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Government May Buy Large Area Here

For some time negotiations have been underway in an effort to have the Federal Government purchase a large tract of land in Kershaw county and replace the people effected on better lands. This effort has now gone far enough that it seems probable that Kershaw County will get the project, possibly with a similar area adjoining on the Chesterfield County side. It is proposed that the government purchase from 100,000 to 150,000 acres of the poorest or sub-marginal land in Kershaw County. The location has not yet been definitely decided upon.

In order to secure this large project for this county, it will be necessary that local people cooperate with the government to the fullest extent. By local cooperation and support is meant principally the keeping down of land prices to a fair level, helping the government employees on the project locate land corners, getting information from deeds and the landowners, giving information about their financial conditions, etc. Land prices must be maintained at a level which would maintain if a man in one neighborhood was buying from or selling to his neighbor. The first step if and when the project is approved for investigation, will be to investigate recent bona fide purchases and sales of land (not emergency transactions) in Kershaw and Chesterfield counties. This will provide a basis for land valuation. Whether or not the project developed will depend largely upon prices of land as compared with appraisal values. The appraisals although fair are based largely on present values. Inflation of prices because of the government's interest in the project will do more to kill the project than any other one thing.

As I see it, this project would be of untold value to Kershaw County. In the first place, it would relieve many of our farmers on unprofitable land from the hardship of working out a bare existence on poor and unprofitable land. These farmers would be placed in better position for making a living elsewhere on better land. A large amount of local labor would be no doubt be used in the development of the project. Forest fires would be kept down and probably large areas would be planted to trees. Fish and Game would be propagated and preserved. Roads would be maintained by the Federal Government and finally, for the benefit of the younger generation the foundation would be laid for profitable timber industries; also for possible development of pulp and paper mills here. I consider it a wonderful opportunity for this county and have no hesitancy in asking the people of Kershaw County to support the project and cooperate with our Federal Government which is trying so hard to do something for the benefit of our people.—Henry D. Green, County Agent.

GOOD SEAL SALE

The people of this community were very generous in buying Christmas Health Seals this year. Many however have not yet sent in their money in exchange for the seals or have not returned the seals which they were not able to buy. We have to account for the seals that were mailed out and we respectfully request that all who received them please send in the return letter at once. We wish to thank all who assisted in the sale this year by taking the seals and the health bonds. In a later issue of this paper a complete statement of the sale will be given.—Rev. A. D. McArn, Chm.

CLOUDS AND SUNSHINE

This will be the theme of Dr. Wimberly's last Sunday School address for the year. We know from that has gone before—Sunday after Sunday, this will be worthwhile. We must rally our class for a boom attendance. We want to set our goal for 75 members, with an average of 50 attending. Let us do our best for this last address for the year. Class will be assembled at 10:00 in the church auditorium, and go to the room at 10:20. Let us all be on time.—Jack Moore, Secretary.

Liberty Hill News

Liberty Hill, Dec. 24—Before this reaches the many readers of The Messenger the day we celebrate as the birthday of our Savior will have passed, and the joyous holiday season, of home coming, of meeting and mingling of friends and loved ones, of "Peace on earth and good will to all mankind" have been ushered in, and it is the earnest hope, and wish of "your reporter", that each of the many readers of The Messenger may enjoy to the fullest the festivities and pleasures of the season, and in a manner befitting the great occasion which we celebrate and which means so much to the "whole human family". May no serious illness, accident, or mishap occur to bring sorrow or sadness to any one.

A very pleasing and impressive Christmas program was presented on Sunday night at the Presbyterian church by the Sunday School classes under the direction of Mrs. C. E. Richards, and a collection taken for "Ministerial Relief".

Rev. John Edwards Richards, ministerial student of Atlanta and Miss Phoebe Richards of Greensboro and Righton Richards of Lynchburg, Va. arrived home Friday to spend the holiday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Richards.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Johnston of Atlanta are guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Johnston, parents of the former.

Mrs. F. J. Hay is at her home here and has with her for the holidays her son-in-law and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. S. M. Huntley of Clinton and Mrs. A. L. McCaskill and daughter, Miss Annie Righton, of Blenheim and Prof. J. C. McCaskill of the Calhoun Falls school faculty.

Miss Sophie Richards of Allendale and Miss Marian Richards of Bennettsville are spending the holidays with their mother, Mrs. C. E. Richards.

Mr. Fred Salters of Florence is a guest of his grandmother, Mrs. F. J. Fay, and other relatives here.

Gov. and Mrs. Richards have as guests, Mrs. J. W. Todd and daughters, Misses Bettie and Jane Todd of Laurens, and Miss Johnmy Richards of North Augusta.

