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FRIDAY BEGINS SUMMERLAND COMMENCEMENT

Batesburg, May 17.—Summerland announces its commencement as follows: Friday evening with a recital by the Expression department, with several musical numbers. This department is under the direction of D. Carroll of Lexington. On Monday morning, May 22, the sermon for the graduating class will be delivered by Rev. J. L. Morgan, president of the North Carolina Synod. Rev. S. Petrea will address the People's Missionary Society on Tuesday evening. Both these services will be held in Wittenburg Lutheran church at Leesville. Class day exercises will be held Monday morning at the college auditorium. The meeting of the board of trustees will be held at 10 o'clock Monday morning at the college. A meeting of the Alumnae Association will be held at noon Tuesday evening the annual concert of the music department will be held in the gymnasium. On Tuesday morning the debating exercises will be held and the address delivered by Sister Elizabeth, parish deaconess of St. John's church, Charleston, S. C. The public is cordially invited to attend all of these exercises.

The dwelling house and contents of Ira L. Koon, near Summerland, were destroyed by fire Saturday night about 8 o'clock. The origin of the fire is unknown but is thought to have caught from the bedroom. Everything in the house, including bedding, wearing apparel and cooking utensils were totally destroyed. The loss is estimated to be between \$4,000 and \$4,500, with insurance to cover, of only \$2500.

Dr. E. Pendleton Jones has returned from a trip to Chattanooga, Tenn., where he attended the Southern Baptist convention held last week in that city.

Solicitor Callison of Lexington was here on business Saturday.

Hon. McKendree Barr of Leesville will finish the law course at the University of South Carolina at the coming commencement and it is gratifying to his many friends in Batesburg to know that he will locate immediately after being admitted to the bar, in our town for the practice of his profession.

Judge C. M. Efrid, a member of the Lexington bar and one of the best lawyers in South Carolina, was here on legal business Monday.

Hon. George Bell Timmerman spent Saturday and Sunday in town as the guest of his sister, Mrs. Colwell Cullum.

Hon. and Mrs. G. M. Stuckey of Bishopville are spending a few days in town with Mrs. Stuckey's mother, Mrs. E. Jones.

Dr. P. A. Smith, a well known and popular physician of Gilbert, was here on business Monday.

The old Batesburg and Steedman telephone line was sold at auction Monday in Batesburg to Mr. Luther Smith of Gilbert. It is reported that the line will be repaired and put in working order in a short while. There has been no service on this line for several months.

Mr. J. Henry Bodie, the popular and efficient postmaster of Leesville, delivered three interesting lectures Sunday at Clyde's chapel in Saluda county and Concord and Middleburg churches on the important subject of "Christian Education." Mr. Bodie is a high toned Christian gentleman and the Methodist church is fortunate in securing his services in such an important work.

Mrs. Albert C. Jones has returned from a visit to her sister in Chattanooga, Tenn.

The annual reception of the Senior class of Summerland college was held at the home of Mrs. Mattie C. Kneec last Friday evening. The commencement exercises of the Graded and High schools of Batesburg and Leesville will begin the first of next week. An interesting program has been arranged by superintendent, W. F. Scott, and the members of the faculty.

MUSIC RECITAL.

Misses Bedie George and Olga Rawl, pupils of Mrs. E. B. Roof will give a recital in the high school auditorium on Friday evening, May 20th, 1921, at 8:30 o'clock. An invitation is cordially extended to all.

"THE HOODOO" PROMISES FUN

Prof. J. W. Ballentine, who has for the past session been principal of the Lexington High School, will return to Leesville, his former home, at the close of the present session, and will again take up school work in the Leesville-Batesburg High School. Prof. and Mrs. Ballentine have made many friends during their stay here, who regret to see them leave. Under his management the school has had a very successful session. No successor has yet been chosen, though the board of trustees have many applications and will have a large field from which to choose. They will probably meet some time this week to select a successor to Mr. Ballentine and the other teachers of the school.

