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NEW RAILROAD LINES ARE BEING PROJECTED

It is Stated That Mr. James U. Jackson Will Give Aiken the "Go-by" Lines Out of Columbia.

A representative of the Public Service corporation who was here yesterday states his belief that by this time next year the headquarters of the company will have been established in Columbia and that the grading of the roads out of Columbia will have commenced. He states that as a matter of record the company has spent over \$100,000 already in having surveys made.

There will be three branches running out of Columbia, one via Lexington and Saluda to Newberry and Whitmire and Union and Winstboro and back to Columbia, forming a loop. He believes that this will be the first line on which work will be commenced. The other will be started toward Orangeburg and thence to Summerville and Charleston.

There appears to be some hitch in the arrangements for building the road from Aiken to Columbia. This is not the project of the Public Service corporation, but of the Augusta and Aiken Railway company. Mr. James U. Jackson, the president of the company, is said to have been very much put out because the people of Aiken so bitterly resisted his efforts to form a new county with North Augusta as county seat. It was reported several days ago that Mr. Jackson would cut out Aiken and would build his road via Graniteville and Batesburg.

The latest report in Aiken is that Mr. Jackson contemplates reducing the number of trains from Aiken to Augusta to two a day each way. There is now an hourly schedule. The State has received information that should the Columbia and Augusta line be diverted by way of Batesburg from Graniteville, the people of Aiken will build to the Edisto river to connect with the Public Service corporation's line into Columbia and in that way Aiken and Columbia would be brought closer together and the people of Aiken would naturally turn their business toward Columbia. This would give an air line along a valley from Aiken and would reduce the distance very materially.—State, 16th.

Coroner Wilson Dead.

Mr. A. O. Wilson died at his home in Lexington Sunday night at 10 o'clock after a long and severe illness in the 67th year of his life. His remains were laid to rest in St. Stephen's cemetery Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock, the last sad rites being performed by Rev. W. H. Hiller, pastor of the church.

Mr. Wilson was a valiant Confederate soldier, having lost an arm on the battlefield. He was Coroner for six years, and lived an active life and always took part in all things pertaining to the betterment of his country.

He leaves a wife, two brothers and several children besides a large circle of other relatives and friends to mourn his departure.

Newberry College Reunion.

The annual reunion of Newberry college will be held at Little Mountain, S. C., on the first Friday in August (3rd). This is the great day for all the people in the counties adjoining this resort and for all friends of the college from afar who can attend. Those who attend this annual occasion are numbered by the thousand. Both old and young meet here to renew old acquaintances, enjoy the balmy breeze from the crest and drink of the sparkling water from the mountain views.

Prominent speakers will be present to address the audience on educational topics, among whom will be the executive of our State, Hon. M. F. Ansel. Those who come for pleasure will find it, those who desire information upon the vital questions of today will receive it.

A first-class barbecue will be served to those who desire to partake of the savory meats.

The exercises will be as usual and will begin promptly at 10 o'clock a. m.

Sawmills To Shut Down.

Atlantic Beach, Fla., July 15.—By a vote of 27 to 7, Georgia-Florida Sawmill association today decided to shut down all sawmills owned or operated by members of the association for one month, beginning August 1st.

This action was taken on account of the low prices of lumber, the mill men claiming that the high prices paid by them for timber lands and the prices received for their output cause them to operate at a loss. They will endeavor to secure action by all other yellow pine lumber associations in the Southeast.

Twelve Mules Killed By Lightning.

Twelve mules were killed by lightning and two others so badly injured that they had to be killed at a church near Gadsden, just below Columbia in Richland county, on Sunday afternoon. The mules were all hitched close together.

Everybody Should Vote.

The approaching election for the choice of a man to fill the unexpired term of the late, Hon. J. M. Epting, again brings the people of Lexington county face to face with the exercise of one of the most important privileges of American citizens—the choosing of a representative in our legislative body. This is not only a privilege, but a duty, and if a man does not cast his vote conscientiously and free willed, he is not a model citizen.

Nowadays one can constantly hear of complaints against the government, but if you will trace such talk to its source, you will find that it came from a man who doesn't vote or from one of our many "chronic grumblers." It is useless to try to satisfy such people—it can't be done.

There is no doubt but that there is corruption in our politics, but hasn't it always been so? Indeed, it has; and all this talk that politics is too corrupt for good people to have anything to do with is simply "tommyrot." Today is the time for our goods, our best people to rise as one man and knock out some of the rottenness of our politics. There is no good in remaining at home on election day, and then, when everything is over, come out with your cumbersome complaints.

Under our form of government the majority rules, and for this very reason it is all the more important that you should cast your ballot for the best man in the race. If, perchance, the choice of the majority be not for the best man, the thing to do is to go to the next election and keep on going till good men are landed.

After the election on September 10th we hope the total vote cast will show us that every qualified voter in the county has done his duty. Reo.

Baltimore Man Hangs Himself in Charleston.

