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## IN THE PALMETTO STATE

### SOME OCCURRENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

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

Hilton Usher, the young white man of Bennettsville who was cut in the head by a negro several weeks ago, died as a result of the injury.

The county board of control of Orangeburg county has decided to close the dispensary at Elloree, as the citizens of that town petitioned for its removal.

John S. Wilson, of Manning, now solicitor and elected circuit judge by the last legislature, was operated on in a hospital in Sumter last week for gall stones. He is said not to be doing so well.

J. L. Hoover, a young white man and brakeman on a freight train, was killed at Branchville Monday by being run over by a train. He is from the North section of Orangeburg county.

The citizens of Elloree, Orangeburg county, are trying to get the county board of control to close the dispensary in that town. The matter will be heard by the board at its next meeting.

Alex Adams, a white man, has been arrested at Bennettsville. He is charged with robbing the railroad depots at McColl, Darlington, and other places. The evidence is strong against him, and he is evidently a bold robber.

Dr. W. L. Linder, of Union, white, was shot in the back in his office Monday morning by a negro woman. The wound is not necessarily fatal. It is not known what the shooting was about, as the woman will make no statement. She is in jail.

The State Supreme Court handed down its decision Monday in the matter of the removal of the State board of dispensary directors by Governor Ansel. The court holds that the governor had full power of removal.

We have received a copy of the program of the State convention of the Baptist young people of South Carolina, which is to meet in the first Baptist church in Columbia, April 9-11. The program is an interesting one, and there will be addresses and sermons by prominent and able men.

There was a disastrous fire in the mill villages of Spartanburg last Monday. Sixty-one houses were destroyed and 325 people are homeless, without food, clothing or household effects. The president of the mill has appealed to the people of the city for aid for the homeless operatives.

Charles F. Deal was shot and killed at Blacksburg last Monday by William Mills. Both parties are white. It is claimed by Mills that the cause of the killing was the intimacy of Deal with his wife, and that Deal had attacked him with a knife. Circumstances do not seem to bear him out, however. There were no witnesses to the tragedy.

Mr. Carnegie has offered Anderson \$12,500 for a library provided the city will appropriate \$1,250 annually for its maintenance. Col. J. N. Brown offers the library \$5,000 as an endowment fund, \$500 toward buying a lot and \$5,000 to take effect after the death of his daughter if the building is put close to the United States postoffice building.

#### NEGRO IN HER ROOM.

#### Young Woman Awakened by Feeling a Hand on Her Arm.

COLUMBIA, March 23.—John Richardson, a young negro, is in jail here under the charge of attempting criminal assault. Richardson was employed in the home of a respectable family in this city, No 699 Taylor street, and was allowed to sleep in the kitchen. During last night or about 2 o'clock this morning one of the young ladies of the family, Miss Leila Norton, was awakened by the passage of a hand over her arm and she cried out in alarm. She was sleeping with her sister and they soon had the household awake. The negro escaped through a window, the means of his entrance, as a ladder had been placed against the window. The negro was suspected, but he was found on his pallet, at least feigning sleep, if not asleep. The matter was investigated at a private hearing before Recorder Stanley this morning and the negro was sent to jail to await trial at the regular term of court on the charge of attempting criminal assault. He is from Sumter and says he is about 16 years old, but looks to be older. The affair has caused no excitement whatever and was not known to many persons in the city today.

The negro practically confesses his intention in entering the room and the situation looks rather dark for him.

The oil mill at Woodruff was burned Monday night, the fire starting about one o'clock. The ginny and house for storing products were saved. Loss \$10,000 to \$12,000. Dr. L. H. Irby and his brother are the principal stockholders.