Miss Ann Thompson of Columbia College is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Thompson for the holidays.

Cadet A. C. Cureton, Jr. of Clemson College came home Friday for a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Cureton.

Camden Theatre Gutted By Fire

Fire of unknown origin discovered at 12:15 Wednesday morning completely destroyed the interior and furnishings of the Camden Theatre, located on East DeKalb street. Owing to the early hour the flames had gathered good headway when it is said it was discovered by policemen making the rounds of the back of the stores. It is not known how the fire started.

The fire was held within the walls of the building and no other damage was done to other property—although the roof fell in and the flames went high into the air.

The building was erected a little more than fifteen years ago by T. Lee Little and was at that time considered the first word in small town Theatre construction. It was conducted for several years as a silent drama, known as The Majestic. It was later remodeled and made into a one story structure with a balcony. Of late years it has been leased by Anderson Brothers, of Cheraw, who operate a chain of Theatres at Cheraw, Bennettsville, Hamlet, Dillon and other towns in the Carolinas.

It has enjoyed a good patronage and was a prettily appointed place in the heart of a business block on East DeKalb, with a seating capacity of about 600.

The property was owned by Margaretta G. Little of this city, and partial insurance on building and equipment was carried.

At the Methodist Church Next Sunday

The regular service will be held at 11:15 A. M. We are announcing our subject, but we expect our good people to be there for the closing out service of the Old Year. We have something very special for our people Sunday morning. Do not miss it.—C. F. Wimberly, Pastor.

Local Salesman Is Rated High

The following letter of congratulation and appreciation of the fine services rendered by Mr. Fred Ogburn, star salesman, for Chevrolet was received in Camden Monday from L. S. Costley, Regional Manager, with headquarters in Atlanta. Mr. Ogburn's many friends here and elsewhere, as well as Chevrolet, heartily congratulate him and wish him continued success in his field:

"Mr. F. M. Ogburn,
D. M. Mays,
Camden, S. C.
Dear Mr. Ogburn:

In going thru the Regional Sales Record, year-to-date thru November, I was very much pleased to find that you have delivered 67 new cars, 86 used cars, or a total of 220 sales record points.

I wish to take this opportunity to personally commend you for such a splendid accomplishment.

I am well aware of the fact that the success of any sales program depends upon the aggressiveness of our retail salesmen. Naturally it gives me a feeling of great satisfaction to know that we have men of your caliber in the field continually striving to keep Chevrolet in the position to which we are justly entitled—first place.

Now that you have qualified for membership in the 100 Car Club, your next objective should be selling a sufficient number of new cars and trucks to entitle you to become an officer in the 100 Car Club organization for 1934. Setting up an objective of this kind will not only help you earn more commissions, but it will stamp you as an outstanding leader, whose influence will be felt throughout the entire organization with which you are connected, as well as the organizations of other Chevrolet dealerships.

It is this influence which we hope you will appreciate the value of, and use your efforts to encourage other salesmen to qualify for membership in this splendid honor organization of Chevrolet's which will again be making a very substantial contribution to the maintenance of Chevrolet's leadership.

I am looking forward to the end of the year, at which time I shall take great pleasure in welcoming you into this very fine organization, and may I wish you the best of success in your selling work during the remainder of the year."

Cotton Ginnings in Kershaw County

There were 12,234 bales of cotton, counting round as half bales, ginned in Kershaw County from the crop of 1934, prior to December 13, 1934, as compared with 12,532 bales ginned to December 13, 1933, according to O. R. S. Pool, Special Agent.

CAMDEN VETERAN DIES AT CHESTER

Chester, Dec. 19—C. J. Stewart, 91, Confederate veteran of Camden, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Hattie Parker of Chester, R. F. D. No. 3, Tuesday night.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Hickory Helge church at Westville about 17 miles from Camden and the interment will be in the Quaker cemetery at Camden.

Mr. Stewart served through the four years of the war. He is survived by two daughters and by a son, L. T. Stewart.

The above notice of the death of Mr. Stewart will be read with regret by his many friends here. He is the father of Mr. L. T. Stewart of this city.

Among those returning home from college for the holidays are: Winthrop, Betty Carriston, Harriet Beard, Virginia Drawdy; Carolina and other school in Columbia, Mary Lee Blakely, Cullum Capehart, George Brunson, Jack Halle, Jodie Lang, Blanding and Stewart Clarkson, Frances McLeod, Lila Ross; Citadel, Henry Lee Clyburn, Julien Burns, Reuben Pitts, Jack Boyd, Alvin and Otis Creed, Hamilton Osborne, George Rhams.

