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## Social and Personal Items

Mr. Henry D. Green, county agent, will spend a couple of weeks in the military camp at Charleston. He has recently been promoted to the rank of captain, so hereafter it will be Capt. Green.

Messrs. Durham and Sidney Josey, sons of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Josey left this county to make their home in Macon, Ga., about forty years ago. They were week end visitors to Camden. They left Monday to visit a sister who is residing in Lancaster.

Rev. F. H. Harding, of Milledgeville, Ga., accompanied by Mrs. Harding and other members of his family, are making a brief visit to Camden. They are on their way to the mountains of North Carolina for a summer vacation.

Mr. Luther A. Moore, of Bishopville, was a Camden visitor Saturday.

Mr. J. M. Hoffer and family, who went to Lancaster, Pa., for a summer vacation, have returned home.

Mrs. S. F. Evans, who went to Bluefield, Va., her old home, for a vacation was caught in a motor car wreck and had to have hospital treatment, has sufficiently recovered to return home.

Mr. J. R. Belk underwent an operation a few days ago for a tumor which had developed on the side of his face. The operation was successful and Mr. Belk is getting along all right.

Mr. Stanley Babin, who went to Cincinnati, Ohio, recently to visit his father, on his return trip had the misfortune of having his car right badly damaged by a truck running into it. The car, however, was not damaged so that he could not continue his journey home.

Mrs. W. A. Mette, of Columbia, spent several days of last week in Camden.

Rev. G. F. Kirby, presiding elder of the Sumter District, who assisted the pastor, Rev. J. M. Rodgers, in a meeting at Hanging Rock church, stopped over in Camden a short while Monday on his return trip to his home in Sumter. While here he made a visit to our office.

Mrs. J. B. Munn, of the Buffalo section of our county, who underwent a major operation at the Camden hospital, is reported as getting along nicely, and will likely be able to return home within a short while.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Savage, Jr., are leaving today for quite an extensive northern trip. They will go by boat from Charleston to New York, where they will visit some friends, and from there will spend some time over in Canada. They will be gone about a month. Their friends at home wish them a pleasant trip.

### Congratulations

We extend hearty congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cureton, upon the arrival Wednesday of a fine daughter, Mary Frances. May she live long to be a joy to her fond parents. Mother and baby are getting along nicely.

### Meeting in Charleston

The state convention of the American Legion met in Charleston yesterday. LeRoy Belk Post No. 17 is being well represented, quite a number going down for the meeting. A number of ladies will also attend the convention. "Miss Camden" will be there as a representative from the local post. Here's hoping that all will have a fine time.

### Agricultural Class to Go on Camp

The agricultural class of the Camden High school left yesterday for Tamasee, in Pickens county, for about a 6 days camp. They will be accompanied by their teacher, Mr. Hermas Granada. The camp to which they are going is for the Future Palmetto Farmers of S. C. The trip will be educational as well as recreational. There will be a considerable number of boys from various parts of the state at the camp, which has been provided for the Future Palmetto Farmers.

## LIBERTY HILL

Mr. Editor—Our section—and apparently the whole upper part of Kershaw, and the adjoining county of Lancaster—was visited on Saturday, and again on Sunday evening by heavy falls of rain breaking the drouth which had prevailed in places for weeks, and supplying the ground with the much needed moisture for the development of growing vegetation of all kinds.

Some of our farmers are about through with the cultivation of their crops, while some yet have considerable work to do. The wind storm some weeks ago turned the large oak tree that stood close to the back of the Presbyterian Church over on the building but by the use of mechanical devices under the direction of Mr. R. J. Wardlaw it was removed without doing any serious damage to the structure other than the breaking of a window.

Fine progress seems to have been made by the Smith Contracting Co. who are constructing Highway 97. They have a steam shovel and force of tractors, trucks and wheel scrapers at work on our "main street" making the necessary fills and excavations. They were working Saturday evening just in front of Messrs. Mackey, Jones & Co's big mercantile establishment, and with the usual Saturday evening crowd our "city" presented quite a busy and animated appearance. The heavy rain Saturday did some damage to their new work—on the edges of fills.

