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Social and Personal Items

The Sumter District conference of the Methodist church was held in Manning last week. The Camden charge was represented by the pastor, Rev. G. P. Watson, and L. C. Shaw, B. G. Sanders, J. H. Osbourne and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Nettles. W. F. Nettles and L. C. Shaw were elected delegates to the annual conference from the Camden charge, and Eugene Pearce from the Beulah charge.

Judge E. D. Blakeney, who has been undergoing treatment in a hospital in Richmond, Va., has returned home. His friends will be pleased to learn that he is very much improved.

Eastern Star Home at Connie Maxwell Orphanage

The laying of the corner stone of the Eastern Star Home at Connie Maxwell Orphanage, Greenwood, May 7th for orphans of Masons and Eastern Stars was well attended. Masons and Stars from different parts of the State were there showing their interest in the home. The Masons marched in a body from the Orphanage Chapel to the building. On this corner stone was engraved—L. C. Blackwood, Grand Master, A. D. 1930. A. L. 5930. Mary Pinckney Ouzts, E. S. Home. The Grand Master opened the ceremonies. The stone was raised and he was presented with three tools, the plumb, square and level. He applied them to the stone and pronounced it to be well formed, true, and trusty. He was then presented with the golden horn of plenty, containing the corn of nourishment, then with a silver cup holding the wine of refreshment, and last with a silver vessel containing the oil of joy. He poured the oil, wine and corn on the stone praying the Father to bless the inhabitants of the place and give them all the comforts of life. After which the following program was carried out. Hymn, "My Country 'Tis of Thee." Prayer by Dr. Jameson. Reading of article placed in corner stone; Copy of Grand Lodge proceedings, Copy of Eastern Star proceedings, Copy of Eastern Star proceedings of 1907, Copy of Poem written by Mrs. Ouzts, Picture of Missionary to China—John Lake, The Christal Greetings by Mrs. Ouzts, Copy of list of names of O. E. S. officers, List of Committees, List of Building Committee, Copy of Greenwood paper, Copy of Baptist Courier. Address by Grand Master. Hymn "How Firm a Foundation". Address by Hon. W. W. Wannamker, W. G. M. Mrs. Ruth Danielson then presented W. G. P. Hymn, "Bless Be the Tie That Binds" Benediction, Dr. Jameson.

Those attending from Camden were: Mrs. Viola Marshall, Mrs. Mattie Creed, Mrs. Eula Gaskin, Mrs. Sarah Graham, Mrs. Nannie Campbell.

An invitation to visit Trenton Chapter that night was given by Sister Danielson. This was well attended and had the joy of being placed on the honor roll.

Young Man Seriously Wounded

Lanear Hancock, aged about 20, was shot and seriously wounded in the head Friday night at Central school house in Lee county by Frank Caughman, Jr. The wounded man was taken to a hospital in Sumter where he is reported to be in a critical condition. He had previously been placed under arrest upon a warrant said to have been sworn out by Caughman, and was released on bond. Caughman learning that he would be at the school house is alleged, went there and the shooting occurred.

4-H State Boys Club Agent Coming To Kershaw County

Mr. B. O. Williams, State Boys 4-H Club Agent, from Clemson College, will spend all day Friday, May 16, going over the county with County Agent Green visiting 4-H clubs and club members. Mr. Williams is the best posted Club Agent in South Carolina. He is a strong believer in giving the boys every opportunity to develop and help himself become a greater success in life. He has worked a long time with boys and anybody can tell that he loves them. Any boys desiring to see and meet Mr. Williams personally or to transact 4-H club business is requested to attend his club meeting in his school the 16th or to come to County Agent Green's office between 4 and 6 o'clock that day. Mr. Williams will also attend the Kershaw county 4-H boys and girls Short Course this summer.

LIBERTY HILL

Mr. Editor—Memorial exercises were held at the cemetery here on Saturday evening under the auspices of the U. D. C. society, the president, Mrs. F. B. Floyd presiding. Gov. Richards had been invited to make the address and although feeling quite unwell he made a most feeling, patriotic and interesting talk emphasizing the fact that the Confederate soldier although poorly equipped and unprovided with the common necessities of war made a most notable conflict against overwhelming numbers, for what he thought to be right and just. The Governor referred in feeling terms to the rapidly thinning ranks of the veterans of the "sixties" and said the State ought at least to provide a sufficient appropriation to enable them to live in comfort. "Mr. W. C. Perry, World War over seas veteran and grandson of a distinguished Confederate Veteran, was presented with a U. D. C. Cross of Honor, Gov. Richards making the presentation. Patriotic songs and the decoration of graves conclude the exercises. Mrs. Richards and daughter, Miss Mildred, were present, and later Miss Rekah (another daughter) and some friends from the Capitol came over. The Governor's party returned to Columbia late in the evening.

