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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, April 19.—Sunday was a joy day with everyone. The young folks made use of the day with their worst fellows or girls, as it might be. Well, we can't say anything about it, for we all have recollections of similar days in our life.

Baseball seems to be what the young men think about. The Ehrhardt team has been beaten at every game they have played this season, but they say they are still in good hope. Practice is what the Ehrhardt team stands in need of. On Tuesday afternoon the team at Yankville will try the Ehrhardt team and give them some good practice.

There is to be business at Yankville, S. C., soon. Mr. O. L. Copeland will soon commence to rebuild his saw mill, and Mr. Harry Ehrhardt and son, Ramond, think of putting up a saw mill at Yankville, also. No doubt but that a cotton gin and grist mill will be added to their equipment by fall.

Mrs. Maggie Barber spent a week with relatives at Williams, S. C. She returned to spend some time with Mr. J. B. Ramsey and family at Ehrhardt before returning to her home in Columbia.

The farmers are busy planting cotton; heard one say he would like a warm rain so his cotton would come up to give him work; says he is up with his farm work.

The Methodists have been having a continued meeting. Rev. Mr. Pealer, from Fairfax, has been assisting Rev. Mr. Guess in the work. Memorial day is the next enjoyment.

The game warden is out in the low country looking for traps and fish setting. Some good has been done around here in the way of stopping the dynamiting of our streams. The practice should be discontinued or our streams will be useless so far as fish are concerned.

Mr. W. O. Thompson, of Lodge, was buried Saturday at Stokes, S. C. JEE.

Fairfax Plays Ball.

Fairfax, April 17.—Out of nine games played this season Fairfax won seven and lost the other two by small scores. Three games were won from Estill, two from Brunson, one from Ehrhardt and one from Sycamore. The two games lost went to Barnwell. Barnwell and Fairfax play on April 27. On Thursday Fairfax supported three teams at neighboring towns, winning two out of three games played that day.

Expenses Exceed Revenues.

Panama, April 15.—Since the opening of the Panama canal the expenditures have been in excess of the revenues approximately 10 per cent., due to the cost of maintenance and operation of the waterway. In the period from July 1 to March 1 the canal authorities have spent \$2,595,000 and the canal has earned \$2,334,000.

Freak Legislation.

Speaking of freak legislation, California and Texas seem to be running a neck and neck race. California has a bill providing for a compensation of \$2 a day for all persons arrested, but not convicted, while Texas has amended the law prohibiting playing cards on railway trains by providing that one who indulges in a game in his own home two nights in succession must pay a fine of \$50. In other words a chap and his wife may play cards Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays, but if they break over and indulge Mondays and Tuesdays it is the police court for both. However, this bill is no less absurd than the measure providing compensation for persons arrested but not convicted. Of all the schemes designed to lower the treasury surplus this is entitled to the banner. If enacted into law the delays now regarded as a nuisance would lose their terror. Jobless men could be provided for by the simple expedient of having them arrested on some charge, valid or otherwise, and the lawyers would do the rest. Demurrers, motions to strike out, to quash the information, to postpone, for change of venue would prove highly profitable. We do not know who introduced the measures, but that makes little difference. His head needs repairs.—Oakland Tribune.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT DEAD.

Col. A. B. Andrews Passes Away in Raleigh After Brief Illness.

Raleigh, N. C., April 17.—Col. A. B. Andrews, first Vice President of the Southern railway, died here tonight after a brief illness. He was 74 years old.

Col. Andrews was stricken last night with an acute attack of pneumonia and today his condition was regarded as serious. The funeral will be held in Raleigh, probably Monday afternoon.

Col. Andrews was born in Franklin county, North Carolina, July 23, 1841. He entered the Confederate army as second lieutenant, 1st North Carolina cavalry; was wounded twice and was a captain at the close of the war. After the war he engaged in railroad work. He held official positions with a number of railroads in this State and Georgia, in 1892 going to the Richmond and Danville railroad as third vice president. Later he became second vice president being finally made general agent of the receivers. He was elected first vice president of the Southern railway in 1895. He also was president of a number of smaller roads owned by the Southern. His greatest constructive work was the building of the Western North Carolina railroad about 1878.

