

DIST. COUNCILS OF DEFENSE.

Organization Perfected at Westminster Last Friday Night.

Last Friday, July 6th, at 8.30 p. m., pursuant to previous announcement, there was a meeting of the township chairmen at the school auditorium in Westminster for the purpose of thoroughly organizing Oconee county in accordance with the plan of the South Carolina State Council of Defense.

Those present were R. T. Jaynes, county chairman; J. S. Smith, Dr. E. C. Doyle, M. A. Moss, D. E. Nicholson and J. M. Bruner, township chairmen.

T. A. Smith, County Superintendent of Education; Miss Ruth Berry, County Home Demonstration Agent, and O. W. Pitts were present by invitation to assist in the work of organization.

In accordance with the plans of the State Council for the thorough organization of the citizenship of the State, school district councils were appointed and constituted as follows:

- 1. Townville—W. T. Hunt, W. N. Woolbright, Mrs. J. B. Ligon, Townville, S. C.
2. Tokeena—E. P. Bruce, Mrs. John A. McPrall, W. D. Giles, Townville, S. C.
3. Providence—R. A. Reeves, Seneca, R. F. D.; B. S. Herring, Westminster, Rt. 4; Mrs. John W. Gibson, Townville, Rt. 1.
4. Return—Furman O. Skelton, D. W. Jaynes, Mrs. Sam L. Brown, Seneca, Rt. 4.
5. Oakway—C. C. Myers, W. A. Bowen, Westminster, Rt. 2; Mrs. W. W. Bearden, Seneca, Rt. 4.
6. Fair Play—Walter R. Davis, Mrs. W. C. Mayes, W. T. McClure, Fair Play, S. C.
7. South Union—Mrs. J. H. Brown, Rev. C. D. Boyd, O. H. Burris, Westminster, Rt. 2.
8. Retreat—H. L. Verner, Geo. F. Meares, Mrs. Robt. T. Jones, Westminster, Rt. 2.
9. Block—Mrs. J. J. Knox, H. C. Moorehead, L. F. Harbert, Westminster, Rt. 1.
10. Tabor—J. Wrinn, Jos. A. Knox, Mrs. H. C. King, Westminster, Rt. 1.
11. Hopewell—J. F. Singleton, Mrs. Jno. T. Jenkins, W. E. Cothran, Westminster, R. F. D.
12. Cleveland—Joab F. Stewart, Westminster, R. F. D.; Jas. Spencer, Mrs. J. R. Cannon, Madison, Rt. 1.
13. Tugaloo—J. P. Powell, Mrs. W. Y. Smith, John S. Denney, Madison, Rt. 1.
15. Tokaway—Mrs. C. G. Smith, Westminster, Rt. 5; J. Miller Davis, William Carson, Westminster, Star Route.
16. Holly Springs—Andy Cobb, Henry Blackwell, Mrs. Ervin Long, Westminster Star Route.
17. Westminster—Mrs. S. F. Reeder, Jas. G. Breazeale, T. Peden Anderson, Mrs. J. H. Stonecypher, Mrs. C. H. Goldsmith, P. W. Matheson, F. Shirley, B. M. England, Dr. C. M. Walker, Westminster, S. C.
18. Clearmont—Mrs. J. D. Wakefield, R. M. Wilson, Oscar Driver, Westminster, Rt. 4.
