kind of weather every day last week, but most of it has been wet. Mr. J. G. Herndon brought the writer in a sweet potato from his patch that weighed about ten pounds. Was of the Forty to the Hill variety. Mr. Herndon is a close, good farmer, using all his energy to do his part by his growing crop.

Our graded school opens to-day. The superintendent of education has promised to talk for us, along with others. The principal for this year is Mr. J. W. Barber, of Fort Mill, S. C., and two lady teachers will teach our little ones' minds new ideas and how to get "book larnin'," etc. Hope they will have a full attendance of children in all departments, so as the teachers can have no excuse about having nothing to keep them busy.

Cotton gathering is going on very slow on account of the continued wet weather.

Mr. F. S. Fennell will take charge of the sawyer's lever for the Hacker Mfg. Co. to-day. Glad to learn he has taken a notion to be with us again.

This morning feels like winter is on the way.

Mr. O. Perry Folk says that he is well acquainted with the weather, as he has had some experience with it, and expects more at an early date. (Mail carrier.) JEE.

Denmark News.

Denmark, Oct. 1.—Miss Mell Kearse, of Bamberg, was the guest of Miss Phillips on Sunday.

Mr. D. B. Reed, of Columbia, was here this week.

Miss Esther Polair spent the weekend at her home in Aiken.

Emmett Gillam, of Lees, spent Sunday here.

Mr. F. C. Chitty has gone to Salley to take a position in the school there.

Mr. R. A. Goolsby spent Sunday with H. W. Goolsby in Fort Motte.

Messrs. Harvey and Sam Dana are helping Rev. T. E. Morris with an evangelistic meeting.

Miss Annie Stokes returned to her home in Orangeburg on Friday, after a visit to her aunt, Mrs. W. L. Riley.

Mr. R. M. McCartha, of Bamberg, was in town Sunday.

Mr. Walter B. Gillam went Monday to Charleston to enter the medical college.

Miss Josephine Faust left this week for Macon, Ga., to enter Wesleyan college.

Fairfax Fancies.

Fairfax, S. C., Sept. 30.—Mrs. C. W. Barber, Miss Maude Barber, Leland Barber and Mrs. W. J. Sanders returned last Tuesday after spending several months in the North Carolina mountains.

The body of Lawrence Best was brought here from Savannah recently, where he died as the result of an accident.

On Friday afternoon Wm. Knight, who had been taken to Columbia hospital for an operation was brought home and breathed his last as he entered his room. His devoted young wife and mother had gone with him to Columbia, and are now heart-broken. He married Miss Celie Wilson little over a year ago. All sympathize with these devoted stricken ones.

Our school is now in splendid running order. Prof. Coker has revived the literary society and established another one for the younger set. Last Friday was "Tennyson Day" with them. Next time "Longfellow" will be quoted by every member. Miss Harrison, our progressive music teacher, has a musical club for her pupils, reading to and questioning them about famous musicians, showing their pictures, etc. Her pupils are advancing rapidly.

Somebody's definition of success is: "He has achieved success who has lived well, laughed often, and loved much; who has gained the respect of intelligent men, the trust of pure women and the love of little children; who has filled his niche and accomplished his task, who has left the world better than he found it, who has never lacked appreciation of earth's beauties, or failed to express them, who has looked for the best in others, and given the best he had. Life was an inspiration, his memory a benediction." And all of these are so human! S. L. S.

MILL WORKER A SUICIDE.

W. W. Cleveland Borrows Pistol and Shoots Himself.

Anderson, Sept. 30.—W. W. Cleveland, aged 47 years, an operator in one of the local cotton mills, this morning asked off from his work, and went to a patch of woods nearby where he committed suicide by shooting. He had been drinking on Saturday and Sunday, but beyond this no reason can be found for his rash act.

After getting permission from one of the mill bosses to get off for the day, Cleveland went to Scott Evans, who worked near him, and told Evans that he expected to go fishing and wanted to borrow his pistol. Evans told him that he would gladly lend him the pistol, but that he had only two cartridges. Cleveland replied that he would get some cartridges elsewhere. He secured the pistol from Evans and left the mill building.

