

SEVERE EARTHQUAKE SHAKES CHILE

MANY LOSE LIVES AND MUCH PROPERTY DAMAGE FOLLOWING EARTHQUAKE AND TIDAL WAVE IN SOUTH AMERICA.

Santiago, Chile, Nov. 11.—An earthquake of magnitude and far spread effect rocked Chile from end to end today. It was accompanied by a tidal wave and the combined force of the earth tremors and the sweep of the water did vast damage, the extent of which it is impossible to estimate because telegraphic lines were carried down at various places, cutting off communication.

The provinces of Antofagasta, Atacama and Coquimbo suffered most, the central points of the quake lying in the latter two provinces, and so far as advices show, Copiapo, in Atacama, has the largest casualty list with about 100 killed and many seriously injured.

It was for a time feared that the city of Antofagasta had suffered a great disaster, but most of the damage done at that place was due to a tidal wave which drove the people out of their homes over a considerable area. No report of the loss of life has yet come from Antofagasta.

Chanaral, in Atacama, has virtually been abandoned by the inhabitants, as many buildings were wrecked by the immense seas sweeping in when the earth shocks had ceased. The greater part of the town was destroyed.

Throughout the province of Coquimbo hundreds of houses were leveled, while the residents fled to the hills. At the port of Coquimbo a tidal wave beat over the entire sea front, flooding a large section and wrecking many buildings.

From the southern part of Chile came reports of severe shocks but little damage.

Another earth shock was felt here at 4:45 o'clock this-afternoon.

Santiago, Chile, Nov. 12.—With partial re-establishment of communications, Chile's earthquake catastrophe is revealed in even greater magnitude than first reports indicated. It is estimated that at least 1,000 are dead, and many thousands are in distress, needing food and shelter.

In addition to heavy casualties of dead and injured at Copiapo and Coquimbo, it was reported today that 500 were killed at Valparaiso and the surrounding district.

Valparaiso was virtually destroyed, and the survivors are in a critical condition. It seems certain that there have been casualties in other towns and villages around Copiapo, to the south, concerning which no news is yet available.

Already twenty-four bodies have been recovered at Coquimbo where it is known there are 100 or more dead. At Chanaral a number were killed by falling houses.

It was earthquake and tidal waves combined that accounted for the vast destruction in the provinces of Antofagasta, Atacama and Coquimbo.

The movement of the ocean is described as phenomenal.

It gave evidence of a terrific disturbance in the bed of the Pacific itself. There must have been such a tearing at the bottom of the sea that immense quantities of water were sucked through, causing a tremendous recession of the waters along the Chilean coast.

Several times the ocean swept outward and came back in the shape of a great wave, flooding the seaports and in some instances sweeping away the waterfront. The violent effects of the tidal waves were felt from Antofagasta to the north to Valdivia on the south, covering about 16 degrees of latitude, or more than 1,200 miles.

All types of craft lying in the various harbors were swept on shore, wrecked or left high and dry, and at scores of small ports wharves and quays were destroyed. Chilean naval vessels, in the harbor at Talcahuano, about 300 miles south of Valparaiso, when they felt the force of the waters, clipped their cables and proceeded out to open sea.

President Alessandri has ordered the various government departments to take steps for the relief of the sufferers in the stricken districts, those most sorely affected lying between Coquimbo and Copiapo.

The navy department has sent ships

DR. HAMILTON HOLT AT CLINTON TONIGHT

To Speak at the Orphanage Chapel at Clinton at 8:30 O'Clock.

Dr. D. M. Douglas, President of the Presbyterian College at Clinton, was in Laurens several days ago and said that he came here to extend a special invitation to the people of Laurens to attend a lecture by Dr. Hamilton Holt, of New York city, former editor of The Independent, who will speak under the auspices of the college at the Orphanage chapel tonight at 8:30 o'clock on the subject of "The League of Nations". The lecture is being held in the chapel in order to accommodate the large audience that is expected to hear him.

