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SCHOOLS OPEN SEPT. 8TH

Superintendent Urges Patrons to Send Pupils For The Opening Day.

Due to the fact that the schools have no adequate auditorium, there will be no public opening on Monday Sept. 8th. All pupils of the city system of schools of district No. 1 are expected to be present on the date of opening provided with books, promotion cards and writing materials.

A complete list of books required for the opening session may be had at the book store during the coming week. This list will be made up as nearly as possible of texts adopted by the State Board of Education for the schools of this state.

The following is a list of teachers for the city graded school: First grade Miss Sophia Woods of Darlington; second grade, Miss Ada Phelps; third grade Miss Alberta Team; fourth grade Mrs. S. C. Taylor; fifth grade Miss Lee Aycock; sixth grade Miss Mae Cleveland of College Place; seventh grade, Miss Margaret Burnet.

Due to resignations of this week all high school teachers have not been secured. Miss Ella Grant of Mt. Carmel will have charge of the English department; Miss Agnes Corbett, history and French.

Malvern Hill school will have as its principal Miss Fanny Watson and as assistant Miss Bessie Watson both of Darlington.

Miss Nelle H. Wilkes will again act as principal of the Mill School with Miss Mary Simpson, intermediate and Miss Nell Hough of Lancaster, primary assistants.

We are sorry that some of the patrons of the Camden High School are sending their boys and girls away to school before graduation. We hope and believe that when the new building is erected furnishing the necessary surroundings and equipment that the Camden boys and girls will all finish in the Camden high school. As a matter of information we would like to say that the State Board of Education has rated the high school here in Class A along with the best schools of the state. The unit rating for 1918-19 is 19.9 units, based as follows: English 3.9; History 2.9; Mathematics 3.5; Science 3.9; Latin 2.5 and 1.9. We invite your comparison with the leading schools of the state.

We want you, the patrons of the schools in school district No. 1 to know that we want your children in school and want all of them. We also want you to know that it is to your and their advantage as well as our own for them to enroll the first day. We need to remind you of compulsory education.

J. G. Richards, Jr., Supt.

RIOT IN CHARLOTTE

Police Fire on Strike Sympathizers and Four Men Are Dead.

(Tuesday's Charlotte Observer) At least six men were shot, two fatally, in a battle between the police department and a crowd in front of the Southern Public Utilities company's car barn on South boulevard about 12:30 o'clock this morning. Six men were brought to St. Peter's hospital, one of them dying as he was being carried into the hospital.

According to Chief of Police Walter B. Orr, the trouble started when a crowd, believed to have been headed by a man named Wilson, a brother of Clem Wilson, who was knocked in the head earlier in the night, approached some of the officers and started a controversy over the striking of young Wilson.

According to the chief, somebody in the crowd fired a pistol, and the police tensed to the last notch by the events of the night, promptly opened fire. It was like touching a match to a tinder box, the chief stated. The one shot was all that was necessary to start a melee that ended only when the crowd was dispersed and the police and officers ceased firing.

Chief Orr estimated that about a hundred shots were fired in all, a number of members of the mob shooting at the policemen.

None of the policemen were injured. The revised casualties which followed the battle of the car barn is as follows: The dead:

Claude H. Hinson, William C. Pope, Caldwell Houston and J. D. Aldred.

The wounded: V. A. Kincaid, Will Hammond (expected to die), Tom Head, of Huntersville, (expected to die), A. T. Baker, (considered serious) Clem Wilson, slight face wound; H. N. Freeman, (condition very serious) Everett Raymond, George Smith, Lewis Wilson, D. M. Miller, Walter Yandle, Robie Stuart. The wounded men are all at hospitals.

New Firm at Blaney.

The Blaney Mercantile Co., of Blaney, in Kershaw county, has been established and has already opened for business. The new firm is composed of Earl H. Bowen, of Blaney; H. A. Horton, of Heath Springs; John T. Mackey, of Camden, and N. B. Workman, of Kalb. They will use the brick store house formerly owned by the Blaney Hub and Buggy Co., and will do a general mercantile business and deal in cotton and fertilizers.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Burnet spent Thursday in Columbia.

Miss Rose LeVine, of Atlanta, is the guest of Miss Sara Wolfe.

Miss Rosalie Jacobson who has been spending the summer at the seashore has returned home.

