

GENERAL NEWS NOTES.

Items of More or Less Interest Condensed Outside the State.

California's democratic state committee has declared in favor of Hearst for president.

Two car barns were burned in Chicago on Sunday night. The fires were incendiary.

General Leonard Wood's nomination has been confirmed by the senate and he is now a major general.

An anti-lynching crusade has been inaugurated in Mississippi by the W. R. Barksdale Camp, U. C. V., of Grenada, Miss.

Henry Williams, colored, was hanged at Roanoke, Va., on Friday, for making a murderous assault upon a white lady and her three-year-old daughter.

F. Henry Richardson, for many years editor of the Atlanta Journal, and one of the brightest writers and speakers in the South, died in Atlanta last week.

The republicans of the 10th Georgia congressional district met on Saturday and nominated a negro barber of Augusta to oppose the present democratic incumbent.

Two factions in the republican congressional convention of the 20th Ohio district came to blows at a meeting on Saturday and afterwards selected two sets of delegates.

Severe fighting between German troops and the natives is reported from German Southwest Africa on March 13. The Germans retreated with 26 killed and several wounded.

The case against Receiver McBee, of the Atlantic and North Carolina railroad, for conspiracy to defraud the state, has been abandoned and Mr. McBee has resigned as receiver.

The members of the United States senate on Thursday amused themselves in playing "Jai Allai," the game which became conspicuous in the Leonard Wood investigation.

It is reported from New York that Andrew Carnegie has given another \$5,000,000 for educational purposes. The purposes of the gift will not be made public until the formal announcement, which is expected in a few days.

A dispatch from Manila states that there was an engagement between troops under Gen. Leonard Wood and the native Moros on March 7. Two thousand Moros made their retreat with a loss of 100 men. The Americans, who numbered 450, sustained no losses.

Booker Washington has written a letter to the mayor of Columbus, Ga., thanking the citizens of that place for the erection of a monument to Bragg Smith, colored, who on the 30th of September last lost his life in a heroic, though fruitless, effort to save City Engineer Johnson from a caving excavation.

Capt. A. R. Piper, an expert who has been in Chicago investigating the police force, has rendered a report, according to which the Chicago police force are in a disgraceful state of demoralization and inefficiency. The chief is declared to be a good man but utterly unable to do anything with the present force under him.

Emperor William, of Germany, and King Alfonso, of Spain, were cruising about the harbor of Vigo, it is reported, on a gunboat, when owing to the awkward manoueuvering of a fishing steamer the two vessels came in collision. A 12-year-old boy fell between the vessels and would inevitably have been crushed, but for the intervention of the monarchs, who personally dragged him to the gunboat.

One hundred and fifty members of congress, as guests of the Jamestown Exposition company, made a pilgrimage to Jamestown Island, Va., on Saturday, and viewed with interest the historic ruins that mark the spot of the first Anglo-Saxon settlement on the western hemisphere. The object was to arouse interest among the congressmen in the exposition to be held on the shores of Hampton Roads in 1907, to celebrate the 300th anniversary of the first settlement.

SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Items of More or Less Interest Condensed in the State.

A negro man, Sam Miller, was burned to death in a house near Donalds which was destroyed by fire.

The inspection of the companies of state militia has been begun by Adjutant and Inspector General Frost assisted by regular army officers.

Bamberg had three conflagrations in her business section within six weeks. The last occurred early Saturday morning, when four stores were destroyed.

In a quarrel at Baton Rouge, Chester county, between two brothers, Eli and Charles Wilkes, the latter was shot by the former. The wound will not prove mortal.

River navigation from Georgetown to Columbia has been opened up by the arrival at Columbia on Sunday of the river steamer, "Highlander."

Two stores in Ridgeway were entered by thieves on Thursday night and an attempt was made to break in the Bank of Ridgeway. The money drawers in both stores were broken open but no money was found.

A negro woman was shot and killed in Lancaster by the careless handling of a pistol. A negro told the woman he was going to shoot her, at the same time playfully pointing the pistol at her. The woman grabbed at the pistol and it was discharged.

EXTRAVAGANCES AND DEFICIENCIES.

Where The Newberry Observer Thinks There Have Been Extravagant Appropriations.

Newberry Observer.

