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THE EVIDENCE.

"From the evidence furnished I think the county is probably the worst in the state for law violations." That is the statement of the governor in reference to the whiskey raids conducted here last Thursday, and from the "evidence" he gave to the press along with the statement it would seem that his reasoning faculties were somewhat impaired at the time.

The "evidence" the governor had at the time, so far as we know, and of which he spoke, was information furnished him by state constables who made the raids. They searched six places that day and found whiskey at one, 11 half-pints. "Probably the worst county in the state."

No one in Lexington that is acquainted with the situation will say that Lexington is all it should be in reference to law enforcement. Likewise no one acquainted with the situation CAN say that it is the "worst in the state."

We cannot say with certainty that the governor's home town of Charleston is the "worst in the state," but from observation we will say that the governor's home town is worse than Lexington.

We cannot say with certainty that Columbia is the "worst in the state," but from observation we will say that it is worse than Lexington in reference to whiskey violations.

We cannot say that the governor is aware that whiskey is sold hourly in about 200 yards of his private office, but that is everyday talk.

We cannot say what prompted the governor to give out the statement about Lexington, but we think he was wrong.

Lexington is bad enough, but Lexington is not the "worst in the state." The statement that the "bootleggers have the officers intimidated" is rather far-fetched. The officers have been increasing in their raids in different sections of the county, and have captured a number of stills and arrested several violators of the law. The "evidence" does not bear out the charge.

Lexington officials and Lexington citizens resent the charge that it is "probably the worst in the state."

I. M. S.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

This is the last issue of The Dispatch-News before the glad holiday season, and we wish to thank our friends for the support they have given us during the past year, and assure them that we will put forth greater effort in serving them during the coming year.

A Merry, Merry Christmas to all.

CARD FROM DR. CROSSON.

Lexington, S. C., Dec. 16, 1922.

Dear Editor:
As the time is nearing for the convening of the next General Assembly, and as I am frequently asked what am I going to do and what do I stand for, I want to say that I am going to do, as I have always done, the best I can for the people of my county and state.

Under the stress of times I want and will advocate such legislation that will ultimately relieve our people.

First, I am in favor of further relieving the agricultural people of their burden of taxation and placing it upon other things that heretofore have escaped their share of taxation.

Second, I am in favor of better schools economically run and a longer term of school hours and more instructive teaching rather than the mere hearing of recitations.

Third, I am still in favor of better roads and an economical construction and maintenance of same.

Fourth, I am not like Ephraim— "joined to my idols"—and if the

people of the county think best, cut out the rural police of the county and turn matters over to blind tigers bootleggers, moving-auto-barrooms and liquor element generally. Do the church officers of the various churches and the ministry of the county stand for such. Visit the jail yard and ask the sheriff to show you their captures of stills and look at the books and see convictions and fines collected and you will see the enormity of the situation, and still there is more. I stand for better morals, virtue and religion and for law and order. What do you people stand for? Are you willing to place no restrictions upon such? Where, oh where will we drift? Fifth, I don't want the people to complain further of the general levy of taxation. It is with the school levies voted on themselves, your representatives can't have anything to do with what you vote on your own school district.

Sixth, I will stand for a curtailment of the number of officers and clerks in all our county offices, with a reduction of 20 per cent in salary and longer hours of service, as the "plow-boys" have.

Seventh, I will stand for biennial sessions of the legislature with a representative reduction of salary on the "old time" basis of pay.

Eighth, I will favor of the State's building its own offices and saving the \$60,000 now paid for office rents annually and pay it on the bonds to build the offices, on a long time loan and eventually the state will own said offices at same cost and have something to show for it.

Ninth, I would favor the State's developing its own valuable Hydro-electric power and canal and thereby save all its electrical expenses of lighting, fuel, etc., and furnishing the country with light, power and fuel, which will relieve us of dependent coal strikes, etc. and save the state much expense and eventually be a source of revenue.

Tenth, if possible, I favor and (by the right cooperation) we will get Lexington county out of debt after this next session of the legislature, and your state levy is 5 mills less now, you note this improvement.

