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W. H. MONCKTON, JR., MANAGER.

1820 MAIN STREET.

COLUMBIA, S. C.

Solicits a Share of Your Valued Patronage. Polite and Prompt Attention.

October 1907

NATIONAL BANKS

are the safest places to bank, for the United States laws, as well as the most rigid Government Supervision, makes them so. In what kind of dope or mental commodity are you now investing your spare change? Better bring it to "The Home National Bank" where it will be perfectly safe and promptly repaid you with interest.

Total Resources Over \$110,000.00.

The HOME NATIONAL BANK OF LEXINGTON.

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Lexington Savings Bank,

LEXINGTON, S. C.

Capital, Surplus and Undivided Profits \$30,000.00.

5 per cent. interest paid on savings deposits, interest being computed semi-annually. Deposits of \$1.00 and over received.

Commercial accounts also given special attention.

Ample facilities for handling your business, and your account will be appreciated.

Safety deposits boxes for rent, \$1.00 per year.

W. P. ROOF, President and Cashier

There comes a time in everyone's life when he needs a pointer—a helping hand to guide him to his destination.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK of BATESBURG

is the pointer that will help you over future financial worries if you will begin the use of its Savings Department today.

Bank of Chapin

CHAPIN, S. C.

The Bank That Accommodates

This bank aims to give you good services. We cash out-of-town checks for you—furnish drafts for sending money way. We are always glad to assist you in business matters. Make your deposits with this bank, which makes a point of good treatment of its depositors. Our certificates of deposit bear interest at 5 per cent. We cordially invite the farmers as well as the business men to do their banking with us.

J. S. WESSINGER, President.

J. F. HONEYCUTT, Cashier

BROOKLAND BANK,

NEW BROOKLAND, S. C.

We want your business. It is our desire to please. Leave your money with us until you need it. We pay interest four times a year.

J. C. GUIGNARD, Vice-President.

L. S. TROTT, President

Did You Begin The New Year Right?

IF NOT BEGIN A NEW YEAR RIGHT—RIGHT NOW. YOU CAN OPEN A CHECKING ACCOUNT WITH US AT ANY TIME. Try paying your bills with checks, and note how much more easily you can keep track of expenditures, also have a much larger balance at the end of the month. NO BETTER TIME TO BEGIN THAN—RIGHT NOW. ALL BUSINESS GIVEN OUR PROMPT AND CAREFUL ATTENTION.

The Bank of Swansea.

R. L. LYBRAND, President

B. E. CRAFT, Cashier.

Lexington Savings Bank First On Honor Roll.

The proceedings of the eighth annual convention of the South Carolina Bankers, association held at the Colonia hotel in Columbia on the 23rd and 24th of last April, has recently been published. The book is gotten out by Mr. Giles L. Wilson, secretary of the association and State bank examiner.

In this book quite a compliment has been paid the Lexington Savings bank, of this town, it being first upon the honor roll of banks. When it is considered that there are something over 250 banks in South Carolina, to stand at the head is something to be proud of, and that this honor has fallen to a Lexington bank is greatly appreciated, not only by the officers of this well known and conservative institution, but by the people of the entire county.

This roll is composed of such member banks as have surplus and profits amounting to 60 or more per cent. of their capital. There are 58 banks on this "honor roll," and the Lexington Savings bank heads the list with a capital of \$10,000, with a surplus and profits of \$19,447. The Farmers' and Merchants' bank of Anderson is second with a capital of \$100,000 with surplus and profits amounting to \$187,142. The First National bank of Batesburg, this county, is on the roll with a capital of \$25,000, with surplus and profits of \$17,008. The First National, however, is 49th on the list.

The Lexington Savings Bank was organized in 1892 through the efforts of Mr. W. P. Roof, the prominent merchant, banker and cotton mill man, and from the very beginning its growth has been phenomenal. Mr. Roof is now president and cashier, and to his wide personal popularity and sound business judgment, the success of the bank is largely due.

John Gadsden Behind Bars.

On Saturday afternoon Deputy Sheriff Miller succeeded in capturing John Gadsden, a negro, for whom there had been a warrant standing for over two years. It will be recalled that Gadsden was with a party of alleged gamblers in the Lower Fork on the night of January 13, 1907, and made his escape, while a number of his pals were arrested, some of them having already served out their sentences on the gang. When arrested, Gadsden was employed as a switchman in the Southern Railway yards in Columbia

Officers Surprise Gambler.

