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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. B. P. DeLoache is spending a few days with his parents in Camden.

Mr. H. E. Munn, popular and efficient road superintendent, has been somewhat under the weather for the past few days. A child of his has been very sick following an attack of measles, but is better now.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jamkinson, of Manning, were guests for the week end at the Methodist parsonage.

Made Interesting Talk.

Mrs. N. C. Arnet made a very instructive talk before the Epworth League at the Methodist church Sunday evening, her theme being the Bible. Those present were very much impressed with what this gifted lady had to say to them.

Gov. and Mrs. Richards in Camden

Governor John G. Richards, accompanied by Mrs. Richards, made a brief visit to Camden Saturday afternoon. They came merely for the pleasure of being here for a short while. Mrs. Richards spent the time with her relatives here while Gov. Richards spent a part of his time of the streets meeting his many friends who were delighted to see him and shake hands with him. They returned to Columbia about 5:30 in the same afternoon. Gov. Richards said that they had just slipped away for a little diversion and rest. We are indebted to him for a brief call at our office.

Presbyterian Church Notes

A special Easter Program will be given at Sunday school Sunday morning. The program will be given by the Seniors under the direction of Mrs. William King. We hope every member of the church will come and see this Resurrection pageant. The offering will be given to Ministerial Relief and Christian Education.

Attendance at Sunday school for the past two Sundays has been 101 and 102. Can't we have a record attendance for the year on Easter morn'g?

The monthly meeting of Sunday school workers will be held on Wednesday evening April 11 at eight thirty o'clock.

The Men of the church will have their monthly meeting Thursday evening April 12 at the residence of Dr. R. E. Stevenson. A program will be given touching on some of the church work. A steering committee consisting of T. Lee Little, L. T. Mills and the Pastor will arrange the program. The hour is eight o'clock.

Monday evening April 9 at eight o'clock Congregate Presbytery meets in Bethesda church. Members of this church are urged to attend all public sessions. Especially the first session Monday evening. We want to give Presbytery a cordial reception. Dinner will be served on Tuesday by the ladies and the men of the church will provide an auto ride through the city at 5:30 Tuesday afternoon.

To give all an opportunity to attend the Easter Cantata at the Methodist church the Senior Christian Endeavor will have their meeting Sunday April 8 at seven o'clock. Miss Caroline Houser is leader and the topic is "Christ is Risen."

Chicken Dinner and Fish Fry to Be Served at Cassatt.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Cassatt Baptist church will serve a chicken dinner and fish fry at Cassatt Saturday evening, April 7th, at 7:30 o'clock. The public is urged to attend. Come! Everybody!

Play at Charlotte Thompson

"The Poor Married Man", a delightful farce in three acts, will be presented by local talent at the Charlotte Thompson school Thursday night April 5th at 8 o'clock.

If you want two hours of fun don't fail to see this play. Admission 50c and 25c. Proceeds will go for the benefit of the Charlotte Thompson School.

Camden Methodist Church

Lytleton Street, near Hampton Park. George Pierce Watson, pastor. Wednesday, April 4: Prayer meeting. Theme: The Supreme Tragedy of All History.

Sunday, April 8: Bible School at 10:00 a. m., with classes for all grades and ages. Public worship, 11:15 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Morning theme: The Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Evening service: An Easter Cantata: "From Death Unto Life."

Epworth League, 7:15 p. m. The public is most cordially invited to all the services of this church. Come and bring your friends.

