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ISENHOWER NOT GUILTY SAYS JURY

Col. L. Blaise Assails That Sated Duty Was Performed in Killing Negro Julie Smith.

York, S. C. Dec. 10.—After being out one and a half hours the jury in the Isenhower case brought in a verdict of not guilty at 3:26 o'clock this afternoon. The case, which the jury at 1 o'clock after which court adjourned for the noon recess. The verdict was returned immediately after the concluding remarks for the prosecution. The result was heard in silence by a packed court room, there being no sign of demonstration of any kind.

Court convened this morning at 9:30 o'clock, and preceding the concluding arguments in the case Julie Rice addressed a few remarks to the audience in which he called attention to the solemnity of the occasion and gave warning that he would tolerate no manifestation of approval or the reverse by those in the courtroom at any utterances of the attorneys in their arguments.

The closing hour for the defense was made by Cole L. Blaise. The speaker told the jurors that each one of them had an opportunity second to that of no man who has ever lived in South Carolina, and said that he would rather sit in their places on this court than write a verdict of not guilty than have any privilege of which he knew except to sit in the exclusive manor in Columbia and write a full pardon to all implicated in the affair. Mr. Blaise said that the real question before the jury was that of the presence of the woman Isenhower, he asserted, performed an absolutely sacred duty to God and man. He said he believed that ended the life of Julie Smith. "There is not a white man in South Carolina," he declared the speaker, "who would have acted differently under the circumstances."

Mr. Blaise maintained and attempted to demonstrate to the jury that from the course of the bullet that caused Raleigh Boulware's death after it entered his body it could not possibly have been fired by Isenhower. He had given the press on Isenhower that the bullet had not been produced in court, and accounted for this fact on the ground that Isenhower's pistol, which had been introduced in evidence was of a different caliber to the bullet that caused the deputy's death. Mr. Blaise spoke for a few minutes over one hour.

Solicitor J. K. Henry made the closing argument for the State, speaking for a little less than an hour. He made an earnest and impressive plea for law enforcement, saying the laws of the land were the trustees of the State a few years ago, among the Nations of Europe and that it was for the jurists of the land to say whether the laws were binding and should be observed or whether they were "mere scraps of paper" that could be violated at pleasure. "That is what the jurists," he declared the solicitor, "shall continue to exist and we shall be governed by it or shall we trample it underfoot?" He pointed out the evils of racial law and said the frenzy of relatives and friends did not give protection. The speaker said that the object of the law was to restrain the frenzy of human nature and combat the idea that lynchings were a deterrent to the commission of crime.

Solicitor Henry extolled Sheritt Hood, saying that he had sacrificed his honor on the altar of duty. He represented any appeal to the higher or unwritten law as an extension of Isenhower's alleged crime, and said that mob violence led to anarchy.

Judge Rice delivered a clear and comprehensive charge to the jury in which the law applying to the case was fully expounded. Shortly after the verdict had been returned by the jury court adjourned until Monday when the term's business will be resumed. The other Fairfield cases scheduled

OLDEST BALE IN THE WORLD GINNED IN 1862?

New York Cotton Firm Has Sample From a South Carolina Planter of This Date.

The following letter was written by Mr. Walter Stern, of Johnston, S. C. to the Cotton Office, New York, N. Y. Mr. Theodore Price in his paper Commerce and Finance (which is most popular paper published in New York) recently started a discussion in reference to the oldest bale in the world. While this discussion does not affect our present market, it is of interest not only to the cotton trade but to Northern investors and people out side of the cotton belt. In that it shows the imperishable qualities of cotton and the investment possibilities that cotton gives as the only commodity of its kind in the world that can be held indefinitely without deterioration.

We have in our possession a sample of a bale ginned in 1862. This cotton was picked by slave labor (ginned and placed in a ventilated barn) and has lasted a number of years. At the death of the owner it was placed in a local warehouse in South Carolina by the son of the raiser, and has been held by him largely out of sentiment to his father's memory.

We are very anxious to find older bales that would be of interest to the general public. If we know of a bale that was ginned prior to 1862, it would be of very great interest to the cotton world to know of it, to know when it was ginned, whether cultivated by slave labor, why it was held and such other details as would be of interest to the general public.

The idea in discussing a matter of this kind is largely to interest people in the cotton market. If the West and the North, purely from a speculative standpoint, realized the tremendous possibilities of buying and holding cotton the benefit would accrue entirely to the South. Every campaign of education which will show the people the many advantages of cotton, not only from a contract standpoint land in carrying contracts there is no interest, were honest if insurance charge, but simply a commission of four hundredths of a cent per pound, but from an actual standpoint will help the Southerner, and as a Southerner, the writer naturally has the interest of his home land at heart. We therefore ask our friends to advise us if they know of any bale that is still in existence, and if possible, to send us a small sample of the cotton and a little history of when it was ginned and why it was held so long. The benefit will accrue to the South and full credit will be given to you for any place us in touch with any older bale.

Trusting that we may have a little story from you along the above lines, we remain,
Very truly,
JOHNSTON, STORM & CO.

SAN JUAN HELD UP BY FRENCH CRUISER

New York, Dec. 11.—The steamer San Juan, of the New York and Porto Rico line, was held up and searched by a French cruiser while the steamer was bound from New Orleans to San Juan, P. R. according to a message received by the line today. Two second-class passengers were removed. The San Juan flies the American flag.

The advice, which came from the collector of customs at San Juan, said that six men, all either German or Austrian subjects, had been taken from the three vessels. Two native Germans, who had taken out American citizenship papers, it was said, were not molested aboard the Coamo.

Roanoke, Va. Dec. 11.—Reports from various points in Virginia indicate that the season's first real snow is falling tonight over the entire State. The fall, which began here about 6 o'clock, has reached a depth of five inches at midnight, with the flakes continuing to drip with unusual volume.

MUSHROOM TOWN BURNED OFF MAP

Lynching of Looter Only Fatality in Connection With Dissasur's Wrath of Etemet.

Hopewell, Va. Dec. 9.—This small town of 250 people has since last summer with the great loss of population (that of the Dupont Powder Company, was completely wiped off the map today by a fire which started in a restaurant and did property damage estimated at \$200,000. The lynchings of Etemet, the settler, was undamaged but was once seriously threatened. Villages A and B near Hopewell, built to house the families of married employees of the factory, also escaped.

Not a building in the town proper was left standing. The banks of the Hopewell State and the Farmers and Merchants' were destroyed. However, all their cash and securities on hand were removed to Petersburg.

WINTER DEADLOCK OVERTAKES ARMIES

London, Dec. 11.—The main armies of Europe apparently have settled down into winter deadlock in the trenches. No news of important engagements along the main lines have been issued for several days. The Italians continue to bombard Georgia, but the complete fall of that town, which has been expected to fall at any hour for the past fortnight, is still delayed.

The Austro-Germans have withdrawn from Lemberg, Galicia, according to a Kiev dispatch, which gives the prevalence of scurvy as a factor, which has been expected to consider it more reasonable to believe that the lines are being shortened for winter.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS.

FOR LADS, S. C.
Dear Santa Claus—
Please send me your photo on a pin also some cards of yourself, and don't forget to send me the book showing all the pretty toys you have this Christmas as I want to pick out what I want you to bring me.
Your little friend,
Mattie McWaters.

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Please send me your photo on a pin also some cards of yourself, and don't forget to send me the book showing all the pretty toys you have this Christmas as I want to pick out what I want you to bring me.
Your little friend,
Mattie McWaters.

Avon, S. C. Dec. 3, 1915.
Please bring me a "Sport Coat," and all kinds of fruits and nuts. I am going to school every day and am in the seventh grade. My teacher is Miss Augusta Douglas. I am fourteen years old. I have two brothers, one is ten years old and the other six. Please bring the oldest one an air gun and some bullets, and the youngest one an Aeroplane flight Merry-go-round and a Jumping Frog in a Box. And bring them all kinds of fruits and nuts. I will ever your bring will be appreciated. We will be good children.
Your little friend,
Alberta Harden.

AMERICAN RIGHTS MUST BE ASSURED

Senator Lodge Says American Life of Much More Importance Than Dollar.

Washington, Dec. 10.—The long expected report of the House Administration's conduct of the defense of American rights on the seas broke in Congress today when Senator Hoke Smith, Democrat, demanded an investigation of Great Britain's interference with neutral trade and Senator Lodge, Republican, replied that the report of an investigation should include the loss of American lives.

"The body of an innocent child floating dead in the water, the victim of a violation of an international vessel, is to me a most poignant and a more tragic spectacle than an sold haul of goods," declared the Massachusetts Senator.

To Senator Smith's resolution for an investigation of trade interference Senator Lodge, who is the ranking majority member of the Foreign Relations Committee, offered an amendment for investigation of the submarine attacks on the Lusitania, Falaba, Hesperian, Arabic, Guilford and Ancon and of the plots and operations against the neutrality of the United States which President Wilson referred in vigorous terms to his address to Congress Tuesday.

Both resolutions were referred to the Foreign Relations Committee. Their introduction has served to bring out the first debate of the session on a subject to which all minds had turned.

Senators on both sides of the Chamber were drawn into the discussion which was precipitated by a vigorous speech by Senator Smith in support of his resolution.

"I wish to extend the scope of the resolution by my amendment," said the Senator, "because if we are to take up this question of the violation of our rights, I want to put it not on the lowest ground alone but on the highest ground as well. I think it is of great importance that we should vindicate our rights as a neutral nation, but I think it is more important that we should extend protection and assure security to American citizens for I don't believe that any Government can long retain the respect of its own people if it does not give them the protection to which they are entitled."

"Although I am as anxious as anyone can be to care for our rights in trade if they are violated, no American lives are more important than American dollars. It is especially if Germany is to take action, that we are entitled to take action of our rights that may have occurred. The most important is the violation which has affected American lives or the security of an American citizen—man, woman or child. The next most important are those protected by the President of the United States in his message the other day when he referred to the destruction of life in the United States and stated that consociations in alien interests are going on within our own borders.

