

### GOOD WORK DONE

#### WORKERS FOR ORANGEBURG PLAN FOR THE FUTURE.

**Enthusiastic Business Meeting Held And Sumptuous Banquet Enjoyed by Chamber of Commerce.**

One of the most enthusiastic business, and we believe, result producing meetings ever held by the Orangeburg Chamber of Commerce was held last Wednesday evening at the courthouse. The meeting was largely attended, and all present seemed to be imbued with the same laudable spirit, it which was to push Orangeburg and all her interests in all legitimate avenues of progress. We are sure this meeting will bear fruit.

The semi-annual banquet of the organization followed the business meeting, and it too was all that could be desired, and was enjoyed by some one hundred and eighty business men of the city and invited guests. It was a most enjoyable feast, and the committee of gentlemen who superintended its preparation and serving deserves a vote of thanks for the success of this part of the program. It will be long remembered as a very enjoyable occasion.

President Cart, of the Chamber of Commerce, presided at both the business meeting and banquet with grace and dignity. He called the business at the courthouse to order at eight o'clock, and the members lost no time in getting down to work. After the accomplished and efficient Secretary, Col. Atticus H. Marchant, had read the minutes of the last meeting, the business of the evening was dispatched rapidly.

Mr. W. L. Moseley, who is chairman of a committee charged with securing a more favorable schedule on the Pernal Branch of the Atlantic Coast Line Railway, reported that an effort was being made to have the railroad operate a schedule on this branch during the fair which will bring visitors here in the morning and permit them to remain the entire day in the city. It is hoped that this will be a practical demonstration which will ultimately prove the benefit of a permanent schedule of this kind.

The matter of a better service in this city from both the Western Union Telegraph Company and the Southern Bell Telephone Company was taken up, and it was stated that communications had been forwarded to the officials of both of these companies and that the officials had promised to look into the complaints. Manager Walker of the telephone company stated that he had recommended the change in the directory as suggested at a former meeting.

Col. Marchant stated that in consequence of much complaint on the part of the farmers, a joint meeting of the Cotton Committee and a committee from the City Council was held Wednesday morning to devise some plan for the moving of cotton more rapidly through the city. It was the sense of that meeting that the two weighers be asked to go one to each depot and do the weighing there and that the farmers would be paid the ten cents drayage delivering same to the depots. This would be the means of considerable time saved both to the farmers in securing their checks and also to the cotton buyers in shipping their cotton. The Chamber adopted this resolution which urges that this plan be put in effect by the first of January.

President Cart called attention to the fact that the funds in the treasury was very low and that they needed replenishing at once, and urged that contributions to meet the expenses of the Chamber of Commerce for another year was in order. It was suggested that \$2,100 would be necessary to carry on the work of the body, and a call for donations was made. The call met a hearty response, and it is hoped that the amount will be raised. All recognize the valuable work that has been done by Col. Marchant as Commercial Secretary of the Chamber and are willing to contribute to keep the work going on.

Col. Marchant, who is always practical, made four suggestions for the action of the Chamber. He said the need of dwelling houses to rent was great, and urged that more be built by the capitalists of the city. He also suggested that the business men of the city hold a Trades Display one night during the fair and offer prizes for the best floats. The suggestion was adopted and Mr. Sol Kohn pledged on behalf of the fair association \$15 for prizes. The Chamber of Commerce supplemented this amount with \$25, making a total of \$40 to be awarded. The display will be held under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce and a committee will be named to have charge. The Secretary also suggested that an invitation be extended to the Confederate Veterans of the State to hold the next annual reunion in this city. A committee will be appointed to look into this matter.

Col. Marchant then brought up the matter of the Orangeburg College. This institution, he said, badly needed more dormitories, as a number of boys are now housed off the campus. Five thousand dollars would erect a building which would meet the present needs of the institution. With this improvement it was thought that a student body of five hundred could be brought to this school, which would mean a great deal to the city.

