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## GYMNASTICS AND RACES AT POLO FIELD TODAY

Lovers of Outdoor Sports To Be Highly Entertained With Races This Afternoon.

Camden's polo season is evidently attracting great attention throughout the country, judging from different articles appearing from time to time in "Town and Country" and the "Polo Monthly and Clubman" and from which the following article appears:

"The Camden Polo Club is on the eve of one of the biggest polo seasons in the history. With the assistance of Mr. T. Edmund Krumholz, the club delegate, no efforts will be omitted to make the game a big success.

"The Camden Polo Club has done much to keep up the Polo interest in the South, and was largely responsible for inducing the Polo Association to offer the Southern circuit cup, which has been won twice by the Camden Club. The first tournament will be held in February, to be followed by another in March. Aside from that, there will be one day tournaments for which prizes are offered.

"The W. N. Kerr cups are to be played for among the first events. Mr. Kerr is from Pittsburg, and has a winter cottage here. The "Citizens Cups" are other prize events. Mr. Joseph B. Thomas and Mr. Godfrey Prece, of New York, are also giving cups, for the one day handicaps tournaments. Mr. Dunce L. Edwards, of Princeton, who resides in Camden, Newton C. Boykin, with A. Dalton Kennedy, Jr., W. C. Salmon of local fame, are all busy working out their ponies.

"The field, of regulation size, is in fine shape, and this provides an opportunity for playing in mid-winter, which does not exist at polo clubs in the north.

"With these favorable conditions, the Camden polo field will no doubt attract some of the aspirants for international teams. The climate here is also well adapted for tending up the ponies.

"Godfrey Prece, of New York, who is polo manager, this season, has a string of twenty-five crack ponies, including his three prize winners at the National horse show. Mr. Edgar G. Clausen, of the Portchester Polo club is playing three of the pick of his stables. Other wielders of the mallet are Charles M. Talbot, Montana, with his string of six ponies; Mr. Edmund Burke, of Cleveland Ohio; A. Franklin Goodwin, Boston; G. T. Little, K. G. Whistler, James Team, and Sidney Smith, of Camden. This list will be augmented by other players due to arrive in Camden in another week.

"From the material in the club many good games are promised, as well as the developing of formidable candidates, for the teams to play in other club tournaments."

The mettle of the polo teams was put to their test today, when they lined up on the Camden polo field to enter into first tournament events for the "Palmetto" cups, which are contested for by the Camden team vs. the Portchester "Freebooters." The Camden "Blues" came out victorious in the Monday's meet, the score being 4-3-4 to 3. Smith's wonderful long stroke carried the ball within easy reach of the goal post, and by good team work on the part of Boykin and Edwards got it through in short time.

The third period was one of the most exciting of the entire game, goals having been made by the "Freebooters," after carrying the ball twice across the field in a very short period of time. Perkins making one of the goals and Prece the other.

It will be very hard to judge which team will win the trophies on Saturday, as they are very evenly matched when it comes to players and the ponies on both teams are fast and well trained.

In the first period the two goals were made by Edwards and Little. Second period by Prece and Perkins. Third period the "Blues" were penalized for a safety played by Boykin, and Perkins made a goal in this period. Fourth period, goal made by Smith. Fifth period, Whistler blew for end of Monday's game, leaving the score 4-3-4 to 3 in favor of Camden "Blues."

Mr. George Clausen was referee in this game, Mr. T. Edmund Krumholz being in New York on business.

Among some of Camden's prominent guests stopping here is the president of John Hopkins University, Mr. Ira Rennau and wife, who are guests of the Hobkirk Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. McKinley, and daughter, Miss Lottie McKinley, of Binghamton, N. Y., are expected on the 15th of February, and will occupy their cottage on Hobkirk grounds.

The recent arrivals at Hobkirk are: Mrs. M. H. Lockhart, Miss Anna Leckhart, Miss Jean Lockhart, of Pittsburg; Mr. M. A. Cunningham, South Norwalk, Conn.; Mr. and Mrs. J. Wiggins and family, Detroit; Mrs. H. N. Box, and companion, Buffalo, N. Y.; James B. Scott, New York.

