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LEVER RESIGNS SEAT IN CONGRESS TIMMERMAN RUNS TO SUCCEED HIM

Popular Lexington Solicitor Seems Sure Winner—His Previous Record and Ability Warrant His Advancement.



HON. GEORGE BELL TIMMERMAN

No political announcement in recent years has created such widespread interest in this county as that of the Hon. George Bell Timmerman a candidate for Congress to succeed Hon. Asbury F. Lever who will resign his seat in Congress on August 1, to accept an appointment on the American Federal Farm Loan Board. Mr. Lever retires after having rendered most efficient and honorable service to the Seventh Congressional district for 18 consecutive years.

In the candidacy of Mr. Timmerman Lexington county is offering a man on whom the people of the entire district can rely to protect their interests in Congress.

George Bell Timmerman, Lexington's favorite son was born 33 years ago on a farm in old Edgefield county—the county which has furnished to the State and Nation so many illustrious men in the past. He is a son of the late Dr. W. H. Timmerman, who by the way when we were yet in our teens, we used to hear our lamented friend Col. Jas. T. Bacon of Edgefield refer to as "the greatest Roman of them all." Dr. Timmerman was Lieutenant Governor of South Carolina and later State Treasurer.

After having served his apprenticeship on the farm—if so it may be termed—and attending the "Old Field School" near his father's home, Mr. Timmerman entered Patrick Military Institute at Anderson from which institution he graduated while yet a mere lad. Leaving Patrick, he entered the University of South Carolina—then South Carolina College—where he devoted his talents to the study of law and where he won his degree of Bachelor of Laws.

Soon after his graduation at "Carolina" Mr. Timmerman entered the race for solicitor in the old circuit composed of the counties of Richland, Korshaw, Edgefield, Saluda and Lexington. He was the youngest man in the State ever elected to the high and exalted position of Solicitor—a position which had been held by such distinguished lawyers as the late P. H. Nelson, and J. Wm. Thurmond. That was 15 years ago and Mr. Timmerman is still solicitor. He has been twice re-elected without opposition, and once with opposition over two able and popular opponents, carrying a majority of the votes in each of the four counties in the circuit. In the performance of his duty as a solicitor, Mr. Timmerman has neither known friend nor foe. He has always kept first and uppermost in his mind the duty he owes to his State in helping to uphold its peace and dignity.

Mr. Timmerman was a candidate for Congress last summer, having entered the race immediately after Mr. Lever announced as a candidate for the United States Senate, and while he did not receive the nomination, he received a very flattering vote especially in that part of the district where he was best known. In that race he conducted a clean and honorable campaign; and the many manner in which he conducted himself during the campaign, coupled with the graceful manner in which he accepted defeat made him many friends.

With all of the brilliant successes which have crowned his efforts, Mr. Timmerman is a modest man. He is the same yesterday, today and forever. He belongs to that greatest of all classes—the "common people"—and is a firm believer in the right of the masses to have a voice in the government.

Like the physician of old Mr. Timmerman will, if necessary, give his professional services to the poor and oppressed, if their cause be just, even though he realizes at the time he will receive no fee for them.

It will be remembered that last year, before he became a candidate for Congress, Mr. Timmerman interested himself in behalf of the farmers. He wrote to Congressmen Lever, and our United States Senators about the hardships of the milling regulations

of the Food Administration, as applied to the farmers of the south. These gentlemen immediately took up the matter with the Food Administrator with the result that the regulations were changed, to the great benefit of the farmers of the State. It will be recalled that Mr. Timmerman's letter and the replies to it were published in the Lexington Dispatch-News. Mr. Timmerman is now interesting himself in the potash question—one of vital importance to the farmers of the south and had interested himself in it before it became known that Mr. Lever would resign. He will doubtless have something to say on this subject during the campaign.

Mr. Timmerman is a democrat, and is in accord with the principles of his party. To send him to Congress, where his untiring energies, his broad statesmanship and brilliant mind may better be used in the interest of mankind in the readjustment that must take place as a result of the world wide war, as a successor to Mr. Lever, is the earnest desire of his friends in Lexington county; and his supporters at home, where he is best known, regard him to the favorable consideration of the voters of the Seventh Congressional District, believing that he will prove a worthy representative of a worthy people.