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FOR MERCHANT GETS LARGE FEE

William A. Barber of New York Divides With Another Lawyer \$3,000 Honorarium.

William A. Barber, a former Chester resident, has been awarded the New York City honorarium of \$3,000 for his services in the case of the late Mr. Barber and Alvin E. Barber, who were partners in the late Mr. Barber's business with the late Mr. Barber, J. S. & Co. of New York.

Mr. Barber is a former attorney at law in New York City, and is now a member of the faculty of the University of South Carolina and a past and last year at commencement, delivered an address at the annual celebration.

THIS POLICEMAN 85 YEARS OLD

Cassion, O., Dec. 10.—Ohio's oldest policeman, Michael Elmas, 85, quit his job today and thus ended twenty-one years' active service. He quit because he wants to spend the remaining years of his life with his wife, who is not so well as she once was. Walking ten miles a day on his beat kept the veteran preserver of law and order in good physical condition. Elmas claims he has walked 25,000 miles since his 64th birthday. He has also had a good record for a man who started at not far short of the three score mark. Mentally, Elmas is alert as a man of 40. He is a veteran and draws a pension. He says he would like to keep on working, but he hasn't a life time before him any more and wants to be with his wife as much as possible. His son, H. W. Elmas, is director of public safety.

AN IMPORTANT MEETING OF CHESTER CIRCUIT.

The Board of Stewards and the officials of the Chester Circuit are called to meet at the Methodist parsonage, Wednesday, Dec. 22nd. The officers are requested to bring their wives along with them that part of the day at least may be spent in a social way. A full attendance of the board of officers is most earnestly requested.

REMAINS IN CHESTER. Rev. W. T. Duncan Retains Pastorate of Circuit.

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from the sale of ammunition. "Those who have considered it most mercenary to criticize Great Britain for interfering with neutral trade," said the Georgia Senator, "have been persons, who, to say the least, have not let anything in their power to help our country."

DEED OF SUBMARINE MUST BE DISAVOWED

French and British Rebuttle Several Bulgarian Moves in Rearguard Action, According to Paris.

The United States government has demanded from Austria that it disavow the military operations of that government's submarines in the Adriatic, and that it refrain from the practice of the submarine commander and deny for the Austrian an article in the London Standard.

The United States government is declared to be "disappointed and indignant." The United States expresses the dual intention to accede to its demands promptly.

Austria's delay in replying to the American government's request for details concerning the Austro-Serbian submarine operations is due to its inability to communicate with the submarine involved. Nothing is known of its whereabouts and it is considered possible in Vienna that it may have met with misfortune.

The British official communication admits serious casualties and the loss of eight guns in the retreat in the face of overwhelming numbers.

What is to be Greece's stand towards the straits allied troops if they are compelled to reenter Greek territory is still unknown. A dispatch from Saloniki says the Greek ministers that Greece is disposed to offer every concession not incompatible with her national neutrality. Meanwhile, fresh contingents of British troops have been landed at Saloniki.

Along the Albanian frontier and in Montenegro the Teutonic allies continue to harass the Serbians and Montenegrins. The occupation of Korica and Kozani in Montenegro and the capture of 6,000 prisoners and 40 Serbian guns are reported in the Austrian official communication.

On the other battle fronts the winter part of the fighting is being done by the artillery with an occasional air raid.

WHAT ONE MAN MADE ON A SMALL GARDEN.

A record to be proud of is that made by W. B. Phillips, of R. R. No. 2 who lives on the Rocky creek road, who from one-fourth of an acre has harvested this year 1,000 head of cabbage, 100 bushels of Irish potatoes, 40 bushels of snap beans, 17 bushels of cow peas and 110 bushels of turnips.

Taken at the moderate price of 3 1/2 cents each for the cabbage, \$1 per bushel for the Irish potatoes \$2 for the peas and 60 cents for the turnips, the result is near \$3,000.

It is not considered bad for such a small plot. The last year such produce was raised is what is termed "made" earth, being very fertile.—Greenville News.

Some Old Christmas Superstitions.

If you will so on the crossroads on the 11th and 12th on Christmas night you will hear what most concerns you in the coming year.

If on Christmas eve you make a little heap of salt on the table, and let it melt overnight you will die next year. If in the morning it remains undissolved, you will live.

If a shirt be spun, woven and sewed by a pure, chaste maiden on Christmas day it will be a proof against any evil.

If you are born on a stormy day on Christmas morning you can save your spirit.

If you burn elder on Christmas eve you will have recovered to you all the witches and the sorcerers of the neighborhood.

It is unlucky to carry anything forth from the house on Christmas morning until something has been brought into it.

ANCIENT SERBIAN CITY

SEMENDRIA HAS LONG BEEN KNOWN IN HISTORY.

Its Trade, Chiefly With Vienna and Budapest, Has Spoiled That Have Made it Notes—At One Time Strongly Fortified.

Semendria, where the shells from Abruzzo certain batteries led in preparation for the Teutonic drive toward the Golden Horn, is one of the first commercial towns of Serbia, says a new primer issued by the National Geographic society. "Serbia is an agricultural country. Pigs and grains are its ranking exports, and the greater part of the Serbian exports are pigs, and almost all of its export in cereals, passed through Semendria in peace times. Its trade has been done chiefly with Vienna and Budapest. Among its exports are a superior white grape and a delicious wine.

"There is an interesting tradition connected with the grapes of Semendria. It is told that the Serbian Prince George Brankovich brought cuttings of the grape vines of Semendria and planted them upon his sunny estates in Hungary, where he became the lord of Tokay there. This transplanting of the Serbian grapes took place in the fifteenth century, and it is from these cuttings that Hungary's famous, spicy white wine, Tokay, came. This, the little Serbian city is the greatest producer of the Hungarian wine. The fiery, aromatic glass from Hungary which is prized by connoisseurs the world around.

"Semendria lies upon the Danube, between Belgrade and the Iron Gates. It is situated about 25 miles east from the Serbian capital. It is said to stand upon the site of the Roman city Moma Aurelia, and legend has it that its famous grape vines were planted by the Roman Emperor Probus. Therefore, may be interesting, the royal wine had an imperial beginning, and the perfect product of today can boast a long and glorious past.

"At one time a powerful fortress guarded the approach to the city. It was a thick-walled, triangular structure, said to have been built in 1430, and for a long time it was a distinguishing feature of the small place and the river crossing which it guarded. Semendria has been under attack several times in the course of its history, and one battle of great importance took place here in 1411, when the Turks forced their way through a Danube choker with the bodies of the heroic Magyar defenders.

"Semendria has often been a favored residence of the Serbian ruler and from 1430 to 1459 it was the capital of the state. The town has a famous setting upon the broad river, here narrowing for its passage of the Iron Gates just below it. The country around it is broken and wooded. The population is about 7,500, and, despite a thriving wool production and an expanding commerce, this population has remained about the same through the last score of years. It is connected with the Belgrade-Nish railway, the main products artery in the country. Its ruined old triangular fortress still stands, the most interesting architectural feature in the city, and its 24 square towers are sentinels of Semendria today. In the days of George Brankovich, father of Tokay wine, who built the town. The fortress was built on the model of the Constantinian walls.

Star is Lost.
In a recent communication to *L'As-tromic*, M. Raymond of Antibes reported that he was no longer able to see the companion of Alpha Centauri, which he had previously observed, and asked to have his observation verified at Antibes, equipped with large telescopes. The object has since been sought in vain with the 21.5 reflector of the observatory of Mar. It will be interesting to learn whether still more powerful telescopes can detect it. The companion in question has heretofore been described as a star of the eleventh or twelfth magnitude, distant about eleven seconds from the primary. M. Raymond also notes an apparent change of color between the two stars, which was first observed by Herschel in 1833 and his own observations of 1909 and 1910—Scientific American.

Difference in Bacilli.
It was stated in a paper read before the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis that human tubercular bacilli possibly vary in virulence in different patients. Ten bacilli have been found sufficient to infect a guinea pig in some instances, and in others 100 have been found necessary. Immunity in animals may be obtained by the injection of increasing numbers of tubercular bacilli, beginning with one or two and cautiously increasing the number from a culture, the minimum fatal dose of which is about 50, or in some injection of, say, 100 or 200 bacilli of a virulent culture to cause a local lesion which can be cut out, preliminary procedures have been taken to prevent the spread of infection.

Era of Pure Food.
"Shall I serve the dish sir?" asked the waiter.
"Yes, you may serve it."
"And now about the chemical analysis, shall I make it, or will you, sir?"—Louisville Courier-Journal.

ACROSS THE BROOK

By CLARA BIRD MACKIE.

"Oh, wait a moment, Mr. Winters," Grace called. "I want to tell you something of special interest to our class is coming on this afternoon's train. Will you take me to meet him, please?"

"Certainly. As a man, I suppose," she nodded, "Mr. Carver, you will like Horace immensely," she said enthusiastically.

"I don't suppose you'll have time to take any more rides in the little red car," he said grimly.

"I'm afraid I won't have much time," she admitted. "You have been so kind—and give me so many delectable rides in the car. I shall be always remembering the dear little red car," she smiled.

"Long after you've forgotten the matter," he asked quickly, as he strode away.

She called after him to tell him that Horace Carver was coming on the 4:30 train. He nodded grimly and went on his way.

Grace watched him, a fine, upstanding young man, a successful farmer, a power in the village, a man with a future ahead of him. People predicted that he would be one of the great ones. Grace, remembering Horace Carver and his social prestige. She had often wondered why her plain, practical parents married the indolent Horace and his pleasure-seeking life. Only last night Mr. Pitt had declared that the girl who married young Winters would be the better one.