## BONNOITT DECLARED INSANE.

### Darlington Man who Shot Wife in Charleston Sent to Asylum

CHARLESTON, March 22.—R. L. Bonnoitt, who yesterday afternoon seriously shot his wife and tried to kill himself, was sent to Columbia early this morning, having been found insane by the physicians at Roper hospital, where he was sent from the police station. Solicitor Jervy consented to the removal, upon the showing made of his insanity. Judge of Probate Bryan decided that Bonnoitt was insane upon testimony of physicians and signed an order for his commitment to the asylum.

The wounded wife of Bonnoitt is still in a serious condition at the Riverside infirmary. It can not yet be said that she is out of danger and whether or not she can live. She is in a precarious condition.

The young wife who received the bullet from the maniac's pistol, has only been married four months. She is the second wife of Bonnoitt.

When a boy it is said that he was hit on the head and that the blow made a clot of blood form on his brain. This is supposed to have caused his mental unbalancing. He was a patient at the asylum some years back, but was discharged as cured. Yesterday he developed an attack of insanity, with the terrible results of the shooting. His brother, Mr. Marion Bonnoitt, of Darlington, was in Charleston today to see him.

#### Church News.

Rev. Peter Stokes, pastor of the Methodist church in this city, wrote the following letter to the Southern Christian Advocate, and it appeared in last week's issue of that paper:

"Last Sunday night we held the closing service of a protracted meeting in our church in Bamberg. For three weeks Brothers Thos. Leitch and Fred Marshall were with us, and faithfully did their work. These men do not spare themselves when there is work to be done in saving souls. It is no easy matter for a man to preach from two to three times every day and conduct the after services too. These brethren have been with me several times, and I believe Brother Leitch preaches better than ever, and works harder than ever to bring people to Christ.

"The results of this meeting were large, and I am sure that much of it will abide. I suppose that no meeting ever results in all that we hope and pray for, and this is no exception, but we have so much that was done to thank God for.

"A large number professed conversion, and thirty-eight applied for church membership. A large number of the older members of the church testified to the reviving of their spiritual lives, and pledged themselves to better service. The good effects of the meeting extended to other churches, and was felt in the whole town. The young people were to a marked degree helped by the meeting. The pastor of the Baptist church was with us from start to finish, and greatly aided by his presence and prayers and personal work. The Baptist church in Bamberg and in South Carolina was very fortunate when Brother A. J. Foster came to this pastorate.

"Our young people are looking forward with great pleasure to the coming of the Epworth Leaguers in their State Conference. We hope to have the best State Conference of all, so far.

"The Sunday-school, with Prof. H. G. Sheridan as superintendent, is taking on new life. Even before our good meeting, the attendance was nearing 200, and now we expect still larger things.

"There is much to encourage us, and we thank God for His blessings."

#### Darlington Man's Deed.

CHARLESTON, March 21.—R. L. Bonnoitt, of Darlington, shot his wife and then stabbed himself this afternoon while visiting at the home of Mrs. Bonnoitt's sister, Mrs. Laura E. Hertz, 34 Rutledge avenue.

The act seems to have been done during a temporary aberration of the mind, as there was no apparent cause for it. Mrs. Bonnoitt was shot in the left side and is in a serious condition. Bonnoitt has one wound in the breast, which is not regarded very seriously, having missed his heart, although he seemed to have tried for the fatal spot.

Bonnoitt was arrested and was later removed from the station house to the Roper hospital for the dressing of his wound. He was sent back to the station house, but again removed to the hospital, as his mind seemed affected and the latter place was better suited for his condition. Mrs. Bonnoitt is at the Riverside infirmary.

#### Seemed Like it.

"Yes, indeed, we are very careful with little Archibald," said the strict parent. "We watch his associates; keep an eye on where he goes and don't let him read the newspapers unless we have clipped out everything he should not read."

"Great Caesar!" exclaimed the astonished visitor, "what are you going to make out of him—a New York juror?"

## COUNTRY NEWS LETTERS

### SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

#### News Items Gathered All Around the County and Elsewhere. Ehrhardt News.

EHRHARDT, March 25.—Mr. G. B. Clayton went to Bamberg last Monday.