Eleventh, I favor an equal and just consideration between capital and labor and a due consideration of every class of our people, wherever they may work, either on the farm, mills or any and all honest work that will make all happy and prosperous.

Twelfth, I do not stand for a violation of the laws on the statutes and especially a violation of the prohibition laws. Nor will I stand for an officer elected to administer our law and "hold the scales of justice" who makes liquor on his stove in violation of the laws of the state.

Thirteenth, I stand for a general uplift of the moral and religious sentiment of all our people, so that, we may be judged on our true merits and prosper and advance educationally, religiously, agriculturally, and financially and be placed as a county and people where we properly belong.

Fourteenth, These are things I favor and disfavor and I would like the support of all the people of the county to help carry them out, and let's advance and adhere to law and order and lay aside things unbecoming.

Fifteenth, I favor every voter giving to his representatives his or her views, on all subjects that are morally and legally right and as your servant, I will be glad to consider, or hear, any questions you may as a people present, on any proper or necessary future legislation.

The rural police law for Lexington county was enacted at the solicitations of many citizens of the county, both men and women, to meet the situation as it was at that time, Lexington county being the dumping grounds for all vice conceivable, her fields and highways polluted and her beautiful groves the scenes of prostitution. It is not so bad now. The rural police have gotten their share of "cussing" so old the stock law, the dispensary and prohibition and school laws and road laws. But would you repeal any of them now?

The rural police have done more to suppress crime than any other agency for the given length of time, which the records show. Who is it that wants to do away with the rural police? Is it the ministry, church officers or the good women of the county? Or, is it the better moral class of men and the backbone of our citizenship who stand as guide to future posterity, or is it the liquor, blind-tiger and bootlegger and auto-barroom man who wants to ply his nefarious trade? I leave it for you to answer.

Do you want to go back to former conditions? They are bad enough and the weak, poorly paid constabulary force in the county, will be but a farce to maintain decent law and order. Do you want more bridge

murder scenes, as at Brookland? Remember the cause of this was laid, or committed in Lexington county.

I am not tied to any man or set of men for rural police, just so he is an efficient officer, nor am I tied to the law when shown there is no necessity for it. If the time is here and conditions are such to discard it, "let her go, Gallagher." It's up to you; I'll note future conditions.

I stand for morality, education, good roads and higher ideals and better citizenship and the lowest taxes upon which we can maintain our activities of a decent government and equal rights and financial consideration for every one, high or low. What do you people stand for?

The past federal court records show that Lexington county rural police had more cases tried and more convictions, besides, more to be tried than any other county in the State. TM's does not show that there is no necessity for the rural police, or that they are not doing anything; I think my friend the governor "shot off his bill" this time before he knew, and I resent it. We are not as bad as some and are doing more to suppress crime. However, will our people stand for this public odium without some arm of the law to suppress it? What will it be without some protection?

D. M. CROSSON,
Senator.

WATERINGFORD NEWS.

Christmas is drawing near and every fellow wants a share of Christmas goodies.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Taylor of near Boiling Springs visited Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Kyzer last Wednesday.

Mr. J. T. Eckard and family have moved over in Fairfield county where he will engage in saw milling.

Messrs. C. F. Reah and Talmage Hutto made a business trip to the county capitol last Saturday.

Rev. Sidney Lewis who has been farming on Mr. W. J. Kessler's place near here the past two years, have moved on Mr. T. S. Sease's place near Gilbert.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Smith of Pond Branch visited H. A. and Mrs. Howard last Sunday evening.

Mr. M. M. Howard and family spent Saturday night with his parents, H. A. and Mrs. Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Reah and little Miss Gladys and also Mr. Talmage Hutto was old Uncle Henry's guest last Sunday.

Mr. E. F. Kyzer has been putting the finishing touch on Mr. George Baumert's new dwelling.

We have just been informed that Mr. and Mrs. Azariah Taylor received a telegram, today (Monday) from Atlanta, Ga., stating that their son, Clifton died in a hospital there this morning. We will try and give full details next week.

Gilbert, S. C., Dec. 18, 1922.

