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## COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS WILL CONVENE WEDNESDAY

Court of general sessions will meet at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, September 10, with Judge S. W. G. Stapp of Florence presiding. Solicitor George Bell Timmerman will be on hand to represent the State. There are many cases on the docket for trial at this term, by reason of the fact that many cases were continued on account of the last term of court having been postponed because of the court house undergoing repairs. Court was due to have commenced on Monday, but on account of the primary election for congress being had on Tuesday the opening was postponed to Wednesday. Two murder cases are among the list of those which appear on the docket, but whether or not these will come up for trial is not known. It is hardly probable that all of the cases which have been docketed will be brought to trial at this time, but it is not known which ones will be carried over.

The following is the list of jurors who have been drawn to serve for this term:

### First Week.

Clarence Miller, Earl E. Corley, W. Lindler, M. A. Mims, Belton Kinkley, Cary A. Snelgrove, S. G. Frank, R. Frank Sox, W. Frank Williams, Andrew B. Slice, Willie W. Sturges, H. H. Dreher, W. I. Hutto, T. H. Hobbs, Ernest S. Redd, L. W. Harmon, Perry J. Shumpert, W. William J. Shealy, J. Frank J. Cephas Mathias, Wade A. M. Cockrell, Fred L. Lindler, M. Stuck, Henry J. Corley, L. George W. Shehane, W. P. Ralph O. Jefcoat, Henry A. S. Hoover, Edward L. H. Harman, C. Efrid Balchinton T. George.

### Second Week.

J. W. Bedenbaugh, Samuel J. Doyle, N. Williams, Charlie Furtick, E. W. Shumpert, Lee A. Hodges, James J. Miller, W. Busby, L. L. Miller, E. L. Dreher, Ed. Derrick, C. John F. Shealy, C. Joe W. Wessinger.

### THIRD WEEK.

Lexington high school began its session Monday morning with a corps of teachers and an enrollment of 335 pupils which is the largest enrollment the school has had at the beginning of the session. The opening exercises were held in the school auditorium which was filled with pupils, patrons and friends of the school. After the devotional services by two of the pastors, short addresses were made. The Rev. F. H. Underburk spoke on preparation and the Rev. O. B. Shearouse spoke on obedience. Supt. W. E. Black made important announcements for the session. The teacher's normal department which is conducted by Miss Edith Dreher, opened with an enrollment of 14. The school began under favorable conditions for a successful session.

### JOHN RISH DEAD.

John Rish, an old respected citizen of the Edmund section, died at his home Sunday evening. Rish was a good soldier in the Spanish war, belonging to Co. H, 20th Regt., and was a good neighbor and friend to all who knew him.

### SCHOOL WILL GIVE PLAY

There will be a play, "Mrs. Tubbs Her Bet," at Red Knoll school on Saturday night, September 6, at 8 p.m. A good time is promised for all who attend. The proceeds will go to the benefit of the school.

### THOMSON TO LEXINGTON.

Mr. Thompson, expert auto mechanic who was formerly with the Lexington Company, but who has for some time, has returned to Lexington. Mr. Thompson is popular in Lexington and his friends are glad to know that he has returned.

## WAR CAMP COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR RURAL DISTRICTS

An effort will be made to organize social centers for the rural communities of Lexington county under the supervision of the War Camp Community Service. Invitations have been sent to representative citizens of each school district in the county to meet at Columbia next Saturday for the purpose of getting the movement underway. A letter sent out by Mrs. Elmer R. Walton, community organizer, is as follows:

"This is an invitation to attend a meeting at the Victory Club, in the Arcade, 1332 Main street, Columbia, at noon on Saturday, September 6th. We are inviting to this meeting from one to three representative men from each school district in Lexington county. As soon as the party is assembled it will adjourn to the Jefferson hotel for luncheon as guests of Community Service.

"After luncheon there will be a ten minute talk by a prominent man on socializing the rural community. The community organizer and other workers will then discuss plans for community organization. The meeting will not last later than two o'clock.

