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A GREAT DEMOCRATIC RALLY SCHEDULED FOR FAIR WEEK

Plans For Greatest Kershaw Co. Fair Nearing Completion

MEETING HELD IN INTEREST OF FAIR

A most enthusiastic meeting of the officers, committees and others interested in putting on the Kershaw County Fair to be held at Camden on the dates October 24 to 29th, inclusive, was held at the Legion Hall in Camden on last Monday night. A large and interested crowd gathered at that time. The officers and different committees made reports of progress and much enthusiasm prevailed. Peppy talks were made by a number of those present and if the spirit of that meeting is any index, the fair this year is bound to be a pronounced success in spite of the hard times and the poor crops. A number of those over the county who are cooperating with the fair management were present and promised to see that the people in their respective communities bring in exhibits and participate in the fair.

Inquiries are coming in daily from all over the county and lots of interest is already being manifested. The management is grateful for the fine cooperation being received and the interest shown in all sections of the county. Chairman Walsh and his associates are working untiringly to put over the biggest fair we have ever had and they ask a continuance of the helpful spirit so far shown.

BLACKWELL MAILS

ELECTION NOTICE

Citizens Requiring Voter to Show Receipts and Poll Tax Receipt.

W. P. Blackwell, secretary of state yesterday mailed out to commissioners of election over the state a letter setting forth the qualifications for voting in the general election November 8.

In the letter it is set forth that citizens are required to show their registration certificates and poll tax receipts.

The letter, in part, was as follows: "The notices of election sent out from this office under date of October 1, 1932, stipulate as qualification for suffrage proof of payment of all taxes, including poll tax, assessed and collectable during the previous year.

"However, Article 2, section 4, subdivision E of the constitution, as amended in 1931, reads as follows:

"Payment of Taxes Necessary for Voting.—Mangers, of election shall require of every elector offering to vote at any election, before allowing him to vote, proof of the payment 30 days before any election of any poll tax then due and payable. The production of a certificate of the receipt of the officer authorized to collect such taxes shall be conclusive proof of the payment thereof."

"This constitutional requirement supercedes and takes precedence over the existing statutory provision and under the ruling of the attorney general the managers of elector shall only require the voter to show his registration certificate and poll tax receipt."

Standard of Greatness?

A great leader seems to be one who takes the credit when things work out right.—Pathfinder Magazine.

National Golf Champion



Virginia Van Wie, 23-year-old Chicagoan, is the new women's national golf champion. She routed the five-time champion, Glenna Collett Vare, 10-3, in the annual play.

Under the direction of General Chairman T. V. Walsh, plans are going rapidly forward for the Kershaw County Fair, to be held on October 24 to 29th inclusive. Bunts Shows, with their many attractions, will have the midway; the Fair Management has contracted for a most excellent free show for the amusement and edification of the fair visitors, and arrangements for an extraordinary fine line of exhibits are being perfected by Mr. Miller, who has charge of that department. County Agent Green and the agricultural teachers in the different schools over the county are all cooperating wonderfully in the matter of exhibits and word comes to Camden from every section that the people are going to turn out en masse to make this the biggest and best Fair that the County has ever held.

Friday will be school day and the Fair will be visited by the school children from all over the county. On the same day a large democratic rally will be held, with Hon. Roach S. Stewart, of Lancaster, as the principal speaker.

The small cost incident to attendance at the Fair, the many things to be seen, the opportunity of seeing old friends, and in having a good time generally, assures a very large attendance throughout the week in spite of prevailing conditions.

The Fair Management has requested us to ask that everyone having exhibits that they desire to enter please get in touch with Mr. Miller, County Agent Green, any agricultural teacher, or any teacher, or any member of the County Committee recently appointed.

A tour of the county in the interest of the Fair will be made next week, at which time a number of the communities and schools will be visited.

The Fair is being operated jointly by the Camden Shrine Club and the LeRoy Belk Post of the American Legion.

JURORS DRAWN TO SERVE FOR FIRST WEEK FALL TERM

Due to the continued illness of Judge J. K. Henry, Governor Blackwood has appointed Judge W. H. Townsend to hold the court of general sessions which convenes here on October 24. Judge Hayne F. Rice will preside at the session of the court of common pleas convening the week of November 7.