The faculty of the school for the past session has been as follows:

- First Grade—Miss Mary Wingard. Advanced First—Mrs. J. O. Harman. Second Grade—Mrs. Ethel Sease. Third Grade—Miss Annie Lou Taylor. Fourth Grade—Miss Kate Shull. Fifth Grade—Miss Pearl Caughman. Sixth Grade—Miss Mary Caughman. Seventh Grade—Miss Modenia Bigby. Eighth Grade—Miss Margaret Bruton. Ninth Grade—Miss Ellen Hendrix. Tenth Grade—Prof. J. W. Ballentine.

Closing Exercises.

Closing exercises of the school will begin Sunday, May 22, when the Rev. J. C. Roper, educational secretary of the Upper S. C. Conference, will deliver a sermon at the High School auditorium at 11:15.

Owing to the fact that the eleventh grade will be added next year there will be no graduating class this session, but an interesting play will be rendered Monday and Tuesday nights by pupils of the tenth grade. A small admission will be charged to the play, the proceeds of which will go to the school.

"The Hoodoo."

The name of the play, which abounds in ludicrous situations, is "The Hoodoo," and the class has been hard at work for some time past rehearsing. Following is a synopsis of the play:

The scene is laid at the country home of Mrs. Perrington—Shine in the suburbs of Philadelphia. The occasion is the house party of the Lee-Early wedding.

Professor Spiggot gives Brighton (the groom), for a wedding gift a marvelous Egyptian scarab. Under its evil influence Brighton is blackmailed by a former flame; the susceptible Billy finds himself engaged to three ladies; the Professor is accused of bigamy; and Dun, the burglar, gets caught. Matters straighten out when the scarab is buried. He-Machus, the Professor's son, and Paradise, the colored cook, afford exceptional character parts.

McKENDREE BARR TO PRACTICE LAW AT BATESBURG

A letter to the editor from Hon. McKendree Barr, member of the legislative delegation from Lexington, contains the information that Mr. Barr will locate in Batesburg for the practice of law about June 1. Mr. Barr also has considerable farming interests nearby, which will receive his attention. He is a graduate of the University of South Carolina and has been taking the law course in which he will graduate in a few days. Mr. Barr's friends wish him much success and believe he will soon establish a fine practice.

R. L. C. ASSOCIATION MEETING.

The regular annual meeting of the Lexington-Richland County R. L. C. Association will be held in Columbia at the Post Office building on May 30th, beginning at 11 o'clock. For further information see the communication sent out to each carrier by the Secretary.

A new day for the carriers is dawning and every carrier in the two counties, whether now a member of the Association or not, is earnestly requested to attend this meeting. W. H. HARE, County Secretary.

LEGION OPENS CLUB ROOMS

Every ex-service man in Lexington county is urged to attend the opening of the Lexington Post's club rooms tomorrow evening, Thursday, May 19, and bring his friends, and the public generally is cordially invited to be present. The Legion men in Lexington feel that they have reason to be proud of their new home and they are anxious to have all their friends see what they are trying to do and how they have begun.

Just prior to the opening of the rooms there will be two addresses in the Courthouse, to which the public is likewise cordially invited. Dr. E. Pendleton Jones, pastor of the Baptist church at Batesburg, and Solicitor T. C. Callison, of the Lexington bar, will be the speakers, and to those who know them it is unnecessary to say that they will be well worth hearing. Governor Cooper was also scheduled to speak, but was prevented by an engagement in Washington. The exercises in the Courthouse will begin promptly at 8:30, and immediately following this there will be a reception by the members of the Lexington Post, in their new club rooms over the law offices of Efrid and Carroll, to the general public and especially to all ex-service men over the County and to other Posts of the American Legion.

In the receiving line will be the officers of the local Post and the members of the recently organized Women's Auxiliary. Any ex-service man desiring to become a member of Lexington Post may ascertain the requisites from any of the members of the Post, and any mother, wife, or daughter of an ex-service man belongs to the Legion, or of any deceased soldier or sailor, is eligible to membership in the Auxiliary, and may likewise ascertain the requisites for membership by inquiring of any of the members of the organization.