Rev. and Mrs. F. H. Harding and children have returned from a pleasant trip to Baltimore and suburbs.

Mr. Moody Hough and son, Will, have returned home after a pleasant visit to his brother Mr. R. F. Hough, of Cullohen, Ga.

Mr. David R. Williams who has been spending the summer in Massachusetts has returned to Camden. His family will return later.

Little Miss Bunny Lang has returned from a week's stay in Columbia. She was accompanied home by her cousin Miss Harriet Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McDowell and family spent a few days of this week at Hendersonville and other points in North Carolina. The trip was made by auto.

Colonel M. L. Smith left Wednesday night for Washington. He will receive his discharge from the army in a few days and will return to Camden to resume the practice of law.

Friends of Mrs. M. G. Huckabee who had to undergo an operation at the Camden hospital last Wednesday will be pleased to learn that she is rapidly recovering.

Major A. Moultrie Brailsford of the Medical Corps who has been on duty in France with the Thirtieth Division for the past fifteen months is now on his way home and expects to reach New York about the tenth of September.

Friends of Mr. T. Edmund Krumbholz, manager of The Kirkwood Hotel were glad to see him in Camden last Monday. He was accompanied by Mr. F. A. Russell, of Pittsburg, Pa. and was down to look after the improvements planned for the Kirkwood for another season.

Mr. Bennie Team who has been visiting in Spartanburg has returned home and has as his guest for the week Mr. R. A. Russell, late of the U. S. Navy. Mr. Seymour is on his way to Orlando, Fla. where he expects to spend a short while before leaving for the West where he has vast interests in oil wells.

POSTMASTER SHANNON RESIGNS

Has Held Office at Camden For More Than Twenty Years.

Mr. Chas. J. Shannon, who has been the popular and efficient postmaster at Camden for more than twenty years, has tendered his resignation to take effect the 10th day of September. Mr. Shannon's last commission does not expire until the 23rd day of next March, but owing to impaired health he will give up the office and has sold his home on Helle Street and he and Mrs. Shannon will soon move to Jefferson in Chesterfield county.

Mr. Shannon has held the office continuously since August 1, 1902. Prior to that time he held the office for four years when the office was located on old Law Range. The late G. G. Alexander succeeded him and Mr. Shannon again received the appointment. He has held commissions under three presidents—Roosevelt, Taft and Wilson, and it will be with genuine regret that the patrons of this office see him leave here.

An open competitive examination will be held under civil service rules to fill the vacancy and so far only two have announced their intention of applying for the position—Messrs. John R. Goodale and Chas. J. Shannon, 3rd. Messrs. Goodale and Shannon are both employees of the postoffice—the first named being assistant postmaster and the latter a clerk. Both have had about twelve years experience in this office, entering the office on the same day about twelve years ago. The Camden postoffice pays a salary of \$2400.

Sales of Real Estate.

Quite a good many sales of real estate in Camden in the past few weeks have been reported by real estate dealers and by private sale. Among some of the recent sale are:

The Gerald house on North Broad Street purchased by C. B. Spradley from Miss Mattie Geald. Sold through the C. P. DuBose agency.

Cottage on North Fair street property of Mrs. R. C. Johnson, sold to S. Belton Beard by L. A. McDowell, agent.

The S. F. Brasington two-story residence on Mill Street occupied by J. R. Berk sold to D. S. Trapp.

The McLeod cottage on Fair street, more lately the property of the late Mrs. S. Logan Lang, sold to Mr. J. G. Cunningham.

Two lots on Mill street belonging to Dr. E. H. Kerrison were sold to Dr. R. E. Stevenson by L. A. McDowell, agent.

Making Improvements.

The J. L. Guy Lumber Co. located near the Seaboard freight depot has placed an order for several pieces of new machinery to enlarge their plant at this place. They propose to put in a larger planer, large dry kiln and have a complete wood working plant where the public can secure most any kind of building material.

Mr. Shaw Loses House by Fire.

Fire destroyed the house of Mr. W. A. Shaw at Kershaw yesterday morning at 3 o'clock. His family had returned from a visit, during the day and when the fire was discovered they only had time to escape with their lives. The loss is estimated at around \$3,000 with only a small amount of insurance.

Died of Blood Poison.