Speaking of the visit of Dr. Holt, Dr. Douglas said that:

Dr. Holt is making only three speeches in the state, and his coming to Clinton is being looked forward to with genuine pleasure. He is a man of national reputation in the literary world, having held the position of editor-in-chief of The Independent. He became very much interested in the League of Nations and President Wilson. Later he resigned his position with The Independent and for the past two years has devoted his entire time to the principles as advocated by former President Wilson. He has been spending the past year in Europe studying the League of Nations in action and is now visiting several of the Southern colleges speaking on "President Wilson and the League of Nations."

Dr. Holt is one of the great scholars and lecturers of America and local people have a treat in store in having the privilege of hearing him.

The college is not bringing Dr. Holt here as a money-making proposition, he said, but solely to give the student body and people of the community an opportunity to hear his address. The expenses incident to his coming will amount to \$100 and a small admission price of 25c will be charged from all who attend, to defray the expenses.

Cotton Ginnings

Cotton ginned in the county to November 1 was 14,829 bales as compared to 29,802 bales to the same date, according to reports of the census department.

Rummage Sale Saturday

The Woman's Auxiliary of the American Legion will hold a rummage sale on the public square Saturday, the 18th. All members of the auxiliary or others who have promised to furnish packages have been requested by Mrs. S. D. Childress, chairman, to have them ready Thursday or Friday.

Football Game Friday

The Laurens football team will engage in a battle Friday with Union High, at 3:30 o'clock. As this is the last game of the season to be played at home, a large crowd is expected.

Court This Week

After a short session Monday morning Common Pleas court was adjourned until Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock.

along the coast to aid in the work.

Advices from Antofagasta report that the effects of the tidal wave at Huasco were terrible, the sea carrying away everything from the waterfront and many boats being left stranded in the woods, more than a mile inland.

Severe earth shocks were felt in Africa in the province of Tacna, the sea rising about five feet above high watermark but no serious damage in this section reported.

Valparaiso, Nov. 12.—A curious feature of the earthquake was the tidal wave which occurred two hours later, indicating a terrific disturbance beneath the Pacific. The waters were first sucked away from the coast and then hurled back. This phenomenon was reported five times at Antofagasta before the equilibrium of the sea was restored.

A similar occurrence took place at other points.

Rear Admiral Martin, director of the Navy Meteorological service, discussing the earthquake said it was significant that it had occurred just as the conjunction of Mercury and Jupiter and Neptune and the sun were approaching. The conjunction of Mercury and Jupiter occurred at 1:30 Saturday morning and the other some hours afterwards.

NEW PLAN ADVANCED FOR OVERCOMING BOLL WEEVIL PEST

Florida Entomologist Finds That Picking of All Early Squares Practical Solution of Weevil Problem in Florida.

Gainesville, Fla., Nov. 13.—Removal of squares (bracts subtending the flowers) from cotton plants at a time when virtually all cotton boll weevils are out of their winter quarters, in Florida about June 5—and destruction of the squares, followed immediately by a thorough application of calcium arsenate or lead arsenate with a suitable dusting machine is the method developed for control of the weevil announced Saturday night by Dr. Wilmon Newell, plant commissioner for the State plant board and director of the University of Florida experiment station, it was disclosed today by the official bulletin on the subject. Dr. Newell termed the development a "solar Plexus blow" to the weevil and stated that fields which had undergone the treatment had produced virtually as much cotton as before its advent.

George D. Smith, associate entomologist, working under the auspices of the state plant board is given credit for evolving the new method of combatting the pest, which has cost the southern planters hundreds of millions of dollars.

The long known fact that the weevil can be poisoned effectively during the period preceding the appearance of the first squares played the leading part in Mr. Smith's work. Application of poison at this time kills virtually all weevils on the field but weevils emerging later deposit their eggs

in the early squares starting the season's infestation. After the squares develop the adult weevil is indifferent to poison and because the eggs and larvae are within the squares the poison has no effect upon them.

