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MEYERS MILL REUNION.

This place enjoys the happy distinction of being the Headquarters of the Dr. Morrall Camp, No. 896, Confederate Veterans of Barnwell County.

Named for one of our most honored citizens, the nobility of its people have shown their patriotism, public spirit and generous hospitality in the super-abundant dinners that they annually prepare to feed the old boys of the 60's, their families and friends.

The splendid entertainment that was given them on the 4th inst. is worthy of more than a passing notice. The Historical essay was declaimed by Miss Susie Dunbar, daughter of the late Mr. George R. Dunbar. Miss Dunbar is principal of the Myers Mill school. Her delineation of the Confederate Cause, its great leaders, and the renown of the noble soldiery of Lee and Jackson, were timely portrayed, carrying us back to the dark days when cruel war, like a mighty roller swept our beautiful South-land. That her effort was fully appreciated, was evinced by the hearty applause and congratulation that followed.

Dr. Patterson was next introduced to respond to Miss Dunbar's splendid address of welcome. The fulsome comment and words of eulogy, were very appropriate and met the endorsement of an appreciative audience.

Mr. Edgar Brown, grandson of Mr. Angus P. Brown was next introduced by the Commandant as our original orator. He acquitted himself nicely and brought down the house with an encore of hearty congratulations.

The school music and singing was appropriate and rendered in a spirit and interest, showing the care of their instructor, Miss Dunbar. The school drill was excellent. The choir consisted of Miss Susie Dunbar, Mrs. T. G. Cobb, Mrs. Dr. Ellis, Mrs. C. M. Turner, Mr. Will A. Myer and Mr. Ansel Anderson.

We will not name the menu, but suffice it to say, it was one of the finest dinners we remember ever having enjoyed.

Three Counties were represented Aiken, Barnwell and Allendale. Roughly estimated some 800 persons crowded the large auditorium of the Academy to attend our exercise while several hundred were unable to gain admittance.

Mr. Staff Halford, Commandant, was chairman, with Mr. Ansel Meyer as secretary, Rev. E. H. Clark pronounced the benediction in appropriate words. Rev. E. H. Clark, of Cypress Chapel Baptist church, announced that a small necessary account of the Camp was unpaid and gave only five minutes to raise \$17.50. In less time, the audience paid in our treasury of \$10.35, attesting the love and esteem they hold the dear old soldier boy of the 60's. Ten new members were enrolled. The Commandant announced Greenwood for the State and Savannah for the National Reunion C. S. V's.

Near the dining hall stands an elegant monument erected by our people, upon it is written, "This shaft was erected to commemorate the death of Robert W. Williams, aged 28, who lost his life Sept. 18th, 1876, having been shot from ambush during the Ellenton riot, near Robbins.

The day being passed we departed, gratified that a gracious providence hath permitted us to again meet with these good people.

In our next we will relate some interesting events of the

BLACKVILLE NEWS ITEMS.

Blackville, S. C., April 7th.—The Davis Lee Chapter met with Mrs. J. H. E. Milhous Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. S. G. Lowe and little son have returned home after a very pleasant visit to relatives in Aiken and Augusta.

Messrs. Adrian Baxley, Cassius Hoffman and Glen Boylston have returned home from "Over-seas".

Mrs. T. R. Chisolm spent Wednesday in Aiken with Mrs. H. E. Gyles.

Lieut. Wyatt Browning is on the way home from "Over-seas."

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Brown and daughter motored to Augusta and Aiken Wednesday.

There was a very exciting game of base-ball in Blackville Friday between Allendale and Blackville. The score was 7 to 3 in favor of Allendale.

The protracted meeting at the Baptist church closed Sunday evening on account of the illness of evangelist Crane.

Mr. Johnny Matthews left for Baltimore Sunday, where he has gone to John Hopkins for treatment.

The Weisinger Drug Co. sold out Saturday evening to Dr. Epps, who will take charge on Monday morning.

