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"'Tis Not in Mortals to Command Success, but We'll do More, Sempronious, We'll Deserve It."

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FIRST MEMORIAL TO SOUTHERN WOMEN

WAS UNVEILED LAST THURSDAY

Business Was Suspended and All Took Part in the Exercises—Capital Thronged With Visitors.

South Carolina's everlasting memorial to the Women of the Confederacy said to be the first monument to women ever erected independently by a State, was unveiled last Thursday with splendid ceremonies. The governor and other officials, the State military, the United Daughters of the Confederacy, the United Confederate Veterans and delegates of college students and other visitors from all parts of the State participated in the ceremonies.

The monument was designed by F. Wellington Ruckstuhl of New York. The central figure depicts a Southern woman dignified and beautiful, waiting to be crowned with laurel by the figure in the rear. On either side are other figures representing the South, bearing laurel to lay at the heroine's feet. The most important inscription on the monument says: "In this monument generations unborn shall hear the voice of a great people testifying to the sublime devotion of the women of South Carolina in their country's need."

The monument Commission was appointed in March, 1909, by Governor M. F. Ansel under authority of an act of the general assembly passed February 1, 1909.

The members of the commission are: Irvine Walker, chairman; John C. Richards, Jr., Col. T. J. Moore, Capt. C. A. Reid and William E. Gonzales, secretary and treasurer.

The unveilers were grandchildren of Confederate soldiers and it was especially appropriate that they should perform such service on the occasion of the dedication of a masterpiece reared in honor of the women who fought a great but silent fight and who kept the faith throughout the years of darkness. The children were Master Benjamin Wilson Walker, Miss Maragret Richards, Master Thomas Moore Craig, Miss Alida Gonzales.

The Inscription.

The inscriptions on the four faces of the base were written by William E. Gonzales secretary and treasurer of the monument commission.

The memory of Womens deed performed during the War between the Sections is revived in the inscription, as follows:

To the
South Carolina Women
of the
Confederacy
1861-65

Reared
by

The Men of the State
1909-11

In this Monument
Generations Unborn Shall Hear the
Voices of a Greatful People
Testifying to the Sublime Devotion
of the Women of South Carolina.
In their Country's Need
Their Unconquerable Spirit
Strengthened the Thin Lines of Gray.
Their Tender Care was Solace to the
Stricken.

Reverence for God
And Unflinching Faith in a Righteous
Cause Inspired Heroism That
Survived the Immolation
of Sons and Courage
That Bore the Agony of Suspense and
the Shock of Disaster.

The Tragedy of the Confederate May
Be Forgotten, but the Fruits of
the Noble Service of the
South are Our Perpetual Heritage.
When Reverses Followed Victories
When Want Displaced Plenty

BANK EXAMINER BEFORE COURT.

Right of Appointee of Governor to Hold Office Disputed—Mandamus is Asked.

Whether B. J. Rhame or Hugh Wilson Fraser will be State Bank Examiner will be settled by the supreme court.

Associate Justice Watts signed an order requiring R. H. Jennings, the State treasurer, to show cause before the supreme court on April 19 at 10 o'clock why a preceptory mandamus should not be issued to require him to honor the draft or check drawn by B. J. Rhame as State bank examiner for expenses during the month of March.

B. J. Rhame was dismissed several days ago by the Governor and Hugh Wilson Fraser appointed to his place. Mr. Rhame refused to give up the office. In his petition for mandamus Mr. Rhame says that "he is the bank examiner of the State of South Carolina, under the laws of said State, having been duly appointed and commissioned to the said office and has been and is still engaged in the discharge of the duties of the said office."

It is stated in the petition that during March the expenses of the office was \$51.95 and that the State treasurer has refused to pay this amount upon presentation of the claim.

Mr. Rhame is represented by Hon. W. F. Stevenson.

At The Baptist Church

Next Sunday night at the Baptist church, the pastor, Rev. John K. Goode will preach a sermon bearing on the tragic shipwreck of the mammoth steamship, Titanic. The loss of this vessel together with a thousand human lives is a tragedy of modern times.

