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WEDNESDAY, MAY 25th, 1910.

Absence of occupation is not rest; a mind quite vacant is a mind distressed.—COWPER.

Heavy Assessments.

It costs something to be a candidate in Richland county. At a recent meeting of the executive committee of that county the following assessments were levied upon candidates:

"Superintendent of education \$50, master \$50, judge of probate \$50, auditor \$30, treasurer \$30, supervisor \$30, State senator \$50, house of representatives \$50, county commissioner \$5."

"The candidates for magistrate were assessed as follows: Columbia \$25, Upper Waverly and Olympia \$10 each, and all others \$5."

It appears from the foregoing that all magistrates in Richland county are elected in the primary.

Let Magistrates be Elected in Primary This Year.

A meeting of the County Democratic Executive Committee has been called for the first Monday in June for the purpose of considering a petition asking that magistrates be elected in the primary this year.

As the action of the convention in suggesting that the election of magistrates be taken out of the primary was hasty, the matter not having been considered by the township clubs, and was only brought before the convention incidentally, it is believed that a majority of the committee will favor the election of the magistrates in the primary this year.

Let it be borne in mind that the action of the convention was only a suggestion to the executive committee, and even that suggestion was made by a very small majority, 30 to 32, indicating that the sentiment of the convention itself was not very decided. It is very probable that had the matter been discussed by the township clubs, a majority of the delegates to the convention would have been instructed to oppose such action by the convention.

Should the committee fail to heed the suggestion of the county convention, its action would not violate the spirit or letter of the constitution. On the contrary, such action would be entirely consistent with the provisions of the constitution, which distinctly states that, "The County Executive Committee of any county shall be at liberty to order a primary election for Magistrates."

Technically, the county campaign does not open until the county convention is held, but in obedience to a long standing custom, amounting almost to an unwritten law of the party in this county, aspirants to office launch their candidacy early in the spring of each "campaign year." In obedience to this custom, a dozen or more men who aspired to the office of magistrate entered the campaign in good faith, never dreaming that steps would be taken to deprive them of rights and privileges that were granted to aspirants to this office two years ago. These men have laid plans, which have involved more or less effort, time and expense, to the end that the office be filled by a primary election, and now, at the eleventh hour, to deprive them of this privilege is, to say the least of it, not dealing justly with them. It is for justice that The Advertiser pleads.

The executive committee can grant the petition, and a very reasonable one it is, without subverting any Democratic principle or party rule. On the contrary, to refuse to grant it, in the light of all the circumstances, will be distinctly un-Democratic.

Syndicate Editorials.

We endorse most heartily—and would like to see the endorsement general among the state press—what the Branchville Journal says regarding "syndicate editorials" that are being used by some of our state exchanges. Surely they have not considered the situation.

As the Journal says, let such things go in as "fillers," or let them go in as "contributed"—any way rather than as thoughts and expressions of the editor of the paper.

This is a matter that concerns the reputation and good name of the of the state, and therefore is a proper subject of comment by any newspaper that has the good of the profession at heart.

The Journal mentions the fact of having seen the same thing, word for word, in the editorial columns of two newspapers. We have observed the same thing; and the funny part of it in this case was that one of the papers was a negro republican paper.

Brother, if you are using "syndicate editorials," cut 'em out.—Newberry Observer.

Too Complicated.

A young man of 18 married the mother of his father's second wife; thereby becoming his father-in-law and his stepmother's stepfather, while his father's daughter-in-law becomes his mother-in-law—but what's the use?

COMMENCEMENT 1910.

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this county, an Edgefield boy.

Exercise by Expression Class.

A very pleasing feature of the commencement was the presentation of "The Rainbow Kimona" by the class in Expression Friday evening. Each one of the young ladies performed her part splendidly, reflecting the very thorough instruction which they had received from Miss Lillie May Bailey, who is in charge of the Department of Expression. In spite of the downpour of rain early in the evening the large auditorium was well filled.

Meeting of Old Graduates.

The annual meeting of the alumni-alumnae association was held Saturday morning, the address this year being delivered by Mr. John Black, of Williston, class of 1907. Mr. Black is now a student of the Charleston Medical college. Mr. Scott Cain was chosen to deliver the address next year. Mr. C. C. Fuller, Jr., was elected president of the association of graduates and Miss Lillie May Bailey, secretary.