COUNTY AGENT ASSIST HOG SHIPMENT.

Some weeks ago, with the assistance of the county agent and the extension division of the state there was a cooperative shipment of a car load of hogs made at Dunbarton. At least a half dozen farmers furnishing the hogs, a day was set for the hogs to be brought in. There they were graded and shipped. The sales were very satisfactory, the majority of the hogs selling for from 15 to 18 cts per pound. During the coming week there will be two more car loads shipped in the same manner, and we expect to get even better returns for these as the market has advanced a cent or more in the mean time. By this plan each and every farmer gets the full price of his hogs.

In the near future, there is to be stationed a man at Camp Jackson to assist the discharged soldiers in getting located on the farm. So if any farmers have openings, either for managers, overseers, tractor operators and farm mechanics, dairy workers or any kind of skilled or unskilled help please furnish H. G. Boylston, county agent, Blackville, S. C., with employers name address, kind of work, rate of pay and other details, so that the information may be furnished to the representative at Camp Jackson.

Now is the time to spray your peach trees to keep the worms out of the peaches. As soon as the petals fall use 1 pound arsenate, 4 lbs fresh jump lime to 50 gals. of water spray thoroughly and repeat in two weeks, and then in two week add to this solution 1 gal. of commercial lime sulphur solution and spray again. For further information get in touch with the county Agent.

Messrs. Gordon Boynton and B. M. Jenkins, of Kline, were among the visitors to the County seat Monday.

National Reunion at Washington.

"The heroes wrested from us Have not lived nor died in vain, For our memory's brow of promise, Spans our years of pain."

HOME DEMONSTRATION WORK.

The following Women's Home Demonstration clubs will meet during this week and next week:—Elko, Monday, April 7; Fairfax, Tuesday, April 8th; Mt. Calvary, Wednesday, April 9th; Sycamore, Thursday, April 10; Big Fork, Friday, April 11; Yonome, Wednesday, April 16; Long Branch, Wednesday, April 16; Martin, Thursday, April 17; and Double Ponds, Friday, April 18.

The subject for discussion is Home Nursing. This will be taken up under the following heads:—The Home Nurse; The Patient's Room; The care of the Patient; The care of the Bed; The Patient's Food; Sanitation will be stressed and a special appeal will be made for the screening of houses. Demonstration to be given. The making of a bed for a sick person. The preparation of an invalid's tray and the making of a sanitary drinking cup.

During the month of April club meetings for the girls of canning and poultry clubs will be held. At these meetings the sewing work to be done by club members will be begun. All club members are expected to attend their respective meetings when notified to do so, for attendance at these meetings will count on their club record for the year.

Clifford Barrett, Eloise Cave, Home Demonstration Agents.

MONEY FOR GOOD ROADS.

Columbia, April 3.—The State Highway commission is frequently asked by county officials and interested citizens what steps are necessary in order to secure the large sums of Federal money which are now available for building roads in South Carolina.

It is necessary first of all for the county road officials to pass a resolution asking the State Highway Commission for Federal Aid for building a certain section or sections of the State Highway System in their counties. These resolutions must provide for the money to defray half of the cost. This money to cover the Federal funds can come from the County Treasury or from municipalities, or from private individuals. There is one instance on record in South Carolina agreed to provide part of the funds necessary to build an important bridge.

After the county road authorities notify the State Highway Commission by resolution that they want to build a part or parts of the State Highway System in their county and that half the money necessary is available, the State Highway Commission sends an engineering party to survey the road to be built. After these surveys are made the State Highway Commission's engineers prepare a careful estimate of the cost of the work to be done, together with a complete description of the work, including blue prints and plans. All of this data is forwarded to the Secretary of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Mr. D. F. Houston, who is a South Carolinian. The Secretary of Agriculture approves the project, and the State Highway Commission in co-operation with the county authorities proceeds to ask for bids from contractors.

After securing a satisfactory bid the contract is let and the Federal Government pays half of the cost of the road building.

