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FULL ACCOUNT ASSAULT COM- MITTED UPON LANCASTER MAYOR

Lancaster People Greatly Incensed Over Brutal Assault Upon Mr. E. B. Roddy, Merchant and Mayor of the town...

The following full account of the assault upon Mr. E. B. Roddy, Mayor of Lancaster, last Saturday night...

Says The News: Saturday night about 10 o'clock four negroes were walking...

Those who opposed prosecution of Thomas declared that the assault was not done in the streets of Lancaster...

According to signed confession of Leroy Gill, negro, about 27 years of age...

Over the town, scores of people visited the store where the crime was committed...

Later Robert Ingram signed a public confession admitting that the Thompson boys and Leroy Gill had been implicated...

The way it happened, according to the facts gathered by The News: Mayor Roddy, not being able to talk about the affair...

About 10 o'clock Saturday night four negroes, namely Leroy Gill, Robert Ingram, Howard Gray and Thompson...

front door and made his way home, some three blocks away...

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YORK NEWS

Items From The Yorkville Enquirer of More or Less Interest to Chester County People

Former Secretary 15 PLACED UNDER ARREST Columbia, S. C., Feb. 22—Governor John G. Richards announced today that a warrant had been issued for the arrest of...

The governor stated in his pronouncement for election that he would not be a candidate for the office of governor...

The Savannah River bridge district is composed of several counties in South Carolina and Georgia...

It has been announced that these bids are satisfactory to the state and that the contract will be awarded...

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CONDITION IN CHINA SERIOUS

SAM SNODGRASS Stragglers From Sun's Broken Army Pouring Into Great City. Sun Gives Up Territory in Effort to Get Help From North.

Shanghai, Feb. 23—Near panic prevailed here as a native quarter of the city was overrun by stragglers from the broken army of Marshal Sun Chuan-fang...

The French quarter was struck by five shells and the main market was shelled because of defective guns and poor marksmanship...

Meanwhile the strike abated appreciably. It was estimated that \$5,000 of the 100,000 which were in strike yesterday were returned to work...

Probably as a result of protests by Chinese public bodies, executions in the Chinese capital have been stopped...

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LANCASTER NEWS

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Mrs. Margaret L. Adams of the Union section of this county died on Wednesday, February 16th...

Rev. J. S. Coping, of the Baptist church and for more than thirty years was a member of Union Baptist church...

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Beck and family of Hendersonville are expected to arrive in Lancaster...

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LEGISLATURE IS PLANNING TO AMEND STATE BLUE LAWS

Nobody's Business. (By G. M. GEE. Copyrighted.)

I saw my grocer going up the street this morning with a shot-gun on his shoulder...

A friend of mine is in the real estate business, and the funniest thing about it is—the still thing that has never been correct...

Last Friday was Sunday. Last Friday was Sunday. Last Friday was Sunday...

Bobbed hair and the measles and the automobile and the radio are the things that have never been correct...

Hard times are only relatives. Since we've learned that Florida and North Carolina are both banded...

And furthermore, our impeded progress and lack of ready cash is only a matter of psychology...

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WANT COLUMN

CUSTOM Hatching: 20,000 egg capacity reserved for hatching service...

PROFITS FOR THE Farmer—Get more money for your crop...

FOR SALE—Two good farm mules, J. T. Collins.

WANTED—Old mahogany and wicker furniture...

A LETTER MAILED to each of the readers of The Chester News...

BABY CHICKS and hatching eggs from high quality Spine Comb Reds...

BABY CHICKS and Custom Hatching Baby chicks for every Wednesday...

EACH SUBSCRIBER to The Chester News has the privilege of taking a Travel Accident Insurance policy...

WHITE MEN! Come in on business on our capital in Chester county...

FOR SALE—White Leghorn baby chicks, and hatching eggs from high producing yearling hens...

PUTNAM BROODER, capacity up to 60 chicks, for \$14.75...

FOR RENT—Stream cottage on Walker street after Feb. 1st...