The farmers of this section are taking advantage of this beautiful weather. Many of them have finished planting corn.

Mr. and Mrs. Laurie Clayton went to Bamberg last Monday.

Mr. Charlie Fender was in town last Tuesday.

Messrs. Mitchum Bros. have reopened their store.

Miss Sadie McMillan was in town shopping last Friday.

Mr. R. Miller and family moved to New York last week.

Mr. W. G. Sease, of Orangeburg, came over last Saturday night to see his brother, Mr. W. E. Sease, who is still very sick.

The town council has fixed a water pipe from Main street to the school house. This is a convenience that is much appreciated by all.

Mr. F. P. Sease, and son, Norman, were at Mr. G. L. Kinard's last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Kirkland, of Buford's Bridge, spent last Saturday night at Mr. W. E. Sease's.

Messrs. J. C. Kinard, J. A. Chasse-reau, G. L. Kinard, and J. J. Farrell went to Edisto river fishing this morning.

ROBBIE HUGHES.

Ehrhardt Graded School.

#### Colston Letter.

COLSTON, March 26.—We have been having some very fine weather for the past week. A few of our farmers will begin to plant cotton this week. Look out, you early birds, or you will plant again.

Mr. and Mrs. Creech, from Denmark, visited relatives here last Sunday.

Messrs. G. W. and R. L. Beard visited Bamberg on Saturday last.

A pindar shelling was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Clayton Saturday night last.

Mr. H. H. Clayton and Miss Pauline Clayton visited relatives in the St. John's section last Saturday and Sunday.

The union meeting will convene here next Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. W. L. Mitchum, of Ehrhardt, visited her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Beard, last Sunday.

The annual picnic to be held at Clear Pond next Friday will be well represented from this section.

Mr. J. W. Beard went to Bamberg last Saturday.

Rev. S. P. Chisolm, who is slowly improving from a recent attack of lagrippe, expects to visit relatives at Blackville and Mt. Carmel this week if health will permit him.

#### Ehrhardt Etchings.

EHRHARDT, March 25.—Several of our town folks went to Ashepo for a day's sport with hook and line. They took advantage of the early train run for the benefit of the court-jing people of Colleton county.

Farmers are making a fuss about their fertilizer coming to them so slow. These warm days have put them in a planting notion.

Mrs. Emma Appleby and little daughter, Virginia, are spending some time with her brothers and sisters. They will not return to their home in Branchville until after Easter.

Miss Ned Ehrhardt reached home Sunday. She will spend Easter at home and then return to her school at Columbia.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Z. McMillan spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. W. P. Pate.

Mr. O. P. Folk was in town last week on business. Says lagrippe has had him for a week.

Very dry and windy. Rain would help the small grain crop as well as one's feelings, and to settle the dust.

Mr. W. P. Appleby spent Sunday afternoon with his wife and returned to Branchville today.

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#### A Pure Food Expert.

Dr. W. H. Wiley was reminded by the pure food law of a story.

"A country grocer," he said, "was talking to a throng of customers about the wonderful sense of touch that the blind have.

"Here comes old blind Henry Perkins now," said the grocer. "We'll test him."

"And he took a scoopful of sugar and extended it to the old man.

"Feel this, Henry," he said, "and tell us what it is."

"The blind man put his hand in the scoop, passed its contents through his fingers and said in a firm, confident tone: "Sand."

#### Pitched Battle With Negroes.

MUSKOGEE, I. T., March 26.—In a pitched battle between deputy marshals, the city police and negroes here this afternoon, two negroes were killed, one of the policemen and a traveling salesman were fatally wounded and a negro was probably mortally hurt.

## PROGRAM OF CONFERENCE

### Of the State Epworth League, which Meets in Bamberg.

Following is the program of the Epworth League Conference, which is to be held in the Methodist church in this city April 10-14:

#### WEDNESDAY EVENING.

8.00.—Crail Legends "and their Significance for Leagues."