GEORGIA NEGRO LYNCHED.

Was Charged with Stealing Meat From Smoke House.

Valdosta, Ga., April 17.—News reached here today that Caesar Sheffield, a negro prisoner, was taken from the jail at Lake Park late last night and shot to death by unknown parties. No arrests have been made.

Sheffield was arrested yesterday, charged with stealing meat from the smoke house of Elder A. B. Herring and put in jail to await trial.

During the night the prison was forced open. Mose Oppenheim, who lives near by, went to investigate, but was driven back by pistol shots. Sheffield's body was found this morning in a field some distance away.

Possible Menace of Japan.

Japan looms up ever more ominously over our far western horizon. No matter what pledges of mutual good will may be given—and that that they have been given in utmost sincerity by this country, no one can doubt—occasions of embarrassment continue to arise. The latest, and one of the gravest causes of difference between this country and Japan, springs from the Japanese demands on China.

The present war has been most unfortunate for the United States, and especially unfortunate because of the immense increase in Japan's self-esteem following the reduction of the German colony in China. This victory has been used as an opening for an aggressive campaign threatening the very integrity of China. Our considerable trade interests and prospects in China hang in the balance. If we make no protest, we shall forfeit both our business connections with the Far East and our influence. If we do protest, we add one more item to the count of grievances Japan holds against us.

MILITIA PROPERTY OFFICER.

Sergeant Robert A. Howard, U. S. A., Retired, Appointed.

Columbia, April 18.—The appointment of Sgt. Robert A. Howard, U. S. A., retired, of Fort Sauchuca, Arizona, as property officer of the militia of this State, was announced this afternoon late by the adjutant general's office. He will report for duty May 1. He will receive a salary of \$1,500 per year.

Theory Quite Plausible.

"What a polished talker Jobson is."

"Isn't he? I suppose that's the reason he slips up on so many of his arguments."—Boston Transcript.

In Trouble.

"Yes," said the Fairy Prince, "you may have whatever you want for a Christmas present."

"I will choose," said the Fortunate Person, "either a wife or an automobile."

"How foolish!" exclaimed the Fairy Prince. "Why do you not select something that you can manage?"—Ex.

Max Figman Monday in "The Man on the Box," special photo play in 5 reels. Thielen Theatre.—adv.

IN THE PALMETTO STATE

SOME OCCURRENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

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

Chester county has a wheat acreage this year of 2,400 against last year's 365.

Nine cases of smallpox are reported from the Cornwell section of Chester county.

G. W. Bird, a negro flagman, was struck by a freight train in the yard of the C. C. & O. railroad in Spartanburg Thursday and instantly killed.

Yeggmen broke open the postoffice in Scranton, Williamsburg county, Thursday night and stole \$700 worth of stamps and \$25 or \$30 in money.

J. R. Werts, of Ninety-Six, has shipped two Duroc Jersey hogs to a man in Central America. And last week he sold one to an Abbeville man for \$65.

Percy Thompkins, a boy of 12, who some time ago had both arms cut off by a train near Abbeville, has been sent to Montreal, which he claims is his home.

The police of Florence arrested a man on Thursday with 1006 pennies, \$16.50 in nickles and dimes, 700 cigarette coupons and a .32 pistol and a lot of cartridges. It is supposed he stole the articles.

All the dispensaries in Barnwell county, except those at Barnwell and Williston, were opened Friday. The other two will open as soon as the State auditor finishes checking them up. All the old dispensers for those opened were reelected.

A dead man wearing very nice clothes and diamonds was found floating in Sampit river, Georgetown, a few days ago, and nobody knows who he is. It is thought he was drowned from a vessel that touched at the Georgetown wharf.