Mr. Goode has a fine subject for discussion in this great tragedy of the deep. Services will begin at eight o'clock.

When Morning for the Flower of Southern Manhood

Darkened Countless Homes
When Government Tottered and
Chaos Threatened
the Women were Steadfast and
Unafraid

They Were
Unchanged in their Devotion
Unshaken in their Patriotism
Unwearied in Ministrations
Uncomplaining in Sacrifices
Splendid in Fortitude

They Strove While their Wept
In the Rebuilding after the Desolation
Their Virtues Stood
As the Supreme Citadel
With Strong Towers of Faith and
Hope Around Which Civilization
Rallied and Triumphed.

At Clouded Dawn of Peace
They Faced the Future
Undismayed by Problems
And Fearless of Trials
In Loving Effort to Heal
Their Country's Wounds
And With Conviction

That From the Ashes of Ruin
Would Come the Resurrection
of Truth
With Glorious Vindication

Merchants closed their stores and office men their offices during the hours the monument unveiling ceremonies were taking place Thursday. The day was given as a holiday by the schools and colleges in the city and practically the wheels of business were suspended for the time being in honor of the event. The court of common pleas adjourned Wednesday until Thursday, allowing the presiding judge, court officials and jurors to be present at the ceremonies. Columbia enjoyed a gala day and the unveiling was made memorable in the pages of local history. Every one seemed to have imbued the spirit of patriotism and almost reverence, and the exercises were easily the most important topic of the recent local events.

MEMBERSHIP ON INCREASE

Cheraw Church To Invite State B. Y. P. U.

Last Sunday was a particularly bright and encouraging day for the Baptists of Cheraw. Rev. Mr. Goode preached an unusually able sermon in the morning to a large and interested congregation. Immediately after this service 24 were received into the membership of the church, all with two exceptions, candidates for baptism. This was followed by the regular monthly business conference of the church at which session the church as a body instructed or authorized the B. Y. P. U. to extend an invitation to the state B. Y. P. U. convention to be held next February to meet with the Cheraw church. In the evening the ordinance of baptism was administered to 19 young Christians. This was an inspiring sight for the vast crowd that filled the church to overflowing, a large number being unable to secure seats and having to stand through the entire ceremony. This was probably the largest crowd that has ever attended a regular church service in Cheraw.

Mr. Goode is entering on his work in a remarkably auspicious manner and we believe that the Baptist church of Cheraw, under his leadership, has a wide field for usefulness before it, and a promise for the future of everything that is bright and encouraging in the work of the Master of us all.

SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

Marburg and Pleasant Grove Schools

The commencement exercises of the Marburg and Pleasant Grove schools will be held in the Pleasant Grove church on the evening of April 26, at 8 o'clock. A small entrance fee will be charged and the proceeds will be given to the Pleasant Grove church.

The admission will be for adults 25 cents; for children 15 cents.

The Cheraw band will furnish music and the public is cordially invited to attend.

Meeting of Base Ball Promoters

The meeting of representatives in the interest of organizing a class "D" base ball league called to meet in Cheraw on Tuesday was postponed till today and representatives from Wadesboro, Rockingham, Hamlet, Bennettsville, Darlington, Florence, Hartsville, and possibly Camden, will meet with Cheraw representatives today at 12 o'clock when no doubt arrangements will be made to organize a league to be composed of at least six towns.

It is proposed to begin the season in the event of an organization, about the first of June and play ball for at least two months.

There's no doubt but that such a league as is proposed can be successfully operated.

BOYS' CORN CLUBS.

Prize Winners in Boys' Corn Clubs to be Given Banquet at National Corn Show.

One thousand boys in school together is not a rare sight, but a gathering of one thousand school boys around a banquet board is unique. And when it is said that these one thousand boys are Corn Club boys, from all the corn growing State, what a sight it will be!

This is the plan of the National Corn Exposition management, to have a great exposition school for prize winners in the county contests of the Boys' Corn clubs, as conducted throughout the Southern states by the federal farm demonstration bureau, and the city council of Columbia, where the corn exposition is to be held next January, has announced that the city will give a banquet to the one thousand or more boys attending the exposition school.