It was suggested by Secretary Marchant that a company be organized with a total of 1000 shares at \$25 per share and that the school be purchased outright and pushed to the front. President Peterson, of the College, followed Col. Marchant, endorsing all he said, and spoke of

plans along the same lines as those suggested by Secretary Marchant. The proposition was loudly applauded and a committee was authorized to look into the matter.

Mr. John T. Wise moved that the Chamber of Commerce petition the City Council to put a prohibitory license on all peddlers coming to the city. He said that they were simply a bunch of fakirs and that the merchants of the city suffered no little as a result of their visits here. A committee was named to go before the City Council at the next meeting and present the request. The following is the committee: J. T. Wise, O. K. Wilson, W. R. Lowman, A. L. Dukes and M. Mirmow.

This brought the business meeting to a close, and those holding tickets for the banquet fell in line two deep and marched to the armory where the banquet was to be served. The procession was headed by the Orangeburg Military Band. The line of march was down Russell Street to E.oughten and thence up Russell to Middleton street to the armory at the Academy of Music. The band also discoursed sweet music at the banquet, and was highly complimented by the visitors who were at the banquet.

President Cart acted as toastmaster, and he made a good one. He first called upon Mayor Sain who pledged himself to do all he could for the advancement of the city and said he was working with the others for a better and a bigger Orangeburg. The remarks of the Mayor were received with applause.

The next speaker was Mr. M. G. Walker, of the Carolina Traction Company. Mr. Walker is interested in the construction of electric car lines for small cities and is endeavoring to interest Orangeburg in such a project. He said by the use of the storage battery cars recently invented by Mr. Edison, it is now possible to construct a car system of three miles in length in this city at a total cost of about \$35,000. Mr. Walker explained in technical terms the advantages of such a system which would be operated at a very small cost. He is now building a line at Rock Hill.

Secretary and General Manager G. F. Stephenson, of the National Corn was called on next. Mr. Stephenson spoke of the work of the Corn Show and the benefit its coming to Columbia would be to the whole State. He said he was delighted to meet the business men of Orangeburg and expressed his pleasure at attending the meeting of the Chamber and the banquet.

Mr. A. G. Smith of the Department of Agriculture of the United States Government then made a short talk in which he impressed the fact that drainage for the farms in this section is now the most important matter to be considered. He urged the Chamber of Commerce to aid the farmers in every way possible, and urged that the importance of drainage be impressed.

Mr. J. B. Finster of the Land and Industrial Department of the Southern Railway then made a short talk in which he announced and pledged the support of this railroad in developing this particular section of the country. He told of the means of advertising which are now being employed in presenting the advantages of this section, and he hoped to bring many farmers from the north and middle west to take over small farms in this State.

Col. W. G. Smith then spoke, opening his remarks by announcing that he would not take up the time of those present by a lengthy talk. He told the visitors that Orangeburg was the best place on the map, because everybody who lived here thinks so, and that this county can grow corn as well as cotton and other things.

Mr. O. K. Wilson, leader of the Orangeburg Military Band, on being called on said he was at the head of the biggest boosting organization in the city, referring to the band. Those present agreed with Mr. Wilson, as the band had given an exhibition of its boosting qualities that evening in the sweet music it furnished.

Secretary Marchant responded to a call by saying it was good to see such a gathering as was present at the banquet, for it meant that the business men of the city were interested in their home town and they intended to see her progress.

Mr. Sol Kohn told of his visit to Boston as the representative of the Orangeburg Ad. Club last August. He said he was questioned on every side about the South and her progress. He said he told them the South could grow corn, carry on big enterprises and was fast getting rich.

This about brought the delightful occasion to an end, but before breaking up a vote of thanks was tendered the visitors, who had honored the meeting and the banquet with their presence and good counsel. Thus ended one of the most successful and pleasant affairs of the kind ever held anywhere.