Alfred Boulay, of Baltimore, committed suicide by hanging himself in a room in his boarding house in Charleston Sunday night. Boulay, with a very pretty young woman, had been in Charleston almost two weeks. The woman says her name is Miss Eleanor V. Price and that she is from Baltimore. She said, also, that Boulay has a wife and family in Baltimore and that they had been together since the first of June.

Dependancy over financial troubles is supposed to be the cause of the rash act.

Irmo News.

To the Editor of The Dispatch: Too much rain for cotton; it is beginning to turn yellow. Corn is very good.

Miss Minnie Bouknight and brothers are spending a few days in Columbia at the home of their brother, Mr. H. M. Bouknight.

Mr. Jesse Bouknight and Brooks Koon returned Monday from a very pleasant visit to Newberry. BOB. Irmo, July 14.

Boylston News.

To the Editor of The Dispatch: The farmers are nearly through laying by, and they are looking forward to the time when watermelons will be plentiful.

Mrs. Jeff Amick, of Lexington, visited her parents near here Sunday. The cotton is just now beginning to grow and it is yet time enough for a fair crop.

Mr. Chalmers Wessinger and sister, Miss Eunice, are home from Georgia, where they have been teaching. The health of this community is good. A. H.

Conductor Killed by Negro.

Augusta, Ga., July 13.—A message from Sandersville, Ga., says that Conductor J. M. Mason, Augusta, of the Southern Railway, was killed tonight by a negro who it is said he put off the train for refusing to pay his fare. The negro escaped to the woods and a posse is now in pursuit.

Explosion on Battleship.

By the explosion of a case of powder in the hands of a gunner on the battleship Georgia, in Massachusetts bay on Monday, eight men were killed and fifteen injured.

Shooting at Brookland.

A shooting affray occurred in New Brookland on Monday night. Max Gunnell, a young white man about 20 years of age, shot Pete Cameron in the hip while the latter was returning home from a tent meeting in company with two young ladies. Immediately after the shooting Gunnell fled and at this writing he has not been captured. A young man by the name of Abbott, whose pistol Gunnell used, was arrested and is held as a witness.

Miss Essie Efrid, daughter of Hon. and Mrs. C. M. Efrid, has been elected member of music in the Batesburg Graded School. Miss Efrid is a young woman with exceptionally fine musical talent, a graduate of Elizabeth College, Charlotte, North Carolina, and is in every way fitted to fill the position to which she has been elected. The school opens in September.

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.



To the Commissioners of Elections for the County of Lexington:

Whereas Hon. J. M. Epting, who, at the General Election held in November, 1906, was chosen a member of the House of Representatives for the Election District of Lexington County, to serve for two years, has since said election departed this life, and whereas the Constitution of the State of South Carolina directs that in such a case a Writ of Election shall be issued by the Speaker of the House of Representatives for the purpose of filling the vacancy thus occasioned for the remainder of the term for which the Member so dying was elected to serve:

Now, therefore, You and each of you are hereby required, after due advertisement, and with strict regard to all the provisions of the Constitution and Laws of the said State touching your duty in such case, to hold an election for a Member of the House of Representatives, for the Election District aforesaid, to serve for the remainder of the term for which the said J. M. Epting was elected; the Polls to be opened at the various places of election in the said District on Tuesday, the tenth day of September, 1907, by the various sets of Managers for those places respectively; and the counting of the votes cast and the declaration of the result of the election to be in accordance with the provisions of law providing for the General Elections and the manner of conducting the same.

This Writ, together with your return of the Election to be held under it, have before the House of Representatives at its next meeting after the election. Witness the Honorable Richard S. Whaley, Esquire, Speaker of the House of Representatives, at Charleston, S. C., this tenth day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seven. RICHARD S. WHALEY, Speaker of the House of Representatives. TOM C. HAMER, Clerk of the House of Representatives.

With The Sick.

Master Killian Steel is out on crutches. His foot is healing nicely and it will not be long before he will be able to return to his father's home at Ethan.

The many friends of Mr. John S. Fox will be pained to learn that he is still quite sick with fever at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Fox. He came home several weeks ago from Augusta, since which time he has been confined to his bed with the exception of a very few days.

Miss Anna Brown, an account of whose illness appeared in these columns last week, is rapidly recovering and will be able to leave her home in North Carolina in a week or ten days. This will be glad news to the hundreds of friends of this very popular, attractive, and beloved young lady.

We regret to announce the continued serious illness of Mrs. Geo. C. Shirey, at her home on Hollow Creek. Mrs. Shirey is suffering from a complication of diseases, and we hope that she will soon change for the better.

Mrs. E. B. Roof has about recovered from her very recent serious illness to the delight of her many friends.

Little Miss Cecil Barre is doing nicely today. She is receiving every attention possible from an experienced trained nurse and Dr. E. P. Derrick, and in all probability she will rapidly recover.

Miss Julia Bickley, who has been sick with fever for several weeks, is getting along nicely, and her physician predicts no serious results.

