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SPECIAL AND PERSONAL

The Kershaw County Medical Association will hold its regular meeting in Camden this evening, and while here will be the guests of Dr. W. R. Clyburn at his home where the meeting will be held.

The Camden Fire Department had an enjoyable fish fry Thursday evening.

Miss Florence Boykin is a patient at the Camden hospital, having undergone a minor operation there.

Miss Josephine Cureton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cureton, after a pleasant visit to relatives at Liberty Hill, has returned home.

Frank Wooten, Thornwell Hay and Oakman Hay have gone to Wrightsville Beach for a few days. They will also visit Hendersonville before their return home.

Mrs. Jeff Boyd has returned home from a visit to Myrtle Beach.

Mr. G. W. Nicholson was a visitor to Columbia Thursday.

Miss Ella Waller and Miss Elizabeth Mundy, of Columbia, are guests of Miss Helen Boykin.

Mrs. E. M. Workman, of Stockton, who has been a patient in the Fennell Infirmary at Rock Hill, has returned home, considerably improved.

W. B. de Loach and daughter, Miss Faith, who have been visiting the son of Mr. de Loach in Hampton county, have returned home.

Dr. and Mrs. B. D. Stalkner, of Manning, were guests of Dr. and Mrs. F. Brasington last week. Mrs. Stalkner is a sister of Mrs. Brasington.

Rev. F. H. Harding, for a number of years rector of Grace church, Camden, was a visitor here last week. Mr. Harding is now located at Milledgeville, Ga.

Mr. Samuel Head, prominent planter of Aiken, was a guest at the home of the editor of The Messenger Friday night. Mr. Head had been on a visit to his son and family in Charlotte, N. C., and was returning home and stopped over here for the night.

Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Zemp have returned from a visit to Hendersonville.

Mr. J. E. Rhame has gone to Glenn Springs for a few days.

Mrs. Lura Evans, of Monroe, N. C. accompanied by her daughter, Miss Mary Evans, were guests last week of Dr. and Mrs. S. F. Brasington. Mrs. Evans is the mother of Albert Evans, who graduated from the Camden High school last year and who is very popular in Camden.

The congressional candidates speak at Kershaw on the morning of the 13th at eleven o'clock at Bethune on the same date in the evening at 7:30 o'clock. They will speak in Camden on the 25th inst., the date for the county candidates to speak here.

OUR HALL OF FAME



The School Teacher takes our hampered kids and hammers manners and knowledge into them for too few dollars per month. Teachers have a highly responsible job in making good Americans of our young folks and are entitled to close co-operation from parents.

Special Features.

The Messenger is carrying a number of special features each week. Among them you will find—

The American Legion News.
Community Building.
Our Hall of Fame.

All of these are gotten up by experts and will prove interesting to you. We are constantly trying to make The Messenger a real worth while newspaper, and are pleased at the favorable comments made frequently by our readers.

Mr. and Mrs. U. N. Myers and children returned home last week from two weeks visit to Wilmington, N. C. and other points.

Business Men Interested in Location of Cotton Platform.

Since this county has had a public cotton weigher it has of course been necessary to have a cotton platform. A platform was erected by John T. Lottles and G. H. Baum for the use of the county at a very nominal rental, and now that it is desired to have a covered platform and a larger one, the question of additional rent has brought about a hitch. Wednesday a meeting of business men was held in the city council room to discuss the matter. It seems that there was some inclination on the part of the county board of directors to have the cotton taken to the depot platform and weighed there rather than pay the increased rent. The owners of the present platform have not been able to break even on the money side of the transaction, and they propose to enlarge the platform and cover it, which it is estimated will cost \$3,000 or more, and ask a rental of \$450 a year. G. A. Rhame has a suitable lot and has offered to lease the lot for a term of years at \$100 per year, the county to erect and maintain the platform, or he will erect the platform and rent it for a term of years at \$450.00 a year. At the meeting held Wednesday morning it was considered altogether desirable to have the cotton platform in the business section of the city, and it was believed that a settlement will be had that will meet with the approval of all concerned.

Fire Near DeKalb.

Mr. J. C. Hearon, who resides near DeKalb, had the misfortune of losing all of his kitchen and dining room furniture, together with what provisions he had on hand at the time, by fire on the 5th inst. The loss falls right heavy on him as he has a wife and six small children to care for. The family were away from home at the time of the fire attending a revival meeting, and some strangers passing by in a car saw the fire and made an effort to extinguish it, but it had made too great a headway and in a few minutes the entire building was consumed.

Death of Mr. Watts.

