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THE DRIVE IS ON FOR HIGH SCHOOL

COMMITTEE IS APPOINTED TO HAVE CHARGE OF DRIVE FOR BAPTIST HIGH SCHOOL—PEOPLE AWAKE TO OUR OPPORTUNITY—SUBSCRIPTIONS TO BE TAKEN IN NEXT FEW DAYS

The committee with power to act which was authorized by the mass-meeting of citizens Tuesday evening has been appointed. It is headed by a first class business man, who knows how to go after what he wants and who generally gets what he goes after. On the committee are other business men of the same mettle as himself. The committee is as follows:

T. G. White, chairman; J. S. Stark, Sol. H. Rosenberg, G. A. Neuffer, C. H. McMurray and W. M. Barnwell.

It is planned to work out a thorough organization and to make a census of the people in the city who are able to give to this enterprise. The canvass for subscriptions will not be hap-hazard but by the census of the people able to assist. Just when the canvassers will start out is not yet stated, but it will be shortly, as already stated.

Instead of being discouraged by the news which comes from Greenwood that the Bailey authorities do not look with favor on the establishment of the institution in Abbeville, and that Greenwood business men have a like view, the people of this city have determined to show Greenwood that we can do things as well as they. Greenwood has made great progress in educational matters and two of the best things that progressive city has done is the securing of Lander and Bailey. We do not feel that the establishment of another school of the same general scope of work as Bailey will seriously hurt Bailey. The fact that this institution turned away more than a hundred and fifty students the present session shows that there is a demand for another like institution in this section.

The fact is, and it cannot be too often stated and emphasized is that the chasm between the rural schools and the colleges is every year growing wider, and must be bridged. The prosperity of the South and the demand everywhere that children be given a college education make preparatory schools more and more imperative. One bridge will not carry them all over. We do not expect that Bailey will be the only preparatory school for boys even in the County of Greenwood in these next ten years, not unless that institution is greatly enlarged. The fact that Abbeville High School has this year twenty-five pupils more than last year proves the assertion that more and more pupils are every year entering the preparatory schools. We want this school and we believe that the next few years will make other preparatory schools in Abbeville County absolutely necessary, and such schools will be necessary everywhere else.

We are going to build a high school for boys in Abbeville. The pulse of the people has been felt and it beats in unison with High School. We want the Baptist Military School and just now we are bending every effort to get it. But if we do not, nobody should deceive themselves into thinking that the movement for a school of this kind is dead in Abbeville. Another mass-meeting will be called the minute the announcement is made that Abbeville does not get the Baptist school, if that announcement is made, a stock company will be formed to build and equip the institution. Uncle Jim will be there as usual, and there will be a man to match him if an independent school is to be established.

FROM BETHIA.

Mr. John Brown, a substantial farmer from the Bethia neighborhood was in town Thursday on business.

GEORGIA FARMERS WOULD HOLD CROP

Fix Forty Cents As Minimum Sale Price—Condemn Houston For Government's Policy. As To Credits.

Atlanta, Sept. 30.—After adopting resolutions condemning the policy of Secretary of the Treasury Houston towards loans for holding cotton, and urging all farmers to hold their products for a "fair price" cotton men, bankers, merchants and others in mass meeting here late today appointed a committee of nine to take the matter up with heads of all farm organizations.

Members of the committee stated later they had decided to hold a meeting in Washington and to urge representatives of all lines of industry to express their disapproval of "any effort to curtail farm credits." Cotton, speakers declared, cost 38 cents a pound to produce and 40 cents was said to be the minimum sales price for the staple.

J. J. Brown, state commissioner of agriculture, one of those who called the meeting was appointed chairman of the committee. The other members are United States Senator Hoke Smith, Charles S. Barrett, Harvie Jordon, Charles H. Brand, M. L. Johnson, A. F. Hodges, C. G. Fitzpatrick and E. G. Daniel.

While the meeting in Washington is being arranged, Mr. Brown announced, a speakers' bureau will be established and organizations will be perfected in every county in the state. Farmers will be urged to hold their cotton and borrow money on it from their local banks.

Congressman Upshaw, today made public a telegram from Mr. Houston in which the secretary said:

"I published no decision 'not to encourage Southern farmers in handling their cotton crop at a living price.'"

