

THE CAMDEN CHRONICLE

VOLUME XXXI.

CAMDEN, SOUTH CAROLINA, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1919.

NUMBER 33.

WILL MEET IN COLUMBIA

Officers To Be Chosen for South Carolina Cotton Association.

Columbia, Nov. 15.—Officers for the coming year will be elected and much other business of importance transacted at the annual meeting of the South Carolina Cotton Association which will be held here on Tuesday December 2. Officers of the association have a matter of tremendous importance to submit to the meeting, they say, a matter that will affect every farmer in the state.

A tremendous attendance is expected at the meeting. Every member of the association in the state is invited and there will be official delegations from each county, chosen by the various county associations.

Addresses will be delivered by a number of prominent men. Officers of the association have invited a number of men of wide reputation to speak but pending their acceptance of the invitation their names will not be announced.

Great interest centers around the election of officers. J. Skottow Wannamaker, who has been chairman of the South Carolina Cotton Association since 1914, has announced that he will be forced to retire from the head of the State Association in order to devote all of his time to the presidency of the American Cotton Association, which embraces the entire belt. There is much speculation as to who will succeed Mr. Wannamaker at the head of the association.

A vice president and a treasurer and state executive committee will also be chosen.

Present officers of the South Carolina Cotton Association are: J. Skottow Wannamaker, of St. Matthews, chairman; John T. Mackey, of Camden, treasurer; Julian C. Rogers, of Columbia, assistant treasurer; Mrs. H. R. Clink, of Columbia, secretary; Harold Booker, of Columbia, publicity chairman; B. F. McLeod, of Charleston, state manager; J. S. Wannamaker, of St. Matthews; J. H. Claffey, of Orangeburg; Y. Mixson, of Williston; John T. Mackey, of Camden; B. F. McLeod, of Charleston; W. W. Long, of Clemson College; T. J. Britt, of McCormick and T. McLeod of Bishopville central committees.

A letter sent to the various county associations of the State urging a full attendance on the meeting here. Chairman Wannamaker reviews some of the things accomplished by the organization of the belt the past year and touches on the plans for the future.

Following in the wake of the organization of the American Cotton Association in each section of the cotton belt," says "comes the formation and putting into effect and force the aims, objects and purposes of which we are so earnestly striving. As a result of the work already accomplished the entire belt has received untold benefits and today recognized as the coming part of the nation. More warehouses owned and controlled by the people of the belt have been built than at any time since the War Between the States; more has been raised for the erection of cotton factories by members of the Association; three million dollar contributions for financing and effecting direct sales of cotton has been accomplished.

SARSFIELD PROPERTY SOLD

Fifty-One Acres in City Limits Pass Into Hands of Stevenson and Kirkland.

The large tract of land lying on the Eastern limits of the city, containing fifty-one acres, and used for a number of years as the Sarsfield Golf Club, was sold this week by Mr. David R. Williams to Messrs. R. E. Stevenson and L. A. Kirkland, the sale being made through the C. P. DuBose real estate agency.

We understand that the Golf Club has a lease of two more years upon this property, and at the expiration of that lease if it is not unsold, it is the intention of the new owners to divide the property into one hundred and sixty-nine building lots and place them on sale. Three streets will run through the property and it will be laid off in such a way as to make desirable residential lots. The large brick building situated nearly in the center of the property and used as the club house will go into the sale. While there are many who will regret to see this beautiful play grounds disturbed there are still a great many more who will be glad to see this property divided and placed on the market as there are very few building lots to be found in Camden at present and the need for such lots is great.

Other sales made through this agency the past week were 308 acres of land located five miles north of Camden and known as the Wiley Vaughan property sold to C. B. McCaskill; 100 acres three miles north of Camden, the property of W. A. Shaw sold to Mr. Marsh; also five lots belonging to the Young estate on Fair Street sold to L. A. Kirkland. The total sales represented approximately \$49,500.

The Trantham property on the corner of Lyttleton and Chestnut streets was sold this week to Mr. A. J. Beattie, this sale being made through the Camden Loan and Realty Co.

Dies in Electric Chair.
Mose Witherspoon was put to death in the electric chair at the State penitentiary Friday noon. Witherspoon is the negro who killed Luther Horton, near Kershaw, last May. Sheriff Hunter was present at the execution.—Lancaster News.

Services at Grace Church.
A telegram received from Rev. F. H. Harding states he will return to Camden tomorrow and will hold the regular morning services at 11 o'clock.
Next Thursday at 11 o'clock Thanksgiving services will be held at Grace Church and Rev. Harding urges every member of his congregation to attend both of these services.

