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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, July 14.—Most of the farmers have practically gotten through working some parts of their crops. King cotton and late pieces of corn is about all they have to contend with at this season of the year. Big meetings, picnics, and fish-fries are booked for amusements until fodder pulling and cotton picking time. The corn crops, where properly worked and fertilized, are promising, and the farms bid fair to give farmers a better yield per acre and many more acres than last year. The cotton crop is not as good as most farmers think, as it is late and stands irregular. Could not get crop up, and too much cool weather for the plant after it came up.

The game warden should watch up the streams very close now in order to save the little fish in our streams. Went in Little Saltkeatchie swamp at Carter's Ford crossing last week to try the fish with hook and line. The water is low, and in holes fish gather to the deep holes to hide. Some party or parties use dynamite in the holes and kill the fish. This way of fishing is not legal and should be stopped or our streams will soon be empty so far as fish is concerned. As many as three or four dynamite sticks are thrown in holes in that portion of the swamp until the fish are exhausted.

Some of our roads are getting so dry and sandy until our automobiles shun them all they can.

Mr. G. L. Bishop, who has been ill for quite a while, died Saturday and was buried Sunday afternoon at Pleasant Hill cemetery beside his wife, who died several years ago. Two sons and one daughter and their families and a host of relatives are left behind to mourn and see that his grave is kept clean. Uncle Lawton was quiet and a good citizen, a member of Mount Pleasant Lutheran church. His friends were many, and we will all miss him from our midst. He was about 68 years old.

The Barnwell nine played a game of ball with the Ehrhardt nine on the latter's diamond. The game stood at the close 5 to 4 in favor of the Barnwell team. Was a very good good game.

Mrs. J. F. Chassereau, who spent a portion of last week in Walterboro, returned to her home Saturday afternoon.

### Fairfax Fancies.

Fairfax, July 15.—Powell Harrison, of Johnston, visited Tom Wilson and other friends here recently.

Sydney Padgett, of Florida, has been on a visit to Mrs. Jones Lane.

On Friday afternoon our town was swarming with visitors from Allendale. They came in autos, buggies, etc. They were mostly young folks who were to take part in the operetta produced here that night by talent of their town. Mesdames All, Visses, Oswald, and Miss Eunice Williams deserve great credit for carrying out so successfully this high-grade entertainment. The costumes were dazzling and elegant, and the singing and acting fine.

Mrs. John G. Williams, of Allendale, was the guest of Mrs. S. L. Sanders Friday.

Miss Mell Kearse, of Olar, visited Mrs. Julia Harter recently.

Carlisle and Herbert Rast, of Swansea, visited Brooker Simpson last week.

Mrs. Otis Deer has returned from a visit to Ulmer, where she was in a house party at Dr. John Weekley's of about 25 persons. She has visiting her now Mrs. J. F. Council and Miss Edith Nelson, of Lakeland, Fla., also Louise Blount, of Ulmer.

Miss Margaret Youmans is the guest of Miss M. S. Harrison at Johnston.

Miss Lucile Youmans is visiting Miss E. McWhirter at Jonesville.

Miss Zelle Loadholdt and Roy Young now have autos, and things are lively.

### His Bust.

Two old ladies wandering about the public library building in Boston the other day entered Bates Hall and gazed interestedly at a bust of Oliver Wendell Holmes in black bronze.

"Well," one lady remarked very audibly to the other one. "I never knew before that Dr. Holmes was a negro."—Boston Herald.

## KILLS WIFE AND FLEES.

Believed Edgefield County Fugitive Escaped into Georgia.

Edgefield, July 10.—Mabel Elam, a negress, was shot and instantly killed by her husband, Gilbert, alias Sam Willis, near Clark's Hill, in this county, several days ago, news of the homicide having reached here to-day. There was one eye-witness to the tragedy, another negress, and according to her statement given at the inquest, the husband and wife had an altercation and the latter went to the spring; that Gilbert called to her, demanding that she return and perform some service for him; that upon her returning to the house he procured a gun, renewed the quarrel and as she turned to flee from him, emptied the contents of the weapon in her back.

After the shooting Gilbert made his escape into Georgia, it is supposed. Sheriff Swearingen is in communication with the authorities of that State and every effort is being made to locate the fugitive.

