

Grand Jury Presentment.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF EDGEFIELD

To His Honor Judge Frank B. Gary,
Presiding Judge:

We, the Grand Jurors sworn in at the March term of court for the year 1921 for Edgefield county, having been charged by your Honor as to our duties we desire at this time to report that

First: We have acted on all bills that have been reported to us and that we have reported on same.

Second: We have appointed the following committees:

On Public Buildings: Messrs. Reel, Mundy and Miller.

Roads and Bridges: Messrs. Dorn, Day and McCreight.

Chaingang and Poor House: Messrs. Smith, Scott and Quarles.

Public Schools: Messrs. Dunovant, Wells and Morgan.

A committee to advise with the Supervisor and County Attorney in regard to matters now pending with the Georgia-Carolina Power Co., Messrs. W. J. Duncan, Hammond and Yonce.

To Examine Books of County Officers and Magistrates: Messrs. Tillman, White, Yonce, Ouzts, Reel and Quarles.

We Recommend at This Time

First, That the Jury rooms in the Court House be thoroughly cleaned up.

Second, That all the recommendations submitted to the Grand Jury by the County Attorney, and which recommendations are made a part of this return, be carried out.

March 8th, 1921.

Recommendations to Grand Jury:

1. That each county officer keep books open to the public at all times, showing every expenditure of the county's money both amount and purpose.

2. Would suggest that the Supervisor buy all or as much of his supplies as he possibly could by competitive bids. This I think should apply both to the supplies in the maintenance of the county farm and the chaingang.

3. Would suggest that the Grand Jury look into the bond issue by the county and determine whether it shall be best to create sinking fund so as to redeem bonds at the end of twenty or forty years. I would by all means recommend that we retire these bonds at the end of twenty years, thereby saving the county over one hundred thousand dollars.

4. Though a very small matter, would suggest that the Grand Jury require each county officer to run his office more on a business basis, that is, that he should manage his office so as to know at all times just what money he is spending and for what purpose.

5. Would suggest that the Grand Jury at its last meeting of the year go over in detail the finances of the county and try to form an intelligent idea of just what it will take to run the county for another year.

These suggestions are offered for what they are worth and with a desire to help and not to harm.

Respectfully submitted,
T. B. GRENEKER,
County Attorney.

We find after a limited investigation, that the finances of the county are in a deplorable muddle.

There are outstanding and unpaid approve claims amounting to \$86,461.00. Of this amount we are advised by county officials that \$86,461.00 of unpaid claims are from the administration of former Supervisor R. N. Broadwater.

The last legislature authorized a bond issue of one hundred thousand dollars, and bids will be opened for these bonds on March 16, 1921. By selling these bonds the claims unpaid are to be liquidated, or the money will go as far as it will to this end and the remainder reverts back to the ordinary county funds.

We recommend in this connection that a sinking fund for taking care of these bonds at maturity be provided for, and that by suitable handling of the matter, the bonds be retired at the end of twenty years. By retiring these bonds at the end of twenty years, it is possible to save a large amount of interest charges, whereas if they run longer the interest will cost the county more than the original principal sum. These bonds running for twenty years, the interest charges will amount to \$120,000. For forty years the interest charger will amount to \$240,000.

We find in connection with the Dixie Highway contract the following facts:

1. That this contract was entered into by the then supervisor R. N. Broadwater.

2. That at that time there was no specific money provided with which to meet the county's part of the contract.

3. That having gotten into a contract for the building of a stretch of

road from Turkey Creek to the town limits of Edgefield, with contractors, and bonds and forfeits fixed, the first session of the legislature following the signing of the contract failed to provide funds for building the road, or to pay the county's pro rata share.

4. That the county's funds were entirely exhausted by July, 1920, all county funds having been used by the supervisor for all purposes, the Dixie Highway included.

5. The county's funds being exhausted, a few citizens and the Chamber of Commerce of Edgefield city, negotiated loans, giving notes to the amount of \$31,000. This money is an obligation on Edgefield county, there having been made a promise by the legislative delegation that the county would pay the same. Provision has been made in the last supply bill for the payment of the same, the money to come from the sale of bonds.

6. In July of 1920 when the county was without funds, and current expenses unmet, the supervisor voluntarily raised the price 12c per cubic yard for handling soil, and bound the county to this increased price for the balance of the work on this road.

7. The construction company was under bond for the faithful performance of its work and could have been held to the original price of 48 cents instead of the new price of 60 cents.

8. The contract price for the 8.42 miles of road was \$48,961.45, for bridges, \$11,327.70. Mr. Waring, the resident engineer, representing the State Highway Department, says \$65,076.41 has been paid out or is already earned (10 per cent is withheld for faithful performance) and that the road is graded 7.2; soiled 5 miles. Total length 8.42 miles. The County Supervisor's book shows as paid out \$59,425.82 on this road.

This information comes to the Grand Jury from Mr. Waring in person, and from Mr. Watson, the Supervisor's bookkeeper in person.

We do not reach a conclusion about these matters, but we feel that the facts should be returned to the court.

It is well nigh impossible to state just exactly the amount of the county indebtedness. The Grand Jury urges strict economy, and business methods in handling the affairs of the county on all who have that responsibility.

