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Tornado Kills 17 in the Piedmont

Anderson, May 7.—Clear skies and only a gentle breeze yesterday followed in the wake of an erratic tornado that swooped down on three South Carolina counties Friday, taking 17 lives, injuring more than 100, leaving scores homeless and damaging property to an extent of at least \$1,000,000.

On the heels of the turbulent storm came the ministrations of various relief agencies as the groups bent to the task of feeding the foodless, finding homes for those whose houses were wrecked, assisting in care of the injured and rehabilitating in general where this was needed.

Anderson, Greenville and Laurens counties bore the brunt of the wind which spent most of its fury in the mill community of Belton, 10 miles from Anderson.

Belton Chief Sufferer
At Belton, 11 were dead and approximately 60 were homeless. Many were recovering in hospitals while a few, injured more critically, were given only even chances to live. The Blair Towel Mill there was wrecked. Twenty or more families were homeless in the Lebanon section near Princeton, where five were killed near the Greenville-Laurens County line. One was dead at Barksdale.

Last night food, clothing and furnishings were being distributed by Red Cross and relief councils in the affected communities. Neighbors, whose houses were spared by the tornado, took in their less fortunate friends. State patrolmen were on duty at Belton while national guardsmen, who stood ready for service were found not to be necessary.

Approximately 100 had received treatment at hospitals but last night only about 30 remained and the majority of these were counted out of danger.

Tentative plans for burial of the dead were going forward last night while at Belton a general memorial service was considered for today.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Young Democratic Convention to be held at Kershaw County Court House at 4 o'clock P. M. May 13, 1933
PURPOSE: To elect delegates to the State Convention of Young Democrats to be held in Columbia on May 20, 1933.

Rules: All Democrats (men and women) between the ages of 18 to 35 are eligible and urged to participate. Each County is entitled to a number of votes equal to its representation in the General Assembly.

Young Democratic Clubs of S. C.
JAMES DRUFUS GRIFFIN,
State President.

WORLD WAR LEADERS

Reviewing what has happened to the great leaders of the World War a recent writer notes the fact that among them all Hindenburg alone to day occupies a high place in world affairs. Roundly out eight years as president of the German republic on April 26, he is still active at the age of 86.

Of the other great military leaders Foch, Haig, Cadorna, Diaz and Grand Duke Nicholas of the Allies are dead as are also Moltke, Falkenhayn and Hoetzendorf of the Central Powers. All the prominent living generals of the war are in retirement, including our own Pershing.

Among the political figures of 1914-1918, only Lloyd George is still active and he no longer holds an important office. President Wilson, Czar Nicholas, Emperor Francis Joseph, Premier Asquith, Premier Clemenceau and Chancellor von Bethman Hollweg are dead; Kaiser Wilhelm is in exile.

Thus briefly runs the story to date of those who guided the movements of more than 65 million mobilized fighting men, of whom 10 million died and 20 million were wounded, in a struggle which changed the map of the world.

Always Seeks Excuse

"No man," said H. H. the sage of Chinatown, "entirely loses all moral sense. However reprehensible his conduct he will always try to convince others and even himself that he did the best he could under the circumstances."—Washington Star.

Silent Mirth

A gentleman is often seen, but very seldom heard to laugh.—Chesterfield.

Legion Held Memorial Services

At the Legion Hall Monday night The James LeRoy Belk Post presented a very lovely and patriotic program memorializing the World War dead. The program opened with the singing of America. Mr. Newell Wimberly rendered a violin solo followed by a vocal solo, "In Flanders Field," by Miss Charlotte Salmond accompanied by Mrs. Charles Salmond on the piano. Prof. John Landrum of Greenwood presented two piano numbers, Medley of War Songs and the spirited march, "The Star Spangled Banner." Dr. C. F. Wimberly was the speaker of the evening. His address was inspiring and was enjoyed to the fullest by the large audience present. Those who did not attend missed a real treat. There was a large number of relatives of the World War dead present from here and elsewhere. The hall was beautifully decorated in quantities of red poppies. The World War Honor Roll was hung in the center of the stage with a magnolia wreath resting at its foot, on either side were the United States Flags and the Pops' Flag. Rev. A. D. McArn, Post Chaplain had charge of the meeting.