The secretary added that his statement had said he favored every legitimate effort to promote the orderly marketing of commodities but the government can not be a party to an undertaking to hold commodities off the market to enable the owners artificially for speculative purposes to maintain war prices or higher than war prices.

By the government, the secretary's telegram said, he referred particularly to the treasury. "I was not speaking for the banks" he added. "They are not the government." He said a request had been made that the treasury either deposit money in crop moving sections or revive the war finance corporation. Either of these, he said, would invoke borrowing money by the government at high rates.

CALL ANOTHER PREACHER

The Presbyterians will hold a meeting next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock to consider the matter of extending a call to Dr. C. A. Campbell, of Quitman, Ga., a Presbyterian minister of much note in his church.

DELEGATE BARNWELL

W. M. Barnwell is a delegate from Trinity Church to a meeting of the Episcopalian authorities to be held in Columbia, October 12th, when a Bishop Coadjutor is to be elected.

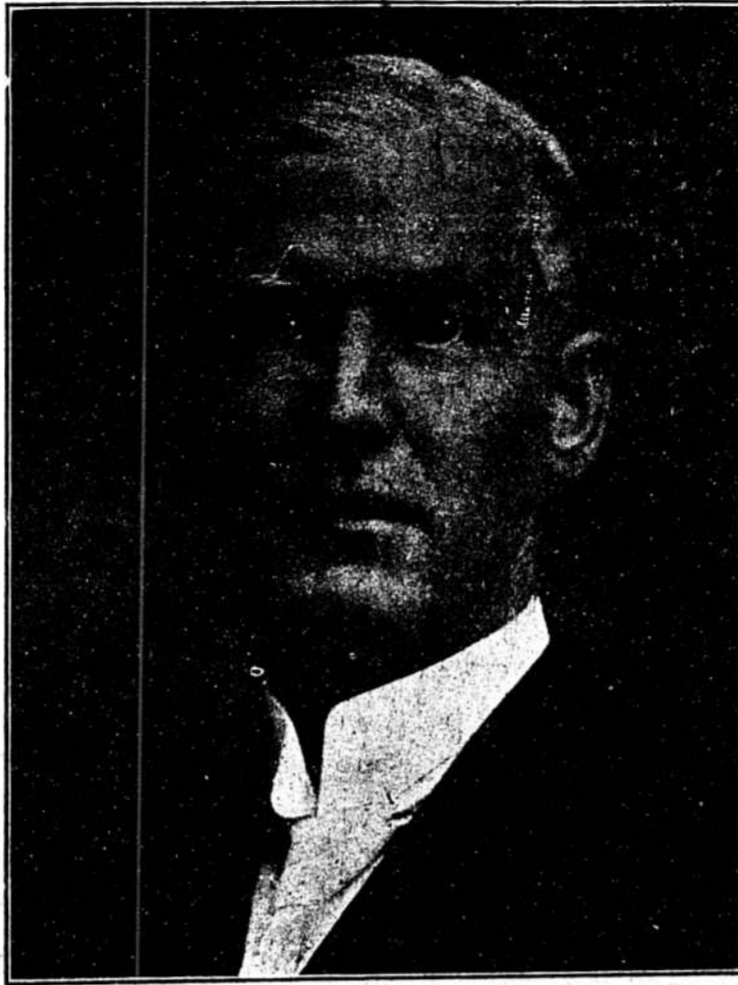
Dote Smith says that delegate Barnwell has been down to see him to find out what a coadjutor is. He says he thinks Will knows something about a bishop but he found the delegate entirely ignorant on the coadjutor subject.

NOTICE TO PUPILS

In order to allow the pupils of the Abbeville City Schools to attend the circus, Wednesday, October 6th, there will be school tomorrow (Saturday).

J. D. Fulp, Superintendent.

REV. PAUL PRESSLY



Rev. Paul A. Pressly, of Louisville, Ga., where he has since been the pastor.

Mr. Pressly is one of the strong preachers of his church. He is a son of the late Dr. Wm. L. Pressly of Due West, one of the most eminent preachers of his day.

The pastor and members of the church extend an invitation through this paper to the people of the city to attend these services. It is hoped and believed that great good will come from Mr. Pressly's preaching.

COX SAYS WOULD HAVE VOTED FOR 'DRY' AMENDMENT

Hutchinson, Kan., Sept. 30.—Governor Cox, Democratic presidential candidate declared here today that he would have voted dry on prohibition had he been acting under the same circumstances as Senator Harding, his Republican opponent, whom the governor declared "had voted thirty-two times wet and two times dry."