#### THURSDAY MORNING.

9.00.—Devotional Service—Rev. W. I. Herbert.

9.20.—The Mission of the League—Rev. Geo. T. Harmon, Jr.

9.40.—A League in every Church—Rev. M. B. Kelley.

10.00.—What is League Success?—Rev. W. C. Kirkland.

10.20.—The Preacher and the League—Rev. J. W. Kilgo.

10.40.—The young Life of the Church—Rev. Henry Stokes.

11.00.—The Junior League Department—Mrs. R. W. Barber.

11.20.—The Boy's League—Rev. W. I. Herbert.

11.40.—The Ideal League—Rev. E. K. Hardin, Jr.

12.00.—The Young People's Missionary Movement, its Philosophy and Field—Dr. Ed. F. Cook.

#### THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

4.00.—Addresses—Rev. J. W. Kilgo and Dr. R. A. Child.

#### THURSDAY EVENING.

8.00.—"The Gang of Six"—Dr. H. M. DuBose.

#### FRIDAY MORNING.

9.00.—Devotional Services—Dr. J. W. Wolling.

9.20.—The Devotional Department—Maj. J. T. Coleman.

9.40.—The Literary Department—Miss Mabel Montgomery.

10.00.—How to Conduct the Literary Department—Dr. J. L. Stokes.

10.20.—The Charity and Help Department—Miss Edith Burnham.

10.40.—How the League May Assist the Pastor—Rev. Henry Cautchen.

11.00.—The Social Life of the League—Rev. A. N. Brunson.

11.20.—The Place of the Church Building in Mission Work—Dr. J. W. Wolling.

12.00.—The Young People's Missionary Movement, Its Methods and Success—Dr. Ed. F. Cook.

#### FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

4.00.—Addresses—Rev. W. I. Herbert and Rev. M. B. Kelley.

#### FRIDAY EVENING.

8.00.—Descent of Methodism—Dr. H. M. DuBose.

#### SATURDAY MORNING.

9.00.—Devotional Service—Rev. Henry Cautchen.

9.20.—Reports.

9.40.—Missionary Department—Rev. J. W. Speake.

10.00.—Missionary Study Classes—Dr. J. L. Mann.

11.00.—Brazil to be Evangelized by Our Church, and Why—Dr. J. W. Wolling.

12.00.—Soul Winning in the League—Dr. H. M. DuBose.

#### SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

4.00.—Address—Dr. Ed. F. Cook.

#### SATURDAY EVENING.

8.00.—Sermon—Dr. J. W. Wolling.

#### SUNDAY MORNING.

6.00.—Sunrise Prayer Meeting—Rev. W. I. Herbert.

10.00.—Testimony Meeting—Dr. H. M. DuBose.

11.00.—Sermon—Dr. Ed. F. Cook.

#### SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

4.00.—Mass Meeting—Dr. J. W. Wolling.

#### SUNDAY EVENING.

8.00.—Sermon—Dr. H. M. DuBose.

Following are the State officers of the league.

Rev. J. C. Roper, president, Abbeville, S. C.; Maj. J. T. Coleman, 1st vice president, Summerville, S. C.; Miss Edith Burnham, 2nd vice president, Charleston, S. C.; Miss Mabel Montgomery, 3rd vice president and editor, Marion, S. C.; Rev. J. W. Speake, 4th vice president, Latta, S. C.; Rev. B. G. Murphy, secretary, Cheraw, S. C.; Mrs. R. W. Barber, supt. junior work, Anderson, S. C.; Mr. Munroe Pickens, treasurer, Greenville, S. C.;

#### Next Sunday is Easter.

Lent is almost over. Easter falls on March 31st this year, which is next Sunday. Few people can figure out the date that Easter comes on. The date is governed by the moon. It always comes on the seventh Sunday after Ash Wednesday, which is the first Wednesday after the full moon in February. It has been thirteen years since Easter came as early as March 31. That was the date of the celebration in 1894, and since then the dates have been between April 1 and 15. Last year Easter Sunday was on April 15. Easter will not come as early as March 21 again until 1919 and not again after that until 1920.

