

Important Meeting of Trustees and Teachers

An important meeting of all the school trustees and teachers of Lexington County will be held here on Saturday, the 18th of October, beginning at 11 a. m. The meeting is called by Superintendent of Education A. D. Martin, in cooperation with the county board of education and the school attendance officers, and matters of vital importance to the educational interests of Lexington county will be taken up at that time. Mr. Martin is anxious that every trustee and teacher in the county be present at this meeting.

Tuesday, October 21, will be school day at the county fair. Complimentary tickets will be given to every teacher and pupil for attendance on this day. These tickets will be distributed at the meeting on Saturday, the 18th.

Superintendent Martin is sending out a circular letter setting forth the facts in regard to the meeting, a copy of which is as follows:

"On account of pending school matters of much importance the County Board of Education and the County Attendance Officers have decided to call a meeting of all the trustees and teachers of Lexington county to be held at the court house, on Saturday, the 18th day of October next, beginning at 11 a. m.

"At this meeting the term extension and rural graded school acts will be fully explained. Regarding these acts will say that it is necessary to get certain information from the trustees and teachers in order to be able to file application for State aid, that will be approved by the State superintendent. Every school entitled thereto should get its proportionate share of this money. Heretofore a great deal of trouble has been experienced in getting all the information necessary along this line. Blanks will be handed out and instruction given.

"It is also intended to hand out the apportionment for each district. This is very important, as we all know.

"The attendance officers will have the census reports ready to turn over to the representatives from each district and will be prepared to answer questions regarding the compulsory education law.

"Tuesday, October 21, will be school day at the Lexington County Fair. There will be a field athletic meet for the high schools and another for the rural schools. There will also be a school parade and other features destined to boost school spirit and interest. The fair officials have arranged to give each school a complimentary ticket for the teacher and each pupil. These tickets will be given out at this meeting.

"A. D. Martin,
County Supt. Education.
"J. S. Schneider,
"Attendance Officer.
"O. L. Shealy,
"Attendance Officer."

OVER THREE HUNDRED LOST LIVES IN FLOOD

Corpus Christi, Sept. 29.—A revised summary of the casualties made public by the bureau of information places the known dead in the vicinity of Corpus Christi as the result of hurricane and tidal wave which swept over the south Texas Gulf coast September 14 as 320.

Of this number 157 were identified, leaving 163 in the list of those still unidentified. The known dead in the vicinity of Rockport, Aransas Pass and Port Aransas, is officially given as 25, bringing the dead toll in the storm swept area up to 345. In Corpus Christi alone the list of persons still unaccounted for contains 275 names, making a grand total of 620 for the affected districts, including known dead and missing.

AMERICAN BUSINESS MEN SELL GOODS OVER MEXICO

New Orleans, Sept. 29.—American business interest will, as a result of the attendance in the annual convention here of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World of representatives of the three great newspapers of Mexico City be able to conduct advertising campaigns enabling them to sell their goods to all parts of that republic.

TO THE CLUB WOMEN OF LEXINGTON COUNTY

We wish to call the attention of the wide awake, progressive Club women of this county to the fact that the annual fall meeting of Central District, South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs will be held with the Civic Association of Batesburg, October 15th. All clubs are invited and urged to send delegates. This is to be an open meeting at which we hope to discuss all phases of women's club work. Come prepared to tell us of your work and to offer suggestions for our State and district work. At this gathering all formality is to be laid aside and we will get close together.

If there is no woman's club in a community desiring to form one, delegates from such communities will be particularly welcome and we will be glad to assist in formation of clubs.

Clubs already organized but not yet interested in our State Federation are cordially invited to send representatives and reports. In fact as before stated, all who are interested in the work of club women will be warmly welcomed.

K. Cullum,
President of Woman's Club,
Batesburg, S. C.

DR. SMITH COMES TO LEXINGTON.

Dr. J. F. Smith, registered druggist, has accepted a position with the Harmon Drug Co., having arrived in Lexington today. Dr. Smith is an experienced and licensed pharmacist—a man of charming and pleasing personality, and will doubtless prove a valuable addition to the forces of the Rexall store.

Dr. Smith has recently returned from France, where he had been for several months with the American Expeditionary Forces, and where he rendered splendid services with the medical corps. He comes to Lexington from Florence, where he has held an important position since his return from the war zone.

Dr. Smith has worked in Brookland, this county, and with a leading drug firm in Columbia, and also with Parker Bros. in Bishopville.