Later a passerby discovered Cleveland's body lying near a road through the woods. Cleveland had placed the muzzle of the pistol near his right eye and fired, the bullet entirely putting out the eye and penetrating the brain. The bullet lodged under the skull on the left side of his head.

Coroner Beasley was notified and an inquest was held.

Denmark High School News.

The Lanier Literary Society held its first meeting last Friday and elected the following officers:

Mr. Thomas B. Wilkinson, Jr., president; Mr. Reynold C. Wiggins, vice president; Miss Frances Guess, secretary; Miss Vera Wiggins, orderly critic; Miss Hart, literary critic; Miss Ruth Guess, librarian.

Mr. Swearingen, superintendent of education, made a short visit to the school Monday.

State Superintendent of Education, Swearingen, at Ehrhardt.

With bright prospects of a successful year's work the Ehrhardt high school opened this morning. An hour before the tap of the bell announcing the beginning of the opening exercises, an unusually large attendance of pupils and patrons were on the grounds and in the building. The session opens with an entirely new faculty, consisting of Mr. J. W. Barber, of Fort Mill, principal, with Mrs. Jasper Zeigler, of Ehrhardt, and Mrs. Kettrell, of Laurens, assistants. On the roster were Dr. Jno. L. Copeland, chairman board of trustees, Messrs. S. N. Copeland and Benj. Clayton, members of the board of trustees, Revs. E. A. McDowell and B. D. Groseclose, pastors of the town. Principal Barber and State Superintendent of Education Swearingen.

At ten o'clock the audience rose and sang "My Country 'Tis of Thee." Rev. E. A. McDowell conducted devotional exercises, after which Rev. B. D. Groseclose introduced Mr. Swearingen. For 35 or 40 minutes this efficient and worthy State officer held in rapt attention the patrons and pupils of this school with an address on education, the like of which it has seldom been the privilege of the people of this community to hear. We esteemed ourselves fortunate indeed in having him with us at the opening of the school.

The patrons feel that they are to be congratulated on the faculty that the trustees have secured. Not only can it be said of them that they are intellectually qualified, but that they are teachers who will set before their pupils the example of elevated Christian characters. Mr. Barber is a young man of the loftiest aspirations for life, being an A. B. graduate of Furman University and having spent one year at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Too much credit cannot be accorded the progressive and efficient board of trustees, who will bring immediately the erection of a ten thousand dollar school building.

Ehrhardt, S. C., Oct. 1, 1912.

Girls Walk Street Under Disguise.

Atlanta, Oct. 1.—Certain young girls in Atlanta who want to walk the streets more than young girls have got any business to be walking them, have adopted the unique disguise of carrying a bundle of school-books dangling at the end of a strap. There are so many bona fide school girls going to and from the city and high schools every day that the "phony" school girls have been working their little scheme successfully for some time past, but in the midst of the present upheaval of reform several of them have been brought to law.

IN THE PALMETTO STATE

SOME OCCURRENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

State News Boiled Down for Quick Reading—Paragraphs About Men and Happenings.

T. U. Vaughn, who was arrested in Baltimore a few days ago, will be carried to the State penitentiary to ensure his not escaping from jail again. It is likely a special term of court will be called to try him.

George Yeargin, a popular young farmer of Graycourt, Laurens county, had his hand so badly cut in a gin on Thursday that his arm had to be taken off, the operation being performed at the Laurens hospital on Tuesday.

Dave Boazman, a negro, was knocked in the head and killed in Newberry county last Saturday night. Joe Clark Berry, postmaster of Silver Street, and W. C. Bledsoe, both white men, are charged with the killing. The cause of the difficulty is not known.

Mrs. Hattie E. Bennett, of Winnsboro, secured a verdict against the Southern Railway Company, for the killing of her husband in a wreck near Paris on August 20, 1911, for \$25,000, last Saturday. The judge took under advisement the matter of reducing the verdict.

Bruce-Brown, twice winner of the grand prize race at the Savannah Automobile races, was killed at Milwaukee, Wis., Tuesday. He was making a trial spin over the course preparatory to the Vanderbilt Cup race which took place Wednesday. His mechanic was also seriously injured and will probably die.