RASTAD & RASTAD P. S. C. Graduates Office, Agnes Building...

For Sale

CEDAR STOVE WOOD AND KINDLING. Large Stoves and Lumber. Stove wood sawed in stave lengths...

Henry Norris Russell, professor of astronomy, Princeton University, believes that without the sun the earth would freeze and the air become liquid.

TO HAVE JUNIOR BOARD.

Classified by Commerce Directors. Approved Idea of Having Junior Board of Directors...

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce, Tuesday evening at the offices of the organization...

Mr. W. M. Pegram, editor of The News, was the first to speak on behalf of the delegation.

Mr. T. L. Collins, president of the organization, was the first to speak in support of the proposition.

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COTTON

Stimulated by higher Liverpool prices and spot rates in that market of 18,000 bales...

Opening prices at New York were 9 to 10 points higher than the previous close...

The Government's weekly weather report stated, in part, that in the northwest cotton belt...

In the Southwest the generally dried weather was favorable, especially in Texas...

A Chester county, Rhode Island Real Estate is establishing an office record at the Southeastern Egg Laying Contest...

An AMBITIOUS PROGRAM. A bill was introduced the other day in the capital of New York State to incorporate the United States Mary B. Markle Foundation...

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SOMETHING FOR NOTHING.

It is a common saying that you never get anything for nothing. Like many common sayings it is not true.

Now, through the world, save in a few very tiny corners, it is free—free and it is man's most valuable possession.

Health was once extremely expensive, especially in the case of dreadful plagues, when only those who could afford to leave their countries or their cities could have their lives saved.

Today most of the worst plagues have been stamped out, and health is free to great populations, who, out of their own pocket, paid nothing for it.

The price of a telephone call, even if it comes across the sea, is today but trifling in comparison to its value to those who use it.

Every great mind contributes something for the benefit of all mankind, and mankind makes little or no return for it.

Two of the most priceless of all blessings, liberty, and the right to know, have become free, only because men thought and fought and labored to make them free.

And yet we are always complaining that we must toil for everything we get, and that it is a hard craft and heartless world in which we live.

Perhaps it is, but it would do no harm to remember the men and women whose courage and work have given us so much for nothing and many blessings for which we do not do a single thing in return.

Will it work. Recently the University Weekly News published a detailed account of the attendance of pupils of school age in South Carolina setting forth the appalling fact that attendance on averages was very low, stressing also, that if we would have a low percentage of literacy in South Carolina the present condition would have to undergo a very marked change.

By Wickes Wamboldt. Have you ever noticed how people will make a thing almost right but not quite right? A little more and they would have done something. Have you noticed how beddles makers make beddles? They make them so close to the mark that they are almost good, but not quite good.

Our legislators, very likely, will do everything in their power to put in proper shape our school laws that maximum results may be attained in the future.

It is very much a pity that the state would like to see, and judging from facts regarding the percentage of children not in attendance, law or no law, the first be accomplished before such a percentage can be lowered to any thing that eventually will amount to a law of no value unless it is accompanied by the support of the people affected by the law.

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BAD LUCK PREVENTIVES.

It was once the only business for the doctor to heal the sick. Now his most important job is to prevent sickness.

But that will not be for a thousand years. There is another form of disease that from which human beings suffer which is known among its victims as hard luck.

Out of every hundred cases of hard luck reported perhaps four or five are genuine. The rest are the result of great men who have given their lives to the advancement of science, and this has brought many blessings to people for which they pay nothing.

Every great mind contributes something for the benefit of all mankind, and mankind makes little or no return for it.

It is true that food and clothing cannot be had without work—yet they cost not nearly so much in time and labor as they did once, when the worker had to toil from early in the morning till late at night in order to get the bare necessities of life for himself or his family.

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happily. Communism will pay salaries almost sufficient to secure Christ into the hands of the crucifiers.

