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## BIG FARMERS RALLY TO BE HELD FRIDAY

### Canvass for Members of American Cotton Association Now Going On—District Committees Met Monday.

Friday, August 22, should be a red letter day for the farmers of Lexington county. This day has been set as the time for the big rally of farmers, which will be held at 3 o'clock in the afternoon at the court house for the purpose of perfecting the organization of the cotton association for this county. State Manager B. F. McLeod will see that two able speakers are provided for the occasion and everybody who is interested in seeing the farmer get a sufficient price for cotton should be on hand.

A meeting of the county executive committee was held Monday with the district committees for the purpose of instructing these district committees as to the method of campaigning for membership. Every farmer will be asked to affiliate with the organization which is working for an improvement in marketing conditions throughout the South in order that an adequate price may be realized for the staple. A systematic canvass for membership is now going on not only in Lexington and South Carolina, but throughout the entire belt.

The meeting Monday was largely attended and the district committees entered upon their work with great enthusiasm. An able address was delivered by A. Z. Protzman, director of organization for South Carolina. Dr. D. M. Crosson, chairman of the executive committee, presided.

Dr. Crosson has issued the following appeal for membership in the county association:

"Every voter in Lexington county should look out for the farmers' committee drive on the 26th and 27th next and sign as a member of the American Cotton Association. This drive is on throughout the entire cotton belt and will succeed. Lexington should do her full share and I am sure that she will."

### NEGROES TAKEN WITH BRACE OF FINE PISTOLS

In less than two hours after their capture by Sheriff Sim J. Miller, F. M. Ferguson and David Williams, negroes, began serving a sentence of 60 days for vagrancy and carrying concealed weapons. The vigilant sheriff relieved the negroes of as fine a brace of pistols as one could wish to see. They were .38 calibre Colts and their one time owners claimed to have paid \$65 for them. It had been reported to Sheriff Miller that the darkies were acting suspiciously in the lower part of the county. After following their trail for some time the sheriff landed them. They were immediately taken before Magistrate Amick, who imposed a sentence of 60 days on each of them. The negroes claim to be from Thomson, Ga., and say they were recently discharged from the army.

### CAMPING PARTY SPENDS WEEK AT TAYLOR'S

A party of young people, chaperoned by Mrs. C. M. Efrid, spent last week pleasantly in camp at Mr. Azariah Taylor's pond. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Barre, Mrs. B. H. Barre and Mr. Cromer Rauch ran down and spent one day with them. The following composed the party, who report an enjoyable outing: Misses Ernestine, Vita and Cecil Barre, Anna and Vera Corley, Winnie Hartley, Florida Seegers, Anna and Reba Carroll, Ruth Barre, Ed Kyzer, Malcomb Kyzer, Jesse Ballentine, Walter Auld, W. E. Sawyer, J. H. Mathias, J. D. Carroll, Albert Carroll, Robert Carroll and Joe Ropp.

### SOLDIER VOTE IN PRIMARY.

All men in the service of their country during last year and who were not present to enroll their names on the club rolls and whose names are written in the back of the enrollment book at each precinct, are entitled to vote on that enrollment which was made by the Executive Committee and of the officers of the club before the election of 1918 under authority of the act of 1918.

C. M. Efrid, County Chairman.  
14 August, 1919.

### MAJ. FROST TO SPEAK AT SOLDIERS' PICNIC

Major John D. Frost of Columbia, assistant adjutant and inspector general, will be the speaker at the picnic which will be given Thursday from 6 to 9 p. m. at George's pond to pay honor to the Lexington soldiers who saw service in the world war.

The committee in charge urges all the good housewives to bring well filled baskets of the good things to eat which they know so well how to prepare.

The committee urges that every soldier and sailor be extended a special invitation and that everybody should make it his business to see that they are provided with a way to reach the grounds.

A brass band has been engaged to furnish music for the occasion and everybody should come prepared to make the soldier and sailor boys enjoy the occasion to the fullest.

### ORANGEBURG TO ORGANIZE FOR LIVESTOCK MARKETING

Clemson College, August 16.—Orangeburg County farmers are giving further evidence of their progressiveness in the movement to organize a livestock marketing association, the first of its kind in South Carolina.