Mr. Jordan Poole, who has been with the Harmon Drug Co. for the past several months, has returned to Newberry, his home town, where he has accepted a similar position with Gilder & Weeks.

CHARLESTON WOMAN IS KILLED BY ANOTHER

Charleston, Sept. 29.—Mrs. Lucile Lynch was fatally shot Thursday morning in an entryway on King street, and Mrs. Joseph T. Jones is now in custody of the coroner, charged with killing Mrs. Lynch. Mr. Jones is held as a material witness, and the tragedy is said to be the outcome of domestic troubles. Hearing the shot fired, Mr. Jones hurried from his meat shop to the entry way leading to Lynch's room, and found Mrs. Lynch prostrated at the foot of the stairs.

After telephoning the police, Mr. and Mrs. Jones took Mrs. Lynch to Roper hospital. She expired on the way, from the wound, inflicted by a .38 caliber bullet which passed through her body. Mrs. Jones is said to have admitted the shooting. Mrs. Lynch was about 23 years of age and formerly resided in Branchville.

GOVERNOR COOPER PRAISES THE THIRTIETH

Columbia, Sept. 9.—"Your record for valor and devotion to duty is as good as that made by the Southern soldiers in the Revolutionary war, or in the Mexican war, or in the Civil War, during which conflicts soldiers from the Southern States made records which will live as long as history lives."

These words were used by Governor Cooper in a statement given out here in welcoming the men of the Thirtieth Division to Greenville where the initial reunion of the men who broke the Hindenburg line will be held today and Tuesday.

BON HEUR CLUB.

The Bon Heur Club will be entertained by Messrs. S. J. and C. E. Leonard, Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

MANY CONVICTIONS VIOLATING GAME LAW

TWO MAGISTRATES IMPOSE FINES ON 44 DEPENDANTS FOR ILLEGAL FISHING.

As a result of the activities of County Game Warden Joe M. Caughman, \$700 in fines have been collected in Lexington county within the past two months for violation of the game laws. Most of these cases have resulted from violations of the laws in regard to fishing.

The law prohibits the catching of game fish by any other means than with hook and line, but nets and seines may be used for non-game fish between September 1 and May 1. Game fish are defined as follows:

"Game Fish—Jackfish, or pickerel, pike, black bass or pond trout, striped bass or rock fish, Warmouth, red belly, bream, copper face or ball faced beam, yellow belly perch, sunperch, red-fin trout, speckled trout, flyer, crapple, rock bass, goggle eye and white perch."

Forty-four citizens of Lexington have recently been convicted of violation of the game laws in regard to catching game fish other than with a hook and line.

On the 24th of September 19 such cases were tried before Magistrate C. R. Rish at Pelion, all of them resulting in convictions.

On the 25th Magistrate E. M. Martin had before him 46 cases, 25 of which resulted in convictions, with a fine of \$10 each imposed, while 21 were dismissed.

The open season for doves begins September 15 and closes December 31 and the open season for partridge opens November 15 and closes February 15.

The open season for squirrels begins October 1 and closes March 15.

BROOKLAND REVIVAL CREATES INTEREST

The evangelistic meeting that has been in progress in New Brookland for four weeks, will continue a week longer. Great good is being accomplished from the services and all the town churches are being increased in membership. Last Sunday morning 20 were added to the Baptist church by baptism and several by letters and restoration. The services, leading to the immersion, conducted by the pastor, the Rev. H. C. Smith, were very impressive and instructive, showing the new converts how essential the Bible is as a guide to their right way of living.

The evangelistic ministers assisted in the solemn ceremonies.

The other churches held services, too, and members were added to their enrollment for Christ.

Services for the men, women and children were held in the tent, Baptist and Presbyterian churches, respectively, last Sunday afternoon and great good is being accomplished from them all.

Visiting ministers have expressed their opinion that the meeting in New Brookland is the best they have ever attended.

A distinctive feature is that so many young men have joined the churches. Brookland is being thoroughly awakened in an evangelistic way.

The Rev. Sidney Stringfellow and the Rev. A. A. Haggard will long be remembered.—The State.

Abstainers and Neurosis.

London, Sept. 15.—Sir Frederick Mott, British neurologist, has determined that 60 per cent. of the cases of war neurosis were total abstainers.

Mosquito Blind Bear.

Fairbanks, Sept. 30.—Mosquitos are a greater pest in Alaska this summer than ever before. Trappers have killed a large brown bear totally blinded by mosquitos.