BLANEY DEFEATS CAMDEN HIGH SCHOOL 6 TO 4

The Blaney Town team defeated the Camden High School baseball team at Camden last Wednesday to 4. The feature of the game were the few hits allowed by the pitchers of both teams. Ammons and C. Rabon for Blaney secured 2 hits from 7 times at bat.

Tabulated score and summary:
BLANEY

| | A | B | R | H | O | A | P |
|--------------|----|---|---|----|---|---|---|
| F. Rabon, c | 4 | 1 | 0 | 13 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| M. Rabon, p | 1 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kelley, 1b-p | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Ammons, ss | 4 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| C. Rabon, 2b | 4 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Simpson, 3b | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Thornton, cf | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Barfield, lf | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ross, rf | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Goff, rf | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 34 | 6 | 7 | 27 | 9 | 3 | 0 |

CAMDEN HIGH SCHOOL

| | A | B | R | H | O | A | P |
|----------------|----|---|---|----|----|---|---|
| Wooten, 3b | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Sanders, ss | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Thompson, lf | 5 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| C. Jackson, 1b | 4 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Boykin, 2b | 4 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Nolan, c | 3 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| H. Jackson, c | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Clarkson, rf | 4 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Sheheen, cf | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Goodale, cf | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Bateman, cf | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| McLeod, p | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 0 |
| DeLoache, p | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 32 | 4 | 4 | 27 | 12 | 3 | 0 |

Blaney.....200 003 100-5
Camden H. S.....001 100 011-4

Runs batted in, Ammons (3), C. Rabon, Clarkson, Boykin. Sacrifices C. Rabon. Double plays, Boykin to Jackson. Left on bases, Blaney 8 Camden H. S. 8. Bases on balls, off Rabon 3, off Kelly 1, off McLeod 3 off DeLoache 2. Struck out, by Rabon 4, by Kelly 9, by McLeod 1, DeLoache 3. Hits, off Rabon 1 in three innings, off Kelly 3 in six innings, off McLeod 4 in five and one-third innings, off DeLoache 3 in three and two-thirds innings. Hit by pitcher Sanders (by Rabon), McLeod (by Rabon), Nolan (by Rabon), Sheheen (by Kelly), Wooten (by Kelly), Thorton (by McLeod). Winning pitcher, Kelley. Losing pitcher, McLeod. Umpire, Granade. Time 1:50.

The game scheduled for next Thursday with Newberry High has been changed to Friday afternoon, May 12

METHODIST CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY

We shall observe Mother's Day next Sunday morning.

The revival meetings services owing to the District Conference will be called in Thursday night and Friday night—but we shall close them on Sunday night. We shall attend the conference this week at Summerton.

We wish to meet the class of candidates for membership on Friday evening at the church—about 7:30 P. M. The time of admission to be announced later.

C. F. Wimberly, Pastor.

State Reforestation if Conditions Are Met

Telegrams have been sent to the governors of all states by Robert Fechner, director of emergency conservation work, outlining the terms under which the federal government will agree to establish conservation work camps on state, county, municipal and private lands and carry on the reforestation work with units of the 250,000 men to be selected for work in American forests.

The telegrams carried the statement that President Roosevelt stood ready to approve the establishment of state camps where conservation men would work on state-owned land providing the state executive would give assurance that he would urge his state legislature at the earliest possible opportunity to arrange for reimbursement of the federal government in event a profit was derived. Specifically the president asked for assurance that the state executive of each state where work was to be done on state or private lands, would urge his state legislature to enact legislation providing "that if as a result of the work done the state derives a direct benefit from the sale of the land or its products, the proceeds will be divided equally between the state and the federal government until the state shall have paid for the work done at the rate of \$1 per man per day for the time spent on projects to a maximum of \$3 per day per acre."

