

Meeting of South Carolina Rural Letter Carriers at Florence

(Paul K. Crosby, Secretary and Treasurer, Ruffin, S. C., in R. F. D. News.)

We were sorry you could not be with us at our convention of rural letter carriers which was held at Florence, S. C., July 3-5.

This was one of the most interesting meetings we have ever held. There were some of the best speeches we have ever heard, and our program was interesting and carried out without a hitch.

Senator E. D. Smith made one of his far-famed and grandiloquent addresses. He is always a fine speaker, and this time was at his best. Florence is his home town, and he seemed to know his ground.

Next was Gov. Blease. He is at home anywhere in this State, and is always prepared to do justice to the occasion when an address is needed. Gov. Blease holds a warm place in the hearts of the rural carriers of this State and is always ready to entertain, instruct and encourage us.

Mr. G. M. Brown, Postoffice Inspector, was with us as a special representative of the department, and was of special benefit to us in several instances.

Our association has not grown much during the past 12 months; in fact, it has barely held its own. There is a great disinterestedness manifest on the part of many carriers in the State, and I'm sure that if all the carriers could have heard Inspector Brown, there would not be one in the State but what would either join the association or resign his job as a carrier.

Also, such letters as were sent us by Hon. P. V. DeGraw, was enough to encourage us and inspire us to renewed effort on our own account and to spur us forward in behalf of those who are not members.

Many carriers left Florence with a strong determination to work for the increase of our membership and to rebuild our association, realizing that it is a great factor toward improving those engaged in the R.



South Carolina R. L. C. A. Convention, Florence, S. C., July 3-5, 1911.

F. D. service.

If there is a carrier who is so perfect as to not need his efficiency increased, we need him as an instructor in our organization. If there is one who cannot learn something good for himself in our association, he needs another job.

But we are all of like occupation, and should manifest a like interest in our common work and should all be of one accord in things pertaining to the betterment of the service, and if there is any better way to become more efficient than thru organization, let some dear brother name it. Let each one vow to do his individual part regardless of what others do, and success will crown united effort and all will be blessed by that peace of conscience which accompanies duty well performed.

We propose to issue a call to all counties, whether organized or not, to meet on Labor Day and persuade every carrier to be present and to give them an opportunity and invitation to join.

Now, I would suggest that each local organization meet twice each year, say on Labor Day and May 3. These holidays come at a time when we can best afford to meet, as most of our other holidays are associated with some other festivities, and twice annually is a sufficient number of times to meet.

The election resulted in choice of E. W. Comer, of Rock Hill, as president. Mr. Comer has been

vice-president for the past year. P. M. Huff was elected vice-president, and Paul K. Crosby was re-elected secretary and treasurer. The old Executive Committee, composed of D. C. Clarke, D. R. Fletcher and S. A. Burch, was re-elected.

Arthur W. Hill, of Greenville, was elected delegate to the National convention, with D. C. Hayden, of Orangeburg, alternate.

The next meeting will be held at Chester, S. C., July 3-5, 1912.

Below is a list of counties organized with their respective membership. Many of them can easily double their present membership by inaugurating a vigorous campaign, which I hope those who are interested will do. And boys of the unorganized counties, get busy at once. Aiken, 1; Anderson, 12; Barnwell, 5; Colleton, 7; Chester, 21; Marlboro and Chesterfield, 13; Dorchester, 3; Edgefield, 4; Fairfield, 6; Greenville, 23; Lexington, 16; Laurens, 16; Newberry, 16; Orangeburg, 16; Florence, Darlington, Marion, Dillon, Williamsburg, 29; York, 20; Saluda, 2; Sumter, 10; Spartanburg, 17; Kershaw and Lancaster, 10; making a total of 26 counties organized and constituting a membership of 253, leaving a great many counties that have not as yet manifested enough interest to organize.

Now for a long pull and a strong pull, and a pull altogether, on Labor Day, to enlist every county and to enroll every carrier.

BILL'S MILL

(A Parable.)

Job Sargent, Ben Slack, Job Mattoon, Hank Whitney and Bill Jones owned a grist mill on the creek. Bill was the miller. The mill was equipped with good machinery and the water in the creek was sufficient to keep the mill wheel turning the year round. Bill was active, and courteous to all who brought their grist to the mill, and careful that the toll measured from each bag of corn, oats or wheat was honest and exact. He was also a good miller.

Business had not been brisk that season as usual and, in the intervals between customers, he thought of many things, and tried to devise plans by which the trade of the mill, and the profits to its owners might be increased.

He decided to talk the matter over with his partners, and one sultry afternoon found the five seated under the old willow tree by the mill stream.

"I've bin a thinkin'," said Bill, "that we ought to doin' more business in this mill. I hain't busy more'n half the time, but I've to stay right here, so as to take care of the grist that does come. Can't you fellows help some?" I believe you can. Now, Ben, how is it you get your grindin' done down to the Four Corners when you own here? People rather expect a man to trade at his own store."

"Why, Bill," said Ben, "long before this mill was built I went to the Corners, and 's just as handy and I've kinder got in the habit, an then I thought we were doin' well enough."

"Wall, Ben, this is a custom mill, and after payin' the millin' expenses one-fifth of the toll belong to you. I reckon you don't get any rake-off at the Corners? Moreover, if your mill ain't patronized by yourself, you can't expect your neighbors to come here. They'll think there's somethin' wrong either with your mill or your miller."

"You bring your grist here, Hank, and you say everything is O. K., but your two brothers, down on the River Road, they go to Crosby's mill. Why don't they come here? It's right on their way to town, too?"

"To tell the truth, Bill," said Hank, "I've never asked 'em. Don't know but they'd just as soon come here as any where's—I'll speak to



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THOMAS J. SMYRI, Executor.

July 27, 1911—1 mo.

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F. F. YARBOROUGH,

Admr. Estate of W. K. Yarborough. Published in the Camden Chronicle, Camden, S. C., Aug. 4, 1911.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to all creditors of the Estate of the late McRae Kirkland, deceased, to present their demands to me duly attested as required by law; and all indebted to the said deceased notified to make payment to me.

McRAE KIRKLAND,

Admr. Estate of McRae Kirkland. Published in the Camden Chronicle, Camden, S. C., Aug. 4, 1911.

Notice.

Ministers and other officers performing marriage ceremonies in this county are requested to return the licenses to the Probate office in person or by registered mail; otherwise they might never reach the office. Very respectfully,

W. L. McDowell,

Judge of Probate.

July 14, 1911.

Revival Services.

A revival meeting will commence at Beaver Dam Baptist Church on the 4th Sunday in August. The pastor, Rev. E. A. Thompson, will be assisted by Rev. B. S. Funderberg, of Chesterfield.

The DeKalb meeting will be held on the 1st Sunday in September. The pastor, Rev. E. A. Thompson, will be assisted by Rev. E. O. Thompson, of Jefferson.

Convention to Meet.

The County Sunday School Convention will meet with the Flint Hill Baptist Church on Thursday and Friday before the second Sunday in September. Every church in the county is requested to send a full delegation.

E. A. Thompson, President County Sunday School Convention.

BIDS INVITED.

Notice is hereby given that bids for working the new public road from Bethune to Kershaw, will be received at Bethune on Saturday, August 26, at 12 M. Right reserved to reject any and all bids.

M. C. WEST,

Supervisor Kershaw Co.

August 10, 1911.

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