Robert Eliason, of the Hastoc school, Spartanburg county, won first honor in the Piedmont Oratorical association contest of high schools in Clinton Friday night. Louis Perry, of Easley, won second and John Sherwood, of Greenville, third.

Where the Similarity Came In.

As a back-handed slap at a well-known member of congress who is too fond of looking upon the wine when it is anilled, Mr. Depew tells this anecdote, says the New York American.

"The member of congress was being shaved by an aged colored barber in Washington. The shop was a favorite one with the prominent men of the capital, and the old negro who presided over it often boasted that he had shaved every great statesman since the Madison administration, which may or may not have been true. The member of congress referred to was being shaved by the veteran one day when he said to the latter:

"Uncle you must have shaved many famous men?"

"Oh, yes, sah; I has indeed."

"And a great many of those famous personages must have sat in this very chair where I am sitting, eh?"

"Dat's right sah. An' I'se jes' been a noticin' a mighty cur'us similarity between yo' and Dan'el Webster, sah."

"You don't say," exclaimed the highly delighted law-maker. "Is it my face?"

"Oh, no, sah. 'Taint dat."

"Is it my manner?"

"No, boss, 'tain't yore manner, nudder; it's yore breff."

FIRE AT ALLENDALE.

Flames Destroy Residence of Dr. H. R. Tison.

Allendale, April 18.—Dr. H. R. Tison lost his residence by fire yesterday about 1 o'clock. It is supposed that the fire originated from a defective flue. When discovered by the family it had gained such headway that the volunteer fire fighters were powerless to do more than save the furniture and household effects.

The loss is estimated at about \$2,000, which was partly covered by insurance. A tenant house of W. B. Oswald on the adjoining lot caught from the burning building and was also destroyed. His loss was about \$500, with no insurance.

Nice line of Bibles now at the Herald Book Store.

WORKMEN WITHOUT JOBS.

Chicago Strike and Lockout Ties Up \$30,000,000 Work.

Chicago, April 16.—Gov. Dunne today ordered members of the State board of arbitration to offer their services to Chicago building trades workmen and their employers in the interest of industrial peace.

The strike order of the Carpenters' District Council was followed today by a retaliative measure in the form of a lockout directed at 16,000 carpenters. The lockout debarred union carpenters from work on 4,000 buildings being erected by 1,200 contractors who are bonded to maintain their stand until every union in the structural trades comes to terms. The terms include an anti-strike agreement covering a period of three years. Union leaders declared tonight the strike would not end until the demands of the men for a wage increase had been granted.

It was estimated that 125,000 wage earners in Chicago were made jobless, for the lockout and strike tied up operations on \$30,000,000 worth of work.

The labor situation in Chicago has been growing more tense each day since March 1, when the lathers went on strike. Three building trades unions that are confronted with the alternative of accepting the employers' association's terms or being locked out are: Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, Cement Finishers and Marble Setters.

Employing painters, who had voted not to hire any of the 11,000 union painters in the Painters' District Council began employing non-union painters today. Reports of violence which reached the employers' headquarters resulted in precautions being taken to protect the non-unionists from attacks.

Eight or nine hundred members of the Sheet Metal Workers' union are expected to be locked out tomorrow by the sheet metal contractors, who were ordered to enforce a lockout by the Building Construction Employers' association.

CARPETING GREAT RIVER.

"Father of Waters" to Have Novel Covering for Bottom.

The Mississippi river, most capricious and pampered of streams, on which Uncle Sam has spent millions of dollars in jetties and levees to keep her in her proper place, is now having a carpet made for her at an expense of many hundreds of thousands of dollars. Rather, she is having a number of carpets made, not of cotton or linen or wool, but of trees and branches. Some of the carpets are a mile in length and 200 feet in width.

They will be used to carpet the bed of the river near Memphis, Tenn., in order to prevent the stream from changing its course and leaving the city high and dry. The Mississippi has an unfortunate and expensive habit of cutting new channels at will, and deserting towns upon its banks that have grown up into thriving centres on account of their position on the stream. There are scores of towns that have been left some times several miles back from the new river bed. Of course this results in the decay of the deserted town.

