

OF INTEREST TO TEACHERS.

State Superintendent Swearingen is Drawing the Lines Tighter.

The following extracts from a letter from J. E. Swearingen, State Superintendent of Education, will no doubt be of interest to many of the teachers in Oconee:

"There will be no summer school anywhere in South Carolina this year except at Wofford College. Teachers whose certificates will expire this year might take advantage of the spring examination or of the summer school at Wofford to secure a renewal of their certificates. The law is plain on this point, and a little precaution now may prevent much annoyance later."

From the above you will see that it will be necessary, for those whose certificates expire, either to take the spring examination or attend the summer school at Wofford to get their certificates renewed. Please do not overlook this, as it will be strictly complied with.

Meeting of Teachers' Association on April 24th.

As the meeting will necessarily be brief, meeting as we shall at 2 p. m., the program has been made short. Beginning at the foundation, the committee requests papers on the following subjects:

- "Duty the Teacher Owes the School"—Miss Bessie Wood.
- "Duty the Teacher Owes the Community"—Prof. J. E. Sanders.
- Committee on Program for next Meeting—Prof. Wm. McCraw, H. R. Hughs and Misses Letze Perritt, Jodie Haley and Mary Lay.
- Committee on Membership—Every teacher in the county.

W. C. Hughs, County Superintendent of Education.

Humphries Wins Prize.

(American Textile Manufacturer, Charlotte, N. C.)

Two weeks ago we offered a prize of \$10 to the subscriber of this publication who could guess nearest the number of names we added to our subscription list during the three months ending April 1st, 1909. We now find the total number of names added to be 881, and that the nearest guess is 879, being that of John E. Humphries, carder and spinner of the Walhalla Cotton Mills, of Walhalla, S. C. We, therefore, declare Mr. Humphries the winner, and are mailing him our check for \$10 with congratulations upon his good luck.

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An Invitation.

The International Sunshine Society of South Carolina invites Readers of The Keowee Courier "Presents" At a Handkerchief Shower, Given in Honor of Veterans' Hospital, in Columbia, S. C. Send your "presents" by mail to Mrs. J. W. Bunch, Columbia, S. C. P. S.—Anybody can send one, for even a flower sack hemstitched will do, and two cents will carry it.

Stores Closing Early.

We, the undersigned merchants, agree to close our stores, both front and back doors, at 6.30 p. m., every day, except Saturdays, from the 5th day of April until the 15th day of September: J. J. Ansel, Norman Store, Carter & Co., O. H. Schumacher, C. W. & J. E. Bauknight, Moss & Ansel, C. W. Pritchard, A. P. Crisp, C. H. Humphries, J. C. Rochester, R. A. McLees.

The Townville Oil Mill.

(Anderson Mail, April 13.) The following officers have been elected by the Fork Township Oil mill, which was bought some time ago by John N. Bleckley: John N. Bleckley, president; J. J. Fretwell, vice president; Lee G. Holleman, treasurer, and D. O. Brown, secretary. The mill is now closed down and all of the old machinery is being thoroughly overhauled. Some new machinery is being installed, and the buildings are being repaired and painted. The mill will reopen in September in time for the new seed, and will be in excellent condition.

Items from Chauga.

Chauga, April 12.—Special: Farm work is well under way, and the farmers are planting their corn first this time. R. C. Floyd has returned to Asheville, N. C., after a two weeks' visit to his mother. The friends and patrons of the school here will be pleased to learn that the summer term will be taught by Miss Rena Hunsinger. W. H. Lee has greatly improved his dwelling by the liberal use of the paint brush. Mrs. S. K. Thompson made a short visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Burnside, near Holly Springs, recently. Mrs. S. R. Cobb and son Marshall, of Stephens county, Georgia, visited relatives here recently. Benjamin Blackwell died at his home on Chauga on April 8th after a long illness. He was a United States pensioner. His body was laid to rest in Holly Springs cemetery. S. W. N. A large assortment of Campbell's Stains and Floor Finishes have just been received by Carter Hardware Company. These Stains are unequalled for staining and varnishing furniture and interior woodwork. The floor finish is very durable and suitable for all floors. Ask for color card.

PLEA FOR GOOD ROADS.