The recent arrivals of the Kirkwood who seem to be polo enthusiasts are found daily on the grand stand. Among them many faces

## RIVERS ALEXANDER DEAD

Popular Young Man Died Yesterday Morning After Lingering Illness.

Mr. F. Rivers Alexander died at his home on Monumental Square in this city early Thursday morning. The announcement caused sorrow wherever it was heard as there was no more popular young man in this city than "Rivers" as he was known by everyone. He had been confined to his home for several months and had been in bad health for several years, but none knew that his death was so near and if came as a sad surprise to his numerous friends.

For many years Mr. Alexander was employed in different local stores and proved one of the most popular salesmen Camden has ever had. Later he went into the bottling business in this city and for some time was proprietor of the Camden Coca-Cola Bottling Co., in which he met with great success. He also spent some time in Nashville, Tenn., where he was engaged in the bottling business.

Mr. Alexander was in the prime of young manhood being only 34 years of age. He was happily married on February 22nd of last year to Miss Belle Osteen, of this city, who, with an infant of six weeks, survive him. Besides his wife and baby, Mr. Alexander is survived by his aged father, Mr. J. E. Alexander, and four sisters and three brothers: Mrs. J. E. Baggett, of Tampa; Mrs. Hiram Nettles, of West Waterloo; Mrs. Wm. Turner and Miss Sallie Alexander, of Camden; Messrs. A. J. Alexander, of Florence; L. A. Alexander, of Wilmington and Mr. Baron Alexander, of Beaufort.

The funeral will be held this (Friday) afternoon at 3 o'clock, at the Baptist church, the Masons taking charge and it will be conducted according to their beautiful ceremony, and the interment will be in the Quaker cemetery.

## Pipe Organ Has Arrived.

The handsome \$2,300 pipe organ recently ordered for the Camden Baptist church arrived yesterday from Hagerstown, Maryland. A representative from the factory will arrive early next week and begin the erection of the instrument at once.

## On Visit to His Old Home.

Dr. R. B. Johnson, of Kosciusko, Miss., has been on a several week's visit to relatives in Camden, his old home. Dr. Johnson is now in his 88th year and retired from the practice of medicine several years ago. He makes a trip to Camden every winter, and also spends much of his time in Florida and other resorts. In conversation with the general doctor a few days ago he talked interestingly of the Camden of long ago and is perhaps the best preserved man on the old landmarks of this city. The doctor is an interesting conversationalist and loves to relate stories of happenings of this city thirty or more years ago. While here he was the guest of Capt. and Mrs. Wm. Shannon and his relatives, Messrs. W. E. Johnson and W. E. Johnson, Jr., and says it is always a row when he goes to leave and this time to save a row he just left without giving them but a very short notice.

Dr. Johnson called at The Chronicle office before leaving on Thursday and will have the paper to follow him to his Mississippi home. He promises to write us about his early recollections of Camden and we know it will prove interesting matter to our readers.

## Work Soon to Commence.

Plans and specifications for the Camden Hospital have been decided upon and adopted, and we are reliably informed that work will be commenced upon it in less than thirty days.

seen here previous seasons, who come down for the tournament meets each year, among which are: Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Lee, New York; Miss Griffith, Miss King, Mrs. Walter R. Quick, N. Y.; Mrs. M. P. Bagg, Brooklyn, N. Y.; N. H. Hiller, Carbondale, Pa.; Mrs. C. E. Joslin, Kenes, N. H.; E. R. Hurlburts and wife, Chicago; Mr. and Walter Mahony, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Brady, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Winmill, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Presbury, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. A. Burnley, and Heyard Burney, Boston, Mass.; Clarence M. Coombs, Bath, Me.; J. B. Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Bassett and family, of Summit, N. J., have arrived and are occupying the White cottage for the season.

Mrs. Thomas Meehan, of Pittsburg, who is occupying one of the Potter cottages, has her daughter, Mrs. Burns and small son as her guests for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Brainard, of Chicago, who were guests at the Court Inn, took a two weeks trip to Cuba, expecting to return to Camden in time for the Polo tournament and horse show.

Program For Today.