She amused herself with this thought and then, finding that it was not unpleasant to consider, dismissed it as a waste of time.

Ferd's little red car was at the door. But the little red car seemed reluctant to meet Horace Carver and by the time he had coasted up the railroad station the 4:30 train had come and gone and the station agent reported that the solitary arrival had crossed the road and taken the short cut through the woods to Mapleshade farm.

"We will overtake him on the wood road," said Ferd confidently. The wood road went through miles of oak trees. Thunder rumbled ominously, the sun darkened and was hidden from view and warm drops of rain pattered on the leaves.

"We can reach the top of the hill and run home across the pasture," called Ferd above the patter. "They will be with us with the car-shiverer Grace," she was afraid of the sharp lightning flashes.

"Leave it up to the top of the hill. I'll spread a rubber blanket over it." "You, Horace," said Ferd. "I'm afraid he will get awfully wet."

"He won't mind that," reassured Ferd carelessly. Grace wondered if Horace would mind. She knew he would; he was very particular about his clothes. She liked to see a man fussy about clothes, although Ferd was his well-dressed garments with careless unconcern that was vastly becoming.

"Why am I always comparing these two men?" she asked herself indignantly. "I expect to marry Horace some day—oh, is it time to leave the car?" she asked as Ferd stopped the machine and got out.

"Yes, let me help you put this dust coat on. There you are!" He covered the little car with a rubber blanket, and together they hurried down the hillside through the driving rain.

When they reached the brook, Horace Carver stood there hesitating. "This is certainly long way from civilization," he muttered, gripping his suit case and hatbox with dripping fingers.

ROAD BUILDING

POOR ROADS ARE EXPENSIVE

More Fuzz Over Freight Rates Than Cost of Hauling Crops From Farm to Railroad.

A good deal of fuss is raised over freight rates, and everybody who has anything to do with the transportation of crops or merchandise is up in arms the moment railroad gives the least intimation that freight rates are to be advanced. But at the same time, there is a strong tendency to give no attention to the cost of hauling farm crops from their point of origin on the farm to the railroad station; a matter of greater concern than all the railroad rates in the world, says Fruit Grower and Farmer.

Uncle Sam has found that it costs in the neighborhood of 25 cents a mile to haul a ton over the average country road. But this cost may run up to ten times this figure over bad roads, and be reduced as many times over good roads with modern vehicles. This cost is something that is rarely ever figured in by the producer when summing up his marketing expense, even though it will frequently make a figure that is not much less than the cost of getting his produce to the distant market by rail.

Good roads are expensive to build and are more or less of an expense to maintain, but if it were possible to compare the lowest cost of transporting the farm produce over the road before and after improvement it would be found that the cost was paid back with interest within a very few years after improvement. Low grades are of first consideration, for it costs more money to haul over a hilly road than over a level one, where the surface is the same. But on almost any road, it is easily possible to have at least a smooth surface on which to drive.

The King drag is the implement that will make the surface smooth and keep it smooth. And the wonder of it is that these things do not have a drag as an essential part of their equipment. Road dragging time is just coming with the breaking up of the snow, and the consequent payment of mud. Heavy traffic over such roads makes rut and bad roads of the worst sort, unless the ruts are filled by dragging. It is easy to keep your road dragged this year, and lower the cost of hauling your produce to market.

Remember also, that wide-tired wagons pull more easily than narrow-tired ones 30 per cent of the times.



Example of Mountain Road Building in Colorado.

When they are used. The wide tire does not cut so deep and makes a better track on roads which are traveled while the ground is soft. The wide tire packs the surface into a firm roadbed, and thus enables it to drain well in time of rain.

In cornfields, plowed fields, field lanes and on roads and alleys lead, the draft on the wide tire is considerably less, no matter what the condition of the soil. The wide tire does not cut up the mud or hold as does the narrow tire. This is also important as a smooth surface in the meadow is much easier to mow over.

Use the tire less than four inches on your fields or on soft roads; make a King road drag and use it. Thus lower your own freight rates by lowering your hauling costs.

Keep Weeds Away.
Weeds must be kept several feet from the wheel-track else they will draw the moisture from the roadbed. This loosens it especially true in regions of moderate rainfall.

Your Roads.
How about that road in front of your farm? Has it not cut out your wheel-log and smooth it down at the right time? Did you fill up the low places? Take a little self-drive in the road that runs in front of your place and see that it is in good shape for yourself and your neighbor.

Road-Building Habit.
The road-building habit is confined to no one locality. It is a toothhold in 48 states. All classes take to it.

SOREHEAD IN POULTRY

Extremely Contagious Disease of Fowls Can Cause Serious Loss Unless Promptly Checked.

Sorehead, a disease of chickens caused by spores of a common mold, appears when fowls come in contact with moldy litter or moldy grain. It seems not to be a constitutional disease. It is usually caused to the face, comb, wattles and ear-lobes, eyes, nostrils, and mouth, but is occasionally found under the wings in advanced stages. The disease is extremely contagious and may spread through a flock in two or three days.

Sorehead is of two kinds, dry and soft. According to the surface attacked by the spores. If it is on the mucous membrane of the eye, mouth, or nostrils, the moist type develops; if on the skin of the face or other external parts, it will be the dry or warty variety. The moist type is a most serious disease, growing rapidly. It soon shows the spalls, which swell to an enormous size, blind the fowl, and causes it to waste away and die.

When sorehead appears, it is not necessary to isolate the diseased fowls from the flock. Look for the spores in the feed and if it is found replace it with fresh. Check the disease by coloring the drinking water pink with a few crystals of potassium permanganate, and paint the face and comb of the apparently well chickens with equal parts of creolin and water, or a weak solution of potassium permanganate of potash. Give appetizing food. It is advisable to mix the egg mash with buttermilk or sour skim milk and feed several times daily. Cook cheap meat, cut it up, and throw to the chickens.

The fowls that have the warts should be caught and the crust of each wart removed. The tissue underneath is red. Dip a clean feather in one of the remedies named below and rub the red tissue with the liquid. Next morning the treated wart will have a black scab over it, which dries and falls off in three or four days. A weak lager one cannot do better where the wart was.

In treating the moist variety, it is necessary to drop the remedy into the eye, nostrils, or whatever organ is attacked. This seems cruel, but it saves the fowl.

The remedy the writer prefers is a saturated solution of potassium permanganate. We have not used a chicken from sorehead since using this remedy. It will eradicate the disease from the eye and, if used liberally, will cure the digital, or pad remedies are iodine, creolin, or similar disinfectant, solemol, all need undiluted; purple solution of potassium permanganate, liquid shoe polish (black), and solution of copper sulphate (as much as will lie on a 25-cent piece, dissolved in a cup of water). A clean feather is best for applying the remedy.

FRANK C. HALE,
Extension Poultry Husbandman,
Clemson Agricultural College.

A TREE OF DOUBLE VALUE

South Carolina Farmers Urged to Plant Pecan For Its Shade as Well as Its Fruit.

I have before me pecan nuts of the 1915 crop that were grown on the Coastal section of South Carolina and some of them that were produced in the extreme northwestern corner of the state at an elevation of 900 feet. These nuts, representing one of our best varieties, the Stuart, are excellent evidence that the pecan will thrive in practically every locality in South Carolina, from the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains to the seacoast.

Each of our farm homes should be surrounded by nut-bearing trees rather than by other trees of less beauty and no economic value. Pecans bring high prices for small, inferior nuts when about our very doors can be grown the choicest sorts. Furthermore, there are large possibilities in the production of pecans for commercial purposes. Standard varieties seldom sell for less than 20 cents a pound, yet there is a profit in growing pecans at 10 cents a pound. A pecan orchard of good varieties gives pleasure as well as profit and is to any farm or suburban home a permanent and valuable asset.

The most important point in the successful establishment of a pecan orchard is to use vigorous trees of good varieties. Varieties recommended for South Carolina are Stuart, Schley, Success, Van Deman, Proschke, Patent, and Money-Maker. Set the trees carefully in large deep holes about 60 feet apart each way. Give them as much care and attention as is given your most profitable farm crop and you will not be disappointed in the results. A neglected pecan tree will yield no more profitable return than will any other neglected crop or fruit tree.

It is well to plant the orchards to garden or field crops, driving stakes beside the trees to prevent them from being bruised in cultivating. Intense cultivation and fertilizing of the crops between the rows of trees will usually be sufficient to keep the pecans growing thrifty.

A few nuts may be expected from each tree in three years after transplanting the trees to prevent them from being bruised in cultivating. Intense cultivation and fertilizing of the crops between the rows of trees will usually be sufficient to keep the pecans growing thrifty.

For Chilly Nights and Frosty Mornings

A SMOKELESS, odorless PERFECTION OIL HEATER is just what you need.

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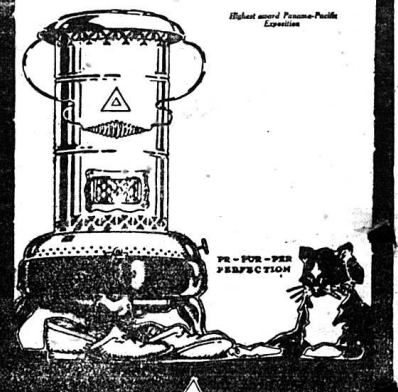
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The Semi-Weekly News

Forty-Four, Hough Gift Suggestions

Designed to Lighten the Christmas Worries of Mankind
Preceded by a Receipt for Happiness

Happiness goes out from the heart before it comes in. It never by any chance stays at home. You can harvest it for the common good, but you cannot store it for your sole individual use. You can lend it but you cannot borrow it, you can earn it but you cannot buy it, you can spend it but you cannot accumulate it. A man must contribute to the stock of human joys before he can participate in its profits. To seek happiness without giving it is a futile quest, and our longings for what we have not learned to give to others are as empty bottles in the wine cellar of the soul. Happiness really never was any good in this world but to give away!