Most! That is where the wigg falls down. The cook puts almost enough salt in the food, or almost enough put in too much. The laundry does your collar up so you can almost wear it. The automobile mechanics adjust your brakes so they will almost hold. The home will almost accommodate all of the members of the family. The shirt sleeves are almost long enough. The junior keeps almost enough fire in the furnace to heat the apartment. Men and women behave themselves almost well enough to reach heights of wealth and fame and happiness.

Most! It will keep a man out of health and get him into sickness. It will keep him out of wealth and get him into poverty. It will keep him out of heaven and get him into hell.

Most! It is sometimes better than nothing at all, and sometimes

Put Sinclair to the test. Drive a long distance—notice how it keeps your engine perpetually eager to keep going.

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By any test it is a superior gasoline. The most satisfying for your car. Try it.

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Good Second-Hand MULES

We have a number of Good Second-Hand Mules in our barns that are well broke and right ready to go to work.

You will find these mules to be first-class and we are offering them at very attractive prices. Buy one now and be ready to go to work the first day available.

FRAZER LIVE STOCK COMPANY "The Old Reliable." Columbia Street.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR DISCHARGE.

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, March 21, 1927, at 11 o'clock A. M. I will file in the Probate Court for Chester county my first and final return as Executor of the will of Mrs. M. E. Murr, deceased, and will thereupon apply to the judge of said Court for letters dismisary as such Executor.

W. H. MURR, Executor of Will of Mrs. M. E. Murr. Chester, S. C., Feb. 18, '27. At.

Thedford's BLACK-DRAUGHT For Constipation and Indigestion (Purely Vegetable).

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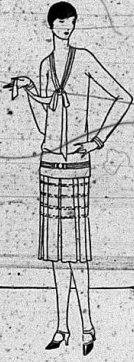
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Image of a mule.

At Wylie's Specials in Dresses and Coats for Tomorrow



Dresses - Three special lots for Saturday selling \$14.95, \$17.95 and \$24.75 Coats - Big Values \$9.95 to \$24.75

In this lot of coats you will find some beautiful styles for the little woman, also for the large stylish stout figure—both extremes.

Wylie's

Come in and look them over.

Local and Personal

Mr. Angus H. Macaulay is spending a few days in Washington on business. EGGS 25 cts. dozen. Wylie & Co. Mr. Murray of Mullins, S. C., spent a few hours in Chester yesterday with his daughters, Miss Esther Murden, and Mrs. W. W. Johnson. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lee, of Lowry, Sunday, Feb. 20, a son, William Henry. Mrs. J. R. Anderson has influenza at her home on Lancaster Columbia road. \$4.00 NEW Spring oxford, \$2.00 \$2.00 new spring suits, \$10.45, off style, your choice, \$10.00, \$25 and \$35 values. J. T. Collins' Dept. Store. Mrs. Paul L. Coogler and five children are real sick with influenza at their home on Saluda street. Mr. John D. Sanders is indisposed at his home on Lancaster street. EGGS 25 cts. dozen. Wylie & Co. Master Phillip Adelsheimer is sick with influenza at the home of his parents on Union street. SEVERAL GOOD used cars at bargain. Frazer Motor Co. Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Oliphant and Col. A. L. Gaston went to Union last Tuesday night to attend Ladies' Night at the Union Rotary club, Col. Gaston was the principal speaker at the meeting Tuesday night. TRX FRAZER MOTOR Co. for a good used car—Price right. Miss Eloise Wylie has returned from a visit to relatives in Blacksburg for the last fortnight. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Galphin, of Oconee, are visiting Mrs. Galphin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McClure, on Pineknob street. Miss Nellie Sanders has accepted a position with the Bernard Dry Goods Co., 101 Myrtle, N. C., and leaves Monday, to assume her duties. GET A GOOD USED CAR cheap at Frazer Motor Co. Misses Ella Mae Kirkpatrick, Mamie McCoy, Clara Killian and Mildred Stone expect to spend next Sunday with Miss Jamie Dobbs at Lake Lanier, N. C. Mr. A. W. Kluttz and Miss Lettie Kluttz, are spending today in Charlotte. IT PAYS to visit Collins Money Raising Sale. SPECIAL—Saturday from 10 to 12, 25 cent ice tea glasses for 10 cents, 50 cents cut glass vase for 25 cents, 50-cent white cover dish for 25 cents. Great bargains! Remember the hour, 12-25. Messrs. Harry and Frank Huey spent yesterday in Charlotte on business. Mrs. T. P. Baker, of Pav Creek, N. C., is visiting relatives in Chester.

