



"TO THINE OWN SELF BE TRUE. AND IT MUST FOLLOW AS THE NIGHT THE DAY: THOU CANST NOT THEN BE FALSE TO ANY MAN."

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Mules AND Horses

ONE CAR OF FINE MARE MULES TO ARRIVE LAST OF THIS WEEK.

COME IN AND SEE THEM.

C.W.&J.E.Bauknight,

Walhalla, S. C.

It Pays to Buy for Cash.

The Lutheran Synod of S. C. will Convene in Walhalla Next Week

Met Here Thirty Years Ago--Officers Then and Now. St. John's Church 55 Years Old--Some Facts from the Past--Church Remembered by Charlestonian.

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina will hold its 92d convention in the historic St. John's Lutheran church of Walhalla, beginning Monday, October 30, at 8 p. m.

Some Interesting Facts. On November 20, 1853, the following members signed the constitution, containing 93 articles, establishing "St. John's German Evangelical Lutheran Church":

John H. Ostendorf, Jacob Schroder, D. Biemann, H. Kne, H. Fajen, Martin C. Wendelken, Elmer Cappelmann, Ernest Breissen, I. W. F. Struhs, Fritz Wald, John Huskamp, Jacob Schroder, John M. Hencken, J. H. Kleinbeck, F. Leopold, Jacob Busch, Henry Bahntje, Catherine D. Bulwinkel, G. H. Troeber, W. D. Bruggerman, Hanke Gissel, J. C. VonLehe, C. H. Hepe, John P. Neibuhr, F. Meier, Ludwig Marx, John Bremer, C. H. Ludemann, Augustus Brennecke, Johannes Kruse, Conrad Brandt, Conrad Joost, G. H. D. Kramer, T. H. Koldemorgen, F. Wiebens, T. S. Kollmorgen.

The colony of Germans out of which the Lutheran congregation grew came to this up-country from Charleston under the direction of the German Colonization Society. The leaders in this enterprise were Capt. John A. Wagener, Christopher F. Seeba, Claus Bulwinkel, J. C. Henckel and Jacob Schroder. Of the 37 first settlers there is not one now living in Walhalla. Nearly all--if not all--have passed away.

The original purchase for colonization purposes was 17,859 acres for \$27,000. The survey of the town was made by Tyre B. Mauldin in 1850, and the first house was built the same year by D. Biemann on the site where the old Biemann Hotel now stands. That was a typical log cabin. Settlers soon moved in from Charleston and built homes along Main street. This is a wide street (120 feet), and at one time had three rows of beautiful shade trees.

In 1868 Walhalla became the county seat of Oconee county and settlers, other than German, moved in.

There was no railroad in the early days, and Anderson, S. C., Augusta and Athens, Ga., were the nearest markets. The material needed from outside sources was, therefore, not so easily and quickly obtained.

The first officers of the town, in 1856, were John H. Ostendorf, Intendant; Herman Fajen, Jacob Schroder, John W. F. Thompson, Henry Bahntje, Herman Kne and John M. Hencken, Wardens. John M. Hencken was clerk of Council.

H. P. Thode was President of the German Settlement Society in 1858.

There were seven members of the first Church Council in 1853, including the pastor. The following were elected at that time: Rev. C. F. Bamsimer, president; G. M. D. Cramer, secretary; C. Sahlmann, treasurer; H. C. Rochau, G. H. Korber, H. Fajen, C. H. Hesse.

The members of the council in the Lutheran church at present are: John A. Ansel, chairman; W. D. Lady, O. H. Schumacher, Jr., H. C. Velburg, elders; H. T. Ritter, G. D. Schumacher, R. F. Kaufmann, H. W. Brandt, deacons.

Before the organization of the Lutheran church, Dr. Lewis Muller, of Charleston, visited here and performed pastoral duties about May, 1852, as the baptismal records show.

The first pastor and organizer of the congregation was Rev. C. F. Bamsimer.