- A sewing set for a fellow's sister.
- An engagement pad for some other fellow's sister.
- A jewel case for a "jewel" in a Rock Hill.
- A toilet set for your wife.
- A silver shoe horn for the "prettiest foot in town".
- A boudoir vase for a bachelor girl.
- A mirror for a woman who deserves it.
- Yourself in a frame for the girl back home.
- A trinket tray for a debutante.
- A cologne bottle for a girl with yellow hair in Winnsboro.
- A humidifier for a wife to a suitor.
- A masters set for a girl who saves money.
- An ash tray for a man who burns it.
- An umbrella for Uncle Edward.
- A cigar case for Cousin Jim.
- A tea caddy set for Aunt Jane.

- A magnifying glass for a fault-finding friend.
- A silver match box "from one sport to another."
- An embroidery set for a woman who has nothing to do.
- A card case for brother Jack.
- A silver button hook for sister Mabel.
- A smelling salts bottle for a man about town.
- A cigarette holder for a man about sixteen.
- A cigar cutter for a "friend of the family."
- Comb, brush and mirror for a young man's fiancée.
- A "breakfast companion" for "the June bride's" Christmas.
- A silver pencil for the groom to figure the cost of living.
- A blue shopping bag for a lady with blue eyes.
- A brief case for a man "called to the bar."

- A collarette for a man who keeps a bar of his own.
- A mesh bag from Brother Tom to Sister Sue.
- A gold pen knife from Sue to Tom.
- Five o'clock tea spoons to a young mantron.
- A vanity box for a pretty young thing in Charlotte.
- Knife, fork and spoon for little Willie.
- Napkin rings from the children to Mother.
- A gold match box from children to Father.
- A silver belt buckle for Missie.
- A pendant for diminutive Miggos.
- An assortment of pin cushions for an assortment of aunts.
- An assortment of paper cutters for an assortment of uncles.
- A silver bottle opener for a liberal host.
- A book marker for your pastor.

H. K. HOUGH

Wise's Old Stand

Wise's Old Stand

COLD TROUBLES ARE DANGEROUS GOWANS RELIEVES QUICKLY

A great many people in this section are suffering from cold troubles just now, and it is believed that many of them welcome the fact that there is a remedy offered by druggists known as Gowans, which has proven the most effective in all forms of cold troubles, such as head and chest colds, croup, coughs, whooping cough, pneumonia, inflammation, congestion, catarrh, bronchitis, asthma, etc. A simple head or chest cold today may be a serious bronchial or lung trouble tomorrow. One application of Gowans on the throat and chest, has been known to entirely relieve a cold in one

night. Doctors have found Gowans of great help in serious cases of congestion, inflammation and pneumonia, by rubbing it well on the chest, between the shoulder blades and under the arms. It is very powerful and penetrates to the seat of the trouble quickly, relieving the inflammation, breaking up the congestion and reducing the fever, as no other remedy will do. At druggists in 50c, 50c and \$1.00 bottles. Demand Gowans because Gowans is more penetrating. Samples and testimonials on request. If sent to the Gowans Medical Co., Concord, N. C.



See Me and See Best
I advise and furnish glasses only when they aid or improve vision, holding your Eyes and my profession above selfish interest.

DR. H. W. LEWIS, Optometrist
Walker-Henry Building, Gaston St., Chester, S. C.

FINAL DISCHARGE.
Notice is hereby given that on January 5, 1916 I will file my final return as administrator of the Estate of William H. Hign, Deceased in the Probate Court for Chester County and apply to said Court for Letters of dismission as such administrator.
MRS. MARY F. PINO, Adm.

COOK STOVES and Ranges
ALL GRADES
Clark Furniture Co.

FIRST AND FINAL RETURN.
Notice is hereby given that on the 23rd Day of December 1915, being Thursday at eleven o'clock A. M. I will make my First and Final Return of the Estate of A. W. McFadden, deceased unto Hon. A. W. Wise, Probate Judge for Chester County, S. C. and upon such return being made and passed by said Judge of Probate I will apply unto him for Letters of dismission.
W. C. McFADDEN, Administrator of the Est. of A. W. McFadden, deceased, Chester, S. C. November 29th, 1915.

Cut Glass and China
Another big shipment just received.
Don't buy until you see our line.
Pitchers, Sugar Bowls and Cream Pitchers, Salad Dishes, all sizes and shapes.
Our Karnac Brass is something out of the ordinary.
We extend a special invitation to call and inspect this new addition to our business.

The Chester Drug Company
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STOMACH Out Of Fix?

"Phone any grocer or soda fountain in Chester for one dozen pints of Shivar Ginger Ale. Drink one pint with each meal and if not promptly relieved instruct your grocer to charge it to the manufacturer, as authorized."

SHIVAR GINGER ALE
Tonic-Digestive-Delicious
Is prepared with the celebrated Shivar Mineral Water and purest fermentation. Absolutely guaranteed to relieve any case of dyspepsia or indigestion, or your money refunded.
Bottled only by Shivar Springs, Shelton, S. C.
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Farmers Can Reduce Freight as Well as First Cost of Feed if They Cooperate.

HOMEGROWN PRODUCTS

Wherever Possible, Farmer Should Use Grains and Forage Produced at Home—When Necessary to Purchase, Cooperate With Neighbors—Some Suggestions on Feeding Under Present Conditions of Feed-stuffs Market.

The prevailing prices of some feeds, especially cotton seed meal and bulk, are just what the farmer can afford to pay for his feed. The most economical feeds available for our livestock. Many of our farmers have profited by advice urged upon them last year to grow more grain, produce more forage in the form of cover crops, etc. and build soils where their conditions justify.

Wherever possible a farmer should make use of all home-grown grains and forage, thereby reducing his feed bill to a minimum. Oats, corn, rice meal, wheat bran, etc. in addition to cottonseed meal, are all good feeds to consider in making up the rations for livestock. However, the economy of feeding naturally depends on the cost of the product and market conditions. In many instances farmers have some grain or roughage that has been slightly damaged by rain or other causes. To market such products would be to sell at a low price and often at a loss. Much of this feed can be used profitably by the producer who raises the stock provided it is not damaged by mold or rot. In fact, some of these feeds are practically as good for feeding as the brighter and higher priced feeds.

Where it is necessary to purchase feedstuffs, a considerable saving can be realized if neighbors will cooperate in buying large quantities. Ten tons of feedstuffs at the minimum carload in this state and buying in carload lots will reduce the freight rate as well as the first cost of the feed. It is best to purchase such quantities of wheat bran and rice meal as can be purchased for around \$20 per ton, or even considerably less, at which price the feedstuffs will constitute a part of the ration with some profit.

Cottonseed meal is very high in price at present but we must not lose sight of the fact that such a very high value, especially for beef and dairy cattle and horses and mules. Unless this feed runs considerably over \$25 per ton, it will prove economical to use cottonseed meal as a part of the ration.

The ration may be improved by the use of corn-and-cob meal, ground oats and other bran, as such feeds lighten the ration and also add variety, which tends to keep up appetite, an essential to successful feeding.

Professor of Animal Husbandry, Clemson Agricultural College.

The profit in fruit trees is in the pruning-shed and the spray can. Don't try to get something for nothing from your orchard.

GLANDERS CASES SELDOM SEEN NOW

Dread Disease Almost Eradicated from this State, Where It Once Prevalent.

LAW STRICTLY ENFORCED

Control and Eradication of Disease Made Possible by Statute Protecting State Against Importations of Uninspected Animals—Only One Case of Glanders in South Carolina in Eighteen Months.

Glanders, one of the most destructive diseases of horses and mules and one that may be contracted by man, has been almost eradicated from South Carolina. Dr. Robert O. Powell, State Veterinarian at Clemson College, has announced that in the last eighteen months only one case of glanders has been found in the state. For three years, in fact, no cases of glanders have been scarce and it is believed that with a continuation of precautionary methods this state need not fear another case of this dread disease. Dr. Powell attributes the control of glanders in South Carolina to the enforcement of the law prohibiting the importation of animals without certain certificates.

Several years ago, when the law that is now Section 522 of the Criminal Code was passed, glanders was quite prevalent in certain sections of the state. Section 522 made it unlawful "to bring into the state any horses, mules, asses, cattle, sheep or swine for work, feeding, or breeding of dairy purposes, unless such animals have been examined and found free from" glanders, tuberculosis, scabies, and a number of other diseases. This law from disease must be established by a certificate of health from an official veterinarian in the place of shipment. There are other provisions in the law, all of them making it possible for the veterinary division of Clemson College to control outbreaks of contagious diseases in this state.

This law was put into force by the veterinarians of the college, as soon as it was passed and it was especially effective in checking glanders. Wherever a case of this disease was found the animal was destroyed and the premises disinfected carefully. Little by little the disease has retreated before the vigilant fight that has been made by the veterinarians of the college, much in the control of other contagious diseases also, but it is in glanders that the effects have been most noticeable.

"Practically all states now have such a law about importing animals," said the State Veterinarian. "If there were no such law in South Carolina, our state would be a dumping ground for diseased stock from all parts of the country. This law is a great protection to our farmers."

When there is hog cholera in your herd or in the herd on the next farm, do not wait. Order serum from the labs here from the Veterinary Division of Clemson College and get in touch with the county agent.

A NEW THREE-YEAR OLD CROP ROTATION

A good winter task for farmers is the planning of a crop rotation. Following is a new three-year rotation that is recommended by South Carolina farmers and has proved satisfactory, but the new one given here is better in certain respects and there is a reason. Any farmer of this state should adopt it at once. This reason is that it will add itself to well soiled conditions and farmers should become used to it before the boll weevil arrives in South Carolina at a date that cannot now be very distant.