Women Urge Label To End Sweatshop

Wife of South Carolina's Governor Joins National Campaign

The latest recruit to the committee of governor's ladies who have joined the NRA Garment Label Campaign to fight the return of the sweatshop and child labor is Mrs. Ibra C. Blackwood, wife of the governor of South Carolina.

Mrs. Blackwood is urging the women of South Carolina to protect decent standards of hours and wages in the clothing industry by demanding the NRA label in all the garments they purchase.

The committee in charge of the campaign is headed by Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, and has in its membership representatives of the National Council of Women, the General Federation of Women's Clubs, the Junior League, the League of Women Voters, the Y. W. C. A. and many others of the country's leading organizations.

"No woman", says Mrs. Blackwood, "wants to buy clothes made at too great a cost to the worker. As a safeguard to her family's health, also, she wants to be sure that every garment she and her husband and children wear is made under sanitary conditions." Mrs. Blackwood declares that the label, which is a badge of honor on all the wearing apparel made under decent conditions of hours, wages and sanitation, is a boon to the consumer as well as the worker because it provides a guide to her shopping.

"Whatever the political faith or inclination of women, the sweatshop garment label of the NRA is a thing upon which we can all agree," she said.

Asked whether she would raise the price of clothes, Mrs. Blackwood said: "I am sure you raised that question before the NRA comes into being, and will naturally be fearful that the garment label will increase the cost of the clothes they buy. But this is not necessarily so. I am assured by the Women's Advisory Committee of the National Garment Label Campaign, headed by Mrs. Roosevelt, that it is possible to manufacture an inexpensive garment and still observe the Code regulations of hours and wages that make decent living conditions possible. But unless the label is sewn into the garment, one cannot differentiate between the good and the bad. The label indicates that the worker received his fair share of the price."

On behalf of the larger majority of high minded manufacturers and merchants who are trying to live up to their obligations, Mrs. Blackwood urged the women of South Carolina to be strict in their demand for the label. "Let the men who run your stores know that you appreciate their observance of the label, and protect them against the violators," she said. The label is issued only to those manufacturers who sign a certificate of compliance. Investigations of factories and records follow. Men familiar with the needlework industry, normal output of workers, capacity of machines, and payrolls, are alert for the slightest semblance of violation. They guard the label jealously. Unless it is so guarded, it could very easily cease to be a badge of honor and become a racket.

The Apparel Codes Labor Council, with offices at One Madison Avenue, New York, is devoting itself to making the consumer conscious of the meaning behind all apparel labels. They point out that the NRA family must not be content with buying a suit or a dress with a label in it, but must follow through the whole field of wearing apparel.

Father must have a label in the right hand upper pocket of his new suit, and another in his sweater. When he goes to buy a new hat he must look inside and see if there is an NRA label. Even his suspenders and neckties need checking.

If Mother wants to be a hundred per cent labeled, she must have a label in all her coats and suits and dresses and blouses and skirts, in every hat she buys, and even in her negligee and underwear and corset and brassiere.

Then there are the children, and

4-H Club Boy Wins Coveted Trophy

The Richard Blackwell Boykin 4-H trophy which has been completed for by 4-H club boys of Kershaw County for the past 5 years was won this year as permanent property by D. Carl Scarborough who met the requirements of permanent ownership by winning the cup 3 years in succession. To win the cup each year a club boy of Kershaw County was required to win the highest score on corn and hogs at the local County Fair, which was accomplished by this outstanding club boy for the past 3 years. Carl Scarborough has maintained this interest and effort in the development of club work for the past 5 years and has done outstanding work throughout this period and it is with congratulations that we present him this year with this coveted trophy and with gratitude to its donor, Mr. Richard Blackwell Boykin, who has manifested such interest in promoting 4-H club work in Kershaw County.—Henry D. Green, County Agent.

CAMDEN MATCH ENDS IN TIE

Sunday's game on No. 2 field was probably the fastest and best played of the season so far. Two former players re-entered the game for the first time in quite a while. They were Walton Ferguson, who for several weeks has been North, and S. Lee, a carrier of six goals, who has not been here for several years. Both added materially to the play. The match ended in a 4 to 4 tie.

The two sides were divided into Yellows and Blues, which in reality is the city and country teams. These will play a series of matches and the winners awarded the John Devine cup. Sunday's game was a preliminary to the series which will begin next Sunday.