Mr. Zachary Contends Oconee Roads are Better than Anderson's.

Editor Keowee Courier: With your permission I will state a few more facts about the roads on the east side of Seneca river, but I am at a loss where to aim. As my friend from Pendleton is first on one side of the river and then on the other, it is impossible to locate him. However, will content myself with one more shot on the wing, and one only. My friend mistook my meaning if he thought I was making light of their being recognized as part of Oconee. I was somewhat amused that good, level headed citizens would want to be cut off into another county when they know the traveling facilities are no better, and in many places worse. These are facts, and all living on that side know it as well as I do.

Now let us see how badly they have been neglected for the last ten years. I know that four years of that time every dollar of taxes for roads belonging to that section was placed on their roads, and their own citizens did the work; and I have good reasons to believe it has been the case ever since.

Let us review the bridge matter a little. Maxwell's bridge cost Oconee \$3,500, and passing up the river five miles you come to Cherry's bridge, which was erected at a cost of \$4,000. This is in sight of Ravenel's, which cost \$750. Now, Friend Miles, couple these figures together and see if your friends have been sadly neglected. I am of the opinion that my friend should have an inlet to his own town hill, which he admits is still there, but in fair fix. We would ask our friend to turn his battery on the officials of his own county and have that hill graded. Then I am assured by our Supervisor that he will attend to Oconee's side.

My friend refers to the road leading from Townville to Maxwell's bridge, and wants to know if there is a worse road in Oconee. I don't know the condition of all the roads, but I can assure him there are plenty in Anderson county in worse condition, one of which is the splendidly graded road to Townville. We don't want any such grades in Oconee, especially on this side of the river. Well, what if it was a good grade? (which it is not). There is no crossing on the river but a flat. There was an Andersonian had cause to pass that way last winter and had to wait two days and nights before he could get across—his horse and buggy on one side and he on the other. Do you call this an up-to-date crossing for the "banner county"? This same road crosses the 13teen-Mile creek in the Pinckney bottoms, and I had cause to pass that way in January, and the road was so bad that the travel had to quit the road bed and was compelled to turn out in the bottom about thirty feet from the road, thereby trespassing on some more of Anderson's valuable land. I have heard of no one having this to do at Conners, which my friend calls my attention to. I want the public to know also that two-thirds of this road is in Anderson county. The little piece of road this side of Maxwell's is narrow, but level, which seems to be a disgrace to Oconee, yet it is not so much so as the road leading directly to the city of Anderson, which is so narrow you can gather plums as you travel along in your buggy.

Now, Miles, this is the truth and you cannot deny it. If you do I will prove it by one of Pendleton's citizens. Now for that valuable land which was cut off by the change at the Smyth place. It had been abandoned for years and there was nothing on it but a few bunches of broomstraw, some scrubby pine bushes and the balance in poverty grass, and I had my doubts if it was strong enough to hold up the road-bed, but it has so far.

If Anderson has no deficiency let her draw out some of her surplus cash and expend it on the roads between the Eighteen-Mile creek and the line of Oconee. Now, Friend Sliton, have these roads put in good shape, and then talk about extending your boundary line over in the fertile valley of the Seneca. I have tried to show to the public the status of the situation in and around the territory discussed with the best of feeling toward all concerned, and if I have wounded the feelings of any one I did not intend it. John R. Zachary.

Card of Thanks.

Editor Courier: We desire, through your columns to thank our friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted in caring for our dear mother in her last illness. M. R. Boyd, E. V. Cannon, A. E. Fricks.

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FARMERS' UNION CALL ISSUED.

County Presidents to Meet in Columbia on April 29.

The following important meeting has been ordered:

"All the county presidents are especially requested to meet with the State executive committee on Thursday, April 29, 1909, at 8 p. m., in the city of Columbia, S. C., for the purpose of consulting together in reference to the handling of the cotton crop of 1909, and such other matters as may be useful for the up-building of the union in securing a more complete organization in all the counties of the State.

"As many of the county secretaries and county business agents as can conveniently do so are requested to attend also, together with as many members of the union who can come. A mass meeting is desired for discussion and consultation.

"B. Harris, President S. C. Farmers' Union. J. Whitner Reid, Sec.-Treas."

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