"We are anxious to have you present at this gathering of men who 'do things' in all parts of Lexington county. We want to enlist your cooperation. Please sign the return card herewith enclosed and mail it to us so we will know whether or not to reserve a seat for you."

### BIRTHDAY PARTY.

#### Celebration of Miss Louise Kyzer's 15th Birthday.

The occasion of the 15th birthday of Miss Louise Kyzer was celebrated on Thursday evening of last week with great deal of pleasure by all present. The lawn in front of the home of Mr. R. D. Harman was tastily lighted with pink and green lanterns, this being the color scheme of the evening. Refreshments of cake and ice cream were served with amusement.

The prizes were won by Miss Mary Ellen Caughman. Those present were: Mrs. Leslie Gibbs Mayer, Mrs. R. G. Reagin, Miss Julia Bickley and Misses Mary Ellen and Bertha Caughman, Bertha Sue Berly, Gladis Harman, Blondella Harman, Martha and Evelyn Kyzer, Gretchen Miller, Jimmie Rawl, Messrs. Omerle and Herbert Roberts, Robert Reagin, Christopher Caughman, J. B. Shepherd, Jr., Francis George, Franklin Harman, Lever Caughman, Henry Jacob Bickley, Lewis and Lee Steele, J. L. Reagin. At the close of the evening all departed, glad that they had attended this happy celebration.

### GASTON NEWS.

The health of this community is very good at present. Pulling fodder has been the order of the day for the past four weeks but it being about all gathered our attention is turned to the cotton field, many of them already white with the fleecy staple. The crop in this section is fairly good.

The Sunday School at this place is held every Sunday, preaching only on 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. On 1st Sunday, September 7th Rev. Whiteside, Superintendent of the State Baptist Hospital will deliver the morning sermon at 11 o'clock. Everybody near enough should attend. Rev. W. H. Whaley of Pelion is pastor and a mighty fine one too he is in our view.

On Sunday, August 17, Miss Vashti Slighter and Mr. Felder Wise were married. Much success.

On the afternoon of September 7th, at 2 o'clock at Sandy Run (Gaston) the monument erected to the memory of Sovereign Harry E. Goodwin will be unveiled by Live Oak Camp W. O. W. Columbia. Dinner will be served on the ground at the usual noon hour. Mr. Editor, you and your staff are invited to be present.

#### Rebuilding Bridge of Cannon Creek.

Mr. Wade H. Spires, one of the best and most substantial bridge builders and road workers, is now rebuilding the abutments and bridge over Cannon creek, near Mrs. Hope's. The recent rains washed away the bridge and the abutments, necessitating this work. Mr. Spires has built many bridges since the heavy rains washed away and injured roads in various parts of the county.

## TIMMERMAN AND MANN RUNNING OVER

The second primary for the vacancy in the Seventh congressional district will be held Tuesday, September 9. The same managers who conducted the former election will preside at the coming primary. The race has now been narrowed to two candidates, George Bell Timmerman of Lexington and Ed. C. Mann of St. Matthews, both of whom are solicitors of their respective circuits.

The official returns, as tabulated by the State executive committee are as follows:

Cooper	488
Duncan	53
Fulmer	1,879
Mann	2,240
Monteith	1,413
Timmerman	2,579

The official vote for Lexington county, as tabulated by the county executive committee, was as follows:

Cooper	71
Duncan	12
Fulmer	338
Mann	149
Monteith	81
Timmerman	1,655
Total	2,356

Judge C. M. Efrid, county Democratic chairman, has issued the following appeal to the voters of the county to turn out and take part in the coming election, to be held next Tuesday:

"The second primary for the nomination of a candidate for congress from this district will be held in this county on next Tuesday, September 9. The election has narrowed down to two candidates, Hon. George Bell Timmerman, of Lexington, and Hon. E. C. Mann, of St. Matthews. The managers conducting the first election will serve, except in those cases where the executive committee of the precinct has made changes. At the meeting of the executive committee on the 28th a resolution was passed making it my duty to call the attention of the people of Lexington county to the fact that the vote in the first primary election has been very light and urging the voters of the county to turn out at the next election in accordance with that resolution. I hereby ask and request that the people of the county take more interest in important elections of this kind and let us see if we can't have a full vote at this second election. The vote in the first election was very little more than one-half of the strength of our primary vote.