Oratorical Contests.

The exercises Saturday evening were conducted under the auspices of the literary societies, which are a very important factor in teaching the students to impart to others what they learn in the classrooms. In order to stimulate the students in developing their oratorical talent, several of the leading citizens of the town donate medals each year to be awarded at the commencement.

In the Freshman declamation contest the J. C. Sheppard medal was awarded to Cadet W. T. Humphreys, of Union. The Bailey medal was won in the Sophomore contest by Mr. H. N. Singletary, of Williamsburg, and the N. G. Evans medal was awarded to Cadet W. H. Johnson, of Aiken. The elocution contest, between Miss Gladys Rives and Miss Georgia May Wates, for the W. H. Turner medal was won by Miss Rives. The committee of judges was composed of Prof. G. F. Long, Rev. Monroe Kneece and Mr. W. D. Holland.

Mr. Lyde R. Rhame was awarded a medal by the Pierian Literary Society for having made the most marked improvement in the work of the society during the session. Mr. B. W. Boulware was awarded a medal for making the most improvement in the Bailey Literary society and Miss Everlou Shuler won the medal in the Fideian Literary society. Miss Weinona Strom was presented with a medal for her achievements in the vocal department. All of these medals were presented very gracefully by Hon. J. Wm. Thurmond.

Baccalaureate Sermon.

The announcement that the venerable and saintly Dr. Gwaltney would preach the baccalaureate sermon attracted a very large congregation to the Baptist church Sunday morning. The music was furnished by the college chorus, with Mrs. John R. Tompkins presiding at the pipe organ. Dr. Gwaltney chose as his theme the fourth Wise Man who journeyed so long and faithfully in quest of his Master and King. The lessons drawn from this beautiful narrative were very affectively presented by Dr. Gwaltney with characteristic gentleness and tenderness. Sunday evening the annual sermon before the college Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. was preached by Dr. Gwaltney, whose theme was "Obedience to the Heavenly Vision."

Graduating Exercises.

A great throng again assembled in the college auditorium Monday morning to witness the graduating exercises. Seated upon the rostrum were the trustees of the school, ministers of the town, faculty, members of the graduating class and the orator of the occasion, Hon. John E. Swearingen. After very creditable exercises by members of the graduating class Mr. Swearingen delivered the baccalaureate address, which has been pronounced the ablest, most timely and most appropriate address ever delivered from the S. C. C. I. rostrum to a class of graduates.

Ex-Gov. J. C. Sheppard, chairman of the board of trustees, next came forward to present the diploma. After speaking in the highest terms of the S. C. C. I., its president and faculty, and of the inestimable value of the institution to our town and county, Mr. Sheppard paid the venerable Dr. Gwaltney a very beautiful, well-deserved tribute which met with the heartiest response from the audience. Diplomats were presented to the following graduates:

- James L. Taylor, Brazil South America;
- Elizabeth Louise Coleman, Leeds, S. C.;
- Annie Laurie Attaway, Port Royal.
- Maggie Mae Shaffer, Johnston;
- Clara Dale Frier, Socrum, Fla.;
- Lila Sheppard Fuller, McCormick;
- Robert Alexander Hill, Union;
- Jouett Davenport, Augusta, Ga.;
- Milledge Hankinson, Elko;
- Leila Clarissa McCreary, Edgefield;
- Rosa Mae McNeill, Watts;
- Mary Elizabeth McTeer, Yemassee;
- Margaret Vashis Turner, Edgefield;
- Henrietta Viola King, Camden;
- Annie Eliza Keels, Lynchburg;
- Ruth Carolyn Forrest, Johnston.

Mary Estelle Buster, Batesburg; Carrie Elizabeth Elliott, Cassett; Mattie Adeline Lanham, Ropers.

A very fitting close or climax to the commencement exercises was the "shower" of beautiful bouquets upon the members of the graduating class by friends among the citizenry of our town. Scores and scores of enormous bouquets were borne upon the rostrum by little Ouida Pattison and Norma Shannonhouse. Edgefield's gardens were stripped of their choicest flowers to make glad and happy the hearts of the young people who as students have been among us three or four years. The "shower" of half a hundred or more bouquets as expressions of love and esteem was beautifully planned by Mrs. B. B. Jones.