Frank Davis, baggage solicitor on incoming trains at Charleston, was arrested Tuesday morning, charged with having stolen a valise containing \$400 from the waiting room of the Southern Railway's depot at Summerville on August 23rd. The money was to have been used to pay off the men of the Charleston Mining and Manufacturing Co.

A sensation was caused in Chester on Tuesday by the arrest of 15 white men and two negroes, charged with violating such laws as liquor-selling, gambling and Sunday sale of soft drinks. The mayor of the city had a detective working in the matter for some time. The cases were postponed to October 9th, the accused in the meantime being out on bond in the sum of \$250 to \$300 each.

Mrs. Emma G. Cash, a wealthy lady of Spartanburg, received a Black Hand letter in the mail Monday morning, demanding that she deposit \$150 in a cigarette box in a certain spot. She reported the matter to the police who requested that she do as requested in the letter. Frank L. Zemp, a prominent employee of the Southern Power Company, picked up the box and was arrested by the police charged with blackmail. He was released under a \$400 bond.

Perfect Titles.

Franklin P. Adams, the New York Mail's paragrapher, has a fad. He collects appropriate names. He thought he had reached the ultimate limit when he heard that Constant Agoney was a woodchopper in Clinton county, New York, who suffered from chronic rheumatism and had 14 children; and that Judge Rainey Wells, living near Coldwater, Gallows county, Kentucky, was a leader of the Prohibition forces in the blue-grass state.

But now he knows better, for some kind friend sent him the printed advertisement of a tourist hotel in Switzerland. The name of the chief guide was Hugo Furst. The name of the proprietor was Constant Saus.

And the very next day he discovered that the firm of O'Neal and Pray sold prayer books in a New England city.—Saturday Evening Post.

Bride 95, Bridegroom 90.

Constantino Emillo and Martina Pasenal, aged 90 and 95 respectively, decided on July 28 that a life of single blessedness was not the proper thing and held them to the altar where they were joined in holy wedlock by the Rev. Nicolas Zamora of the Methodist church.

The ninety-five-year-old bride confesses coyly to two former excursions into matrimonial fields, both of her former helpmeets having preceded her to the realms beyond. As far as is known or he will confess, her present leige lord is having his first voyage on the sea of matrimony.

STATEMENT FROM JUDGE JONES.

Defeated Candidate Thanks His Supporters in Recent Primary.

Columbia, Oct. 1.—Judge Ira B. Jones to-night expressed his appreciation of the support of his followers and his gratitude to them and his position in contesting the election in the following statement:

"To the People of South Carolina: The State executive committee of the Democratic party has declared Gov. Blease to be the nominee of the party for the office of governor, and I do not question the correctness of their conclusion from the evidence that they had before them. I am also persuaded that the sub-committee charged with the duty of investigating the conduct of the election did all that was possible for them to do in the time that could be given to their task.

"I think it proper now to return my thanks to all those who supported me by votes, voice or influence, and who joined me in a contest which we believed was for the best interest of South Carolina. To all such I wish to say that in the light of the suspicion of fraud and illegality which was so freely expressed, I felt it to be my duty to them, as well as to myself, to contest the election and to this end I employed counsel.

"To conduct such inquiries and procure such testimony as would prove these suspicions well founded would have required a large sum of money for the necessary expenses of such an investigation in many counties—a sum much beyond my ability to furnish. I made no request for money from those who were interested in the success of the cause which I represented, as a call for funds had been made by the State executive committee for an impartial investigation by a sub-committee of their own body; by the result of this committee action I was, therefore, forced to rely.

"Their report, based upon a full investigation in a few counties, a partial report from several and no report at all from several others, with no further testimony furnished to me, did not justify me, in law or in morals, to urge action by the full committee different from the recommendations of the sub-committee, and so it was that I submitted the matter of my contest to their decision upon the testimony reported to them.

"The confidence and support of my friends in this contest fill my heart with deepest gratitude.

"IRA B. JONES."

Shot Defending Negroes.