**Cloudburst Near Fort Motte.**  
A dispatch from Fort Motte says on Wednesday afternoon there was the heaviest rainfall that that section has had for a year or more. The heavy downpour of rain caused the pond of the McKensie Mill to overflow and wash away the mill. This plant was equipped with a good system and grist mill, leased by Mr. G. W. Willard. Loss about \$5,000. Low places in cotton fields were completely covered with water, almost completely destroying the cotton, much of which had not been picked over for the first time.

**Edisto Rifles Reorganized.**  
The Edisto Rifles reorganized on Thursday night by electing the following officers: W. C. Crum, Jr., captain; W. W. Dukes, first lieutenant; and Geo. A. Schiffley, Jr., second lieutenant. There were forty members enrolled Thursday night. There are others who will enroll later.

### INSECT INVASION

#### THE STATE BEING OVERRUN BY MANY KINDS OF PESTS.

**This Is An Object Lesson That May Be Profitable If We Profit By It.**

It does not require scientific knowledge but merely ordinary observation to convince the farmer and other citizens that South Carolina is now receiving an invasion of insect without parallel in the present generation.

The Pine Bark Beetle has riddled the pines of the Up-Country and is rapidly moving eastward into the great commercial pine belt. In order to check that insect energetic measures must be undertaken and kept up for a number of years.

The Pea Curculio did immense damage in certain sections early in the year by cutting off cotton blooms and reports from Whitmire, in Newberry county, and elsewhere show that the Melancholy Rose Beetle is repeating what he accomplished two years ago in other sections.

Several small invasions of grasshoppers, resulting in wiping out small fields of corn (one of forty acres near Columbia and one of thirty acres in Alken County) are also indications of far worse to come.

The whole Up-Country is being swept by a mosquito plague that in certain towns has reached enormous proportions. Greenville has been carrying on a war against these pests through its health office. Capt. P. S. Land, of Columbia, for many years a conductor on the old Columbia and Greenville railroad, says that thirty years ago mosquitos were practically unknown from Greenville to Columbia—a statement that any old citizen will confirm.

The list of destructive insects, now for the first time in evidence, is a long one, and space is lacking merely to chronicle it. Enough has been said to call attention to a most sinister and important fact.

At the last session of the General Assembly I appeared before committee on Fish, Forestry and Game and stated to that body that "before the Boll Weevil arrived there would be such an outbreak of insects as would jar the teeth in their heads." They will remember that prediction, which has already come true, although more is to follow. If any member of that committee has any doubt in his mind, he has only to go into the Up-Country and see for himself.

The situation has been brought about by a rapidly diminishing bird supply, which the General Assembly has done nothing to check, for nothing but nominal protection is accorded birds, there being no way whereby the laws can be enforced.

In the case of the Pine Bark Beetle Dr. F. E. L. Beel, of the Biological Survey, writes that Scolytid beetles (the genus to which the Pine Bark Beetle belongs) have been found not only in the stomachs of woodpeckers, which tear off the bark to get at them, but also in the stomachs of night hawks, flycatchers and other birds whose food is taken on the wing. The loss of birds has meant an outbreak of beetles and the farmer pays the freight.

It is also true that night hawks (or bullbats) along with martins, chimney swifts and swallows, feed very largely on mosquitos, taking thousands at a meal. Inasmuch as these birds must fill their stomachs from eight time to ten times daily, one can see what an enormous amount of mosquitos would be carried off by them.

In other words, so long as these birds were plentiful and unmolested mosquitos were kept within the bounds set by nature. With the birds destroyed below the point of efficiency, the pests spread. Night hawks (bullbats) have been reported as being shot at different points all over the State, but this department is powerless to take effective action without money to hire wardens and to prosecute cases.

It is nothing less than a special act of Providence that the Cotton caterpillars (called Army worms generally) came so late in the season. Otherwise the first crop would have gone the way of the top crop.