BURWELL BOYKIN CLARKE PASSES AWAY

Well-Known Citizen and Lawyer Goes to His Reward

Mr. Burwell Boykin Clarke died at the Camden hospital, where he had been a patient for several weeks, on Thursday afternoon about 4 o'clock. Mr. Clarke had not been in good health for a number of years, but possessed of an indomitable will which served him well in his sickness. He was the eldest son of the lamented Capt. T. H. Clarke and Mrs. Sallie Boykin Clarke. The funeral services took place from the Presbyterian church at 10 o'clock Saturday morning, and were conducted by his pastor, Rev. A. D. McArn, in the presence of a large number of our citizens. For two score years he had been a member of the Camden Bar, and was regarded as a capable lawyer. Mr. Clarke took a great deal of interest in whatever was worth while in his community. In his young manhood—in the early 80s, he was elected school commissioner. A few years ago he was appointed Master for Kershaw county, and retiring from the Master's office he resumed active practice of his profession. Gifted as a speaker he was frequently called upon to address important gatherings. He had a very high sense of personal honor, and this was manifested in all his dealings with his fellow man. His passing has brought sorrow to a large circle of relatives and friends. His estimable wife predeceased him a number of years ago. He is survived by three sons, B. B. Clark, Jr., a popular young member of the Camden Bar, and T. H. Clarke and Albertus Clarke, of Waycross, Ga., two brothers and two sisters, T. H. Clarke, prominent merchant of Sumter, and Calb Clarke, prominent attorney of Atlanta, Ga., and Mrs. J. M. De Saussure and Mrs. R. C. DeSaussure, of Atlanta, Ga. The members of the Camden Bar acted as honorary pall bearers. In his death Camden loses a valued citizen, and sincere sympathy is felt for his bereaved family.

PRESENTED WITH CHECK FOR \$1,763

How the Milk of Human Kindness Flows in Camden

The destruction of the home of Chief of Police H. D. Hilton recently was a heavy loss upon an efficient and popular officer. As stated at the time Mr. Hilton and his family were away from home. He had his home insured for about half its value with nothing on his household goods. Sympathy for Mr. Hilton and family took a very practical shape. Mr. C. M. Taintor, whose generosity has been evidenced here before, along with Mr. W. H. Haile, city clerk and treasurer, and Mr. H. G. Carrison, Jr., former mayor of Camden, got up a subscription. There were about a half hundred subscribers to this fund, all without consulting Mr. Hilton, and in a short while he was presented with a check for \$1,763 to assist him in re-establishing his home. This is another evidence of the way the milk of human kindness flows in Camden, and the very substantial contribution from some of the tourist colony who spend their winters here. On many occasions they have given liberally to certain objects here, joining heartily with our regular home residents.

Death of Mr. Hough

Mr. Samuel M. Hough died here Sunday afternoon at the home of his brother, Mr. I. C. Hough, after an illness of several years. He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joel Hough, and was well known throughout the county. A good many years ago he taught school in the county, and later filled various positions. He was a native of this county, having been born in May, 1874, and was therefore at the time of his death nearly 54 years of age. He was an energetic man, square and honest in his dealings, and all who knew him had a kind word for him. Funeral services were held for him yesterday afternoon from the home of his brother.

Released on Bond

Henry Truesdale, the white youth who was being held in the county jail charged with the killing of his father some weeks ago, was released last week upon furnishing bond in the sum of \$2,000. At the coroner's inquest the jury rendered a verdict of accidental homicide, but later a warrant was sworn out for him and he will have to stand a trial.

BETHUNE NEWS.

Interesting Items Gathered by Our Correspondent

BETHUNE NEWS

Bethune, April 2.—B. F., the 16-year-old son of Mr. K. T. Estridge, of this section, died at an early hour last Friday morning, following an attack of measles and pneumonia. B. F. was in the 9th grade of the Bethune high school and was a bright, intelligent lad. He was a favorite and popular with both the teachers and his schoolmates. The funeral services were held in the Bethune Presbyterian church at 10 o'clock Saturday morning, and the remains were taken to Kershaw for burial.

Miss Helen Pope Ward, who is teaching at Bamberg is spending a few days with her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Ward.

Mr. J. Henry West, who has been unwell for several months, left Saturday night for Johns Hopkins, Baltimore, where he expects to undergo an operation for tumor of the brain.

Messrs. W. H. and W. T. Ratcliff are having a new ginney built, next to their gin house already here. The new ginney will be equipped with long staple gins only. They will buy another big oil engine, both engines being installed in the same room.

Dr. B. D. Dawdy, of Columbia, was the guest of Dr. E. Z. Truesdell Sunday.

Neil Truesdell, who won in the two-mile relay race on the South Carolina University field Saturday, spent several days with his parents here following the track meet. He is a student at P. C.

Messes Beth Norwood and Jo Graham, of McBee, were recent guests of Miss Margaret Truesdell.