On Saturday night, about 10 o'clock, Sheriff Corley and Deputy Sheriff Miller rounded up a gang of gamblers at a gypsy camp at the fair grounds, and as a result Early Rish, "Sug" Battles and Jim Williams, negroes, and Eddie Sherlock, a white youth, were landed in jail. Sherlock, Rish and Battles were released upon putting up a cash bond, but Williams is still in jail. Sherlock and Williams belong to the camp, while Rish and Battles reside around town. It is said that several others were in the party, but they "lit a rag" when the officers appeared on the scene.

Young White Man Arrested.

Chester Black, a young married white man of New Brookland, was lodged in jail on Saturday upon the charge of disposing of crops under lien. The warrant was sworn out by Mr. John W. Adams, of near Leesville. Chapman appeared before Magistrate Shealy on Monday and gave bond for his appearance at the next term of court. Deputy Sheriff Miller made the arrest.

A Crowded House.

You have heard tell of a "crowded house," but unless you have seen the large crowds that are attending the "Lyric" theatre in Columbia at each and every performance, you have never seen a crowd. This popular play house continues to furnish the best amusements ever seen in the city at any price. Mr. Rockefeller, the genial and ever popular manager, is doing himself proud and is growing more popular with the people every day. The price of admission is only one dime—ten cents. Go!

Watson Names

Two Inspectors. Commissioner Watson has announced the appointment of Messrs. Alex McDougal of Columbia and S. M. Sloan of Greenville, a graduate of Clemson college, in the textile department, as inspectors of Factories. The positions pay \$1,000 per year each and each carries an expense account of about \$300.

Three Young Men Arrested On Serious Charge.

James Clarke, Simon Lucas and Jerome Lucas, three young white men of Pelion section, were arrested and lodged in jail Friday by Sheriff P. H. Corley, upon a warrant charging them with assault and battery of a high and aggravated nature with intent to kill upon the person of Oscar D. Hutto, a young white man of the same neighborhood. The two Lucases are only charged with being accessories to the crime. The difficulty occurred at Pelion a few days ago, when, it is said, James Clark struck Hutto in the head with a pair of brass knuckles and otherwise injuring him. It seems that young Hutto and Clarke had a row some time ago, Clarke getting the worst end of the game, and when the two came together at Pelion again Clarke tried to get "even" with Hutto.

All three of the defendants appeared before Magistrate T. L. Harman, and were admitted to bail in sum of five hundred dollars each, which was promptly furnished. The defendants have employed Messrs Efrid & Dreher, while the prosecution is represented by Ex-Senator Sharpe.

County Board of Equalization

The County Board of Equalization met here March 23rd, for the purpose of passing upon tax returns of the various townships.

The following members were present

Black Creek—E. Austin Smith. Boiling Springs—A. R. Taylor. Broad River—James C. Hope. Bull Swamp—W. Q. Jackson. Chinquapin—John T. Sawyer. Batesburg—M. B. Edwards. Brookland—A. D. Shull. Congaree—Thomas J. Roof. Fork—Jos. S. Huffman. Gilbert Hollow—Fred. G. Hartley. Leesville—F. Hamp. Hendrix. Hollow Creek—G. Franklin Keisler. Lexington—James E. Hendrix. Lexington Township—J. G. Zenker. Platt Springs—Geo. W. Pound. Saluda—Jacob C. Fulmer. Sandy Run—W. H. Wanamaker.

Mr. M. B. Edwards, of Batesburg, was made county chairman which virtually makes him the county representative on the State board of Equalization.

There were few appeals, and in all instances the township boards were sustained in their actions.

The following valuations were the general average of stock, fixed by the board: Horses \$37; mules \$63; cattle \$13.

The board is composed of good men of ability and fair judgment, and their deliberations were brief and pleasant, and after receiving their pay warrants from our very efficient County Auditor, Mr. Dent, they went their way homeward bound, feeling that they had rendered their county the best service possible.

New Baptist Pastor.

The Rev. N. N. Burton, of Batesburg, the new pastor of the Baptist church in this place, filled his first appointment last Sunday to a large and appreciative congregation. The Rev. Mr. Burton is one of the most gifted preachers in the Baptist church and has already endeared himself to the members of his congregation.

Easter Footwear.

Lever, The Shoe Man in Columbia, is offering special prices in Easter footwear. He has the finest and best selected line of shoes for men, women and children, he has ever carried. You just ought to see these shoes before you buy. His shoes for farm and substantial wear are guaranteed. Everybody knows Lever, The Shoe Man, and he will treat you fair and square on every deal.

A DOLLAR IN HAND

is worth only half as much as one in the bank. For there is at least twice in the temptation to spend it. Put temptation out of your way by depositing your cash in

Citizens Bank of Batesburg,

BATESBURG, S. C.