May Name It "Bateman Field."
A recent issue of the Army and Navy Journal contains the following which will be of interest to our readers as this was the home of Lieut. Bateman: "From now on the aviation station at McAllen will probably be known as Bateman Field. Already it is being called that by most of the Army men and only the formal sanction of Congress remains to make the new field official in title. One of the uncanny facts in connection with the Air Service is that the fields are invariably named for dead aviators. Thus it happened that when the McAllen field was established it was not given a name at first. Lieutenant Bateman was killed near Austin while attempting a landing when en route from McAllen to San Antonio."

To Theatre Patrons.
Theatre goers of Camden are urged to reserve seats for "Experience" as early Friday morning as possible. This is positively the largest attraction ever brought to the Camden Opera House—a play portraying eighty live characters of today and containing ten scenes, and has been endorsed by the press and pulpit of the entire nation. Indications are that the entire seating capacity of the house will be sold out the first day of the seat sale—Friday Nov. 21st. This attraction will be presented in Camden by a company of thirty two people, the same company which is playing all the larger cities and it is only for the reason that the theatre in Spartanburg has been condemned that they were secured for Camden on the date scheduled for Spartanburg.

Management Camden Opera House.
Fire on Jumelle Hill.
Fire early last Saturday morning destroyed the four-room house of Rachael Niland, colored, on Jumelle Hill. It was one of the oldest houses in Camden and was situated on the highest point in the city. The owner did not have time to save any of her belongings and as she carried no insurance the loss falls heavily upon her.

KERSHAW NEWS NOTES

Interesting Items Gathered From The Era of That Place.

Following the custom of past years in this community, the three denominations will join in a union Thanksgiving service Thursday of next week, which has been set apart by the President of the United States as the day for national thanksgiving. The service will be held in the Presbyterian church at 10:30 a. m., and the sermon will be preached by Rev. A. D. Woodie.

Miss Ada Holden and M. P. Farmer were married on last Wednesday evening at the home of R. F. Adams, on west Church street, by Rev. J. M. Neal. The bride and groom were both of the mill village.

Ruby, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Rollings, aged 5 years, died at the home of her parents at the mill village last Wednesday evening and was buried at Sand Hill graveyard Thursday afternoon, the funeral services being conducted by Rev. J. M. Neal.

A game of basket ball will be played on the grounds of the Kershaw Graded school next Friday afternoon at 4:15 o'clock, between the team of girls from the Camden High School and the team from the Kershaw High School. The public is cordially invited to witness the game.

Mrs. W. M. Floyd, of the Westville section, was in Kershaw Monday. Mrs. Floyd's husband is now at Gallivant's Ferry, where Mrs. Floyd will join him next week. They are removing to that place to make it their future home.

Rev. R. M. DuBose and J. W. Hamel will attend the session of the South Carolina Conference which will convene in McColl next Wednesday morning.

Chamber of Commerce Meeting.
A meeting of the Camden Chamber of Commerce will be held at the Opera House this (Friday) afternoon at 5 o'clock. All members are urgently requested to attend.
L. A. McDowell, Sec.

COAL FAMINE NEAR

Negotiations Between Mine Owners and Operators at Standstill.

Washington, Nov. 19.—Prospects of a coal famine drew nearer tonight with negotiations between operators and miners apparently at a standstill.
A sub-committee of the joint wage scale committee was in session three hours but it was announced after the meeting that only the general situation was discussed and that the operators did not submit counter proposals to the miners demands. The conference will continue tomorrow.

"No progress was made. The operators submitted no proposals. We are still in a receptive mood," said John L. Lewis, acting president of the United Mine Workers, as he came out of the hotel room where the conference was held.
The operators committee remained in session an hour longer. At the end of that time, Thomas T. Brewster, chairman of the operator's committee in the central competitive field, shook optimistically, declaring that this was the first attempt at real negotiations since the miners and operators met at Buffalo. For that reason, he said, only general matters were discussed.

The decision of the joint wage scale conference to continue its negotiations through a smaller group, in accordance with the usual custom in making the wage agreements, came after the owners and workers had heard from Fuel Administrator Garfield that as long as the government stands "the people of the United States need, must have, and will have coal, and they will not be prevented by anything the operators and miners may do."