F. L. Harkey, field agent in marketing has just returned from Orangeburg, where he and H. S. Johnson, district agent, and D. W. Williams, extension animal husbandman, took part in a meeting of farmers on August 13th to discuss and take preliminary steps in the organization, which was suggested by L. S. Wolfe, county agent.

The plan is to have a stock company with a capital stock of say \$5,000 and a paid manager who will sell all kinds of livestock and serve the organization in various ways to promote the livestock industry and the interests of the stockholders and the people as a whole. Another meeting is to be held August 25th to perfect the organization, at which there will be present representation from several adjoining counties. An organization expert from the U. S. Bureau of Markets will attend to help in the work.

### BROOKLAND TO ENTERTAIN SAILORS AND SOLDIERS

The good people of Brookland and Cayce are making elaborate preparations for a big demonstration Labor Day at Nellie Springs in honor of their returned soldiers and sailors. Governor Cooper and Lieut. Governor Lyles will speak. The Brookland band will furnish the music for the day.

Everybody is invited to come and bring a basket.

Brookland furnished a large contingent to the army and they acquitted themselves well. Company M of the old Second South Carolina, which was merged into the Thirtieth division, was composed of Brookland boys and the people are proud of their record. This company was commanded by Capt. Hoyt Fulmer.

Besides this company there were many other Brookland lads in various army organizations.

### PELION IMPROVEMENT ASSO. TO SERVE REFRESHMENTS

The ladies of the Pelion School Improvement League will serve refreshments at the Pelion school building on Friday evening, August 22. Everybody invited to come. There will be vocal and instrumental music for the entertainment of the crowd.

### FATAL AUTO WRECK.

Mr. C. P. Wray, prominent and wealthy merchant of Ridgeway, Fairfield county, and his wife were killed Sunday when a freight train hit the automobile in which they were riding. Eugene McCarrell, a friend of the family, later died from injuries received. Mrs. Joseph Parker, aunt of McCarrell, was severely injured, as were several of her children.

Mrs. Parker is a sister-in-law of Mr. L. L. Parker of Lexington.

At present prices of hay and feed all of our farmers should save all the grass on the place—truly "make hay while the sun shines." Mow and cut it all and house or stack it, and you will be rich this fall.

### PURELY PERSONAL.

#### Movements of Lexington People, and Others Visiting Lexington.

Mrs. Mary Marks of Bamberg is visiting her relatives and friends here. Mr. Claude C. Harman just from Ohio, is here looking hale and hearty. Claude has made good and is a capital fellow. His friends will greet him with smiles.

Dr. Norman S. Geiger, head of Geiger Drug Co., has gone to Atlanta on a business trip for a few days.

Mr. H. W. Langford of Gilbert, Rt. 2, was here Friday and renewed his paper for another year.

Miss Annie Lou Taylor is spending some time in Hendersonville, Asheville and other mountain resorts in North Carolina, after having been the guest of her cousin, Mrs. E. Kellers Mitchell, in Greenville for a fortnight.

Mr. D. E. Hammond, one of Gilbert's prominent citizens and business men, and as clever and honest as the days are long, was here Friday.

Dr. P. H. Shealy, one of our promptest paying subscribers, as usual, Saturday paid for his paper in advance.

W. B. Taylor, one of our most successful farmers and good citizen, he is, called in Saturday and renewed for another year.

Mr. W. P. Roof, kindly remembered the printers with his sub for another year last Friday.

Mr. J. L. Roland from the Irene section, was in town Friday and paid in advance for his paper.

The chaingang is now near Leesville, making needed improvements on the Columbia and Augusta road. With the excellent judgment of Supervisor Corley and what he knows about building good roads, the public can rest assured of a good highway.

Miss Marguerette Lorick is now assisting Auditor Dent on the tax books.

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Sharpe of Lake City are on an extended visit at the home of Mr. R. C. Sharpe of Swansea.

Miss Pauline Hedrick of Cayce spent several days last week with Miss Irene Sharpe of Swansea.