The little three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Hall is ill with pneumonia in the hospital here.

Mrs. W. E. Heustiss, Miss Sarah Lee Heustiss and Clarence Heustiss spent Saturday in Hartsville.

Mr. B. W. Best and family of Hartsville, were visitors here Saturday.

Politics have begun to "simmer" slightly around here. We learn that there will probably be three candidates for Magistrate at Bethune.

Jack Oliver has gone on a visit to his old home at Quttman, Ga.

Mayo Davis has gone to Dothan, Ala., to accompany his wife home. Mrs. Davis has been spending some time with her parents in Alabama.

The following students who are attending college, are at home here for the spring holidays: Misses Sarah Lee Heustiss, Mabel Watts, Lulu Lee Williams and Thelma Smith, Winthrop; Frances Saverance, Katherine Ward and Lucile Hilton, Coker; Louise Tiller, Due West; and Lavin Saverance and Lee Morgan, of Davidson.

Mrs. Mayo Davis left last week for a visit to her old home at Auburn, Ala.

W. A. McDowell spent Thursday at Camden on business.

The meeting which has been going on at the High Hill True Light church ever since December last, services being held daily, will be held only on Sunday and Monday of each week in the future.

Miss Billings, of Lancaster, who formerly taught in the Bethune school was the guest of Mrs. J. W. Hearon Saturday and Sunday.

Messrs. Lester King and his friend, Mr. Hendrix, of Columbia, spent Sunday in Bethune.

The teachers of the Bethune schools attended the State Teachers' Association at Greenville last week.

On Monday night of last week a thief or thieves stopped at the home of Mr. L. A. Gardner, who resides near Tiller's Ferry bridge, and stole every chicken he had except an old hen with a few small chicks and an old rooster. One man was arrested last week on suspicion as being one of the thieves and others are under surveillance.

A Card of Thanks

We wish to extend our sincere and heartfelt thanks to the many Friends for the kindness shown during the sickness and death of our daughter, Mrs. A. C. Moseley. We also wish to thank her pastor Rev. C. L. Norman, for his kindness and consideration and for the splendid service he rendered in the last sad hour. We would not forget to thank our pastor, Rev. T. L. Willingham, for his kindness and the interest he had taken in our loved one during her stay with us. Again we thank you, one and all, and trust God's richest blessings may rest upon you all. The Family.

LIBERTY HILL HAPPENINGS

Gathered by Our Correspondent There.

Mr. Editor: Last week was one you might call "a wet week". It started on Monday night—or Tuesday morning—with one of the heaviest falls of rain we have had in many months, accompanied by much thunder and lightning and on two other days of the week we had heavy falls of rain, so that plowing has been at a "standstill" and our farmers have lost nearly a week out of their fields, but now we've had a couple of days of sunshine and wind, and with a continuance, things agricultural, will be humming again.

Messrs. Higgins and Hammond are building a neat tenant house on their farm to replace the one recently burned.

Rev. F. A. Drennan preached here Sunday morning and in the evening at Heath Springs. From now on the evening service will be held at 7:30 instead of 8 as it has been for some time. Sunday school at 4:00 P. M., Mr. L. P. Thompson, superintendent.

Miss Callie Jones, popular Columbia school teacher is spending the vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Jones.

Miss Josephine Wardlaw, of Chester, and Miss Mannie Wardlaw, of Winthrop College, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Wardlaw.

Mr. J. B. McCoy and family of Mt. Zion section spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Floyd.

Mrs. J. K. Herriott and children, of Bishopville, spent several days last week at the home of her mother, Mrs. C. E. Richards. Mr. Herriott came up for the week end and to accompany her home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Thompson and children of Heath Springs were visitors to relatives here Sunday evening.

Quite a number of travelling visitors—pleasure hunting and sightseeing—are using our highway now which is very well, but if they would spend a little more time here, ascend "The Johnston Hill" from which a fine view of the "Big Lake" and of Wateree and Beaver Creek valley can be had, also from the lawn in front of the Governor's house and also visit other points of vantage where the scenery is good, we feel that their trip would be more enjoyed. On just passing through one misses the real beauty spots by not knowing where they are to be seen.