19. Richland—Miss Beulah Berry, Seneca, R.F.D.; J. P. Stribling, Richland; J. J. Ballenger, Seneca, R.F.D.
20. Jas. R. Wright, D. A. Perritt, Miss Carrie Smith, Seneca, Rt. 1.
21. Blue Ridge—Miss Maude Burley, W. R. Lynch, C. E. Gambrell, Walhalla, Rt. 1.
22. Oak Grove—W. R. Cobb, Walhalla, Rt. 1; Mrs. W. B. Dilworth, J. Walter Alexander, Westminster, Rt. 4.
23. Chauga—J. R. Suttles, J. B. Cox, Mrs. W. E. Lee, Westminster, Rt. 4.
24. Zion—Wesley A. White, Miss Eva Manning, Bright Thompson, Walhalla, Rt. 1.
25. Neville—Ernest O. Hutchison, S. J. Isbell, Walhalla, Rt. 1; Miss Gussie DuPre, Walhalla Star Route.
26. Walhalla—W. C. Hughs, W. M. Brown, Chas. F. Hetrick, C. W. Bauknight, M. G. Long, S. N. Pitchford, Mrs. Jas. H. Darby, Mrs. J. A. Steek, Miss Gertrude Smith, Walhalla.
27. West Union—L. M. Brown, Jesse C. Neville, Mrs. Jas. Phinney, E. P. Hutchison, J. C. Shockley, Mrs. C. W. Wickliffe, West Union.
28. Speed's Creek—Miss Willie Cox, W. M. Campbell, E. E. Sheriff, Seneca, R. F. D.
29. Friendship—Lawrence O. Phillips, M. T. Conwell, Mrs. Lillie G. Crooks, Seneca, R. F. D.
30. Shiloh—Edward Hamilton, Mrs. Billie Moore, John A. Harbin, Seneca, R. F. D.
31. Corinth—J. T. Dyar, Mrs. Warren R. Davis, W. M. Baldwin, Seneca, Rt. 2.
32. Stone Church (Clemson)—Mrs. S. J. Martin, Dr. W. M. Riggs, Dr. A. M. Redfern, Clemson College.
33. Cherry—A. G. Fretwell, Mrs. W. S. Durham, Davis Fant, Pendleton, R. F. D.
34. Fairview—Terry Meares, W. I. McLaughan, Mrs. Walter Kestler, Seneca, Rt. 1.
35. Keowee—J. Fulton Hunnicutt, J. L. Kell, West Union, Rt. 1; Miss Wannie Morgan, Seneca, Rt. 1.
36. Boone's Creek—B. P. Chapman, A. J. Heaton, Mrs. Lee Crow, Salem, Rt. 2.
37. Norton—J. H. M. Whitnire, Mrs. J. M. V. Clark, West Union, Rt. 1; T. R. Keith, Seneca, Rt. 1.
38. Warsaw—R. E. Nimmons, Wm. T. Vaughan, Mrs. F. T. Y. Hunnicutt, Salem, Rt. 2.
39. Fall Branch—W. M. Finlay, W. E. Jones, Mrs. J. S. Cantrell, Salem, Rt. 2.
40. McKlhinney's Creek—J. H. Whitnire, Henson Chapman, Salem.
41. Jocassee—A. L. Whitnire, Thomps. Hinkle, Miss Rosa Crow, Jocassee, S. C.
42. Salem—P. L. Green, Mrs. B. J. Moody, J. A. Sloan, Salem.
43. Little River—R. W. Burgess, Mrs. Ida Holden, A. P. Barton, Salem, Rt. 1.
44. Cheochee—Jesse Hay, J. L. Tudson, Mrs. John Holden, Tamassee, Rt. 1.
45. Tamassee—W. J. Beard, H. G. Jones, Tamassee; Mrs. J. E. Kelly, Walhalla, Rt. 2.
46. Flat Shoals—Jas. George, J. D. Cowan, Mrs. Chas. Brewer, Walhalla, Rt. 2.
47. Picket Post—L. A. Lay, W. N.

