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Thursday, July 22, 1909

It is said that the prices of all commodities will be much higher when the new tariff bill goes into effect. Good gracious, we thought they were high enough now. What is a poor man to do if the cost of living goes any higher?

Right on the heels of our article in reference to "ready-print" newspapers, the Hampton County News, published at Brunson, announces that it will be an all-home print paper after the first of August. A good move on the part of the News, and one which ought to bring success.

Judge Memminger did the right thing in Yorkville last week when he dismissed the entire panel of jurors because they would not convict in cases where the evidence was plain. We need more judges who will follow his example. This is one way to get jurors who will do their duty.

The officials of the Southern Railway certainly appreciate the meetings of the State Press Association, and there are always several delightful gentlemen on hand to take care of the newspaper men as to special trains, etc. At the recent meeting in Greenville there were present Col. R. W. Hunt, formerly assistant general passenger agent but now connected with the ticket collecting department; Mr. J. L. Meek, assistant general passenger agent; Mr. J. C. Lusk, division passenger agent; and Mr. W. E. McGhee, passenger agent. The editors appreciate the presence and kindly attentions of these gentlemen at their annual meetings, and we trust they will continue to attend.

There exists a misapprehension in the minds of many people in this county in regard to the approaching dispensary election. Many of them have the idea that the question to be decided is State-wide prohibition or dispensaries, when it is not. The election to be held in this county decides the question only so far as Bamberg county is concerned, and we are not voting on a State proposition at all. For instance, Bamberg county may vote wet and Colleton and Orangeburg dry and Barnwell wet, and so on, or others may vote dry and others remain wet. The legislature in its wisdom made it a county to county affair, and the question to be decided is whether Bamberg county shall have dispensaries or not. We have absolutely nothing whatever to do with any other county.

The Herald has no axe to grind in the approaching dispensary election, and personally we are willing to submit to the verdict of our people freely, fairly, and honestly expressed at the ballot box. Our columns are open to both sides of the question, but all articles must relate to the merits of the question, and no personal allusions or insinuations against anybody will be allowed. Make up your mind as to what is best and vote that way, and whatever your verdict, it should be accepted by all. We are one people—our interests are identical, and we should be willing to trust an enlightened people. But vote with your eyes open, understanding the question fully. And, above all, don't fall out with your neighbor because he disagrees with you. It is a healthy sign to see people have different opinions, for it shows they are thinking and arriving at conclusions after investigating.

The farmers of the South played into the hands of the speculators by selling cotton for future delivery, and now the price has gone down as a natural result.

The statement that Bamberg is the best county in the State and Bamberg the best town anywhere does not need to be proven. Any Bamberg man will admit it.

Cotton ought to bring a good price this fall, if the prices of groceries and other necessities of life are any indication. The cost of living gets higher each year, and the income of the laboring man is not increasing proportionately. It seems to us that the condition of the worker gets worse every year.

AGREES WITH US.

The Bamberg Herald has begun the agitation of a movement for summer session of the general assembly by changing the time of meeting from the months of January and February to the months of July and August. The Herald's suggestion is a good one and should receive the endorsement of the press of the State. However, The Herald might have gone further and advocated biennial sessions and four-year terms for office holders in order that all these much needed reforms might come at the same time. What the State needs is more farmers and business men as law-makers and as long as the sessions of the general assembly are held in two of the busiest months in the year it will be difficult to get men of that type to offer for positions in the house or senate. Next to biennial summer sessions of the general assembly the four-year tenure for office holders is of most importance and it would be a great blessing to South Carolina if all these reforms could come at the same time.—Dillon Herald.

We are glad to have the endorsement of Editor Jordan and we hope other editors throughout the State will view this matter in the same light. If we are to get our most representative farmers and business men to serve as legislators, the time of meeting must be changed. This newspaper has advocated biennial sessions and four-year terms for officials for a number of years, but it seems so far to little purpose.

FAIR PLAY FOR NEGRO.

Speaker at Atlanta Points Out Logic of South's Attitude.

Atlanta, Ga., July 18.—Equal industrial opportunities for the negro was the keynote of an educational mass meeting, held this afternoon in big Bethel church here, under the auspices of the industrial department of Morris Brown College, a negro institution. The audience of more than fifteen hundred negroes was interspersed with a goodly number of prominent white citizens, who entered actively into the discussion. A white man, too, presided—Dr. James W. Lee, pastor of Trinity Methodist church.

The negro speakers stressed the fact of a perfect understanding of the social and political supremacy of the white man, to whom the negro must look for moral and industrial uplift. The principal address was delivered by Dr. Lee, long recognized by negroes throughout the South as a loyal friend. His talk was optimistic and, while deploring the recent effort to oust negro firemen on the Georgia Railroad, he felt that an era of better feeling between the two races was dawning, which augured for the betterment of the South generally. Dr. Lee said the white men of the South could not afford to stand idly by and see the negro deprived of the opportunity to make an honest living.

"The custom has been in the North," said Dr. Lee, "to permit the negro equality in the church, in the school, in the theatre, in the railroad coach, but no equality in the shop, the foundry or in the department of bricklaying and carpentry. The South has been disposed to offer him equality in the things in which his talents are involved. Our Northern friends say you can do whatever the white folks do at the top of society, but you can do nothing they do at the bottom. The Southern people say to the negro, you can work along with the white folks in the realm of industry and thus make for yourself the means to enable you to create a top for yourselves by your own efforts and among your own people. In the South, the white people will have their own top, but they have been willing for the negro to work and build up a top for himself, too.