Dear Uncle Santa Claus:

I am a little boy six years old and I sure do enjoy going to school. I am in the first grade. Uncle Santa please don't forget to bring me a nice little toy and some firecrackers, nuts, oranges, apples and some candies. Oh! Uncle Santa please put them on my Christmas tree.

Your loving little boy,
HOMER CROUT.

BEAUTIFUL HOLIDAY GOODS:

The Best Gifts of the Season are now at your disposal. They will please your friends. Beautiful, distinctive, acceptable, lasting, practical, desirable. Here are Christmas Suggestions of an Acceptable Gift Nature. Available in a wider choice than you had hoped to meet at this time. Solid Gold Jewelry, "Community" Silverware, White Ivory Goods, American Cut Glass, Imported China Ware, Eastman Kodaks, Victrolas and Records, Thermos bottles, Eveready Flashlights, Century, Edison and Waterman Fountain Pens, "Ever-sharp" Pencils, Safety Razors, Clocks, and a great variety of Leather Goods, Stationery, Perfume, and Toilet Goods and Nunnallys Candy—any of which will make a delightful gift. A complete assortment of Christmas Cards, Holly Boxes and Seals for preparing your Xmas Gifts. Whatever your requirements may be for Xmas Gifts, if you will come in and let us show you our variety of Useful and Pleasing Gifts and you make your selection on our bright fresh stock of beautiful and really desirable Gifts you will be more than pleased with the price and quality of Gifts purchased at our store. Be an up-to-date Santa Claus, A Merry Christmas for All.

HARMON DRUG COMPANY.

GINNING—After December 29 we will close our gin down for the season. Until then we will run on Fridays only. Lexington Gin Company.

CLERK'S SALE.

State of South Carolina, County of Lexington.—Court of Common Pleas.

Anne C. Shuler, Plaintiff, vs. Elizabeth Corinne Shuler, et al., Defendants.
By virtue of authority vested in me by Order of the Court in the above entitled Cause, I will sell before the Court House door in Lexington, S. C. at public auction to the highest bidder, during the legal hours of sale on the first Monday in January next, the same being the first day of said month, the following described real estate, to-wit:

Tract No. 1. Containing two hundred twenty five and one-half (225.5) acres, bounded on the north by lands of Ollie Bowle, on the east by lands of W. H. Kyzer, on the southeast by lands of Bill Bouknight and Henry Corley, from which it is separated by a road, on the southwest by the Bush River Road, and on the northwest by lands of Mrs. Ellen Witt and lands of the estate of "Charleston Addy."

Tract No. 2. Containing sixty-nine and three-tenths (69 3-10) acres, bounded on the northeast by lands of Mrs. Ellen Witt and by tract No. 1; on the southeast by tract No. 3; on the south and southwest by lands of J. A. Dreher; and on the west and northwest by lands of T. H. Shuler.

Tract No. 3. Containing two hundred five and eight-tenths (205.8) acres, bounded on the northeast by the Bush River Road; which separates it from Tract No. 1; on the southeast by tract No. 4, and by Saluda River; on the southwest by lands of J. A. Dreher; and on the northwest by lands of J. A. Dreher and Tract No. 2.

Tract No. 4. Containing eighty-five and six-tenths (85.6) acres, bounded on the northeast by the Bush River Road; on the southeast by Tract No. 5; on the south by Saluda River; and on the west by Tract No. 3.

Tract No. 5. Containing ninety-eight and three-tenths (98.3) acres, bounded on the northeast by the Bush River Road; on the southeast by tract No. 6; on the southwest by Saluda River; and on the Northwest by Tract No. 4.

Tract No. 6. Containing ninety-one and one-half (91.5) acres, bounded on the northeast by the Bush River Road; on the southeast by Tract No. 7; on the southwest by Saluda River; and on the northwest by Tract No. 5.

Tract No. 7. Containing forty-three and three-tenths (43.3) acres, bounded on the northeast by the Bush River Road; on the southeast by lands of J. A. Byrd; on the southwest by Saluda River, and on the northwest by Tract No. 6.

