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NEWS OF THE SCHOOLS

Comparative Record of Attendance and Those on Honor Roll Past Month

This week mid term examinations will be held in all grades of the city schools beginning Wednesday and ending Friday. The schools at present are crowded to their capacity. In the graded school the enrollment shows an increase of 59 over that of the same date last year, the high school an increase of 13. The following is a comparison in enrollment between two dates:

	Last year	This year
Boys girls total	31 33 64	47 34 81
Grade 1	31 33 64	47 34 81
Grade 2	28 26 54	27 32 59
Grade 3	28 26 54	42 27 69
Grade 4	25 32 57	31 28 59
Grade 5	28 28 56	22 29 51
Grade 6	22 20 42	34 23 57
Grade 7	16 22 38	21 26 47

188 186 374	224 209 433
Grade 8	27 19 46
Grade 9	12 16 28
Grade 10	8 9 17
Grade 11	2 7 9

237 237 474 274 272 546
The enrollment in the Mill School has increased nearly fifty over the total enrollment for the year previous, while the Alvern Hill school has about held its own.

The crowded conditions is shown by the fact that there is an average of a little over 54 pupils to the teacher in the grammar grades and an average of 60 to the teacher throughout even grades. In the Mill school there is an average of nearly 60 to the teacher, and in the first grade the enrollment is 90. A teacher can be expected to do her best with over 35 pupils and no teacher would be required to handle more than 30. The city schools need more teachers, and even if the teaching force were enlarged there would be no class rooms to accommodate them.

Honor Roll for fourth month.
First grade—Leila Brannon, Merle East, Gay Blackmon, Carolyn McKain, Geneva Jones, Thora Evans, Essie Watts, B. Ray, Willie Halls, Lenora Rhame, Ernest Ross, Henry Lee, Clyburn, Elizabeth Benson, Olive Nettles, Mattie Shaw, C. Kelly, Caroline Houser.

Second grade—Benton Burns, Marvin Pickabe, Duncan Lang, Elwell Ray, Michelle Sheorn, Nellie Benton, Bettie Boykin, Carolyn Burnett, Catherine Ireton, Inez Gardner, Nannie Gardner, Elie Goodale, Virginia Halls, Luck Kirkland, Rosa McManus, Nancy Pearce, Anita Sanders, Maureen Sowell.

Third grade—Joseph Mogulescu, Harriet Smith, John Story, Elmer Watts, Howard Wooten, Molly Blackwell, Virginia DeLoach, Edith Goodale, Frances Wrens, Lottie Spears, Louise Watts.

Fourth grade—Moultre Burns, Leigh Hardy, John Richardson, George Tidwell, Reuben Walker, Clara Bruce, Louise King, Willie Porter.

Fifth grade—Margaret Billings, Mary Boykin, Mary O'neon, William Clyburn, Sara DePass, Maud Dabney, John Davidson, Horace Evans, Mary Goodale, Evelyn Hinson, Daisy Lang, Molly Moore, Harriet Whitaker, Carolyn Wooten, Vera Williams, Gertrude Zemp.

Sixth grade—No honor roll on account substitute teachers.

Seventh grade—Arnett Ledford, William Nettles, Christopher Vaughn, Miriam Bruce, Mildred Gardner, Harriet Osborn, Helen Hinson, Louise Hirsch, Lily Jenkins.

Eighth grade—Sara Lewis, Ethel Dees, Elizabeth DeLoach, Mary N. Campbell, Elizabeth Bostick, Aubrey Beattie, Mes Shannon, Conyers Shanklin, Maria Workman, Kate Watkins, Ada Nettles, Margaret Mills.

Ninth grade—Estelle Williams, Lewis Mills.

Tenth grade—Stella A. Hall, Margaret Perkins, Joyce Steedman, Cecile Truesdell, Edna Tiller.

MILITARY WILL HOLD SOLDIERS

Refuse To Turn Chaplin Murderers Over To Richland Authorities.