Mr. W. A. Corkell is indisposed with influenza at his home on York street. Misses Ruth Thomas and Ethel Jones and Mrs. Fowler, of Rock Hill, were Chester visitors Wednesday. Mr. Herbert Coleman, of Columbia, former resident of Chester, spent a few hours here yesterday. Mr. Marcus Spearman, of Newberry, is the guest of Mr. J. M. Lathan, on West End. Mrs. I. C. Cross spent several days this week in Columbia with friends. Mrs. Cathleen Abell is expected home tomorrow after spending several days in Union on business. Mr. A. N. Keistler, of Great Falls, was a Chester visitor yesterday. The Red Cross meeting will be held next Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Ladies' Sunday School room at the A. R. P. Sabbath School building and Mrs. J. M. Dickinson's office as previously announced. Dr. H. M. Ross, Mr. S. C. Clinton, Mrs. Edith Dickinson and Misses Ada Taylor, Graham and Conroy Trayham attended the Metropolitan banquet held at the Charlotte hotel at Charlotte Wednesday evening. Sheriff H. C. Howze and Deputy Sheriff H. M. Patterson spent yesterday in Bonnetville on business. Miss Conya Trayham, of the State Board of Health, Columbia, is in Chester to assist Mrs. Edith Dickinson in Child Welfare work. Miss Trayham will be here until the first of April. Last week officers of the city captured a stranded Ford on the Rock Hill road containing a quantity of whiskey. Bruce Reid, colored, of York county, was arrested being charged with transporting. Reid denies the charge, and this morning was given a preliminary hearing before Magistrate Davidson, who released him on a \$300 bond. Reid was represented by Attorney James H. Glenn. Mrs. W. T. Williams, Misses Helma Peterson, Mary Allston and Mrs. Neal Williams will motor to Rock Hill tomorrow afternoon to meet Miss Hallie Williams, of Burlington, who will spend the week-end in Chester with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Williams, on Wylie street. L. C. Codd, W. M. Whitesides, J. H. Freeman and J. M. Ringstaff were fined \$15 each in Magistrate Davidson's court having been convicted of gambling in a hole at the Baldwin Mill. The defendants were represented by Attorney J. M. Ringstaff and the prosecution was represented by Attorney David Gaston. According to information given The Times this morning, W. P. Castleberry will soon succeed A. B. Brown as assistant superintendent of mill No. 1, Fort Mill manufacturing company. Mr. Brown having resigned several days ago. Mr. Castleberry has been connected with the mill for the last six or three months, coming here from the Basin mill, Chester.—Fort Mill Times.

Would Effect Probate Judge.

A bill has been introduced in the South Carolina legislature by a member of the Richmond county delegation, which would require that all parties desiring marriage licenses in South Carolina be required to give five days notice of their intention to secure said license. If this bill becomes law it would secure the Probate Judge on the border country to his considerable sum in the way of license fees. Numbers of people from North Carolina come to Chester to secure marriage licenses and to marry and such a law in South Carolina, it is thought, would cause many of them not to come here.

The Chester county records show many North Carolina couples and in a year's time the amount collected by the Probate Judge in license fees and for marrying will amount to a considerable sum. Edward Durham who pitched ball for the Chester high school team last summer, left yesterday for Mobile, Alabama, where he will be given a try-out on the Mobile team. His many Chester friends are hoping that he will be able to make the team. Officials of the National Union Bank of Rock Hill, representing the Citizens Bank and Trust Company, also of that city, which closed its doors January 29th, have announced that depositors will be paid at least seventy-five per cent of their deposits. The depositors are now being extended loans to the amount of forty per cent of "their deposits."