Miss Mamie Lou Sharpe has returned to her home at Swansea after spending several weeks in Columbia, the guest of Miss Emily Reese.

Mr. D. P. Adams was in town Monday, and did not forget the printers.

Mrs. D. C. Lever and her granddaughter, Reba Wessinger, of Chapin, spent the week-end with her son, J. A. Lever, in Columbia.

One of our popular young ladies, Miss Catherine Berley, is on a pleasant visit to Mrs. Reed Addy of Columbia.

Miss Alma Long, our attentive and efficient operator at the central telephone office, spent part of her vacation last week with her friend, Mrs. Dr. Derrick, in Columbia. She has returned and is now on duty at her post.

N. West Corley, Andrew Corley, Matthew Seay and Brooks Monts left today on a visit to friends and relatives in Adclusia and Red Level, Ala. The trip will be made in a Ford car. We wish them a good time.

We regret to note that Mr. B. F. Barret's condition is no better. He is feeble, indeed.

Postmaster Frank George is back at his post in the postoffice, after spending a very pleasant vacation at his old home in Pickens.

Mr. S. J. Leaphart is back from New York from the trip of his life, much the better in looks and health.

Miss Bruce Caughman, one of our much admired young ladies, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Reed Addy, in Columbia.

Miss Virginia Powell of Graniteville, is visiting her cousin, Miss Mary Pearle Gibbs, here.

H. W. Taylor on Route 3 was here Monday and gave us a pleasant call and left his subscription.

Mr. Walker Aull of Pendleton is visiting his uncle, Mr. W. W. Barre's family.

Mrs. W. D. Dent is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Gladys Adams, near Batesburg.

Lawyers Callison, Sturkie, Martin and E. L. Asbill were over in Augusta Thursday on legal business.

Miss Lucie Daniel Wingard of Lexington has accepted the principalship in the English department of the high school of Salem, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Simpson of York are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Chas. E. Taylor.

Pearcy Atkins and Ollie Dozier of Reysville, Ga., were visitors in Lex-

### P. H. CRAPS DEAD.

#### Gallant Confederate Passes at Leesville.

Paul H. Craps, brave Confederate soldier, well known farmer and Christian gentleman, died at the home of his son-in-law, James Warren, in Leesville, on Sunday, following a long and painful illness. Some weeks ago, upon the advice of his family and friends, Mr. Craps went to the Leesville hospital, where he was given every attention possible, but on account of his advanced age his recovery could not have been hoped for, and he gradually grew worse until the end came.

Mr. Craps was 82 years of age. He saw service in the War Between the States in Co. C, 15th regiment, under Captain Lewie. He was twice severely wounded during battle, and was as brave a soldier as ever carried a gun.

Mr. Craps was a public spirited citizen and had been a leader in every movement for the common good of the community for many years. He served at one time on the county board of commissioners and proved to be an efficient and conscientious worker. He was an officer in his church and was a devout Christian.

His remains were laid to rest in St. Paul's churchyard on Monday afternoon in the presence of a large gathering of friends and relatives, the last sad rites being performed by the Rev. Mr. Stoudemayer and the Rev. F. K. Roof.

### CHICKEN STEW FOR THE UNION SCHOOL.

The school improvement association of Union school will give a chicken stew at the school house at 7:30 p. m. on Saturday, August 30. The public generally is invited to attend. The proceeds will be devoted to the improvement of the school house and grounds. The trustees are making preparations for the erection of a new school building. Miss Lever Mack is the efficient teacher of this school, which did splendid work last year, when the enrollment was 62.

### CHICKEN STEW GIVEN IN HONOR MISS RUSHTON

An enjoyable event of the week among the younger set of Lexington was the chicken stew Monday evening at George's pond in honor of Miss Inez Rushton, who is the guest of Misses Sarah Burley and Pearle Caughman. Miss Rushton, who is the daughter of Mrs. Nora Rushton, is a recent graduate of Columbia college. She has made many friends while here. The evening was pleasantly spent in swimming and wading, after which the stew was enjoyed by the young people present.