Mr. J. H. Stephens, aged about 48 years, died at the Camden hospital Monday from the effects of blood poison. Mr. Stephens was a native of Spring Hill, in Sumter county and his remains were taken there for burial Tuesday afternoon, services being conducted by Rev. Knight. He was never married, but is survived by his mother and several brothers and sisters.

The Sunday School Convention.

Sunday School workers of Kershaw County are looking forward with much interest to their coming convention, to be held at Mt. Pisgah Sunday School on Sunday, September 7. It has been said that the convention is the dynamo of the Sunday School movement. Sunday Schools of all denominations are invited to send representatives to "charge" themselves with this mighty power and get victory for their schools this coming year. The program is a full one and will begin promptly at 10 o'clock. Practical addresses on every phase of modern Sunday School work will be delivered. Teachers and officers of every department may expect many new and helpful suggestions for carrying on their work.

R. D. Webb, General Secretary of the State Association, and Miss Cora Holland, State-Children's Division Superintendent, will be present and speak several times during the convention.

It is hoped that many workers will take advantage of this opportunity of strengthening themselves to do better work for the Master's cause.

LEE COUNTY NEWS

Items of Interest Gathered From Bishopville Vindicator.

Mr. Lester DuBose came near having a serious collision with the train on the Seaboard right at the crossing on Church street near the depot a few days ago. The train which was a combination passenger and freight, coming from Sumter had shut off steam and was rolling past the depot at a good clip and right on Mr. DuBose before he saw it. To avoid a collision Mr. DuBose turned his car into the ditch and made a complete turn over. The ditch being deep, the car caught an opposite bank and Mr. DuBose was not hurt, but got an awful scare. The top of car was broken all to pieces but otherwise not much damaged.

Judge and Mrs. John Harris of Dinwiddie, Va., are spending some time with their niece, Mrs. J. A. Hearon. Mrs. Pauline Dennis and little Miss Mary Trammell, of Atlanta, Ga., are also visiting Mrs. Hearon. Mrs. Dennis is Mrs. Hearon's mother. Judge Harris was in Bishopville forty-five years ago and thinks the town has changed a great deal since then.

D. Berry Lane, after an extended visit to his mother at the old home at Tarboro, N. C., got back last week. He says he intended to get back sooner, but the heavy rains and swollen streams kept him.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Davis are the guests of Mr. J. A. Galloway and family. They moved from the Ionia section of Lee county to Clinton, N. C., nine years ago, and like their new home very much, but are enjoying a visit to their South Carolina friends.

Dr. Eldridge Baskin of Baltimore is taking his summer vacation at his old home. The Doctor says he came from Lynchburg, Va., to Bishopville in less time and with less wear to his car than from Baltimore to Lynchburg on the magnanized roads. He says the sand clay roads beat the other when it comes to bumps and holes.

Mrs. L. R. Dixon has returned from a visit to her parents at Bamberg, accompanied by her niece, Miss Vera Lynes.

Miss Lethia Graddick has returned to her home in Camden after a visit to her brother, Mr. S. L. Graddick.

We interviewed farmers from every section of Lee County last Monday and the consensus of opinion was that the cotton crop was certainly cut short from 40 to 50 per cent by the long wet spell and heavy rains.

The friends of Col. J. A. Rhame were glad to see him here last Monday after a second attack of the influenza that kept him in hospital for several weeks.

Miss Annie Laurie O' Cain of Orangeburg was in Bishopville Monday. She accompanied Miss Graddick to Camden.

SECOND RACE FOR CONGRESS

Between Timmerman and Mann in Seventh and Sherwood and Stoll in Sixth

Columbia, S. C., Aug. 26.—Primaries in South Carolina to fill the vacancies in the sixth and seventh congressional districts were held today, the result being that a second primary will be held September 9, to name the democratic nominees which in South Carolina is equivalent to election.

Incomplete and unofficial returns show: Timmerman, 2,319; Mann, 1,841; H. P. Fulmer, 1,467; Colin S. Montieth, 1,321; John Hughes Cooper, 423; John T. Duncan, 38.

The participants in the sixth district are in doubt. E. J. Sherwood of Conway, is leading on incomplete returns, while his opponent may be either P. H. Stoll of Kingstree, or Julius S. McInnes of Darlington. The vote reported is: Sherwood 2,094; Stoll 1,753; McInnes 1,550; W. F. Stackhouse 1,412; J. J. Evans, 350; J. W. Legrande, 290.