Miss Louise Johnston has been quite unwell at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Johnston, for some time. Her friends wish for her a speedy recovery of good health.

Hon. N. S. Richards was on the "sick list" last week, but we are pleased to see him "out again".

Our young friend, Mr. E. L. Jones, was confined to his room most of last week by an attack of illness, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Jones. He is now able to be out again, we are pleased to note.

Mr. R. C. Jones, Jr., made a trip to Chester Sunday evening by automobile.

It was indeed a beautiful and praise worthy act of the citizens of Camden and visitors, who made up and presented a nice "purse" to Chief of Police Hilton, in consideration of his loss by fire, of his home and furnishings. Surely the human heart is still susceptible of a feeling of interest and friendship which we are pleased to see shown up occasionally.

Leroy Faile, 14, Seriously Injured

Leroy Faile, 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Faile of the Midway section of Lancaster county, fell between the wheels of the wagon he was driving last Saturday, at Kershaw, and his skull was fractured injuring him seriously. The boy was rushed to the Camden hospital in an effort to save his life, and he is now under treatment there. His condition is serious, but little change being evident at this time. From what we can learn there is only a bare chance for his recovery. Everything possible is being done for him with the odds against him. It was a very distressing accident and much sympathy is felt for the boy and his parents.

Buffalo Chain Gang Moves

The Buffalo chain gang has moved to Flat Rock Township, and is now located near Clyburn's siding. Religious services were held at the gang Sunday afternoon. We are glad that this work is not being neglected for the prisoners on this gang. Giving religious instruction to prisoners is a vital matter and should never be refused or neglected.

CARING FOR THE PRISONERS

Community Dinner Served Saturday at the Chain Gang

The people just east of Camden are very appreciative of the good road work being done by the chain gang, and Saturday they served an elegant dinner to them as well as to the men in charge of the gang. We do not know just how many participated in this but Mrs. J. H. Sinclair, Mrs. F. R. Connell and Mrs. Will Denton were three of the ladies of the community who were very active in the preparation of the meal and some of the good things to eat had been sent in by others until there was an abundant dinner for all and some to spare. We gladly accepted an invitation to accompany Mr. H. G. Carrison, Jr., chairman of the board of directors, to the gang and to partake of the dinner. We noticed that Wade Reynolds was acting as chief butler and he kept busy seeing to it that each of the prisoners were well supplied. Baked chicken with other meats and substantial food was served then came the pies, cakes, coffee. The prisoners were all seated around tables and they enjoyed the good dinner given them. Several of them reminded us that they wished us to extend their sincere thanks to the ladies and other citizens of the community for their thoughtfulness. There are twelve young white men and nineteen colored men serving time on this gang. Every precaution is taken by the superintendent, Mr. J. M. Moseley, to keep everything in a sanitary condition. The prisoners are not required to work on Saturday afternoons, but must wash up and dress up for rest and recreation. But we are getting off from our story. After the prisoners had been amply supplied, a dinner was served those who were present, including Mr. Carrison, Supt. J. M. Moseley, H. E. Munn, F. R. Cornell, J. H. Sinclair, J. J. Campbell, the editor of The Messenger and each of the guards. At the conclusion of the meal Mr. Carrison made a few brief but appropriate remarks concerning the road work and the importance of putting these lateral roads in good condition. His remarks were very much appreciated. Mr. Birchmore was asked to say a word also, and then Mr. Moseley was called upon and spoke with some emotion about the kindness of the people of the community and his sincere appreciation of it. The ladies would not be outdone and each one of them expressed the pleasure it gave them to prepare the meal.

There is nothing lost in being kind and thoughtful towards the prisoners. They are human beings and such kindness as was shown them Saturday will serve to make them better men and we trust resolve to hereafter do the right thing. As we write these beautiful words come to our mind:

"If I can let into some soul a little light,
If I some pathway dark and dreary
render bright,
If I to one in gloom can show the
sunny side,
Though no reward I win I shall be
satisfied."

Death of Mrs. Millie Moseley.