Mr. W. E. Cunningham and son, Edgar, were visitors here on Saturday. Mr. Cunningham was accompanied back by his father, Mr. W. A. Cunningham, who will visit his daughters Mesdames Floyd and Baldwin of Tabor, N. C. before returning home.

Sunday was "Mother's Day" and the noble sentiment of love and esteem for "Mother" was very generally observed.

Mr. W. C. Cureton and Dr. S. F. Brasington of Camden were here one day last week, the Doctor professionally and Mr. Cureton to see his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clements and children were Sunday evening visitors in the home of Mrs. G. W. Perry of Lancaster.

Misses Josephine Wardlaw, Lila Cureton and Miss Douglas of Chester, were visiting "home folks" on the "Hill" Sunday.

Mr. R. J. Wardlaw, Jr., of Columbia, was here Sunday.

Little Miss Willie Lee, bright young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Higgins is "sporting" a black eye. She fell from a bicycle one day last week and bruised her face quite badly but was not seriously hurt.

Mr. J. B. Cureton and daughter, Miss Josephine were visiting the former's mother here Sunday.

The Ice Cream Parlor, "Under the Ce'ars" conducted by Miss Edith Richards and some young lady associates, has resumed operation and seemed to do a thriving business on Saturday last.

Mrs. E. S. Bennett of near Heath Springs who suffered a stroke of paralysis several years ago and has been confined to her bed since, died last week. She was a sister of Mrs. H. S. Higgins of our town and Post Master C. F. Hammond of Stoneboro who with other relatives have the sympathy of friends.

Delia Hines a good colored woman, tenant on Mr. W. C. Wardlaw's farm, died suddenly last week. She was engaged in chopping the day before she died at night.

Midway High School Commencement

The Midway High School Commencement exercises will begin next Sunday, May 18 and go through Tuesday night.

On Sunday at 4:15 o'clock the baccalaureate sermon will be preached by Mr. McArn of the Presbyterian church of Camden. On Monday at 8:15 P. M. will be the Class Day Exercises in charge of the graduates. The valedictory will be given by Janie Brannon and the salutatory by Louise Hunnicutt. A short play will also be given. On Tuesday, graduating night, at 8:15 Judre Mendel L. Smith will deliver the literary address. Mrs. Watts, County Superintendent of Education, will award the prizes. Supt. W. B. Stevenson will present the diplomas to the graduates, and certificates of promotion to the seventh grades. This has been one of the most successful years in the history of the school, and with the return of most of the members of the faculty, the community is looking forward to even a better school next year.

A starved crop is just as lacking in ability as a starved person.

Mrs. Harriet Kershaw Lang

After many months of suffering to Life Eternal Mrs. Harriet Kershaw Lang passed in to Life Eternal at quarter of two Monday mornig, May 5th, 1930 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. T. Baker, in Columbia, where she had been for over a year, tenderly cared for. A long life lived with Christian fortitude and devotion to home and family, Mrs. Lang was one of the oldest citizens of her beloved Camden.

To those who loved her she will ever be an example of truth and loyalty in every relationship of life and courage and fidelity through the vicissitudes of a long life. The end came calmly and peacefully.

"Lead me, O Lord, 'till perfect day shall shine through peace to Light." One who loved her.

Death of Mrs. Young

Mrs. Jessie Bell Young, of near Westville, died at the Camden hospital Sunday morning, 4th inst., and was buried in the cemetery at Damascus church near Westville.

Mrs. Young, who was 23 years of age, was a daughter of Mrs. Lem Truesdale. She had two small children. Her mother and three brothers and two sisters survive her. For a number of years she was a faithful and active member of Refuge Baptist church in the Lockhart section of the county and a regular attendant upon the Sunday school. Being gifted in song her voice was often heard in the church and Sunday school. She had many friends who were deeply saddened upon learning of her death. The bereaved family have the sympathy of all of their friends.