"The ideas which prevail in the North concerning negro industrial equality should not be permitted to make a practical expression of themselves in the South. It is generally conceded that the North did a good thing for the negro in getting him free, and now it is the turn of the South to do a better thing for him by giving him work, so that his freedom shall not be a curse but a blessing."

Ex-Governor Northern, of Georgia, was among those who spoke.

Lion and Tiger Fight.

New York, July 19.—Fifteen hundred persons in a trained animal show at Coney Island witnessed a battle between a lion and a tiger in a large performing cage and as a result of the thrilling encounter the lion probably will have to be killed to-day. The two animals took part in the same act and between them there had been bad blood for a long time.

When they leaped at each other late yesterday, the audience looked on in amazement, while attendants fired blank cartridges at the two enraged beasts and prodded them vigorously with steel prongs. It was only when the hind legs of the lion had been rendered useless by the tiger biting the small of his back that the brutes were separated.

IN THE PALMETTO STATE

SOME OCCURRENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

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

During a thunder storm one day last week Mr. J. P. Caine, of Carlisle, Union county, had a hog and a \$2.00 mule killed by lightning.

While running about in the lot on Thursday a fine horse of Mr. J. C. Harris, of Anderson, fell over a cow and broke its own neck.

Mr. Miles O'Reilly, of North, has challenged Col. W. G. Smith to meet him in joint debate and discuss the question, "Prohibition is a farce and will not prohibit."

Insurance Commissioner McMaster on Thursday issued a license to the negro Knights of Pythias, who put up \$5,000, to do a fraternal insurance business in this State.

Dr. James Evans, of Florence, who was surgeon of the 3rd regiment in the civil war, and for some years past secretary of the State board of health, died at Clifton Springs, N. Y., on Thursday, aged 77 years.

A young white man named C. C. Gardner, watchman at the Granby warehouse, at the head of navigation in Columbia, was found on Friday with a lot of goods in his possession that he had stolen from the New York, Columbia & Georgetown Steamboat Company, including bolts of cloth, shoes, etc.

Magistrate D. H. Towles, at Meggett's, Colleton county, has written a long letter to the governor asking him for one hundred constables for his section to keep down the "prohibitionists (blind tigers)." He says liquor is being shipped in "all along the line" of the railroad, "not by the gallon, but by the barrel and carload."

A special from Spartanburg to the daily papers on Thursday says that M. J. Caples, of Johnson City, Tenn., vice president and general manager of the C. C. & O. road, spent that day in the city inspecting the laying of the rails along the line of road at this end. He announced that the track laying would be completed by November and trains would be running in to Spartanburg by Thanksgiving day.

There is a strong desire among Columbians to have President Taft visit that city in his Western and Southern tour soon to be taken, and Governor Ansel, Mayor Reamer and the chamber of commerce have sent him an urgent invitation. A delegation, headed by the governor, were on the point of going to Washington to press the invitation by personal appeal, but the president's private secretary begged them to wait until the president should get the tariff bill off his hands; and so they will go later.

PULLED TRIGGER WITH TOE.

Suicide of John Owens, of Fort Mill Township.

Fort Mill, July 19.—John Owens, a white farmer 55 years old, who lived in the upper part of this township, near the North Carolina line, killed himself Saturday at noon in the kitchen of his home. The dead man so arranged his shotgun as to pull the trigger with his toe. The load took effect in his face and neck, severing the jugular vein and horribly mangling the right side of the face. He died almost instantly.

WILL WORK ON CREDIT.

No Provision Made for Expense of the Election.

News comes from Columbia to the effect that the legislature made no appropriation for the August whiskey election. This means that the managers of the election and others who may be owed money on account of the approaching election in the 21 dispensary counties, will have to wait until the next session of the general assembly before they can be paid.

The act under which the election is to be held provides briefly in section 15, as follows: "Provided that the expenses of the election shall be borne by the State." Such elections as the one to be held in August have to be provided for at the following session of the legislature, after they are held. It is hard to tell exactly what the cost of the election will be.

In the approaching election, also the State will have to pay all expenses which includes the cost of room rent. In other elections, the counties stand the expense for rooms, etc., everything except the cost of managers and advertising. But, in the August election the State stands all the expenses. The election will probably cost the State in the neighborhood of \$10,000.

WOUNDED BY NEGRO.

Hayne Buford, Mail Clerk, Struck on the Head With Stone.

A special from Laurens on Saturday to the News and Courier says:

"In an altercation at the passenger station early this morning with Rich Curry, a negro hotel porter, Hayne Buford, of Newberry, a son of Sheriff Buford, of Newberry, and mail clerk on the mixed train between Laurens and Columbia, received a painful wound. Curry assaulted Mr. Buford with a large rock, striking him in the head, near the ear, cutting an ugly wound. He was knocked to the ground by the terrific blow, but, assisted by a companion, Buford arose and fired several shots at the negro as he was beating a hasty retreat from the scene. Curry was arrested and locked up, while Mr. Buford was removed to his boarding house and given immediate medical aid.

"It appears that Mr. Buford had had a previous clash with the negro, Curry, and when he met with the porter at the station this morning, he undertook to punish him with a cane for his alleged offensive conduct a few weeks ago. The negro, somewhat noted as a fighter, picked up a handy stone and hurled it at Buford with the result above indicated."

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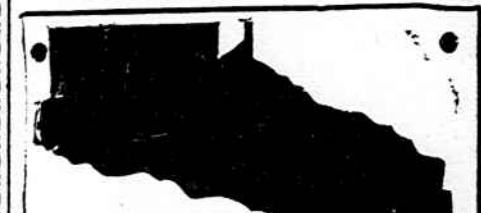
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