Old Graduates.

There were an unusually large number of old graduates in attendance upon the commencement. Among them were the following: Mr. Cleveland Callison, of Greenwood, who is now a law student.

Mr. John Black, of Williston, who is attending the Charleston medical college.

Mr. Lewis Holmes, of Philippi, who has been teaching near his home during the past session.

Mr. C. C. Fuller, Jr., a student of the Atlanta Dental college, was present.

Mr. B. F. Burkhalter has been teaching at North S. C.

Mr. A. S. Mellichamp, a merchant and farmer of Fairfield county.

Mr. Lewis Entzinger is State Sunday School Secretary of Florida.

Mr. John Bush has been teaching in Fairfield county.

Death of Mrs. Bell.

The Edgefield friends of Mr. and Mrs. Luther G. Bell were deeply pained Sunday afternoon by the announcement of Mrs. Bell's death, which occurred early Sunday morning at her home near Clark's Hill. The interment took place Monday morning at Clark's Hill, the funeral being conducted by Rev. P. B. Lanham and Rev. T. H. Garrett, the former being her pastor.

Mrs. Bell, Miss Annie Middleton before her marriage to Mr. Bell in 1897, was descended from an old and greatly honored family, and her untimely death, so regarded from a human standpoint, has caused many hearts throughout the county to be sorrow stricken.

For several years after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Bell lived in Edgefield, and while a resident of our town this good woman greatly endeared herself to many of our people who share this sorrow with the bereaved loved ones. From Edgefield they went to Red Hill to live and later moved to Clark's Hill to make their home permanently.

Mrs. Bell was a consecrated Christian woman and although unconscious almost constantly for several days preceding her death, she rallied just before the end and stated to one who was near to the family that she was prepared to face death but wanted to "live for Luther and Mary," her devoted husband and little eleven-year-old daughter. Not only will she be missed in the once happy home, but her place in the community and church life must remain vacant. Her loved ones have the assurance that "she is not dead but sleepeth," and will await their coming on the other shore.

The editor of The Advertiser begs to offer profound sympathy to these bereaved friends.

Don't Forget Our Good Resolutions.

Are we keeping in mind our "resolves" for the improvement of the home—a bathroom if possible, an added convenience or two in the kitchen, more attractive home grounds and a clean back yard? We may not be able to accomplish all these things, but the season is here when some of them may be undertaken, at least. The season is possibly too far advanced to make a beginning toward a lawn, but much of the objectionable rubbish may be removed and vines may be planted about the front porch. There is nothing more attractive for porch decoration than the Virginia creeper that grows wild in our woods.—Progressive Farmer.

Making Herself Clear.

He had proposed by telegraph and asked her to telegraph her reply. The regulation tax allows ten words for the minimum fee, and her answer ran: "Yes, gladly, willingly, joyfully, delightfully, gratefully, lovingly, yes, yes, yes."—Argonaut.

Better Than Lard.

Wesson's pure cotton seed oil is a cooking substitute for lard and butter. No greasy food, no dyspepsia. Odorless and tasteless. Benefits health, pocket-book and domestic atmosphere. Try a can and you will always use it—only 25 cents. Penn & Holstein.

Miss Still Closes School at Modoc.

Modoc school closed, teacher returns to her home in Greenwood. We cannot prevent chords of sadness from gathering around our hearts to-day for our loving teacher Miss Carrie Still is leaving us. We wish she could open the doors of our hearts and see how much she will be missed in our community and church. Her sweet alto voice was always present. She was ever ready to lend a willing hand for the service of the Lord.

We regret very much to see her leave us, but we can say that she leaves a host of friends, young and old, who are comforted by the old saying, "The best of friends have to part."

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For the best selection of children's misses' lace oxfords of standard makes call to see

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Notice of Executive Committee Meeting.

The County Executive Committee of the Democratic party of Edgefield County are hereby called to meet at Edgefield Court House on the first Monday in June, 1910, being the 6th day of said month, at 11 o'clock a. m. Every member of the Committee is urged to be present, as important business is to be transacted, and a petition with reference to taking Magistrates out of the primary will have to be considered.