The weather permitting this afternoon those who go to the polo grounds will have the pleasure of witnessing several new kinds of races just recently introduced on the local field. Among them will be polo race, musical chairs, polo ball race, 1-4 mile race, mule race for col red fogs, jeu de barre, egg and spoon race, novelty race, half mile race, yoke of oxen race. The price of admission is small, being only 25c; colored people 10c. The events are open to all.

## BRADLEY BETHUNE DEAD

Correspondent Pays Tribute to Popular Young Man.

Bethune, S. C., Feb. 11.—Despite his splendid physique which gave promise of many more years than twenty-two, the noble spirit of Bradley Bethune succumbed to typhoid fever last Saturday night at the home of his father, Mr. D. M. Bethune. He was an excellent young man and many were hearts appalled at the announcement of his going. He passed away in the very flower of young manhood, in the midst of a promising life. His pleasant manner and friendly smile made him popular both old and young. He was ill two weeks, but bore his sufferings bravely. His nurse said that in her four years experience, she had never nursed one so patient. Every possible means was employed to relieve him. On the night of his death Dr. A. B. Knowlton, of Columbia, and two nurses came to operate on him if thought advisable, but found that an operation would be useless. He was a student at Clemson College last year and at the University of South Carolina the two years before. He was a member of the Presbyterian church and was faithful in its attendance. The large crowd that came to pay a last tribute and the beautiful flowers upon his grave witness the unique place he held in the confidence and love of the people. His parents, four sisters, and four brothers are left to mourn the loss of a son and brother, who was worthy of their love.

The funeral services were held at the Scotch cemetery by his pastor, Rev. J. M. Forbis. The pall bearers were Messrs. J. A. Dennis, L. J. M. G., and Mark King, Zeb Morgan and Martin Rozler.

Mr. Winkler Ill.

The many friends of Mr. C. L. Winkler will be sorry to know that he is seriously ill at the home of Mrs. James Villepique on North Lytleton street where he is residing. He was taken ill in his law office Friday afternoon and carried to his home where he remained unconscious for some time. Fearing he would not recover members of his family were telegraphed for and arrived in Camden this week. We are glad to know that there has been an improvement in his condition and there are numerous ones in this city and county and elsewhere who hope for the entire recovery of this good man.

A Correction.

Several weeks ago we had a local news item in regard to Sheriff Huckabee placing Ell Phillips, a white man, under arrest in Cheraw for forgery. The charge was not forgery, but come under the head of a misdemeanor. Phillips gave a check on a Kershaw bank and did not have funds enough to cover the amount. The matter was adjusted by Phillips paying all costs and the matter was dropped.

Lancaster was visited by a destructive blaze Friday morning when the lively stable of the Jones Mercantile Co., was destroyed. Forty head of horses and mules besides other stock belonging to the Jones-Elliott Mule Co., was destroyed.

## ATTEMPTED TO MURDER

Chain Gang Guard Fired Upon While Riding Public Road.

An attempt was made last Sunday night to assassinate Mr. Matthew Peach, one of the guards of the county chain gang. The shooting occurred at Cypress pond, near Sheppard. Mr. Peach was riding in his buggy and when near the pond some one jumped upon the hind part of his buggy, placed a pistol near his head and fired twice. The mule gave a jerk and Mr. Peach fell in the foot of the buggy. Another shot was fired at the same time by some one on the road side. Mr. Peach was not hurt but the mule was driving was hit in one of its hind legs. The would-be assassin thought they had killed him as the mule kept going and Mr. Peach did not get up until out of shooting distance.

It is not definitely known who the would-be murderers are but Mr. G. S. Rodgers and his son who live near where the shooting occurred were arrested on suspicion, charged with the crime. They gave bond for their appearance at the next term of court.

Since the above was prepared for publication, Mr. S. J. E. Peach, father of the young man assaulted, said that since the arrest of Mr. Rodgers he had come into possession of information that satisfied him that Mr. Rodgers and his son are not the persons who attempted to kill his son, and he does not further wish to press the case against them.

## BEACHES SELL OUT

New Yorkers Quit Scene of Recent Trial and Go North.

Alken, February 8.—Frederick O. Beach and his wife, Mrs. Camilla Morse Haymeyer Beach, left Alken this afternoon for the north. It could not be learned exactly where they had gone. "North" was the only information obtainable. It is presumed by some that they have gone to New York.

