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## Club Women Held Successful Camp

Seventy five Club women representing fourteen of the sixteen clubs attended the two day encampment held last week at the 4-H Club Camp at Lake Shamokin. Rest, recreation and music were the chief features of this Camp.

Mrs. A. A. West, President of the Midway Club, conducted the devotional at the first Assembly. Various members of this club had part on the program.

During the handwork period Miss Mary Hayes, assisted by Miss Harriette Layton, Assistant State Agent from Winthrop College, gave a demonstration on making collars from socks. Each club member made an attractive collar and cut many collar patterns for future use. Miss Hayes also had a very attractive exhibit of collar and cuff sets which proved most helpful to the Club members.

Music and games had a prominent place on the program. Mrs. S. C. Zemp assisted by Miss Virginia DeLoache and Miss Layton, taught many new songs and games. Swimming was enjoyed each afternoon.

One of the most impressive services of the whole camp was the Vesper service conducted by Rev. A. D. McArn, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Camden. He spoke of the personal relationship to God as our Father. Mr. McArn is an earnest and inspiring speaker and the Club women felt they were indeed fortunate to secure him for this Vesper service.

Morning Watch at Camp starts the day aright. Mrs. R. K. Tompkins of the Gates Ford Club brought a very inspiring message on Wednesday morning. She spoke of our responsibility to our neighbor in the present crisis.

At the Assembly on Wednesday Mrs. Paul Brown of the Mt. Zion Club conducted the devotional using the 18th Chapter of 1st Corinthians.

Refreshments were served made by Mrs. R. K. Tompkins, Treasurer of the County Council of Farm Women. All of the Club women were so pleased with what had been accomplished during the past year. Five cabins have been built by Lugoff, DeKalb, Three C's, Gates Ford and the Gates Hill Home Demonstration clubs. A complete new dining room has been built, the kitchen has been enlarged and a screened porch built. Much of the excavating for a 90 x 60 ft. swimming pool has been done. All of this work has been made possible through the County Relief Administration as they have furnished all of the labor and part of the cost of the material. This is a most worthwhile project and the farm women appreciate the cooperation given them by the Relief Administration.

The Camp was beautifully cleaned by the County Chaingang under the supervision of Mr. Moseley. The Council of Farm Women appreciated this courtesy.

Among the visitors at Camp Wednesday were Mrs. Kate B. Gettys, president of the County Council of Farm Women, Mrs. W. L. Hammond, former home agent for Kershaw County, and Mrs. Kathleen Watts, County Superintendent of Education.

Mrs. L. D. Broome supervised the work in the kitchen. She was assisted by Mrs. McCrae and Mrs. Buddin, Emergency workers. With such capable people in charge it is needless to say that the food was excellent and that everyone enjoyed meal time at Camp.

## Campaign Meeting Here Next Friday

On Friday next, August 10, the candidates for state offices will speak in Camden at 10 o'clock, on Hampton Park. The public will no doubt avail themselves of the privilege to hear these speakers.

## TO MEET WITH WATEREE BAPTIST CHURCH SUNDAY

The Lee County Singing Convention will meet with Waterree Baptist Church of Camden in its one hundred and seventh session on Sunday Aug. 12th at 2:30 p. m.

We invite all choirs and singers to meet with us and take part in the exercises. A warm welcome to all—L. A. Moore, Pres.

## Liberty Hill News

Liberty Hill, August 6.—Our section was visited on Saturday evening by a strong wind and a regular dust storm from the dry fields and roads followed by just rain enough to settle the dust. A good rain is badly needed. Much corn is nearly ruined, and all crops are suffering for lack of moisture.

Sunday school exercises were conducted on Sunday morning by Mr. R. C. Jones, who also conducted the morning church services, both the Superintendent and Pastor being away.

Mr. R. C. Jones, chairman for Flat Rock Township, has arranged for a meeting on Sunday next at 8:30 p. m. Damascus church, Westville, in the interest of "Prohibition and Law Enforcement". Speakers of note will be present to address the audience and it is hoped that a large crowd will be out to hear them.

