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HENRY LUNDY KILLED

Struck By Automobile While Riding in Wagon at Bethune Saturday Afternoon

Henry Lundy, 65 year old white man of Bethune, was struck and fatally injured Saturday afternoon about 6 o'clock on Highway No. 1 as he was attempting to cross the highway near the Bethune high school building. Mr. Lundy was driving a one-horse wagon and was standing in the wagon at the time. The automobile driven by C. S. Van Landingham, of Heath Springs, struck the rear wheels of the wagon, throwing Mr. Lundy violently to the ground, causing injuries from which he died at 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

An inquest was held at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon at Bethune to determine the cause of the accident.

Charlotte Thompson School to Present Play

The Charlotte Thompson High School will present the Dixie Jubilee Minstrels at the school Friday evening November 13 at seven-thirty o'clock. Given by members of the High School this minstrel show promises to be one of the most entertaining ever given in this county by a group of amateurs. Admission will be fifteen and twenty-five cents.

The cast includes: Middleman—Mary Lindsay Pearce Abraham de Patriarch Jones. John Sowell. Hosannah Wilkins.

Bill Moseley Miss Polly Ticks from Washington. Leila May Dixon Joshua Ebenezer Frye.

Polly West Potash from Fertilizer, Tenn. Arthur Gaskin John de Baptist Wesley.

Mariette Thompson Mr. Wintergreen Ernest Kunda Mr. R. F. D. Gullinwhopper.

Curtis Arrants Miss Sunny South. James Shiver I. B. dePression. Clator Arrants

Thoughtlessness on Part of Local Forestry Association Prevents Forest Conflagration

In spite of a dense pall of smoke which has been hanging over the county for the past few weeks, Forest Lookout, Fred Wilson, discovered and reported to County Forester Nuite, a woods fire about six miles from Camden on property of Ingleside Plantation, Inc., known locally as "Spear's Place". The County Forester immediately for the fire fighting tools, picked up the crew en-route, with the fire breaks, such as trails, the fire was soon controlled with an area burned of 12 acres.

It was said that "adequate fire protection is 90 per cent of forestry."

The fire was started by the party of campers who were exercised about our woods and should prevent woods fires. That sportsmen could do in return for the courtesy extended to them by country landowners is to exercise as much care in protecting their property as they would their own.

Some steps be taken by sportsmen, tourists, and those who use the woods for recreation, a great and important conservation work in the woods will be ruined, and it will be a matter of but a short time until our careless and thoughtless brothers will have robbed all of us of the best of our fields and hunting. The thought should be borne in mind, too, that it is possible where destructive fires can be traced to a carelessness of parties camping, hunting, or otherwise using the woods, the responsibility for material damage is chargeable to them and they may be able to settle for it. Too few people realize the tremendous damage and loss suffered from fire in Kershaw County and the State of S. C. every year. This is an annual waste which should be prevented.

Tourist, and Mr. County requests your attention.

She Can't Help It

THE COUNTY FAIR WAS A SUCCESS.

People of County Fair Are Given Credit.

4-H Exhibits Were Outstanding

The outstanding feature of the season was the Kershaw County Fair which was the biggest and best ever had. The Legion and Shrine managers realize that without the cooperation of the people the fair would have been a failure. By its being such a success goes to show that in spite of hard times cooperation is bound to bring success.

The Forestry exhibit, under the direction of Mr. Lawrence Staley and Mr. Charles Nuite, gave a good example of the great damage done by forest fires.

In the 4-H club department the Southern Railway trophy and the Moses trophy were on display. These two trophies were won by South Carolina 4-H boys this year. Also the Richard Blackwell Boykin trophy was on display in this department. One of the outstanding features of the 4-H club exhibit was the model farm which showed that through the use of cows, hogs, poultry, legumes, and crop rotation the farmer rose to success to the point of owning a large barn and a modern home and other modern farm conveniences.

Another feature was the display of U. S. grades of hay which attracted a great deal of attention. By the use of these U. S. hay samples, which are now in the County Agent's office for the use of the people of the County, a farmer may determine very closely the quality and value of his hay.

The glassed-in hive of bees gave the people a good chance to see how bees conduct themselves within the hive. The County Agent's office will soon have a hive of bees in it.