Columbia, Jan. 28.—Stating that they will be held until the views of the War Department are obtained, Major Gen. George W. Read, commander of Camp Jackson, in a formal military communication to John C. McCain, sheriff of Richland County, today declined to turn over to the custody of the civil authorities Lieut. Talbert B. Fowler, Corporal Edmund F. Marston, Private Roy E. Sanders and Private, First Class, Roy Janusz, now under arrest at Camp Jackson, charged with being implicated in the murder of William S. Chaplin, a prominent business man of Columbia, who was shot to death on the night of January 19 on the Garner's Ferry road within sight of this city while returning in an automobile from a dinner party. Private Sanders was specifically charged by a coroner's jury of Richland County on January 20 as having fired the fatal shot.

Governor Cooper will make a request on the War Department through Senator Dial to have the prisoner turned over to the civil authorities. A transcript of the inquest adduced at the coroner's investigation was furnished the Governor's office by Sheriff McCain to be transmitted to Senator Dial.

Lieut. Fowler, Corporal Marston and Private, First Class, Janusz were arrested at the camp on a warrant sworn out on January 21 by Waller Bailey, an attorney of this city. An occupant of the automobile in which Mr. Chaplin was killed, charging them with being implicated in the deed. Private Sanders was held by the military authorities on the finding of the coroner's jury.

Gen. Read, in his communication, said that the accused men would be tried by court-martial to be convened by the commanding general of the Southeastern department unless ordered otherwise by the War Department. Gen. Read himself is commander of the department.

Attached to the communication was a certification of the military board investigating the killing of Mr. Chaplin and other alleged indiscriminate shooting on the public highway on the night of January 19, which charged Lieut. Fowler with being without authority to order men to search transfers and street cars on the public highway of Richland county, which order, he testified in the coroner's investigation, to giving; that he was without authority to order vehicles searched, and did thereby cause the death, by gunshot wound, inflicted by a bullet from a service rifle in the hands of a member of the said armed patrol, of one, William S. Chaplin, a human being.

Corporal Marston, in command of the detail, is charged with firing two bullets in the direction of an automobile occupied by Clarence Johnson, Tom Roof, and four other negroes on the public highway; of directing Private Sanders, a member of his detail to fire five shots, more or less, in the direction of the negroes' car; of ordering Private (first class) Janusz to fire two shots in the direction of the same car, and of permitting and directing Private Sanders to fire the shot which killed William S. Chaplin.

Two specifications were brought by the military board against Private Sanders: That he "with malice aforethought, wilfully, deliberately, feloniously, unlawfully and with premeditation did kill one, William S. Chaplin, a human being, by shooting him with a rifle," and that in utter disregard of human life and property "did fire five shots, more or less, from a service rifle in the direction of the automobile occupied by Clarence Johnson and the other negroes."

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Modern Health Crusade.
Miss Marion E. Green, of Columbia, was in Camden this week for the purpose of getting the school teachers and parents interested in the Modern Health Crusade. It is being put on under the auspices of the South Carolina Tuberculosis Association and will, if carried out in the schools will result in saving the health and happiness of many young people. Mr. Little, of the Majestic Theatre, will put on a film Saturday afternoon and night relative to this crusade.

GOVERNOR REMOVES SHERIFF

Appoints Charles G. King In Place Of Sanders at Anderson.

Governor Cooper Friday revoked the commission of J. Olin Sanders as sheriff of Anderson county and appointed in his stead Charles Geurdon King. The removal was incident to alleged improper conduct of the officer October 16, 1919. Recently Governor Cooper ordered Mr. Sanders to come to Columbia and show cause why he should not be removed.

Authority for the removal is based on Sec. 695, volume I of the code, which requires the governor to fill the office of sheriff when a vacancy occurs, and also gives the authority to remove an appointee. Sanders was appointed by Governor Cooper last February upon the resignation of former Sheriff Joe Ashley.

The following affidavit from E. M. O'Bryant, former policeman in Anderson, was submitted to the governor relative to the conduct of Sanders:
"Before me comes E. M. O'Bryant, who being duly sworn, says that for many months prior to October 16, 1919, he was policeman for the city of Anderson, S. C.; that on or about the night of October 16, 1919, while away from his home in said city, on duty, he had occasion to go to his home unexpectedly; that upon arriving there he found that his wife was not in their bedroom, but found another bedroom locked and demanding admittance, he discovered Sheriff J. Olin Sanders in there with deponent's wife, and both admitted that they had been guilty of illicit sexual relation; that when deponent entered the room, the said Sanders covered him with a pistol; told him, deponent, if he moved he would kill him, and kept deponent covered with the pistol until he (Sanders) left the house."—Saturday's State.