Following is a list of jurors drawn Tuesday to serve for the first week of court of general sessions:

Stephen C. Clyburn, Lane C. Shaw, M H Deal, W L Goff, John M Vilepigue, T D Massebeau, M H Heyman, Eddison Catoe, W H Bradley, J E Campbell, of Camden; Lexie L. Croxton, W N Gay, S M Carnes, Fletcher Seegars, J E Coata, Sr, F A Sowell, Ray F Gregory, D A Brown, L W Fletcher, Jim Dease, A. J. Hunter, Edwin Barfield, Leslie Snipes, of Kershaw; R H Young, Lewis L. Truesdale, D F Owens, G C Bush, of Westville; G S Rodgers, Henry H. Hopkins, R T Tidwell, of Casatt; Luther Jones, H S Ray, J L Ford, Joe Nettles, of Lugoff; O E Mangum, of Bethune; P C Rodgers, of Jefferson.

W. T. Redfearn, N R Goodale, Jr, Wesley Boone, L W Reeves, H W Baker, and W O Croxton were excused from jury duty at the last term of court but were required by the presiding judge to serve at the October term instead and the sheriff has notified these men that they will have to report for jury duty.

FIDDLERS CONVENTION AT BETHUNE

A fiddlers' convention will be held at Bethune Friday night at 8 o'clock for the benefit of the Bethune Community Fair. A small admission of 10c and 20c will be charged. Five string bands from Kershaw, Lancaster, McBe, and Bethune will be present and a good time is guaranteed.

CAMDEN WINS AGAIN

Camden High School defeated the Columbia B's last Friday by a score of 28 to 0. Camden and Hartsville will meet in the first elimination game Friday of this week.

Richards to Speak To Rotary Club

The Rotary Club programme for Thursday, Oct. 13th will be in charge of John T Mackey, Jr., and he will have as guest speaker, J P Richards, who was recently elected to Congress from this District.

Mr. Richards was born and raised at Liberty Hill, in the upper part of this County, and is a son of Mr. Norman Richards, who represented this in the Legislature, and is a nephew of Ex. Governor John G Richards, and a first cousin of J G Richards, Jr, Superintendent of the Camden school. He was a member of the crack ball team in Camden in 1920, while a student at the University of South Carolina, and served as a member of Co. M of the 30th Division overseas.

After graduating from the University of South Carolina, where he starred in football and baseball, he located in Lancaster, and has been Probate Judge for several terms.

A full attendance is expected to greet Mr. Richards and welcome him back to his home County.

Mr. T V Walsh is President of the Rotary Club.

BAPTIST CHURCH SERVICES

The following services are announced at the First Baptist Church: Sunday school at 10 o'clock Mr. C O Stogner superintendent, Public worship conducted by the pastor at 11:15 A M and 8 P. M. Morning subject: A Friend of God, Evening subject: What Does Death Do For Us? Prayer and praise service Wednesday evening at 8, B Y P U Sunday evening at 7 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to attend all the services of this church.

SAM EVANS PASSES STATE BOARD OF EMBALMING

Mr. Sam Evans, of the firm of C W Evans, Undertakers, who has recently completed a course of study at the McAllister School of Embalming in New York City, passed the State Board of Examiners at Columbia last week and received his license as an embalmer under the laws of South Carolina.

CHICKEN SUPPER

There will be a chicken supper Wednesday night at the home of Mrs. Weot for the benefit of The Young Woman's Auxiliary of Mt. Olivet Baptist Church. Charges will be 25c. per plate. The public is cordially invited to attend.

CROP ESTIMATE SHAKES MARKET

Government Cotton Report Much Higher Than Expected.

New York, Oct. 8.—The cotton market broke sharply today on the government's October 1 crop estimate of 11,425,000 bales, which was from 250,000 to 300,000 bales larger than expected in the trade.

The figures were greeted with selling which forced contracts down nearly 1-2 cent a pound to the lowest levels since the market reached its summer peak in August.

The mixture of liquidation and professional pressure thrown into the figures were released at 11 o'clock encountered rather poor resistance, due to the trade's previous belief that the estimate would be considerably below the September 1 figure of 11,310 bales.

October contracts dropped precipitously from 6.90 cents a pound to 6.50 cents, December from 6.97 to 6.52. March from 7.08 to 6.66 and July from 7.30 to 6.85. Closing prices were only a shade above the lows. Net losses ranged from \$2.15 to \$2.35.

The market's performance was not unlike that following the September 1 estimate which also was well above general expectations. An endless number of private estimates since August harped on crop deterioration and placed the indicated crop at anywhere from 11,000,000 bales maximum to 10,700,000 minimum.

About Ourselves

All of life's varied experiences are out the stuff we test our souls upon.