There were two community booths and two Home Demonstration Club booths. Lugoff came first in the Home Demonstration Club booths and Gate Ford second. In the community booths Blaney was first and Bethune second. These booths were very attractively arranged and showed the results of Home Demonstration work.

There was a 4-H Girl's booth in which were displayed many beautiful handmade articles. Many canned goods were also well displayed. The booth, arranged by Miss Craig, County Home Demonstration Agent, was very attractively decorated. 4-H colors adorned the walls and the background consisted of a piece of oil cloth with a picture of eleven steps. On each step was printed consecutively HONESTY, RESPECT FOR OTHERS, SELF-RELIANCE, ORDERLINESS, CHEERFULNESS, OWNERSHIP, SELF CONTROL, GENEROSITY, COURAGE, INITIATIVE, LEADERSHIP, and all these led to SUCCESS which was at the top of the steps. At the bottom was a 4-H girl pointing to the word SUCCESS. This is a wonderful illustration of the way to true success.

In the Livestock building were displayed the Vocational Agriculture exhibits which were very good. Also the poultry exhibits which consisted of Rhode Island Reds, Rhode Island Whites, White Leghorns, Barred Plymouth Rocks, White Plymouth Rocks, Wyandottes, Turkeys, and ducks. In the father end of the building were many fine calves, cows, and bulls.

Outside of the exhibit buildings were the pens of pigs and hogs. There were Durocs, Hampshires, Poland-Chinas, and Bershires. There were 228 hogs and pigs displayed, the greatest number ever exhibited in any Kershaw County Fair or State Fair. Out of this number 161 were 4-H pigs and hogs. This goes to show that the people of the County have followed the County Agent's hog program which was begun two years ago in Kershaw County. They have followed it with such success that the advancement in the hog industry in the county was very obvious at the fair, and remarks were heard on all sides complimentary to the hog development. So let's everybody back 4-H work and have bigger and better hogs and pigs next year.

Poultry

Rhode Island Reds—Cocks, Otis Watts, Lugoff, first, \$1.00; Marion Evans, second. Hens, T. L. Little, first, \$1.50; second, \$1.00. Cockerel, T. L. Little, first, \$1.50; Marion Evans, second, \$1.00. Pullet, T. L. Little, first, \$1.50; Francis Billings, second, \$1.00. Young Trio, T. L. Little, first, \$3.00; Francis Billings, second, \$2.00. Asbury Martin, Lugoff, third, \$1.00. Old Trio, Alvin Joyner,

MR. C. W. BIRCHMORE, EDITOR OF THE MESSENGER IS SERIOUSLY ILL.

This week's edition of The Messenger is issued under the most severe handicap owing to the illness of the editor, Mr. Chas. W. Birchmore, Sr., who for more than forty-seven years has personally edited and supervised every week's issue of the paper that he founded and to which he has devoted nearly a half century of labor and devotion.

On Sunday morning, shortly after arising, and while he was preparing for a trip to Bethune where he was to take part in the Sunday school exercises at that place, Mr. Birchmore was stricken with an attack of apoplexy at his home on Fair street, and since that time has remained in a state of coma. While his condition is considered serious, hopes are entertained by his friends that he will recover and again be able to assume charge of his paper.

During the time that Mr. Birchmore will necessarily be absent from his post, the paper will be edited by his son, Mr. C. W. Birchmore, Jr., who has been associated with his father for a number of years.

first, \$3.00; Earl Dennis, Dentsville, second, \$2.00. Display Reds, T. L. Little, \$3.00.

Lackenvelders—Hen, S. E. Belvin, first, \$1.00; Cockerel, S. E. Belvin, first, \$1.00; Pullet, S. E. Belvin, first, \$1.00.

Pit Game—Cock, L. B. Smith, Lugoff, first, \$1.00; Hen, L. B. Smith, Lugoff, first and second, \$1.00. Pullet, A. A. Anderson, Cassatt, first and second, \$1.00; Old Trio, A. A. Anderson, Cassatt, first, \$2.00; Young Trio, Dixie Boykin, Boykin, first \$2.00.

White Leghorns—Hens, W. H. Stokes, Westville, first, \$1.50; W. S. Huggins, second, \$1.00. Young Trio W. H. Stokes, Westville, first \$2.00. (White Wyandottes—Cocks, Mendel Hinson, first, \$1.50; D. W. McCaskill, Bethune, second, \$1.00. Hens, D. W. McCaskill, Bethune, first, \$1.50. Young Trio, D. W. McCaskill, Bethune, first, \$2.00.