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County Politics Started.
Mr. Allen B. Marchison, of Kershaw, was in Camden Wednesday, and tells us that he will be in the race this year for the office of county superintendent of education. This is the first announcement for a county office this year. Mr. Marchison made the race four years ago. He has recently finished a law course at the University of South Carolina and is now a practicing attorney at Kershaw.

Formed Partnership.
Mr. J. M. Stokes, who has been conducting a bicycle repair shop on East DeKalb street, has sold half interest in his business to Mr. Charles B. Marsh and the firm name will be Stokes and Marsh. At a later date they will occupy the store room now occupied by Mr. C. W. Evans as an undertaking establishment.

MAY NOT ABOLISH GANGS

County Supervisors Do Not Think Favorably of Plan to Abolish.

Columbia, Jan. 28.—Supervisors of South Carolina, almost to a man, are opposing the plan suggested to the legislature by Governor Cooper and by the State board of charities and corrections for abolition of the county chain gang system and creation in its stead of a State system. A meeting of supervisors, attended by about twenty-five of these officials from as many counties, was held in Columbia Thursday afternoon, and Thursday evening a committee from the supervisors' association went to see Governor Cooper to protest against the proposed change in the system.

There is a strong sentiment in the legislature against the change. Governor Cooper told the committee of supervisors that he had found, since delivering his annual message, that there is considerable opposition in the legislature against the abolition of the county chain gang.

The State highway department is not enthusiastic over the idea. Its officials state that they do not want to have change of the system.

At least three county delegations in the general assembly are considering the introduction of bills to provide for abolition of the office of county supervisor and the creation of a commission, this commission to appoint the supervisor. The aim is to take the office of supervisor out of politics. This plan works well, it is said, in four counties of the State already.

A committee was also named by the supervisors at their meeting Thursday afternoon, to work among the legislators and urge their vote against the plan of abolishing the county chain gangs.

DELEGATES NAMED

To Attend Annual Convention of Cotton Association at Montgomery.

Columbia, Jan. 5.—More than four hundred delegates have been appointed from South Carolina to the annual convention of the American Cotton Association to be held in Montgomery, Ala., February 17-20. The appointments were made by R. M. Mixson, president of the South Carolina division of the American Cotton Association, and all of the appointments will be strongly urged by Mr. Mixson to attend the meeting.

In the list of delegates are about fifty women. The women will be given full rights on the floor of the convention, it is said.

Those named to attend from Kershaw County are the following: John P. Stevens, N. A. Bethune, T. J. Kirkland, C. J. Shannon, Jr., H. G. Carrison, R. S. Floyd, E. M. Estridge, Earl Bowen, Willis Cauty, F. M. Wooten, L. W. Boykin, C. W. Birchmore, W. L. McDowell, L. J. Guion, and Mrs. E. C. von Troscow.

MEETING CALLED FRIDAY

Chairman Boykin Desires a Large Attendance of All Classes.

To the farmers, business men and merchants of Kershaw County: I gave notice in last week's Chronicle that there would be a meeting held in Camden on February 6th at 3 p. m. The ladies are especially invited for without their cooperation we men can do but little. This meeting will mean a great deal for the uplift of old Kershaw if we can get a representative crowd, especially now as the boll weevil is in our midst. We will have intelligent men to give us short lectures on organization, cooperation, marketing, etc. so I beg all the men and women that have the good of this country and county at heart to attend this meeting. This meeting will be held in the Opera House as the Court House will be too small, I hope, to hold the crowd.

L. W. Boykin,
County Chairman.

Holding Up Hypocrites.
Do you believe in Camden? Well, whether you do or not it is on the eve of a great uprising. The signs are promising in every way. You may have your part young man if you believe in God and the right. If you are willing to join this uprising of the young and aggressive type against the hypocrites who see the handwriting on the wall against hypocrisy. Have a hand. Have a heart back of this hand and then you will have hope that is both sure and steadfast.

The foregoing is not to count in business alone but it must take its rise in religion. The Baptist pastor will discuss these matters at the evening service Sunday at the Baptist Church. Brother Business Man you ought to be there. Brother Professional Man you should show your interest. All who believe in looking up, out, and on will be welcome.

NEWS OF THE TOURISTS

Golf, Polo and Social Affairs Furnish Forms of Amusement.

On Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. John R. Todd gave a dinner for their daughter Miss Frances Todd and her guest Miss Eleanor Morgan of Pittsburg in their beautiful colonial home South Hill on Kirkwood Heights. After dining the party of young people went to the Kirkwood for the dance. The guests were: Miss Helen Hoynes of Chicago, Misses Jacqueline and Nora Hero, daughters of General Andrew Hero of Camp Jackson, Miss Polly Morton of Annapolis, Misses Martha and Virginia Ticknor, and their guest Miss Brinkerhoff, Miss Rhetta DeLoache and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Shannon, also Messrs. Elliott Springs, A. Kennedy Blakeney, and Lieut. George Read, Jr., Colonel Easterday and Captain Bunting from Camp Jackson.

Arriving at the Court Inn this week are: Mrs. H. B. Hard and Mrs. Robert S. Nesbit, of New Haven, Mrs. E. L. Judkins of New York, Mr. and Mrs. Bayard of Atlantic City, Miss Sarah McDowell of Cedar Hill, Mass., Judge C. E. Searles and Mrs. Searles of Thompson, Conn., Mrs. G. C. Keifer of New Haven, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Scott of Newton Center, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Rogers, of Buffalo, Mr. Joseph B. Cypoker and Mr. Charles McKenzie, of Boston, Miss M. L. Terhune of Matawan, New Jersey, Miss MacIntosh of Waltham, Mass., and Mr. and Mrs. C. Clifford of Buffalo.

On Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Ralph Shannon entertained with cards and tea for Miss Frances Todd and Miss Eleanor Morgan. Other guests were: Miss Helen Hoynes, Miss Rhetta DeLoache, Mrs. Hallett, Miss Virginia Ticknor and Miss Brinkerhoff.

While our neighbors at Pinchurst and Southern Pines have been deprived of their favorite sport of golf by the ice and snow of the past week, there has not been a day when golfers failed to appear on the links of both the Sarsfield and Camden Country Club Truly, Camden's winter climate is hard to equal.

A ball sweep stake tournament was played on Saturday on the Sarsfield links and excellent scores were returned. The winner, E. P. Merwin of the Englewood Golf Club finished with the score of 40-43-83; W. M. Nesbit of Great Barrington 43-44-87; John S. Sweeney, Lochmoor Golf Club 42-43-88.

Tomorrow, January 31st, an eighteen hole medal play tournament will be held on the Sarsfield links for prizes presented by the Court Inn. A large entry list is expected.

Among the guests at the Kirkwood are: Mr. and Mrs. Lester Collins and Miss Ruth Collins of Philadelphia, Miss E. S. Courson and Miss G. F. R. Keller of Stockbridge, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Humbert of New York, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Kybring of Springfield, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Pearson of Salt Lake City, Mrs. E. B. Greenhills and Mrs. Graham Drinkwater of Montreal and Mrs. Hugh A. Milne of Trenton, N. J.

A favorite meeting place these winter afternoons for a social chat and cup of tea is the Studio Tea Room in its lovely setting of evergreens and pines. On Saturday Mrs. Haldane, who is spending the season at the Whistler cottage gave a birthday party at the Studio for her friend Miss Jarvis. The other guests were Miss Gillett, Miss Bisbee, and Mrs. Johnson.

Mrs. Frederick C. Peters of Charleston has arrived at the Hobkirk Inn for a visit with Miss Winifred Sills of Mount Vernon, who is spending the winter here. Among others at the Hobkirk are: Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Ford of Montclair, N. J., Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Dana, Miss Florine Dana and Miss Robertson of New York, Mr. P. W. Hesewick of Keene, N. H. and Mrs. Dana Malone of Greenfield, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Helm are expected today from New York to spend several weeks with Mrs. E. Miller Boykin at her cottage in Kirkwood.

Dr. Harry Emmons Fosdick and Mrs. Fosdick have arrived from New York City and are stopping at the Court Inn.

A fine polo match is anticipated this week on the field of the Camden polo club. It is expected that the officers from Camp Jackson will bring their ponies with them, and will participate in the game. Major J. B. Hennessey is an enthusiast in the sport. He with Lieut. Read, Colonel Easterday and several others were on hand last week for the polo game and dance afterwards at the Kirkwood hotel.