The work of grading will soon be completed, as they have less than a mile yet to do.

Rev. Dr. C. M. Richards with Mrs. Richards and two daughters of Davidson, N. C. arrived by automobile Saturday to visit his brothers, Gov. John G. and Hon. Norman S. Richards and other relatives here. Dr. Richards occupied the pulpit at the Presbyterian church on Sunday morning and delivered a very able and interesting scriptural discourse to his hearers. Dr. Richards is a fluent and interesting speaker and is always heard with pleasure by the friends at his boyhood home.

Gov. John G. Richards and Mr. F. B. Floyd were Camden visitors on Saturday last. They went down to attend a meeting in interest of forest fire prevention in Kershaw county. Mrs. R. C. Jones accompanied by her daughter, Miss Louise and Mr. W. C. Wardlaw went to Columbia last week to bring home her daughter, Miss Callie, who has been attending summer school at the S. C. University.

Mr. F. B. Floyd was in Charlotte one day last week. He went to accompany his sister, Miss Anna, who will spend awhile with relatives in that City.

A number of families—Bartlett's, Moore's, Davis',—and other friends of Lancaster were here on Thursday evening last to join the family of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Jones on a picnic. A very pleasant evening was spent by those present.

Miss Elizabeth Matheson of Florida arrived last week to spend some time with her aunt, Miss Laura Matheson.

Dr. W. R. Blackmon and Dr. Frank L. Strait of Rock Hill were visitors on Friday last in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Z. Hilton.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Jordan and baby, William, spent Sunday here at the home of Mrs. Jordan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Z. Hilton.

Prof. J. P. Richards and Miss Callie Jones are at home after attending summer school at the S. C. University. Mrs. Emma H. Burch is at home after attending summer school at Duke University.

Miss Mildred Richards has returned home after a pleasant visit with her sister, Mrs. M. L. Sauls of Manning.

### Fruit and Vegetables Plentiful

For some time now there has been an abundance of fruits and vegetables on this market, and a good deal of it of a very fine quality, and at very reasonable prices. Watermelons and cantaloupes are brought here in quantities, as well as numerous other articles. Prices on fruits and vegetables are reasonable. Poultry holds up pretty well, especially fryers, bringing from twenty to thirty cents per pound.

## CAMDEN JUNIOR WIN UPPER STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Defeat Piedmont Youngsters at Union, 5 to 3.

Union, July 24.—Coach Sanders' fast-stepping Camden Juniors took an early lead to defeat the clever Piedmont Junior here this afternoon 5 to 3, to take the upper state American Legion Junior championship.

The Kershaw county youngsters will play the Columbia Legion Juniors, lower state champions, at a time and place to be set later, for the state title. Columbia won the state title last year.

Pitching of Munn for Camden was the outstanding performance of this afternoon contest. He fanned eight batters and allowed nine scattered safeties. Cooper also pitched a good game.

Patterson, who with Fleming, led the Piedmont batting, each getting three out of four, hit a homer, the only extra base hit of the game. McCullum, Sanders, W. Reeves and Truesdale led the Camden hitting.

Davis, Piedmont third baseman, pulled a double play unassisted.—The State.

### Appreciates Response Made

Mayor R. M. Kennedy expressed himself a few days ago as being very appreciative of the response made to a recent request through the local papers that merchants and other local car owners park their cars on back lots or side streets in order to give parties from the country parking space on the streets while they were making their purchases or attending to any business matters. Mayor Kennedy said that he noticed that there was plenty of space on Broad street on Saturday for cars from the country to be parked. The request only applies to Saturdays.

