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BETTER CONDITIONS IN SOUTH CAROLINA

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Columbia, S. C., Aug. 28.—With the waters in the principal streams in the outlying districts rapidly receding the flood situation has somewhat improved. Railroad, telegraph and the transportation facilities are still less interrupted, but public travel and business are much interfered with. At 8:30 last night the water reached its height—35.2 feet in the Congaree river at Columbia. There has been a fall of over three feet since yesterday. Reports from Catawba Junction state that the Catawba river has fallen eight feet within the last twenty-four hours and it is believed that the force of the flood is spent.

The estimated loss in the neighborhood of Columbia alone is placed at over \$300,000.

Conservative estimates of the damage wrought by the flood in the loss of public bridges throughout the state is \$1,000,000.

MISS WERNE A SUICIDE.

Cultured Society Woman Jumps Into Lake Michigan.
(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Chicago, Ill., Aug. 28.—Miss Mary F. Werne, one of the most beautiful girls of Kentucky, well educated, cultured and closely related to several of the best families of Virginia, Kentucky, Texas and Illinois, committed suicide during the early dawn of yesterday by leaping into Lake Michigan at 56th street and the Breakwater.

The girl was afflicted with a mental malady and believed she was going insane. She was engaged to marry George Mansfield, a prominent business man of El Paso, Texas. The marriage had once been postponed because of her illness.

SAILORS CLAIM THE RAG.

Say Tobaccoists Backed Down and Would Not Play.
Wilmington, N. C., Aug. 28.—The Wilmington baseball team arrived here yesterday from Wilson, where they were scheduled to play three games for the pennant of the Eastern Carolina League. The Wilson team refused to finish the series, giving as their grounds the rainy weather and the poor condition of the diamond.

The Wilmington management claims the pennant on the grounds that the Wilson team forfeited any right to the pennant when they refuse to finish the series. The question will be decided at a meeting of the directors of the league next week. The two teams played three games, Wilmington winning two.

DR. CHADWICK BANKRUPT.

Personal Debts, \$1,750—Debts Through Wife, \$650,000.
Cleveland, O., Aug. 28.—Dr. Leroy S. Chadwick, husband of Cassie Chadwick, who died in the penitentiary, where she was sentenced for colossal frauds, has filed a petition in bankruptcy. His personal debts he places at \$1,750, while debts contracted through indorsing notes and checks for his wife he places at about \$650,000.

POLICE RAID HOBOS MANY PEOPLE HOMELESS

Sleeping Vagrants Arrested in Chicago

With An Hours Work 105 Men Are Arrested and 200 Escape in the Dark—Had Been Using Empty Freight Cars as Lodging House.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Chicago, Aug. 28.—Police, aided by railroad detectives, made a spectacular raid on sleeping vagrants who had taken refuge in Illinois Central Railroad freight cars today, and after an hour's work arrested 165 of the railway lodgers. An empty freight car, to which a switch engine was attached, was converted into a combination patrol wagon and lock-up. Two detectives guarded the car door and as the moving jall rolled slowly down the tracks policemen hurried startled prisoners into its depths.

Thrilling pursuits of fleeing tramps marked the progress of the raid. Over 200 men escaped by dodging between freight cars and running down the tracks. Three were captured as they were about to leap into the lake in an effort to escape arrest. Forty-six of the prisoners gave their names as "Jack Smith."

Some of the most famous "track pedestrians" in the country were in the lot and every state in the union was represented.

Got Rich Though Insane.
(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Bloomington, Ill., Aug. 28.—His going insane probably was responsible for Charles L. Draper's becoming wealthy before his death. He died in the asylum at Kankakee. When his mind failed Draper had a small competence but was fast getting rid of it. During Draper's incarceration Judge E. R. E. Kimbroogh, his conservator, built up his estate until it is now worth nearly \$500,000.

DETECTIVE ARRESTED.

At the Instance of George Fitzgerald and His Lawyer.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Chicago, Aug. 28.—George Fitzgerald, former assenting teller in the sub-treasury, arrested on suspicion of having stolen \$173,000, appeared at the office of Captain P. D. O'Brien today and asked for warrants for the arrest of Herbert F. Young, private detective, on a charge of embezzlement.

Fitzgerald and his lawyers declare the revelations they intend to make on which the warrant will be based would cause a sensation. Fitzgerald was visibly excited, as was also his lawyer. Mr. Litzinger, however, declared that no announcement could be made until after the matter had been placed in the hands of Captain O'Brien.