The same process is followed in securing Federal money for building bridges.

LIEUT. WOODWARD CITED.

The many friends of Lieut. Harry M. Woodward will be pleased to know that he has been cited for conspicuous devotion to duty and efficient service in France during the last weeks of the war. We desire to quote the following from the Nashville Tennessean of April 2nd: "Camp Jackson, S. C., April 1.—Two of the eleven Nashville heroes of the 115th F. A., whose acts of bravery and devotion helped shatter the German lines in the Argonne and St. Mihiel sectors that have been cited for distinguished service today in regimental orders by Col. Harry S. Berry, are First Lieutenant Charles T. McMurray, and First Lieutenant Harry M. Woodward.

First Lieutenant Harry M. Woodward: For devotion to duty and for efficient services.

During the operations in the Argonne forest, from September 26th, to October 6, 1918, this officer was on liaison duty for the second battalion of his regiment. This officer worked faithfully to maintain communication between the forward observation post and the command posts. These lines were constantly being cut by shell fire and the work was exceedingly hazardous. By his devotion to duty and untiring efforts under the most trying conditions, this officer has earned the highest commendation.

We regret to learn that just as Lieut. Woodward's regiment was to sail home, he was detached from his post with the 3rd division and will be kept in France for duty an indefinite length of time.

GERMAN HELMET PRIZE OFFERED VICTORY LOAN SLOGAN CONTEST.

A German helmet will be given in each county in the State as a prize for the best Victory Loan slogan, and every school child is invited to enter the contest and compete for the valuable trophies.

This contest, inaugurated by the Woman's Liberty Loan Committee for South Carolina, is open to the pupils of all private and public schools, high schools included. A pupil in the lower grades may have just as original ideas as a more advanced pupil and stands an equal chance of winning the prize.

The chairman of the Woman's Liberty Loan committee will appoint judges in each school, or if the school is large, in each room, to select the three best slogans. A central committee in each school will submit the three slogans chosen to the county chairman or a committee appointed by her to choose the best slogan which will be awarded the German helmet adopted as the county slogan, and sent to headquarters in Columbia.

The State committee in Columbia will select the best slogan submitted and adopt this as the State slogan. The contest closes April 12 and all prize slogans must be sent to Columbia not later than April 16, so that the slogans adopted may be used before the beginning of the drive, April 21.

Mr. J. E. Swearingen, State superintendent of education, heartily endorses the slogan contest as a valuable feature of the Victory Loan educational campaign, and all superintendents and teachers are urged to cooperate to assure its success. J. A. F.

Messrs. Sam Woodward, Browning Creech Langdon A. Cave, Sergt. and Perry Price and Emmett Goodson returned home from over-sea last week. Their many friends extend them a hearty welcome.

GOVERNMENT INSURANCE.

1. You will, no doubt, be interested to know at an Insurance Conference held in Washington, February 14th, and 15th., Uncle Sam has decided to stay in the Insurance Business permanently.

2. The Government will be in a position within a few weeks, to convert the present renewable term insurance into Ordinary Life and various other policies similar to the policies written by the present Life Insurance Companies.

3. To successfully carry on this work and to prevent the soldiers from letting their insurance lapse, the families and wives will have to be educated to the advantage of Insurance, or else the men after they are discharged will let their insurance lapse, not realizing that it is the best thing they can hold on to; unless the people are reached through the City and Country newspapers and the Home Service Section of the American Red Cross, the advantages of Government Insurance will not be brought to their attention.

4. You can obtain any information relative to Compensation and continuance of War Risk Insurance by writing this office, and you will be glad furnished all the literary and rates on conversion needed to help you answer intelligently the questions asked by discharged soldiers.

5. We respectfully ask that you give the enclosed article space in your next issue and upon request we will furnish you Insurance Data from time to time as it is furnished to us by the Bureau of War Risk Insurance.

6. We would appreciate a copy of your paper in which this article appears.

Your truly,
Milton R. Little,
Capt. A. G. D.

