







## COCHRAN CLAIMS A SURE VICTORY

Meeting of Park Board This Afternoon to Be Scene of Final Fight for General Manager.

Following a careful canvass of the members of the park board Thursday, Captain W. E. Cochran, president of the board, declared that he will be elected general manager of parks at the meeting which will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

General Manager Dan Carey confessed that he looked bad for his election, but that he and James M. Belches, of the third ward, would be strong supporters of Commissioner Belcher himself, said Dr. C. C. Sprout, a reporter, explaining that it will take at least two-thirds of the votes to elect the mayor to a position where he cannot vote otherwise than for Cochran, and that the selection will be the selection of Commissioner Belcher.

### ANNUAL REPORT OF HOLMES INSTITUTE

At the annual meeting of the trustees of Holmes Institute, B. R. Holmes, president and founder, made his report for the year 1914.

Holmes Institute is a charitable organization and depends upon contributions for its support. Its

purpose is to educate only men

of the city who cannot get

into the public schools on account

of their crowded condition or an

ability to pay.

The aim of the institute is the high-

est sense of the word to train the

boy to be a man, physically and

mentally.

Students are trained in dress-

making, printing, carpentry, laund-  
ering, tailoring, bookbinding, book-  
binding, repairing and tailoring, all requiring

the use of tools.

The students have petitioned the city

council to donate a fund toward the

construction of a night school.

The institute now has a permanent organization to raise money.

Many of whom are dying in

the streets of Atlanta, and for these old slaves frozen to death during the holidays.

### RAISED MONEY ORDER GETS DEAN IN BAD

charged with raising a \$1.10 express money order, and was compelled to get it cashed at a Decatur street pawnshop.

A. H. Dean, a young man who was working at the pawnshop, was bound over under bond of \$1,000 by Justice W. J. Johnson, on Saturday.

Dean, 21, was arrested when he

attempted to cash the express

order.

He was working for Detectives Hamby and Vickery, who de-

termined that he was in the employ of

M. C. Clark.

L. M. Munden, name of the Boston Express money order office at Mason

Gas, testified that Dean purchased the order for \$1.10, giving, he said, the usual

name of M. C. Clark.

### CHRISTIE IS ELECTED CHANCELLOR COMMANDER

Capital City Lodge, No. 11, following election of officers, W. E. Christie, new chancellor commander, Memphis, vice

### GROUND IS BROKEN FOR FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

#### IMPRESSIVE EXERCISES ARE HELD AT SITE OF THE NEW CHURCH.

An impressive ceremony marked the breaking of ground Thursday afternoon at Peachtree and Sixteenth streets for the new First Presbyterian church to be built and furnished at a cost of \$125,000 and designed to be one of the finest in the south.

The services were participated in by prominent ministers and laymen of the Atlanta Presbytery, and the first spade of dirt was turned by Captain William C. Lyon, engineer and general manager of the First church congregation.

Dr. C. Sprout Lyon, pastor of the church, made the following

statement: "Considerable interest attaches to the choice of Mayor Woodward. Ordinarily,

the mayor would vote for Mayor Carey, but the fact which has caused

Commissioner Belcher himself to

say that he will not do so, is a

fact which has caused me to believe

that the mayor will be a

man of his word."

He believes that on the fifteenth ballot he will be elected.

"The election of a mayor is a

matter of great importance to the

city, and I hope that the

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## SAN DIEGO EXPOSITION OPENED BY PRESIDENT

Panama-California Show Started  
by Wilson's Pressing Button  
3,000 Miles Away.

San Diego, Cal., December 31.—Three thousand miles away, the small hours at Washington and to the world at San Diego, the Panama-Exposition opened at midnight here the Panama-Exposition will remain open until June 1.

William G. McAdoo, secretary of the treasury, represented President Wilson at the opening ceremony.

As the personal representative of King Alfonso of Spain there was present at the opening of the exposition with him were the legates of other foreign powers.

Fireworks and illuminations signalled the opening of the gates early yesterday evening and for three hours there was opportunity to explore the many exhibits and attractions on the moon above the Harbor of the Sun.

At 11:30 p. m. the formal ceremony of throwing wide the gates to the world began. Lyman C. Draper, San Diego, former secretary of the treasury, introduced Col. D. C. Collier, former chief of the Bureau of Navigation. After describing the inception of the exposition, Collier read a message for President G. A. Bryan, Davidson, to whom were delivered the keys of the exposition itself.

At midnight the exercises ended and the flags were carried over the white house carried over the wires. Fireworks were heard.