"C. M. Efrid,  
County Chairman."

### MANY VOTERS REGISTER FOR GENERAL ELECTION

Several hundred voters appeared before the county board of registration Monday and provided themselves with registration certificates. Among these were few negroes, less than a dozen. The board reports a good enrollment on their itinerary to the various sections of the county. It was impossible to get the total of voters registered in Lexington county, but members of the board believe that fully 90 per cent. of the Democratic voters of the county are entitled to vote in the coming general election in so far as the possession of a registration certificate is concerned. Monday was quite a busy day with the board. Members of the board are Messrs. W. F. Derick, W. B. Rhoden, and J. W. Addy.

### LEXINGTON COUNTY FARMERS' UNION TO MEET

The Lexington County Farmers' Union will hold its third quarterly meeting with Pond Branch local on Saturday, September 13, 1919.

All locals are requested to send a full delegation.

J. Ed. Kaiser, Sec.

### HALLMAN FAMILY REUNION.

A pleasant surprise was given Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Hallman, at their home in the mill village last Sunday when their children and grandchildren met and enjoyed a family reunion. On a temporary table in the yard were piled the good things which members of the family had brought with them. A bountiful feast it was, consisting of all good things. Mr. Hallman is now 81 years old and his good wife 72. Those present were: H. P. Hallman, wife and three children, James Hallman and wife, Jesse Hallman, wife and three boys, Jacob McCartha, wife and two children, Ed Boyer, wife and three children.

## FARMERS ARE JOINING COTTON ASSOCIATION

The drive for membership in the Cotton Association is progressing rapidly and reports to headquarters are very encouraging. Dr. D. M. Crosson, chairman of the executive committee, has issued the following statement:

"Reports from nearly all school districts throughout the county are most excellent. Men are freely joining the cotton association and with a little more effort from few slothful districts Lexington county will be over the top. This week more time has been granted to committees to more fully work their districts. At the expiration of that time full reports are requested. Those that have not sufficient membership blanks can get more on request."

Dr. Crosson says that reports have been received from every district except Lexington, Brookland and Batesburg, and he strongly urges the campaigners in these to get busy and send a report that will make a good showing, so that Lexington county may go over the top with her full quota of 2,500 members.

Dr. Crosson expects to attend as a delegate the New Orleans meeting of the cotton growers' association and the high cost of living convention. All delegates from Lexington county that will go are asked to meet him in Columbia at the union station on Sunday, the 7th, at 2 p. m. The delegation will go by Spartanburg, arriving at New Orleans Monday in time for the convention.

### ENJOYABLE ENTERTAINMENT.

#### Miss Katie Lou Clark Gives Social Dance.

The social dance given by Miss Katie Lou Clark, one of our charming young ladies, at their beautiful home on Depot street, Friday night, last week, for the enjoyment of her friends, was a delightful occasion, full of life and unalloyed pleasure from start to finish, and will be long remembered by every one present.

The entire lower floor of the home was thrown together, and beautifully lighted in red, decorated with potted plants and flowers of the season.

The dancing, especially the waltz, was enjoyed and amusing in placing it very mildly, for the exercises of the fantastic, to the music of an Edison, was full of joy and gaiety to its close.

Punch was served throughout the evening, and a three course supper, of salad, ices and hot chocolate was served.

Those present were: Misses Bruce Caughman, Juanita George, Margaret Lorick, Alma Long, Blossie Clark; Messrs. Vascoe and Julian Miller, Sam George, Broadus Oswald, Burt Whitaker and Burke Price.