SPECIAL SERVICES FOR BOY SCOUTS

The following services are announced for the week at the First Baptist church:

Public worship conducted by the pastor, J. B. Caston at 11:15 A. M. and 8 P. M. Morning subject: Mother and Home, evening subject: The Making Of A Man. A message to Boy Scouts. B. Y. P. U. Sunday evening at 7, Sunday school with Mr. C. O. Stogner, superintendent at 10 o'clock. Next Sunday being Annual Mother's Day let us honor mother by attending church at both morning and evening services.

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

LEE COUNTY SINGING CONVENTION TO MEET

The Lee County Singing Convention will meet with Bethany Baptist Church on Sunday, May 14th at 2:30 P. M. We wish to thank the Choirs of Wateree and Hermitage Baptist Churches for their help in our Fifth Sunday Meeting at Savannah and we trust it will be convenient for them to attend our meeting at Bethany as they will meet with a church that has not had the pleasure of hearing them before. Take Route No. 84 to Joyner's Store, turn to the right, go to Manville and turn to the right. A warm welcome to all.

L. A. MOORE, President

DIES IN NORTH CAROLINA

Mrs. W. P. Hughes, mother of Mrs. R. A. Purser died near Shelby, N. C. Tuesday April 25. Mrs. Hughes was quite an old lady being 78 years of age. She had been in declining health for quite awhile and was seriously ill about a week before her death. Mr. and Mrs. Purser and daughter attended the funeral. Mr. Purser lost his brother about a week before this.

SILENCE OF THE GRAVE

Before Harry Houdini died, that greatest of magicians agreed with his wife that he would try to communicate with her from the spirit world, although he had long scoffed at spiritualism. After his death in 1926 his widow watched and waited for a message.

Finally Mrs. Houdini confessed that she had abandoned hope of ever having a communication from beyond the grave, and said: "The silence is impenetrable; there is only a void." The Society of Psychical Research refuses to accept as authentic any of the many reported messages from the "other world."

After 48 years of painstaking investigation of thousands of alleged communications through mediums and relatives of deceased persons, the society has not found a single one which has stood the test of scientific

Chamber of Commerce To Compile Pamphlet

The Chamber of Commerce is assembling rates for rooms and board rooms only, furnished and unfurnished apartments, to be compiled in a list for permanent use in giving information to enquirers. This information is desired from all persons who during the fall and winter months desire to rent rooms, apartments, or rooms and board.

Those interested in being included in the pamphlet will kindly furnish the Chamber of Commerce, in writing, the following information:

Number of rooms available and whether with or without bath, rate: single and double, phone number capacity and whether steam heated or not. In giving prices or terms please include daily, weekly and monthly rates, which are not to be subject to change.

MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LEGION AUXILIARY

The regular monthly meeting of the Auxiliary to James LeRoy Belk Post, No. 17 was held in the Legion Hall, Friday afternoon, May 5th.

The program was opened with salute to the flag, singing of America and repeating of preamble.

The minutes were read and approved. The treasurer reported a balance in the bank of \$108.00 and read a letter of thanks from Mrs. Brennan for the two dollars sent by the Auxiliary to the Woodrow Wilson Home Fund.

The President announced that Poppy Day would be observed Saturday May 27th. Mrs. Henry Beard, chairman of the poppy sale and the Ladies Auxiliary are asked to help.

The members of the Auxiliary are to meet at the home of Mrs. John Whitaker on May 29th to make wreaths for May 30th.

A motion was carried that \$15 be sent from the Auxiliary for a scholarship to the Opportunity School.

The Legion Post invited the Auxiliary to their regular meeting May 8th at 8 p. m. at which time Memorial services will be held. The unit is asked to meet at the cemetery at 7 p. m. May 10th to take part in Memorial Day Exercises.

Mrs. Sam Karesch, Mrs. Henry Beard and Mrs. Hughey Tindal were appointed a nominating committee for officers for the coming year.