	COTTON	GRAIN	CORN
FIRST YEARS CROP	In Sept. or Oct. sow oats and vetch in middles and cut for hay or harvest for seed the following spring. If wheat is preferred to oats and vetch may be turned after harvesting cotton, and wheat sown after first frost.	When grain is harvested, sow to peas for hay (or for turning if preferred). Follow the following order by crimson clover or vetch. If sown in clover, may be turned after harvesting cotton, and wheat sown after first frost.	Plant velvet beans in corn or soy cowpeas in middles. Turn in fall or winter and plow to cotton after thorough spring discing. (Abruzzi eye may be sown as cover crop after fall breaking. Rye should be disc'd before turning in early spring.)
SECOND YEARS CROP	When grain is harvested, sow to peas or hay (or for turning if preferred). Follow peas in September by crimson clover or vetch. If sown to clover, strip seed before planting to corn the following spring.	Plant velvet beans in corn or soy cowpeas in middles. Turn in fall or winter and plant to cotton after thorough spring discing. (Abruzzi eye may be sown as cover crop after fall breaking. Rye should be disc'd before turning in early spring.)	In Sept. or Oct. sow oats and vetch in middles and cut for hay or winter and plow to cotton after thorough spring discing. (Abruzzi eye may be sown as cover crop after fall breaking. Rye should be disc'd before turning in early spring.)
THIRD YEARS CROP	Plant velvet beans in corn or soy cowpeas in middles. Turn in fall or winter and plow to cotton after thorough spring discing. (Abruzzi eye may be sown as cover crop after fall breaking. Rye should be disc'd before turning in early spring.)	In Sept. or Oct. sow oats and vetch in middles and cut for hay (or for turning if preferred). Follow the following order by crimson clover or vetch. If sown to clover, strip seed before planting to corn the following spring.	When grain is harvested, sow to peas for hay (or for turning if preferred). Follow the following order by crimson clover or vetch. If sown to clover, strip seed before planting to corn the following spring.

THE EXTENSION DIVISION, Clemson Agricultural College.

Christmas Suggestions

for Christmas Shoppers

Let us help you to make your Christmas Shopping Easy.

We have on display for your consideration Christmas presents for every one—little folks and big folks, young people and old people. A visit to our store will convince you that we have just what you want to give. Here is a list of very acceptable gifts:

Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Furs, Neckwear, Hosiery, Kimonos, Bath Robes, Boudoir Caps, Fancy Towels, Table Linen, Rugs, Boudoir Slippers, Parasols, Waists, Skirts, Shoes, Hats, Coat Suits, Hand Bags, Suit Cases and many other articles equally as acceptable.

Christmas Shopping Made Easy When You Shop With Us.

THE BIG STORE

The S. M. Jones Company

MARKETS

Cotton Market Today.

Cotton-seed 65 cents
Cotton 11.75 cts.

LOCAL and PERSONAL

"WITHIN THE LAW" vividly portrays one year of New York life at Opera House tonight.

Meadows V. B. and D. B. McPherson of Rock Hill, spent Friday in Chester with Dr. and Mrs. R. H. McFadden.

MILLINERY at half price—All of the stylish winter hats, including many of the prettiest shapes and models, are offered at half-price in order to dispose of stock before Jan. 1st. Fine opportunity to secure a stylish hat cheap. Come before stock is picked over. The Gill Agnew Millinery Store.

"WITHIN THE LAW," a real melodrama with a big story full of merriment and life at the Opera House tonight.

Miss Kate Willford spent the weekend with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Willford, at York.

"WITHIN THE LAW," a great melodrama at the Opera House tonight.

LADIES, greatly reduced prices on all coat suits. Rodman-Brown Company.

Mr. J. H. Rudwell, of Rock Hill, spent the week-end in Chester.

HOLEPROOF HOSE for men, women and children. Come put up 2 and 6 pairs in a box and guaranteed for 3 and 6 months wear. E. E. Cloud.

Newberry has been selected as the 1916 convention city of the Baptists of South Carolina. This was decided upon yesterday in Greenville where the convention is now going on.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Abernathy, of Fort Lawn, were Rock Hill visitors Friday.

LADIES—SEE OUR coat suits before you buy. We have made big reductions on them. Rodman-Brown Co.

Rev. W. A. Hafner, who for the past eight years has served the congregation of the Presbyterian Church, at Fort Mill, has accepted a call to Gaffney, which call he has had under consideration for some time. Rev. Hafner has a number of relatives and friends in Chester.

FOR A XMAS PRESENT—Buy an all linen initial handkerchief at Rodman-Brown Co.

VERY SPECIAL prices on services dresses this week. E. E. Cloud.

FOR A XMAS PRESENT: Buy a Necktie at Rodman-Brown Co.

Dr. A. D. P. Gilmour, pastor of Purly Presbyterian church, was inducted Sunday and was unable to conduct the morning services. In

LADIES see our line of "Holiday Goods," shopping made easy, with us. E. E. Cloud.

his absence the Hon. John G. Woolley, the great temperance leader, delivered a vigorous message on prohibition. He also spoke to the Bible class.

FOR A XMAS PRESENT, Come to Rodman-Brown Co.

The December meeting of the Up-to-Date Book club was held on Friday morning with Mrs. J. J. Stringfellow, Mexico was the subject for the morning. Mrs. Brawley gave an interesting paper on "The History of Mexico from 1810 to the present time." A Sketch of the Life of Juarez and Diaz, by Mrs. J. J. Stringfellow, Mrs. G. Carl Lattimer and as her subject "Churches and Miracles." At noon Mrs. Guy, Mrs. J. L. Davidson and Miss Lucia. Mills served a hot lunch. Those invited in for lunch were Mesdames Margaret Gaston, George W. Gage, A. D. P. Gilmour and Miss Hannah Heyman.

Mr. J. E. Costner, of Charlotte, has accepted a position with Mr. N. A. Peay's shoe store.

DON'T FAIL TO SEE Francis Powell and Grace Curran in the first installment of that great serial "The Broken Coin," at Dreamland today.

Miss Paula Thomson entertained in a charming manner on Saturday afternoon. Her guests including the members of the Sin Nombre Book club. The interest of the members was directed largely to matters pertinent to the Christmas season and much entertainment was found in discussing new ideas in Christmas gifts. After books had been exchanged and business matters disposed of Miss Lois Sample assisted the hostess in serving a tempting salad course and coffee.

MARY FULLER in a three reel feature at Dreamland tomorrow.

JUST RECEIVED another shipment of ladies' coat suits, specially priced at The S. M. Jones Co.

The Newberry Observer states that the Commercial Bank of that city will turn loose \$8,000 in that city tomorrow. Let's go down.

LOOK at the many useful things in The S. M. Jones Co. windows.

Bazaars are mighty nice but the gent' has entirely too many 'a's.

VASES, MAHOAGANY TRAYS, casseroles, serving dishes, pocket knives, scissors, carving sets, silverware, all at Chester Hardware Co.

Misses Celeste George, of Lexington; Georgia Manning, of Clio; and Alma Farrell, of Columbia, spent the weekend with Miss Sarah Carter on Saluda street.

DO YOUR CHRISTMAS shopping early and avoid the rush at The S. M. Jones Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe H. Glenn, who have been spending their honeymoon in Cuba, are expected to arrive in the city the latter part of the week.

QUALITY CONSIDERED WE have the lowest prices on cut glass. Chester Hardware Co.

Mr. C. K. Bell, and family have arrived in the city and will occupy the Brown residence on Hinton street. Mr. Bell has accepted a position with the Pennell Electric Co.

FOOTBALLS—Just the thing that boys want for Xmas. See us. Chester Hardware Co.

Mr. Judson D. Abright, a former Chesterite, of Charlotte, is in the city today on business.

YOU GET VALUE received when you buy useful as well as pretty and attractive presents from the Chester Hardware Co.

Mr. E. W. ... of Sedalia, S. C. is in the city visiting his brother, Mr. D. E. Estes.

LOST—Black Travener rain coat. Return to C. L. Merrill and receive reward.

Miss Madeline Pryor is visiting relatives in Union.

FOR A XMAS PRESENT, Buy a combination set at Rodman-Brown Co.

Mr. and Mrs. William James of Atlanta, Ga. are visiting relatives in the city.

FOR A XMAS PRESENT, Buy a nice scarf at Rodman-Brown Co.

Miss Francis Hicklin is at home after visiting friends in Greenville, Laurens and Clenson.

THERE IS NOT an article in our store which will cost you over 25 cents. We have hundreds worth more than that. Ehrlich's 5, 10 and 25 Cent Store.

With Mrs. I. Clarence Cross as hostess the Violet Sunshine circle had an especially interesting and enjoyable meeting on Thursday afternoon. This club has for its object charity and it does quite an amount of good all through the year. The feature of this meeting was to map out plans and appoint committees to do the Christmas work among the poor. At a late hour Miss Lois Sample assisted the hostess in serving a tempting hot course.

JUST RECEIVED by this morning's express big line of fancy Turkish towels. Rodman-Brown Co.

There will be a sale of all R. B. Anderson's, deceased, personal property at his home place four miles South of Richburg on December 22nd, 1915 at 10 o'clock A. M. consisting of mules, cows, hogs, corn fodder, hay, peas, oats and wheat. All farming implements, wagons, buggies, harrows, mower, rake shredder, hand, cotton gin press, six horse engine on wheels, saw mill, ten horse engine on skids and all other personal property that will be there. Terms of sale Cash.

J. W. Anderson, R. E. Anderson, J. U. Jordan, W. B. Gladden, Executors.

"Mail Early, Wrap Securely" and address plainly, is the slogan urged upon the users of the United States mail in sending their Christmas packages.

TOYS FOR THE CHILDREN were carefully considered by us. Cinnamome, glassware and a large selection of beautiful pictures. Come in and see the many Christmas things we have. Ehrlich's 5, 10 and 25 Cent Store.

Mr. E. L. Laney, of Chester has returned to his former place as loom fixer at the Judson Mills, Greenville-Mill News.