He had been asked by a person in the audience if Senator Harding had not voted three times in favor of prohibition. "There were thirty-four votes direct or indirect on the prohibition enforcement measure in the senate. Senator Harding voted thirty-two times dry," Governor Cox replied.

"Under the same circumstances would you vote dry?" the questioner demanded.

"I would," replied the governor. Criticizing Senator Harding's league position, the governor said: "Senator Harding has been speechless during the last few weeks on the league. He wants to keep Johnson and Borah, who are against the league, and he wants to keep Taft and Wickersham, who are for it."

FREEZING IN KANSAS

Topeka, Kas., Sept. 30.—Temperatures were below freezing in all parts of the state last night with the exception of eastern and southern counties the federal weather station here reported today. The low mark was at Hays—244 degrees—where ice an inch thick formed. The frost killed all corn except that the bulk of the crop was safely matured.

THE COTTON MARKET

Spot cotton in Abbeville today sold around 27 1-2 cents in the early hours of the trading, one bale selling for a fraction under 28 cents. At the close, however, on account of a weak New York Market spots declined to 26 1-2.

The New York future market was up during the morning but closed at 2 o'clock 30 points under yesterday. Spots in New York today were quoted at 25 cents.

CONDITION OF COTTON TO BE ANNOUNCED OCTOBER 4

Washington, Sept. 30.—The estimate of the condition of cotton as of September 25 will be issued Monday, October 4 at 11 a. m. instead of Saturday, October 2, the department of agriculture announced today. The change was made to conform to the change to October 4 of the date for the issuance of the monthly census report on cotton ginned.

DIES OF BROKEN NECK

Philadelphia, Sept. 30.—Melvin Keppler, 17 year old, captain of the Lock Haven high school football team, died today in the University hospital from a broken neck received during scrimmage practice Wednesday. He was tackled while running a full speed, his head striking the ground.

Before his death Keppler exonerated his team mate from all blame.

RATES FOR THE STATE FAIR

Special excursion rates have been granted for the South Carolina State Fair October 25-29 and the negro State Fair from November 1-6. The round trip fare to Columbia on sale October 24 and good until 12:35 p. m. October 29 for the State Fair. The tickets go on sale October 31 for the negro fair and good until noon November 6. The round trip ticket from Abbeville to Columbia for each is \$5.48.

RECREATION NEEDED

The phonographs, the victrolas, the Brunswicks, the Columbias and the instruments with a soul will have their places we suppose but they will not occupy as much territory as heretofore because Son Bill has entered the music business. He has arranged with Miss Ruth Howie, the accomplished teacher, to take lessons in piano twice a week and has swallowed his first dose. Greenville street will be entertained from now on.

J. R. Bowie, who holds down the McCormick line on the South-west side, was in Abbeville today.

AMERICA WILL NOT HELP EUROPE NOW

American Delegate At International Finance Conference So Informs Delegates—Too Much Jealousy There For a Risk

Brussels, Sept. 30.—Freedom of world trade is the most essential condition for the increase of production which must bring about economic restoration of the world, in the opinion of Korgi Mori, Japanese commissioner in London, whose views have been laid before the International Financial conference in session here. This involves complete elimination of restrictions on both imports and exports, especially those applying to raw materials, he said.

Herr Bergmann representing Germany expressed the thanks of his government to the league of nations for having extended an invitation to be represented at the conference. Europe need expect no further help from the United States the conference was informed by Roland W. Boyden, unofficial American representative during a speech which rather started the assembly. Jealousy and lack of harmony between European nations have resulted in a feeling that Europe cannot be considered a "good risk," he declared adding that this hostility must be ended before American policy might be expected to change.

GIVES \$10,000 FOR CARE OF WOUNDED

Washington, Sept. 29.—An appropriation of \$10,000 to provide medical care and treatment for wounded world war veterans under training by the Federal Board for Vocational Education has been made by the American Red Cross.

Through decisions of the comptroller of the treasury, the funds of the Federal board can not be expended to provide for these men medical attention for disease or injury not directly traceable to military or naval service. Great hardship has been worked on those in training who are financially unable to provide the necessary care and treatment for themselves in the event of injury or illness and the board asked the Red Cross for assistance until congressional action can relieve the situation.