- Todd, Mrs. J. H. Beatty, Walhalla, Rt. 2.
48. Bear Pen—John L. Coward, E. W. Corbin, Mrs. Frank Alexander, Salem, Rt. 1.
49. Village Creek—W. C. Barker, J. A. Nicholson, Mrs. A. L. Orr, Mt. Rest, Rt. 2.
50. Oconee Creek—J. H. Hunnicutt, J. L. Hall, Walhalla, Rt. 2; Mrs. W. J. O. Ray, Walhalla, Rt. 3.
51. Bethlehem—Simon Hunt, Miss Hattie Pell, Virgil Ramey, Mt. Rest.
52. Mill Creek—John T. Ramey, Mt. Rest, S. C.; Wm. Winchester, Miss Kate Russell, Russell's S. C.
53.—None.
54. Chattooga—Mrs. I. W. Henry, W. B. Mongold, J. D. Hamby, Mt. Rest, Rt. 1.
55. Belmont—Mrs. W. R. Hunt, Geo. W. Wilbanks, Mt. Rest, Rt. 1; W. E. Gillespie, Walhalla, S. C.
56. Mountain Grove—James B. Phillips, Geo. W. Cobb, Mrs. W. B. Barker, Mt. Rest, Rt. 1.
57.—None.
58. Poplar Springs—Mrs. Tom R. Ramey, Rev. M. J. Moore, Virgil Wilbanks, Mt. Rest, Rt. 1.
59. Long Creek—G. C. Arve, J. C. Lee, Mrs. Della Rhoetter, Mrs. W. N. Moore, Long Creek, S. C.
60. Brasstown—F. B. Lee, A. A. Rothell, Miss Dora Breedlove, Long Creek, S. C.
61. Damascus—Rev. D. F. Carter, Mrs. M. H. Lee, J. N. Watkins, Battle Creek, S. C.
62. Pulaski—P. J. Carter, Battle Creek, S. C.; Jas. G. Lee, Mrs. R. H. Powell, Madison, Rt. 1.
63. Seneca—R. L. Nimmons, J. M. Barron, Y. C. Langston, C. N. Gignilliat, J. H. Henderson, R. M. Tribble, W. T. Edwards, Mrs. W. J. Lunney, Mrs. R. D. Neill, Mrs. Leslie Stribling, Seneca, S. C.
64. Oconee Station—Mrs. J. H. Crenshaw, J. H. N. Collins, James Moore, Tamassee, Rt. 1.
65. Fort George—Ralph Pike, Jas. Alexander, Mrs. W. M. Barker, Salem, Rt. 2.
67. Union—J. L. Dickson, W. J. Owens, Miss Sue Perkins, Westminster, R.F.D.
68. Reedy Fork—Mrs. T. J. Dalton, Haskell Cleveland, B. D. Mauldin, Seneca, S. C.
69. Ebenezer—T. W. LeCroy, Mrs. W. J. Hunt, Sloan Medlin, Walhalla, Rt. 3.
70. Newry—St. John Courtenay, C. E. Gillard, Mrs. C. L. Anderson, B. S. Boggs, S. W. Foster, Newry, S. C.
71. Earle's Grove—Mrs. Elias Earle, Townville; J. P. Ables, L. H. Richey, Westminster, R.F.D.
73. Fairfield—J. F. Davis, Mrs. J. V. Broadwell, M. G. Holland, Walhalla, Rt. 2.
74. Crawford—P. W. Sheriff, J. T. Crawford, Mrs. W. J. McCrary, Fair Play, Rt. 1.
75. Madison—J. D. Hull, J. D. Jones, Mrs. J. R. Cleland, Madison.
76. Smeltzer—J. H. Wigginton, W. H. Lusk, Miss Mertie Perry, Salem, Rt. 1.
77. Zimmerman—S. J. Lyles, Sam Jefferson, Mrs. W. O. Carter, Madison, Rt. 1.
Township Chairmen—(Colored): Center—Adam H. Hunter, Westminster, R.F.D.; Isaac Benson, Fair Play; James Holland, Townville.
Keowee—John A. Hicks, B. F. Agnew, West Union; W. M. Wright, Salem.
Chattooga—None.
Whitewater—None.
Tugaloo—Jasper G. Daniels, Wylie Ferguson, R. T. Skelton, Westminster.
Seneca—W. J. Thomas, George Scott, S. J. Blassengame, Seneca.
Wagner—Phillip Mattison, Arthur Williams, Walhalla; Jefferson D. Rice, West Union.
G. M. Barnett, Farm Demonstration Agent, and Miss Ruth Berry, Home Demonstration Agent, have been appointed members of the Oconee County Council of Defense, which is constituted of the county chairman and the several township chairmen.
The duties of the Council of Defense are many and varied, according to the necessities of the situation which the war has thrust upon us. It is necessary that our people have an intelligent conception of the issues involved and the dangers to which we are exposed. An efficient and successful prosecution of the war will be impossible unless the whole nation stands solidly behind the government, each doing his proper part for the success of military operations on land and sea.
We are expected also to keep constantly before the people the necessity of producing the greatest amount of foodstuffs and of consuming as small amounts as practicable. There will from time to time be assigned special work to the council in addition to the work they are expected to carry on continuously.
All agencies working in behalf of the nation will be expected to co-ordinate their activities with ours.
R. T. Jaynes, County Chairman.