It is of interest, also that Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Harriman, who were close friends of the Beaches, have sold their property here and they, too, returned North today. The Beaches have sold their Alken property to the Lyoneses, who, it is recalled, occupied their residence when the attack upon Mrs. Beach was made last winter while the Beaches occupied the Turner cottage adjoining.

It is current report on the streets here that his trial has cost Beach about \$10,000.

Beach was accompanied North by Mrs. Beach, Mrs. James B. Taylor, Mrs. Beach's sister, Miss Marion Hollins, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hollins, Jr., and Thomas S. Fuller, of New York, one of counsel for the accused millionaire in his trial here.

## Appreciates Help Given Her.

I wish to heartily thank my friends throughout the county who aided me in winning one of the district prizes—a diamond ring—in The Chronicle's contest. While I did not have much idea of getting one of the capital prizes, I appreciate just as fully the efforts my friends made in my behalf.

Very truly yours,  
(Miss) Mary E. Young.

## DOGS TRAIL NEGRO.

Slayer of Policeman Barwick Has Not Been Captured.

An auto loaded with men and bloodhounds under the direction of Capt. Robbins of the penitentiary, stopped over in Camden for a short while Monday night. They were en route to Pinewood to trail the murderer of Policeman Barwick. Captain Robbins received the message a short while after the crime was committed and in a remarkably short time was in Camden on his way. There were five massive bloodhounds which he owns to be used in the chase. Mr. Robbins trained the animals for this work and is constantly called upon to use them in man hunts. Recently he captured Harry Coleman in Union county charged with the murder of his aged father—the dogs taking the trail and running him to cover.

The following account of the crime appeared in Tuesday's issue of the Sumter Daily Item:

"Sam Duke, the negro who shot to death Policeman Barwick, of Pinewood yesterday afternoon and then made his escape, remained untraced at 2 o'clock Tuesday according to a long distance telephone message received from Pinewood at that hour. A large posse of men has been on the trail of Duke since the shooting took place and although one man shot at the negro five times without hitting him as he was running away that is the nearest any of the posse have come to capturing Duke since he committed his outrageous deed. At 2 o'clock Tuesday morning the posse was joined by a trainer with bloodhounds from the State penitentiary. The bloodhounds were brought from Columbia Monday night in an automobile and the party stopped in Sumter and obtained a driver who was familiar with the road to Pinewood. Reports from there Tuesday are to the effect that the dogs trailed the negro to the house of his mother, about four miles from Pinewood, where Duke passed the night, but he was taken from his mother's house in a buggy and all efforts to find where he was carried have up to this time proved fruitless. A rumor on the streets Tuesday morning contained the information that some of the posse dealt summary punishment to one or more negroes who refused information concerning Duke's whereabouts but this rumor could not be verified.

"Details of the horrible killing, for which Duke is being sought, make the tragic death of Mr. Barwick seem all the more deplorable. It seems that Mr. Barwick had been told by the magistrate to look out for Sam Duke, and Mr. Barwick, when he saw the negro in Pinewood Monday afternoon merely walked up to the man and inquired his name. The negro's reply was a fusillade of pistol shots which struck the policeman in various parts of his breast and stomach and killed him before he could make a move to defend himself. The tragedy all happened so quickly and dramatically that before the stunned bystanders were aware of what had occurred Duke was making good his escape. One man shot at the negro as he fled, as stated above, but was too far away from his mark for his shot to take effect."

Sam Dukes is about five feet, nine inches tall; light ginger cake color; scar over one eyebrow. When last seen he was wearing a light brown suit, small check; button shoes, soft brown hat. He is a "blue gum" negro. Officers in all nearby towns have been notified to be on the lookout for the slayer.

Dukes Captured.

Later—Captain Robbins and his men and dogs returned through Camden yesterday afternoon and reported that the murderer had been captured at Ashley Junction late Wednesday night. Captain Robbins said his dogs took the negro's trail and followed it to the home of Dukes' uncle and reared upon the bed where the negro had slept that night. With the persuasion of a buggy trace the officers succeeded in getting the old man to open up and tell that another negro had carried the fugitive 10 miles away in a buggy, thereby causing the dogs to lose the trail.