THE FIRST INSTALLMENT of "The Broken Coin" at Dreamland today.

LADIES, SEE OUR coat suits before you buy. We have made big reductions on them. Rodman-Brown Co.

Removes to Chester.

W. N. Stirrill and family are removing to Chester, Route No. 2, to the farm recently secured by Mr. Stirrill in exchange for his farm on Route 4 from Rock Hill. The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Stirrill regret their removal from this community—Rock Hill Herald.

White Doll Furniture
A Complete Line
Clark Furniture Co.

BIG LOT OF ORANGES.

Today's freight brought Kluttz Department Store a large shipment of Oranges. They run about 200 to the box. Extra fine variety. They offer them at wholesale prices to the public. Sold by Brokers and Wholesale merchants at \$3.25 a box. Kluttz Department Store price \$2.95. Wire or phone your order in now.

BUY YOUR Furniture from W. R. Nails Racket Furniture Store.

Mr. Jas. H. Stringfellow is in Charleston attending the Southern Commercial Congress.

LADIES, greatly reduced prices on all coat suits. Rodman-Brown Co.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Carpenter have come to Brooksville, Fla. to spend the winter with their daughter, Mrs. F. B. Coepler.

FOR A XMAS PRESENT, Buy a pair of Adler gloves at Rodman-Brown Co.

The new and up-to-date building of Mr. John M. Jones, on lower Gadsden street is about completed, and Chester people should be proud of the fact that they have a real Chesterite in the person of Mr. Jones.

This building was built by Chester contractors and the material used was brought from Chester firms. With the exception of a few items, which could not be found here, it is people of this calibre who make real towns.

DON'T WASTE your money. Buy useful presents. We have them. Chester Hardware Co.

Col. W. W. Lewis, of York, spent just night in the city with his brother, Mr. M. S. Lewis who is still in disposed.

Hon. P. T. Hildebrand, solicitor of the first Circuit died Saturday at his home in Orangeburg.

New Treatment for Croup and Colds

Relieves by Inhalation and Absorption. No Stomach Dosing.

Plenty of fresh air in the bedroom and a good application of Vicks' VapoRub Salve over the chest and chest is the best defense against all cold troubles.

The medicated vapors released by the VapoRub Salve, clear the air passages, loosen the phlegm, relieve the throat, soothe the inflamed membrane. In addition, Vicks' is absorbed through the skin. 25c, 50c, or \$1.00.

VICKS' VAPORUB SALVE

Xmas Suggestions —BY— Kluttz Department Store



THE IDEAL GIFT
is a
Victor Victrola

We have the new 1916 models in stock—\$10, \$15, \$25, \$50, \$75 and \$100. Our supply is limited on account of the fact that the Victor Talking Machine Co. cannot supply the great demand. See or phone Lex Kluttz this week.

Holeproof Hosiery

FOR MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN.
We sell HOLEPROOF HOSE—2 pair and 3 pair in boxes. "PHOENIX" SILK HOSE—for ladies—one, two and four pair in Xmas fancy boxes. Also "PHOENIX" SOX—for men in fancy boxes.



WE HAVE A NEW XMAS
"Style-Plus"

Styleplus \$17
Clothes

"Griffon" Suit
FOR YOU MEN AND BOYS

ATTEND THE BIG 15 DAY DECEMBER-XMAS OPENING.
KLUTTZ Department Store

SHINGLES

Just Arrived Car Red Cedar Shingles, 100 per Cent Clear. Call and examine them if you want a roof that will last.

ASK US FOR PRICES

Chester Machine & Lumber Company

"THE YARD OF QUALITY"

Chester, S. C. Phone 18

Good Things to Eat

Just Arrived:
New crop of New Orleans Molasses and new crop Georgia Cane Syrup, something you will enjoy; and Buckwheat Flour.

CALL AT THE RELIABLE
Jos. A. Walker

TAX RETURN NOTICE FOR 1916.

In accordance with the law (tax books) for the return of all real and personal property for the year 1916 will be open on Saturday, Jan. 14, 1916, and will be closed on Feb. 28th, 1916, after which the fifty per cent penalty will be attached to all delinquents.

Section 1, Act 253 of the General Assembly of South Carolina, provides as follows: "It shall be the duty of all persons to make returns of all personal property and return all new property that has changed hands real and personal property."

For the greater convenience of persons residing in different portions of the county I will be at the following points on the dates assigned, after which I will be in my office continuously prepared to take returns.

- J. S. Stone's Monday, Jan. 2nd, 12 to 3 p. m.
- Blackstock, Tuesday, Jan. 4th, 9 to 11 a. m.
- Cornwell, Tuesday, Jan. 4th, 1 to 3 p. m.
- W. A. Gladden's Store, Wednesday, Jan. 5th, 9 to 11 a. m.
- R. A. Hagadone's Wednesday, Jan. 6th, 1 to 3 p. m.
- Mrs. W. P. McCullough's Thursday, Jan. 6th, 9 to 11 a. m.
- Great Falls, Thursday, Jan. 6th, 1 to 3 p. m.
- Landford, Thursday, Jan. 6th, 3 to 5 p. m. at Republic Cotton Mill Store.
- Bascomville, Friday, Jan. 7th, 10 a. m. to 12 p. m.
- Richburg, Friday, Jan. 7th, 2 to 5 p. m.
- R. H. Ferguson's Store, Saturday, Jan. 8th, 10 a. m. to 1 p. m.
- Landford, Saturday, Jan. 8th, 2 to 5 p. m.
- Fort Lawn, Monday, Jan. 10th, 11 a. m. to 2 p. m.
- Walker's store, Tuesday, Jan. 11th, 2 to 4 p. m.
- Edgemoor, Wednesday, Jan. 12th, 9 to 11 a. m.
- Lando, Wednesday, Jan. 12th, 1 to 3 p. m.
- J. G. Hollis' store, Thursday, Jan. 13th, 9 to 11 a. m.
- Rodman, Thursday, Jan. 13, 1 to 3 p. m.
- Lowryville, Monday, Jan. 17th, 10 a. m. to 12 p. m.
- J. Foster Carter's store, Monday, Jan. 17th, 2 to 4 p. m.
- Wilksburg, Tuesday, Jan. 18th, 10 a. m. to 12 p. m.
- White's store, Tuesday, Jan. 18th, 2 to 3 p. m.

All males between the ages of twenty-one and sixty years, except Confederate soldiers over the age of 50 years, are liable to a poll tax of \$1, and all persons so liable are especially requested to give the number of their respective school districts in making their returns.

It will be a matter of much accommodation to me if as many taxpayers as possible will meet me at the respective appointments mentioned, especially requested to give the number at Chester during the closing days.

While I am taking returns at the various places my assistants will be in the office and will take your returns.

M. C. FUDGE,
County Auditor.
Chester, S. C. Nov. 30th, 1915.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that at 11 o'clock A. M. on January 5, 1916, I will make my final return as the Administrator of the Estate of A. A. Crosby, deceased and will on said date file said Return in the office of the Probate Court of Chester County, South Carolina, and will apply to the Judge of said Court for a final discharge.

C. A. CROSBY,
Administrator of the Estate
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Chester, S. C. December 8, 1915.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Lesson XII.—Fourth Quarter, For Dec. 19, 1915.

THE INTERNATIONAL SERIES.

Text of the Lesson, Luke ii, 8-20. Memory Verses, 13, 14—Golden Text, Luke ii, 10—Commentary Prepared by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

The regular lesson in 11 Kings will tell of the consummation of Israel's sin under Hoses, their last king, and the Lord removed them out of His sight. There was none left but the tribe of Judah only (xvii, 18). Judah also kept not the commandments of the Lord, but sinned more and more, with but few exceptions as to their kings, until they, too, were carried into captivity xvii, 19; II Chron. xxxv, 10. It is refreshing to turn such a record to the story of the birth of their long promised Messiah, of whom it was foretold that He would be born of a virgin, in the town of Bethlehem, of the line of David (isa. vii, 14; ii, 6, 7; Mic. v, 2). So it came to pass that "When the fullness of the time was come God sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law" (Gal. iii, 4, 5).

God moved the world by a decree from the ruler of the world, in order that this blessed Virgin Mary should come from Nazareth to Bethlehem; that this wonderful babe should be born in this place foretold by the prophet. And so it came to pass that when they were at Bethlehem she brought forth her firstborn son. * * * and laid Him in a manger because there was no room for them in the inn (Luke ii, 7). The only babe that was ever born whose birth did not mean the beginning of his sentence, for of this child it was true that His going forth was from the days of eternity (Mic. v, 2). He had walked in human form with Adam in Eden, had eaten Abraham's food, talked with Joshua, Gideon and Samson. Truly great is the mystery of godliness. God was manifest in the flesh (I Tim. iii, 16).

We are not required to understand it, but simply to believe it, as little children who believe what they are told, for these things are hidden from the wise and prudent and revealed unto babes. These shepherds were like babes, for when told the wonderful things they did not for a moment question, but "Let us go and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us" (Luke ii, 17). "What the disciples were sent to bring the ass and the foal it just as the angel had said, and then they made known abroad that which they had seen and heard (Luke ii, 17). "What the disciples were sent to bring the ass and the foal for Him to ride upon and to find the room where they might prepare the last supper. It is written of each event that "they found as He had said unto us" (Luke xix, 32; xxii, 13). As to making it known, we think of Peter and John and hear them saying, "We cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard" (Acts iv, 20). All shall come to pass as it is written in the book, and we shall find it in the world and in the age to come just as He has said.