Mrs. Millie Moseley, wife of A. C. Moseley, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Moore, passed away at the Baptist Hospital in Columbia on Tuesday, March 20. She was 27 years of age and is survived by her husband, parents, three children, Mannie Lee, Andrew and Ruby, and seven sisters and one brother, as follows: Jessie Shirley, Georgianna Rowe, Ethel Ellis, Alma West, Lucy Owens, Miss Willie Moore and Mr. Joe Moore, Jr.

Interment was at the Hermitage Baptist church and funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. C. L. Norman.

It was sad to have our loved one taken away, but we are not to question God's doings, as He does all things for the good of those who love Him. We know that our loved one is through with all suffering and pain as she said she was ready to die and was leaving us for a better world. She was so patient and brave, even in the last sad hour of her life and we are so thankful that God gave her to us even if He did see fit to call her away so soon. We are also thankful for a God, who has an all-seeing eye and an understanding heart and who is helping us to bear our burdens. (A Sister)

Well-planted premises with foundation and border plantings of shrubbery and flowers is the first law of home beautification.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. Thomas Lawton Willingham

SUCCESS

If you want a thing bad enough,
To go out and fight for it,
Work day and night for it,
Give up your time and your peace
and your sleep for it.

If only desire of it
Makes you quite mad enough
Never to tire of it,
Makes you hold all other things tawdry
and cheap for it.

If life seems all empty and useless
without it
And all that you scheme and you
dream is about it.

If gladly you'll sweat for it,
Pret for it,
Plan for it,
Lose all your terror of God or man
for it.

If you'll simply go after that thing
you want,
With all of your capacity,
Strength and sagacity,
Faith, hope and confidence, stern per-
tunacy,

If neither cold, poverty, famished
and gaunt,
Nor sickness nor pain
Of body or brain
Can turn you away from the thing
that you want,

If dogged and grim you besiege and
beset it,
You'll get it!

—Berton Braley.

Mrs. D. O. Houser and Mrs. E. L. Wooten are leaving Tuesday for North Carolina to visit Dr. and Mrs. Smith, of Scotlandneck, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Evans of Monroe, N. C., who spent some days last week looking over Camden, have gone on to Columbia to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Pardue, of Henderson, N. C., have been in Camden the past week guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Loughlin on Hampton Street.

Every one in Camden enjoyed the recent visit of Mrs. von Tresckow, who stopped with Mrs. Robert Kennedy, Jr.

Miss Thelma Jackson made a most impressive talk to the young people of the Wateree Baptist church Sunday night. Miss Gertrude Loughlin led the prayer.

The following are new books in the library this month:

"The Mad Carews", by Martha Asteuso.

"Lawrence and The Arabs", by Robert Graves.

The following have been donations: "Revolt in the Desert", by T. E. Lawrence.

"Lee The American", (revised edition) by Bradford.

"Conquistador", by Philip Quendess.

"You Can't Live Your Own Life", by Edgar Guest.

"Silent Storms", by Ernest Poole

"Harper Essays", by Canby.

There have been several new books purchased for the juvenile department this month.

The Story Telling Hour is held every Saturday morning from 9:30 to 10:30.

Resolutions of Respect

Our town and community feel a very great loss in the death of our dearly beloved sister, Mrs. J. J. Goodale. After a short illness she was called to her reward on March 9, 1928. She was one of the oldest and most faithful members of the Camden Baptist church, and the Woman's Missionary Society, therefore she will be greatly missed by friends and loved ones.

Be it resolved:

First: That we, as members of the Woman's Missionary Society bow to the will of our Father in Heaven who doeth all things well, and pray earnestly that the bereaved family may find comfort and peace in this dispensation of His Providence.

Second: That we thank God for the part of her Christian life spent in our midst and we extend our sincere and heartfelt sympathy to the loved ones and wish for them the comfort that God alone can give.

Third: That a page in our minutes book be dedicated to her memory, and a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, to the local papers and to the Baptist Courier.

Mrs. J. P. Graham,
Mrs. M. C. Vaughan,
Mrs. O. J. Smyrl,
Committee.

To Paint the Opera House Steeple

Mr. Sam Hammond has been awarded a contract for painting the opera house steeple. He will begin on this job at once.