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CAMDEN BOY TO RETURN

t With Headquarters at Camden

Canden friends of Mr. Blakeney wild made his home in Atlanta and phia Underwriters to succeed the bia a few weeks ago. The foling letter addressed to all of their ath Carolina agents will be read with

To fill the vacancy occasioned by the ah of Mr. Robt. H. McDowell, who several years served as faithfully intelligently as Special Agent in or State, we have been fortunate securing the services of Mr. Jases Blakeney, who will take up his duut June 1st, with headquacters

While Mr. Blakeney has not traveled an Carolina, he hadls from Camden will, therefore, be no stranger, i midst, and having supervised there business both from the office d in the field for several years, is by capable of handling our interests

peaking for him the same cordial tion and hearty co-operation here accorded our Field representa-

New Enterprise For Lugoff.

he Beam Lumber Company, th Carolina concern, has bought up timber rights on a large lot of propt on the Western side of the Water. fiver and will at an early date build m roads leading from Lugoff to the ats. They will also erect a large mber mill just beyond Lugoff Stawhich will employ a considerable e of laborers at both mill and foris It is said to be enough timber these swamps to keep them cutting quite a long while and the new enprise will mean much for Lugoff. We also understand that parties at goff are contemplating erecting a nt soon for the manufacture of cent brick.

Preaching at Lockhart

Rev. R. M. BuBose, pastor of th haw Methodist church will preach the Lockhart school house next Sun-May 30th, at 3:30 P. M. The pubis cordially invited to attend both these services.

Now Postmaster Trantham

office last week.

mon, has resigned his postion in the nine o'clock yesterday morning. office and left Monday for Monroe, C. where he will go with an insurhas held a position in the Camden C. A. Dunn, of Camden, spent the stoffice for nearly fourteen years has given the public and the gov- from Davidson college. ent excellent service, and has a of friends in Camden who will rehim from Camden. Mrs. Goodale in the city Monday. children will remain in Camden for D. E. Walters, one of the best known

Pension Money, Has Come,

It affords me pleasure to announce asion money for the year 1920 has tial family of children. en received, and pensioners can get Edith Lewis Lingle, youngest child are classed as not so needy will ch; and Class C will get \$45.00 each. apportionment was made by the unty Pension Board on Monday last. he law says that "the Probate dge shall disburse pensions to penners taking their receipt for same to

Very respectfully, W. L. McDOWELL, iden, S. C., May 27th, 1920.

Preaching at DeKalb

here will be preaching at DeKaib

A CALL TO FARMERS

Jas. W. Blakeney To Be Special Asked to Meet in Camden Saturday to Discuss Food Crops.

Reports just received from the United States Department of Agriculingham for the past seven years ture indicate a thirty-four per cent rehe glad to know that he will re- duction in the production of wheat nomited as Special Agent of the Publi- meet this situation flour will be on Robert H. McDowell who died in further complications of a shortage of corn. Owing to unfavorable weather conditions and a natural incentive to grow cotton on account of present high prices and fear of the spread of the bolt weevil to the remainder of the cotton belt within the next few years we are liable to have a distressingly short corn crop. Every effort is being put forth to spread the news of this shortage and to call upon the farmers even at this late date to come to the rescue in so far as is possible by increasing their acreage in corn. True it is late for such an appeal but there is quite a bit of land in Kershaw county which might yet be planted to corn and particularly is this the case on the grain lands after the harvesting Columbia. of the grain. If proper steps are taken at once much may be done to prevent a serious situation which is most likely to prevail this fall. In order to urge Sanders is calling a farmers' meeting to be held at the court house at Camden, Saturday, May 29 at 11 A. M. All furmers of the county are urgently requested to attend. This is an important matter and should not be looked upon lightly. Come and bring your neigh-

FIRE AT LANCASTER

Other Notes of Interest as Told By Lancaster News.