Decorative ceremonies were planned to be held on the capitol grounds in the afternoon, but were canceled. William G. McAdoo was on the platform. Arthur G. Abbott, to whom were delivered the keys of the exposition, read a message from the Secretary of State.

Speeches were to be made by John D. Long, Secretary of the American Union, in behalf of the nations of the two Americas.

King Alfonso of Spain, King Alfonso of Spain, by the representatives of the Spanish colonies, the governors of California and other western states.

### Irving Chase Dead.

Nashville, Tenn., December 31.—Irving K. Chase, 71, for thirty years a prominent Nashville insurance agent, died yesterday.

### Should a Woman Divorce?

### Important Changes In Seaboard Schedules

Effective 12:01 a. m. Sunday, January 1, 1912, the following changes in the Seaboard schedules will be made:

No. 6 (Atlanta-Birmingham Special) will leave Atlanta 9:15 a. m. and arrive at Birmingham 12:55, arriving at Birmingham 1:15 p. m. and leaving 1:35 p. m. for Atlanta.

Atlanta, Ga., December 31, in Lawrenceville 12:30 p. m., Windham, 2:30; Athens 3:30; Birmingham, 4:30; and Washington, New York and other eastern cities at 5:30 a. m. leaving 6:15 from the east and 7:15 from the west, arriving 8:30 a. m. in Atlanta.

Atlanta, Ga., December 31, arriving 11:30 a. m. in Birmingham, 12:30 p. m. with corresponding changes in the westbound train.

It is regarded as probable in diplomatic circles that the new Seaboard will be more comfortable and made more effective by a system of prompt agreement in the nations interested.

### 30 GOVERNORS TO BEGIN TERM WITH NEW AR

## CHAMPAGNE FLOWED AS THE OLD YEAR DIED

Brilliant Gatherings of Macon People Celebrate Advent of the New Year.

Washington, December 31.—(Special) State governors, twenty-eight newly elected and nine re-elected, began to meet the term of office of those to hold office for the first time as representative of the new democrats and six of them were from the South.

Alabama—Charles Bond, democrat.

Arizona—George W. P. Hunt, democrat.

Arkansas—W. J. B. Franklin, democrat.

Colorado—G. A. Carson, democrat.

Connecticut—M. H. Holden, democrat.

Idaho—W. Alexander, democrat.

Illinois—George W. Clark, democrat.

Indiana—William H. Dallenbach, democrat.

Massachusetts—David T. Bissell, democrat.

Michigan—Woodbridge T. Ferris, democrat.

Minnesota—W. S. Hazard, democrat.

Mississippi—H. M. Bond, democrat.

Missouri—D. Boyle, democrat.

New Hampshire—R. W. Snelling, democrat.

New York—A. B. White, democrat.

North Dakota—L. B. McLaughlin, democrat.

Ohio—Frank B. Wills, democrat.

Oklahoma—W. H. Bond, democrat.

Pennsylvania—J. Witherspoon, democrat.

Rhode Island—R. L. Chapman, democrat.

South Carolina—R. E. B. Bigham, democrat.

South Dakota—F. M. Nease, democrat.

Tennessee—W. C. Rymer, democrat.

Vermont—E. F. Parsons, democrat.

Virginia—W. H. C. Wren, democrat.

Wyoming—J. R. Price, democrat.

In Georgia, N. E., the new state, newly elected, began soon.

Arthur G. Abbott, president of the Seaboard, addressed the gathering.

He said: "The new year is a time for looking forward, not backward.