Now it does not matter what any man's previous notions have been, he must recognize facts when he sees them, if he is an honest man. More-over I have told the General Assembly that they need not believe my unsupported word, but that the government scientists will furnish them independent information as to the situation whenever they ask for it.

If what I have told them does not conform to the facts, there is an easy way to prove it.

But the General Assembly has not done this. No action has been taken to get information; nothing has been done to protect the farmers of the State, and if the cotton Boll Weevil finds the State unprepared, then the men charged with the responsibility will be liable to the grave charge of criminal carelessness with a public trust.

It is the duty of the General Assembly to take steps at once to safeguard the interests of the farmers of the State. There is no time to waste and no time to argue with individuals. The law should be passed and the people informed afterwards, for it is their own fault if they do not know now. Ignorance is always costly in this instance it will be fatal.

James Henry Rice Jr.

#### Woman Bound and Gagged.

A young woman, bound, gagged and unconscious, was found in a rear yard on Agnes street, Cumminsville, Ohio, Thursday night. The yard is in the centre of a district where a series of murders of young girls have taken place during the last few years. It is not believed that the woman will recover.

### NEGRO KILLED AT FERGUSON.

#### Not Knowing the Danger He Stepped on the Third Rail.

A negro was electrocuted and instantly killed at the Santee Cypress Lumber Company's mill at Ferguson one day last week. The negro was a new hand at the mill, and not knowing the danger, stepped on the third rail which carries the electric current that moves the cars on the tramway in the lumber yards of the big plant and was instantly killed by the passage of nearly eight thousand volts through his body. The poor fellow was cut down so quick that he did not know what hit him.

The Journal says M. C. E. Mc-Honacker, manager of the plant, whose home is in Branchville, saw the negro killed. The tram cars are operated by a side rail placed along the track. An iron shoe connects with the rail supplying current to the motor cars. The third rail is high power carrying 7,600 volts, alternating current. The exposed rail is very dangerous, but all employees are warned to keep clear of it and they soon become accustomed to avoiding it. The negro killed was a green hand who had just begun work.

At one point over the tramway there is a drawbridge connecting two of the mills and when the cars are to pass beneath the bridge is raised. The strange negro had raised the bridge and when he attempted to lower it into place the drawbridge machinery locked and he stepped upon the third rail to adjust the chain. He fell in his tracks immediately and was dead in a few moments.

#### FREIGHT TRAIN WRECKED.

#### Ran Into a Wash Out Just Above Town of St. Matthews.

As stated in the last issue of The Times and Democrat a freight train was wrecked by running into wash-out a little after twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning just above the town of St. Matthews. A tremendous cloudburst had just taken place the high water loosening the underpinning of the trestle about fifty yards north of St. Matthews. The northbound passenger train had passed over a short time before.

As the freight going south struck the trestlework, the timbers began to crack and bend. Engineer B. H. Weathersbee pulled open the throttle and landed his engine, but seven cars crashed in to the excavation 40 feet below.

C. T. Cannaday, head brakeman, was badly shaken up, the end of a little finger being torn off and other bruises about the body and head. Jim Lewis, colored fireman, was also badly shaken up, but will recover with little delay. B. H. Weathersbee, engineer also sustained slight bruises about the right leg and knee.

C. T. Cannaday is the most seriously injured, and the result will depend upon the outcome of possible internal injuries. Surgeons J. S. Wimby of Branchville and T. H. Dreher of St. Matthews, physicians of the Southern railway, and Dr. A. R. Able of St. Matthews attended the injured and relieved their sufferings.

Despite the wreck, the schedules on the Southern railway, between Columbia and Charleston, are not seriously impaired.

A temporary trestle has been built to replace the broken structure, so as to allow trains to pass without interruption. Meantime carpenters and a section men are working on the permanent trestle repairing the break.