The consuming public, the chief party in interest in the present controversy, Dr. Garfield said, is not in a mood to tolerate either excessive prices or prolonged stoppage of production.
The sub-committee is composed of two miners and two operators from each of the four states in the central competitive district, together with Mr. Brewster and Mr. Lewis.

The statement of the fuel administrator, which was largely statistical, brought out that in 1918 the average cost of production of coal was \$2.15 per ton, leaving to the operators an average margin of 46 cents per ton. This margin, he said, included interest charges, selling expenses and federal taxes, as well as profit.

ADDITIONAL COURT NEWS

Melton Banks Found Guilty of Murder of George Gladden.

The court has been engaged all the week in the trial of criminal cases and no civil work has been taken up. The following is a list of cases disposed of since last Thursday evening:

R. B. Humphreys was found not guilty of the charge of murdering Nathaniel Miller.

Solomon Lee, charged with murder, was found guilty of manslaughter. Motion for a new trial was heard Wednesday morning but the motion was overruled.

Melton Banks was found guilty of murder with recommendation to mercy. Counsel for Banks offered motion for new trial but the motion was overruled and Banks was sentenced to serve the remainder of his life in the penitentiary.

John L. Thomas was found guilty of grand larceny and sentenced to nine months.

The case of Abe Dixon charged with murder resulted in a mistrial after many hours deliberation. Later Dixon plead guilty to manslaughter and was sentenced to serve two years and six months.

Joe Palmer, colored, charged with stealing a sum of money from Ed. Deary while riding on a train was found guilty and sentenced to serve 12 months.

Frank Thomas and Fark Baker, charged with victimizing Wash Williams by working the pocket book game and relieving Wash of \$235, were both found guilty and sentenced to three years each. Wash claimed they stole his cotton money, while Baker admitted relieving Wash of his roll but claimed it was done by playing his game of "rolling a greasy pig." Wash's testimony convinced the jury that both Baker and his partner who were arrested in Columbia soon after the theft were crooks.

John Smith was sentenced to three months or \$25 fine for using a horse without the owners consent. Sentences suspended during good behavior.

Sam Skinner charged with larceny received a sentence of nine months.

John Jones and Butler Alexander were charged with stealing a bale of cotton from the gin of Mr. E. D. Holland north of Camden and selling it at Kershaw. Jones plead guilty and was sentenced to 9 months. Alexander plead not guilty claiming that Jones hired him to help move the cotton and that he did not know the cotton was stolen goods. He was found guilty of petit larceny and sentenced to 30 days or \$50 fine.

Ed Gibson was found guilty of larceny of bicycle.
The following is a list of cases continued and will be heard at a future term:

Berchal Lee McNeely, reduction.
Jimmie Truesdel, appeal from city court.

James McGirt, appeal from city court.
Carolina Bradley, assault and battery.
James W. Sheorn, murder. Continued Saturday.

David White, assault and battery with intent to kill.
James Truesdel and Vernon Wolst, larceny.
Wm. Brown, assault and battery with intent to kill.
G. J. Baker, violation of prohibition law.

John A. Sheorn Dead.
Mr. John A. Sheorn, for many years a citizen of this town died Tuesday morning at the residence of Mrs. C. R. Lewis with whom he had been boarding for several years and who had tenderly cared for him. Mr. Sheorn was quite aged and his death was due to the infirmities of old age. So far as we know he left no immediate relatives. For many years he was engaged in the real estate business in this city and had accumulated quite a snug little fortune. He had never married. The funeral was held Wednesday morning from the Methodist Church, services being conducted by the Rev. Dr. W. W. Daniel and the burial was at the Camden cemetery. Messrs. C. W. Birchmore, D. M. McCaskill, Frank M. Zehp, Capt. W. M. Shannon, W. R. Hough, and W. F. Nettles acted as pall bearers.

CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS

Upper Conference Meets Next Year in Grace Church at Union.

Greenwood, Nov. 10.—The Upper South Carolina conference adjourned this morning following the reading of appointments by Bishop U. V. W. Darlington. The meeting next year will be held at Grace Church, Union.

Transfers from this conference are J. K. Holman to Virginia; Elsie Meyers and J. I. Spinks to Western North Carolina; and W. J. Snyder to South Carolina. The Rev. B. R. Turnipseed was elected secretary to act until the next conference.