At the start the country players received a handicap of three goals to partially offset those carried by Lee. During the first chukker it seemed as though the cities were going to make a clean sweep for Lee, DuBose and Savage each made one score while the Blues were unable to make a tally, the ball being kept in their territory for the most part of the time. In the second period the Blues held the Yellows on even terms with no score for either side while in the third Ancrum Boykin after a nice run down the field made a tally for the Blues, putting the score 4 to 3 in their favor. Both were now showing an excellent defensive and it was not until the sixth chukker and near the end of the game that Henry Savage made the final tally, tying them, 4 to 4. The game as a whole was probably the best played so far. The speed, defense, long shots and performance of the ponies was all excellent with the largest crowd of the season being there to enjoy it. Savage and Lee starred for the cities while Boykin and Walton Ferguson played the best for the country side.

Of interest was the return of Grove Cullum, the coach here, who has been on a trip to Texas, lining up additional ponies for the future. There he purchased six or seven which are now being shipped and are soon expected to arrive. The lineup:

City	Country
Henry Savage, Jr.	Kirby Tupper
C. P. DuBose, Jr.	Ancrum Boykin
Ralph Little	Mat Ferguson
S. Lee	Walton Ferguson
Charles Little and Joe Bates	cut in during the game.

Referees, Ralph Chase, Sam Russell, Timekeeper, Ancrum Boykin, Sr.

Presbyterian Church Services

Sunday December 30. A. Douglas McArn, Pastor. Church school 10 a. m. Morning worship at 11:15. Vesper service Sunday evening at seven o'clock telling the story, "Why The Chimes Rang" with beautiful slides. The public is cordially invited.

if they want to do right by Uncle Sam they must be as completely labeled as the grownups. A right start for the baby includes an NRA label on every important article in its layette.

World Celebrates Birth of Christ

All Christendom, with manifold tongues, celebrates again, according to its varied customs, the birth of the Christ.

From Bethlehem, where Jesus was born, the celebration of the nativity spread through the world.

For hundreds of millions of persons, it was a day for the exchange of gifts—with children the most favored recipients. For as many other Christians, the day of the giving of gifts will come. January 4—the day of the three kings—when the magi gave their presents of gold, frankincense and myrrh to the Christ child.

The day dedicated to peace on earth brought from Pope Pius a denunciation of war and a suggestion that there might be a pause in the world's only full-fledged war, the hostilities in the Chaco between Bolivia and Paraguay.

Report of the Associated Charities of Camden-Kershaw County for the Month of November 1934.

Balance from last month\$810.24
Receipts for this month151.36

Total \$961.60
Paid Out Children's Home:
Kennedy Insurance Agency36.20
J. S. Lindsay, Treas. (rent) 10.00
S. C. Highway (License) 8.60
Burns and Barrett 1.92
J. C. Penney Co. 3.13
T. W. Wood and Sons 2.58
Mackey Hardware Co. 13.25
Rhame Bros. 20.35
Barber (English) 2.70
Painting 20.00
Expressage 19.80
Stamp tax 10
Groceries 85.33
Milk 10.00
Laundry 10.00
Water and Light 9.98
Phone service 4.44
Servant hire 109.25
Campbell Garage 60
Balance 394.23
Total \$567.37

Baptist Church Services

The following services are announced at the First Baptist Church for the week beginning December 30:

Sunday school at 10 o'clock with C. O. Stogner, superintendent in charge and Public worship conducted by the pastor J. B. Caston at 11:15 A.M. and 8 o'clock P.M. Morning subject: The Lords Supper, evening subject: The Growth of The Child Jesus. Weekly teacher's meeting Tuesday evening at 7:30, Prayermeeting Wednesday evening at 7:30. B. Y. P. U. Tuesday evening 7:30.

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

The following Converse students are at home with their parents for the holidays: Misses Grace Robinson, Peggy Pitts, Jean Harris and Charlotte DuBose.

"WHY THE CHIMES RANG"

This lovely Christmas story will be told with beautiful stereoscopic slides Sunday evening December 30 at seven o'clock at the Presbyterian church. The public is invited.

Rural Residence Destroyed By Fire

The nine-room, two-story residence of Mrs. Margaret Boykin Hay, widow of the late Dr. J. T. Hay, near Boykin, was completely destroyed by fire early Tuesday evening. The origin of the fire is unknown, but it started in the second story and when discovered it had gained such headway that only a portion of the dining room and living room furniture was saved and this was badly damaged.

been the scene of many happy gatherings of town and rural folks. It is said that only a small amount of insurance was carried on house and contents.

Mrs. Betsy Kirkland, of New York, who was visiting her sister, along with Mrs. Hay, lost all of their wearing apparel.

The family had just seated themselves for the evening meal when the fire was discovered.