#### Will Be at County Fair.

The Branchville Journal says one of the finest specimens of okra it has even seen was brought to the Journal office by Mr. A. Evans, who grew it in his garden in Branchville. The stalk was five feet high until the weight of fruit upon it broke it down. The entire stalk bore thirty-six pods of okra averaging eight inches in length. The portion of the stalk that can now be seen in the Journal office measures twenty-seven inches and bears thirty large pods. Mr. Evans is saving the specimen for exhibition at the county fair.

#### Cotton in Warehouses.

The farmers of Orangeburg county are beginning to realize the importance of holding their cotton for higher prices and the warehouses of this city and county are filling with the fleecy staple. A number of farmers have sold enough cotton to meet most of their obligations or to pay enough on them to tide them over for some months. The farmers are determined not to sacrifice their cotton at present prices if they can possibly help themselves, and desperate efforts are now being made along these lines.

#### Most Fruitful Cotton Stalk.

The Branchville Journal says by for the most fruitful stalk of cotton we have seen this season was brought to the Journal office last week by Mr. Frank Fairley who farms near town. The stalk was 30 inches high and 5 1-2 feet in diameter. There were 87 open bolls and 15 green bolls while 15 other bolls had been stripped of their contents by the recent rains. The opened cotton was picked here and yielded exactly 14 1-2 ounces of seed cotton.

#### That Mysterious Airship.

Many people saw yesterday afternoon what they thought was an airship pass over the city into the Fork section. It was watched as it faded away by many people from the street. This was the first County Fair Airship, and was sent up by The Times and Democrat from the yard in the rear of its office. It made a most successful ascent and was lost to view several miles to the west of the city.

### LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

#### PICKED UP ALL OVER TOWN BY OUR REPORTERS.

**What Is Happening Here and There.**

#### Local Items of Personal Interest to Our Readers.

Orangeburg will bethere.  
Just watch Orangeburg grow, from now on.

They are having snow out west, but we don't need it here yet.

The cool weather is most acceptable after the long, hot summer.

Mr. F. M. Heckle has been elected to the police force of St. Matthews.

Mrs. A. L. Barron and children of Manning are visiting Mrs. M. K. Jeffords.

Our merchants would draw more trade here if they would use more printer's ink.

Rev. H. W. Jeffcoat, of Troutman, N. C., will preach at the Lutheran Church Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Salley and children of Cedartown, Ga., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Glover.

The merchants in Orangeburg that is doing the most business are the ones that are doing the most advertising.

Mr. J. W. Smoak is giving his personal attention to the erection of the fair buildings and the work is being rapidly pushed.

The child of a colored woman by the name of Tatum died at Branchville recently from the effects of kerosene oil, which it drank.

Rev. George E. Davis, Dr. L. K. Sturkie, Rev. B. M. Foreman and Mr. T. M. McMichael attended the Orangeburg Baptist Association.

Mr. T. C. Smoak, of Branchville, has gone to Columbia to be operated on for appendicitis. His friends hope he will have a speedy recovery.

The roads and pavements from the city to the fair grounds should be in the best possible condition, so as people will have no trouble to get there.

The uprising in China is only a symptom of the spread of democracy over the world. In time such a thing as a monarchy among civilized people will be unknown.

The cotton crop of Orangeburg County this year will be about the largest ever made in this county. The yield per acre is about the best ever known in this section of the State.

Work on the Standard Oil Cotton Warehouse at St. Matthews will commence within the next week or so, with expectation that it will be completed in time to care for a part of this season's crop.

Sumter has decided to purchase a combination motor pumping engine and horse wagon at a cost of \$8,500. In case of a big fire Sumter would find such a fire fighter most valuable, and so would Orangeburg as any other city.

The Journal says: "Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Ott expect to move from Branchville in about three weeks to Ellore, where they will reside in the future. Mr. Ott has engaged in business in Ellore and is now erecting a home there."

The Journal says Mrs. P. C. Dukes of Branchville, suffered a painful fall on the steps to her home on North Main street Monday morning. Her many friends will rejoice to learn that she was not seriously hurt and it is hoped that she will be out again shortly.