Out-of-Town—Misses Minnie James, of Eastover, Dale Southerland, Mildred Napier, Virginia Holland, Marjorie Brothers, Miss Lindler and Ernestine Hough of Columbia; Messrs. West Jacobs, Herbert Laird, Wallie Jones, Sugar Jones, Chenning Carter, Francis Van Bentheuyssen, Cabe Harris, Charlie Griffin, Blair Graham and Marion Parke, of Columbia.

### DID NOT SIGN PETITION.

#### Mr. W. D. Huffstetter Does Not Favor Annexing to Newberry.

Inasmuch as my name appeared in the last week's issue of your paper of a petition to annex a certain portion of Lexington county to Newberry, I have been criticised and asked why my name appeared on the petition as I live about four miles from the territory in question.

I desire to say to the people of my immediate neighborhood, and to the people of Lexington county as a whole that I did not know there was a petition being circulated at the time. I did not sign it, neither did I authorize any one to place my signature there as I do not think it wise to leave old Lexington and go where you will doubtless pay more taxes and get less consideration.

W. D. Huffstetter.

### TOWN TAX BOOKS CLOSED.

#### Monday Was Last Day for Paying—Forty-three Delinquents. Penalty Now Attached.

The time for paying town taxes expired Monday. Treasurer Caughman was kept busy with, eleventh hour taxpayers, but most everyone paid in time to avoid the penalty which attaches. There were in all but 43 delinquents. The penalty now attaches for non-payment and after September 15 executions will be issued.

## \$30,000 FOR REPAIR OF ROADS PROVIDED BY COUNTY DELEGATION

### COUNTY FAIR WILL BE GREATEST EVER

The Lexington County Fair which will be held October 21, 22, 23, promises to be the biggest and best ever held during the 25 years of its existence. Already the secretary is receiving applications for exhibits and the indications are that all departments will be filled to capacity. A special feature this year will be the Community Fairs. There will also be held an automobile show in connection with the fair for which Mr. Sim L. Hendrix, general superintendent, has secured a large tent which will be erected on the grounds near the main building. Mr. Hendrix has already received several applications from automobile dealers in Columbia and other cities for sufficient space to take care of their exhibit and although he has secured a very large tent for this purpose it now looks as if all the space will be taken.

The Famous Broadway Shows, consisting of 15 paid attractions, 3 riding devices, 2 bands, 2 free acts and 50 concessions has been engaged to furnish amusement for the occasion and judging from the past reputation of the Broadway Shows, visitors at the county fair will be given plenty clean, moral and refined entertainment.

Tuesday, October 21, will be "School Day" and every effort will be made to have every teacher and scholar in Lexington county attend the fair on that day. A special committee appointed by the officers of the association composed of Messrs. John S. Schneider, O. L. Shealy and Miss Annie Caughman will have charge of this feature of the fair and have already gone to work to make it a success in every particular. A program is being arranged for this day which will consist of athletic contests and other interesting entertainment.

Every indication shows that the fair this year will be the largest, biggest and best attended fair ever held in Lexington county.

### YOUNG CRIMINALS HELD IN LEXINGTON JAIL.

Paul Randall and Johnnie Boone, two young white boys, who were recently arrested by Sheriff Miller, on a charge of robbing the store of Hook Bros., on the Columbia road, are still in the Lexington jail awaiting a requisition from Georgia, where it is alleged they are wanted for murder and highway robbery. Nothing has been heard from the Georgia authorities lately, although Sheriff Miller has notified them that the boys are held here. Unless the requisition is soon forthcoming the young men will be tried here on the charge for which they were arrested.

The young men, it is said, are wanted in several other States besides Georgia, there being charges of safe-blowing and other serious crimes against them.

### BUSY MEN.

#### County Commissioners Settle Many Claims.

Supervisor C. E. Corley and County Commissioners Geo. A. Shealy, J. J. Seastrunk, W. W. Furtick and Derrick were the busiest men in town Monday. They passed upon a large number of county claims and allowed the claimants to pass on rejoicing.