Luther J. Watts, who for many years resided in the upper section of Kershaw county, but who some years ago moved with his family to Camden, died at his home here Thursday morning on Rutledge street after a long illness. Mr. Watts was about sixty years of age, and is survived by a wife and the following children: Mrs. Della Holland, Mrs. Carrie Keys, J. and Fred Watts, Mrs. Edith Williams and Carl Watts. Besides these he is survived by a large family connection. He was a quiet, good citizen and was held in high esteem by all who knew him. He was a member of the masonic fraternity and for years a member of the Baptist church. The funeral services took place Friday morning and the interment was in the Camden cemetery.

Fraternal Notice.

A special communication of Kershaw Lodge, No. 29, A. F. M., will be held Tuesday evening, August 19th, at 6:30 o'clock, for the purpose of conferring the fellow-craft degree upon a class of candidates. All brethren are requested to be present and note a change in the hour, which is made so that it will not conflict with the evangelistic meeting now in progress in our city. Light refreshments will be served. Visiting brethren cordially welcomed.

W. F. Nettle, W. M.
M. Billings, Secretary.

It quite frequently happens that the quality which you regard as moral courage in yourself is looked upon by the neighbors as mere fanaticism.—Exchange.

COUNTY CANDIDATES WHO QUALIFIED

Forty-four Entrants for the Various Places to Be Filled

The following is a list of the county candidates who qualified by filling their pledges and paying their assessments before the date for same expired. Mr. L. C. Hough, who was announced by his friends for Master, did not qualify, Mr. Hough deciding not to enter the race although he had been urged to do so. Mr. Hobson Hilton, of Westville, who recently graduated in law, is making the race with Mr. B. B. Clarke, incumbent, who is asking endorsement for re-appointment. The list of candidates as finally made up is as follows:

House of Representatives.
W. L. DePas, Jr.,
J. B. Munn,
Allen B. Murchison,
N. S. Richards,
M. L. Smith,
Clerk of Court.
Charles S. Chevington,
James H. Clyburn.
Superintendent of Education.
J. Team Getty,
T. M. McCaskill,
L. A. McKenzie.
Master.
B. B. Clarke,
K. H. Hilton.
Road Superintendent.
S. H. Mickle,
G. A. Turner,
A. A. West,
D. T. Yarbrough.
Coroner.
H. W. Barnes,
W. J. Russell,
Amos West.
Magistrate DeKalb Township.
Charles J. Blythe,
Samuel N. Nicholson.
Buffalo.
A. Bethune,
J. E. Copeland,
K. T. Estridge,
C. E. Mangum.
Kershaw.
Paul E. Jones,
Jno. A. McCaskill,
W. K. Taylor.
Magistrate Flat Rock.
Two to be elected.
S. S. Clyburn,
T. C. Fletcher,
L. P. Thompson.
Magistrate

Waterlee.
Upper.
C. A. Branham.
Lower.
G. E. Hinson,
J. L. Kirkland Jr.,
J. D. Watson.
County Director.
DeKalb Township.
H. G. Carrison, Sr.,
J. N. McLeod.
Buffalo.
E. M. Kirkley,
A. E. McLaurin.
Flat Rock.
K. C. Jones,
Jesse H. Sowell.
Waterlee.
E. H. Bowen,
J. S. H. Clarkson,
J. L. Hinson,
Victor Ward.

The school trustees of Bethune have advertised for bids for the erection of a High school building. A splendid brick building was erected a few years ago for the Bethune school but is not large enough now to care for the increased attendance hence the necessity for erecting a separate building for the high school and the present one will be used for the grammar school.

Death of Mr. Joye.

Mr. W. E. Joye, a well known citizen whose home for many years had been in the Antioch section of our county, died on Saturday at the home of his brother, Mr. Daniel Joye. He is survived by one son and a number of other relatives. His wife died some years ago. The funeral services and interment took place at Antioch Sunday.

Dial and McMahan in Near Fight.

Mr. John J. McMahan, who is making the race for the United States Senate, has been indulging in considerable criticism of Senator Dial, who is a candidate to succeed himself Saturday at Greenwood Mr. McMahan went too far in the opinion of Mr. Dial, and he started for him but before they hitched up in a fight they were separated. Senator Dial can hardly be blamed for resenting the criticisms his opponent is making. To us it looks like mighty poor politics.

EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN OPENS

Large Attendance Sunday Evening at the Big Tabernacle.—Interesting Preliminaries and Forceful Sermon

The evangelistic campaign, which was announced would open here at the 10th inst., made a fine start for the opening night. The song service was supposed to have begun at eight o'clock but for the first meeting there was some little delay. It was nearly 8:30 when Mr. Arthur Lynn opened the meeting by introducing himself and then introduced Fred R. Seibert, the all-round personal worker and keeper of the tent; Rufus S. Perkins, the pianist. Evangelist Raymond Browning did not arrive until nine o'clock. He had a busy day, strating off with a prayer meeting at eight o'clock in the morning, attending a meeting at nine o'clock, another at ten o'clock, preaching a little later and strating in his car for Camden at one o'clock.

On the rostrum were seated Rev. Mr. Hodges, of the Methodist church; Dr. Muller, of the Presbyterian church; Rev. Mr. Graham, of the Baptist church, and Rev. F. H. Harding, former rector of Grace church; the city council, headed by Mayor Carrison, and several of the subordinate officials, all giving their endorsement to the evangelistic campaign.

"America" was sung, prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Graham and the song service was continued.

Mr. Lynn said he would let the audience into a little secret. Mr. Browning had not yet arrived, and there had been some anxious moments with him, but he knew he would get here, it possible for he had been in telegraphic communication with him. He had scarcely concluded his secret when Mr. Browning arrived. After a few hand shakes Mr. W. B. de Loach, president of the Business Men's Evangelical Club, made a brief statement, telling how the club came in contact with Mr. Browning, and that he was invited here by the club with the endorsement of the ministers who were at the time in Camden. He expressed the hope and the belief that the coming of the Browning party to Camden would result in great and lasting good.

Evangelist Browning was introduced by Mr. de Loach and he came forward and made just a few preliminary remarks, as the hour was getting late, and proceeded to deliver his first message after prayer by Rev. Mr. Hodges. He used three passages of scripture for the basis of his forceful sermon: Acts 11:26; Acts 26:28, where King Agrippa said to Paul, "almost thou persuadest me to be a christian," and again 1st Peter 4:16, "Yet if any man suffer as a christian, let him not be ashamed; let him glorify God on this behalf." He presented his message in a very clear and forceful way. He told of the marvelous conversion of Paul when he was on his way to Damascus with papers, hailing men and women to prison when a light fell upon his pathway and he was converted. He gave a graphic picture of Paul before Agrippa, urged a close relationship with Jesus Christ, using a number of illustrations—or if you please, putting a number of windows in his sermon, and pointing out that it was necessary to labor for Christ, to witness for Him and to suffer for Him.

There was a delegation here from Lancaster to hear Mr. Browning in his opening sermon, and as Lancaster is not far away it is hoped that many from that city will come as often as they can make it convenient. Camden will be glad to have them.

Services will be held at 10 o'clock on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, lasting one hour, and each night except Saturday night at eight o'clock. The song service will begin at eight, and last for half an hour. It is expected that three services will be held on Sundays—11 o'clock, an afternoon service and evening service, but definite announcements with regard to this will be made later.

The tabernacle, which is being used here for the first time, has a seating capacity of about 2,500. For the opening meeting there was around fifteen hundred present. Mr. Browning took a glance around at the new tent. The one used in Lancaster had seen considerable service and the severe wind storms that came while he was there practically put the old tent out of commission and it was necessary to secure a new one. It is a very large and substantial tent,

well erected, and for which "Fred" who is an expert along this line, is due the credit.

The Service Monday Night.

The services Monday evening were largely attended. Mr. Lynn, the Scotch-golden tenor, conducting the song service. He sang a solo with marked effect. Prayer was offered by Dr. E. L. McCoy, presiding elder of the Sumter District.

Mr. Browning, before delivering his sermon, made a few remarks which he deemed necessary looking to the success of the meeting. One suggestion he made was that no cars be parked nearer than one hundred feet from the tent for there were some who sit in the cars and perhaps just as he is in the midst of his sermon the occupants might decide to drive away and the service would be disturbed. This occurred last night during the delivery of his sermon. He also spoke of having seen some one light a cigarette under the tent as they were leaving Sunday evening. This he objected to as the tent is a sacred place, and requests that there be no smoking immediately around the tent.

He suggested that a section in the east corner of the tent be set aside for colored people who might wish to hear him, and requested that this be communicated to them.

There were three things, he said, that were necessary to the success of the meeting.

1st. Prayer—talk to God.
2nd. Let God talk to you by reading His Word.

3rd. Talk to somebody else about their soul's salvation.

After reading a passage of scripture he announced his text from Mark 12:30-31, his subject being the commandments: "And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength; this is the first commandment. And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these."

Among other striking illustrations he supposed a case of a young couple getting married and gave a word picture of what the home life should be, and urged that if to love God was the greatest commandment to fail to love Him was the greatest mistake. God puts within the capacity to love Him. Throughout his sermon was forceful and convincing, and his large congregation listened to him with deep interest.