Barred Rocks—Cock, Mrs. Team Gettys, Lugoff, first, \$1.00. Pullet, Lee West, first, \$1.50; second, \$1.00. Young Trio, Lee West, first, \$3.00.

Anconas—Hens, Mrs. C. W. Hasty, first and second, \$2.50. Cockerel, Mrs. C. W. Hasty, first, \$1.50; Will Hasty, second, \$1.00. Young Trio, Leo Hasty, first, \$3.00; Leo Hasty, second, \$2.00. Old Trio, Mrs. C. W. Hasty, first, \$3.00; second, \$2.00.

White Plymouth Rocks—Hens, Mrs. Team Gettys, Lugoff, first, \$1.50; second, \$1.00. Cockerel, J. B. Gaskin Jr., first, \$1.00. Old Trio, B. M. Hall first \$2.00. Young Trio, Mrs. H. Nettles, Lugoff, first \$2.00.

Black Jersey Giants—Cock, A. J. Kelley, first, \$1.00.

White Minorcas—Cock, S. E. Belvin, first, \$1.00. Hen, S. E. Belvin, first, \$1.00. Cockerel, S. E. Belvin, first and second, \$1.00. Old Trio, S. E. Belvin, first and second, \$2.00. Best Display, S. E. Belvin, \$3.00.

Miscellaneous—Best Bronze Turkeys, Dixie Boykin, first, \$3.00; Mrs. Wilmer Huckabee, second, \$2.00. Best Pair White Pekin Ducks, L. P. Mackey, Kershaw, first, \$2.00. Best Pair Muscovy Ducks, Mrs. R. Nettles, Lugoff, first, \$2.00. Best Pair Wild Ducks, L. P. Mackey, Kershaw, first, \$2.00; McKain Richards, second, \$1.00. Best Pair Rabbits, L. P. Mackey, Kershaw, first, \$1.00. Best Pair Homer Pigeons, Elmo Brown, first and second, \$1.50.

Canned Meats

Mrs. Hugh McCullum, Lugoff, first, \$5.00; Irene Truesdale, Lugoff, second, \$3.00.

Canned Vegetables

Miss I. J. Truesdale, Lugoff, first, (Continued on last page) \$5.00; Mrs. Claude West, Cassatt, second, \$3.00; Mrs. Hugh McCullum, Lugoff, third, \$2.00.

Canned Fruits

Mrs. W. T. Truesdale, Camden, second, \$3.00.

Jellies

Irene Truesdale, Lugoff, first, \$5.00; Mrs. B. J. Truesdale, second, \$3.00; Mrs. Hugh McCullum, Lugoff, third, \$2.

Fruit Juices

Mrs. Maggie Truesdale, Lugoff, first, \$3.00; Mrs. B. R. Rose, Blaney, second, \$2.00; Miss Eva McCoy, Cassatt, third, \$1.

Vinegar

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A ROBBERY IS COMMITTED

By Ann Thompson Chapter 1.

There were six in the Thomas family, Bert, Alice, Bob, Shelley and Mother and Dad.

Bert was seventeen Alice, sixteen, Bob, fourteen, and Shelley had reached the high number of twelve. They usually paired Bert, and Alice, and Bob and Shelley, but really all four were very congenial.

This family lived in Warton, Va. Mr. Thomas was not rich, but he could well support his family with ease.

Bert was preparing for college which he hoped to enter next fall, and Alice was in the tenth grade. Bob and I don't have to go to college for a long time yet, said Shelley, one September afternoon, as she and Alice sat in their room sewing. "Bob won't have to go for three years and I can stay for four years now."

"Yes, you'll be here to entertain us when we come home for the holidays," said Alice.

Before Shelley could reply the girls heard Bob's voice in the hall. "Shucks mother, where are the girls? I suppose they are locked up in their room enjoying some of that sweet needlework, which they think is so beautiful. A fellow can't find them when he has something exciting to tell them, can he?"

"What's the news, Bob?" Shelley shouted from upstairs. Alice followed Shelleys question with, "Do hurry and tell us, Bob."

"Well, I suppose you both know that Marion Brown was found lying unconscious on the floor of her room this afternoon, and that diamond pin, the one that came from Scotland, a century ago, was stolen—all this was out in one breath, for Bob liked to spread the news in a hurry.