On May 28, 1859, the present church edifice was raised. The timbers used were from the original forest and many were taken from the land adjoining and still owned by the church. Only the best material was used, and inside as well as outside, is yellow heart pine. The timbers seem as sound to-day as when they were placed 55 years ago.

The framing of the church was hewn by members, and John Kaufmann was foreman of the work. It is a well proportioned church, with splendid acoustics, and with a seating capacity sufficient for some years of future healthy growth. The congregation has no debts, and owns, in addition to the church and four acres of land with it, a parsonage in the most desirable section of town, recently remodeled and enlarged. They believe in the "Gospel of Work"--that if a man will not work neither should he eat. The friends who come amongst them at this Synodical gathering will find them like the faith they confess--the simplicity of the Gospel as it is in Christ.

The Transformation.

While the older German people in the congregation naturally love the mother tongue they generously acceded to the necessity of preaching the Gospel in the language of their children. No other of the larger Protestant churches in this country has had the ponderous task of transplanting itself into a new land and a new language as has the Lutheran church. While this transformation

was taking place many losses resulted. It required a generation for a people speaking a foreign language to adapt themselves to the varied conditions of a new land.

The problems of the Lutheran church in Walhalla have been like unto those of the church in many places; but in religion, as in the secular affairs of life, what one sacrifices for becomes dearer to him. The Lutheran people of Walhalla are loyal to their faith and take a great pride in the old church, whose tower one sees from every surrounding hill and mountain side, directing one's thoughts upward, skyward.

They must have had a sense of the fitness of things--those German fathers--the Temple of Justice stands close by their Temple of Mercy and Peace.

"Walhalla" was the Norseman's hall of the "illustrious dead," the "immortals." So here the mystic German found the peaceful valley by the foot-hills, where he could enjoy the fruits of his labor and pass from this home of happiness into immortality. They built a town with broad avenues and overhanging trees, in faith that here one day others would choose this valley for a home, and that when it should grow into a city of factories and business life there

was president at that meeting. He is still a member of the Synod, serving the Woman's Memorial church, Spartanburg, and is secretary of the United Synod, which will meet in Wilmington, N. C., November 9. Dr. J. H. Wilson was vice-president. He now serves the Lutheran church in Sumter. Rev. A. B. McMakin was secretary. He left the South some years ago. The Treasurer, Major P. E. Wise, of Prosperity, S. C., died several years ago.

The South Carolina Synod then had 56 congregations. It has now 80, with about the same proportion of increase in membership.

The present officers of Synod are: Rev. P. E. Monroe, president, Leesville; Rev. Edw. Pulewider, vice-president, Newberry; Rev. W. B. Aull, secretary, Walhalla; A. H. Kohn, treasurer, Columbia.

New officers will be elected at the beginning of this session.

The Synod owns and controls Newberry College, Newberry, and Summerland College, Leesville, S. C. The latter is a college for girls exclusively. Many people here still remember Newberry College while it was located in Walhalla.

A Pleasant Surprise.

The following item, clipped from the Charleston News and Courier, brought quite a deal of gratification to the members of St. John's Lutheran church, Walhalla. The gift of \$1,000 to this church by the will of a Charleston lady proves of great advantage to the church. The item follows, in full:

"Mrs. Deborah K. Cramer has left a bequest of \$5,000 to the Charleston Orphan House and the sum of \$1,000 to St. John's Lutheran church at

OCONEE COTTON MARKET. Wednesday, 10.35 A. M.

Table with 2 columns: Cotton type and price per pound. Includes entries for Seneca, Westminster, Walhalla, Newry, and West Union.

Ginners' Report.

This morning at 10 o'clock the second ginning report was given out at Washington. The report shows the following comparisons:

Table with 2 columns: Year and quantity. Shows 1915 at 5,710,000 and 1916 at 7,290,000.

The market was expecting a larger ginning report for 1916 and immediately there was a sharp advance in New York prices. Yesterday the market weakened, but rallied before the close and reached new high levels.

An Error Corrected.