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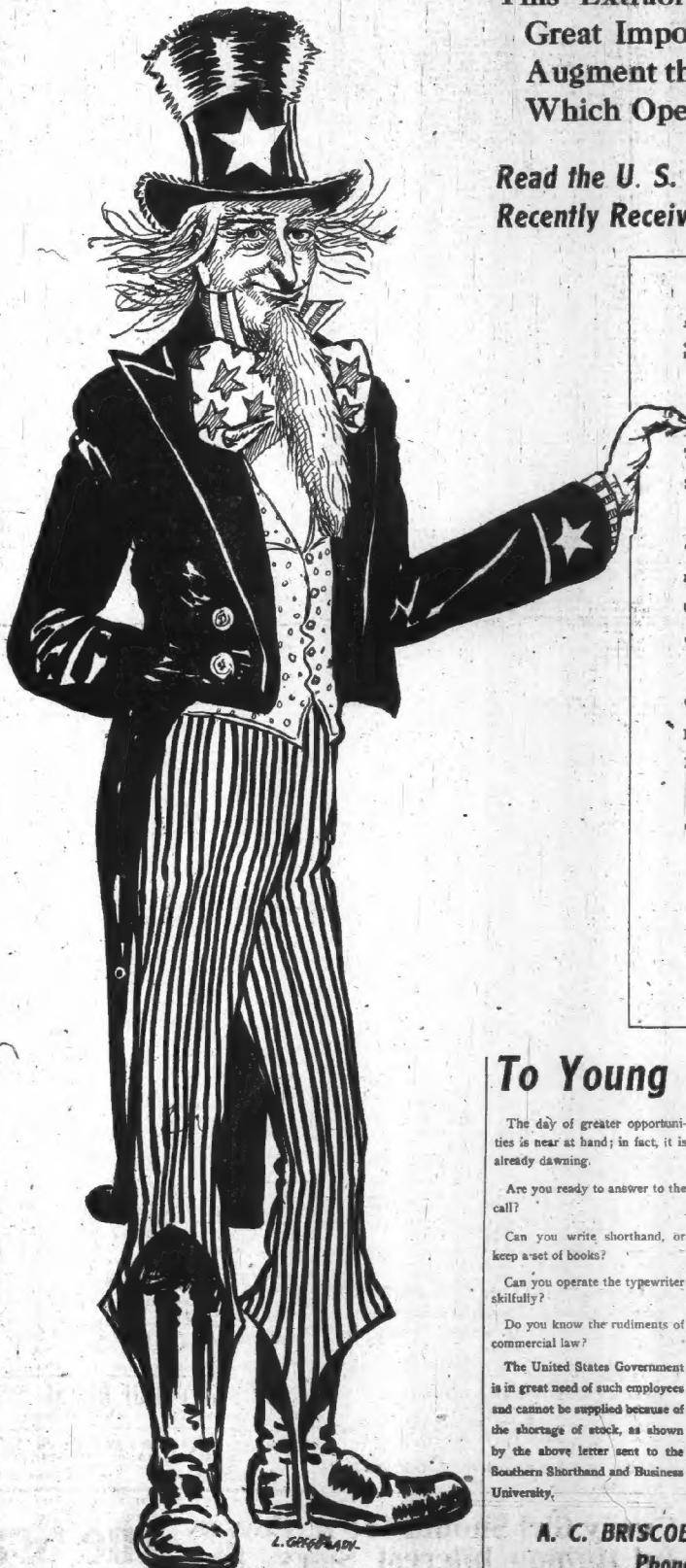
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# Uncle Sam, in Urgent Need of Stenographers and Typists, Is Calling Upon the Sou. Shorthand & Bus. University For Aid

This Extraordinary Announcement, Which Is of Such Great Import to the People of the South, Will Greatly Augment the Enrollment of Pupils for the Winter Term, Which Opens January 4th to 15th, Inclusive.

*Read the U. S. Government's Letter Recently Received by the Southern:*



COMMISSIONERS  
JOHN A. McLELLAN, President  
CHARLES M. GALLOWAY  
HERMON W. CRAVEN

UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

The Principal,

Sir:

For some time the Commission has experienced considerable difficulty in supplying a sufficient number of male eligibles for stenographer and typewriter positions to meet the requirements of the Government service, particularly in Washington, D. C. An extra effort is being made to supply this demand.

Inclosed is a poster advertising stenographer and typewriter examinations for men. The Commission requests that the poster be placed upon your bulletin board or in some other prominent location. It may be displayed for an indefinite length of time.

The Commission will be grateful for your cooperation in its endeavor to meet the public need.

By direction of the Commission:

Very respectfully,

President.

## To Young People Seeking Employment:

The day of greater opportunities is near at hand; in fact, it is already dawning.

Are you ready to answer to the call?

Can you write shorthand, or keep a set of books?

Can you operate the typewriter skilfully?

Do you know the rudiments of commercial law?

The United States Government is in great need of such employees and cannot be supplied because of the shortage of stock, as shown by the above letter sent to the Southern Shorthand and Business University.

Many graduates of this school have already gone to work for Uncle Sam, among whom may be mentioned Mr. Barlow Mercer, Mr. Graham Dodge, Mr. Eail Williams, Mr. Compton Miller, Mr. J. H. Hall, Mr. F. W. Smith and others, who are in Washington, receiving from \$1,800 to \$2,400 a year.

Don't remain idle and let the golden opportunities pass. Make preparation now. Start with the New Year and try to qualify for the spring and summer examinations.

Appointments are certain very soon thereafter.

But, do you know that stenographers and bookkeepers are not affected in times of business depression? They belong to one class that is exempt from suspension, because they are a necessity, even when business falls off.

Furthermore, there has been a very good demand for new stenographers and bookkeepers during the past three months, many of the Southern's students having accepted good positions.