Last week our country afforded a variety of weather. In Charleston the temperature was reaching after the 90 mark, while telegraphic service was impeded in Montana and Wyoming by snow and violent storms.

## CAN'T CLOSE DISPENSARY

### ATTORNEY GENERAL LYON SAYS BOARD HAS NO OPTION.

#### Must Keep Open All Dispensaries in Operation Under the Old Law. No Action Taken Yet.

When the dispensaries of Bamberg County were reopened under the new liquor law, the stock at the Midway dispensary was moved to Bamberg and the dispensary at the former town discontinued. The new county board of control did not elect a dispenser for that place, but decided to close the dispensary at Midway, as it had never been a paying proposition under the old law. This action of the board met with general approval, and it had been a source of comment in times past why the Midway dispensary was not closed, as it did no more than pay expenses if that.

But now it seems that the action of the board is to be questioned, and the matter may get into the courts. In Tuesday's daily papers the statement is made that Intendant H. W. Walker, of Midway, wrote the attorney general for his opinion as to the right of the county board to close the Midway dispensary. The attorney general's reply was that if Midway was an incorporated town the action of the county board in closing the dispensary was illegal. He says there is no option in the matter, but that the board must continue all dispensaries which were in operation on February 16th, 1907.

It is not known at this writing what steps will be taken by the intendant of Midway to get a dispensary open in that town, or whether any further move will be made.

The county board has not yet had a meeting, and when we showed the opinion of the attorney general to the chairman of the board, he showed a disposition to stand pat, and it is reasonably certain that no dispensary will be opened there unless through process of law. The board feels that they have no right to spend the money of the tax payers for a dispensary at Midway, for they believe that it will be a losing proposition. And they are right. This newspaper heartily endorses the action of the board in closing the dispensary at Midway, and we believe they should not allow it to be re-opened. If the attorney general's opinion of the law is correct, certain it is that the law is fatally defective at this point, and in this instance we feel sure they are exactly right in not following it. If the board is not to have full authority over the dispensaries of a county, there seems no reason for their appointment. They should certainly have the right to close a dispensary when it was losing money.

It is the opinion of able lawyers that a county board has the right to close the dispensaries, for the Carey-Cothran bill plainly says: "The said board is hereby authorized and required to establish a dispensary or dispensaries, as said board may deem proper, for the sale of alcoholic liquors and beverages as herein provided, and may close any dispensary so established, except the dispensary at the county seat, when in their judgment the public good requires it."

#### Minnesota Preacher Wants Information.

"I am looking for light. Therefore I appeal to you. Is the dispensary liquor law of South Carolina a success? Do you regard the recent change in said law an improvement? Any information you shall be pleased to furnish will be most gratefully received."

This is the letter which Gov. Ansel has received from a preacher of his own church, Presbyterian, who lives in Canby, Minn. Evidently the Presbyterian brother knows as little about Gov. Ansel as he does about the dispensary law. He has not heard that the governor's campaign platform is embodied in the new dispensary law. The governor sent him a copy of the Carey-Cothran act stamped with his approval.

#### Headache in His Hands.

"You've got a pretty bad headache, sir, haven't you?" asked the barber, giving a dry shampoo.

"That's just what's bothering me," replied the man in the chair. "But how did you know?"

"Tell it by my wrists and hands," explained the barber. "You and I are what they'd call magnetic mediums. And the electricity in my fingers takes the pain out of your head. But I get it. That's why I know. My hands are aching now. I don't often strike a customer like you, however, or I'd have to go out of business. I'll bet my arms ache for half an hour after you're gone!"—New York Post.

Bro. C. M. Billings wires us that the Blackville church contributed \$664 to the foreign mission board last Friday night. Dr. Willingham was present. We heartily congratulate pastor Billings and his noble people upon this generous contribution and step forward. May their example be followed by many churches throughout the State.—Baptist Courier.