"Rose Tom," a home talent play, will be given in Chester March 4th. This play is sponsored by the American Legion and is known to be a humorous, romantic and colorful farce. Miss Williams, coach from the Wayne County Textile Milling Company, of Atlanta, Ga., will have complete charge of all rehearsals, and an attractive play is anticipated. The P. C. Golf Club and Orchestra will be sponsored by the Girls' Basketball team for their Chester appearance, the performance to be given at the high school auditorium March 1st at 8 o'clock. The Columbia audience is expected to be the best program the Club has offered in several years. Admission will be 25 and 50 cents, grandstand students being admitted for 15 cents. The News in receipt of a private report advising that a considerable plowing has been done in parts of Texas, Alabama and States adjoining for this year's cotton crop and present indications are that the acreage in that section will only be cut from ten to fifteen per cent, notwithstanding the fact that the Department of Agriculture has advised a reduction of from 15 to 30 per cent. Fertilizer sales so far this year are reported as 47 per cent less than for the same period last year. Mr. S. C. Clinton, Chester representative of The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, was among those who attended a banquet given by the company at the Hotel Chatham Wednesday evening. The chief speaker of the evening was Dr. Leo Brankel, second vice-president of the big company. The Metropolitan is today the largest financial institution in the world, recently passing the Bank of England in resources. Mrs. Dan Davis was called to Spartanburg yesterday afternoon on account of having received a message stating that her father, Mr. J. Frank Coplin, had received a fall and was considered as being in a serious condition. Mr. Coplin is 75 or 80 years of age. Announcement has previously been made that tax returns would have to be made by February 20th, in order to avoid a penalty of fifty per cent. It has been found that the legislature last year changed this law so that returns must be made by March 23rd, 1926, and that one is allowed until March 31st to make his returns. Those who have neglected to make their returns and who wish to avoid a penalty should do so before March 31st. Mr. Phillip Hughes, of Fort Mill has arrived in Chester to accept a position at the storeroom of the Southern Railway (here from which supplies are being taken for the construction of a block system between Charlotte and Columbia. The installation of the block system will require about four or five months of work. Mrs. S. E. Reeves was brought home from Rock Hill Tuesday and is much better. It will be remembered that Mrs. Reeves was in an automobile accident about two weeks ago. A message from Lancaster yesterday stated that May, or E. B. Roddey, of that city, who was assaulted last Friday night, was improving and that it was thought that he would recover.

Calls On Chester Sheriff.

Sheriff J. C. Howze has received a telegram from Governor J. G. Richards with reference to enforcing the Sunday Blue Laws. It will be recalled that the Governor has recently launched a statewide campaign for the enforcement of the Old Sunday Laws. A bill has been introduced in the legislature to amend the present law but has not yet been passed. The telegram to Sheriff Howze reads: "In enforcement of Sunday Laws request that you observe these conditions: No sales of soft drinks or other merchandise to be allowed. This does not apply to sales of Drugs, milk, ice or meat and to refreshment restaurants and to automobile supplies to be sold in emergency cases only, this to be determined by officers of the law. All sports and games to be prohibited. Notify chiefs of police and magistrates in your county. John G. Richards, Governor of South Carolina."

Missed His Mark. Said a well known citizen to see the State Bank Examiner miss his mark when he attempted to close Ex-Governor McLeod as receiver of the bank here. In addition to this he takes active part in field events. From the time he arrived at Furman University four years ago, his greatest ambition was to become manager of the "victorious Purple Hurricane" and last fall he attained this distinction. Young made an excellent manager and his to his untiring energy that the success of the Purple Hurricane is partly attributable. However, John is not satisfied in his activities at all. Being a good athlete and a very ambitious and one of exemplary conduct and character. It is Young's intention to attend Furman University again next session in order that he may take advanced work in science leading to a medical degree which he hopes to take in a Maryland institution in the near future. There are certain prerequisites for entry into the medical school which a Liberal Arts degree does not embody. John's friends are confident that, with his determination and energy, he will secure a pronounced success in life.