In the quotation given last week by The Courier as that of W. P. Nimmons for cotton and seed at 10.35 a. m., there was a mistake. At that hour Mr. Nimmons was called at Seneca and asked for his quotation. The reply came back to us "Cotton 18c. per pound, seed \$54 per ton." Immediately on The Courier's reaching Seneca Mr. Nimmons requested us to give authority for the quotation, as he had not given it. At that hour (10.25 a. m., Wednesday, the 18th), Mr. Nimmons was paying considerably more than our quotation for cotton, as the market had advanced.

We regret this error, and we are unable to account for it. No one at Mr. Nimmons' store gave the quotation, we are assured; yet we asked the telephone central for W. P. Nimmons' store, got a connection, and of course supposed that we were receiving a direct quotation from Mr. Nimmons. We have not learned as yet who gave the quotation.

AN ABBEVILLE HORROR.

Negro Lynched As Result of Controversy With White Man.

Abbeville, Oct. 21.--Anthony Crawford, a negro, was taken from the county jail here by a crowd of 200 men and his body riddled with bullets after he was hung to a tree this afternoon about 3.30 o'clock.

The trouble began this morning when Crawford, who is reputed to have been wealthy, got into a dispute with one of the cotton seed buyers. A crowd quickly gathered, determined to punish Crawford for his rough language, but trouble was averted for a while by Policeman Botts, who took Crawford to police headquarters, where he was released on bond.

A few minutes later Crawford was seen at a cotton gin not very far from the scene, and the crowd, still anxious to punish him, went for him. Crawford had a sledge hammer in his hand, with which he struck M. B. Cann on the head, crushing his skull and inflicting a very serious wound.

When the crowd finished with Crawford it was thought he would die. He was removed to the county jail. When it was learned this afternoon that he was not dead another crowd gathered, forced the door of the jail and dragged Crawford to the edge of the town, near the fair grounds, where he was strung up to a tree and filled with bullets.

Mr. Cann, who was struck with the hammer, was reported by his brother as resting fairly well to-night.

17 Were Lost, 3 Saved.

New Orleans, Oct. 23.--Seventeen members of the crew of the steamer L. Edward Hines, including Capt. F. M. McKelge, Jr., of New York, were drowned when the steamer was sunk in the Caribbean Sea, 45 miles east of Belize, British Honduras, in the tropical hurricane on October 15, according to a wireless message received here to-day from its Belize agents. Only three members of the crew were saved. The L. Edward Hines sailed from New Orleans October 7 with a cargo of lumber for Cristobal.

8 P. M.

Address by Dr. J. C. Seegers, of Columbia. Subject: "The Lutheran Church and Education."

Wednesday--9 A. M.

Business sessions.