The school will consist of the two boys in each county winning first and second place in the Boys' Corn club contests. The school will open on Monday, January 27, 1913, the opening day of the exposition, and will continue one week. The faculty will consist of agricultural experts from all parts of the country who will be in It is a great national agricultural exposition, not being confined to corn much more than a mere corn show, alone, and the opportunity which it affords for agricultural education is unexcelled.

The boy attending the exposition will be given a certificate of merit.

of representatives of the farm demonstration work. The boys will be organized into a semi-military organization, and while the men of the demonstration department will have close supervision over them, it is planned that the boys themselves will be given certain responsibilities. They will visit the exhibits in the mornings and in the afternoons will have parades, and will be given special instruction in corn judging, stock judging and the like. The boys will be asked to prepare reports of what they see and the best of these reports will be sent to the home papers for publication.

Then on Saturday night, the last night, comes the banquet, given by the city of Columbia in honor of the Corn Club boys. There will be speeches by some of the most notable men in the country, and in fact it will be a genuine banquet, just like grown up folks have.

Prof. O. B. Martin, assistant in charge of the boys' department of the farm demonstration work, will be in charge of all preliminary arrangements for the exposition school, with characteristic enthusiasm and energy.

We have a few tons fertilizers for sale. All grades. Do you want a few sacks for your garden? H. W. Harrall.

SHORTEST MEETING ON RECORD

TO CONSIDER SALE OF YADKIN

Town Council Instructed to Deal With Power Company to Realize Advantage of Town.

The mass meeting of citizens called for Thursday night last to consider the proposition of the Yadkin River Power Company to take over the municipal electric plant and bring their power to Cheraw, was called to order at eight o'clock and Hon. W. D. Evans was asked to act as chairman with Mr. D. L. Tillman as secretary.

The object of the meeting was explained by Mr. Evans; by reading the call as published in The Chronicle the week before.

Hon. W. F. Stevenson then read the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted.

The meeting was a thoroughly representative one, there being a large attendance of the citizens.

That there was not a dissenting vote on the adoption of the resolution speaks well for the unity of purpose of Cheraw people for the good of Cheraw.

WHEREAS Yadkin River Power Company has made overtures to the Town of Cheraw to purchase the electric plant and to furnish electric power to the town, and

generally, a

to the citizens and residents of the town, and for a contract to furnish lights to the town, and has offered to buy the present electric plant from the town.

AND WHEREAS it is deemed to be for the best interest of the town of Cheraw to secure such power, and to have said company bring its power into the town:

NOW BE IT RESOLVED by this mass meeting of the citizens of the town, called after due notice, that the Town Council of the Town of Cheraw be and it is hereby authorized empowered and directed 1st to grant unto the said Yadkin River Power Co., a proper, suitably guarded, franchise to bring its electric power into the said town, furnish lights and power to the citizens and residents of the town and generally to conduct its electrical business in the said town and make a proper and suitable contract with said company for lighting the Streets of the said town:

2nd. That said town council be, and it is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to sell and convey, by good and lawful titles, to be executed by the Mayor of the Town, and attested by the Clerk of the Council, under the seal of the Town, the present Electric Light Plant of the town, together with all its machinery, buildings, apparatus, poles, wiring, pertaining to said plant, and sufficient land around said plant for the use and needs of said Company, on the best price it can secure: rying out of these resolutions be left to the best judgement and discretion of the said Town Council.

The entire time consumed was about eight minutes, this being the shortest and most unanimous citizens meeting ever held in Cheraw.

Court of General Sessions.

Court of General Sessions convened at Chesterfield Monday at one o'clock. The Jury was polled and recess was then taken till 3 o'clock.

The case of Wilhelm vs. Western Union Telegraph Company was called and a jury was selected. After the selection of the jury there being no other jury cases docketed for trial this week, the balance of the first week panel was discharged.

Deposit your money

IN

The Bank of Cheraw

Cheraw, S. C.

STRONGER THAN ALL OTHER BANKS IN THE COUNTY COMBINED

4% compounded quarterly
in savings department