### She Drinks at Bar Between Puffs.

Philadelphia, Pa., July 14.—More than one hundred persons who recently journeyed to the Washington avenue pier to meet the steamship Prinz Oskar from Hamburg were mildly surprised to see a handsomely dressed woman who had descended the ladder from the second to the main deck draw forth a cigarette and light it.

They were even more surprised at her air of calmness and perfect self-control as she blew the smoke over her shoulder and continued down the ladder and into the vessel, but were openly astonished when with her arms resting on the bar of the saloon and a daintily clad foot moving gently along the brass foot bar, she ordered a drink. A pink concoction was straightway served, and the unconventional lady downed it with enjoyment.

Passengers and visitors were dazed, but the woman did not seem to mind. Addressed by a reporter, she indicated that she did not speak English. While still sending wreaths of smoke into the air she was accosted by one of the officers, the cigarette was quickly cast into the water and the woman as quickly disappeared.

### FARMER'S BODY FOUND IN POND.

Mack Spain, of Near Waycross, Had Been Missing Three Weeks.

Waycross, Ga., July 14.—With the skull beaten to a pulp and other marks of violence evident, the body of Mack Spain, a prominent farmer, who has been missing from his home, twenty miles west of this place, for three weeks, was found to-day in a shallow pond near his farm. A discharged shotgun lay nearby. Spain was believed to have had a large quantity of money in his possession when he disappeared, none of which was found on his dead body to-day. He came to Georgia from North Carolina several years ago.

Tom Bullard, the young white man who found the body of Spain, was arrested on suspicion. He is held a prisoner in the county jail here pending further investigation of the murder.

### MRS. CRAWFORD OUT ON BOND.

Woman Charged with Killing Husband Puts up \$6,250.

Atlanta, Ga., July 14.—Mrs. Mary Belle Crawford, arrested yesterday charged with poisoning her husband, Joshua B. Crawford, Atlanta capitalist, four years ago, was released on \$6,250 bond to-day. Mrs. Crawford continued to-day to protest her innocence, declaring that criminal proceedings had been instituted against her to influence civil litigation pending over the \$250,000 estate left by her husband. Crawford's heirs-at-law in a suit instituted soon after his death asked that the will, leaving the major portion of the estate to Mrs. Crawford, be set aside.

### TRY TO CHECK GRASSHOPPERS.

Farmers in Western Kansas Spreading Tons of Poison.

Dodge City, Kansas, July 14.—At least one hundred farmers in Ford, Grey and Edwards and Pawnee counties of Western Kansas joined to-day in spreading tons of poisoned bran mash over the fields in an effort to check the ravages of grasshoppers that in the last three weeks have done thousands of dollars' of damage to young trees, alfalfa, corn, cane and other crops.

## IN THE PALMETTO STATE

SOME OCCURRENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

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

Spartanburg on Tuesday voted \$100,000 in bonds for street paving. This makes \$300,000 voted by the city within the year.

The members of the First Baptist church of Greenville will remodel their church building at a cost of \$50,000. This includes a new Sunday school room.

Dr. Henry Miller has resigned as pastor of Pendleton Street Baptist church in Greenville. Dr. Z. T. Cody, editor of the Baptist Courier, will supply the pulpit during the summer.

The citizens of McCormick have put up \$5,000 to finance the new county proposition, with county seat at McCormick—to come out of portions of Abbeville, Edgefield and Greenwood.

The anti-dispensary people of Orangeburg county will make a strong fight against voting the dispensary back into that county. Public meetings have been arranged for in different sections of that county, and prominent speakers will address the voters at these meetings.

The will of David Weston Shuler of Orangeburg, who died of heat at Cleveland, Ohio, last week has been opened. He leaves his property, valued at \$15,000, to education. If other parties will raise a like sum for a girls' college at Orangeburg, the money goes for that; otherwise, as the trustees may see fit.

### One of the Dayton Heroes.

Among the heroes of the Dayton flood there is M. B. Stohl, an employe of the American Telegraph and Telephone company.