Mayor Rhett Unopposed.

Mayor Rhett is so popular with the people of Charleston that he has no opposition for re-election as Mayor of that city.

Heavy Criminal Docket.

Court is just a little more than three weeks off and the session bids fair to be a most interesting one. Judge Chas. G. Dantzler will preside, and it is to be hoped that he will do his best to clear the congested docket on the criminal side of the court. Never before has there been so many cases to be heard, and many of them are important, too. There are some four or five murder cases, which will attract no little attention and at the same time occupy several days of the court.

The case of the Fallaw brothers and Isaac Taylor, charged with the assassination of young Mabus near Batesburg a few weeks ago, will, in all probability, be called, as they are now in jail and so far have not applied for bail. It is said, however, that their attorneys, Col. Edwin Folk Strother and Barrett Jones, of Batesburg, will ask the Judge to transfer the case to Aiken county, but it is hardly probable that he will do so, since it is a fact that Mabus died in this county and Magistrate Shealy held the inquest.

Then, the case of S. W. Stockman, who killed his son-in-law, H. J. Hartley, at his home near Summit in 1905 and in which the jury failed to agree at the trial last year, will again be called. It will take several days to dispose of this case.

There are two or three other murder cases, but it will not take long to dispose of them.

Besides the above, the docket is crowded with cases against gamblers, violators of the dispensary law, disposing of property under mortgage, breach of trust, and many others of a more or less interesting nature.

If there is only one week of criminal court—and it is claimed that is all that the law allows, it can readily be seen that the coming term of criminal court will be a farce, so far as clearing the docket is concerned.

Mrs. Sallie Gibson Returned.

Mrs. Sallie A. Gibson returned to Columbia Sunday night from San Antonio, Texas, where she suffered a most horrible experience at the hands of Rufus (Cap) Williams, an account of which has been published in The Dispatch. Mrs. Gibson is under a \$7,000 bond to appear in San Antonio as a witness against her assailant when the case comes to trial. It is said that she talks freely of her experience and says that Williams tried to poison her on the train while en route to Texas. She is confident Williams will be convicted. The penalty for his crime is hanging in Texas or a long term in prison.

Waiting on Senator Efrid.

A dispatch from St. Matthews to The State, under yesterday's date says:

"All of the commissioners to serve on the new county have been appointed except the commissioner to be named by Senator Efrid of Lexington. The other commissioners have their commissions and are patiently waiting on Senator Efrid to act."

Mr. John C. Muller has been recommended for this position as against the scheme.

Billy Felix's Letter.

To the Editor of The Dispatch: Crops have taken on new life since the rain and the prospect for a good yield is hopeful.

J. B. Nunnemaker, of Columbia, after visiting friends here recuperating from an attack of fever has returned much improved.

Our efficient, polite and accommodating postmaster, C. H. Hartley, has made some changes in the office, thus making it more roomy and convenient.

J. B. Harsey from Wildwood, Fla., has returned after visiting relatives and friends.

The pretty Miss Lillian Odom is visiting the family of our popular agent, G. A. Goodwin.

R. M. Hutto, of Augusta, Ga., is here for awhile with his family. Route Inspector, E. L. Higbee, was here recently and inspected route 1, 2 and 3, remeasuring all of which fell short from 1 to 4 miles to previous measurement.

Mrs. C. S. Goodwin celebrated her twenty-fifth birthday recently with a feast of good things all of which the happy Felix family ate heartily. We only regret that it will be twelve months before the day will come again.

We have a good man to put in the race when the time comes to fill the vacancy in the lower house, caused by the death of the Hon. J. M. Epting and the fellow who beats him will have to get up and hustle.

Mrs. M. A. Busbee from Alabama, has been visiting our esteemed friend, J. W. Reeder.

B. E. Craft, who holds a lucrative position in the mercantile business in the pretty little city of Orangeburg, is spending awhile with the home folks.

D. E. Craft holds the champion melon of R. F. D. 1, weighing 42 pounds. Gaston, S. C., July 15, 1907.

From R. F. D. 5.

Miss Alma Ballington is spending some time at the pleasant home of her sister, Mrs. Ioor Hayes.

Mr. H. L. Gatzman visited relatives and friends in this section Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Rebecca Mims died at her home near Gilbert July 5th and was buried on Sunday in the family burying ground at the old home place in the presence of a large crowd of relatives and friends. She was about 83 years old.

Keep on, Mr. Editor, lets kill the new county for every man can't have the court house at his door. K. July 14, 1907.

Unwritten Law Saves Mrs. Bowie and Her Son.

Friday the jury in the Bowie murder trial at LaPlata, Maryland, after deliberating five minutes, acquitted Mrs. Mary E. Bowie and her son, Henry, of all blame in killing Herbert Posey, for the alleged seduction of the daughter and sister of the accused, Precilla Bowie, who with her child made a pathetic picture in the courtroom.

The "unwritten law" was appealed to by the attorneys for the defence.

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