The Observer has been contending for a more economical administration of the state and has charged extravagance. It is only fair that we should be called upon to specify, and we proceed to do so and to show, in answer to our contemporary The Herald and News, where, in our judgment, there have been extravagant appropriations.

In the first place, Clemson college is given too much money. It may not prove popular to say this; but we are convinced of the truth of it, and therefore say it. This institution, founded for the training of young men for farm life, has as small proportion of farmers' boys and of boys who will follow farming as any purely literary institution in the state. The proportion was given in the house of the representatives during the recent session as barely 10 per cent—and we have heard it quoted at even less than that. Still it is a good school; but there is no reason why it should be given such a vast sum of money. The college received from the public treasury last year, directly and indirectly, nearly \$200,000, and of this sum only about \$20,000 went for permanent improvements. We believe that from \$50,000 to \$60,000 of the income of Clemson college could be turned into the state treasury for other objects without crippling that institution as an agricultural college. As an evidence, conclusive to our mind, of the extravagance of the legislature in this case, it may be mentioned that the estimates for that college have varied from year to year, if we mistake not, by as large a sum as it takes to pay for a session of the legislature—and yet it consumes all that it gets, be that twenty or thirty thousand more or less than the estimates. Clemson should be supported liberally; but there is no need for extravagance, and the state cannot afford it.

In the second place, we are satisfied that the state would not suffer one iota if the Citadel academy in Charleston were totally abolished. We have long been of the opinion that it ought to be done. More than \$40,000 could be saved there. Since the establishment of Clemson with its military feature there is no further use of a purely military school. We believe that Winthrop college can be run for considerably less than \$113,000—the amount it is now costing.

Another saving might be made by cutting the pension appropriation in half, restoring it to \$100,000 and insisting on a more rigid en-

forcement of its provisions. It was raised to \$200,000 by the legislature in a fit of sentimentality. It is the state's duty to help the needy Confederate veterans; but this help must be limited to their ability as well as to their necessities. We do not say that the pensions are given to underserving; but we do say that if half a million were appropriated there would still be many deserving who could not be reached. So the pensions should be confined to the really necessitous. There must be a limit somewhere, and for a poor and small state like this, \$100,000 is liberal. We may say, in passing, that there will have to be a more rigid administration of the pension law anyway. Every year, notwithstanding the proportionately large death rate among the veterans and the widows of soldiers, the pension list is growing at an alarming rate. Not to go into long particulars, note the increase in our own county. And we see that twenty-eight new names were added to the list in Cherokee county this year, and sixty-two in Richland. These may be taken as samples. It is not a question of what we would like to do, but what we are able to do.

We would not reduce the salaries of state officers, nor of their clerks; but we would give them fewer clerks—for most of them, if not all, have more clerks than they need—so many in fact that they can stay away from their offices for weeks at a time from their clerks and poorly paid stenographers perform the work. It is quite within reason that \$8,000 or \$10,000 a year might thus be saved without at all diminishing the efficiency of the public service.

There may be other places where savings could be made—we haven't the appropriation bill in hand, and cannot specify more fully. But we may say that there is a spirit of extravagance now in official circles that bodes no good for the taxpayers. Gen. Hemphill, in one of his interesting letters to the Medium, said the legislature did not refuse any request for money—even voting \$2,500 to a private school in Charleston. He might have given it credit, though, for refusing the asked-for appropriation for the St. Louis exposition. It was this "liberal" or extravagant that voted the appropriation for libraries for public schools. Libraries are good things for schools undoubtedly. So would be free text-books for pupils and many other things that could be mentioned. The sum here, though, is small. The Herald and News says \$5,000; but it must be more than that, for twelve schools in forty counties are to get \$10 from the state fund and \$10 from the county fund. This will probably be repeated for some years to come, for the schools that do not get their libraries this year will claim the right to get them next year or some year thereafter.

We have specified something over a hundred thousand. Our ideas will be styled "narrow." Perhaps they are. Horace speaks of angusta res domi. We must realize that as a state and as a people we are—we will not say poor, for that sounds demagogic—but our circumstances are narrow, and we should not try to live on too broad a scale. Legislators should remember that this is a small state and that we cannot safely imitate the ways of large and wealthy commonwealths. We are only little more than a million in population, and of that number only about half a million are whites.

As a state we are spending too much money. The same may be said of the counties and cities; but that is another matter.

Proper Treatment of Pneumonia.

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