FOURTH SUNDAY GREAT DAY

At Bethlehem Baptist Church—Protracted Meeting to Follow.

One of the greatest events in the history of Bethlehem Baptist church will take place on the 4th Sunday in this month, when there will be a church reunion and general get-together day. To this gathering will come not only the present members, but all who have ever belonged to this church, all former pastors, and all friends of every name within reach. It will be a day of exceptional good will and warm welcome to every one.

The program will be somewhat as follows:

- 9.30 to 11.00 a. m.—Sunday school rally, composed of lesson recitation, Sunday school talks, and song services, conducted by special leaders.
11.00 to 12.00—Sermon by Rev. L. H. Ralnes, of Long Creek.
12.00 to 1.30 p. m.—Intermission for dinner.
1.30 to 2.00—Song service.
2.00—Sermon by Rev. T. L. Smith, First Baptist church, Walhalla.
After the sermon there will be a music program conducted by R. W. Grubbs, music teacher, Walhalla.
8.30 p. m.—Preaching service. (Preacher to be supplied.)
These exercises will be the beginning of a revival meeting to be continued through the week.
The people of the neighborhood are requested to bring well-filled baskets.
L. B. Norton, Pastor.

Reception to Miss Stribling.

On Thursday afternoon, June 14th, the ladies of the Presbyterian church held an informal reception at the manse in honor of Miss Frances Stribling, who will leave shortly to engage in mission work in China. The missionaries take with them an outfit sufficient to last for some years; hence Miss Stribling's friends in her church desired not only to enjoy a social hour with her, but to express their love and appreciation of her great work in a material way by making some contribution to her equipment. The guests were met by Mrs. J. C. Neville and Miss Janie Harrison; Mrs. Stribling and Mrs. Hamilton received with Miss Stribling. Light refreshments were served by young girls of the church—Misses Meta Norman, Tabitha Stribling and Mary Nesmith—and Miss Annie Barr, of Greenville. Souvenirs were planned on by little Miss Emma Stribling Dendy. The gifts were rolled in by Miss Stribling's nephew, Jack Dendy, as the Chinaman Jack Sam, part of his Chinese costume having come from China. He bowed in true Oriental fashion as he presented the gifts to Miss Stribling, saying: "When you to the Flowery Kingdom go We s'pose you'll ride in a wheelbarrow; so In a wheelbarrow your gifts we pack, With love and good wishes to fill each crack. I am Jack Sam, Your wheelbarrow man."

UNION MEETING, LOWER DIV.

Will Be Held With Rock Hill Baptist Church July 28 and 29.

Following is the program for the union meeting which will be held with Rock Hill church, Saturday and Sunday, July 28th and 29th:
Saturday.
10.00 o'clock—Devotional exercises. Rev. M. A. Love, pastor.
10.15—Enrollment of delegates.
10.30—Reports as to condition of churches.
11.00—Sermon by Rev. J. H. Clark.
12.00—Miscellaneous business and adjourn.
2.00 p. m.—S. S. Conventions: 1st, "Are they worth while?" 2d, "Should Baptists have their own conventions or do all their work through interdenominational conventions?" Rev. W. R. McMillan.
2.30 p. m.—The work of our State mission board, and our duty to support it. Rev. L. M. Lyda and J. S. Glymph.
3.00 p. m.—Is not the Beaverdam Association over-church'd? If so, what is the remedy? Rev. C. D. Boyd.
3.30 p. m.—What means should be devised to bring the members of our rural churches into closer touch with each other? M. N. Mitchell and Rev. A. P. Marett.
4.00 p. m.—Miscellaneous and adjourn.
Sunday.
10.00 a. m.—Devotional. L. L. Davis.
10.15—Sunday school address by Dr. W. A. Strickland.
11.00—Sermon by Rev. J. A. Martin. Collection and adjourn.
L. M. Lyda, T. D. Marett, K. W. Marett, Program Com.
P. S.—Any church wishing the union meeting in September will please so advise their delegates to make the request at the Rock Hill meeting.