This is the estate lands of T. S. Shuler, deceased, as subdivided under Order of Court by the commissioners appointed herein. Plat showing the subdivisions is now on file in the office of Clerk of Court.

Terms of Sale: One fourth cash, balance on a credit of one, two and three years, to be secured by the bond of the purchaser and the mortgage of the premises with interest from date of sale at the rate of eight per cent per annum, the mortgage is to contain the usual clause as to attorney's fees. Purchaser to pay for all papers, revenue stamps and recording fees.

H. L. HARMON,
Clerk of Court.
EFIRD & CARROLL,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.
Dec. 12th, 1922.

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SALE OF LONG LEAF YELLOW PINE TIMBER.

I offer for private sale about 24 acres of long leaf yellow pine timber, thickly growing on a tract of 4 1/2 acres belonging to the estate of Quinton Kelsier in school district No. 8 in Priceville about six miles from Gilbert.

Apply to the undersigned.
21-p G. F. KEISLER.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

For your Christmas goods don't forget to visit J. T. Berry at Swansea.

Fruits, candies and everything good for Christmas. You will find at J. T. Berry's store at Swansea.

Toys and Christmas gifts for the children, old folks and sweethearts. Go see the stock at J. T. Berry's at Swansea.

Standard goods of all kinds at right prices at the Stretch-Your-Dime-Store of J. T. Berry at Swansea, S. C.

Large Hotel Staffs.

Six of the largest hotels in New York city, under the control of one company, employ 510 cooks, nearly 1,000 waiters besides an average of 3,000 extra waiters for banquets. In all, they have 6,200 employees, representing over twenty trades and several professions.

AUDITOR'S 1923 SCHEDULE.

In accordance with law in reference to the assessment of personal property, the County Auditor or his assistant will be and attend the following named places for the fiscal year 1923. Come prepared to name township and school district, also any changes in sale or buying of Real Estate, new buildings and make and model of automobiles, trucks, etc.

First Week.
Irmo, Thursday A. M., January 4.
Chaplin, Thursday P. M., and Friday, January 4th and 5th.

2nd Week.
Edmund, Monday a. m., January 8th.

Gaston, Monday, P. M., January 8th.

Swansea, Tuesday and Wednesday, January 9 and 10.

Pellon, Thursday, January 11th.
Williams' Cross Road, Fairview school house, Friday a. m., January 12th.

Steedman, Friday, p. m., January 12th.

3rd Week.
Batesburg, Tuesday and Wednesday, a. m., January 16th and 17th.

Leesville, Wednesday p. m., and Thursday, January 17th and 18th.

Summit, Friday a. m., January 19th.

Gilbert Friday P. M., January 19.
Crout's Store, Saturday a. m., January 20th.

4th Week.
Ed Addy's, Tuesday a. m., January 23.

Franklin Keisler's, Tuesday p. m., January 23.

Red Bank, Wednesday (noon), January 24.

Cayce, Thursday p. m., January 25.

New Brookland, Friday and Saturday, January 26, 27.

At Lexington court-house all days not included in above schedule from January 1st to February 20th, when 50 per cent penalty will be added for failure to make returns. The office will be open for any who may wish to come to the court house to make returns.

Roll tax from 21 to 60 years.
Road tax from 18 to 55 years.
Dog tax (6 mo. old) \$1.25.

W. D. DENT,
County Auditor.

DEBTORS AND CREDITORS NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed, has duly qualified, and is now the administrator of the estate of Ella M. Hook, deceased. All persons indebted to the estate of the said Ella M. Hook, are hereby required to make payment to the undersigned; and all persons having claims or demands against said estate will please file the same, duly itemized and verified, with the undersigned.

JNO. M. HOOK,
Administrator of the Estate of Ella M. Hook, deceased.
Batesburg, S. C., Dec. 11, 1922. 3

DEBTORS AND CREDITORS NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed, has duly qualified, and is now the administrator of the estate of J. W. Gregory, deceased. All persons indebted to the estate of the said J. W. Gregory are hereby required to make payment to the undersigned and all persons having claims against said estate will please file the same duly itemized and verified, with the undersigned.