Muskogee, Okla., Sept. 23.—Because they imported negro cotton pickers into a section where negroes had never been allowed to stay, three farmers, Sam Robinson, W. A. Larrimore and John Hilton, were shot near here last night. Robinson and Larrimore will probably die. They were shot by a band of white men who organized to drive the negroes out and found the white men on the ground to protect the negroes. More trouble is feared and the sheriff with a strong force of deputies has gone to Briarton, near which place the shooting took place.

Water for Whiskey.

Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 1.—After spending time, brains and energy to connect Ed Willis with certain flasks that had been confiscated in an alleged blind tiger on Decatur street, and after finally proving with infinite pains that Willis was the real proprietor of the bottles, the detectives opened one of them in the presence of the police judge to complete their case, and found to their amazement that the receptacles contained only water.

The laugh was decidedly on the detectives, and Ed Willis could not restrain a loud guffaw.

"But remember, he who laughs last laughs best," said one of the detectives and straightway began to work up evidence to convict Willis of cheating and swindling for selling water for whiskey.

Stingless Bee Has Arrived.

Philadelphia, Oct. 1.—The stingless bee at last has arrived, having been produced by an English apiarist named Burrows. A description of the new bee says the hybrids are splendid workers, and are less liable to disease than the ordinary honey producers. Burrows mated cyprion drones with Italian queens, to produce the new bee.

Carhart's Overalls and gloves \$1.00. Write F. G. MERTINS, Augusta, Ga.

BLEASE GETS THE OFFICE

LYON AND PEEPLES RUN OVER ON OCTOBER FIFTEENTH.

The Contest by Dial and Talbert is Dismissed and Tillman Declared Nominee.

Columbia, Oct. 1.—Cole L. Blease was declared the nominee for governor by the State Democratic executive committee this afternoon, in a meeting characterized by harmony and good feeling.

B. R. Tillman was declared the nominee for United States senator. The nomination for the other officers, excepting attorney general, were announced, and a second primary to decide between J. Fraser Lyon and Thomas H. Peebles, for attorney general, was ordered to be held on the 15th of October. It was declared the sense of the committee that all races yet to be held in any counties ought to take place at the same time the primary for attorney general is held.

Much discussion was had over a proposition to call a State convention next year to revise the regulations and rules of the party, but after full discussion this matter was not acted on further than leaving it to the committee, to be appointed by the chairman, to draft the suggested changes and report back to the full committee before January 1, 1914.

Jones's Protest Withdrawn.

After the report of the sub-committee investigating the election and the committee on tabulation, Mr. R. W. Shand, representing Judge Ira B. Jones, withdrew the latter's protest and announced that they had no exceptions to file and no further argument to make.

Mr. John T. Duncan was present but made no statement, and Mr. F. H. Dominick, attorney for Governor Blease, said he had nothing to say, except they had gone into the contest and it had come out as they believed it would.

A report exonerating Secretary Christie Benet of all charges made against him by the governor, growing out of the matter of tickets for Lee and Pickens counties, was made by a sub-committee through Mr. Manning and adopted by the State committee. Mr. Benet was commended for his faithfulness and devotion to duty and the fair and impartial manner in which he carried on his duties.

The contest by Messrs. Dial and Talbert, in the matter of United States senatorships, was dismissed on motion of Mr. Greer. Neither of these gentlemen was present to-day.

See Need of Changes.

Stress was laid by member after member on the necessity of throwing some adequate safeguards around the primary and of the widespread discontent with the present lax method of conducting the elections. The suggestion to call a State convention next year to act on this matter was favored by several, among them Mr. E. S. Blease, but was passed over and no action taken.

A motion to memorialize the legislature to pass laws restricting the right to participate in the primary election to registered voters, offered by Mr. Park, was rejected.

A resolution that the solicitors of the various circuits be requested to prosecute cases of violation of the primary laws was adopted.

The report of the sub-committee, upholding the action of the Georgetown county committee in awarding the nomination for treasurer to Mr. McConnell, was adopted. The contest from Beaufort was dismissed, because no one appeared to press it. Suitable resolutions on the death of Mr. R. P. Hamer, offered by Dr. T. H. Dreher, was adopted.

The committee, at a late hour this afternoon, adjourned.

Mayor Refuses to Invite Roosevelt.