The appointments follow: Anderson district, C. C. Leonard, presiding elder; Anderson; Bethel, A. M. Smith; Orville, F. G. Whitlock; St. Johns, M. L. Carlisle; Antreville, W. S. Martin; Calhoun Falls, D. A. Joffcoat; Central, W. S. Goodwin; Clemson College, A. E. Driggers; Honea Path, T. W. Munnerlyn; Lowndesville, N. G. Bellenger; Pelzer, W. L. Mulliken; Pendleton, J. H. Manly; Piedmont, G. G. Harley; Princeton, J. M. Strickland; Seneca, B. M. Robertson; Starr, J. W. Lewis; Walhalla, E. P. Taylor; Walhalla Circuit, Foster, Speer; Westminster, R. L. Doggett; Williamston and Belton, H. B. Hardy.

Cokesbury District
Cokesbury District, J. W. Kilgo, presiding elder; Abbeville, C. E. Peble; Abbeville Circuit, Fred Harris; Butler, A. H. Hoyt; Coesbury, J. W. Shell; Greenwood, Main street, B. R. Turnipseed; Greenwood Circuit, W. H. Murray; Kinards, P. R. Kilgo; McCormick, J. G. Huggins; McKendree, S. C. Dunlap; Newberry Central, J. L. Daniel; Molokoh and Oakland, A. E. Smith; Onealest, R. F. Cogburn; Newberry Circuit, M. F. Clarkson; Ninety-Six, O. A. Joffcoat; one to be supplied; Phoenix, M. P. Meadows; Plum Branch, R. L. Rountree; Pomaria, J. M. Mason; Prosperity and Zion, J. D. Griffin; Saluda, J. J. Singleton; Waterloo, S. H. Booth; Whitmire, J. P. Simpson; Lander College, President J. O. Wilson; professor at Lander College, R. O. Lawton; Main street, Q. C. conference, missionary evangelist, J. H. Danner, Main Street, Q. C.

Columbia District
Columbia district: R. E. Stackhouse, presiding elder; Aiken and Williston, O. M. Abney; Aiken circuit, W. D. Shealey; Batesburg, A. L. Gunter; Columbia, Brookland G. T. Hughes; Edgewood, W. M. Harden; Epworth Mission, to be supplied; Green Street, C. M. Morris; Main Street, R. S. Truesdale; Shandon, R. F. Morris; Washington street, A. N. Brunson; Waverly, W. H. Polk; Whaley Street, James White; Edgfield, E. R. Mason; Fairfield, R. E. Sharpe; Gilbert, L. W. Johnson; Graniteville, C. W. Lewis; Irmo, M. A. Kleckley; Johnston, D. W. Keller; Langley, J. C. Cunningham; Leesville, J. H. Brown; Leesville circuit, W. E. Taylor and one to be supplied; Lexington, A. Q. Rice; North Augusta, A. W. Barr; Richland, A. Merritt; Ridge Spring, F. C. Bench; Ridgeway, E. W. Mason; Swansen, R. C. Griffith; Wagener, J. M. Metzger; Epworth Orphanage, Supt. T. C. Odell; Washington Street quarterly conference, missionary secretary, J. C. Roper; Washington street quarterly conference.

Greenville District
Greenville District: J. M. Stedman, presiding elder; Clinton, Henry Stokes; Duncan, D. E. Joffcoat; Easley, J. Paul Patton; Fountain Inn, L. E. Wiggins; Gray Court, C. W. Watson; Greenville, Bethel and Poe; J. D. Hoffer, one to be supplied; Brandon and Poinsett, A. M. Doggett; Buncombe Street, C. C. Herbert; Choice and Mills, J. W. McElrath; Duncan and Judson, P. L. Bouknight; Hampton Avenue, G. H. Hodges; St. Paul, W. B. Garrett; West Greenville, to be supplied; Greenville circuit, M. M. Brooks; Greer, H. O. Chambers; Laurens, A. E. Hollar; Laurens circuit, D. H. Johnson; Liberty, C. W. Justus; Norris, A. F. Jackson; Pickens, E. T. Hodges; Pickens circuit, D. P. Hudson; Stimpsonville, J. F. Lupo; South Easley, C. R. White; South Greer, B. H. Harvey; Traveler's Rest, C. A. Johnson.

Conference Sunday School secretary, L. D. Gillespie; Pickens.
Rock Hill District
Rock Hill District: J. R. T. Major, presiding elder; Blacksburg, M. K. Meadows; Blackstock, J. R. Copland; Chester, Baldwin Mill, L. W. Shealey; Bethel, P. F. Kilgo; Chester County, East Lancaster, J. K. Bledsoe; Fort Lawn, W. A. Duckworth; Fort Mill, W. R. Bouknight; Great Falls, J. G. Brown; Hickory Grove, M. T. Wharton; W. G. Latham, superintendent; Lancaster, F. R. Mason; Lancaster county, T. F. Gibson; North Rock Hill County, P. B. Kilgore; Richburg, E. Z. James; Rock Hill, Manchester and

LEAVES TREATY UNRATIFIED

Senate Goes Home With Various War-Time Laws Still in Force.