NEGROES TO HOLD FAIR

A number of colored citizens of Lexington county met here Saturday and organized the Colored County Fair Association, and are making preparation to hold a fair October 24 and 25 Friday and Saturday following the Lexington County Fair. For the present they will use the grounds of the fair association. The following officers were elected: J. A. King, president; Peter Glasgow, first vice president; P. N. Summers, second vice president; J. T. Wise, third vice president; secretary J. H. Leaphart; treasurer, G. I. Richardson; general superintendent, Austin Lorick; assistant superintendent, Samuel Harris; Executive committee, Ming Crombie; Oliver Slish, S. L. Lorick, J. W. Washington, J. Willie Dreher, S. G. Bowman.

Another meeting will be held at Lexington the first Saturday in August when other matters connected with the holding of a fair will be considered.

WHOLESALE HOUSE FOR LEXINGTON

The Lexington Cotton and Fertilizer Co. is making arrangements to carry a full line of hay, grain feeds etc which they will sell at wholesale prices. This will fill a long felt need in Lexington and this firm is to be congratulated upon supplying this need. Mr. Sam P. Roof, manager stated today that he already had placed orders for the stock which he expected would arrive in a few days. For the present this stock will be carried in the warehouse in the rear of Corley Bros. new building, until a more suitable location can be secured.

CHURCH NOTICE

There will be services at St. Matthews Lutheran church Sunday July 27, by the pastor Rev. W. H. Risen.

DUTCH FORK CITIZEN DISCUSSES ANNEXATION

Dear Editor:—Please allow me space in your paper to say a few words concerning the annexation of the upper fork of the Dutch Fork annexed to Newberry. Well perhaps this is true, but sometime in the near future I believe you can see just what you have predicted (acorns on persimmon trees). I guess the old folks will be somewhat surprised in this section when he climbs up a persimmon tree and finds acorns, just as the editor will be surprised when an election for annexation is held.

I noticed a piece in the last issue headed "better roads for the Dutch of the upper fork to the highest I am sure, for if there is fork" well that will be appreciated in needs better roads it is this section, for the last time I traveled the road from Chapin to the court house I crossed ditches almost knee deep across it at several places and that has been several months ago.

Yes, once and a while about every election year or sometimes there we hear something about the "gang" coming over on this side of the river, but we haven't seen them in several years. I don't know if they have forgotten the way over here or forgotten to come, or if the river is so wide it is taking all this time to cross it. I am sure it is one of these three.

Now, our editor has said just be patient a little while longer, that is just our trouble now we have been patient too long already our patience has been worn out for the last four years and still crying "have patience." So we have decided to make some move or other and see if we can't better ourselves in some way. I can see where we can make ourselves any better off by remaining in Lexington still waiting on something that has been promised us for six or eight years (good roads). We also see in last issue where the supervisor is planning to enter into an agreement with the State Highway Commission to spend \$30,000.00 on the road from Newberry line to Richland line, well if he only does this what good will that do the tax payers of this side?

Our Court House is neither new nor joining Newberry County the disjunct to pay this debt and still have no good road to our court house yet, we have just plenty of public roads in the Fork that county officer never travels only when he is going to a campaign day somewhere over here.

Then he says the roads are pretty rough I come over today, but the supervisor is coming over in a few weeks to work you people some good roads and so on, and that is almost close as he gets, now the people over here have decided to make a move showing the rest of the county that we want our pro rata share of road working, or in other words justice to the tax payers, on their roads in each part of the county.

It has been said so I understand from on the other side of the river that Newberry county wanted our taxable property at Parr Shoals worse than they wanted us now if we pay enough taxes in this part to make Newberry want us and to make our friends over on the other side of the river say this "it looks like we would get some 'gang' work done some times.

As to my judgement I may be wrong I cannot see why we would not be doing ourselves a great justice in joining Newberry County the distance is practically the same and from Little Mountain to Newberry court house we will have a fine highway which is being constructed now, something we will never have to Lexington from this section of the county.

If we have business to attend to on first Monday and have to go by rail to our court house we have to leave Chapin on Sunday evening and get back home on Tuesday and to Newberry we can leave Chapin on Sunday evening and get back home on Tuesday and to Newberry we can leave Chapin at 9 P.M. same day.

If the good old people and officers of Lexington county wants us to be patient for a little while longer they better be giving us immediate attention for if they do not when they come over to another campaign they may cross a county line something they say they do not want.

I will close thanking you for your space allowed me and hope to see you soon, with best wishes to you.

A Dutch Fork citizen

AMERICAN LEGION COMING FAIR TO BE BEST EVER ORGANIZED IN LEXINGTON.