Mr. Jno. C. Evans, of Warren-  
ton, has just accepted a position as private secretary to Congressman Carl Vinson, Washington, D. C., after only seven weeks'

course in Graham Shorthand at the Southern.

With the importance of preparation staring the unemployed in their faces, it behoves every young man and every young woman to enter early in January the SOUTHERN SHORTHAND AND BUSINESS UNIVERSITY, in order to be trained for expert service by a large and expert faculty.

This school is the oldest and largest in the Southeastern States, and is endorsed by all Atlanta. Make inquiry and be convinced.

Call, phone or write at once for information.

**A. C. BRISCOE, President**

**Phone, Main 3873. 10 W. Mitchell St., Atlanta, Ga.**

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ried in columns or agenda.GEORGIA'S GREAT OPPORTU-  
NITY.

A correspondent from Chicago writes The Constitution a startling, and inopportune, indictment of the educational attainments of Georgia and other southern states as contrasted with western states, asking "What is the matter with Georgia?" He shows in a comparison with Nebraska, one state alone, that its university has more instructors and more students than the combined universities of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. His letter, which is good New Year fodder for Georgia statesmen, is as follows:

**Editor Constitution:** Georgia contains 160,000 more white people than Nebraska. Besides, Georgia has more farms and timber, more water power, more coal, more oil, and has only one natural resource, viz., agriculture.

Notwithstanding the ravages of the civil war, it is safe to say that the net increase of those in Nebraska since then and yet we find that today Nebraska has five times as many students in its state university as in Georgia. And Nebraska sends as many students to college as Georgia, while Georgia, and contains more normal schools and denominational colleges than Georgia.

What about it, anyway?

The state university of Nebraska has more students and more students than have all the state universities in the following states: viz., Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida.

Here is something that should be called to the attention of the lawmakers and educators of the south.

Chicago, December 29, 1914. BOND.

Speaking for Georgia alone, the chief trouble with this state is that as concerns education the state has been boring with a gimlet when it should have used an auger.

Our correspondent reminds us that Nebraska's educational superiority is, despite the fact that she has but one asset—agriculture. Georgia has, in an great or greater measure, than Nebraska, and added, manufactures, naval stores, timbering and numerous lesser industries. The native wealth is here. The trouble is with the state's attitude toward our young men and women and their equipment, which had uniformly been short-sighted and parsimonious.

One of the factors that made the west great and wealthy was its quick recognition of the high role played by education in the development of riches, and the application of the principle. Every state west of the Mississippi lavishes money on its educational plant, notably its agricultural and technical facilities.

The only way that Georgia will ever reap her destiny is to follow a like course.

One of the soundest investments the state could make, at the very next session of its legislature, would be the investment of a million dollars in scientific agricultural education in its various forms. Every boy in Georgia with the making of a farmer in him should be equipped to be a first-class farmer, and entirely at the state's expense, if that is necessary. The money thus spent would return in a ratio beyond computation.

The need, especially urgent, in this era, when the south looks to America to lower her cost of living; when our agricultural system is deranged, and there is necessity for quick readjustment.

We must stop boring with a gimlet. The auger is the tool. And it must be brought into use immediately if we are to keep pace with opportunity and the quickstep of this marvelous age.

## LAST OF HIS TYPE.

Governor Blane, of South Carolina, signified the approach of New Year by granting executive clemency to fifty-five criminals. That brings his record for pardons

while in office, extending over a period of four years, to 1,644 cases.

The year 1914 will be conspicuous in the history of South Carolina for the retirement of Blane to private life.

The repudiation of Blane, with all for which he stood, emphasizes a significant epoch in American politics. The demagogue is going.

Blane is about the last of his type in South Carolina, and in nearly every other American commonwealth.

We congratulate South Carolina on his political extermination.

## ABOUT RURAL ROUTES.

A Washington dispatch The Constitution publishes today ought to put on their mettle the carriers and patrons of many rural free delivery routes through the south and other parts of the country. Some of the routes are threatened with curtailment or outright abolition because of lack of sufficient patronage to make them self-sustaining.

It is the policy of the department not to thrust a rural route to a community. The assumption is that the community, in the first place, wants the route and will patronize it. When evidence to the contrary is forthcoming the department acts accordingly.

At any rate, the department is reported to be instituting a rigid investigation of routes that fall to make a normal showing, and there is danger that there may ensue a weeding out process.

The loss of a rural route to a community is a decided step backward.

It is simpler the severance of one more link with the outside world, with all that means of influence for development, for education and for recreation.

For the carrier it means, of course, the outright loss of his job.