Attention—Woodmen.

Members of Live Oak Camp No. 49, W. O. W. are requested to attend a meeting to be held in the Woodman Hall on Thursday evening February 5th, at eight o'clock. Business of importance will come before the Lodge at that time. The election of a clerk will take place.

M. G. Huckabee, Clerk.

ENGINEER CROW DEAD

Popular Engineman Had Served Southern For Twenty-Five Years.

Engineer Joe M. Crow of this city died Saturday morning at the Fennell Infirmary, where he had been after a stroke of paralysis the first of January, from which he failed to improve, suffering two more strokes before his death.

Mr. Crow for more than 25 years had been a locomotive engineer on the Charleston Division of the Southern Railway. His last run was between Charlotte and Columbia by the way of Kingsville. He was known from one end of the line to the other by the peculiar way that he blew his whistle of his engine, imitating the whipp-o-will.

He was born at King's Mountain, N. C., in 1865 and was 55 years of age at his death. He was a Mason and also a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

He is survived by his wife, one son, Tally Crow, and four daughters, Madames J. W. Cowall, Joseph Gales, Herbert Martin, and Miss Genevieve Crow, all of this city; also the following sisters and brothers: Mrs. R. R. Housey of King's Mountain, Mrs. Lemuel Jones of Greenville, Mrs. A. B. Cawthen of Durham, Mrs. Boyd Young of Spartanburg, E. H. Crow of Kershaw, A. J. Crow of Meigs and J. A. Crow of Westville.

Sunday afternoon the remains were taken to Kershaw for burial. A committee of railroad men from Charleston who attended the funeral were E. Condon and Claude King.

The pall-bearers were E. C. Gross, Neil Simpson, M. M. Kendrick, A. E. Motz, Dr. W. C. McDowell and E. Condon.

Mr. Crow was very popular and had many friends and acquaintances of this city and other places attended the funeral.—Rock Hill Record.

Mrs. Martha West Dead.

Mrs. Martha Thorn West, wife of Mr. J. Frank West died at her home in the Mt. Olivet section Friday morning at an early hour after two weeks illness, her death being due to apoplexy. She was 62 years of age and a prominent and beloved woman of her community. She is survived by her husband and the following children: Mrs. J. E. Huh, Lee M. West, Shell J. West, Mrs. Grace Adams, Dr. Carl A. West, Troy West, all of this county; Walter J. West of Spartanburg; and Mrs. W. J. Anderson, of Hampton, S. C.

The funeral and burial occurred at Mt. Olivet church on Saturday morning after services by Rev. M. M. Benson, of Camden.

Woman 104 Years of Age.

What is thought to be the oldest citizen of this county has been discovered by the census taker, T. C. Fletcher, of District No. 74, in the person of Serena Bracey, a colored woman, who gives her age at 104. The aged woman resides with her daughter, Kate Bracey, in the Marshall's church section. She is the mother of 21 children—the eldest being a son of 61 years of age and the youngest a daughter of 41 years. Despite her great age the old woman gets about on the farm and is remarkably active.

Tall Man at the Majestic.

Coming to the Majestic Theatre next Wednesday R. E. Madsen, the world's tallest giant cowboy. Mr. Madsen, who has attracted world wide attention on account of his extreme height will appear in pictures and in person. This man is nearly eight feet tall and is but 20 years old.

Coburn's Minstrels.

The J. A. Coburn minstrels will set a new standard in black face entertainment, when they play their annual engagement at the Camden Opera House. Although the Coburn minstrels have been on the road for a number of years, and have always maintained a high standard for this class of entertainment, Manager Coburn feels this season, after he has signed up his company and secured a number of exceptionally high class stars, that his show this year will far surpass anything in the minstrel line he has ever presented. He is paying especial attention to singing, dancing and clean cut comedy, three absolute essentials in a minstrel performance.

A new comedy act conceived and written by Mr. Charles Gao, in which the author takes the leading role, is said to be exceptionally funny. It is a satire on an up-to-date subject portraying the humorous situations now prevailing, and which is taken so good naturedly by the American people.

Sold His Warehouse.

Mr. R. M. Kennedy, Jr., has sold his bonded Warehouse on lower main street to Mr. Frank M. Wooten, proprietor of the Mutual Warehouse. The property was formerly known as the old Latham stables.