### INGTON LAST WEEK.

Miss Blossie Clark spent several days in Columbia last week, the guest of friends.

Mr. Marion Park of Columbia spent the week-end in Lexington.

Miss Julia Bickley has returned home after spending several days in Columbia.

Miss Marguerite Dent has returned home after an extended visit to friends and relatives in Irmo and Columbia.

Miss Frankie Griffith of Columbia spent Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Griffith.

We had a pop call from Mr. L. S. Trotti, president Bank of Brookland, this morning. He is a fine gentleman and one of the best financiers in the State.

We were glad to meet this morning our old friend P. J. Wessinger, one of Brookland's prominent citizens, who was here on business at the court house.

Little Henry, son of Mr. Wm. Bickley, has returned from the hospital, Columbia, where he was operated on for some rheumatic trouble. He is getting along very well.

Mr. Rosco Caughman carried his son, Wise, to the hospital last Wednesday, where he was operated on for tonsillitis. He is doing fine.

We regret to note that Mr. H. C. Oswald is still sick, confined to his bed, but is getting along very well.

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Kirkland, depot agent and assistant, have purchased the Mann P. George residence near the depot. We are indeed glad to know that these people are to be permanent residents here, and wish them all success through life.

Mr. J. D. Craps, from Cayce, gave us a pleasant call while here Thursday.

## MURDER AND OTHER CHARGES AGAINST YOUNG CRIMINALS

### UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT WILL SELL STORES OF FOOD

The war department and the postoffice department have arranged to inaugurate on Monday, August 18, a system of selling and distributing, through the Parcels Post Service, the surplus foodstuffs held by the War Department.

The food offered for sale by the War Department is in excellent condition. The meats are packed from the best cuts obtainable; vegetables are standard packs. All the commodities were government inspected and prepared in accordance with Army specifications. The prices at which these goods are offered are materially lower than those of similar commodities in the commercial market.

Order forms and other data required by the Post Office Department to make the new plan operative will be furnished by the War Department within the next few days. Postponement of immediate inauguration of this plan was necessary to give the Post Office Department opportunity to issue instructions to more than 68,000 postmasters throughout the United States and to furnish them with the order forms, so that the citizens of the United States would be given the opportunity to purchase the surplus food from the Army at the same time.

The entire responsibility of booking the orders and of delivery of the goods will be assumed by the Post Office Department. The Post Office Department will requisition the subsistence from the War Department in case of carton lots. Following is a list of prices at which canned, cured meats and canned vegetables are offered for sale through the Parcels Post. To these prices the Post Office Department will add the postal rates. The nearest shipping point for the people in this section is Atlanta, Ga., where the Army has very large stores of subsistence products on hand.

Meats.	Can Size.	Units	Price.
Beef Corned,	31.	.30 per can.	
Beef, Corned No. 2,	.58	per can.	
Beef, Corned 6 lb.,	2.00	per can.	
Beef Roast, No. 1,	.29		
Beef Roast, 1 lb.,	.41		
Beef Roast 2 lb.,	.66	per can.	
Beef Roast, 6 lb.,	2.20	per can.	
Hash, Corned Beef 1 lb.,	.23		
Hash, Corned Beef, 2 lb.,	.40	per can	
Bacon in crates,	.34	per pound.	
Bacon in 12 lb. cans,	.36	per pound.	
Vegetables.			
Beans, Baked, No. 1,	.07	per can.	
Beans, Baked, No. 2,	.13		
Beans, Baked No. 3,	.18		
Beans, Stringless No. 2,	.11	per can.	
Beans, Stringless No. 10,	.14		
Corn, No. 2,	.11	per can.	
Tomatoes, No. 2,	.11	per can.	
Tomatoes, No. 2-1-2,	.113.		
Tomatoes, No. 3,	.15		
Tomatoes, No. 10,	.45		
Pumpkin, No. 2,	.06	per can.	
Pumpkin, No. 3,	.09		
Pumpkin, No. 10,	.24		
Squash, No. 2,	.05	per can.	

### EXAMINATION AUGUST 27.

Pupils From Outside District Expected to Attend Lexington High School Should Attend.