8 P. M.

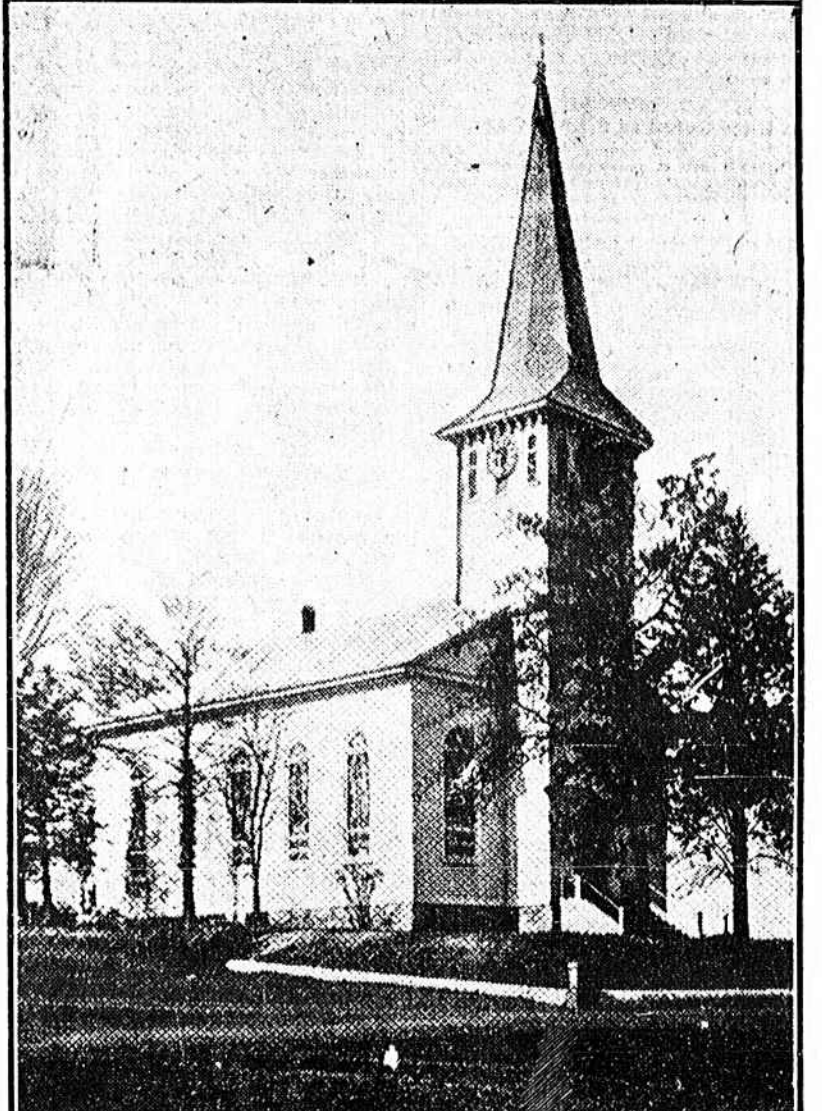
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Business sessions.

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Address by Rev. J. L. Smith, Florence. Subject: "Missions."



ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, WALHALLA. (Erected 1859.)

would be so crowded alleys and narrow streets. More grassy laws and shaded avenues will add to its natural scenery. There is no finer climate in South Carolina, with pure water and ozone from the Blue Ridge.

The First Pastors

of the church were German-speaking until the younger people grew up and desired the English. Then it was necessary to have a man who could speak both German and English. In recent years English has been used almost exclusively.

The following pastors have served the congregation:

- Rev. C. F. Bamsimer--1858-1860. Rev. August Angerer--1860-64. Rev. Carl Weber--1867-69. Rev. J. H. C. Schreerenbeck--1871-75. Rev. J. F. Probst--1875-77. Rev. J. G. Bohm--1878-80. Rev. W. Pilz--1881-82. Rev. J. F. Probst--1883-85. Rev. J. C. Brodhufer--1885-89. Rev. S. C. Zettner--1890-93. Rev. G. J. Martz--1894-95. Rev. J. G. Schald--1895-1903. Rev. H. C. Grossman--1904-1907. Rev. T. B. Epting--1908-1910. Rev. J. B. Umberger--1911-1915. Rev. W. B. Aull--1915-1916. Drs. J. Steck and J. P. Smeltzer supplied at different times, but were not regular pastors.

Synod Met Here 30 Years Ago.

Thirty years ago, the 13th of this month, the South Carolina Synod met in this church. Dr. S. T. Hallman

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Earle's Grove Graded School. The winter session of Earle's Grove Graded School will begin Monday, October 30. All pupils are requested to bring their promotion certificates (or cards) given them by their previous teachers at the close of the past session.

21 Lose Lives on Erie. Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 22.--Twenty-one members of the crew of the steamer James B. Colgate were drowned in Lake Erie Friday night when the Colgate, bound from Buffalo to Fort William, Ontario, with coal, went down in a storm off Erie, Pa. The tragedy became known only to-day when Capt. Grashaw, of Cleveland, sole survivor, was picked up by a car ferry and taken to Conneaut, Ohio, after being afloat 34 hours on a life raft.

Miss Mary Ellen Wilson, Teacher of EXPRESSION.

GUINEA SHOATS, two and three months old; also Blue Straw Wheat Seed for sale by T. D. ALEXANDER, Walhalla, Route 1.