Columbia, Sept. 28.—Theodore Roosevelt will be invited by the national corn exposition officials here to deliver the principal address at the corn show on January 27, and the invitation will be sent to the colonel at once. This announcement was made at the corn exposition offices to-day.

Mayor Gibbs has stated that he will positively have nothing to do with inviting the Bull Moose leader to Columbia and the local chamber of commerce officials have openly declined to take part in the invitation. They believe it will have some effect on the political situation that would not be rejoiced in South Carolina. The corn show people believe that the colonel's address will be a drawing card for the exposition.

CONGRESSMAN BYRNES UNHURT

Rumor Current in Charleston Proves Totally Unfounded.

A report that gained currency here yesterday to the effect that Congressman Jas. F. Byrnes, representative of the 2d South Carolina district, had been shot and killed in Aiken, proved upon inquiry to be wholly unfounded. Mr. Byrnes is at home in Aiken, and was seen yesterday afternoon by a representative of the News and Courier. It is probable that the trouble at Wagner, in Aiken county, gave rise to the report that Mr. Byrnes had been shot.—News and Courier, Sept. 30.

Vaughn Brought Back.

Baltimore, Sept. 25.—Sheriff J. Perry Poole, of Greenville, S. C., left here this afternoon with Thurston U. Vaughn, who is wanted in South Carolina on several charges, and will proceed direct to the State penitentiary at Columbia. Vaughn was securely handcuffed to the sheriff, and they were taken to the union station in the police automobile. The paper of identification for which the sheriff wired yesterday afternoon arrived this morning and the magistrate, after asking Vaughn if he was willing to go back without extradition papers, turned him over to the sheriff.

Vaughn appeared to be worried, and this afternoon stated that he was willing to take his medicine and only asked the people of Greenville to give him a fair trial. "If ever a man has repented for his sins," he said, "that man is me. Every night since" resigned as superintendent of the orphan asylum I have prayed to my Maker for forgive me. My wife and child are living near Greenville, and it is breaking my heart to think what my child will have to face when it grows older."

Comptroller Declines to Pay.

Columbia, Sept. 25.—Gov. Cole L. Blease inserted in the Columbia Record before the primary a political advertisement, for which he was rendered a bill by the Record for \$8.40. He drew a warrant on his contingent fund, sent it to the comptroller general with the bill approved, and ordered paid. The comptroller general declined to pay the item in the following letter, which he sent to the Record:

"The Record Publishing Company, Columbia, S. C.—Gentlemen: I have on file your bill for advertisement inserted in your paper by the Hon. Cole L. Blease, which has been approved by him for payment out of his contingent fund as governor.

"This appropriation is for 'contingent fund for rewards and other purposes.' This was intended to cover disbursements incidental to the administration of the governor's office which could not well be foreseen.

"The bill handed me does not appear to be for an expense incidental to the administration of the governor's office, but to be a personal charge against the Hon. Cole L. Blease. The matter of publication was purely personal, and its publication is not authorized at the public expense. Yours respectfully,

"A. W. JONES,

"Comptroller General."

Killed Parents and Sister.

Yellington, Kan., Sept. 26.—Otto McKnelly, aged 21, was arrested here to-day charged with the murder of his father, Theodore McKnelly, his mother and sister, Gretta, whose bodies were found in a tent on the outskirts of Yellington yesterday.

The young man showed no emotion when arrested.

Mr. and Mrs. McKnelly each carried \$1,000 life insurance payable to the other. With the death of the father, mother and the sister, the authorities say this insurance would go to the son.

Will Inject Flavor Into Watermelon.

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 30.—If an invention said to be practically perfected becomes popular in Georgia the farmers of this State will likely be asking the city customers next summer this unusual question: "What flavor will you have your watermelon?"

This is no alleged funny story. It is a record of scientific achievement. A hypodermic needle does the trick. Flavoring extract is injected into the system of the watermelon while it is still green. Vanilla has been found thus far to be the most satisfactory. The natural flavor of watermelon is not full and satisfying even when the fruit is deliciously ripe. The natural flavor is too elusive, too delicate.

It's at Hunter's Hardware Store.