### A New Enterprise

Mr. Fred E. Stokes, a reliable young man, has opened up a paint and furniture repair shop on Duke street. This is a needed enterprise for Camden and we hope that Mr. Stokes will find it profitable. He will be sure to give you satisfaction in his line of work.

The Opportunity School at Clemson On July 23, an interesting school was opened at Clemson College. This is to give the young men and women of South Carolina the one great chance that they missed in their younger days to go to college. For the past several years this work has been done at Due West but this year Miss W. L. Gray, Supervisor of Adult work for the State has made plans for a four weeks course of splendid work at Clemson College. Through the united efforts of the Mill authorities and several interested organizations and individuals Camden and Kershaw County is represented by one of the best groups of young men to be found. These men have left their work and gone for entire four weeks course. The town is glad to have citizens of the type of Heyward Lynch, Herman Nelson, Will Gardner and Aaron Thompson to represent us.

### Fish Fry Thursday Evening

The men's Bible class of the Lytleton street Sunday school had a fish fry Thursday evening at the city power house, which was a very delightful affair for those who attended. An ample supply of fish, bread and coffee was served. Messrs. B. P. DeLoache, Homer Shiver, A. C. Drawdy and W. F. Nettles, president of the class, were the chief cooks, and did their task well. In addition to the members of the class several invited guests were present, and after the supper several brief talks were made, Mayor R. M. Kennedy being the first one called upon. He spoke of the tolerance the several denominations had for each other and the general spirit of cooperation in the community. Rev. W. G. Ariall made a few appropriate remarks and was followed by several others. Altogether it was a very delightful occasion. Supper being over some of those present, piloted by Mayor Kennedy, made an inspection of the power plant, and were shown every corner by those in charge.

Mr. B. C. Cook, of Oswego, spent Saturday in Camden. He has a number of friends here who are always glad to see him.

## BETHUNE NEWS.

Bethune, July 27. Mrs. Charles Rivers of Chesterfield was complimented with a miscellaneous shower Monday afternoon by Miss Malloy Hearon.

Music was furnished by Miss Mary Heafie of McBee and useful recipes written for the honor guest.

Miss Hearon served a sweet course in this she was assisted by her sister, Miss Margaret Hearon and Mrs. Raymond Clyburn of Norfolk, Va.

John Neil McLaurin, who has been in camp in Anniston, Ala., is taking western trip.

Paul Dorman of Boiling Springs was a recent guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. K. McLaurin.

Miss Lizzie Kate Davis is attending summer school at Chapel Hill, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Clemens and their daughter, Shirley of Philadelphia are spending sometime with Mrs. Clemens' parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Arthur.

Miss Gladys Baker has returned from summer school at Limestone and brought as her guest, Miss Mary Bramlett of the Limestone faculty.

Misses Sara Hammond and Dorothy Parrott have returned from the summer schools of Winthrop and Carolina respectively.

Laurence McLaurin and Harold King with their teacher in agricultural, Mr. B. Keisler, attended the boys Agricultural Camp held at Tamasee last week.

Mr. Mayo Davis of Dothan, Ala. is spending this week at his old home here.

Miss Patty Epps of Kingstree is the guest of Mrs. W. H. Hearon. Miss Louise Parker of Camden is staying in the home of her brother, Mr. Manning Parker.

## ANTIOCH NEWS

Miss Mary Lee Raley of Cassatt visited her cousin, Mrs. Charles B. Blyther last week.

Miss Henrietta Joye has returned to her home after a visit to relatives in North Carolina.

Little Miss Kathryn Amerson of St. Charles has returned home after visiting Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Atkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Strange of Sumter spent Sunday with Mrs. Strange's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Barnes. Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Atkinson accompanied by Miss Maggie Lou McCaskey and Miss Sallie Bell Hinson motored to a family reunion near Sumter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Proctor.

The revival meeting at Antioch closed last night after a very enjoyable week of inspiring sermons by Rev. Whaley of Lancaster.