Died Early Saturday Morning

Mr. J. H. Stevens, a carpenter who has been working in Camden for some years past, died shortly after midnight Saturday morning, and he remains were taken to Spring Hill, his former home, for burial. For the past few weeks he had been in very poor health, and it was evident that he could not recover. For the past few weeks his condition was really pitiful. He was 57 years of age. He is survived by his wife and an adopted son and daughter, whose parents died a number of years ago. He was a kind hearted man, an evidence of which was his care of the two orphan children whom he and his wife undertook to care for in their helpless condition. Besides his immediate family he is survived by a brother and other relatives, to all of whom we extend our sympathies.

Died in Baltimore

Mrs. Eunice Vincent, wife of W. M. Vincent, died in Baltimore, Md., Friday morning. The body was brought here for burial, funeral services and interment taking place Sunday afternoon, the funeral services being conducted by Rev. Mr. Richardson, rector of Grace Episcopal church. Mrs. Vincent had a number of relatives and friends in this county who were grieved upon learning of her death. She is survived by her husband and one daughter, Mrs. W. F. Porter, of Baltimore, and three brothers and three sisters, Mrs. W. B. Huckabee and Mrs. Sam Hammond, of Camden, Mrs. W. R. Blackmon, of Orangeburg, G. F. Mickle, of Rock Hill, R. T. Mickle, of West Waterree, and J. M. Mickle, of Camden. The interment was at Ebenezer church and was attended by a large number of the friends of the family. Sincere sympathy is felt for the bereaved ones.

Death of Mrs. M. C. Johnson

Bethune, S. C. May 12.—Mrs. M. C. Johnson died at her home in the eastern part of town Thursday night at eleven o'clock. She was thirty eight years of age and had been in declining health for a number of years, but bore her suffering with uncomplaining patience.

Mrs. Johnson before marriage was Miss Connie Brannon. She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Z. Brannon of Bethune, her husband, eight children, one of whom is an infant of only a few months, two sisters, Mrs. Oswald Campbell of Camden and Mrs. L. A. Seegars, of Florida.

Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Outen at the Brannon cemetery Friday afternoon.

HOG SHIPMENT DELAYED

The proposed shipment of hogs from Kershaw county on May 12 has been postponed due to the fact that there were not enough hogs being fed out.

Henry D. Green, County Agt.

BETHUNE NEWS.

Bethune, May 12.—The Parent-Teacher Association of the month was held in the high school auditorium Monday evening. The president, Mrs. R. A. Griffin, presided. It was decided to hold a health clinic on May 15th. Instrumental music was furnished by Mrs. R. E. McCaskill and Dr. E. Z. Truesdale. A vocal solo was given by Mrs. T. R. Bethune. An interesting and instructive talk was made by Dr. A. W. Humphries of Camden in which he stressed the importance of taking advantage of preventive measures that are offered by the county clinic in warding off sickness. Following the meeting a social hour was held and punch was served.

A cotton dress style show was staged by Miss Patty Epps, teacher of Home Economics, Tuesday afternoon in the high school auditorium. Miss Effie Mae Parrot won first place in the sport dress class with Miss Ruby Lee Horton second. Miss Margie Parrot won first in the afternoon dresses with Miss Ruth Jones second. The Misses Parrott accompanied their teacher, Miss Epps to Columbia May 9 to represent the school in the state high school fashion show there. The judges for the contest were Misses Elizabeth Brown, Annie Neyle Langdale and Lucile Smith.

Circle Number One of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church met with Miss Mary McKinnon Tuesday afternoon. Circle Number Two was entertained by Mrs. D. J. Clyburn, with Miss Stella Bethune as program leader. Mrs. Loring Davis was hostess to Circle Number Three, of which Circle Mrs. C. C. Pate is chairman.

The Woman's Auxiliary held its annual birthday party Thursday afternoon in the Presbyterian church. The auditorium was decorated with a profusion of lovely roses. The snowy white birthday cake, bearing eighteen pink candles signifying the age of the organization, occupied a place of prominence. As also did the attractively arranged Literature Table, which represented a May Pole Dance. An impressive pageant entitled "A Visit and a Vision" was presented by five of the members and three small children. At the close of the meeting a social hour was held and the birthday cake was sliced and served with lemonade to the guests.

Rev. G. E. Ingram, G. E. Parrott and Mrs. A. B. McLaurin attended district Conference in Manning last week.

Mrs. E. W. Munnerlyn and little daughter, Frances, of Columbia were guests of Miss Katherine Ward last week.