A Delightful Banquet. One of the most delightful and enjoyable banquets in the past several months was that of the local Knights of Pythias held in the Sunday school rooms of the First Baptist Church last night. This was the annual banquet and was attended by about 125 Knights, their wives and friends. The supper was thoroughly enjoyed and was prepared by the ladies of the church. Mrs. Z. V. Davidson acted as toastmaster with a very original and high standard along this line. Judge David Hamilton made a short speech which consisted of much fun and also much that was serious nature, especially that part of his speech as to the raising of children in the home. The principal speaker of the evening was Dr. D. W. Daniel, of Clemson College, well known throughout the country as an excellent after-dinner speaker. His subject was, "The Joyous Life." At times his talk was serious and at times unusual wit was displayed. Music for the occasion was furnished by the Southern Serenaders, of Charleston, S. C., who were accompanied by Miss Helen Yates, also of Charlotte; rendered several vocal selections which were greatly enjoyed. Considerable merriment was furnished when Mr. Davidson presented Paul Thacker, of S. S. McCallough with a white set, which was allowed to drop to the floor. Mr. A. J. Hamilton was chairman in charge of the banquet and was complimented on the excellent in which he put the occasion over.

RICHBURG NEWS ITEMS. Richburg, Feb. 24.—This community suffered from a severe rain and storm tide Wednesday night. Several of the school children were blown down by the wind, and one house was blown off its pilings. Several of the school children were narrowly escaped injury. The cloud broke just as they were dismissed for noon recess. The wind blew them about so they could not return to the building. One child was blown into an adjoining cotton field while another was stunned by being blown against a tree. A number of them were drenched as the force of the wind kept the doors shut so that they could not re-enter the building. School had to dismiss that the wet ones might go home to change their clothing. Friday night the boys of the high school will give a negro minstrel at the school house. A small admission fee will be charged. The Y. P. C. will give a special Friday night, March 4th, at

the home of Mrs. Laura Melton. Those attending will be expected to pay one cent for each year of their age up to twenty-five years. Those over twenty-five will have one cent deducted for every year that they are over twenty-five. Ice cream and cake will be served free to all who come. Goats, cattle and horses are known to eat poison ivy without ill effect.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1927.

A strong effort is being made to abolish the South Carolina Tax Commission and to place the duties of the office under the Comptroller General.

The News holds no brief for the South Carolina Tax Commission. There are times when the News has been of the opinion that the Tax Commission has assumed an autocratic attitude. The News does not favor the Tax Commission placing fines or penalties on people who violate the law without those people being given the opportunity to have a jury of their fellowmen. However, the News does admit that a tax collecting body is an unpopular branch of the government.

The News fails to see the wisdom of abolishing the Tax Commission and placing the duties on another office. To use a common expression, it is the same "cat only different." And to place the duties of the Tax Commission upon the Comptroller General is to throw the whole thing into a ball of twine. The Comptroller General must go before the people for his votes and you know and I know there are certain large interests in South Carolina who will dictate to any Comptroller General who is charged with collecting the taxes now collected by the Tax Commission.

All admit that the Tax Commission is collecting nearly a million dollars for the State each year. It is admitted that they are being collected economical as compared with many other States. How about the Comptroller General's office? Did his office not sit idly by and let a Spartanburg county officer make away with millions of dollars a million dollars? Has not the Comptroller General's office also let other county officers get by with large sums of money? Has not the Comptroller General's office let South Carolina's undeclared taxes prior to 1925 run up to over four million dollars? If the Comptroller General is handling the affairs of his office in this manner do you think he will do a better job of the people of South Carolina in placing the handling of another one million dollars a year in his hands? Judging by past performances does it not indicate that millions would go uncollected?