Stohl is a wire chief at Dayton. He reached the Dayton office of his company late Monday night before the floods came. The rush of the waters put all the telephone batteries and power out of commission. Forgetting thoughts of escape, Stohl ramaged around until he found a line-man's test set. With this he rigged up a sending and receiving apparatus and cut in upon the wire on the roof of the four-story building. This wire connected him with Phoneton, a testing station, eight miles away. Thus he established communication with C. D. Williamson, whose batteries were still working.

Then Stohl sent messages from the flooded city, otherwise cut off from communication with the outside world. All night he stuck to his post. All day Tuesday he remained. Wednesday noon found him still on the roof of a building whose foundations were being sapped by the waters.

There he stayed in the rain and cold, with the prospect of death staring him in the face every moment. He sobbed a strong man's job as he told his tale of death and desolation; of floating wreckage bearing men, women and children doomed to death; of dead bodies borne upon the crest of the waters; of piteous sights, in themselves enough to unnerve the bravest of men. But he stuck to his post.

When the whole story of terrible disaster is told, whether he survive or perish, the name of M. B. Stohl will stand high upon the roll of heroes. It is such examples as these that reassure the world and demonstrate that heroism is not dead.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

### Said they Plotted to Poison Him.

Fort Motte, July 14.—Joseph Hane, colored, about 25 years old, shot his brother, Andrew Hane, and a colored woman, Bertha Caldwell, to-day about noon at his home about two miles from Fort Motte. Joseph Hane came in to Fort Motte and passing Sheriff Hill on the street, went to the office of Major James R. Crouch, attorney, and told what he had done. Sheriff Hill was immediately called in and placed Hane under arrest. He related his story to Sheriff Hill, saying that he had killed his brother and the woman because they had plotted to poison him. They were in the house at dinner. He, with his Colt's magazine, marched the two out in the yard to the barn and lined them up, shooting both a number of times, killing them instantly. This is one of the most bloody murders ever committed in this section.

Considering the entire earth, about one person in one hundred lives to be sixty-five years of age.

## SPARTAN FOUND DEAD IN DITCH.

Wm. Hughes Arrested Charged with Killing Coker H. Cox.

Spartanburg, July 14.—With a fresh cigarette clenched tightly between his lips, the body of Coker H. Cox, 36 years old, an employe of Tucapau Mill, was found in a gully near the mill early to-day. Four bullet wounds indicated that he had been slain. After an all-day search for evidence the coroner's jury found this verdict, that Cox had met his death at the hands of Wm. Hughes, a farmer, and that Lulu Huff, a negro woman, was an accessory. Hughes was arrested in Greenville County and brought to the Spartanburg jail. Lulu Huff is being sought by officers in the woods near her home.

According to evidence presented at the inquest, Cox and Hughes both called at the Huff woman's resort Sunday night and quarrelled over her.

"The killing of Cox was a cold-blooded murder," said Coroner John S. Turner to-night. "The victim was unarmed." Cox leaves a wife and two children. Hughes is married and has four children.

## RE-OPEN BEN FRANKLIN'S SHOP.

Jersey D. A. R. Turn Old Place At Burlington Into Clubhouse.

Benjamin Franklin's old print shop in which he turned out paper currency for the Colonial government of New Jersey, was opened here of the Ennis Stockton Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.

Mrs. Harriet N. M. Panoast, of Palmyra, regent of the Ennis Stockton Chapter, presided, and Mayor E. E. Mount welcomed the guest, John S. Merrill, of Trenton, president of the New Jersey Society. Some of the American Revolution, presented a big flag to the Daughters says a Burlington (N. J.) Dispatch. The history of the old house as it appears on the country records and the traditions attached to it were related by Henry S. Haines, State Surveyor-General. The principal address was made by Mrs. Charles Yardley, of East Orange, State regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

The Ennis Stockton Chapter by those exercises becomes the first society of the Daughters of the American Revolution in New Jersey, to purchase and own historic headquarters.

The Franklin cabin is one of the oldest buildings in South Jersey, having been erected over two centuries ago. It is near what was the end of the New York Post road, in Colonial days, where the Philadelphia boats tied up at the old Burlington wharf.