"Marion Brown, why mother, it can't be, for she was at school to-day, and as jolly as a lark," said Alice who was excited, at her best friend's mishap) "But it is," exclaimed Bob, just before he reached the back door, en route to the home of his chum, Ted Hampton, who lived next door. "I can hardly believe it," said Alice, "Marian sat with me in the French class." "Well, 'Al' the best way to find out is to go over to Marian's and see for yourself," advised Shelley.

"Believe, I will," Alice picked up her tam and jacket, and went of the front, hastily.

(To be continued)

Woodhams To Serve Time.

A father and son convicted of manslaughter from a homicide over land in Lee county must serve their sentences of two years each, the supreme court held Tuesday afternoon in denying their appeal for retrial.

Willis J. Woodham and Alva L. Woodham were convicted of manslaughter at U. S. shopville in March, 1930, over the fatal cutting of Maxie McKenzie.

Judge William H. Grimbail, who presided at the trial, sentenced each to two years upon conviction.

Records indicate that the homicide occurred before a store operated by Midge and Tracy Skinner, father and son, at the intersection of Stokes Bridge and the Bishopville and Ashland roads.

McKenzie and Alva Woodham met at a disputed land line, having left Willis Woodham at the store to go there. An argument led to the drawing of knives and pistols, according to the record. It ended with McKenzie fatally wounded.—Columbia Record

Blaney Holds Community Fair

Last Tuesday Blaney held its second community fair under the direction of P. B. Waters, teacher of Vocational Agriculture, and Miss Thelma Christy, Home Economics Teacher. The exhibits of corn this year were greater than last year while the exhibits of sweet potatoes and fresh vegetables were less. This is what you would be expected on account of the extreme drought that we have had. One of the outstanding exhibits in this line was the display of 15 different kinds of fresh vegetables by J. M. Martin. The display of 11 by W. L. Miles was also good. The canned fruit and vegetables were large in number and also very attractive and of good quality. The fancy work and flowers also attracted much attention.

The winners of the various exhibits were as follows:

Best ten ears of corn—J. V. Miles. Best exhibit oats—Asbury Martin. Best exhibit rye—Charles Wilkes. Best exhibit peas—Dida Abbott. Best exhibit velvet beans—T. W. Watson.

Best exhibit sweet potatoes—David Jeffers. Best six stalks sugar cane—J. M. Martin. Best small bale hay—W. L. Miles. Best trio poultry—Asbury Martin. Best dozen eggs—Henry Jeffers. Best collection of pot flowers—Mary Ross Goff.

Best vase flowers—Miss Julia Kirkland. Best collection of fresh vegetables—J. M. Martin. Best collection of canned vegetables—Mrs. T. W. Motley. Best collection of jelly—Mrs. B. K. Rose.

Best collection pickles—Mrs. B. K. Rose. Best collection canned fruit—Mrs. T. W. Motley. Best quart syrup—Mrs. W. D. Grigsby. Best cake—Anna Belle Price. Best plate candy—Pearl Price. Best hand made spread—Mrs. S. E. Ross.

Best center piece—Miss Jean Starnes. Best hand made garment—Mrs. J. M. Martin. Best boy's exhibit of corn—Palmer Barfield. Best girl's garment—Charlotte Hawkins.

The judges were Mr. H. Grenade and Mr. D. W. Traxler of Camden.

The winners in the vocational agricultural exhibit were as follows:

Corn—School 1. Willard Johnson—Antioch 2. Leo Hasty—Antioch 3. J. B. Branham—Midway Sweet potatoes—1. Russel Hall—Antioch 2. H. J. West—Midway 3. Will Hunnicut—Midway Calves—1. Nicholas Gettys—Camden 2. James Clyburn—Camden 3. Albert Roof—Blaney Poultry—(Trio) 1. Marshall Swindler—Blaney—This trio had best trio in show. 2. Asbury Martin—Blaney 3. Leo Hasty—Antioch

Hog—1. Lawrence—Camden 2. H. J. West—Midway 3. Lawrence McCullum—Camden Hogs—1. Jack Coates—Mt. Pisgah 2. Ralph Lee—Camden 3. Earl Jordan—Camden