In the case of Memphis, the consequences of the river cutting a new channel several miles west of its present bed, and leaving the city of more than a hundred thousand population stranded, has induced the Government to come to the rescue of the threatened town. Immense carpets of willow branches, firmly fastened together, have been laid over the bed of the stream. These great carpets, heavily weighted with stone, sank to the bottom. The carpets, when properly laid, are pinned in place by huge piles driven down through them deep into the bed of the river. That stops the erosion of the river bed, and keeps the channel in place.—Youth's Companion.

KILLED BY BATTED BALLS.

Watching Ball Game Hard on the Spectators.

Richmond, Va., April 18.—Robert J. Howison, aged 10, was struck in the head by a batted ball while he was watching a ball game at Ashland, Va., yesterday, and died in a hospital here today.

Freehold, N. J., April 18.—John A. de Roche, Jr., 16 years old, died today as the result of being hit on the temple by a batted ball while a spectator at a baseball game here yesterday.

LEO FRANK AGAIN LOSES

SUPREME COURT DISMISSES THE CASE OF ATLANTA MAN.

Leo M. Frank, Under Sentence of Death, is Refused Release on Habeas Corpus Proceedings

Washington, April 19.—Leo M. Frank, under death sentence for the murder of Mary Phagan, an Atlanta factory girl, lost another step in his fight for life in the supreme court of the United States today.

In a decision, to which Justices Holmes and Hughes dissented, the court dismissed Frank's appeal from the federal court of Georgia which refused to release him on a writ of habeas corpus.

Frank contended that alleged "mob violence" at his trial and the fact that he was absent from the court room when the jury returned its verdict had removed him from the jurisdiction of the courts of Georgia.

The majority opinion of the supreme court rejected all these contentions and declared Frank had enjoyed all his legal rights in the Georgia courts.

Seemingly, no other avenue of escape from the death penalty is open to Frank through the courts. The State pardon officials might relieve him.

Justice Pitney delivered the opinion, declaring that "in all the proceedings in the courts of Georgia the fullest right and opportunity to be heard, according to the established modes of procedure," had been accorded Frank.

"In the opinion of this court," continued the justice, "he is not shown to have been deprived of any right guaranteed to him by the 14th amendment or any other provisions of the constitution or laws of the United States; on the contrary, he has been convicted and is now held in custody under due process of law within the meaning of the constitution."

It is believed by legal authorities here that only the State pardon officials of Georgia now can save Frank from paying the death penalty for his conviction of the murder of Mary Phagan, the Atlanta factory girl.

Justice Holmes delivered a dissenting opinion in which Justice Hughes concurred.

The court's decision was based on an appeal from the action of the United States district court for northern Georgia in refusing to release Frank on a writ of habeas corpus.

His petition for habeas corpus rested on allegations of disorder during his trial in Atlanta amounting to a mob domination and his involuntary absence when the verdict was returned.

Justice Pitney, in his decision, held that the obligation rested on the supreme court to look through the form and "into the very heart and substance of the matter," not only in the averment in Frank's petition, but in the trial proceedings in the State courts themselves.

"The petition contains a narrative of disorder, hostile manifestations and uproar," said Justice Pitney, "which if it stood alone and were to be taken as true, may be conceded to have been inconsistent with a fair trial and an impartial verdict. But to consider this as standing alone is to take a wholly superficial view; for the narrative is coupled with other statements from which it clearly appears that the same allegations of disorder were submitted first to the trial court and afterwards to the supreme court of Georgia as a ground for avoiding the consequences of the trial and these allegations were considered by these courts successively at times and places and under circumstances wholly apart from the atmosphere of the trial, and free from any suggestion of mob domination or the like; the facts were examined by those courts upon evidence submitted on both sides, and both courts found Frank's allegations to be groundless except with respect to a few matters of irregularity not harmful to the defendant."

SMALLPOX ON STEAMSHIP.