### Teachers for Bethune School

The teachers of the Bethune Public Schools for the session 1931-32 has been announced by Superintendent J. C. Fosoter. They are as follows: High School, Principal and teacher of Science, J. H. McDaniel; English and French, Miss Thelma (Stroman); Mathematics and Latin, Miss Eloise Miller; History, Economics, and English, A. W. Parker; Vocational Agriculture, B. E. Keisler; Vocational Home Economics, Miss Lillian Goodlett. Bethune Grammar: Principal, Teacher of Arithmetic and Spelling, R. R. Burns, English and Reading, Miss Lucille Smith; History and Geography, Miss Ruby Norris; Fourth Grade, Miss Louise Tiller; Third Grade, Miss Stella Bethune; Second Grade, Miss Lucile Brown; First Grade, Miss Mildred Manning. Timrod Grammar: Miss Sara Gettys; Miss Margie Brock. Shamrock (Grammar, Miss Mildred Bradford; Miss Thelma Burnside.

The above named faculty has taught in the schools for one or more years, with the exception of two teachers of the Shamrock Grammar School who will be in the system for their first year.

### W. O. W. Meeting

A meeting of Live Oak Camp, No. 49 is called for Thursday evening at eight o'clock in the room of the City Recorder. Members of the camp are urged to be present as this is to be an important meeting.

## "WANTED—FRIENDS"

By Ann Thompson

### Chapter 2.

"Oh, Betty it was wonderful of you to ask me to go and I can hardly wait," said Priscilla who was seated on the window seat in Betty's room. Betty in a sleepy voice replied, "I'm so glad you are going, I like friends to visit me, and we do have such nice times". "There are two more weeks to wait, Betty, we're leaving for grandmother's the Saturday before the 4th and will return Tuesday, the 5th, I'll have plenty of time to pack, to leave on Friday the 8th, won't I?" Priscilla rattled on. "O, yes", Betty answered nearly asleep.

One morning, a few days later, at the breakfast table, Mrs. Davis announced, "Priscilla, we must go shopping today and select some of your clothes". An hour later, Priscilla and Mrs. Davis, dressed for the street walked down town. They stopped at a department store on the corner, where they selected some material for morning and afternoon frocks for Priscilla. They also bought various trinkets and returned home. Mrs. Davis decided that Priscilla should pick her own bathing suit, tennis outfit and other sport costumes.

That afternoon Priscilla, went shopping by herself as Mrs. Davis was busy at home making one of Priscilla's frocks.

The girl selected a green bathing suit, pink tennis outfit, a pair of sport oxfords, also a neat pair of high heeled pumps, which Priscilla had seen in the store window for a long time and had wished for them.

She was so busy for the next few days that the time passed very quickly. The Davis' family left on Saturday afternoon, for Grandmother's to return on Tuesday.

Grandmother and Grandfather welcomed them cordially and Priscilla and Jack had a pleasant time. The young folk of Sellers (the village in which Grandmother lived) took charge of them and they joined in the 4th of July celebrations with a will.

They returned home Tuesday night to Priscilla's joy, because she hadn't enjoyed her visit with Grandmother but she had enjoyed seeing her mountain trip.

Mrs. Davis and Priscilla began to put the finishing touches on their clothes, and pack their trunks.

(To be continued next week.)

### Caston, Flowers

Heath Spring, July 15.—Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Caston announce the marriage of their daughter, Eva Mae, to L. Eugene Flowers, of Florence, at noon July 9. Rev. M. B. Gunter, pastor of the First Baptist church of Jefferson, officiated, using the ring ceremony.

The bride was appropriately dressed in a navy blue flat crepe traveling suit with accessories to match for the trip to Richmond, Washington and other points north. Graduating from Winthrop with the class of 1925 the bride taught in the public schools of Bethune and Easley, making a host of friends in both towns. The groom studied at Furman, Piedmont and Peabody; taught several years in the public schools of South Carolina and Tennessee; and now holds a responsible position with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company and is located in Florence.