If we were as simple minded believers as these shepherds would be ever glorifying and praising the Lord in His Word. Some would only wonder, but some would say, "Let us keep the words in their hearts and ponder them (verses 18-20). It is sure to tell. He will watch over His word, and it will always accomplish His pleasure (isa. lv, 1). In Luke ii, 12, the shepherds were quietly occupied with their regular work, keeping watch over their flocks, when the messenger from heaven came to them with the wonderful tidings. So it was with Moses and Aaron and Bithiah and Amos and Zacharias and Mary; all were going about their ordinary work, and the angel came in the night. The world was still and unexpected. When our Lord shall come again it will be in such an hour as we think not. There was a glory with the angel which made the shepherds sore afraid, but the first word was the oft repeated "Fear not. How many do you know? How many do you appreciate and laid to heart? The good tidings of great joy were not only for them, but for all people. Can the tidings be really joyful to those who profess to believe them, but are doing nothing to help all people to know?

Can people know Jesus Christ the Lord as their own personal Saviour, who forgives and saves them, and not desire above all things to make known this great salvation? It does seem impossible. But how explain the indifference of the vast multitude of professing believers? Are these who are not interested in making known the glad tidings real believers? God only knows. Suddenly a multitude of angels saw the first angel, and all came in proclaiming: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." Not peace, but glory to God, in the first thing, and there can be no peace until we are willing to glorify God by honoring His Son. He must be seen by faith and accepted as a truly man of supernatural birth, truly God manifest in the Son, a Saviour, the only Saviour; and one who helps people to save themselves, but a Saviour who will save the world, and save wholly by His great salvation, which He had Himself accomplished and bestowed freely upon all who receive Him.

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Mr. Claude Westfall, of Clarkburg, W. Va. signed an application for Mutual Benefit Insurance on July 17, 1915, and paid the first quarterly premium of \$6.10 to the agent, taking in exchange therefor the Company's binding receipt. He made an application for examination the following day, but his wife, whose benefit the insurance was to be taken, tried to dissuade him from adding to his insurance. The agent, however, faintly prevailed upon him to be examined and on July 22nd examination was made. It proved favorable, in every respect. The application, which was for a Life Accidental and Sickness policy, \$1,000 as age 31, was received at the Home Office July 26th. In accordance with the Company's usual custom in such cases, however, an inspection was called for which was received August 2nd. This being favorable, the application was approved by the Medical Board and passed on to the policy Department. Policy was issued and mailed on August 3, 1915.

In the meantime, on July 29th, Mr. Westfall was taken sick and his trouble was diagnosed as acute peritonitis. On August 3rd he died. It will be noted that this was the same day that his policy was mailed from Newark but the first premium having been prepaid the insurance was in force, although the policy itself was never delivered to the insured. The proceeds were paid to the wife on August 16th. Prepayment of the quarterly premium saved this insurance.

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Do Not Let Winter Pests Without Making Effort to Get Rid of This Fruit Pest by Spraying.

The time to spray San Jose scale is in winter when the trees are leafless. The dormant, heavy scale insects that have to be used are so severe that they would destroy the foliage if applied when the leaves are on. The most satisfactory spray is lime-sulfur wash. When purchased from a reputable house it is more uniformly effective than when bottled according to the directions. In preparing the home-made wash, however, will be furnished on request.

To prepare the spray from commercial lime-sulfur wash will not successfully control the gloomy and cottony maple scales so common to maple trees, nor will it successfully control cedar scale on the orchard. For these we recommend heavy oil emulsions at the rate of one part of the oil to twenty parts of water. Owing to the viscosity of oils now being tried out, any one wishing definite information about oils for these pests should write us. Oils bought from standard houses are generally well emulsified but it is always desirable to determine that as follows: After making up the spray set one-half tumbler of the mixture in a quiet place for an hour or so. Separate the oil from the light oils coming to the top, the oil is safe to spray according to directions. When a separation takes place the manufacturer is always willing to adjust the matter.

A. P. CONRADE, Professor of Entomology, Clemson Agricultural College.

PERMANENT PASTURES

Bermuda and Bur Clover Make Most Desirable All-the-Year Pasture For South Carolina.

Bermuda grass and bur clover make the most desirable permanent pasture for South Carolina and Bermuda especially is recommended by Clemson College as a pasture grass for all farms in this state who are raising out-lets and hogs or who expect to raise them. One of the most essential factors in any permanent pasture is the establishment of a good permanent pasture.

Experience has shown that Bermuda is the best pasture grass for the South. One of the valuable qualities is that it may be planted in pre-ferred by any month, the only precaution necessary being to cover the seed deeply enough.

In sowing Bermuda grass, it is best to use the roots. Run a row plow furrow two feet apart, drop a small row every two feet in these furrows and throw one furrow on each planted row. Allow to grow one summer with only light grazing, and turn under or otherwise break in fall, just as soon after frost. The long summer thus covered will furnish a new plant the following season from each corner of lot and you will have an excellent sod. If done in this way a good sod can be obtained within two years at small expense.

If Bermuda grass is put in this winter, bur clover can be added next August.

EXTENSION DIVISION, Clemson Agricultural College.

LANDS ARE ROBBED BY WINTER RAINS

Uncovered Hillside Soils Lose Tons of Fertility Annually That Could Be Saved.

TERRACING WILL SAVE IT

Laying Off Terraces on the Slopes and Growing Winter Cover Crops Will Save Millions to South Carolina Farmers—Hillside Erosion Especially Costly in Piedmont Section of State.

South Carolina farmers, and especially those in the hilly Piedmont section, need to terrace their lands to keep the soil from being washed away by erosion, which is a wearing away caused by wind and rain. The erosion caused by rain water washes thousands of tons of soil annually from the lands of this state, with a consequent loss of fertility. Nature's method of preventing erosion is to keep the soil covered with trees, leaves, and grass. Man's method is to terrace and grow winter cover crops.

A terrace is a ridge of soil thrown up in such a manner as to prevent the soil from running rapidly down a hillside or slope. Only steep or rolling lands need terracing.

Use a leveling instrument in running lines for terraces. One can be had for from \$12 to \$25 and can be used for many other kinds of work on the farm. It is necessary also to have a "hillside" plow, and the dirt can be thrown down hill.

After determining on the line of the terrace, by the use of the leveling instrument, begin on that line and work the first furrow up hill. Going above it, using a hillside plow, throw the next furrow down hill. Throw each succeeding furrow down hill until the proper distance has been covered, and get an elevation of about three feet. This system, having the terrace about three feet high and vertical, will give the first furrow at the level below the terrace, the land between any two terraces becoming a level bench with no fall in any direction after a few feet. The object of this method of terracing is best suited to most of the farms in Piedmont South Carolina.

The steepest and highest terraces should be located at a rule, near the upper edge of the hillside field, because if the top terrace breaks it is well nigh impossible to prevent the terraces below from being swept away.

Run a terrace of ditch at the upper edge of the field to care for the surplus water which may come from an adjoining field, pasture or woodland. Such surplus water often flows too much for any system of terraces to control.

Crossing terraces with teams, plows or wagons will form depressions that will allow water to break over and start gullies which will weaken and destroy a terrace. Avoid this by leaving at the end of the field a sodded slope to be used as a road to get from one terrace bench to another.

EXTENSION DIVISION, Clemson Agricultural College.

CORN CLUB BOYS TO GROW BERRIES

New Work Undertaken by Some of State's Alert Young Farmers.

INSTRUCTIONS

Clemson College Has Sent Boys Directions For Strawberry Culture That Will Be Useful to Adult Farmers and Suburban Doers as Well—Advice on All Steps, From Preparing Soil to Picking Crates.

Eighty South Carolina corn club boys, who are the best in the State, are adding strawberry culture to their work. These are the boys who by their co-operation with Clemson College, and with the aid of the State for the summer course, have been promised that instructions for growing strawberries would be sent to them in the fall and the boys expressed their eagerness as eager to try small patches of the luscious fruit as part of their club work.

J. C. Critter, associate professor of horticulture at Clemson College, has prepared and sent the boys a set of instructions for strawberry culture. These instructions, as a whole and in part, but especially the more important branches, they will be useful to any who desire to grow strawberries and should include a large number of sub-urban growers as well as farmers. Prof. Critter's directions are as follows:

Soil for Strawberries. Any kind except bottom land and stiff clay.

Preparation of Land. Break deep, smooth furrows, about 400 yards long, for rows as for cotton. When ready to plant, knock the bed down to a level.

Fertilizing. Fertilize heavily with stable manure, either broadcast or in the furrow, before planting. Each fall, just before mauling, apply broadcast a mixture of about 250 pounds of superphosphate and 100 pounds of kainit, and 300 pounds of phosphate, these being the amounts per acre.

Setting Plants. Set plants in straight line, 18 inches apart in row. The plants should be set in holes with roots spread apart and pack soil firmly about them. Keep roots of plants moist until planting. Place name of variety on a stake at end of row.

Mulching. As soon as plants are set, cover ground all about plants with heavy coating of pine needles or oak straw. This should be done in late fall or early spring. Apply this mulch each year thereafter in September.

Cultivating. Begin cultivation just after the berries take root, and stop as for cotton. Keeping a loose layer of soil on top and all weeds and grass removed.

Treatment of Runners First Summer. Let runners grow and weed rows so as to get plants for a new patch.

Setting a New Patch. In September set new plants in setting out a new patch, following same method as before.

Treatment for Second Summer. Give same treatment as first summer, except that all runners must be cut off (unless they bear plants of your own). Repeat this the third summer.

Treatment for Third Fall. Plow up your old strawberry patch. Grow berry plants in the new patch, desirable berries after the third crop.

Gathering Fruit. Pick berries from stalks without bruising, leaving stems on. Do over patch every other day, sometimes every day. Pick berries when they are red, while yet firm. Gather in standard quart strawberry baskets. The basket is sold by the berries.

Setting. While picking, place the larger berries in one basket, the second size in another, and the smallest size (which about a third of the crop is) in a third. This is very important.

Naming the Grades. Name the first grade "Extra Fancy" and the second "Grade Fancy" and the third "Standard".

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USE WILT RESISTANT SEED.