Opening Oconee Creek School.

The Oconee Creek school will open next Monday morning, July 16th, with W. W. West as principal and Miss Stella White, assistant. We are looking for a full attendance the first day. School will open promptly at 8.30. Please let us have a good attendance of the patrons on the first morning, thus giving evidence of our appreciation of our school.
W. M. Murphree, Clerk Board of Trustees.

American Airmen Test Flying.

Rantoul, Ill., July 9.—Twenty-two army airplanes landed safely here today after flying from their base at Ashburn field, near Chicago, in the longest squadron flight ever made by a United States army air fleet. Twenty-three airplanes started, but one aviator became lost in the fog and was forced to land at St. Joseph, Mich. The first plane, with Al Johnson as pilot, made the distance, 100 miles, in one hour, 25 minutes.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

J. F. McL. Hoffmeyer, of Florence is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Brandt. He accompanied his grandfather home last Saturday. Mr. Brandt had been at Florence for several weeks.

Dr. B. F. Sloan is in Baltimore this week, having gone there with his brother, Harry Sloan, of Clemson, who is under treatment by specialists and may undergo an operation. Mr. Sloan has numerous friends here and elsewhere who hope for his early complete recovery.

Edwin F. Hughs is with home-folks and among friends here after an absence of several weeks. He recently enlisted in the navy, and is now awaiting orders. All the naval instruction camps and ships being full, he with many others, is drawing his pay pending being ordered to report when an opening for actual naval instruction can be had.

The Paul Hayne Circle recently enjoyed a pleasant meeting with Mrs. W. C. Hughs. Roll call was answered with current events and the program was as follows: "Italian Painting," Mrs. J. C. Neville; "Morning Stars in Italian Art," Mrs. Sloan; "Benefits of Italian Travel," Miss Gertrude Smith, and a vocal solo by the hostess, which was unusually sweet. After the close of the meeting a delicious ice course was served.

Aged Colored Man Dead.

Seneca, July 4.—Editor Keowee Courier: "Uncle Doc" Owens, of Seneca, died July 2, 1917. He was in his 90th year. He belonged to a Mr. Owens, of Pickens county, at one time a local Methodist preacher and a most devout Christian gentleman. Polite and orderly to all he came in contact with, "Uncle Doc" served as janitor in the graded schools of Marietta, Ga., for eight years. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. S. Greene, pastor of St. James's M. E. church. A large concourse of sorrowing friends followed his remains to the last resting place in Oak Grove cemetery. Verily a good man has died. W. J. T.

Richland News Items.

Richland, July 10.—Special: As I take my pen in hand this morning to write a few brief paragraphs, I am seized with an unexplainable vagueness as to what I shall write about, for my memory galleries are ransacked in vain for some interesting news. But, knowing that there are some readers of The Courier residing without the bounds of the county or the State who eagerly scan its columns every week for some bit of news about their homefolks or friends, and also since some few, probably, will be watching this space from week to week, it behooves me to tell them that "Pluck" is back on the job for the next two months, and that all the more important "goings" and "comings" will be chronicled. Should this space appear blank occasionally, just know that "all's well" here, for should anything noticeable happen it will be promptly reported.

Although a number of showers fell to hamper work on the farm, and the glorious Fourth was a wet day, the people of the community were busy at home and did not visit or be visited to any extent last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Little and two children, Anna Belle and Peyton, and Mrs. Belle Carmichael and son Jim, of Carnesville, Ga., spent Thursday at the home of J. P. Stribling. Mrs. Little and children remained over to spend the week here and at Westminster.

Robert Davis is on a several days' visit to relatives in Gainesville, Ga. The massive reinforced concrete bridge which is to accommodate the new double tracks across Conners creek has just been completed by the contractors, Messrs. Hickey. This bridge was not quite a year in the building, but it seems to have been carefully and properly built and certainly looks as if it will solve the bridge problem here for the future.

A concrete underpass has also been completed through the fill just northeast of the post office, near Stiles N. Hughs's residence, to eliminate the danger of the public road crossing the railroad there on a grade.

Program of Union Meeting.