## ANOTHER NEW COUNTY.

### Proposition to Cut Orangeburg, Colleton and Dorchester.

Mr. Jennings, of Branchville, was in Columbia yesterday to consult with the governor as to the requirements for applying for a commission on a proposed new county. Mr. Jennings states that an effort will be made within a few weeks to have Governor Ansel appoint a commission and order an election for a new county to be composed of parts of Orangeburg, Colleton and Dorchester counties. It is proposed to make Branchville the county seat.—Columbia State.

#### State Epworth League.

It is indeed gratifying to note the interest that the officers of the State Epworth League are taking in the coming session to be held in Bamberg April 10-14. The president writes us: "Get busy with some editorials on the league, talking up approaching league conference. You see we have the 'goods' to deliver. Now, if you will get two hundred young folks there, South Carolina will feel the inspiration. It will solve the league problem. Seeing is believing. Try to publish the program sent herewith."

And we publish the program, of course. Also, several other notices. Also, Miss Montgomery has for weeks been talking league conference. The advertising is sufficient. The work now is on the local leagues. Let a party of five or six go from every league in the conference. Bamberg is a fine town, and a visit there will be enjoyed. The town is begging for two hundred guests at least. It will be a delightful social and spiritual gathering. We hope four hundred young people will attend. The expenses of a trip are little; the benefits great.—Southern Christian Advocate.

#### The Man Who Does Not Advertise.

The man who does not advertise simply because his grandfather did not, ought to wear knee breeches and a queue.

The man who does not advertise because it costs money, should quit paying rent for the same reason.

The man who does not advertise because he tried it and failed, should throw away his cigar because the light went out.

The man who doesn't advertise because he doesn't know how himself, ought to stop eating because he can't cook.

The man who does not advertise because somebody said it did not pay, ought to believe that the world is flat.

#### The Circus and the Arabian Steed.

Homer Davenport, fresh from the Arabian desert, where he journeyed in the interests of the WOMAN'S HOME COMPANION, shatters another fond delusion of our circus days. He tells us in an article, "The Arab Horse in Legend and Story," appearing in the April WOMAN'S HOME COMPANION, that the piebald horses utilized in the tented shows are not Arabs at all, but are products of the domestic field. But here is the tragic story in his own words:

"Circuses are perhaps more to blame for the misrepresentation of the Arabian horse than any other source. A friend of mine owns a circus, and I saw his posters a few years ago, claiming to exhibit eighteen or twenty of the only Arabian horses brought to America. He said they were captured with great difficulty, and brought to New York by a special permit of the Sultan; that they were of the family known in history as the Eagle Feather Horses, so much prized in the Queen of Sheba's days; that they were snow white, with big markings in their spots of the tip of eagle feathers. We don't have to believe everything we read on the circus posters. In this case I am mighty certain these 'spotted Arabians' were bought at Albany, Oregon. The most peculiar part of this spotted-horse business is this, and it is not a very strange reason when you know it, that spotted anything is created by a mixture of different races, or different breeds, and that likely accounts for the fact that the Arabian desert in all its history has never produced a spotted, or piebald horse; possibly from the fact that there is never any mixture of blood."

#### Past Praying For.

A prominent politician while visiting in Washington recently took his little son with him to the Senate gallery. The boy seemed especially interested in Dr. Edward Everett Hale, and his father explained to him that Dr. Hale was the chaplain of the Senate.

"Oh! he prays for the Senate, doesn't he?" asked the lad.

"No," said the politician, "he gets up and takes a look at the Senate, and then he prays for the country."

Twenty-five years ago the capital invested in cotton mills in South Carolina was less than \$3,000,000; now, according to Wm. E. Curtis' re-search, the aggregate investment is \$22,337,000. A few years ago it was the new South, now it is the "busy South."

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