The Faculty of the Baron DeKalb School announces the Honor Roll for the first six weeks grading period which ended October 23 as follows:

2nd. Grade. Clunie Childress, Marie Holland, Chalmers Hornsby, Stanley McManus, Darcas Owens, William Stokes. 3rd. Grade. Grace Childress, Nina Young, Hoyt Owens, Joe Vincent. 4th. Grade. Ruby Young, Dorothy Workman. 5th. Grade. Doris Faulkenbury, Ira Hornsby, Ruth McDonald, Vester Player. 6th. Grade. Ann Clarkson, Willie Be'le McDonald, W. R. Outlaw, Jr. 7th. Grade. Margaret Vincent, Ruth West, Mendel Gladden, Harold Truesdale. 8th. Grade. Eben Young. 9th. Grade. Wilma Sill. 10th. Grade. Luella Young, Mabel Catoe. 11th. Grade. Mary Lois Truesdale, Willeen Huckabee.

Cassatt Baptist Church

Preaching services every second and fourth Sunday morning at eleven o'clock by the pastor, Rev. H. C. Robertson. Sunday school every Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. Carson Gordan, superintendent. The public is invited to attend all the services of this church.

Teaching Mission To Be Held

A Teaching Mission will be held at Grace Church on Nov. 22, 23, 24 and 25. Its object is "To give a vision of the Kingdom of God, to deepen the individual spiritual life and to present channels of expression through the program of the church."

The Rev. N. C. Duncan of Franklin, N. C. will be the Missioner and the opening service will be on Sunday evening at 11:15 A. M. The hour of other services to be announced later. The public is cordially invited to attend.

ONE MINUTE SERMONS

Rev. T. M. Stevenson, Craigville, Va.

By whom we have now received the atonement. Rom. 5:11. The word "atonement" appears several scores of times in the Old Testament in connection with the ceremonial offerings for sin. It occurs but once in the New Testament, in the text quoted above. Here it describes the offering Christ made of himself for the sins of men.

The teaching of the Bible is that this offering is substitutionary in nature. Any dying soul, by receiving spiritually upon itself the sprinkling of his dying blood, may stand as guiltless before God as the perfect Jesus himself. Isaiah explained over and over again, in chapter 53, that "he made his soul an offering for sin," "he hath borne our griefs," "he was bruised for our iniquities."

This is not only the teaching of the Old Testament, but is the consistent doctrine of the New Testament epistles.

This substitutionary work of Christ does not appeal to the pride of man. Salvation by personal effort is preferable, and the death of Jesus is therefore made to be a great lesson, an inspiration, a warning, but not sinful humanity, in His person, nailed to the cross.

In the matter of the meaning of the atonement, and how its merits are made available to sinners, the rational thing to do is to accept God's explanation of his own saving act, and to submit to it.

Nothing can be gained by arguing with him that his plan of salvation is wrong and illogical, and that some other would be better. It is his plan, formulated from the stores of his wisdom, offered through the graciousness of his love, and the final word of a changeless and sovereign God is, He that believeth shall be saved, but he that believeth not shall be condemned.

Aged Confederate Veteran Suffers Fall and Light Stroke

On Monday afternoon as B. M. Jones, one of the very few surviving Confederate Veterans throughout this section, was on a ladder at his home in the country picking pears from a tree, he accidentally fell from the ladder and after making his way into the house, suffered a slight stroke, which has held him in bed. The many friends of Mr. Jones hope for him a speedy recovery and trust that he will be able to get out soon and resume his visits into town.

Honor Roll for Midway High School

First Grade: None. Second Grade: Charlotte McCaskill, Annie Mae West, Troy West, Johnnie Garrison. Third Grade: Lewis Lee West. Fourth Grade: Archie Gordon, Ferris Joyner, Margaret West, Willien West. Fifth Grade: Elizabeth McCoy, Roddy Rozier, Dolly Stokes. Sixth Grade: Gene Cooper, Sadie Corbett, Alva Lee, William McCoy, Milton McGuirt, Clifford Threat, Thomas Tidwell, Laurie West. Seventh Grade: Ethylene Corbett. Eighth Grade: Aralie Brannon, Margaret Holland, Martha Moseley, Thelma Stokes, Ruby Gay West. Ninth Grade: None. Tenth Grade: Mary McCoy, Vivian Stokes. Eleventh Grade: Mattie West.

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