Fire at 4:30 o'clock Monday morning practically destroyed the electric power plant at the fancaster cotton mills Monday. The steam power plant, how- the primary grades. At 8:30 p. m. ever, some distance away, was not dam- the reading and declamation contest uged and the mill resumes operations will be held. On Tuesday night at 8:30 under steam power while work of rehabilitating the electric power plant goes ahead. Falling brick walls caused ced and the medals delivered, and the and five people norrowly escaped being Hon. L. T. Mills, of Camden. caught under the falling walls. The originated behind a switch-board ally named by the president as the in the engine room. The transformer postmaster at Camden to succeed station furnishing current for lights Chas. J. Shannon, took charge of and power in the city is situated next to the burned building and the current Mr. John R. Goodale, who has been had to be cut off. After some little maling the office acceptably as acting nouverings with wires however, curmaster since the resignation of Mr. rent was again available in the city at

A. B. Whittaker, of Camden, is in Lancaster for a month on special work e agency at that place. Mr. Good for the Lancaster Cotton Oil Co.

week-end in the city on his way home

B. H. and C. F. Clyburn, and J. C. Jenkins, of Kershaw, and Sheriff Groto learn that his new position will ver C. Weish, of Camden were visitors

present and join him at a later and highly respected citizens of the Dwight section of the county, died at his home last night at 2:15 o'clock from Bright's disease. Mr. Walters was a most congenial gentleman and a the Confederate Veterans and the member of Bethlehem Baptist church dows of Confederate Veterans of Ker- He was 70 years of age, and leaves, w County that the check for the besides his wife, a large and influen-

er money by calling at the Probate of Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Lingle, of this nce. The total amount received is place, died last Thursday afternoon sht Thousand, Five Hundred and while upon an operating table of a hossht-four Dollars (\$8,584.00). Class pital in Charlotte. The twenty months will get \$60.65, each, except four in of the little girl's life had been characmen's list who are classed by the terized by unusually strong, vigorous nty Pension Board as more needy health, and it was thought that the opthe others will get \$96.25 each, eration for which her parents took her in the womens' list in class A three to Charlotte would prove easily successful and soon over with, but compli-\$45.00 each; Class B will get \$50.00 cations developed which caused her untimely death.

Dr. Rowland Alston Dead

Rowland Alston, M. D., died suddenly last night at his residence, No. 172 kept on file in his office," and it is Tradd street, about 8:30 o'clock. News sted that in all cases, except of his demise came as a shock to a re prevented by the infirmities of wide circle of friends who did not age, or sickness, pensioners will know that Dr. Alston was iff. He is in person to receive, and receipt for survived by a widow, having recently narried,-Tuesday's Charleston News and Courier.

Dr. Alston was married in Camden Kershaw County Pension Bd. on April 29th to Miss Esther B. Holmes. of Salem Mass. He was a well known citizen of Charleston and also had relatives in the Hagood section. He was at Hagood only last week to attend the tist church next Sunday May 30th funeral of his brother's widow who died 7:30 P. M., by the pastor Rev. E. L. there at an advanced age as the result of a fall.

D. E. SPENCER DEAD

Was a Former Resident of West Wateree Section.

D. E. Spencer, aged 76 years, a Confederate veteran, died at his bome, 1116 Pine street, early Saturday morning. Mr. Spencer had been in ill health not unexpected. Mr. Spencer was a the same basis as during the war with native of Wilmington, N. C., and serv- ty: ed gallantly in a regiment from his nacommanded by Stonewall Jackson. He was twice wounded. Coming to South ations on the Wateree river in Kershaw county. For about 10 years he has lived in Columbia and has many friends, who will regret to learn of his death.

> Mr. Spencer married Miss Alice Gill- favor a bond issue. more, of Richland county, who survivdren: H. E. Spencer, of Alabama; D. Paris and Mrs. Helen Paris, both of gent people would stand for this?

erley Methodist church and interment action on this matter County Agents in the Mill Creek section,-Sunday's Columbia Record.

KERSHAW NEWS NOTES

Interesting Items Gathered From The Era of That Place.

Commencing with the play at the school auditorium next Friday night the closing exercises of the Kershaw Graded School will take place. Following the play the commencement sermon will be preached in the Presbyterian church Sunday night by Rev. Jos. T. Dendy, who was formerly pastor of the church. Monday afternoon at, 4:30 the members of Miss Mary Hayes' music class will give a recital, which will be and caused the mill to be sbut down followed with exercises by the pupils of the Class Exercises will be held, the winners of the medals will be announconsiderable damage to the machinery literary address will be delivered by

The pupils of the ninth grade in the Kershaw Graded school entertained to pupils of the tenth grade last Friday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. 'D. R. Fletcher. They had as guests also the members of the Hartsville high school base ball team, who were here to play the Kershaw team; and Superintendent J. H. Thornwell, of Hartsville.