Specific instances of the need for medical care among these men are brought to the attention of the Federal board from all its districts. From the district comes the report of the injury of a student who was being taught saddlery. While at his machine his hand was pierced by the needle and otherwise bruised by the heavy machine. The ruling of the comptroller, however, prohibited the use of funds for medical attention necessary in this case as in many others.

It is estimated that the \$10,000 appropriation will enable the board to provide care for the students until the matter is placed before Congress. The treatment has been costing approximately \$2,000 monthly, according to the estimate of the Federal board.

NEW MANAGER

Mr. Dallas, who came here some weeks ago to take charge of the J. M. Anderson Clothing Store, has resigned his position and will be succeeded by Mr. E. O. Devore, an experienced clothing man. Mr. Devore has been with the J. W. Brock store in Honea Path until he resigned to come to Abbeville.

ENJOYS HER FIRST AUTO RIDE AT AGE OF SEVENTY

Gaffney, Sept. 30.—An interesting visitor to the city Tuesday was Mrs. Henry Moss, of Cherokee Falls, Mrs. Moss is approaching her seventy-second birthday. Although born and raised within a mile of her present home, this was her first visit to Gaffney. She had never before ridden in an automobile, and has never ridden on a train. One might suppose that she was very untutored but she converses readily and happily.

STORES ENTERED BY TWO NEGROES

MONROE NEGRO FINDS WAY OF TRANSGRESSOR HARD.—CAPTURED WEARING THE GOODS, TRIED AND SENT TO COUNTY GANG FOR FIVE MONTHS.—ACCOMPLICE STILL AT LARGE

Thursday morning when Joe Little, of the firm of Little & Thomson opened his store on North Main street, he found that it had been burglarized. The burglar had entered the store through a rear window breaking their way in. Mr. Thomson found an empty shoe box from which a pair of No. 11 shoes had been taken. He also missed overalls, woolen shirts and other articles. He also found that the cash drawer had been robbed about fifty cents in pennies kept in, it having been taken.

He immediately set about to find the guilty party. Going down street he discovered a negro dressed in new overalls and who evidently was a stranger. In a little while he found the negro purchasing an article and paying for it in pennies. Other circumstances led to the arrest of the negro whose name he gave as John Thomas. The negro apprehended gives his name as Richard Ferguson. He states that he and Thomas came to Abbeville for the purpose of soliciting labor, and no doubt thinking that a labor agent should be dressed as a laboring man, they went out to get this kind of apparel.

Later the negro confessed to entering the store of Jesse Campbell on South Main street and of attempting to enter the store of W. J. E. Scott in the same section. He stole candy, tobacco and other articles from the Campbell store.

Ferguson was tried in city court this morning on five counts and was convicted on all. He was sentenced to a combined term of five months or to pay a fine of \$250. He will serve the time on the county gang, as it was thought unwise to undertake to keep him in the city. At the Spring term of the Court of General Sessions he will be brought up and tried for burglary and will likely receive a heavy sentence on this charge.

The other negro, the alleged accomplice, has not been arrested. Taking into account the fact that a negro caught charged with crime generally claims that he had assistance regardless of the facts, there is some doubt in the minds of the officers whether in fact Ferguson had an accomplice. Nevertheless, the case is being thoroughly investigated and if there is another guilty party he will no doubt be apprehended.

MISS CHEATHAM TO MARRY

Friends in Abbeville have received news of the approaching marriage of Miss Norma Cheatham of Columbia, to Mr. Raymond Lynch, the happy event occurring October 14th, at the home of her sister, Mrs. Ames Haltiwanger, in Columbia.

Miss Julia Mabry, of Abbeville, cousin of the bride will attend the wedding and will be the maid of honor. Dr. and Mrs. G. A. Neuffer and numbers of the kindred of the bride-to-be in Abbeville will also attend the marriage.

Miss Cheatham is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Cheatham of Warrenton. She is a sister of Ben, Mabry, Robert and John T. Cheatham of Abbeville. She has made her home in Columbia for a number of years, where she has held a responsible position with Will Evans.

After the marriage and after a bridal trip to Florida the bride and groom will return to Columbia where they will make their home.

PREACHING AT COKEBURY

Rev. Jas. L. Martin, D. D., will preach at Cokesbury next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.