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FARMERS' WOULD CHANGE LAW.

Recommend Amendment to Smith-Lever Act in Connection With Distribution of Funds.
Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 20.—Resolutions favoring the Susan B. Anthony equal suffrage amendment to the federal constitution and recommending changes in the Smith-Lever law so that funds would be distributed according to acreage under tillage and not according to population, were adopted at the closing session of the National Farmers' congress here today. It was said the delegates favored Houston, Texas, as the next convention city and that the executive committee probably would accept that choice.
The congress today also went on record as favoring the withdrawal of the Shields, Myers and Phelan water-power bills pending in the senate; administration of the farm loan board law for the benefit of the farmers; no increase in freight rates as compensation for increased wages, and an investigation of the manner in which the fight against the foot and mouth disease was conducted in 1914 and 1915.

John Skelton Williams, United States comptroller of the currency, spoke today on "Federal Reserve Banks and the Farmer."

AGE DEFINIATE YOUTH.

Older Men Do as Well as Younger Ones in Test of Endurance.
Santo Domingo, Oct. 21.—In a test of endurance, conducted by Lieut. Kingston of the United States Marines in Haiti to determine the staying powers of his men, one hundred and eighteen men, ranging in age from nineteen to fifty-two and carrying the regulation field equipment, were given the test of ascending a steep mountain path, approximately eight miles within a two-hour limit.
Eighty-four men accomplished the feat in the prescribed time, and of those, 26 per cent. were veterans of forty-four years and over. The average of those who succeeded was twenty-nine years, while the percentage of tender foot recruits among the losers reduced their average to twenty-four years.
This experiment strengthens the theory of many that trained middle-age rivals unseasoned youth.

Turns on Electric Lights.

The live little municipality of Summerton is quite proud of its new electric light plant, the installation of which has just been completed. The lights were first turned on and tested on Thursday night and Friday night they were turned on for the night and will be in use every night in future. Summerton has had bad luck with its lighting plants. Twice the plant has been burnt out and put out of commission, the last time being last spring. Since then the new plant has been installed and Summerton now has a lighting plant of which it may well be proud, one which is much better than it has ever had before.

Superintendent Edmunds is still receiving letters of inquiry relative to military training in the boys' school. Recently he received two letters from the State of Washington; on yesterday he received an inquiry from a town in Georgia and one from the Board of Education of Grand Rapids, Michigan; today an inquiry was received from Calgary, Alberta, of the Dominion of Canada.

Washington, Oct. 19.—Orders for more than 200 aeroplanes have been placed in the war department as a first step in expansion of the aviation service under the army reorganization act and contracts for about 100 additional machines of various types, probably will be awarded in the near future. In most cases delivery within a short period is stipulated.

ABBEVILLE NEGRO LYNCHED.

MOB TAKES ANTHONY CRAWFORD FROM JAIL AND HUNG HIM TO TREE.

Body Riddled With Bullets—Negro Had Abused Merchant and Had Hit White Man in Head With a Hammer, when Crowd Gathered to Give Him a Thrashing.

Abbeville, Oct. 21.—Taking the authorities by surprise a mob, composed of 200 to 300 persons, entered the Abbeville jail this afternoon and overpowering the jailer, took Anthony Crawford, a negro, from a cell to lynch him near the fair grounds. Death for the negro was made doubly sure, the mob hanging him to a tree and then riddling his body with bullets.

The dead negro owned considerable property in Abbeville county, where he was engaged in farming. He was said to have amassed a fortune of \$20,000.

The negro cursed and otherwise abused an Abbeville merchant this morning and a crowd gathered to inflict a beating. As this attempt was being made the negro struck M. B. Cann, one of the crowd, on the head with a hammer, inflicting a serious wound. The crowd gave Crawford a severe thrashing and would doubtless have killed him but for the interference of Sheriff Burts who managed to place the negro in jail about 11 o'clock. The sheriff called a physician to dress Crawford's wounds and no further trouble was anticipated unless Mr. Cann's injuries proved fatal.

At 3.30 o'clock the crowd quickly formed and moved to the jail, entering the building from the rear street. The surprise attack was completely successful as a summary attack before daylight had not been remotely considered.

The jailer was quickly and effectively overpowered and the negro secured and hurried to a point near the fair grounds where he was hanged to a pine tree and the body riddled with bullets.

Coroner Nance held an inquest over the negro's body late this afternoon, the verdict being that Anthony Crawford came to his death at the hands of parties unknown to the jury.

It is expected that the negro, is expected to recover.

Character in Reading.

The Youth's Companion does more than entertain: it affords the reader a mental and moral tonic. Its stories are not only well told, contributed by the best writers of stories, but they maintain the standards, reflect the ideals of the best homes. They do not throw a false glamour over the tawdry things of life. Rather do they depict the courageous, the healthful, the simple—the true life of the greater number with their adventures, their conflicts of temperament, their failures and successes. In 1917 The Companion will print 12 serials and story groups besides fully 250 single stories and sketches, all for \$2.00. The Forecast for 1917, which we will send on request, tells all about the great features of the coming volume.

By special arrangement new subscribers for The Youth's Companion can have also McCall's Magazine for 1917—both publications for \$2.10.

Our two-at-one-price offer includes:

1. The Youth's Companion—52 issues of 1917.
2. All the remaining issues of 1916.
3. The Companion Home Calendar for 1917.
4. McCall's Magazine—12 fashion numbers of 1917.
5. One 15-cent McCall Dress Pattern—your choice from your first number of the magazine—if you send a 2-cent stamp with your selection.