The union meeting of the Twelve-Mile River Baptist Association will meet with Holly Springs church, in Pickens county, on the 28th and 29th of July.
Saturday.
10.00 a. m.—Devotional services by the moderator.
11.00—Sermon by Rev. Chas. B. Atkinson.
1.00 to 1.30 p. m.—1st query: What is the duty of the church in the present crisis? Opened by E. M. Bolding.
1.30 to 3.00—2d query: How can we best bring about a general Bible reading and study by the members of our churches? Opened by Rev. B. F. Murphree.
3.00 to 4.00—3d query: Will the forming of pastoral fields give better service than our present methods? Opened by D. E. Garrett.

Sunday Morning.

9.30—Devotionals by H. F. Wright.
10.00—General discussion on the Sunday school lesson, conducted by the moderator.
11.00—Sermon by Rev. E. M. Bolding.
Sunday afternoon will be given to the singers.
E. M. Bolding, David Vickery, J. H. Marsingill, Committee.

Gerard Has Retired.

Washington, July 9.—James W. Gerard, former ambassador to Germany, has resigned from the diplomatic service and returned to private life. His resignation was accepted some time ago, though the fact was not allowed to become known until today.

BUGGIES, WAGONS, HARNESS, Doors, Sash and Blinds. PAINTS AND OILS.

Complete Stock of GENERAL MERCHANDISE W. P. Nimmons, Seneca, S. C.

FRANK E. ALEXANDER, OF KENNEDY & ALEXANDER, REAL ESTATE ANDERSON, S. C. Will be in Walhalla for a month or two. Any one interested in buying or selling Land will do well to see him.

Singing Convention Aug. 4 and 5.

The Oconee County Annual Singing Convention will meet with New Bethel Baptist church (Oakway) on the first Saturday and Sunday in August, the 4th and 5th. We invite all to come and bring all song books. J. P. Morton, President.

A mechanical scrubbing machine which carries brushes, soap powder and water, is a novelty among electrical devices. It has also a suction pump which removes the dirty water after the scrubbing is done, and the machine is said to leave the floor immaculate.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA. ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS.

Entrance examinations to the University of South Carolina will be held by the County Superintendent of Education at the County Court House, FRIDAY, JULY 13, 1917. The University offers varied courses of study in science, literature, history, law and business. The expenses are moderate any many opportunities for self-support are afforded. A large number of scholarships are available. Graduates of colleges in this State receive free tuition in all courses except in the School of Law. For full particulars write to THE PRESIDENT, University of South Carolina, 24-26 Columbia, S. C.

THE CITADEL THE MILITARY COLLEGE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

Announced as "Distinguished Military College" by U. S. War Department. Full courses in Civil Engineering, Sciences, English and Modern Languages. Confers B. S. and C. E. degrees. A scholarship worth \$300 a year is vacant from Oconee County, and will be filled by competitive examination at the county seat on 10th day of August, 1917. For necessary information and blanks, apply to COL. O. J. BOND, The Citadel, CHARLESTON, S. C.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT AND DISCHARGE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will make application to V. F. Martin, Judge of Probate for Oconee County, in the State of South Carolina, at his office at Walhalla Court House, on Saturday, the 11th day of August, 1917, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, or as soon thereafter as said application can be heard, for leave to make final settlement of the estate of John W. Abbott, deceased, and obtain final discharge as Administrator of said estate. L. D. ABBOTT, Administrator of the Estate of John W. Abbott, deceased. July 11, 1917. 28-31

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS.

All persons indebted to the Estate of JOHN W. ABBOTT, deceased, are hereby notified to make payment to the undersigned, and all persons having claims against said estate will present the same, duly attested, within the time prescribed by law or be barred. J. A. STECK, Executor of the Estate of Mrs. Sophie A. Lockwood, deceased. June 27, 1917. 26-29

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LAUNDRY.

Have your laundering done by the Gainesville Steam Laundry, oldest agency in Oconee. Prompt service. Work and prices guaranteed. Laundry called for and delivered in town. Out-of-town customers will leave packages at Gillespie's Pressing Club. For further information phone No. 101. J. R. EARLE, JR., Agent, Walhalla, S. C.