VICTORY LOAN.

Columbia, April 5.—Word from Washington was received today by the Victory Loan Committees for South Carolina announcing the large American flag which floated over the dome of the capitol during the inaugural ceremonies and other historical occasions would be awarded the state which attains the largest percentage of over-subscriptions of its quota in the Victory Loan campaign.

At the recent conference of the Fifth Federal Reserve district held in Richmond this State was congratulated on having the most complete organization to date, and the Liberty Loan committees predict that South Carolina will keep in the lead in the coming drive which opens April 21st.

This flag of honor was presented to the United States Treasury department by Elliott Woods, superintendent of the capitol. It was first floated over the capitol dome on March 5, 1917, when President Wilson was inaugurated and again when the President delivered his war address to Congress April 4 and 5, 1917. This flag was also flown on the occasions of the visits of the various foreign missions to the capitol and raised proudly the day the armistice was signed.

The bureau of publicity of the Treasury announces that this priceless flag will be presented as a permanent souvenir to the state making the highest record in the Victory Loan drive. The attention of the chairmen of the various counties in South Carolina will be called to this offer and every effort made for this State to win the contest.

Your garden seed are in this office. Call and get them.

SOLDIERS ENTERTAINED.

The entire lower floor of the home of T. S. Cave was thrown open for the entertainment of the soldier boys who have seen service both abroad and at home. The decorations were very attractive and showed great taste and lots of work. There were garlands of southern smilax mingling with the national colors and many small stars hanging from the walls and electric fixtures.

The dining room was decorated most elaborately in smilax and cut flowers. The tables being arranged in the shape of the letter H symbolizing Old Hickory. There were many very attractive arrangements of the letters O H and XXX meaning Old Hickory and Thirtieth Division.

The front piazza was also decorated with banners and one large one with the words WELCOME HOME stretched across the front of the house.

Attractive music was furnished by the Misses Deatheridge of Allendale and the soldier boys all joined in chorus singing. Dancing was enjoyed on the front walk until a late hour.

An elegant course dinner was served to the boys by several attractive young ladies of Barnwell, some of them being dressed as Frenchmaids. The entire town was invited to call and see the soldiers at about nine o'clock. The town accepted the invitation for really almost the whole town turned out.

THE LONG WATCH.

America was at war exactly 14,016 hours, which time reduced to minutes equals 840,960. What does it mean to have been at war 840,960 minutes? Well, for one thing it means that for every one of these minutes a watch was kept by men on the sea.

When the United States declared war the strength of the navy was 87,000 in men and officers. At the signing of the armistice it was 500,000.

The navy did not have many spectacular engagements, the sinking German war ships kept too well under cover for that, but the kaiser's mysterious, gray weasels of the sea were at their deadly work night and day—every one of those 840,960 minutes. Our men, thousands and hundreds of thousands of them, had to be taken across the ocean, through mine fields and deadlier submarines.

Well, we know that the navy "put 'em across"—without the loss of a single transport. More than two million men landed safely in Europe; it was a stupendous success.

On bitter winter nights—and that season of 1917—1918 was one of the coldest in our history those faithful guardians of the sea kept their vigils. Standing watch through the black hours, eyes strained to catch sight of hostile periscopes, each second was measured by a heart beat 50,457,600 of them in all.

It was a long watch, but it was faithfully kept to the end. Will you, too, keep the faith? The navy's work is not finished though the long vigil is over. Transports are still busy bringing the men home, but transports cost money to run. Help furnish that money so that those faithful boys may finish their job. Subscribe to the Victory Liberty Loan.

Sergt. Isadore E. Owens and Mr. Zack Creighton returned to Barnwell last week after nearly two years service the last ten months of which was spent in France and Belgium. They have received their honorable discharges.

Messrs. Barney F. Owens, T. J. Hiers and McLaurin Green, of Dunbarton, were among the visitors in the city Monday.