Open Ball of Cotton.

Mr. R. L. Peebles, who resides a few miles south of Camden, brought to our office Saturday an open ball of extra which was a well developed ball and about as fine a specimen of cotton as you usually see. If this is an index as to the crop he has, Mr. Peebles has a fine crop.

The Men's Evangelistic Club conducted the prayer meeting service at the Camden Baptist church Wednesday. Two short talks were made by members of the club, and a solo rendered by Mrs. E. C. Zemp and also by Mr. Arthur Lynn, who is the musical director in the evangelistic campaign now in progress in Camden. The services were well attended and appreciated by all present.

County Campaigns Opens.

The regular opening of the county campaign took place at Blaney Monday, the 11th inst., but it was practically opened at Charlotte Thompson school house in school district No. 2 Thursday afternoon. Notice of a meeting to be held there was announced in the local papers and quite a number were out to hear the candidates. Nearly all of them were present and addressed the meeting. Several were unable to attend. J. Frank Vest, president of the Charlotte Thompson club, presided and introduced them. The candidates were all laced with the good spirit manifested and very complimentary towards the reception given them by the people of that section.

The evangelistic campaign to be conducted by Evangelist Raymond Browning, of Hendersonville, N. C., opened on Sunday evening under the large tent which has been erected on the corner of Laurens and Fair streets. The tent has a seating capacity of 2,500 or more. Seats have been provided for that number. Arthur Lynn, musical director, and Rufus S. Perkins, pianist, arrived several days ago and Mr. Browning arrived Saturday afternoon. It is expected to be the greatest revival Camden has ever had. Great interest is already being taken in the meeting.

Blaney Meeting.

The county campaign party was at Blaney yesterday. The meeting was held in the school auditorium and the room was well filled. Mr. Jack Bailly presided over the meeting. The candidates were all given good attention and the meeting was a quiet one, although a little unpleasantness on account of an all nation that a road had been built for private purposes out of public funds. This incident, however, was closed without any serious trouble. We were unable to attend the meeting as we had planned to do on a point of a part of our office being away on a vacation. It is to be able to attend some of the meetings later.

County Campaign Itinerary.

The following campaign itinerary was by the county executive committee, but the date for Westville was changed to a later date. It is likely that the date fixed for Westville will be changed to a later date. The county executive committee will make the necessary changes.

Monday, August 12th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st.

Religious.

We are requested to announce that a revival meeting will begin at Bethune Baptist church, Westville, next Monday morning, 17th. Services will begin at eight o'clock. Rev. P. E. Blackmon, pastor.

There will be baptizing at Providence Baptist church Sunday, 17th, at 10 o'clock P. M. The public is cordially invited. Rev. P. E. Blackmon, pastor.

Moving Into New Store.

M. H. Heyman & Co., jewelers, are moving into their handsome new store. The store is about completed but there are a few finishing touches to be added, and as soon as this is done and the stock placed in place, it will be worth your while to make a visit there and see what an attractive place of business they have. Fletcher Moore was the contractor in charge of the construction of the building.

Homicide Sunday.

A homicide occurred a few miles south of Camden on Sunday, when Jafers Brown fatally shot Dan Lenton, both colored. The wounded man was brought to the hospital where he died a few hours later. Brown made his escape and so far has eluded arrest. He is referred to as a Georgia negro and was employed at a lumber plant, located on Mr. M. Wooten's place.

Aaron Adamson, a colored farmer.

residing near Cassatt, exhibited at our office one day last week two open balls of cotton, the first we had seen for this season. In one of the balls was the evidence of the work of the boll weevil, one ball being claimed as the boll weevil's share. They are going to continue to be share-croppers with the cotton farmers unfortunately.

Resident Buy American Cotton.

Washington, Aug. 11.—Information has just reached Senator Dial's office and Russian textile interests, which last year through his efforts secured a quota of 100,000 bales of cotton will require another index this winter.

Something like two years ago Senator Dial began to get in touch with certain commercial interests through the medium of American consuls, with the result that already a large quantity of cotton has been bought and paid for and half million bales of cotton will go out of the cotton-producing section this winter. If cotton sells for thirty cents a pound, or anything near it when these interests make their purchases this year it may easily be seen what a big bonus will be given the market. Victor Negin, and others of Russia, went South last winter and were so much pleased with what they saw that they communicated their trade for their initial purchase of cotton, 250,000 bales, and the statement that they will make additional and larger purchases in the near future is good news for the cotton people.

We had a call Saturday from Mr. John L. Bowers and his son-in-law, Mr. Burney Birchmore Bowers, of near Kershaw.