As announced last week pupils outside of Lexington school district who desire to enter the high school classes of the Lexington high school are urged to be present on Wednesday, August 27, at 9:30 o'clock for the purpose of showing that they are prepared to enter the classes for which they are applying. The three high school teachers have arranged to give this day to this work, and they most earnestly request that all applicants conform to this request. The teachers will be too busy to properly attend to this work after the school opens. The regular class work demands their full time while the school is in operation. Please remember the time and place, Wednesday, August 27, at 9:30, at the Lexington school building.

### PROTRACTED MEETING AT SHILOH CHURCH

Rev. A. Q. Rice, pastor of the Lexington circuit, is conducting a protracted meeting at Shiloh church, near Cayce. The meeting opened Monday, to run one week. Mr. Rice is being assisted by Rev. F. G. Whitlock of Irmo.

### Sheriff Miller Made Big Haul In Capture of Bone and Randall—Attempt to Break Jail.

Sheriff Miller made a bigger haul than he at first imagined when last week he arrested Paul Randall and Johnnie Bone, two young white boys charged with breaking into the store of Hook Bros. on the Columbia road. Though but youths of 18 or 19 these young men are wanted in several States for crimes of varying degree from murder to larceny. Among the charges against them are those of safe-cracking and postoffice robbery in North Carolina. Sheriff Royster of Henderson, N. C., accompanied by Mr. J. W. Beckham of that town, were in Lexington Monday and identified the Ford car taken from the boys as the property of Mr. Beckham. The car was taken to North Carolina, but the men were held here awaiting advices from Georgia. The sheriff at Millen has wired that they are wanted there for highway robbery and murder. It is probable that they will first be tried there, as this is the most serious charge against them. Bone claimed at the time of his arrest that his home was in Virginia, but later developments indicate that he hails from Great Falls, S. C. He was visited Saturday by his wife and mother, who are employed in a cotton mill at Camden. Randall claims to be from Georgia.

A bold attempt at escape was made by the boys last Monday, which might have succeeded but for the vigilance of Mrs. Miller. The boys secured some hack saws which workmen had left around and were manfully at work sawing their way to freedom when Mrs. Miller discovered them and summoned the sheriff. They were immediately removed to a safer place of confinement.

### AMERICAN LEGION TO MEET AUGUST 28

All members of the American Legion and all soldiers who served in the war but who have not affiliated with the legion, are expected to attend the meeting which will be held August 28th. The meeting will be held at the Lexington high school at 8:30 p. m., when the committee on by-laws will report the result of their work. The legion was organized July 31 with a membership of 40. Lexington county furnished something like 500 soldiers to the army, all of whom are eligible to membership in the legion, which is for them alone, and it is hoped that many more will be present and enroll themselves at the next meeting.

### NEWS IN BRIEF.

**New German Constitution**—A new constitution, adopted after months of discussion, goes into effect in Germany. A president will soon be chosen by all the people to serve for seven years.

**To Fight H. C. L.**—The office of the United States attorney general will aid those States which wish to fight for a reduction of the high cost of living.

**Welcome Prince of Wales**—Canada has extended a royal welcome to the Prince of Wales, who is now on a visit to America.

**Some Bigamist**—Charles Hugh Wilson, who acknowledged seven living wives, one of whom he had twice married, was sentenced in New York to three years.

**Edgefield Honors Soldiers**—Edgefield has erected a bronze tablet in memory of her sons who fought in the world war.

**To Entertain Thirtieth**—Greenville is making great preparations for the entertainment of the Thirtieth Division September 29 and 30. It is hoped that President Wilson will be present.

**Stills Captured**—Four liquor stills were captured by revenue officers last week in Orangeburg, Aiken and Edgefield counties.

### JOINT COUNCIL, LEXINGTON PASTORATE.

The joint council of the Lexington pastorate, composed of St. John's, Providence, Nazareth, and Pisgah churches will meet in regular session at the Lutheran parsonage, Lexington, S. C., Saturday, September 6th, 1919, at 10 o'clock a. m. All members are urged to be present on time.

J. E. R. Kyzer, Secretary.