After a fruitless search of many hours in a downpour of rain they learned that the negro had been shot at Ashley Junction by a member of his own race, who accosted the negro and asked if his name was Dukes. In reply Dukes told the negro to ask him no questions and at the same time made a motion to draw a gun, but his captor was too quick and shot him through the stomach, jumped upon him and disarmed the murderer.

Dukes was hurried to a Charleston hospital and later an officer was sent after him to be returned to Pinewood. It is the belief of Capt. Robbins and his men that the man will never reach jail as the entire surrounding country is wrought up over the brutal crime.

## Mail Boxes Erected.

Mr. R. D. Williams has recently completed the job of erecting 22 mail boxes for city collection of Uncle Sam's mail. The boxes are placed at corners and convenient places for the residence section as well as the business section. On route No. 1, Mr. M. G. Huckabee, carrier, there are seven boxes; No. 2 with Mr. Carl Rheneberg as carrier, there are eight boxes, and No. 3, with Mr. Marion Williams as carrier, there are seven mailing places. This will prove a great convenience, especially to those living in the extreme northern section of the city.

## SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS PUT IN PARAGRAPHS

HAPPENINGS OF INTEREST IN THE STATE GATHERED FROM OUR EXCHANGES.

Fred O. Beach, the wealthy New York man on trial at Alken last week on the charge of murderously assaulting his wife was acquitted last Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Margaret Mahaffy, Washington, a grandniece of George Washington, died at her home, near Pelham, Greenville county on Thursday, in the 83d year of her age.

Six valuable mules, the property of Mrs. Irene Reed, of Cheraw, were killed Thursday by falling from an embankment in the path of the Florida special of the Seaboard railway.

A pellagra hospital will be established in Spartanburg county, to cost from \$6,000 to \$10,000. The county will furnish half the money; the other half will come from some other source.

The House of Representatives on Tuesday passed the bill providing for an appropriation of \$25,000 for the cost of a South Carolina exhibit at the Panama Exposition in San Francisco.

Milmore Bradford, a 14-year-old negro, blew off the thumb and three fingers of his right hand Saturday at Lamar, Darlington county. He put a dynamite cartridge on a stove and it exploded.

Fire in the Methodist church at Lancaster last Sunday caused damage amounting to between four and five thousand dollars. The blaze originated in the furnace which had been used that morning.

Andrew Williams, a negro, was lynched by a mob at Houston, Miss., Friday last. The negro was charged with having murdered Mrs. J. C. Williams of that place and putting her body in an abandoned pit.

Governor Bleasie refuses to let the South Carolina militia take part in the Wilson inaugural parade because, as he understands, negro militia from the District of Columbia and from Maryland will be in the parade.

"The York Publishing Company" with \$12,000 capital, has been formed for the purpose of starting another newspaper in that town. Among the largest stockholders are Congressman Finley and ex-Senator Thos. F. McDow.

Florence lost two of its oldest citizens Wednesday in the death of Thomas Blissett and James Allen. Mr. Blissett was born in Scotland and was probably the oldest man in the state, being 98 years of age. Mr. Allen was the oldest merchant of the city and a highly respected and honored citizen.

Mrs. Grover Cleveland and Thomas J. Preston, Jr., were married Monday morning by President John Grier Hibben of Princeton university in "Prospect," the executive residence of the marriage and the utmost simplicity was observed in the ceremony.

John Y. Garlington, serving a three-year sentence in the penitentiary, was Tuesday paroled by Governor Bleasie upon the condition of good behavior. Garlington was convicted of breach of trust in connection with the Seminole Securities Co., of which he was president. He has already served 14 months of his term.

Another new advertisement appearing in The Chronicle is that of the First National Bank of this city. This institution is composed of some of the best business men in the county and money entrusted to their care will receive prompt attention. Their ad will change each week with an interesting banking talk and it will be well for you to read it. They will appreciate your business.