An interesting game of baseball between Heath Springs and Bethune high school boys was played here Wednesday afternoon resulting in the score of 4-0 in favor of Bethune. Leon Jones delighted the local nine with his splendid handling of the ball as pitcher. Jones had never filled this position throughout before.

Dr. E. Z. Truesdale attended the State Medical meeting in Florence Wednesday. He was accompanied by Mrs. Truesdale and Mrs. R. E. McCaskill.

Mrs. Fannie Baskins was taken to the Camden hospital for treatment Monday.

Miss Lucille McCaskill of Florence was the guest of Mrs. A. K. McLaurin last week.

A three act play entitled "That's One On Bill" was presented by the seniors in the high school auditorium Thursday evening. Despite the inclemency of the weather, a goodly number was present to enjoy the comedy. Music was furnished by the local string band.

The Bethune Chapter U. D. C. observed Memorial Day with fitting exercises in the high school auditorium Friday morning. The program consisted of invocation by the Rev. G. E. Ingram, patriotic readings and songs by the school. Guests of honor were Messrs. G. B. King, Robert Douglas, Confederate Veterans, and Mrs. King, Messrs. J. P. Bethune, who was on the firing line in France, Loring Davis, Ralph McCaskill and Bob McCaskill, World War Veterans. Other invited guests were teachers of the Bethune school, the Ministers and their wives and Dr. E. Z. Truesdale.

Following the exercises a delightful picnic dinner was served in the grove facing the residence of J. N. McLaurin.

Miss Mary Louise McLaurin, who teaches at Calhoun Falls, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and

MT. PISGAH NEWS

The Seventh Grade Graduation Exercises will be held in the High School Auditorium, Friday night, May the 16th at eight o'clock. The public is invited to attend. The following program has been arranged by Mrs. W. F. Byrd, teacher of the sixth and seventh grades; Invocation, Rev. M. B. Gunter; Song, seventh grade; Salutatory, Sadie Holley; Class Poem, Mag-nel Bird; Class History, Juanita Williams; Duet, Dorothy Elliott and Masie Gandy; Prophecy, Mae W. Music, Pageland Orchestra; Class Will, Grace Hasty; Gifforian, Paul Bradley; Song to Graduates, sixth grade; Address to Graduates, Attorney Ned Gregory; Music, Pageland Orchestra; Vacation Song, sixth and seventh grades; Music, Pageland Orchestra; Delivery of awards, C. A. Byrd; Delivery of Diplomas; Valedictory, Elmer Bradley; Music, Pageland Orchestra.

Class Motto: "Not the End but the Beginning." Class folwer: Red Rose. Class colors: red and white. Class Officers: President, Elmer Bradley; Vice President, Sadie Holley; Secretary, Juanita Williams.

The Baccalaureate Sermon for the High School Graduates will be delivered by Rev. George E. Smith of Kershaw. Sunday night at eight o'clock in the High School Auditorium.

The High School Graduation Exercises will be held in the High School Auditorium Friday night, May the twenty-third at eight o'clock. The address to the Graduates will be made by Dr. William A. Barton, Professor of Education, Psychology, and Philosophy at Coker College.

LIBERTY HILL SCHOOL NEWS

We are indebted to little Miss Ann Thompson for the following school news:

May is our last school month and all the children are getting ready for examinations.

We are glad to have Lucy Clements, Annie Mae Cureton, Julia Hilton and Dorothy Matheson back in school again after a week's absence on account of quarantine.

The school children are looking forward to an entertainment to be given by the pupils at commencement. Miss Lizzie Richards, one of our teachers, attended the last teacher's meeting at Camden.

Margaret Perry was absent from school on Thursday last on account of sickness.

Willie Lee and Henry Smith Higgins were absent from school last Thursday on account of the death of their aunt.

The school children sang "Dixie", at Memorial Exercises Saturday afternoon.

Governor Richards made a talk at the Memorial Exercises at the church with which all were deeply impressed. "Our school days are nearly at an end,

And we are sorry to part with a friend!

But the time has come for our vacation, Of fishing, swimming and all kinds of recreation".

Frank Farmer says: "The soil robber brings his punishment of poverty down on his own head."