N. P. GREGORY,
Administrator.
New Brookland, S. C., Dec. 13. 3

DEBTORS AND CREDITORS NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed, has duly qualified, and are now the administrators of the estate of J. Harris Shull, deceased. All persons indebted to the estate of the said J. Harris Shull are hereby required to make payment to the undersigned and all persons having claims or demands against said estate will please file the same, duly itemized and verified, with the undersigned.

H. F. SHULL,
A. HARPER SHULL,
Administrators of the estate of J. Harris Shull, deceased.
New Brookland, S. C., Dec. 13. 31

WANT ADS

ATTRACTIVE BUSINESS GIRL 27 worth \$73,000. Wants kind helping husband. Write quick for standing picture and description. Box 223, Los Angeles, Calif. 4t-p

FOR SALE—Good Milch cow. N. S. Geiger, Lexington, S. C.

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FOR SALE OR RENT—F. K. Roof's farm on public highway near Lexington. Apply F. K. Roof, Morgantown, N. C. 4t-p

FOR SALE—A good two-horse farm adjoining lands of St. Paul's Church, Hollow Creek. Apply to Henry S. Sease, Gilbert, S. C. 3tp

OLD SAWS made cut like new. Cross cut saws, hand saws. All work guaranteed. North Depot street, near Rauch's stables, Reuben D. Harlan.

MEN—Our catalog tells how we teach barbering quickly, mailed free. Moler Barber College, 192 Marietta St., Atlanta, Ga. 2tp

FOR SALE—Four Poland China big bone, ten weeks old, \$5.50 each, entitled to registration; also several fattened hogs weighing about 200 lbs. ready for killing. Apply to O. C. Price, Gilbert S. C. Rt. 2. 2tp

NOTICE TRESPASSERS.

This is to notify all persons not to fish, hunt, haul straw or lightwood or trespass in any manner, on the premises of the undersigned as the law will positively be enforced against all trespassers.

19th4tp O. F. HENDRIX.

WANTED—Hardwood Logs. We pay cash for first class poplar, ash and white oak logs, either loaded on cars your station, or hauled to our new mill at Cayce. Hoffman Lumber Co., Columbia, S. C. 4t-p. Ja 10

FOR SALE—Exceptionally good mare mule and one family bay mare, both cheap for cash. S. A. Mathias, Irmo, S. C. 1tp

COTTON SEED MEAL, 7 per cent and old fashion hulls at low prices. S. A. Mathias, Irmo, S. C. 1tp

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER MORTGAGE.

By the authority vested in me as Agent for the Gilbert Fertilizer Company under a certain note and mortgage given by P. A. Hodges to Gilbert Fertilizer Company, bearing date December 8th, 1921, and duly recorded in the office of Clerk of Court for Lexington county, S. C., in Book 63, page 546, said note and mortgage being past due and unpaid. I will offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash in front of the Bank of Gilbert, Gilbert, S. C., on Saturday morning December 23rd 1922, at 11 o'clock, the following described property to-wit: one grey mule, five black colored mules and four dark colored mules.

IOOR HAYES,
Agent for Gilbert Fertilizer Company.

GET OUR PRICES on Guano, Acid, Kamit and Nitrate Soda for Spring delivery. Sam P. & W. P. Roof, Jr., Lexington, S. C.

WILL TRADE Cotton Seed Meal for Cotton Seed pound for pound. Sam P. & W. P. Roof, Jr., Lexington.

CITATION NOTICE.

State of South Carolina, County of Lexington.—By W. F. Hook, esquire, Probate Judge.
Whereas, Mary C. Wingard made suit to me, to grant her Letters of Administration of the Estate of and effects of Maria A. M. Wingard.

These are therefore to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and Creditors of the said Maria A. M. Wingard, deceased, that they be and appear, before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Lexington, C. H., S. C., on third day January, 1923, next, after publication hereof at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said Administration should not be granted. Given under my Hand, this 19th day of December, Anno Domini 1922.
W. F. HOOK (L. S.)
Probate Judge Lexington Co., S. C.
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