As previously stated the News holds no brief for the Tax Commission but it fails to see the wisdom of making bad matters worse. Investigate the Tax Commission and correct the errors in its making. Make the Tax Commission clean up their own mess. If changes are needed, and we believe there are, then change them, but don't take such action as will allow any politician to build up a political machine in South Carolina by showing favoritism to the powers that be.

The Comptroller General Beattie submitted a report to the South Carolina General Assembly showing that taxpayers of the various counties in South Carolina are now due and have failed to pay the counties more than four and one-half million dollars. This amount is for taxes due prior to 1926.

This statement would certainly indicate that there is something radically wrong with the present system of collecting taxes in South Carolina. A great part of the amount above mentioned is long past due and those who own the taxes are "riding."

For one man to be forced to pay his taxes and another be allowed to let his lag along is unfair to say the least and it has been intimated that one of the main reasons for failure to collect taxes is due to certain officers throughout the State building up political machines. It has been intimated that in certain counties certain people can "get by" paying their taxes due by the fact that they pay someone to collect the taxes charged by collecting the taxes. Things have come to a pretty pass in South Carolina when one man is forced to pay his taxes and another is allowed to "ride."

The collection of the four and one-half million dollars due in taxes would go along way toward reducing the taxes of those citizens who are paying their taxes. Spartanburg leads all counties in the State in past due taxes; the amount there being almost half a million dollars.

The report of the Comptroller General states that Chester county taxpayers are due the county for taxes prior to 1926 amounting to \$25,087.72.

MUST STUDY FARM PROBLEM

It would be most unwise for railroad and industrial leaders not to see that the agricultural depression throughout the country is creating a spirit of criticism which may develop into hostility and adverse legislation. The farmers who are struggling under unfavorable conditions are making bare living and in many cases are failing to do even that, see the enormous special dividends that are being paid by some of the railroads and the growing prosperity of the railroads and pre-eminently those of the South, which are making more money as a whole than would have been deemed possible a few years ago, and they are beginning to feel that if all of these interests are protected in one way or another by the National Government the time has come when the farmers should be given a hearing and a degree of protection from some method of financing farm crops.

Specious arguments are many times advanced for some reason or other, but the farmer will refuse to see anything but his poverty in contrast with the abundance of property of railroad and public-service and industrial interests. Moreover, there are a good many business men who feel that they are not getting a fair show in this division and who are likewise developing a growing spirit of ill-will to the present railroad rates. The storm which burst upon the railroads in 1905 and 1906, largely responsible for the panic of 1907, was chiefly due to the unwisdom of railroad officials, from the highest down to the office boys in railroad offices, who were not getting a fair show in this division and who are likewise developing a growing spirit of ill-will to the present railroad rates. The storm which burst upon the railroads in 1905 and 1906, largely responsible for the panic of 1907, was chiefly due to the unwisdom of railroad officials, from the highest down to the office boys in railroad offices, who were not getting a fair show in this division and who are likewise developing a growing spirit of ill-will to the present railroad rates. The storm which burst upon the railroads in 1905 and 1906, largely responsible for the panic of 1907, was chiefly due to the unwisdom of railroad officials, from the highest down to the office boys in railroad offices, who were not getting a fair show in this division and who are likewise developing a growing spirit of ill-will to the present railroad rates.

What says Tom Connally? If the industrialists are to enjoy special privileges, why not also agricultural?—Manufacturers' Record.

BLAMING IT ALL ON HIM

When anything happens to any of the people over the seas, they never seem to think it all pertinent to examine into their own doings and wrongdoings to ascertain their own blame in the matter, but immediately and unhesitatingly pass the buck over to Uncle Sam; and instantly let it be known that he is to be censured for whatever turbotances may have overcome them. Verily, a scapgoat is he!

On his back are being laid the blame for the major ills that are aggravating and afflicting the human race, whether he has a thing in the world to do with them or not.

The old world is now laying at his door the principal responsibility for the upsurge in China. As unhappy conditions in France have been unfolded one by one she has always pointed indignant index fingers at his door.

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