COCKLE-BURS MATURING RAPIDLY NOW

Several farmers from various sections of the county who have been in town the past several days have called our attention to the fact that they have a most unusual thing in their fields. The cockle-burs are maturing, the stalks being full of well matured burs. Among the weather-wise it is generally believed that the maturing of cockle-burs means the early coming of frost, and none could be found who had ever known frost to catch the pesky little burs unmatured. The Newberry Herald and News also reports the same thing as occurring in Newberry county.

Which recalls the fact that men of the generation just past recalled that in the early eighties there was one year in South Carolina when slight frost occurred or there were slight flurries of snow every month in the year except August. Needless to say there were no crops of any consequence made that year. It is to be hoped that no such calamity will befall this year. But this has certainly been a strange season. And now come the maturing cockle-burs to further upset our equilibrium. Let us hope that for once Mr. Cockle-bur is mistaken.

REVIVAL AT EDMUND WILL SOON BEGIN

There will be revival services held at Edmund commencing on the first Sunday night in June. The Rev. A. A. Haggard of New Brookland will conduct the meeting. Mr. Haggard is one of the most popular evangelist preachers who has ever been in this state.

Everybody is invited to attend this meeting. Come and come praying for a revival and we are sure you will be helped by being here. The young and able preacher, Rev. I. G. Roberts, will assist in this meeting. Mr. Roberts has been here with us for a few months and we feel proud to say that he has been a help and the cause of some having renewed faith.

PROV'DENCE CHURCH.

The Rev. H. J. Black, Columbia, S. C., president of the South Carolina Synod, will preach at the regular morning service at Providence church 11 a. m. Sunday the 22nd, inst. G. B. SHEAROUSE, Pastor.

MRS. CAUGHMAN DIED TUESDAY

Mrs. Catherine Caughman, beloved Christian woman, who had more than attained her allotted three score years and ten, being 85 years old, died Tuesday at the home of her son, Mr. C. W. Caughman, a short distance from Lexington. Mrs. Caughman has been enjoying very good health until quite recently and was considered remarkably robust for one of her years.

Besides her brother, Judge George S. Drafts, Mrs. Caughman is survived by two sons and two daughters, all of whom live in this county are well known and deservedly popular. They are Messrs. C. W. and B. J. Caughman and Mrs. H. H. Dreher and Mrs. Walter Hook, who live near Columbia. A family connection also mourn her death.

Mrs. Caughman was an earnest Christian woman and early affiliated with the Lutheran church. She was a member of Pilgrim church. Funeral services were conducted today by her pastor, Rev. J. A. Cromer, and burial was had at the family burying ground. A large crowd of sorrowing friends and relatives gathered to pay their respects.

JUNIOR SEWING CLUB TO HAVE PLAY

Lexington, S. C., May 17, 1921.

Dear Friends: The members of the Junior Sewing Club are getting up a little play which is to help to pay for the heating plant for the Lexington High School.

We have asked lots of little children to help us and none of us are over twelve years old. We think we are going to have a very good program composed of songs, drills and dances and a little play, "The Coming of the Flowers", which is to be given in costume.

Watch the paper and see when we are going to have the play and come and enjoy it with us.

The play will be given in the school auditorium and will be in charge of the Ladies School Improvement League.

Sincerely yours, DOROTHY OSWALD, WINNIE LORICK, Members of the Junior Sewing Club.

UNION MEETING PROGRAM.

The Lower Union of the Lexington Baptist Association will meet at Congaree church on Saturday and Sunday, May 28, 29. The following program has been arranged:

- Saturday. 10:30 A. M.—Devotional Services, led by the pastor. 10:45.—Enrollment of delegates and verbal reports from the churches. 11:15.—Topic: Some Points for Emphasis in Prayer: (1) For the Spirit's Power, W. H. Whaley; (2) For More Laborers, W. T. Smith; (3) For Those Now at Work, A. W. Rodgers. 12:00.—Magnifying the Deacon's Office, J. F. Fallaw, L. W. Wise. 12:45.—Dinner. 2:00 P. M.—Song and prayer service. 2:15.—Echoes from the Southern Baptist Convention, by those who were there. 2:45.—The Church's Place in the Work of Education—Dr. C. A. Jones, or his appointee. 3:30.—Miscellaneous and Adjournment.