Sunday was "home coming day" at Beaver Creek church near Stoneboro. Gov. Richards, D. W. M. Whitesides of Columbia, and Rev. H. P. Bennett of Lancaster, were the principle speakers. A bountiful picnic dinner was served to quite a large crowd. Your reporter in company of Mr. R. C. Jones and daughters, Misses Jennie and Annie, attended in the afternoon but were too late to hear the addresses. Quite a number of our people, however, were in attendance throughout the day.

Capt. D. R. McCallum of the C. C. Camp went to Camden late Saturday evening to carry a sick boy to the Camden Hospital.

Mrs. F. J. Hay and daughter, Miss Lysle, and Mr. L. H. McCaskill and daughter, Miss Annie Righton have gone to Montreat for a period of rest in the bracing air of that popular resort.

Misses Charlotte and Sallie Wardlaw and their nephew, Mr. Albert May all of Augusta, who have been visiting the family of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Adams, left last week for a stay in the mountain air of Western North Carolina.

Mr. L. P. Thompson and family left last week for a visit to relatives in the Northwestern part of the State. Miss Louise Adams of Rock Hill is spending a few days with her cousin, Miss Lucy Clements.

Miss Johnny Richards has returned from a visit to relatives in Laurens. She was accompanied home by her cousin, Mr. John W. Todd, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Sauls of Manning were Sunday visitors in the home of Gov. and Mrs. John G. Richards. Mr. Sauls returned home, but Mrs. Sauls remained for a longer visit.

Miss Christine Perry of Lancaster is a guest of her sister, Mrs. J. H. Clements. Miss Perry has been teaching at Gaffney but will teach the coming fall at Olanta, S. C.

Rev. F. A. Drennan and family are vacationing somewhere in North Carolina. We wish for them a pleasant stay and safe return.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jones and little daughter, Mary Edna, were visiting relatives and friends on the "Hill" Sunday.

Misses Julia Hilton and Lois Mack spent last week with Mesdames L. J. and C. W. Jordan of Westville.

Mrs. John W. Wood of Blaney was a guest last week of her sister, Mrs. H. S. Higgins, and is now with relatives at Stoneboro.

Mrs. Ruth Bodkin of Atlanta has returned home after spending awhile at the home of her aunt, Miss Laura Matheson.

Miss Laura Matheson, who has been a recent patient at the Camden Hospital has returned home.

A Bible school will be conducted through this week at the colored Presbyterian church with Robert Jones as superintendent and other teachers assisting.

## SUPPER AT DEKALB CHURCH

In order to further finance the remodeling of the DeKalb Baptist church the members will serve another supper this Thursday evening August 9 starting at 6 p. m. The public is urged to come and help the good work along. The supper will consist of chicken stew, ice cream and cake, etc.

## Enrollment Heavier Than in 1930

Available enrollment returns indicated last night that approximately 25 per cent more persons will be eligible to vote for a governor this year than in 1930.

Official reports filed with Lane L. Bonner, secretary of the state Democratic executive committee, showed an increase of 55,081 in the party enrollment in 32 of the 46 counties as compared with the enrollment four years ago.

There were 268,795 names on the books in 35 counties where 1930 enrollment in the same counties numbered 213,764. The increase was slightly over 25 per cent.

Purging of the club rolls was expected to reduce the total, however, and the actual vote heretofore has usually been considered less than the enrollment.

Only six of the 36 counties reported an enrollment exceeding the oversized registration rolled up in 1930 and but one of these was in the upper state. There was no governor's race in 1932.

Charleston and Barnwell in the coast country, Sumter, Richland and Fairfield in the central state and Cherokee in the Piedmont found their prospective voters flocking to sign the books in greater numbers than in 1932 or 1930.

Thirty-four of the counties surpassed their 1930 enrollments, however. The two exceptions were Pickens, which fell 683 under its mark of four years ago, and McCormick, which was four short. A number of lower state counties barely exceeded their enrollments of that year.