A meeting was held on the night of July 21st 1919 at 9:00 P. M. in the office of Alfred A. Carroll, for the purpose of organizing a Post of the American Legion. The meeting was called to order with eleven members of the ex-military forces present.

An introductory talk was given by Julian C. Miller, who had attended the State Meeting of the American Legion at Florence, S. C. and he was very well prepared to enlighten the members present, on the duties, advantages, and of the American Legion.

The following temporary officers were nominated:

Julian C. Miller—Post Commander.
Robert E. Cook—Post Adjutant.
John D. Jordan, Post Treasurer.

The following named men were present:

Julian C. Miller, Sam P. Schneider, John S. Schneider, Vasco T. Miller, John H. Carroll, J. Leland Hartley, George R. Hartley, George Edwin Harman, William Henry Sox, J. D. Jordan, Robert E. Cook.

A meeting will be held on Thursday evening 22:00 at the School house at Lexington July 23rd for the purpose of organizing a permanent Post of the American Legion to include the whole of Lexington county.

All service men are urged to participate.

LOCALS AND PERSONALS

Mrs. M. B. Cope who has been spending sometime with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M. Corley near Lexington, returned this week to her home in Port Royal.

Judge George S. Drafts is in Greenwood this week attending the reunion of Confederate veterans.

Mrs. Eunice Johns of Allendale is visiting her sister Mrs. F. W. Shealy, on College Hill.

Misses Jennie, Harman, Lellan Caughman, Rebecca Boyd and Annie Spires have returned to their home in New Brooklyn after spending several days last week with Miss Danah Rhea Oxner of near Lexington.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Jackson of Swansea spent Sunday in Lexington with Mrs. E. G. Wingard, mother of Mrs. Jackson.

Misses Grace and Mattie Powell Mrs. D. R. Haltiwanger and Mr. William Powell spent Sunday in Charleston and at the Isle of Palms.

The friends of Capt. John M. Caughman will be glad to learn that his condition is somewhat improved and it is thought he will be able to leave the Danah Hospital in Columbia, on Friday. He was carried to the Hospital last Friday where he was placed under treatment of Dr. Heyward Gibbs.

Miss Elizabeth Sullivan and Miss Florence Callison of Callison of Greenwood county are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Callison on College Hill.

FOR SALE—65 acres 1-2 mile of Killbuck in Fairfield county. Good level land well watered.
S. J. Leaphart,
Agent.

Mr. Thos. J. Fulmer, one of the most successful farmers of the Piney Woods section of the Dutch Fork, was here on business today and renewed for his paper another year in advance.

Mr. J. P. Shull of the St. John section is spending several days at Glenn Springs, the guest of his brother, Mr. W. C. Shull.

The wonting piping, shafting, iron galvanized roofing pumps, jacks, cylinders well points, rubber and leather belting, make you inquiries through Columbia Supply Co.—See their advertisement in this paper.

Among the June shipments to the United States from Swatow, China were 45 tons of feathers and 26 tons of peanut oil.

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS PICNIC POSTPONED

On Account of Rain and Bad Roads Picnic at George's Pond Will Not be Held Thursday—Another Date Will be Named.

Indications now are that the Lexington County Fair this year will be the best ever held since the organization of the association 22 years ago. A special feature of the Community Fair exhibits will be made this year and the management already has the assurance from four or five Community Fairs that they will put on exhibits. This which itself assures a large attendance and a creditable exhibit, for we all remember the Community Fair exhibits of two years ago.

The swine, poultry and cattle departments will receive special attention this year and the exhibits in these departments will exceed anything ever seen at a county fair. The Boys and Girls Pic Clubs have already engaged a section of stalls for their pigs and the present indications are that more stalls will have to be secured to take care of this exhibit.

Taking into consideration the general prosperity existing throughout the county the fair this year should be the biggest and best ever held. But in order for a fair to succeed the county must be behind it with its strongest support for without this it can not be a success. At a meeting of the executive committee recently it was unanimously decided to put forth every effort to have a good fair this year and if the people did not support it the property would be put up and sold, and the fair discontinued.

COUNTY SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Indications point to a large attendance at the Lexington County Sunday School Convention which will be held in St. John's (Calk Road) Church on Friday, July 25. All Sunday Schools in the county are invited to send delegates to the convention.

The purpose of the convention is to arouse interest in more efficient Sunday School work, and to present methods that will be helpful in making the schools bigger and better. Address phases of Sunday School work will be made by a number of Lexington County people, as well as by the two State Field Secretaries, R. D. Webb and Miss Cora Holland.