County Teachers Hold First Meeting of Year

The teachers of Kershaw County held the first meeting of the year Thursday night in the High School auditorium. R M Foster of the Mt. Pisgah school is president and had charge of this meeting. Mr. Clifton McKain rendered two musical numbers and Mr. W H Ward, president of the State Teachers Association with J P Coates, Secretary and Treasurer were present. Other platform guests were the County Board of Education, the County Delegation and T V Walsh, who presented the plans for the County Fair to the teachers.

There are one hundred and sixty-five teachers in this county, and this Association is considered one of the best of the State.

Two new superintendents were introduced at this meeting. Mr. F M Mellette of Calhoun County who succeeds Mr. Virgil Harvey at Charlotte Thompson and Mr. C A Byrd, from Lancaster is at Blaney in place of E W Rentz, who is teaching in Lexington, North Carolina, and a few changes in the teaching list, but the majority of the teachers are back in their respective places.

BETHUNE FARM MEETING

An important meeting has been called for Wednesday, Oct. 12, 7:30 p. m., to be held in the Bethune High School building. Matters of interest and importance will be discussed and everyone in the Bethune community and in the town of Bethune is urged to attend.

There are certain important matters which need to be considered at this time by both the farm people and the town people. Also the community and County Fairs will be considered.

There will be singing and other music, and not only men are asked to come but also the ladies and boys and girls.

This meeting is being arranged by Professor Keisler and County Agent Green. Please notify your neighbors. Respectfully,
HENRY D GREEN, Co. Agt.

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS URGENT IN NEED OF CAMPAIGN MONEY.

The Messenger is in receipt of the following telegram from James A. Farley, Chairman Democratic National Campaign Fund:

"National headquarters urgently needs immediate funds to safeguard present Roosevelt advantage against desperate efforts of opponents. Will you * * * kindly appeal to your readers for immediate campaign money forwarding results speedily with names for record and credit to individual givers and your state quota."

Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of the party, and The Messenger will be glad to receive contributions and forward same to National Headquarters.

The chances for a Democratic victory look bright but money is needed to hold the present Roosevelt advantage. So send in your bit and share in helping to elect a Democratic president.

Miss Edith Parler and Mrs C H Parler of St. George spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Camden coming especially to attend the tea given Tuesday by Mrs Sam Evans. Mr Evans will be an attendant in the Parler-McKain wedding on November 11th.

Mr and Mrs Kershaw Skinner of Sumter were week end guests of Mr and Mrs W L Goodale.

There were 6,305* bales of cotton ginned in Kershaw County from the crop of 1932 prior to Oct. 1, 1932, as compared with 8,714 bales ginned to Oct. 1, 1931, according to Robert K Tomkins, Special Agent.

Mr. W E Johnson, accompanied by his son, W E Johnson, Jr, attended the unveiling of the monument to Col. Coward at the celebration of The Battle of Kings Mountain at Yorkville, last Friday. While there Mr. Johnson visited relatives. He reports having had a most enjoyable time.

Friday of Fair Week to Stage Monster Parade and Rally

What is promised to be the biggest Democratic Rally held in South Carolina since 1906, when William Jennings Bryan visited Columbia, will take place at Camden on Oct. 28th.

R M Kennedy, Jr., Mayor of Camden, is Chairman of the Rally, and he has a tentative schedule of a monster parade, and such visitors as Gov. Ira C Blackwood, Ex. Governor John G Richards, Roach Stewart of Lancaster, and Senator Robert M Cooper of Lee County, as speakers of the day.

Mr. Kennedy has on his committee Vardell Walsh, General Chairman of the County Fair, which will be in progress at that time; Stanley Llewellyn, former Commander of the American Legion of South Carolina; Hughey Tindal, President of the Chamber of Commerce. Mrs. C F Watts, County Supt. of Education and Thomas Anrum.

On the day of the rally, is school children's day at the County Fair, and thousands of them will join in the parade. Others parading will be the American Legion, Shrine Club, Confederate Veterans, Spanish-American War Veterans, Co. M. of the South Carolina Militia, and the Redskins of '76.

Mr. H G Carrisor, Jr. will be Chief Marshal, and he will have as his assistants, members of the local Polo teams, who will wear red shirts, and other local horsemen, about twenty five all told will be mounted. A contingent of State Highway Police will help handle the crowds.