But for the community, it means acknowledging tacitly to adjoining communities that it does not properly appreciate the facilities for advancement comprised in a rural route.

That is a confession no community would be willing to make, for its own sake or that of its neighbors.

The carrier, of course, can do much to stimulate interest in the service, and in many cases the efforts of these faithful men have in the past been the means of saving routes threatened with extinction.

But the carrier cannot do it all. The patron must work with him, must get busy with his sluggish neighbor as to the advantages of the route, as to the disadvantages of being placarded as being indifferent to the severing of mail service at daily intervals with the outside world.

According to our correspondent, the danger is a real one. It must be met quickly.

## THE COUNTRY WEEKLY.

The Washington Reporter and The Early County News both standard weekly Georgia newspapers, have raised their subscription rates from \$1 to \$1.60 a year. The action is being generally commanded by the state press and by the subscribers of the papers. The example thus set should, we believe will, be followed by the history of weekly newspapers in Georgia.

One dollar, especially in these times of high cost of material, is too little for the average Georgia weekly. The field of a country weekly is naturally restricted, yet it is expected to cover that field in the minute news details. Circulation is naturally restricted, yet in the nature of things it costs almost as much to collect the news for and present it to this circulation as to a subscription list ten times the size.

There is a fixed charge on the standard country weekly so exacting that the man in the country editor meets it out of a \$1 circulation price is incomprehensible. It must be remembered that the price received for advertising, and the country editor must largely depend upon advertising for upkeep and profit, is regulated by circulation. He has a restricted circulation, he cannot charge a large price for his space, yet he must serve a good paper. That is the proportion the man who runs a weekly in the country is up against the year around. He simply cannot figure a profit at \$1 per year.

All this is not to reckon with the other services performed for the community, services upon which in their nature, it is difficult to put a price. The country editor is generally the chief, or one of the chief, developmental influences of the county. He fights its battles along the lines of local issues and crystallizes healthy local civic sentiment. He is called upon to perform innumerable services for which he receives little and sometimes nothing.

A tariff of \$1.60 is small enough to cover his overhead and enable him to make both ends meet. The Constitution hopes it will soon be made the uniform price throughout Georgia.

The good intention counts—even if a New Year resolution doesn't last longer than a Mexican president.

Perhaps it isn't going too far to call it the biggest Christian war of Heathendom.

It's hard to get photographs of the fighters, but sometimes they have to leave their trenches to see what's left of the land.

Old "Dixie" by the band, has the real New Year spirit; but no objection to notes of any denominations.

Added to England's other troubles is the threat of the war-vowel in three volumes.

The fincute outlook is about the same. Wah hasn't shot any syllables out of those Russian names.

JUST from GEORGIA  
By Paul L. Stanton

The New Year. Bright world, or shadows so dreary, Small sleepin' up under the sun; There's a time to rest for the weary, While still there's a race to run.

Here's time! Here's time! I am spending away, O'er the cold hills of Winter To the sun! For ever and ever I am spending away!

The New Year cries: "Follow and follow! O'er landway and stormy deep; What time is the sleepin'?" The world The fields of the world are to reap!

Keep you the way In the light o' the day. And weed the wild life, Follow and follow! Time's my: Forever and ever Time's spending away!"

Billings' New Philosophy.

There is nothing to report, except that we received the despatch of \$1,000 on 30 days.

We never complain about inflation, but when it comes to the chop that hole in our shoe when we go so happy we dance 'em off our feet.

Now, it's all again the Old Year. When we get into a corner with our conscience, the verdict is that he done the best he could with the material he had to work on.

If we want to be the devil in the read this. In the New Year, we've got to be the angels in the read this. Instead of fightin' him with fire, we'll turn the hose on the warm old sinner.

In the last day of 1914 we moved ten miles from our home to the new pitched tent so close to Bellmead Hill that we're keepin' the angels busy hidin' their crowns and harps.

The Game Brother.

Christmas come on Friday.

New Year come on the same;

(How's the new year? But I'll sure die game!)

III.

As long as there's a flicker We'll fan it to a flame.

Till the angels read the story: "It sure died game!"

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The Almanack—done it.

There'll I'll fix the flame.

(Can't make a pocketingle, But I'll sure die game!)

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As long as there's a flicker We'll fan it to a flame.

Till the angels read the story: "It sure died game!"

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KEEP AWAY FROM THAT! IT RUINED ME!

Illustration by Paul L. Stanton.

A New Year Discovery.

An early New Year discovery by The Lawrence Journal:

One of the most pleasant discoveries that man can make is to find that man in general is much better than he had believed.

It is seldom that a man is mean

and vicious, though there are exceptions.

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