The county officers, composed of a number of the leading Sunday School workers in the county, have been doing everything possible to insure the success of the convention, and it is believed that this will be the best convention yet held in the county by the Association.

Wednesday

11 A. M.—Formal Opening of Conference, Enrollment of Delegates Appointment of Committees etc.

12 M.—Preaching Service—Sermon by Rev. V. Y. Boozer, D. D., President of Conference followed by Communion.

P. M.—Topics for Discussion: (1) Sin—Rev. C. A. Freed, D. D. Rev. J. B. Kihard D. D. (2) Christian Worship—Rev. J. W. Horine, D. D. Rev. W. P. Hine D. D.
Miscellaneous Business.

Thursday

10 A. M.—Devotion by Rev. G. S. Bearden.

10:15—Business, Reports of Committees, Etc.

Topic for Discussion: "The Duty of the Lutheran People to Rally to their Church Colleges"—Rev. M. O. J. Kreps, D. D., Mr. A. H. Kohn

12:00 M.—Teaching Service—Sermon by Rev. H. A. McCallough, D. D., principal; with Rev. R. R. Sowers alternate.

P. M.—Topic for Discussion: "The Home Mission Field of our Synod and Its Needs"—Rev. P. E. Monroe, D. D. and Rev. W. H. Riser.
Formal Closing.

COMMITTEE

Post's Notice—Delegates coming by rail will be met at Lexington provided due notice is given Mr. J. E. R. Kyzor Lexington, S. C.

O. B. S. Pastor.

On Account of Rain and Bad Roads Picnic at George's Pond Will Not be Held Thursday—Another Date Will be Named.

On account of the heavy rains and impassable condition of the roads the Welcome Home Picnic for discharged soldiers, will not be held Thursday evening as had been announced, but will be held sometime in the near future, probably the latter part of August. The committees in charge had made all arrangements for holding this celebration Thursday, but after the continued heavy rains and the impassable condition of the roads it was decided to postpone it to some future date. Gov. Cooper had accepted the invitation to be present and deliver an address, and a brass band from Columbia had been engaged to furnish music for the occasion, but as the weather conditions are very bad it was thought best to postpone the affair until the weather was better. However the picnic will be held later and it is hoped that everybody interested in helping entertain the service men will respond as willingly next time as they did on this occasion.

LEVER IS NAMED FOR FARM LOAN BOARD

Post Pays \$10,000 Salary

Washington, D. C. July 17.—Special Representative Asbury Lever of the Seventh South Carolina District, former chairman of the committee of agriculture and for years one of the most prominent political figures in his own State and in the South, was today nominated by President Wilson to be a member to the Federal Farm Loan Board.

The position, for which Mr. Lever has peculiar fitness is a very important one, paying a salary of \$10,000 and his election shows the esteem in which he is held by Mr. Wilson and the administration. The term for which Mr. Lever is nominated is an unexpired one having about five and a half more years to run.

As the law requires that both of the principal parties shall be represented on the board and as it is altogether likely that Mr. Lever will be renominated for the next ensuing full term of eight years if he desires to remain on the board for that length of time Mr. Lever will retire from Congress, where he has served eighteen years to accept the nomination when it has been confirmed. His resignation will probably be tendered to take effect the first of August. There is of course no doubt of confirmation as the South Carolina congressman is popular at both wings of the capitol and on both sides of the political fence.

Columbia July 21.—The press dispatches today stating that Asbury F. Lever of Lexington, Congressman from the Seventh district, had been nominated by President Wilson for a place on the farm loan board and

from his office August 1, has revived political gossip and speculation here, which had somewhat subsided during the past few days. The field is full of candidates, prospective candidates and those whom their friends think it is necessary to send to Washington to save the nation in this critical time for readjustment of those definitely announced to succeed Mr. Lever are John Hughes Cooper, an attorney of Columbia; Hampton P. Pullmar of Norway, formerly a Representative in the South Carolina House of Representatives from Orangeburg county; George Bell Timmerman, of Lexington solicitor of the Eleventh Judicial circuit and Ed C. Mann, of St. Matthews solicitor from the First Judicial circuit.

TENT MEETING AT BOILING SPRINGS

The Rev. J. H. Hunter will hold a Union Revival meeting under his mammoth tent at Boiling Springs beginning the 29th Sunday in July and lasting 2 weeks. Prof. Durham the noted singer will assist Rev. Danen.