Mr. W. G. Peterkin has purchased a gasoline traction plough, which he is expecting to arrive within the next few days. He will use this on his extensive farm near Fort Motte for ploughing and putting in his oat crop. Scarcity of farm labor necessitates improved farm machinery.

In his instructions to the grand jury of Orangeburg county last September Judge J. W. DeVore, laid particular stress upon the State v. grant law and pleaded with the grand jury to see to it that magistrates, city authorities and others put a ban upon vagrants by bringing them to criminal prosecutions. The grand jury should not forget this.

A dispatch from St. Matthews says the cotton caterpillar has covered this section, completely devastating the cotton crop of its green foliage, leaving the cotton in a deplorable condition to be gathered. Much cotton remains in the fields yet to be picked, some of which will probably never be picked.

Nelson Miley, a negro from Cope, snatched a watch from Wash Ables, a negro from Bamberg, while the crowd was alighting from the Augusta train at Branchville Sunday morning. The Journal says Conductor Burnham saw Miley snatch the watch and he at once put the negro under arrest. Monday he was tried before Magistrate Dukes and given a fine of \$50 or thirty days. Tuesday the negro's father came to his rescue and paid his fine.

#### Young Varn Will Recover.

The Branchville Journal says Mr. Fletcher Varn, who was seriously stabbed in a difficulty near Sixty-Six by Bill Shuler, a negro, several weeks ago, has returned from Charleston where he was sent for treatment. It was at first feared that young Varn's injuries would result seriously but he is now recovering rapidly. It is expected that a preliminary will be held by Magistrate Dukes next Wednesday.

#### St. Paul's Methodist Church.

Rev. George H. Cornelison, D. D. of New Orleans, will preach at 11 o'clock a. m. Dr. Bays the pastor will preach at eight p. m. Subject of evening sermon, God is our strength. Special music by choir at both services. Strangers in the city are welcome. Come. Seats free.

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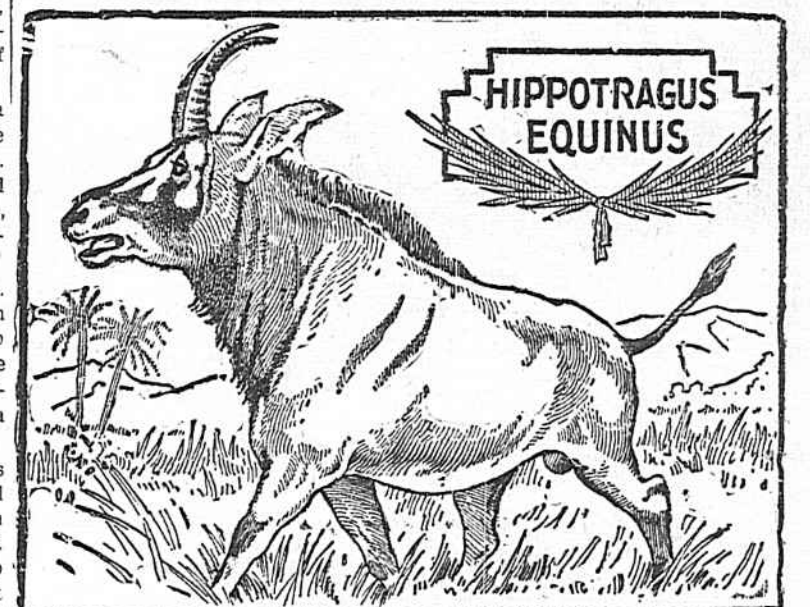
35c Corset covers, neatly trimmed with good quality of val lace. To see it is to buy it at 25c this week. Order by mail number 305B.

\$1.00 will buy an all linen shirt waist, hand embroidered. Has high collar and neatly laundered cuffs. A \$2.00 value. All sizes. Order by mail 243B.

## THE MIGHTY

# Haag Shows

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