Wants Vaughan Resentenced.

Greenville, S. C., Aug. 23.—Solicitor J. Robert Martin today served notice of a motion for an order for resentencing Thurston U. Vaughan, former superintendent of the South Carolina Odd Fellows orphanage who confessed to having attacked several young girl inmates of the orphanage and was sentenced to death on the charge of criminal assault in 1912.

Would Transfer Gosnell Case.

Greenville, S. C., Aug. 26.—Notice of a "probable motion" to transfer the trial of Jack Gosnell, charged with murder, from the state court to the federal court, was given today in the court of general sessions by Alvin C. Dean, one of the defense attorneys. Whether or not the motion will be made is unknown, and the grounds were not stated, although it is known that Gosnell was a deputy revenue collector at the time of the shooting.

TIRES GIVE TROUBLE

Young Man Charged With Theft of Tires at Spartanburg.

Spartanburg, Aug. 22.—T. T. Sowell, a young white man, 18 years of age, has been held for trial by Robert J. Gantt, United States commissioner, on a charge of being implicated in the theft of automobile tires, valued at about \$24,000, following an investigation of the young man's activities in Spartanburg, to which city he came several days ago. It is charged that Sowell, while shipping clerk for the express company at Akron, changed the addresses on shipments of tires to "Leroy Myers, Spartanburg, S. C." and also on other shipments which he consigned to Savannah, using the same name "Myers." After having started a large number of tires by these addresses, it is alleged that Sowell resigned his position, and took the road, under the name of Myers to sell tires.

Upon his arrival in Spartanburg, according to testimony introduced at the hearing before Commissioner Gantt, Sowell went to the local express office and inquired for a shipment of tires consigned to "Myers." The local agent having once employed Sowell in Spartanburg recognized him, and became suspicious, and an investigation of the young man's movements was begun. Ninety-seven bundles of tires, containing 313 tires, alleged to have been stolen, were located by officers in Spartanburg.

Special agents of the express company have been working on the case in Spartanburg as well as in Savannah, and it is believed that more evidence will be secured, and possibly others implicated in the affair.

Sowell, it is stated told officers that he was not the only one concerned in the matter, and while he was the chief instigator, there were several others. It is stated that he has relatives in both Georgia and South Carolina.

He will be tried by the next term of federal court, and in default of bond in the sum of \$5,000 was remanded to jail by Commissioner Gantt.

Price of Shoes To Be Lower.

Boston, Mass.—Predictions of a decided drop in the price of shoes were made by leather dealers and shoe manufacturers who testified today at the grand jury investigation of the high cost of living conducted by District Attorney Joseph C. Pelletier. The consensus of opinion, however, was that the decline might not come for another year. Witnesses said that the people demanded a high grade of shoes and were willing to pay for them. One leading firm, it was brought out, had millions of dollars' worth of cheaper grades of sole leather on hand, which manufacturers would not buy because it did not come up to the standard demanded by purchasers of shoes.

The district attorney's office said one man called as a witness, the local representative of a large leather house, declined to testify on the ground that his evidence might tend to incriminate him.

Charlie Laney Killed.

The Pageland Journal says: A most distressing affair occurred in Pageland Monday afternoon about 2 o'clock. Little Charlie, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Loney, was killed by his brother, Oscar. Charlie was about 9 years old and Oscar is 12. It seems that right after dinner the two boys were in a corn field some little distance from the house at work. A gun had been brought to the field and had been unloaded and set up by a tree. Oscar had been sent off by his father on an errand. He soon returned to the field where Charlie was cutting grass. As the two boys were alone there was no direct evidence except that of Oscar. He at first denied any knowledge of the killing, but later admitted that he did it accidentally. Just how is not perfectly clear.

Committee Declares Grace Elected.

Charleston, S. C., Aug. 23.—After the sub-committee on canvass had sat from 9 p. m. last night until early this morning, passing on 77 challenged votes, the city democratic executive committee a few minutes later acted on the report of the sub-committee and declared John P. Grace nominee for mayor of Charleston over T. T. Hyde, whose formal lead in the primary Tuesday of one vote was lost in the counting of challenged votes. Mr. Grace was awarded a 14 vote majority, the official total being: Grace 3,446; Hyde 3,432.