Sunday.

- 10:30 A. M.—Devotional services. 10:45.—Doctrinal Teaching. How May it best be done?—L. Lucas, H. C. Hughes. 11:15.—Sermon—L. S. Shedy. Adjourn.

W. T. SMITH, For Committee.

ST. STEPHEN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Arthur B. Obnschain, Pastor. Mr. B. Heber Barre, Supt. of Sunday School. Divine Services at 8:00 p. m. Sunday school at 10:00 a. m. On Sunday, May 22d, the Morning Service will be omitted. The theme at 8:00 p. m. will be: "The Necessity of The New Birth. If One is to Be a Member of the Kingdom." A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend these services of St. Stephen's Church. ARTHUR B. OBNSCHAIN, Pastor.

PLEASANT SESSION JOINT CONFERENCE

There was an unusually good attendance of lay delegates at the Joint Conference, held with St. Mark's church, Saluda county, Thursday, May 12, and seventeen clerical delegates out of a possible twenty-four. Organization was effected with Rev. J. D. Kinard, D. D., Johnston, S. C., President, Rev. J. W. Oxner, New Brookland, Vice President, Rev. G. S. Bearden, Saluda, Secretary, and Mr. J. E. R. Kyzer, Leesville, Treasurer. Rev. J. M. Senter, Chapin, preached the opening sermon, after which the Holy Communion was administered.

After an hour's intermission conference reassembled and engaged in the discussion of subjects assigned. A fine spirit prevailed, the best of attention and interest was manifest in both speakers and audience. While it is impossible to present anything like a true estimate of the arguments advanced by the speakers, yet the writer was most favorably impressed with the point made by one of the lay delegates in regard to the rendition of the public worship by the congregation. To enter heartily into this service before the sermon is most helpful to both preacher and people.

Another feature of the conference most pleasing but not always practiced, was that most of the delegates spent the night in assigned homes. We suppose this is in a measure accounted for by the fact that St. Mark's church is not centrally located in our confessional territory. Any way the people like to have the conference in their homes as well as in the church.

The Rev. R. R. Sowers, Irmo, S. C., preached the evening sermon at 8 p. m.

On account of the inclement weather on Friday, the exercises were somewhat curtailed. But the program was carried out in full with the exception of the sermon at 11 a. m., Dr. McCullough of Columbia being absent.

A most bountiful dinner was served at the church both days, and conference extended a most cordial vote of thanks to the St. Mark's congregation for their most hospitable entertainment.

Conference accepted an invitation to meet with Providence church next time, the latter part of the summer, perhaps, the exact date being left to the officers of conference.

IN HONOR OF MRS. ROOF.

Mrs. S. J. Leaphart entertained last Wednesday afternoon in honor of her niece, Mrs. Sam P. Roof. A pleasant time was spent by those present. Progressive whist was played, the first prize, a box of dainty stationery, being won by Mrs. D. R. Haltiwanger and presented to Mrs. Roof. Mrs. Chas E. Taylor drew the consolation, a dainty bottle of cologne. The guest of honor was presented with a lovely cut glass basket of sweet peas. The home was decorated with sweet peas. A delicious ice course was served. Those present were: Mesdames Sam P. Roof, Pickens Roof, Jr., J. D. Carroll, Chas. E. Taylor, A. D. Martin, K. F. Oswald, B. H. Barre, D. R. Haltiwanger, E. G. Dreher, Bessie Berley, Holly L. Harman, C. E. Leaphart, Misses Caro Efrid, May Lois Boozer, Annie Len Taylor, Ernestine Barre, Sara Mildred Berly, Leone Kyzer, Master Christopher Kaufman.

PIANO RECITAL OF LITTLE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL

The music pupils of Miss Stella Wessinger will give their spring recital in the auditorium of the Little Mountain high school May the 20th at 8:30 o'clock.

The children of the primary grades will give an operetta, "Mother Goose Island," the same evening. Patrons and friends of the school are cordially invited to be present.—Newberry Herald and News.