## Open Well Under Sidewalk.

On Wednesday morning, Mr. Fletcher Moore, son of Contractor J. H. Moore, who is engaged at work on the Episcopal rectory now being built, discovered in the centre of the sidewalk a small hole and took a piece of scantling four feet long and placed it in the opening to prevent anyone from stepping in it. To his surprise the piece of timber went down out of sight. Mr. Moore then got a scantling about 20 feet long and all of it went down except about 2 feet. Upon investigation it was found that a well about thirty feet deep was there and the rain the night before had caused the thin covering of dirt over the mouth of the well to cave and revealed the fact that pedestrians had for no telling how long been walking over an open well all unconscious of their danger. The town authorities were notified and the well was promptly filled up.

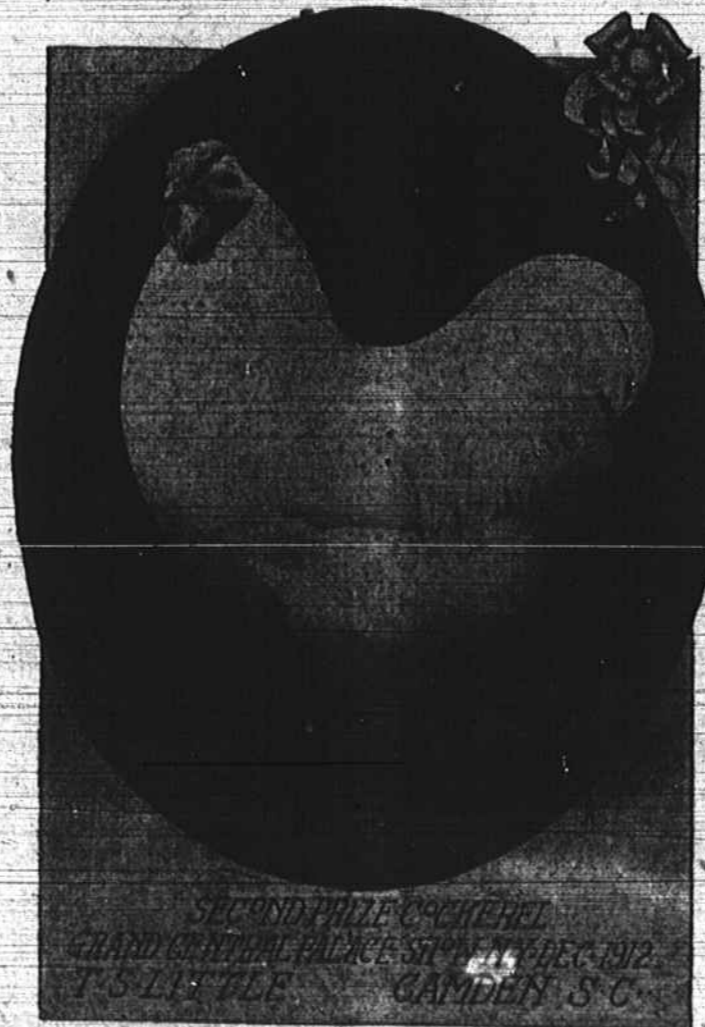
## Another Barber Shop.

John McLain, of the firm of McLain & Sons, barbers, has rented the south store of E. H. Dibble on Main street and will in a short while open a first class tonsorial parlor. This shop will be a branch of the old shop and will be conducted along modern and up-to-date lines.

## China Ware Sale.

Just received, a shipment of China ware, 25 and 50c values, to go at 10c for this week only. H. Switzer, 10c Store.

## MANY TIMES PRIZE WINNER.



The above photo is 2nd prize White Wyandotte Cockerel at the Grand Central Palace Show, New York, Dec. 3-7, 1912, which was exhibited by Mr. T. L. Little. This bird won in competition with some of the world's largest specialty breeders of White Wyandottes. This cockerel heads one of Mr. Little's breeding pens which he sets \$10.00 for a setting of eggs and says that he has no trouble in getting this price for them.

At the Savannah Show his birds

won every first prize except one. Also the Savannah Retail Merchants G. I. Special for the best exhibit in the Wyandotte Class, all varieties competing. At South Carolina State Fair, every first prize, and trophy cup for best pen White Wyandottes. A recent Columbia Show, three firsts and a number of specials. At the Southern International Show, in Atlanta, Ga., on six entries had five of his birds placed. Mr. Little claims the best White Wyandottes in the entire South today and his winnings is pretty good proof.