

LEXINGTON COUNTY CORN SHOW TO BE HELD HERE SATURDAY

The Lexington County Corn show will be held in the court house next Saturday, December 13. This is an annual event in which the county takes great pride.

At the meeting Saturday an expert on the boll weevil will be present to give the farmers some good advice and everybody is urged to be present. The Dispatch-News is in receipt of the following notice from Senator E. C. Ridgell, calling attention to the corn exposition:

FINE SWEET POTATOES.

Mrs. Henry B. Oxner has the appreciative thanks of the editors of The Dispatch-News for a lot of fine sweet potatoes which were grown on her husband's farm near Lexington.

Mr. and Mrs. Oxner have recently moved to Lexington, and are occupying the residence of Mrs. Mike Wingard, in East town. A cordial welcome will be given to these good people.

DEATH OF MRS. GUNTER.

Beloved Woman Passes Away at Home Near Pelton.

Mrs. V. A. Gunter, died Sunday at her home near Pelton and was buried in the family burying ground Monday, funeral services being held at the home by the Rev. Mr. Johnson, the recently appointed Methodist preacher.

THE BON HEUR CLUB.

The Misses Efrid will entertain the Bon Heur club on Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock. A full attendance of members is urged.

MOVES INTO NEW HOME.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Bouye have moved to their new home on route 1, recently purchased from Edwin G. Dreher, which will be highly improved and beautified.

MASONS OF LEXINGTON ELECT OFFICERS.

At a regular communication of Lexington lodge, No. 152, A. F. M., held December 6, the following were elected officers to serve for the ensuing Masonic year:

INTERESTING PROGRAM FOR TEACHERS MEETING

The Lexington County Teachers' Association will meet in the school building at Lexington at 11 o'clock Saturday, Dec. 13. After a short business session three departmental meetings will be held simultaneously for 45 minutes all of which will discuss the subject of "Reading."

BAZAAR TO BE GIVEN BY LADIES AID SOCIETY.

The annual bazaar of the Ladies Aid Society of St. Stephens Lutheran church will be held Friday and Saturday night, December 12 and 13. The bazaar this year will be held in the front part of the store room of the DuPre Auto Company.

AMERICAN LEGION REHEARSING FOR BIG MINSTREL SHOW

Rehearsals have begun for the minstrel show which the American Legion is to give at an early date. Much material has been selected and rehearsals will soon begin.

BOX PARTY AT FAIRVIEW.

There will be a box party, cake walk and other amusements at Fairview school house on Tuesday night, Dec. 23, beginning promptly at 8:30.

MIL. HARMAN SICK.

Friends of Mr. G. M. Harman, affectionately known as "Uncle Josh" among his many friends, the veteran editor, will regret to learn that he has been confined to his room since Sunday on account of sickness.

PLAY AT CROSS ROADS.

There will be a play entitled "Christmas at the Cross Roads" presented at Congaree school house, Friday night, Dec. 19, beginning at 7 o'clock. Admission fifteen and twenty-five cents. The public is cordially invited to attend.

OPERATION BRINGS HOMAGE.

Cuprija Serbia.—A successful appendicitis operation upon a serious case has won for Captain Frederick L. Bregel, an American Red Cross worker of Fairfax, Minn., the praise and homage of this entire town.

CLINIC TO OPEN TO TREAT TRACHOMA

Dr. G. L. Goodwyn of the United States public health service has arrived in Lexington for the purpose of conducting a clinic for the treatment of trachoma, the eye disease of which many cases have been found among pupils of the schools in Lexington county.

ITALIAN RIOTS CAUSE DEATH AND INJURIES.

Rome, Dec. 5.—The general strike continues in Italy. Riots are increasing in violence. Ten persons are dead, more than 100 are wounded, and over 1000 arrests have been made as a result of the general strike, according to the most recent reports.

PERSONALS.

Mr. Thos. H. Wingard, the popular and efficient mail carrier on route 6, had the misfortune to break his right arm while cranking his car one day last week.

NEARLY NINE THOUSAND KILLED IN RAILWAY ACCIDENTS IN 1918.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The Bureau of the Interstate Commerce Commission, in its annual report issued at Washington yesterday, states that during the calendar year 1918, 8,697 persons were killed in railway accidents and 64,144 injured.

BENEFIT SUPPER.

The Ladies Aid Society of Congaree Baptist church at Styx will serve supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Lynches on Saturday evening, Dec. 13, beginning at 6:20 p. m.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their kindness during the burn and death of our dear little daughter. We pray the Lord's richest blessing will rest upon each of them.

DOUGHBOYS IN BALKANS.

Culture, Montenegro.—The American Red Cross is serving American doughboys in this town. A battalion of the 32nd Infantry, part of the army of occupation, is being given medical assistance as well as canteen and entertainment service by the Red Cross Mission to Montenegro.

SAMUEL A. GEORGE HONORED AT WOFFORD.

Mr. Samuel A. George, has been honored by fellow students at Wofford College by being selected as president of the Lexington County club, an organization of all the students from this county at the Methodist college in Spartanburg, of whom there are quite a number.

LEXINGTON COTTON MARKET

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BIG DEPARTMENT STORE READY SOON

Mr. James Tapp, manager of the big Tapp department store, which will soon open a big department store in the new Copley building in town Tuesday completed arrangements for the launching of the new business house. A large consignment of goods has already arrived and is being stored.

MISSIONARY SERVICE AT ST. ANDREWS CHURCH.

There will be an all day Missionary service at St. Andrews Lutheran church, Lexington county, on Sunday, Dec. 14, under the auspices of the Women and Young Peoples Missionary Societies at 11 o'clock, there will be a missionary sermon by the pastor, Rev. R. R. Sowers.

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FERTILIZER PLANT FOR GILBERT

The town of Gilbert is to have a new enterprise soon which will doubtless mean a good deal for the growth of the community. Incorporation papers have been taken out for the Gilbert Fertilizer Company, a concern which proposes to manufacture commercial fertilizer.

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TAX COLLECTIONS BREAK RECORD

As an evidence of the general prosperity a statement by County Treasurer Leaphart shows that more than the usual amount of money has so far been paid into the county treasury. Of the total amount of \$222,827.15 to be collected in Lexington county for all purposes there had so far been paid in at the close of business Saturday last, \$88,000 in round numbers, which is more than has ever been received by this date in any year.

Collected on Bonds.

It will no doubt prove of interest to know what was collected by the treasurer, assisted by Mr. Dent, the auditor, on the bonds which were finished last week. The figures are given below, the various sums collected being deposited in the banks in the towns where collected each day at the close of business. The list is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes Irmo (\$1,266.17), Chapin (5,004.30), Peak (1,889.94), Swansea (7,171.93), Pelton (2,575.51), Steedman (827.35), Gilbert (263.46), Leesville (4,493.60), Batesburg (4,512.04), Gaston (416.64), Cayce (707.79), New Brookland (2,769.80). Total: \$31,908.38.

Books Close December 31.

There remain only three weeks more in which taxes may be paid without penalty as the books close December 31. On and after that date the penalty will attach, and all who wish to avoid paying the extra money should see to it that their taxes are paid at once.

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