THE CAMPAIGN HAS BEGUN IN EARNEST

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
New York, Aug. 28.—The mid-summer political calm is over and the period of real campaign hustle and bustle, which will end only with election day has begun. In all the headquarters in this city—Republican and Democratic—state and national campaign managers and workers are bestirring themselves and all is life and activity where for weeks there has been little or nothing doing.

Today promised to be the busiest of the campaign up to date in this locality.

PASSENGER TRAIN DERAILED.

Fast Flyer Leaves Track in Atlanta and Crashes Into Freight.
(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 28.—Central Railway passenger train No. 95, Jacksonville-Chicago flyer, was derailed at Whitehall street crossing this morning and crashed into a string of freight cars. The negro fireman was slightly injured.

All passengers, most of whom were tourists, escaped with a shake-up.

Cape Fear Drives 2,000 People From Their Homes

Conditions At Fayetteville Serious and Growing Worse—River Reached Sixty-Five Feet This Morning and Still Rising—Six Will See Its Highest Probably.

(Special to The Times.)
Fayetteville, N. C., Aug. 28.—The entire lower section of the city is submerged and 2,000 people are homeless and the river is still rising. Conditions are serious and growing worse. The river at eight o'clock this morning was sixty-five feet and rising at the rate of three inches an hour.

The Atlantic Coast Line has run a train of coal cars on their bridge to hold it down. It is expected to begin falling about 6 p. m.

All crops in the river bottom are flooded and several shanties have been washed away.

EDITOR SHOTS HIMSELF.

Mr. Chafee, of Augusta Herald Victim of Accident.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Augusta, Ga., Aug. 28.—James J. Chafee, until recently managing editor of the Augusta Herald, accidentally shot himself yesterday while on a train from Atlanta to Augusta.

Being seated in a car with Mr. Pinkney Steiner, of this city, the latter suggested that they go to the smoker and get a cigar, whereupon Mr. Chafee said he had cigars in his hand satchel and opened the satchel and was getting them when his cuff caught the trigger of a revolver, which was discharged, the ball entering his abdomen, and from the effects of which he died a short time afterward. His body was brought to the city last night but on account of the flood cannot be carried to his home and mother in Charleston yet.

Mr. Chafee was about twenty-five years old and unmarried, leaves a mother and several sisters and one or more brothers, two sisters living in Columbia, one brother in Aiken and his mother in Charleston.

BEATEN UNMERCIFULLY.

Little Boy's Back Lacerated and Eye Blackened With a Strap.

A case of unusual cruelty came under the notice of the law today. A little colored boy between six and seven years old, named Sylvester Morgan, was beaten so badly that he now suffers with a black eye, a bruised knee and his back is lacerated. A piece of harness with a buckle on it was the instrument of torture, says the little boy.

The little boy has been living at various places since his mother forsook him when he was only an infant. For the past two months he has resided at the home of one Martha Couch, in Watson's field. She has been switching him very often, but the climax came yesterday and last night. The Couch woman and her sister ate a whole watermelon and would not give the boy a piece. After they had finished their repast they insisted that the boy should carry out the rhines. Because he refused she grabbed a piece of harness, with a buckle on it, and used it with the above bad effect. Not being satisfied with the afternoon's work, she beat him again last night.

Such cases as this deserve the worst punishment the law allows. Constable Byrum served the warrant on the Couch woman and her trial is now going on at H. H. Robert's office.

AT THE GEM.

The Gem has today a number of interesting subjects as change of program. The feature picture, "Abduction," is a special, for today only, and is very interesting. The picture deals with an Egyptian romance. A gypsy, a strolling musician, has a desperate "masher" whose love is scorned and he is turned away. The masher, in revenge for the lady's unkind treatment, kidnaps the girl, by the aid of an automobile, and carries her away to his mansion in the woods where she is rescued by the man of gypsies. A duel follows the rescue of the girl.

In spite of the bad weather for the last few days, the lovers of this amusement have been out in large numbers.

DROWNED AT NEUSE.

Bridge Gives Away. Buggy and Horse Lost in the River.

It is rumored over the city that while driving over the new road bridge over Neuse river the bridge gave away at one end and C. H. Smith was drowned. The horse and buggy were also lost, says the rumor. The news was received very late and there was no way of verifying it.

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