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Week's Weather Forecast.

South Atlantic and East Gulf States The temperature will average below the seasonal normal, with generally fair weather during the week, except that local rains are probable about Friday.

All you who have torpid liver, weak digestion or constipated bowels look out for chills. The season is here and the air is full of the disease germs. The best thing to do is to get your liver in good condition and purify the stomach and bowels. Herbine is the right remedy, it answers the purpose completely. Price 50c. Sold by Sibert's Drug Store.—Advt.

BIG FIRE AT ORANGEBURG.

STATE COLORED COLLEGE LOSES MAIN DORMITORY.

Morrill Hall Was Valued at \$30,000 With Half of Value Covered by Insurance—No Students Injured.

Orangeburg, Oct. 21.—The main dormitory at the State Colored college, known as Morrill hall, was destroyed by fire at 8:45 o'clock tonight. The building was of wooden construction and five stories in height. It was the last wooden building at the college, the others having been destroyed by fire. Three buildings have been burned in the last four years. Last year the college suffered a heavy loss by fire and two brick dormitories have just been completed to replace burned buildings.

In the building burned tonight were the auditorium, the chemical laboratory, most of the class rooms and 150 rooms for students. None of the students was injured. Some of the furniture was saved and many of the students escaped with a portion of their personal effects.

It is thought that the fire was of incendiary origin. It started in an unused room on the fifth floor where there were no electric fixtures or radiator.

The building was valued at \$30,000 with \$15,000 insurance. Until recently the building was insured in the sum of \$25,000, but as it was the only remaining wooden building in the college plant the insurance companies some time ago declined to reinsure it for more than \$15,000.

AULL'S BOOKS CHECKED.

Secretary of Warehouse Association Given Certificate by Accountants.

Columbia, Oct. 19.—The checking of the State warehouse office by the official auditors was practically completed this afternoon when Secretary Jno. K. Aull was given a certificate by State Auditor W. W. Bradley and Certified Public Accountant Walton to the effect that the books, records and bank balances of the office in his charge were correct. Mr. Aull's resignation as secretary to the commissioner took effect tonight, and beginning with tomorrow morning he will devote his time to the management of the Columbia news bureau of The Charleston American.

"I wish both Mr. Aull and The American mighty well," said Senator McLaurin tonight.

When the chest feels on fire and the throat burns, you have indigestion, and you need Herbine to get rid of the disagreeable feeling. It drives out badly digested food, strengthens the stomach and purifies the bowels. Price 50c. Sold by Sibert's Drug Store.—Advt.

SCHOONER GOLDFIELD LOST.

Moblie, Oct. 21.—The crew of eight men of the schooner Goldfield has been given up for lost. She is sixty-one days overdue from Martinique with a cargo of lumber. Tugs today are searching for the schooner Achorn, dismantled sixty miles off shore during the recent hurricane.

A child can't get strong and robust while intestinal worms eat away its vitality. To give the child a chance to grow these parasites must be destroyed and expelled. White's Cream Vermifuge is guaranteed to remove the worms; it also puts the vital organs in healthy, vigorous condition. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by Sibert's Drug Store.—Advt.

ACT OF A CRANK.

Berlin, Oct. 23.—It is officially announced from Vienna that the assassination of the premier was the act of a crank and it is practically established that he had no accomplices.

Tickling in the throat, hoarseness, loss of voice, indicate the need of Ballard's Horehound Syrup. It eases the lungs, quiets the cough and restores health in the bronchial tubes. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Sibert's Drug Store.—Advt.

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AN APPROACHING MARRIAGE.

Miss Eleanor Hughson to Become Bride of Julian H. Seale.

An announcement of much local interest is that of the approaching marriage of Miss Eleanor Beverly Hughson and Julian Hopkins Seale to which invitations have been issued as follows:

Miss Mary Amelia Hughson invites you to be present at the marriage of her sister Eleanor Beverly to Mr. Julian Hopkins Seale on Tuesday evening the thirty-first of October One thousand nine hundred and sixteen at six o'clock Grace Baptist Church Sumter, South Carolina

WHAT EVERY WOMAN SHOULD KNOW TODAY.

Food for Thought—Message to Women from One Who Would Spread the Truth.

"It seems ordained that woman shall suffer and bear to the end of time and every woman's life seems to have more than its share of big and little sufferings," writes Mrs. Nanie Nicholson of 27 Lake St., Greenville, S. C.

"Women are so constituted that they are always in need of some kind of medical attention and if only something could be found to make and keep women well and strong, something that would not just stimulate temporarily but effect a sure steady healing every day, how grateful women would be for it."

"And I believe that something has been found in Sulferro-Sol. I myself had the most awful kidney trouble and pains in my back for five years. Every woman knows what this means. I tried physicians and numberless remedies but kept right on suffering. Then I heard of Sulferro-Sol the wonderful mineral tonic and began using it. In five days I could feel that it was reaching the seat of my trouble and I gained wonderfully.

"Now after using two full bottles I am well and free from all pain and I honestly feel that Sulferro-Sol is a God-send to suffering women. Its benefits to me were beyond belief." Sulferro-Sol is sold and recommended by every Druggist in Sumter and vicinity. Murray Drug Co., State Distributors.

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