At the June meeting of the Unit a shower will be given for the Veterans Hospital.

The program for the afternoon was on National Defense and Mrs. S. C. Zemp, National Defense Chairman gave echoes from addresses made at the National Defense Conference recently held in Washington.

The Auxiliary presented Mother's Day gifts to the Gold Star Mothers

The music for the afternoon consisted of two selections beautifully sung by Miss Virginia DeLoache and two piano solos played by Mr. John Landrum of Greenwood.

Mrs. Hughey Tindal and Mrs. Marvin Reasonover, hostesses for the afternoon, served a delicious sweet course.—Mrs. Joe Thomas, Sec.

Viking's Tomb Uncovered

An ancient Viking burial place was found at Valsgraving, near Uppsala, Sweden. Among the relics unearthed was a boat, in which lay a warrior dressed for battle, with three shields, two swords, knives and a helmet, all richly ornamented in gilt bronze. In the bow of the ship were the remains of several horses.

Molecules Found Room

A small bottle which had been pumped almost perfectly free of air was recently explored, and in the bottle were still 77,000,000,000,000 molecules of oxygen, 288,000,000,000,000 molecules of nitrogen, and smaller quantities of other gases.

Off Gold Standard

A purchaser of jewelry remarked that the firm which sold him a gold ring had apparently gone off the gold standard some time previous.—Hartford Times.

examination.

Yet many sincere persons believe that they have had such communications, and no one could convince them to the contrary, so strong is the power of belief and imagination.

Memorial Exercises Observed To-day

The John D. Kennedy Chapter U. D. C. will serve dinner to the Confederate Veterans, their wives and widows with invited guests in the new assembly rooms at the Methodist Parsonage, corner of Hampton Park and Lytleton Street. Dinner at twelve-thirty o'clock Wednesday May 10th.

The regular Memorial Day Exercises will be held at 5 o'clock in the afternoon at the stand in Cemetery Park.

The principal address of the day will be delivered by Rev. J. B. Caston of the Baptist Church. The Choirs of the various churches have been asked to lead singing of old Southern Songs, school children and the audience to take part.

Immediately at the close of the exercises at the stand the following organizations will march into the cemetery in the following order:

Kershaw Guards, Confederate Veterans, Daughters of the Confederacy Members of D. A. R. Chapter, American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary and school children.

School children to bring flowers to decorate Confederate graves and Kershaw Guards to give the regular salute.

QUARTLY B. Y. P. U. RALLY

The second quarterly meeting of the Kershaw B. Y. P. U. Association was held on Sunday afternoon April 30 with the Thornhill Union.

The meeting was opened by a song service led by the choir. Following this was the devotional exercises conducted by Mr. Mennie Byrd of Mt. Pisgah.

The first part of the program consisted of sword drill contests between the unions of the association to determine who should represent the association in the summer assembly which meets in Greenville in July. Miss Myrtis Catoe of Mt. Pisgah Junior Union won first place in the Junior contest with Miss Margaret Brown also of Mt. Pisgah winning second place. In the Intermediate contest Mr. Irfa Byrd of the Mt. Pisgah Intermediate Union won first place and Mrs. Ruth Baley won second. Following the contests was a very interesting and instructive address on "Leading the B. Y. P. U. Members to Tithes" by Rev. Luther Knight, pastor of Mt. Pisgah church. Misses Lula Robertson and Annie Watts rendered a beautiful vocal duet.

The report of the committee on awarding of banners showed that the Mt. Pisgah Union won the attendance banner. The Junior Union of Mt. Pisgah won the Junior Efficiency banner while the Thornhill Intermediate and Senior Unions won the Efficiency banners for their Unions.

The next meeting will be held the fifth Sunday afternoon in July with the Mt. Pisgah Union.

Rev. Neale, pastor of Thornhill church closed the meeting with prayer.