### Juniors Have Interesting Meeting

DeKalb Council No. 88, J. O. U. A. M. had a very interesting meeting last night. The attendance was good and a supper was served those present, making it a delightful social event. This is one of the important fraternal societies of our community, and its members take a lively interest in it.

### Mr. Purser Loses His Mother

Mr. M. G. Purser was summoned to Monroe, N. C., on account of the death of his mother, Mrs. M. D. Purser, who died at her home there Sunday morning. Mrs. Purser had reached the advanced age of 83 years. Her husband, who is several years older, survives her. Mr. Purser has the sympathy of his friends here in his bereavement.

## ONE MINUTE PULPIT

Rev. T. M. Stevenson, Kershaw, S. C.

I verily thought with myself, that I ought to do many things contrary to the name of Jesus of Nazareth. Acts 26:9.

The conscience is popularly thought of as the voice of God. "Let your conscience be your guide", is almost proverbial. The thought is, it is safe to follow your conscience.

St. Paul once thought that, too, but he changed his mind. His conscience had urged him to persecute Jesus, and he had done it with bitter fanaticism, but the day came when he found his conscience had been a lying guide. It was not right to persecute Jesus.

If you understand what the conscience is you will see why it is not always trustworthy. It is not the voice of God. There is nothing supernatural about its speaking. It is no more than personal judgment exercising itself in a certain field, than reason employed about questions of right and wrong.

If judgment errs in matters of money, why should it be thought infallible in matters of morals? If reason is defective when employed about earthly, material things, what guarantees its accuracy about heavenly, spiritual things? There are few who do not admit bad business judgment, at some time or other, who do not doubt, occasionally, their ability to reason straight and true. Any such admission, every such doubt is equally valid against an infallible conscience.

As business judgment may be corrected, matured, rendered more dependable by proper training and exercise, so may the moral judgment, the conscience. God is supremely willing to give it enlightenment and make it responsive to truth. Jesus says, Behold, I stand at the door and knock. A part of his mission is to enlighten, to make tender, to regenerate the faculties of man, including the faculty of moral judgment.

If you would have a trustworthy conscience, feed it upon God's Word. Nurture it with prayer. Open it to the Holy Spirit. Rebuke it when Divine Truth proves it wrong. Compel it to live in an atmosphere of love. Conform it to the mind of Christ.

### Services at High Hill

A three days' meeting will begin at High Hill True Light Church, Friday, July 31st. Services morning and afternoon. The public is cordially invited.

### First Baptist Church

J. B. Caston, Pastor

The pastor, Rev. J. B. Caston is off on vacation during the month of August, but splendid supplies have been secured to fill the pulpit.

On next Sunday, August 2nd, at 11:15, Rev. Mr. Johnson, of Wingate North Carolina, will conduct the service. The evening service will be called on account of commencement sermon for graduate nurses. On the 2nd Sunday Rev. Floyd F. Surls, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Wintonsboro, will supply both morning and evening. Rev. Mr. Godfrey of Spartanburg will conduct morning and evening service on the 3rd Sunday, Rev. F. Clyde Helms of Columbia will preach only at the morning hour on the 4th Sunday, and Dr. Plainfield of Tampa, Florida, will preach both morning and evening on the 5th Sunday.

It would be difficult to secure a finer group of supplies and it is hoped that the services may be well attended. Sunday school each Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. Judge Mendel L. Smith, superintendent.

The public is most cordially invited to attend all the services of this church.

### Name of Company Changed

The name of the Mackey Mercantile Company has recently been changed and will hereafter be known as the Mackey Hardware Company. Mr. John T. Mackey is president, and Mr. F. M. Jones, secretary-treasurer. These are good people to deal with and they have an announcement to you elsewhere in this issue of The Messenger. They carry a fine line of hardware, sporting goods and builders supplies, and invite your patronage.