### MR. JOHN SEAY DEAD.

Mr. John Seay, an aged and respected citizen of the Hollow Creek section, died Tuesday at his home. Mr. Seay was a member of Capt. Roof's company, Company K, 20th South Carolina regiment, and was highly respected by his neighbors. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon.

### Entertainment at Charter Oak.

A play, "The Spinners' Return"—sequel to "Spinners' Convention"—will be rendered by the Ladies Improvement League of Charter Oak Graded School building, Saturday evening, September 13, beginning promptly at 8:30.

This play never fails to please the audience, wherever it is rendered. A small fee of admission will be charged. Proceeds to be used in improvement of school. The ladies will serve refreshments after the play. Everybody is cordially invited to come and spend a pleasant evening at Charter Oak school house.

At a meeting of the county legislative delegation held here Monday, a resolution was adopted pledging the delegation to insert the supply bill at the next session a provision to repay \$30,000 which the supervisor and treasurer are authorized to borrow for road purposes. This step was made necessary by the damage done to the roads and bridges by the excessive rains which fell in the summer. The money will be borrowed each month in amount sufficient to pay the claims approved at the meeting of the county commissioners, thus reducing the interest charges. Supervisor Corley will soon be in position to begin some of this work, which will be pushed as rapidly as conditions permit.

The resolution adopted by the delegation is as follows:

State of South Carolina, County of Lexington.

Whereas, unforeseen conditions of the roads and bridges in Lexington county have arisen, due to the excessively heavy rains during the past summer, injuring and destroying said roads and bridges to the extent that it is imperatively necessary to repair the same for the safety of the traveling public.

And whereas, the funds heretofore provided for repairing and maintaining said roads and bridges have been exhausted and the proper authorities are without the necessary funds to accomplish such purpose:

Now, therefore, we, the legislative delegation from Lexington county in the general assembly of said State, hereby agree that the county supervisor and treasurer be authorized and empowered to borrow, upon the best terms obtainable, from individuals or banks, sufficient funds, not to exceed in the aggregate thirty thousand (\$30,000) in monthly installments as the conditions of said roads and bridges may require—same to be used in repairing and improving said roads and bridges; and we hereby further agree to make provision in the county supply bill to be enacted at the ensuing 1920 session of the general assembly, to pay and discharge said loans by or before the first day of April, A. D. 1920.

E. C. Rodgers, Senator.  
J. B. Wingard,  
D. J. S. Derick,  
L. E. Dreher.

### Members House of Representatives.

### SPIRES-HOUSE.

#### Marriage of Popular Couple at New Brookland.

A wedding that was beautiful in every detail and of interest to a wide circle of friends was that of Miss Magdalene Spires, the popular and lovely daughter of Mr. Isaiah Spires, and Mr. Marion House of New Brookland.

The ceremony took place at 8 o'clock on Wednesday evening at the home of the bride and was witnessed by a few friends and relatives.

The bride never looked lovelier than she did in her dress of georgette and taffeta. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Whetlock of Columbia.

An informal reception followed the ceremony. In the dining room the table was spread with the richest of dainties. About midnight the bride and groom left by automobile for Columbia, where they boarded a train for different parts to visit relatives. It is with sincere regret that the friends of the bride see her leave her old home, where by her sweet personality she has endeared herself to scores of friends. Maggie will be missed by her church, her home and community as she was loved by everybody.

### NOTICE TO LEXINGTON COUNTY FARMERS.

I have a very low price on crimson clover seed. In order that the farmers may have the advantage of this low price, I am offering to order seed in any quantity for the farmers who will forward me sufficient amount of money to purchase these seed at \$8 per bushel. I would be glad to receive these orders at once, as clover should be sown early in October. Give name of nearest express office, as these seed will be shipped by express, express to be paid by purchaser. This or in any other way that I can serve my people, I shall be glad for them to call on me.

J. W. Shealy,  
County Agent for Lexington County.  
September 1, 1919.