The carnival band and perhaps the Shrine Band of Columbia and a drum and bugle corps will furnish the music for the occasion. The school children will be dressed in pageant fashion, as this year is the Two Hundred Anniversary of the town of

Camden, and this feature will be a preliminary to a big celebration later on in the Fall, when an elaborate Pageant will be held, outlining the history of the town from the earliest settlement to the present day.

The town is to be elaborately decorated, and Mr. Sam Karesh has been appointed Chairman of decorations. Other committees will be appointed from time to time and nothing will be left undone to make the big celebration a success in every way.

Other attractions on that day will be one of the best County Fairs in South Carolina, the usual Carnival, and a foot ball game between Sumter and Camden. There has always been a lot of rivalry between these two teams, and Sumter will send over a large delegation to cheer its team, Camden of course will have a large crowd to cheer its team, which won the State's Championship last year.

Visitors from all sections of South Carolina are expected, but particularly large delegations of visitors will come from Kershaw, Bishopville, Lancaster, Bethune, Sumter and other nearby points.

The parade will form at the Court House, and will pass down Main st. and when the old Court House on South Main Street is reached, the Governor and other distinguished visitors of the day, will mount a platform and see the parade pass in view and shortly afterwards, the speech making will take place at the Fair Grounds.

Other announcements as to the big rally will be made from time to time and nothing will be left undone to make this mammoth celebration a big success in every way, anticipating a big Democratic victory in November, and as every one hopes a return of better times.

Bethune News Liberty Hill News

The Rev. J. T. N. Keels attended the funeral of his uncle, Mr. Nissel, near Florence, Thursday.

Circles number one, two and three of the Presbyterian Auxiliary met at the homes of Mrs. C L McKinnon, Mrs. Dana Olyburn and Miss Emma Bradley respectively, Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. M G King entered the Columbia hospital Thursday evening and underwent an appendix operation the following morning. Friends of Mr. King will be glad to know that he is doing nicely.

Dr. B L Norwood of McBee entered the Baptist hospital in Columbia for examination and treatment, Sunday evening. Dr. Norwood's son, J T Norwood is with him.

The teachers of the Bethune school attended the County Teachers Meeting held in Camden Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. N E Truesdale attended the Carolina-Wake Forest football game in Charlotte Saturday afternoon.

The high school football team played the Mayesville team at Mayesville Friday afternoon. Neither team scored.

Misses Stella Bethune and Kathryn Truesdale were week end guests of Mrs. L S King in Hartsville.

Has Two Hearts



Edward Reynolds, machinist, of Pittsburgh, Pa., threw physicians into a panic recently when they were unable to locate his heart. An x-ray revealed that he has two hearts, a large one on the right side and a small one on the left.

October 10.—The recent rains have retarded the gathering of cotton, and forage crops, but otherwise have been of benefit in helping to replenish the flow of streams and springs, many of which have been very low of late. A good horse belonging to Willie Cunningham, colored tenant of Gov. Richards, dropped dead on the road one day last week while hitched to the wagon hauling a bale of cotton to the gin.

Mr G C Truesdale of Stoneboro has located his saw mill on the James land, south of here and is now employing a number of hands converting pine logs into lumber.

Former Governor John G Richards and Mrs. Richards had as guests for the week end their son-in-law and daughter. Mr and Mrs. J Austin Frances of Sumter and also another son-in-law and daughter, Mr and Mrs John Roddy of Rock Hill.

Mrs R C Jones, Jr., of Lancaster was visiting relatives here last week.

Mr and Mrs N S Richards and daughter, Miss Edith were Lancaster visitors on Sunday evening in the home of their son and daughter in law, Congressman elect and Mrs. J P Richards who are rejoicing over the arrival of a son in their home on last Thursday, the young man has been named N S Richards, for his grand father.

Mrs W C Perry was quite sick for several days last week. Dr. W R Clyburn of Camden attended her and she is now some better.

Mr W A Cunningham honored Confederate veteran suffered a slight stroke on Sunday. Dr Morrison of Lancaster was called. Mr Cunningham rested well on Monday night.

Mr and Mrs E L Clements and children of Lynchburg, Mr and Mrs Ira B Small and children and Mrs J A Small of Lancaster County, Mr and Mrs W T Boyd and Misses Margaret and Louise Adams of Rock Hill Mr and Mrs Paul E Jones and little daughter of Kershaw and Mr and Mrs J H Quattlebaum of Ridge Spring were guests last Sunday in the home of Mr and Mrs J H Clements, the occasion being a surprise birthday dinner for your reporter by his children. We appreciate the sentiment which promoted the act, very much and greatly enjoyed their presence and the dinner.