As to other municipal offices, the counting of challenged ballots did not affect results already announced largely in favor of the Grace ticket. Nomination in the democratic primary is equivalent to election.

Lieut. Norwood Ancrum, of Camp Jackson, spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. A. C. Ancrum.

KERSHAW NEWS NOTES

Interesting Happenings Gathered From The Era of That Place.

A series of revival services will be conducted in the Second Baptist church at the mill village during next week commencing next Monday night. The pastor, Rev. J. M. Neal, will be assisted by Rev. A. D. Woodlee. The public is cordially invited to attend all the services.

Mrs. Callie Wright, wife of Clarence Wright, died at the State hospital in Columbia Tuesday of last week after about four months of intense suffering with pellagra. Mrs. Wright was a good woman and devoted wife and mother. She leaves her husband and one son, Edgar Wright. Her remains were laid to rest in Laurel Hill graveyard after funeral services by Rev. J. E. Hammond and A. J. Neal.

Mrs. E. J. Broom, wife of A. S. Broom had a birthday celebration at her home in the Buffalo section last Sunday. About four hundred guests were present and a dinner was served. Preaching service was held in the afternoon by Rev. T. W. N. Faile.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Ed. Gregory, of Jacksonville, Fla., are spending a couple of weeks in Kershaw at the home of Mrs. Gregory's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McCaskill.

Rev. A. D. Woodlee returned Saturday from south Georgia, where he spent a portion of the vacation given him by his congregation. He will preach in the Baptist church Sunday night. Sunday morning he will be in attendance upon the Moriah Union at Taxahaw.

Gus Welsh, who has been in Uncle Sam's service for quite a long while, received his discharge last week and returned home Sunday. He will be with the Threatt-Carson Company again and will have the same duties in the office.

The Sumter District Epworth League conference will be held in the Methodist church in Kershaw next Tuesday and Wednesday, September 2nd and 3rd. League leaders in the District have arranged an interesting program and some of the strongest men of the church will be here to take part. Dr. W. C. McDowell is president of the local league and will have charge of all local arrangements. The public is cordially invited to attend the sessions of the Conference.

The resignation of Prof. R. E. Rick-enbaker, who was reelected as superintendent of the Kershaw Graded School necessitated the election of a new superintendent, Prof. R. C. Lake of Prosperity, who cannot effect his arrangements to get here until some time next week. This will delay the opening of the school one week. The trustees had decided upon opening next Monday, the 1st day of September, but because of the delay the opening has been changed to Monday September 8th.

L. E. Kirkley went to the Columbia hospital last week for an operation. His wife and brother, D. M. Kirkley, were with him during the week and reported him improving steadily. Mr. Kirkley had been in bad health for some time and the operation disclosed ulcer of the stomach.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Hursey and son, of Lakeland, Fla., and Mrs. W. H. Hursey, daughter and son, of Chesterfield, visited their aunt Mrs. W. R. Gregory, last week end.

William H. Turner, Jr., of the 308th Field Signal Bat., 3rd Army Corps, has received his discharge and is spending a couple of weeks with his sister Mrs. S. O. Gregory, at her home on Church street.

A meeting of the stock holders of the People's Bank was held Thursday morning at which a reorganization of the Banks officers was effected. Several of the stockholders having disposed of their stock to others, among whom were some of the former officers, the reorganization was made necessary. The following are the members of the new board of directors: Capt. L. L. Clyburn, W. T. Gregory, C. B. Mungo, W. Z. Hilton, and C. R. Blackmon. The following are the Bank's new officers: President, L. L. Clyburn; vice-president, W. T. Gregory; Cashier, E. J. Bailey. The Bank reopened for business Monday morning with the new cashier, Mr. Bailey in charge, and he is being assisted by W. C. Perry. Our information is that the Bank is considering the matter of some changes which are not yet fully matured, but which will be made known when fully decided upon. The board of directors are men of strong financial ability and business integrity, and are well known throughout this section.

W. H. Jennings, Jr., had his leg broken and ankle cut, and Henry Deas and Edwin Wilson, Jr., were badly scratched when an automobile driven by W. M. Miller was backed into on a road crossing by a freight engine of the Coast Line at Sumter Saturday night.