In the history of his own life Franklin tells how he stopped in Burlington as a poor boy while en route from New York to Philadelphia. He missed the Philadelphia boat, and awaiting the next passenger stayed at the home of an old woman, who advised him to open up a shop in the town, but with only a few copper coins in his pocket he could not finance the project and went on to Philadelphia.

His employer later received an order from the Government of New Jersey, for a big issue of paper money and Franklin, as a trusted and expert foreman, was sent to Burlington to set up the print shop and print the currency.

### The Value of Pictures.

Question: What makes a picture valuable? Answer: An excessive amount of money in the pocket of a purchaser.

This newest \$200,000 Rembrandt is the same picture that sold for \$106 while Ben Franklin was editing a Philadelphia newspaper, says The Philadelphia Ledger. Time has not improved it any more than years would add luster to a diamond. Canvases and colors and every line and shade were there then they are now. Why has it become so enormously valuable? Because in the time when the picture was first sold, in 1734, no Dutchman nor anybody else had \$200,000 to pay for a painting. Now hundreds of people appear to have it and are willing to spend it.

If the multiplication of gold continues in the next 100 years to cheapen things as rapidly as in the last century the papers of June, 2013, may record the sale of this identical Rembrandt for a thousand times its present figure. You see, it isn't the picture that changes, but only the quantity of money to be expended for such things.

## BAGGING AND TIE PROBE.

SMITH WOULD KNOW CAUSE OF RECENT PRICE RISE.

South Carolina Senator Believes Prompt Action Would Save Large Sums to Farmers.

Washington, July 15.—Senator E. D. Smith to-day introduced a resolution directing the Secretary of Commerce and Labor to investigate the recent advance of the price of bagging used in baling cotton, as well as the advance in the price of ties used to band or bale cotton, and to report to the Senate at the earliest possible time the cause of such advances. Because of the urgency of the matter, Senator Smith asked immediate consideration of his resolution.

### Senator Williams Objects.

Senator Williams, of Mississippi, objected on the ground that cotton bagging is put on the free list in the pending tariff bill. To this the South Carolinian rejoined that if the Government waited for the tariff bill to pass, its benefits would come too late to apply to the present cotton season, whereas an immediate investigation might bring results in time to help in the marketing of the present crop and save the farmers of South Carolina \$160,000 or \$170,000 and those of Georgia \$300,000.

At this stage Senator Clark, of Wyoming, called for the regular order and the resolution went to the calendar.

### CLOCK SAVES LIFE.

Alarm at Unusual Hour Leads Rescuer to Intended Suicide.

An alarm clock, which began a long-continued ringing at the unusual hour of 6:30 in the evening in one of the rooms occupied by Meyer Berman and his son, Michael, at 119 Forsyth street, caused Max Rubin, a tenant, to investigate. Rubin found the son lying semi-conscious on the floor with a gas stove tube in his mouth. Rubin gave the alarm and a policeman restored the youth to consciousness quickly.

Young Berman told Detectives Wood and Spiro on the way to the Clinton street police station that he had been out of work two months and hungry two days. His story was overheard by a man in a restaurant to which the detectives took him for a meal. The stranger said he was Philip J. Abrams proprietor of a hotel in Tannerville, and that he would take the young man there to-day to give him a position for the summer. The detectives said they would intercede with the magistrate when Berman came up to-day on a charge of an attempt at suicide.—New York Press.

## TURK CONVICTED OF MURDER.

Benjamin John Found Guilty in Kershaw Court of Killing M. Simon.

Camden, July 10.—Benjamin John was convicted of murder this afternoon with recommendation to mercy. The crime that John was convicted of was a very brutal one. He came to Camden several months ago with a fellow Turk named Michael Simon, claiming to represent a Christian college in Turkey, and solicited funds for same. The two left Camden, walking towards Lugoff on the Seaboard Railway. When near the swamps of the Wateree River, John is alleged to have shot his companion and put his body in a culvert and fled. He was captured later on the train near Bethune.

A chain of evidence was worked around him which resulted in his conviction. John's defence was that Simon attempted to cut him with a knife, and that he shot him in self-defence. G. G. Alexander, Jr., represented the defendant.