Increases over 1930 enrollment among the larger counties included: Charleston, 5,714; Greenville, 4,684; Florence, 2,422; Alken, 2,157; Sumter, 1,912 and York, 1,189.

## CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced open competitive examinations as follows:

Special investigator, \$2,900, and investigator, \$2,600 a year, Alcohol Tax Unit, Bureau of Internal Revenue, Treasury Department.

Closing date, August 20, 1934. Specified experience in the practice of law, or in investigational or law-enforcement work, is required.

Full information may be obtained from M. H. Moore, Secretary of the United States Civil Service Board of Examiners, at the post office in this city.

The salaries named are subject to a deduction of not to exceed 5 per cent during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1935, as a measure of economy, and also to a deduction of 3-1-2 percent toward a retirement annuity.

## Additional Enrollment Figures

The Chronicle presents below almost a complete enrollment list as compared with that of two years ago. Two missing books are Liberty Hill and Gates Ford. The executive committee has been called to meet next Wednesday at the court house at 11 o'clock to purge the rolls and next week we will be able to show a complete and total number of votes expected in the August primary. The figures so far are as follows:

Abney	1932	1934
Antioch	97	78
Bethune	223	190
Blaney	517	484
Buffalo	407	372
Camden	353	319
Cassatt	1810	1786
Charlotte T.	139	140
DeKalb	119	119
Doby's Mill	150	148
Enterprise	101	114
Harmony	61	59
Hermitage	67	68
Kershaw	381	381
Lugoff	479	510
Lockhart	139	142
Ned's Creek	105	74
Oakland	190	125
Pine Tree	58	66
Rabon's	123	129
Raley's Mill	194	161
Roland	183	119
Salt Pond	55	92
Sandy Grove	197	134
Shamrock	78	99
Shaylor's	109	86
Swift Creek	71	78
Twenty Creek	72	94
Three C's	114	122
Waterree	805	249
Westville	389	243
	227	201

## Deplorable Tragedy Near Kershaw

Sheriff J. H. McLeod and Coroner Julian B. Rush, of Camden, were summoned to this section this morning to investigate a most unusual tragedy which occurred this morning about 7 o'clock in the Buffalo section of Kershaw county, in which a four year old child accidentally shot his mother with a shot gun.

According to the statement given The Era reporter by Coroner Rush after the killing was investigated, the mother, Mrs. Ola Gainey, wife of Roy Gainey, who live on the R. L. Sowell farm in the Buffalo section, was seated at her sewing machine when the discharge of the gun occurred, the load of No. 2 shot taking effect in her left shoulder. The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Gainey, Carl, 4 years old, had taken the gun from a corner of the room and was dragging it across the floor by the barrel with the hammer turned downward toward the floor and going toward his mother, when it was discharged at a distance of about ten feet away. The theory is that the hammer was pulled backward by contact with the floor and a slight raise of the barrel released it when it discharged with the result stated, death resulting from the wound. Tests made with the unloaded gun, a single barrel shot gun, bore out this theory. The mother of Mrs. Gainey, Mrs. Annie Wright, was seated in the room at the time of the occurrence but Mr. Gainey was out in the field at work. The presence of the loaded gun in the room was explained by the statement that chickens were being stolen at night from the coop and Mr. Gainey had loaded the gun and placed it in the room for convenient use, leaving it standing on the floor. Up to this time no inquest had been held, the coroner and sheriff deeming it unnecessary.—The Kershaw Era.

## CHICKEN SUPPER

There will be a chicken supper at the home of Mrs. J. H. Sinclair on Friday evening, August 10th at eight-thirty o'clock, served by the Women of the Malvern Hill Baptist church. All who like friend chicken are cordially invited. Proceeds for benefit of church.

## FIRST OPEN BOLLS OF COTTON

The first open boll of cotton that we have seen of this season's crop was brought to our office Monday. It was grown on Mr. H. G. Carrison's Hermitage Plantation.