If the contracts for the construction are carried out, and paid out of the funds raised by the recent sale of bonds, close attention to the claims and economy will be necessary or the county may have to float other bonds to complete the work, or pay for it, and there seems to be little doubt in the County Attorney's mind that the contracts can be enforced.

The county officers have not been paid in several months, but we are assured that relief is in sight.

The Grand Jury urges all citizens, officers, particularly the sheriff, that a determined effort be made to stop the making of moonshine whiskey and the carrying of concealed weapons.

We recommend that the supervisor connect the jail with the city water works and sewerage system.

B. R. TILLMAN,
Foreman.

Manassas Battleground Will Be Bought.

Washington, March 10.—A corporation has been formed in Washington the object of which is the acquisition of the Henry Farm in Virginia on which the first and second battles of Manassas were fought.

On this farm, an option for \$25,000 is held by the corporation. When the option is exercised, the states will be asked to appropriate for monuments and marbles.

The battles of Manassas resulted in Southern victories, and the corporation plans to make of the field a Southern memorial park. Other fields on which the South achieved victories have been nationalized with the result that the South is practically ignored in memorials. It is said, for instance, that in after years the world will wonder whether or not the Southern army even made an appearance at Chickamauga, whereas now it is known by students, if not school children that the battle was won by the South.

The board of directors of the corporation which will buy the Henry farm will be composed of representatives of the United Confederate Veterans, the Confederate Memorial Association, and of each of the Southern states, including Kentucky, Maryland and Missouri.

Officers of the corporation are Maj. E. W. R. Ewing, president; Capt. Westwood Hutchinson, treasurer; E. H. Blalock, secretary. Preliminary work is in the hands of an executive committee of which the following are members: Col. W. S. Wilkerson, Jesse Anthony, W. E. Dodge, and Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Branch Stone.

R. Walton Moore and Col. Robert E. Lee are members of the financial committee.

BAPTISTS REPORT WHERE MONEY GOES

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DR. L. R. SCARBOROUGH,
Chairman Conservation Commission Baptist 75 Million Campaign.

Dr. L. R. Scarborough, who was general director of the Baptist 75-Million Campaign, and who was later elected chairman of the Conservation Commission that is seeking to conserve all the interests of that campaign, has issued a report from the Nashville headquarters showing the various interests that have profited from the \$16,851,100.68 collected on campaign pledges up to Dec. 1, 1920.

With its receipts of \$2,958,808.07, the Foreign Mission Board has added to its territory five new provinces in China and made the beginning for opening up work in the new fields of Spain, Hungary, Roumania, Jugoslavia, and the Ukraine in Russia; strengthened its work in Syria and Palestine, made a beginning in Eastern Siberia, added 100 new workers to its force of American missionaries in foreign lands, provided new houses of worship, hospitals, schools, publishing plants and other institutions needed in the prosecution of missionary work. What is of even more importance, in the estimation of Secretary Love, is the completion of many institutions and undertakings that had been held up for lack of funds.

Home Missions Doubles Budget
By reason of the larger receipts from the campaign, the Home Mission Board has been enabled to practically double its annual budget for its work of evangelism, church building, work among the foreigners, Indians and negroes, mountain mission schools, enlistment, and general mission work in Cuba and Panama. The appropriations to evangelism have been practically doubled, those to church building increased between 500 and 600 per cent, those to the mountain schools, forty in number, 100 per cent, and those to the work of enlisting undeveloped churches, 300 per cent.

In the realm of state missions, which embodies such work as providing missionaries and other special workers for needy fields within the states and aiding weak congregations in the building of houses of worship, the advance made possible by the campaign ranges from 25 to 100 per cent in the eighteen states of the convention territory.

Returns to the Conservation Commission by forty-five of the Baptist institutions of learning which are sharing in the returns from the campaign, show that they have received \$2,713,756 so far. Of this sum, \$1,640,000 has been expended on improvements, \$400,000 has gone to endowment, several hundred thousand dollars in old debts have been wiped out and other improvements are under way.

Ten New Hospitals Provided
Southern Baptists were operating fourteen hospitals when the campaign began, and as a result of the new interest in this work aroused by the campaign ten additional hospitals have been launched. These hospitals have received \$1,111,439.45 from the campaign so far, while local communities in which the hospitals are located have subscribed approximately \$2,000,000 additional. The hospitals have practically \$1,000,000 in improvements under way. The seventeen Baptist orphanages have likewise come in for much larger support as a result of the campaign, their receipts from this source being \$1,018,798.67. As a result of this income the orphanages have been enabled to make improvements valued at \$325,000.

The work of aiding aged preachers is a new one among Southern Baptists as a whole, but as a result of the campaign the Relief and Annuity Board has received \$408,148.32 from that source and \$300,000 from Mr. Rockefeller, Sr.

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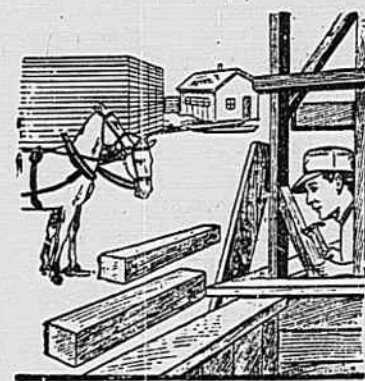
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