Records in the office of the secretary of State show that fifteen "Social clubs" have been chartered in South Carolina this year. These clubs are organized primarily for the illicit sale of whiskey, yet the charter gives them the right to do educational, religious and all kinds of uplift work. Under the law the secretary of the State is forced to grant charters to such organizations, even though he knows that they are virtual "blind tigers." R. M. McCown, secretary of State, has repeatedly called attention to the situation, but the general assembly has not seen fit to change the law.

Tuesday night in Union, Russell Thomas, a negro boy of 18, shot and killed Docia Ray, colored, aged 30, at a frolic. He shot her five times. He is in jail.

## LOSES \$1,200 IN BILLS.

Dr. L. A. Elmer, Deaf-Mute Teacher, Has This Misfortune.

Spartanburg, July 10.—It became known here to-day that Dr. L. A. Elmer, an instructor in the South Carolina School for the deaf and the blind at Cedar spring, lost \$1,200, the savings of several years, on a train between Yorkville and Spartanburg. Since the close of the school for the summer Doctor Elmer has been visiting at Yorkville. He returned to this city yesterday to prepare for an extensive trip. On leaving Yorkville he placed the money, which was in a roll of bills, in his right trousers' pocket. After he had changed trains at Blacksburg he felt for the money and found it was gone.

The \$1,200 represented much hard work and self-denial. Its loss means that he cannot take the trip which he had been eagerly planning for a long time. He cannot account for the loss of the money, but does not think he was robbed. Doctor Elmer is a deaf-mute.

## JACK JOHNSON REACHES PARIS.

Pugilist Says He Will Never Fight in America Again.

Paris, July 10.—Jack Johnson, the negro heavy-weight prize fighter, accompanied by his wife and his nephew, reached Paris this afternoon from the United States by way of Montreal. The pugilist drove to a number of hotels before he was able to find accommodations.

Johnson said he intended to make Paris his headquarters in the future, and that never on any account would he fight again in America. He added that he had arranged for a number of fights to take place in Europe in the autumn.

Referring to his recent sentence under the "white slave" Act to serve one year in the Leavenworth penitentiary, Johnson declared he would carry the case to the highest Court. It is not generally believed here that Johnson will be deported from France but the French authorities have not yet arrived at any permanent decision with regard to that status of the case.

### Girl Guessed Right.

Mildred was visiting her soldier brother at the barracks.

"Sis," he said, "I wish you had said you were coming. I'm on duty, but a fellow-bandman of mine will show you the sights."

The girl naturally asked many questions of her brother's friend as they went the round.

"Who is that man?" she inquired, pointing to a color sergeant.

"Oh, he once shook hands with the king!" said her escort. "That's why he wears a crown on his arm!"

The gymnastic instructor, with a badge of crossed Indian clubs on his arm, was standing in the yard.

"That's the barber," replied the girl's companion in answer to her inquiry. "Can't you see he's wearing the scissors?"

A number of stars upon the cuff of a veteran next aroused her cavalier "Guides us home by the stars when we've lost our way on night maneuvers."

"Very interesting!" said the girl, with a twinkle in her eyes.

Then, noting his bandman's badge—the model of an ancient stringed instrument—she asked sweetly of her escort:

"I suppose that design on your arm shows that you're the regimental lyre?"—London Answers.

### Charleston Girl Killed in Wreck.

Lake George, N. Y., July 12.—The automobile of T. Moultrie Mordecai of Charleston, S. C., was wrecked on the Bolton road late this afternoon, fatally injuring his daughter, Miss Gertrude Mordecai. The car contained Misses Gertrude and Cornelia Mordecai, Miss Hannah Folk of Savannah, Ga., Henry A. Schermerhorn of Schenectady and the chauffeur, Oly Starr. Miss Cornelia Mordecai escaped with bruises and cuts. Miss Folk's arm was broken, while Schermerhorn and Starr were slightly hurt.

Mrs. Mordecai was on the grounds where the family is building a summer home and the daughters were going after her. While passing another car at a speed of 50 miles an hour the right front tire exploded and the machine plunged into a tree in front of the residence of George Foster Peabody. Miss Gertrude Mordecai's skull was crushed. She was rushed to Glens Falls hospital, where she died an hour later. Mr. Mordecai is at his Charleston home, having just returned there from a visit to the lake.