## Kershaw Production Credit Ass'n. Secretary Returns from Convention

A. G. Clarkson, Secretary-Treasurer of the Kershaw Production Credit Association has just returned from Columbia where the Secretaries were called for a State Convention. He is glad to state that all twenty-six Secretaries made splendid reports of the crops throughout the entire state. They all reported that they expected to make one hundred per cent collections without any trouble and very little expense except in a few sections damaged by hail and excessive rains where the lands were lying so low the crops were drowned out.

Mr. Clarkson's report to the convention was that he expected to have no trouble with collections, that all members of the Association upon whom he had made inspections had splendid prospects for a good crop, especially in the sand hill section where they have the best cotton crop that he has seen for years. He reported that he thought both the counties served by the Association would make their quota allowed by the Bankhead Bill.

He also would like to take this opportunity to call the farmers' attention to the fact that the more cows they are able to pasture in the counties will mean that much more money brought in to pay for handling these cattle, also a larger pay roll in the labor used in the butchering, processing and canning of this beef. He therefore urges all farmers that have land either under wire or that could be suitably wired for pasturage to get in touch with the Rehabilitation Authorities either in Lancaster or Camden.

## Have Appointed Fair Association

A group of business men met at the American Legion hall on Wednesday afternoon to plan for the County Fair this fall. Vardell Walsh presided over the meeting and called upon several business men to make short talks. Groups represented at the meeting were the Shrine club, American Legion, Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association.

The Fair Association is counting on a bigger and better fair this fall and committees were appointed to immediately start work on various features of the fair.

John Villepigue was called upon to arrange two football games. Mayor Hamilton Osborne said that the city would cooperate in every way. Talks were also made by Bill Alexander, John deLoach, W. F. Nettles and others.

## WESTERN UNION INSTALLING HIGH SPEED TICKERS

For the first time in their history eight Southern and Southwestern States will inaugurate about August 15, a comprehensive quotation service by ticker for cotton and practically all other leading commodities, it was announced today by M. L. Mays, local manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company.

"The South has outgrown its old system of cotton tickers and Morse wire reports serving firms in only a small portion of the towns and cities in this section," Mr. Mays said. In place of it, a new fast quotation ticker system will be inaugurated, providing complete service to available points in South Carolina, North Carolina, Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, and Oklahoma.

Experts are at work installing the high speed tickers throughout the South and making ready for the inauguration of service as quickly as possible.

## Girls 4-H Camp Held Last Thursday, Friday and Saturday

One hundred girls from twelve 4-H Clubs spent three days at the 4-H Club Camp last week. These girls came from rural communities throughout the county. This was truly a girls' camp for the girls had charge of all programs and took part in every phase of camp life. Blanche Threatt, president of the Junior 4-H Council presided over the first Assembly on Thursday. The general theme was "What is Club Work?" Members of the various phases of Club work told of their club experience. Peggy Holland of the Antioch Club told of her Major 4-H Poultry work. She purchased 100 baby chicks and raised '93. She made \$25 profit after all expenses had been paid and has 25 choice pullets for fall layers, and at six months of age they are already laying. Elizabeth McCoy has several birds laying at six months of age. The Shrine Club of Camden sponsored this project.

Caroline Hill of Antioch Club told of her work in Room Improvement—the articles made and the things learned. This club was organized last Spring.

Emily McCoy of the Midway Club spoke of her experience in Food Preparation. She told some of the new dishes she had learned to prepare and serve. Mary McCoy told some interesting experiences in her canning and gardening work. Mary has received her diploma for completing four years in 4-H Club work. She was also a national winner in the canning contest in Chicago last Fall.

Lena Sinclair of the Malvern Hill Club conducted the Vesper service on Thursday evening. Peggy Holland of Antioch conducted Morning Watch on Friday morning and Saturday morning watch was conducted by Dorothy West of the Midway Club. These devotionals of each day were a regular part of the Camp for the development of the spiritual or the Heart-H is an important part of Club work.