By stripping the first squares eggs and larvae deposited by the overwintered weevils are removed, says the bulletin. This disposes of the weevil's progeny, but a considerable number of adult weevils remain. These, deprived of the squares in which to hide and upon which to feed, turn upon the terminal of growing bud of the plant for food. With the squares out of the way by stripping, it is simple to literally fill the terminal bud with poison from a dust-gun.

At this time the overwintered weevils have only a few more days to live and their instinct to survive urges them to feed liberally. Application of poison to the terminal buds at this stage has been followed in all the experiments by the destruction of practically every weevil that escaped capture in the stripping operation.

With the overwintered weevils and their progeny disposed of no additional weevils of any consequence will come to the field before the annual migration, which in Florida usually takes place about August 1.

The cost of the treatment was placed by Dr. Newell at from \$1.50 to \$2.00 an acre, including labor.

LAURENS HI GIVES ANDERSON A SCARE

Anderson Team, Doped Out to Win Handily, Barely Gets Away with a Victory.

Laurens High School, doped out to be easy victors for the heavy Anderson High School team last Friday, over-returned the dope bucket at the Anderson county fair and gave the "Yellowjackets" the scare of their lives but went down in defeat by one touchdown. The lone touchdown of the Andersonians was made by a fake play in the second quarter. Local people who went over to see the game said the Laurens team put up a stiff fight and a pretty exhibition. Anderson had to send in several substitutes, but the locals went through the entire game without a substitution.

Following is an account of the game taken from The Anderson Tribune:

The "Yellowjackets" of "HI" won a hard fought game of football from Laurens yesterday afternoon. When the game ended the score was 6-0 in favor of Anderson. The game was played on the new field just back of the Fair grounds and was called at 3:30 o'clock.

The features of the game were the end runs made by the local team and hard bucking of the line by the Laurens boys. Hogrefe, Dean and Fisher for the locals played stellar ball, while Glenn and Counts for the visitors won similar laurels.

Every man that played in the line for the "Yellowjackets" did his part. Wall, Ellis, Brown and Anderson and in fact, every man on the team played jam-up ball. To prove that this is true, twice Laurens got on Anderson's 4 yard line but each time they were held for the four downs.

Abbeville and Laurens the last two high schools that the locals have played had well coached teams, and held the locals to a lone touchdown. The Laurens team played jam-up ball and it was only a fake run of Hogrefe's that netted the six points. A try for the extra point by Fisher failed.

Yesterday's game badly crippled the local team. In the last frame Dean, the dashing fullback and captain was badly injured. He was rushed to the Anderson County Hospital, where an X-ray picture was made of his hip and it was found to be dislocated. It is likely that he will be out of the lineup for the rest of the season.

Carl Hogrefe, fast quarterback of the "Yellowjackets", was injured in the game last Friday week with Abbeville and did not play in the first quarter yesterday. He was put in at the beginning of the second, however, and played good ball despite his injuries. Moseley who was quarterback for the first frame went back to his old position at left half back, and Johnson who was

REV. KILGO RETURNS

Pastor of Methodist Church Returned to This Charge. Rev. A. N. Brunson Made Presiding Elder of Greenville District.

Rev. P. F. Kilgo, who has faithfully served the congregation of the First Methodist church of this city for two years, has been returned to this charge for another year, according to the appointments read out at the close of the Methodist Conference held in Gaffney last week. The return of Rev. Kilgo was not a surprise to the people here as it was generally understood that the sentiment among his congregation for his return was unanimous.

Rev. W. E. Taylor comes to the Laurens Mills church to succeed Rev. Foster Speers, who goes to the Easley circuit. Rev. G. G. Marley goes to Waterloo, succeeding Rev. Lupo, who goes to Whitmore, and Rev. C. W. Watson returns to the Gray Court charge. Rev. B. M. Robertson goes to Enoree. Rev. L. E. Wiggins returns to Clinton.