Washington, Nov. 19.—Failing after three attempts to ratify the peace treaty, the senate late tonight laid it aside, ended the special session and went home.

All compromise efforts to bring ratification failed, the three resolutions of ratification all going down by overwhelming majorities. The republican leaders, apparently despairing of bringing two-thirds of the senate together for any sort of ratification, then put in a resolution to declare the war at an end.

Two of the three ratification votes were taken on the resolution drafted by the republican majority, containing reservations which President Wilson had told democratic senators in a letter earlier in the day would mean nullification of the treaty. On each of the votes most of the democratic supporters of the treaty voted against ratification.

The first vote on this resolution stood 89 for to 55 against. On the second vote taken after several hours of parliamentary wrangling in which the democrats made vain efforts to win over some of the republican group of mild reservationists, 41 senators voted in the affirmative and 51 in the negative.

The third vote was on a straight-out ratification without reservations which got only 38 votes to 53 opposing it. Only one republican, Senator McCumber, of North Dakota, voted with the democrats in its support.

Republican Leader Lodge declared today's voting constituted a final decision on the peace treaty unless President Wilson circumvented the senate rules by withdrawing it and then submitting it again to the senate. In other quarters there was some difference of opinion, but the general sentiment seemed to be that there was only a slender chance that the treaty would come up at the beginning of the next session of congress, beginning next month.

One effect of the senate's failure to ratify the treaty will be the continuation of various wartime laws and regulations at least until the new session opens. Among these is the wartime prohibition act.

To Issue 14th Series.
The Enterprise Building and Loan Association will retire December 31st, 1919, the tenth series, and will issue January 1st, 1920, the 14th series to the capital stock of this association. It has already successfully retired nine series and the tenth will be liquidated at the close of this year. This association has done a big business in this community and has been the means of aiding many to buy homes or to build homes instead of paying rent. It offers an opportunity for a fine investment as well as aiding those who desire to buy a home. You can subscribe for stock in the 14th series now by calling on Mr. W. E. Johnson, Secretary and Treasurer.

Box Supper at Flint Hill.
There will be a box supper given by the Woman's Missionary Society at the home of Mrs. R. L. Snyar's Friday night, November 28th, for the benefit of Flint Hill Baptist Church. The public is cordially invited. There will be delicious oysters and fruits served.

Mr. Ben Ticknor, manager of the Court Inn, has returned to Camden for the winter and will soon open his hotel. His friends are glad to see that he has greatly improved in health.

Highland Park, H. E. Griffin; St. Johns, J. W. Speak; West Main, Roy W. Wilkes; Rock Hill County, H. R. Holroyd; Van Wyck, F. V. Robertson; Winesboro, H. Etheridge; York, J. E. Mahaffey; conference secretary of education, J. R. T. Major.

Spartanburg District
Spartanburg District: E. S. Jones, presiding elder; Buffalo, J. W. Bailey; Camp Obello, J. H. Montgomery; Carlisle, W. Y. Cooley; Chesnee, J. L. Jett; Clifton and Glendale, C. P. Carter; Cowpens, J. E. Merchant; Cross Anchor, W. C. Kelley; Onoree, J. T. Miller; Gaffney, Buford St. W. A. Fairry; Limestone, St. J. T. Frazer; Gaffney County, Whitfield Johnson; Inman, R. C. Bolwain; Jonesville, H. T. Blackman; Kelton, J. F. Oolightly; Pacolet Mills, M. B. Patrick; Spartanburg, Bethel, F. E. Diddle; Central, J. W. Frazer; Drayton and Beaufort, J. F. Farr; Duncan, W. B. Connelley; Elberton, W. G. Smith; Saxou, R. B. Burgess; one to be supplied; Union Bethel, W. F. Fant; Grace, L. P. McGee; Green Street, J. B. Chick; Unity and Sardis, J. P. Byars; Woodruff, W. M. Owings; Textile Industrial Institution, president, D. E. Camak; conference evangelist, F. L. Harkey.
Southern Home Institute, president, S. T. Creech; missionary to Korea, T. J. Carter.