A message was received Saturday morning bearing the news of the death of Mrs. John Rozier in West Palm Beach at the home of her son, Dr. Lauchlin Rozier. Mrs. Rozier before marriage was Miss Kate McKinnon of this place and has two sisters residing here, Mrs. C. C. Gardner and Mrs. D. J. Clyburn and a number of other relatives.

Dr. and Mrs. E. Z. Truesdale and daughters, Misses Kathryn and Margaret attended the S. I. A. A. tarrk meet at Presbyterian College Saturday. They were accompanied home by their son, Neil, a student of that institution, who spent the week end here.

Mrs. Gaines, who has been spending the winter in Sarasota, Fla., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. M. O. Ward.

Lavin Severance of Davidson spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Severance.

Miss Vivian Taylor of Columbia College was the week end guest of her school mate, Miss Kathryn Truesdale.

Mr. and Mrs. David Blakeley of Cllo were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Bethune.

Mr. and Mrs. Heyward Smith and children of Columbia were week end guests of Mrs. L. D. Robertson.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church
Rev. M. B. Gunter, Pastor
Sunday school, 10 o'clock.
Preaching 11 o'clock
B. Y. P. U. 7:30 o'clock.
The public is cordially invited to all services of this church. Come and bring friends.

Lytleton Street Methodist Church
George Pierce Watson, Pastor
Sunday, May 18. Bible school 10:00 A. M., Mr. L. C. Shaw, superintendent, Epworth League 7:15 P. M. Public worship 11:15 A. M. and 8:00 P. M. conducted by the pastor. Morning theme: Malignant Misery and Magnificent Mercy. Evening theme: The Price of a Man. Mid-week service, Wednesday, 8:00 P. M. The public is most cordially invited to all the services of this church. Visitors are especially welcome. Come and bring your friends.

Pisgah Baptist Church
Rev. H. T. Morrison, Pastor
Services for the summer months are announced as follows:
Second Sunday morning, Sunday School at 10:30. Preaching services at 11 o'clock.
Fourth Sunday afternoon, Sunday School at 3:30. Preaching services at 4 o'clock.
First and Third Sunday, Sunday School at 3:30 P. M.

Mizpah Baptist Church
Rev. H. T. Morrison, Pastor
Services conducted as follows:
Second Sunday afternoon, Sunday school at 3:15 P. M. Preaching services at 4 P. M.
Fourth Sunday morning, Sunday School at 10:15. Preaching services at 11 o'clock.
First and Third Sunday, Sunday School at 10:15 A. M. Come and worship with us.

Antioch Baptist Church
Sunday, May 18, Sunday school 10 o'clock, Benton Denton, superintendent; T. L. Davis, Bible class teacher. Preaching 11 o'clock, by the pastor, Rev. T. P. Christmas. You are invited to attend these services.

Died in Spartanburg
Mr. D. G. Fletcher, who for many years was a resident of the Westville section of this county, died at the home of his son, T. K. Fletcher, in Spartanburg Friday of last week. The body was brought home for interment, which took place at Damascus burying ground Saturday afternoon. Mr. Fletcher is survived by his widow and one son at whose home he died as stated above. He was a brother-in-law of Mrs. W. F. Russell, Sr., our city, and is survived by a number of other relatives in this county. Mr. Fletcher had a host of friends here who will be grieved to learn of his death. He was 66 years of age.

The Spartanburg Journal of the 9th inst., contained the following notice of Mr. Fletcher's death:

David G. Fletcher, 66, former resident of Kershaw county, died at the home of his son, T. K. Fletcher, 505 Perroneau street at an early hour this morning, following a lingering illness.

Funeral services will be held at the residence Saturday morning at 10 o'clock conducted by the Rev. W. L. Mullikin, pastor of the Central Methodist church and the body will be taken to Damascus church near Westville, Kershaw county where interment will be made at 3 p. m.

Active pall bearers will be W. G. Willard, O. H. Bogan, R. T. Bell, Frank W. Fox, E. R. Justice and W. H. Sims.

Mr. Fletcher, who has spent the greater part of his life as a resident of Kershaw county, came to Spartanburg about five years ago to make his home with his son. He had been in declining health for several months. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Alice C. Fletcher and a son, Mr. Fletcher, with whom the parents made their home.

\$8,000 More for Kershaw County Farmers
\$8,000 more of the Government Seed Loan money has been allotted to Kershaw County. Farmers who still desire to apply should do so at once. See either the Community or County Committee or County Agent Green.

For lack of space, matter already put in type for this issue is being held over for next week.