Fire Sweeps 40,000 Acres.

Paris, Sept. 29.—Started by an incendiary, a fire which destroyed the game preserve of the Prince of Monaco in the Var swept over 40,000 acres.

COUNTY DELEGATION HAS IMPORTANT MEET

MATTER OF BRIDGING SALUDA AND PROPOSAL FOR NEW COUNTY DISCUSSED.

An important meeting of the Lexington County legislative delegation was held here Monday, at which all members of the delegation were present except Col. J. Brooks Wingard.

One matter which received the attention of the delegation was the desire of certain interested citizens to hasten the construction of bridges across the Saluda river. Several years ago the general assembly provided for an issue of \$50,000 of bonds for the purpose of erecting two steel bridges across the river, one at Hope's Ferry and the other at Stillwater. The outbreak of the war prevented the carrying out of this plan and since the war the rise in the price of steel has made the sum provided by the act entirely inadequate for the purpose. The act is so worded that the funds could not be diverted so as to erect only one bridge—there must be two or none—and only the sum mentioned above is available. No decision was reached Monday as to what could be done in the matter. As a matter of fact nothing can be done without the passage of a new act, and the members did not commit themselves to a definite plan.

Another important matter which was brought to the attention of the delegation by Judge C. M. Efrid was a proposal submitted by residents of the Fork to form a new county out of the Fork. It was proposed to run the lines in such way as to infringe upon the constitutional provisions as to the formation of new counties. Parties interested in this matter wished to sound out the sentiment of the delegation in respect of securing a special act which would enable them to get around the constitutional barriers. Dr. L. E. Dreher expressed himself as unqualifiedly opposed to the passage of such an act, while the other members present declared that they were willing to give the people of the Fork what they wanted, provided 75 per cent. of the resident voters in the territory affected should vote favorable to the proposition. Inasmuch as it would be impossible to secure the passage of the necessary legislation unless the legislative delegation were united, the movement will no doubt end for the time being.

This movement originated with some of the leading citizens within the proposed cut-off to Newberry and was supported by some of the residents of that vicinity who proposed to have held up the election on the cut-off until the question of forming a new county could be decided.

CORLEY BUILDING NOW GOING UP RAPIDLY

Work on the Corley building, at the intersection of Main and Church streets, has been progressing more rapidly in the last two weeks because of the availability of material. No date has been set for its completion, however, though it is hoped to have it ready for occupancy within a few weeks. This will be a modern building in every respect, and will be equipped with all modern improvements. The James L. Tapp Company will open a large and up to date department store on the ground floor. Mr. Tapp has been quite anxious to get in the building, as he has expected to be ready for business before this time. The Lexington Cotton and Fertilizer Company, it is understood, will occupy one of the stores on the ground floor. The second story of the building will be divided into apartments, equipped with all modern conveniences. The demand for these is very great and it is understood that practically all available rooms have been spoken for.

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Rome, Sept. 29.—"It would be difficult to find a graver period than this in the whole history of modern Italy," said Foreign Minister Tittoni today in alluding to the situation here.

As a matter of fact, alarmist reports of all sorts are in free circulation. One report has it that King Victor Emmanuel may abdicate, and another that civil war is imminent between the nationalist and militarist factions, on the one side, and the forces controlled by the official socialists on the other. In these reports the nationalistic adherents are represented as having decided to push to the utmost limits the aspirations of Italy, while their opponents are declared to be determined to oppose by all means, even by revolution, more foreign war.

OFF FOR ATLANTA.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans reorganized Wednesday and all Sons desiring to join so as to enable them to take the trip to the reunion at Atlanta on the 7th, 8th and 9th of October, should give their names to S. J. Leaphart at once. Col. Harman's car will leave here Monday evening at 6:35. The rate is about \$5.00 return trip.

As Date Draws Near Fair Attracts Wide Interest

AMERICAN LEGION IS PLANNING CLUBROOM

An enthusiastic meeting of the Lexington branch of the American Legion was held last Thursday night at which time by-laws to govern the organization were adopted and plans discussed to insure the success of "Legion Day" at the county fair, which will be Wednesday, October 22.

The local branch of the legion has in contemplation the maintenance of a modern club room for its members, where athletic and other entertainment will be provided for its members and which will be a general recreation center for all who affiliate with the organization. It is proposed to install shower baths and other conveniences for the benefit of the members.