Somebody estimates that the South loses about ten million dollars annually as the result of the ravages of cotton wilt and root-rot. South Carolina bears a large part of this loss. It is not difficult, however, to protect one's cotton crop from wilt. The use of wilt-resistant varieties of cotton is the course urged by the botany division of Clemson College and this division is co-operating with a number of farmers in the state who are producing wilt-resistant varieties of cotton. The botany division of Clemson College will be glad to answer questions about wilt and root-rot.

TREES LOOK AS IF SHOT

Effect of Shot Hole Borer on Fruit Trees and What to Do Control This Insect Pest.

Whenever your fruit trees die back and you find little holes in the bark that make you think somebody had shot into the trees with a shotgun loaded with No. 8 shot, those trees are infested with shot hole borers. If with your knife blade you peel off the bark you will find not saw wood, but a mass of sawdust instead. Shot hole borers usually attack a tree that has been weakened. The principal causes of weakening in trees are scale and borers. A badly infested tree should be cut out and burned during winter. Badly infested branches should be cut from a tree and the tree stimulated, insects stay over winter. In bark as little white eggs and pupae. By carefully watching the tree one may determine the time when the last brood of beetles has come out, which is about the middle of September. At that time the following wash should be applied to the tree:

Quick Lime.....34 lbs.
Boiled Sulfur.....5 lbs.
Sulfur.....5 lbs.
Water.....gals.
Dissolve the sulfur in 2 gallons of hot water. With water batter the sulphur into a paste. While the lime is slaking in a barrel, add the soap and sulfur and stir well. Stir until the whole mass makes 35 gallons. The set has an advantage except to make the wash stick faster to the tree. This wash can be applied with a small paint or whitewash brush. The trunk and larger branches should be thoroughly covered.

A. P. CONRADE, Professor of Entomology, Clemson Agricultural College.

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Failed to Lighten Ship in a Hurry, it Was a Case of Heaving Overboard the First Cargo Reached, as He Could Prove.

Seventy or eighty years ago the only regular passenger vessels from London to New York were the American "Clippers." Capt. Josiah Johnson was the oldest and best. Johnson was on the line. He did not believe in hurricanes or cyclones, and he heard of ships being dismasted in them, always attributed to such disasters to rotten rigging or spars.

"Pine was the one thing which the captain rather detested, and at sea, according to him, "it had one point in its favor over the ashore, namely, that water in a general way was plenty and handy."

"But," the captain always added, "my carpenter is a smart man, and depends most of his spare time between decks among the steerage people. And no mistake about it, the yards he keeps down there about his escapes through ships are not calculated to make them careless about lights."

"When a young man, the captain was once "popped" in running too long before a heavy gale, when something came about the steerage, and at sea, was forced to jettison some of the cargo in order to lighten his ship as fast as he could at the leak.

He was loaded with flour, cheese, apples, and American—cloaks. The sailors unfortunately were the first things that could be got at. In consequence over two hundred cases of cloaks went to the bottom before the schooner boxes were reached.

not home again in New York, and my owners asked, 'How was it, Mr. Champion, that it did not occur to you to select something of less value than them timepieces?' I felt pretty small. I only said: "Well, gentlemen, I rather wish you had been there yourselves, to pick and choose that night."

"Yes, sir, that riled me, specially as my wife was with me that voyage, and her own private planny was one of the first things that went overboard."

Distress in Palestine.
Letters from Palestine report great destitution in Jerusalem and other parts of the land. There have been no imports for a year. The internal resources have been taxed to supply the army. Food in both areas is exceedingly dear. The tourist trade, which gave employment to many, and brought much money to the country, is cut off, and with it the manufacture of fancy articles, souvenirs and trinkets which was the chief industry. Agriculture is hampered by the absence of the able-bodied men in the army. Banking has been suspended for many months. Three women missionaries of the Christian and Missionary Alliance are expected to return and other work of that society in Jerusalem, and the Syrian staff are said to be doing their part nobly. Missionaries both at home and abroad feel the field believe that the end of the war will bring unparalleled opportunities in Palestine.

Prehistoric Camels.
A partially restored skeleton of a small ancestral camel, *Stenomylus hitchcocki*, from the lower Miocene of Nebraska, has just been added to the exhibited collection in the geological department of the British museum. The specimen was obtained from Prof. F. B. Loomis of Amherst college, Mass., who discovered the remains of a herd of these small animals which had been suddenly destroyed and buried by some local accident. As a camel, *Stenomylus* is remarkable for its extremely slender build, which would render it as agile as a gazelle. It also has molar teeth with unusually deep crowns, so that it would be able to feed on hard and dry grasses. It was therefore more completely adapted for life on open plains and uplands than the other camels which

abounded in North America in Oligocene and Miocene times.

Everything Changed.
A Cleveland party went out automobiling the other night and had an unpleasant mishap. It occurred on the Euclid road not far from Willoughby. A four-footed creature of intense odor got in the way of the car. Nobody in the auto noticed the impact, but everybody noticed the appalling result.

The man who drove the car told a friend about it the next day. "Terrible," the friend agreed, "suppose you all had to change your clothes?" "Change our clothes?" snorted the chief victim. "Why, we even had to change our tires!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Easily Disposed Of.
"I understand you got several wedding gifts."
"Yes, sir. At first I thought I'd have to hire a safe deposit vault, but after going over the stuff we simply stored 'em in a barrel in the cellar."

DEATH OF YOUTH IS ALLEGED FROM HAZING
Roanoke, Va. Dec. 11.—The death of Cadet Thurber Sweet at Virginia Military academy yesterday was due, it is said, to injuries caused by hazing. Sweet, who is the 17-year-old son of C. A. Sweet, said to be a Chicago millionaire, left the institute Oct. 1, claiming he had been unmercifully beaten with bayonets. The boy was attended by Dr. J. M. Scott, who is said to have declared that the injuries at the end of the spinal column might result in paralysis. Sweet became desperately ill November 25 and was removed to the institute hospital where he died. Gen. E. W. Nichols said today that so far as he knew, there is no truth in the statement that Sweet's death was due to hazing.

Entertainment At Bethel M. E. Church, Dec. 17.

The Sunday School of Bethel M. E. church will give a Xmas Entertainment, Friday night, Dec. 17 at Bethel church at 7:30 P. M.

A program of "The Christ Child, in art, story and song," "The Child's Messiah," in which The Life of Jesus is progressively told by stereopticon pictures, stories and music. The public is cordially invited. A free will offering will be taken.

Election of Officers.

At a regular communication of Sandy River Lodge No. 207 A. F. M. held last Thursday, the following officers were elected: H. A. Brakelied, W. M.; R. O. Atkinson, Jr. S. W.; C. W. Atkinson, J. W.; G. B. Minter, Treas. Walter Simpson, Sec.

The names of the officers being appointive, will be announced later.

The officers will be installed on the 27th. The public will serve refreshments.

ATLANTA WILL TRY TO RECALL WOODWARD

Atlanta, Dec. 11.—The city council today set January as the date for the recall election against Mayor James Woodward and Police Commissioners John English, Fain Pace and Clark. Commissioner King may also be added to the list. The recall against the officials is the result of the removal from office of Chief of Police Beavers several weeks ago. Beavers was removed on charges of insubordination and inefficiency but his friends claimed the real issue was his enforcement of the law against the liberal element. The "pre-calculation" campaign, however, to be most bitter. It is the first recall has been invoked here.

Novel Fruit Barrels.

A partitioned barrel has been invented by a fruit man in British Columbia, patents for which have been applied for in Canada and this country. It is similar to any ordinary barrel, according to a commerce report, but it is divided into two equal parts by partitions which are adjusted so that the barrel may be saved in two without injuring the contents, practically making two half barrels. The advantages claimed for the new barrel are that it can be made of cheap sawed lumber, shipped in the "knock down" state and assembled easily at the packing house; also that the fruit can be shipped without wrapping because of the firmness imparted by the central partition. The fruit shipped in it is said to arrive in perfect condition.

Digs Up Ancient Homes.

Prof. Nels O. Nelson of the American Museum of Natural History, excavating the ruins of the Taos, near Santa Fe, New Mexico, this summer has cleared out 470 rooms and one large six-pueblo ranging in age from the time of the cliff dwellers to late Spanish dates.

In San Marcos, Pueblo, he has outlined the ruins of a building with a total of 3,000 ground floor rooms. Sixteen skeletons have been taken out whole and 45 more reinterred, while Professor Nelson has recovered and classified thousands of implements, pieces of pottery, bones of various animals and perfectly preserved corn, beans, squash and pumpkins.

He also has outlined immense irrigation or water storage works built by the prehistoric dwellers in these villages.

Death of Miss Emia Sande's This Morning

Miss Emia Sande died this morning at 12:15 o'clock, at the residence of her sister, Mrs. T. L. Eberhardt, on Selkirk street after a lingering illness.

Miss Sande was a native of Hagood, S. C. but has been making her home in Chester for a number of years where she has made many friends who mourn her loss. She is a member of St. Marks Episcopal church and took an active part in all church affairs. She is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Messrs. Geo. M. Sande, Columbia; W. H. Sande, Hagood; M. B. Sande, Greenwood; and Mesdames S. H. Hopkins, Lincoln, N. C.; W. S. Manning, Jacksonville, Fla.; J. M. Blair, Monroe, N. C. and T. L. Eberhardt, Chester.

The funeral services will be conducted by Rev. A. D. P. Gilmore at the home this afternoon at 5:30 o'clock after which the remains will be taken to Hagood, where the interment will be made, leaving Chester on the Southern at 6:40. The following will act as pall-bearers: Messrs. A. G. Brice, R. F. Towson, S. M. Jones, Judge Gage, J. E. Dye, G. Latimer, S. E. McFadden, A. M. Alken, Robt. Gage, E. P. Calhoun, A. L. Gaston.

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