Mary McCoy presided over the Assembly on Friday. The topic on Friday was the 4-H's in the four leaf clover. Mrs. Harriet F. Johnson, State Girls' Club Agent, spoke on the importance of developing the Head-H to think, to plan and to reason. Dr. Humphries of the County Health unit developed the Health-H for efficiency, resistance to disease and for enjoyment of life. The Heart-H is devel-

## Cotton Certificates To Be Issued

The organization for handling the business of the Bankhead law and for issuing tax-exemption certificates for 1934 cotton has nearly been completed. Most of the Bankhead committeemen to handle this work have been selected and trained and are ready to begin functioning. However, there are a few communities which have not yet been completely organized and committeemen will be put in operation in these communities at an early date.

The following committeemen have been selected and trained and will be prepared to begin accepting applications for tax-exemption certificates from farmers who signed cotton contracts and also from those farmers who did not sign contracts. It is absolutely necessary that every producer of cotton in 1934 apply for these certificates whether he signed a cotton contract or not, otherwise he will not be permitted to gin any of his 1934 cotton.

Liberty Hill, L. P. Thompson and N. S. Richards; Westville, B. P. Horns by and K. C. Ethers; Bethune, M. G. King and J. H. McDaniel; Cassatt, J. R. West and W. B. Stevenson; Charlotte Thompson School, F. M. Mellette and E. T. Pearce; Boykin Mill Pond, W. C. Capehart; Blaney, John Kirkland; Lugoff, Victor Ward and John L. Gettys (at his residence); Antioch, I. J. McKenzie; Camden, H. Granade, Elmo Brown, B. W. Rhame (at county agent's office); Kershaw, W. R. Perry, J. P. Truesdale, Quincey Gregory, Wilson Taylor.

Farmers will not go to these committeemen to apply for certificates until they have received a notice from the committeemen stating the date and hour to come. It will be impossible to handle this work unless it is taken in the proper order and this is to ask the cooperation of every farmer in this particular. Whenever your committeeman is ready to begin functioning and when he is ready to fix your papers he will send you a notice. Please DO NOT go to see him on this work until you have received your notice.—Henry D. Green, County Agent.

oped for kindness, sympathy and truth.

The girls were delighted to have Miss Christie Hey of the County Health Unit to speak to them on the cultivation of good habits. This was a timely talk and Miss Hey gave many helpful suggestions along this line.

The last Assembly on Saturday was presided over by Mary Laney of Midway Club. The subject was God of the Out-of-doors. Many of the Club girls took part in the devotional. Later the eight groups composed of the girls at Camp contributed to the program. Music and games are an important part of Camp life. Swimming was enjoyed twice a day and games and music in the evening. On Friday evening each of the eight groups entertained with songs, dances and stunts. The Friday evening program was one of the most enjoyable of the whole camp. The most impressive exercise and the one looked forward to from year to year by Club members is the candle lighting service on the last evening of Camp. This year the service was in the form of a wheel of progress and it revolved for the first time. Mary Laney represented the spirit of Camp as the hub of the wheel—the club girls made up the spokes and the rim. After the lighting of the candles the Club pledge was given, the 4-H membership song was sung and finally Taps. Then the wheel slowly revolved around the hub and the girls went quietly to their cabins for the night.

The 4-H Club members and the Agent are indebted to the following people for making the Camp the best one ever held. Mrs. S. C. Zemp and Miss Virginia DeLoache for games and music, Misses Gertrude Zemp and Virginia Halle for assisting with the games and swimming, Mrs. L. D. Broome, Mrs. McCrae and Mrs. Buddin for the food, Mr. J. M. Villepigue for donating the ice, Mr. J. B. Zemp for use of the swimming pool and Mr. Moseley for supervising the cleaning of the grounds.

Mrs. D. M. Davis and daughter, Miss Leta Davis, have gone to Chicago to the World's Fair.