Rev. A. N. Brunson, present pastor of the Main Street Methodist church at Greenwood, succeeds Rev. J. M. Steadman as presiding elder of this district, Rev. Steadman going to Newberry as pastor. Rev. J. R. T. Major, former pastor of the local church, goes to Columbia as presiding elder from the Spartanburg district and Rev. W. A. Fair, also a former pastor here, goes to Spartanburg as presiding elder. Rev. E. A. Holler, another former pastor here, remains as presiding elder of the Anderson district. Rev. L. P. McGee, former pastor here, goes to St. John's church, Anderson, as pastor.

Farmers Meetings

Meetings of farmers will be held at the following places next week:

Monday, the 20th, Mt. Gallagher school house at 7 P. M.

Tuesday, the 21st, Grewerton school house, at 7 P. M.

Wednesday, the 22nd, Friendship school, at 12 noon.

Wednesday, the 22nd, Youngs school, at 3:30 P. M.

Wednesday, the 22nd, Antioch school, at 7 P. M., Spartanburg county.

Thursday, the 23rd, Poplar Springs, at 7 P. M.

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substituting for him was taken out.

In the second quarter was when Hogrefe called the fake that was responsible for the touchdown. Dean was playing back on that down but Hogrefe instead carried the ball around right end for a 35 yard run for the touchdown.

Ligon, the big center for the local team, was out of the game yesterday on account of injuries received last Friday week in the game with Abbeville.

OLD NEGRO MAN HELD FOR MURDER

Joe Williams, Colored, Shot and Mortally Wounded Jim Gilliam Monday Morning.

Joe Williams, an old negro man about 70 years of age and said to be bordering on senility, is being held in the county jail on the charge of murdering Jim Gilliam, young negro man, Monday morning about eight o'clock. Immediately after the shooting the old man came to the sheriff's office and surrendered.

The shooting occurred at the home of Williams on North Harper street. According to evidence brought out at the inquest, Gilliam and Williams had had trouble before and Williams warned Gilliam not to come on his place. Gilliam returned Monday morning and after repeated warnings sought to enter Williams' house by force. John Copeland and Frank Pilgrim, testifying at the inquest said they saw Gilliam start into the house with either a hammer or bottle in his hand. As he reached the back door Williams fired with a shot-gun, hitting Gilliam just above the heart. Gilliam then turned and ran out of and around the house, falling on the edge of the street where he died in a short time.

Joe Williams was for many years a familiar character around town, running a small store at one time. Gilliam worked for a pressing club in the city. The origin of the trouble between them has not developed.

T. P. OWINGS DEAD

Aged Citizen of Gray Court Passed Away Saturday Night. Burial at Harmony Sunday.

Thaddeus P. Owings, aged Confederate veteran of Gray Court, passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Gussie Moore, at that place Saturday night and was buried at Harmony church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The funeral was conducted with Masonic honors, a religious service being conducted by Rev. George Hopkins.

The deceased was in his 83rd year. His wife preceded him to the grave a few years ago. He is survived by the following sons and daughters: Messrs. Elie, A. M., G. V. and W. T. Owings, and Mesdames Etta Dorroh and Gussie Moore.

Mr. Owings fought throughout the Civil War and made a brave and gallant soldier. He was a member of Schroder Lodge No. 144, A. F. M.

FOR JOINT REUNION

Old Hickory and Wildcat Meeting Considered.

Asheville, N. C., Nov. 11.—Bearing the indorsement of Maj. Gen. Charles J. Bailey, who commanded the eighty-first division and Brig. Gen. S. L. Faison of the Thirtieth, a move was formally launched here today for a joint reunion of the Wildcat and Old Hickory divisions, to be held in Asheville starting on Armistice day, November 11, 1923.

Col. Don Scott, Col. S. W. Minor, Col. Frank Halstead and other prominent officers in both divisions have indorsed the reunion.

One of the features, according to tentative arrangements, will be a football game between two leading Southern colleges, with North Carolina and Vanderbilt of Tennessee as the choice of contestants.

John C. Stone

John C. Stone, a resident of Laurens practically all his life, died Wednesday night in Atlanta at the home of his son, Guy Stone, whom he had been visiting for a few weeks. The death of Mr. Stone was due to heart failure and he was ill only for a short time.