B. E. Nicholson,

May 23, 1910. Chairman.

Rives Bros. millinery department is still supplied with the late novelties of the season with an expert milliner from Baltimore in charge.—Adv.

Clemson Agricultural College Examinations.

The examination for the award of scholarships in Clemson Agricultural College will be held in the County Court House on Friday, July 8th, at 9 a. m. Applicants must fill out proper forms, to be secured from the County Superintendent of Education, before they will be allowed to stand the examinations. For detailed information, apply to the Superintendent of Education, or to the President of Clemson College.

Applicants for admission to the College, but not seeking for the scholarships, will also stand entrance examinations at the court house July 8th. The scholarships are worth \$100 and free tuition.

The next session of the college opens Sept. 14th, 1910.

COST AND COURSES OF STUDY.

- (1) Agriculture.
- (2) Agriculture and Chemistry.
- (3) Agriculture and Animal Industry.
- (4) Chemistry and Geology.
- (5) Civil Engineering.
- (6) Mechanical and Electrical Engineering.
- (7) Textile Industry.

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For catalog and information, apply to

W. M. RIGGS,

Acting President.

Special Instruction

Attention is directed to the advertisement of Prof. J. F. Entzinger, P. P. Burns, and T. J. Lyon. They have been engaged to conduct the regular county summer school for teachers and in connection therewith will give special instruction to any students who may be behind in certain studies or they will prepare young ladies or young men for entering college.

If you desire special instruction on any branches communicate with these gentlemen, all of whom is a specialist in their respective fields.

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The profit-sharing sale as promised in our advertisement of last week, we are now prepared to make good. Many items have been secured by our heavy purchasing power very much below their values. Of us you can buy a pretty material with dainty little flecks and stripes for childrens' school dress, misses street dress or ladies house dresses at 5c per yard.

Pins and hair pins at 1c paper. Pearl buttons at 2 1-2c dozen. Hemstitched handkerchiefs 25c dozen. A corset cover nicely trimmed at 15, 25 and 39c each. A pretty gown at 35, 50, 69c, up to \$2.50 each.

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From a good work shoe on to the dainty street slipper. Then comes the neat yet comfortable house shoe.

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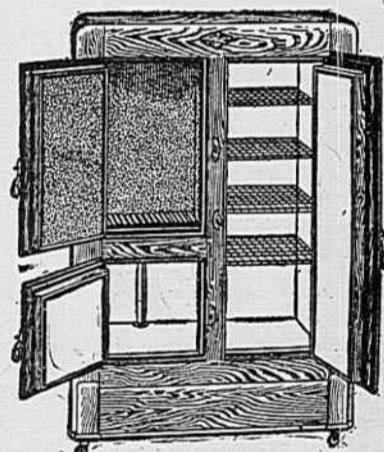
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An Experienced Nurse.

Into the consulting room of Sir Chappam, Fyne, head of the famous surgical hospital in Splintshire, the attendant admitted the attractive young woman who had written "urgent" on her card, says the Washington Post. "And what is the matter with you?" said the great man. "I wish," she answered, "to become a nurse in this institution." The surgeon said, "First, one question. Have you had any previous experience?" She dazzled him with a reassuring smile. "Experience!" she cried. "I should think so. Two of my brothers play football, another has tried to cross the English Channel in an aeroplane of his own make, mother is a suffragette and father keeps a motor car."

Special Instruction During Summer.

We have been instructed to state that Prof. P. P. Burns, Maj. T. J. Lyon and Prof. J. F. Entzinger will remain in Edgefield through the summer and will give special instruction to any pupils who may be behind in their classes, or will also prepare students for entering any class in the higher colleges. Pupils for special instruction during the summer are solicited from the county districts as well as from Edgefield and the other towns in the county. These gentlemen can be seen in person at the South Carolina Co-Educational Institute or communicated with by mail.—Adv.

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Mrs. Margaret Lambert, a reproduction of whose likeness appears above, lives at 151 Broad street, New Haven, Conn. Mrs. Lambert recently had a narrow escape from the surgeon's knife, regarding which experience she says: "For more than five years I suffered from the worst form of stomach trouble, from which I could

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