All soldiers and sailors who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war are eligible to membership in the organization, which represents to the World War veterans what the United Confederate Veterans does to the Confederate soldiers. In time to come every man who participated in the great war will want to connect himself with the veterans organization. As time goes on membership in the legion will be more and more valued. For this reason all who are eligible should come forward and help the organization movement in its early and critical stage.

Legion day at the fair it is hoped will be a red letter day and every ex-soldier or sailor in Lexington county should turn out and help insure the success of the occasion.

DRIVER LOST LIFE ON DILLON RACE TRACK

Dillon, Sept. 29.—Driving a high-powered Studebaker racing automobile in the 30 miles race here Thursday afternoon Robert Norton of Columbia was instantly killed when the car plunged through the fence enclosing the track, turned turtle after crossing a ditch and pinned him underneath it. One of Norton's legs was smashed to pieces as was one of his arms and he was almost disemboweled, besides being frightfully burned from the explosion of the gasoline tank on the car. Norton was strapped to the car.

There were four entrants in the 30 mile event in which Norton lost his life. All had completed the seventh lap of the half mile track and Norton was in the rear and was making the turn on the back side of the track. Something went wrong with his car and it was seen to skid slightly. He succeeded in righting the car, but it again skidded almost immediately and plunged through the fence. The other drivers made another lap or two before the race was stopped. Meanwhile a number of spectators had rushed to the assistance of Norton, but he was dead when the first one reached him. Practically all the clothing was burned from his body and the flames had consumed the machine.

There were 3,500 present for the races, but many of them did not see the accident as great clouds of dust were kicked up by the fast going machines. The 20 mile race was called off when it became known that Norton had been killed.

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ROSS MAY SWIM IN HAWAII.

Honolulu.—Norman Ross, swimming champion of the inter-allied games is expected to be a feature of the big aquatic carnival opening in Honolulu, October 23.

As the date for the county fair approaches indications are that the 1919 fair will be the largest and best held in the 25 years of the fair organization. The fair should be all the better by reason of the postponement last year on account of the flu. Already many exhibitors have been making arrangements for entries and from present indications the exhibits should be better than ever this year.

An interesting feature of the fair this year will be school day, which will be Tuesday, October 21. Arrangements have been made to furnish every pupil and teacher with complimentary admission to the fair grounds. There will be a parade of school children, which will form in front of the court house and march to the accompaniment of two brass bands to the fair grounds, where athletic and other contests and forms of amusement will be provided for the entertainment of the pupils. A committee consisting of John S. Schneider, O. L. Shealy and Miss Annie Caughman will have charge of arranging the program for this part of the fair.

Wednesday, the 22d will be American Legion day and the local post of that organization is actively preparing for a program of entertainment that will please the soldiers and sailors. It is hoped that on that day every ex-soldier and sailor of Lexington County will affiliate with the Legion. A meeting will be held to elect delegates to a State meeting of the Legion, which will be held at Columbia during the State fair.

From the amusement standpoint the fair gives promise of being successful. The famous Broadway shows, which have a reputation for furnishing good clean and wholesome amusement, have been engaged to amuse the immense crowds which are expected. The Broadway shows consist of 15 individual forms of entertainment, including ferris wheel, whip and others, a total of 30 concessions.

The officers of the Fair Association are conducting an active advertising campaign which they expect will bring good results and materially increase the attendance and exhibits.

A large tent has been secured for the holding of an automobile show, which will be erected near the main building and Mr. S. L. Hendrix, general superintendent, has already received a number of applications for space from automobile dealers in Lexington and Columbia.

CLARK REUNION.

Enjoyable Event Held at Old Homestead Near Leesville.

The second annual family reunion of the direct descendants of the late Jack Clark was held at the old homestead about two miles south of Leesville on Thursday, September 18. It was largely attended and enjoyed most heartily. However, owing to illness and other hindrances, it was not as extensively attended as the previous one.

This reunion was inaugurated more than a year ago in honor of the 12 living children of the late Jack Clark and wife. All 12 of the children have made splendid progress in life and comprise some of the best citizenship the country affords, and all have branched out into large families of their own, consisting of children, grandchildren and in some cases great grandchildren.

As naturally might be expected where there are so many children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, the family has become separated by distance, and it was no doubt the first time many of the relatives had seen each other since the previous reunion more than a year ago.

A beautiful dinner was served on a long table beneath the shade trees, which was enjoyed to the fullest.

When the good-byes were spoken each wished for many returns of the day and for the twelve children many more years of unalloyed peace and happiness.

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LEXINGTON COTTON MARKET

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