It's safer there any way than in your safe or cash box. Start your account today with what you have. Make it a rule to deposit all your cash and pay all bills by check. You'll find you have more left for yourself every time you balance your books. We pay interest on time deposits quarterly.

U. X. GUNTER, Pres.

A. C. JONES, Cashier.

WM. M. CARTER, Asst. Cashier.



S. John's News Notes.

To the Editor of The Dispatch:

The wet weather continues and but little plowing has been done, therefore preparation for the coming crop is delayed.

The frosty mornings have about killed the fruit and have injured the gardens.

Wheat and oats are looking fairly well, some recently sown oats are just coming up.

The Lexington-Hollow Creek Phone Company held quite an interesting meeting last Thursday. Many new 'phones have recently been put in and others have been applied for.

Mr. Heber Ballentine's school at Mt. Pleasant closed last Friday afternoon. The entertainment was very good.

Some days ago Mr. J. J. Harman's pretty colt hurt one of its legs. The hurt seemed to be about well when it is thought that blood poison took place and it died soon after.

We are glad to note that Mr. C. H.

Livingston and family have recovered from a severe attack of measles. March 22. S.

Whitten's Opening.

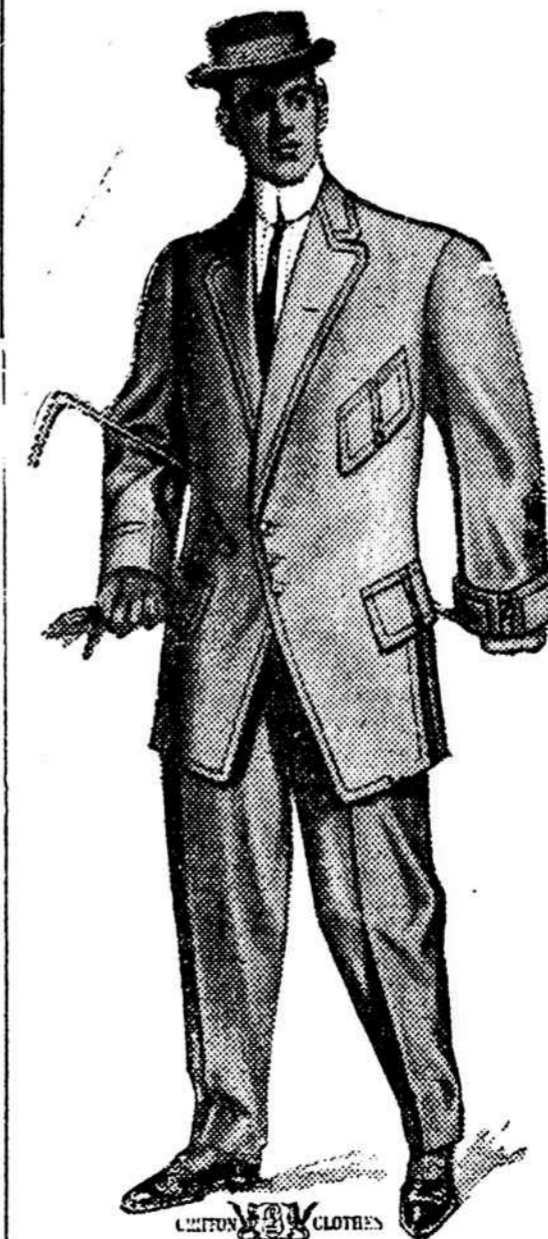
In this issue the Whitten Dry Goods Co., of Batesburg, announce their grand spring opening tomorrow and next day. The array of new goods at this popular establishment this season surpasses all previous efforts and marks a new era in the history of Batesburg. Whitten is recognized as a leader in the mercantile world and it is a known fact that he is one of the best buyers in the country. Attend the opening at Whitten's and get all your friends to do likewise.

New Pupils

Misses Mary Ballentine and Ruth Long, who entered the Palmetto Institute on Monday have also had their names added to Mrs. E. B. Roof's already large music class. These schools are doing good work for this section.

CLOTHING

OUR SPRING LINE IS NOW READY FOR MEN, YOUNG MEN AND BOYS



We have all the new shades of green, gray, brown and the ever-popular blue. Better value for your money than you can get elsewhere

STYLISH OXFORDS

Newest shades in "Ox Blood Patent Leather," Tan and Gun Metal. We carry nothing but men and boys' shoes, but carry the best of these.

HATS

See the new shapes in Stetson and Jefferson hats for Spring. You get the newest and best here.

TAILORING

Don't forget our Tailoring Department. We make a specialty of this line.

E. G. DREHER & CO.

LEXINGTON, SOUTH CAROLINA