The remains were brought to Laurens and laid to rest Friday in the Laurens cemetery.

Mr. Stone is survived by three daughters, Mrs. William H. Irby and Mrs. Sallie Madden of Laurens, and Mrs. Lou Mobley, of Columbia, and by three sons, Guy Stone, Atlanta; Luther Stone, Mountville, and Bee Stone, Laurens.

Convicted in Federal Court

Charged with sending an obscene letter through the United States mail, Mamie Knight, negro, of Laurens, was found guilty Wednesday in the Federal court at Greenwood, and received a sentence of three months or a fine of \$50. The fine was paid. The case was handled locally by a post office inspector.

CONFIDENCE GAME NETS BIG SUM

SMOOTH STRANGER TAKES OFFICIAL CHECKS OF CITY AND GETS BIG SUM OF MONEY IN OTHER CITIES. NOT YET ARRESTED.

Having flashed five checks aggregating \$1,070 in four cities on the official blank checks of the City of Laurens, a man signing his name on some of them as F. E. Pearson and on others as Paul Scott has so far eluded arrest and at least four banks in South Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia are apparently out of approximately \$1,000 unless the smooth gentleman is located.

The first intimation of the forgery came about the middle of last week when The Enterprise National Bank, of this city, received a long distance telephone message from a bank in Winston-Salem, N. C., asking if the mayor of Laurens had issued a check for \$220 to F. E. Pearson, pretending to be a consulting engineer. C. H. Roper, cashier of the bank, immediately sought the city clerk's office and found out that no such check had been issued. He at once wired the Winston-Salem bank that the check was a forgery and then called up over the telephone to tell the bank to have the man arrested. The person talking from the Winston-Salem end said that they had the man under surveillance, but wanted to be sure of their ground before having an arrest made. Mr. Roper assured them positively that the check was a forgery, but before the North Carolina bank had taken action the suspect had made his departure.

Later intimations of the successful plan worked by the check-flasher were received when checks commenced to arrive at the Enterprise National Bank from four other banks, a second one at Winston-Salem, and one each at Greenville, S. C., Charlotte, N. C., and Charlottesville, Va. In each case except one the check was for \$250, the exception being from another Winston-Salem bank for \$100. All of these arrived at the bank in the regular manner and bore evidences of having been cashed at sight.

While local police officers are not certain as to how and when the smooth stranger got in possession of the blank checks, they think that he got them when he was in Laurens Saturday night, November 4th, when a troupe of actors gave a show at the Opera House. It is not thought that he was a member of the troupe, but that he was an actor and was visiting friends in the company. In the dressing room of the theatre were being kept surplus city supplies, including stationery of the city clerk and treasurer. Finding here a blank check-book, he tore out six of them and placed them in his pocket. On leaving here, he evidently went to Greenville, where he cashed in for the first time, taking down \$250. This check bore the endorsement of a prominent electrical contractor of Greenville, which was also doubtlessly forged. It, like the others that have arrived since, were returned unpaid by the local bank.

All of the checks had the name of Mayor Dial forged to them. The stranger evidently neglected to get the name of Clerk Stanley Crews for the name "C. O. Masseq" was signed as clerk and treasurer. All of them were designated as checks payable for "Services as Consulting Engineer" in the department of "Streets".

Chief Crews is giving assistance to the out-of-town banks in attempting to catch the forger, but up until yesterday no word of any arrest had been received here.

Attendants for Wedding Arrive

Mr. Sherman Hart Ballard, of Mullins, West Virginia, whose wedding to Miss Maudie Mae Jessec will be one of the outstanding social events of the autumn, arrived in the city Monday with Mr. Joe Dingess, of Huntington, West Virginia, who will act as his best man. Miss Jessec has as her guest Miss Irma Theresa Floyd, of Statesboro, Georgia, who will be the maid of honor. The only other attendant will be Mrs. Carter Price, of Barnwell, as matron of honor, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McPhail, for the last week. The wedding will take place this afternoon at four o'clock at Miss Jessec's home on North Harper street and will be witnessed by only a few friends.