SCHOOL CLOSING.

Closing exercises of the Cross Roads school will be held on Friday night, May 27. A fine program has been prepared and will be rendered by the pupils. The public is cordially invited. Everybody is requested to be present promptly at 7:30. This will close a very successful season for the school, and the patrons are naturally gratified.

SWYGERT TRIAL TO RICHLAND

Judge J. W. DeVore of Edgefield will preside at the next term of court for Lexington, which will convene next Monday, May 23, for a term of two weeks. Civil business will be tried on the completion of the criminal docket.

Several important cases are scheduled for trial at the present term of court, among which is the case against Newt Kelly and Goff, charged with the killing of David Shull in New Brookland last fall.

Another important case which will probably be tried is that of three men charged with the killing of W. N. Brown in a clash last year between Federal Prohibition Officer Ott and two other men and a party of Lexington county deputies. The defendants in this case are Luther Crout, Will Mitchell and Alvy Dew. The shooting occurred not far from Brookland last fall. The automobile in which Brown, Ott and another man were sitting was riddled with bullets, while one of the Lexington constables as well as Ott were wounded.

Swygert Case to Richland.

The case against J. C. Swygert, charged with killing Dr. J. C. Nicholson at Leesville last month will not likely be tried in Lexington. Attorneys for the prosecution have secured from an order from Attorney General Wolfe ordering the trial to be held at Columbia. While the shooting took place in Lexington county, Dr. Nicholson's death occurred in Richland county. Under the law the case can be tried in either county. Upon the request of Col. L. Blease, employed to aid in the prosecution, Attorney General Wolfe has instructed Solicitor Callison not to bring the indictment at the coming term of court in this county, but has ordered Solicitor Spigner to proceed with the case in Richland county. Solicitor Callison will not appear in the case should the trial be held in Richland county. The Richland court will open next Monday, at the same time as the Lexington court. It is not known whether the Swygert case will be tried at that term or not.

Besides the cases above, there are some minor cases to be disposed of. It is believed, however, that it will be possible to clear the criminal docket in one week and devote the second week to civil business. Gentlemen of the Jury. The following jurors have been drawn to serve the first week: B. E. Williams, Jesse E. Addy, W. Lester Cannon, D. Julian Keister, John S. Hoover, H. W. Fox, Jr., J. Oscar Shedy, Alonzo E. Lown, Fred L. Frazier, C. S. Goodwin, Will A. Rawl, John P. Rust, Jr., Cleveland O. Shumpert, C. F. Howard, L. D. Brabham, Jennings B. Gantt, R. L. Shuler, Rial North, Jr., George C. Kammer, Thomas H. Caughman, W. S. Hallman, Walter P. Corley, Earl B. Shumpert, John J. Rish, L. E. Rurland, John Hugh Shull, Elbert W. Taylor, Thomas A. Sox, Johnnie L. Hallman, Harry Stezler, John Q. Barr, Guss Hook, Maxey L. Steele, J. Frank Wingard, Roddy C. Roberts, John H. Kleckley.

LEXINGTON CIRCUIT.

Appointments for Sunday, May 22d. Red Bank—Sunday school at 10 a. m., J. F. Sharpe, Superintendent. Preaching at 11 o'clock by Rev. J. H. Timmons of Columbia. Sunday school day exercises at 7:30 P. M. Horeb—Sunday school at 3 p. m. D. L. Harmon, Superintendent. Preaching at 4 o'clock. Hebron—Sunday school at 3 p. m. R. N. Senn, Superintendent. Preaching at 4 p. m., by Rev. Dr. J. C. Roper of Chester, S. C. Lexington—Sunday school at 10 a. m., W. D. Dent, Superintendent. Preaching 8 o'clock. You will find a welcome. Come and worship with us. H. A. WHITTEN, Pastor.

RED BANK.

Sunday School Day exercises will be observed by Red Bank Methodist. Sunday school next Sunday evening, May 22nd at 7:30 p. m. It will consist of songs, recitations and addresses by the children and youth of the church. Come and worship with us. J. FRANK SHARPE, Superintendent.