A. J. Smith, reporter.

TO CALL GOVERNORS OF SOUTH TO CONFER

New Orleans, May 8.—A conference of governors to work out a plan of organized co-operation in 15 Southern states for immediate inauguration of an immense public improvement program to be undertaken with federal aid will be called at an early date in New Orleans, J. A. Rountree, Washington, director general of the United States good roads association said here today after a series of meetings with city leaders.

Rountree said his primary interest was in highway building but that his organization favored issuance of a bond \$5,000,000,000 and \$10,000,000,000 of federal bonds to finance "all sorts of permanent public improvements."

He said the governors of North and South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana, Florida, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Missouri, Kentucky, Virginia and West Virginia would be invited to attend the conference here.

Lizards That "Swim"

Lizards found in the region of the Sahara desert are called sand fishes because their method of wriggling through the sand resembles swimming.

Liberty Hill News

Liberty Hill, May 8.—Our section was visited on last Tuesday night by a heavy rain and thunder storm, during which lightning struck a large elm tree in the yard of Mr. L. P. Thompson, knocked his telephone out of commission, slightly shacked and frightened the inmates of the house but did no other material damage, we think!

Messrs. R. C. Jones and Gov. Richards each have a fine field of oats which will be ready for the harvest this week.

The new store front of the Mackey Jones Co. just put in—gives their place of business a very attractive appearance.

Gov. Richards received by Parcel Post last week five thousand Porto Rico potato plants, and must intend to raise a bountiful supply of that popular variety of esculent tubers. We hope that his example will be followed by others.

The school here closed a very successful term on last Friday. Miss Lizzie Richards has for several years been the popular principle, the school at Stoneboro under the able management of Miss Louise Johnston closed several days ago.

Mr. J. F. Johnston connected with the Southern Bell Telephone Company with head quarters in Atlanta visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Johnston last week.

Gov. and Mrs. J. G. Richards were visiting relatives in the city of Laurens last week. Mrs. L. P. Thompson and little son John have returned home after spending a few days in the city of Greenville.

Mrs. C. E. Richards and daughters Misses Lizzie and Leal were Camden visitors one evening the past week.

Mrs. C. V. Hammond of Stoneboro was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Higgins on Thursday last.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Shaw of Kershaw were visitors here last week guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Z. Hilton.

Miss Annie Mae Cureton spent last week end with relatives in Great Falls. Misses Bettie and Mildred Richards of Laurens were Sunday visitors in the home of their parents, Gov. and Mrs. J. G. Richards.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. McDow and Miss Lessie Witherspoon of York were guests last week in the home of Mr. McDow's sister, Mrs. J. B. Johnston.

Rev. F. A. Drennan expects to go to Charlotte today (Monday) to consult a specialist about some throat or tonsil trouble. He will be accompanied by Mr. N. S. Richards.

Mr. and Mrs. John Deal of Flat Rock, N. C. were passing through and stopped for a while in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Jones on Sunday evening.

Of cordial interest to many readers of "The Messenger" will be the announcement of the coming Marriage of Miss Mannie, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Wardlaw and since graduation a popular teacher in the Allendale Schools, to Mr. Warren Young, business man of Allendale, the marriage to take place in the early summer.

PROF. JOHN LANDRUM

We are very glad to announce that Prof. Landrum will remain over with us until Sunday night, and will render his superb service for us, at both morning and evening hours. His musical skill has found a place in the hearts of all who have heard him. He will be with us next Sunday.

C. F. WIMBERLY.

Coal Formation

Coal is not a rock. It is a black or brownish black solid combustible mineral substance formed by the partial decomposition of vegetable matter, without free access of air, under the influence of moisture and, in many cases, of increased pressure and temperature.

Winning in the "Stretch"

"Garrison finish" is a hairbreadth finish, whereby the winner comes from behind to win at the last moment. It is so called because Garrison, a well-known American jockey, usually won his races in this fashion.

Planetoid's Value

The tiny planetoid Eros, only about twenty miles in diameter, is valuable to science in determining more accurately the distance of the earth from the sun and stars.