Japanese Vessel Held at Quarantine at Frisco.

San Francisco, April 19.—The Toyo Kisen Kaisha steamer Chiyo Maru was held at quarantine on her arrival here today while her passengers and crew were examined for symptoms of smallpox. Elizabeth Batchelder, 10, daughter of Mrs. E. J. Wilson, a passenger, is suffering from smallpox. Three hundred and thirty-six passengers on the liner were vaccinated ten days ago when the child developed the disease.

LEAVE FOR PENITENTIARY.

Mayor Roberts and Party Say Farewell to Indiana Home Town.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 18.—Headed by Mayor Donn M. Roberts, fifteen prisoners convicted in the Terre Haute election conspiracy cases and sentenced to the Leavenworth penitentiary started on the trip to prison late today. They are due at Leavenworth early Monday.

The time for the departure was not made public here and only a small crowd was at the station as the prisoners, each accompanied by a special deputy United States marshal, boarded a special car, attached to a passenger train.

While the men were being placed line in the jail yard to march to the railway station the 82 men given jail sentences for their part in the conspiracy shouted good-bye and joined in passing jests back and forth.

Six men convicted had promised Judge Anderson to start for prison not later than noon today. They had been at liberty at their homes in Terre Haute. The six are: Arthur Gillis, John Masselink, Joseph O'Mara, George Overn, Joseph Strauss and Maurice Walsh, all of whom had received sentences of a year and a day in prison.

The fifteen taken to prison and the sentences they received were:

Mayor Roberts, six years and a fine of \$2,000.

Dennis Shea, former sheriff of Vigo county, five years and \$1,000 fine.

Eli H. Redman, judge of the circuit court, five years and fine \$1,000.

Edward Driscoll, assistant city engineer, three years, fine \$500.

George Ehrenhardt, member board of works, three years, fine \$500.

Harry Montgomery, president the board of works, three years, fine \$50.

Thomas Smith, city judge, three years, fine \$500.

William Crockett, superintendent city crematory, two years, fine \$100.

Hilton Redman, son of Judge Redman, two years, fine \$100.

Elmer E. Talbot, city comptroller, two years, fine \$100.

John E. Green, merchant, two years, fine \$100.

Lewis Nunly, assistant city engineer, two years, fine \$100.

Alexander Aczel, street inspector, year and a day, \$100 fine.

Charles Houghton, city hall custodian year and a day, fine \$100.

Edward Holler, former chief of police, year and a day, fine \$100.

It is understood that Mayor Roberts' wife will continue her efforts to obtain an appeal bond for her husband. Judge Anderson fixed bonds at the rate of \$10,000 for each year's sentence.

Thaw Had No Right to Leave.

New York, April 18.—The Appellate division of the supreme court today affirmed the writ issued in the case of Harry K. Thaw, thus upholding the decision of Supreme Court Justice Page in refusing to send Thaw back to New Hampshire. The opinion in the case was written by Justices Hotchkiss and Scott.

The principal part of the opinion reads:

"The State assumed no obligation to return the appellant to New Hampshire when his trial should have been ended. No such obligation is suggested, and even if there had been an expected condition attached to the rendition of Thaw, it is doubtful if it would have had any validity."

The opinion says it may be that the State would well be rid of so troublesome a guest, but that is not a matter of judicial consideration. The matter to consider, the opinion continues, is the right of Thaw to be discharged from Matteawan. It states the outstanding committal of Thaw remains in force and the court, therefore, declares he had no right to leave Matteawan.

Plans are being formulated to take the case to the State court of appeals. A decision adverse to Thaw came as a great surprise to his counsel. The order carried with it the provision that Thaw could not be taken from New York county until five days have elapsed.

Should a decision unfavorable to Thaw be forthcoming by Wednesday, the State will have the right to return him to Matteawan forthwith, providing his counsel shall not have obtained a stay of execution in the order committing him to Matteawan, pending appeal. Thaw himself refused tonight to comment on the court's action.

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