The Kershaw High School ball team won two more games last week, making five straight winnings for them. Wednesday afternoon they won from Timmonsville at Timmonsville by a score of 9 to 4, and on Friday afternoon they beat the Hartsville nine at Kershaw by a score of 6 to 4.

There was a right severe electric storm in the Buffalo section Friday At the home of W. A. Robinson lightning ran into the home over the telephone wire, burning up about one hundred yards of the wire and bursting a hole in the roof about three inches in diameter without setting anything afire. The members of the family felt the shock of it very sensibly but were not

in any wise injured. Capt, and Mrs. H. F. Halle and three children, of Liberty Hill, passed through Kershaw Monday and made a brief stop on the return trip from Camden, where they spent the day with relatives.

J. W. Ingram, Jr., Hobson Hilton and J. C. Hilton, Jr., returned home last week from Oakridge school, N. C., to spend the summer vacation with their respective parents.

Meeting Executive Committee, There will be a meeting of the Ker shaw County Democratic Executive Committee, at the Court House, Camden, S. C., on Tuesday, June, 1st., 1920. All of the committemen, are urged to be

considered. M. M. Johnson, Chairman L. A. McDowell, Secty. Camden, S. C., May, 25th., 1920

Improving His Residence.

Mr. S. D. Hammond has the contract for repainting the residence of Mr. D. Z. Norton on Kirkwood Heights. This was formerly the deJersey house and is located in one of the prettlest spots in Camden. Mr. Hammond tells us that there is a great deal of improveden, and he is getting all the work of this kind that he can do.

RAFTING CREEK'S OBJECTIONS

They Want to Leave

A correspondent signing himself to came to reside. He has been this season, unless something is done to for several months and his death was reasons why the citizens of that sec-

As a leading exponent of progressive tive state, seeing service in the troops thought and correct news, we are much spite of every difficulty, and seeming The mill closed down at 1 o'clock and surprised that you should have deviated from your usual custom of getting pass. Carolina soon after the close of the the true facts, but instead published The Grand Commandery of South war, Mr. Spencer engaged in turpen- an article to your issue of the 14th Carolina, was represented by Bryan E, ing was presided over by M. H. Flemtining and farming, conducting up to (Item) which insofar as it alludes to Miot, grand commander, Columbia; some years ago extensive planting oper- the progressive people of Rafting Creek O. Frank Hart, deputy grand communities. C. C. Twitty president of the fore unjust and misleading.

to pay for them. We most hearthy burg, grand marshall, Rock Hill; and

A majority of our voters simply saw es him, together with the following chil- that the present bond issue to this section meant taxation without representa-

We do not want to sever our affilla-Funeral services will be held Sun- tion and long past pleasant association day morning at 11 o'clock at the Way- with Sumter or Sumter county, but if our own treat us so unfairly, so unjusttrade, why we will with many, many regrets accept the inevitable and move. We are assured a most hearty wel-

> come and every assistance. We are also assured by as brainy attorneys as there are in South Carolina bond Issue was voted will amount to All we have to do is to leave it.

This is not a question of a "road before every man's door." This is pracand a part of Statesburg.

The National Highway leading by most used highways in the State. It ber of ladies acted as waitresses. Mr. runs through the center of Rafting R. T. Goodale, eminent commander, Creek township and should be carried to was master of ceremonies, and called the Kershaw line. It is the most prom- upon-Mr. C.H. Yates, who responded inent bighway in Sumter county.

build a bridge at Garner's Ferry is an and aspirations. The next teast "The absolute waste of the Peoples hard-earn. Grand Commandery," was responded ed money. This fine new bridge at Cam-, to by Mr. W. Robin Zemp, and he told den, with the present road carried to the of their admiration and regard for the Kershaw line will answer every purpose higher institution and appreciation for new Road Board will amplify the old adage "A bad beginning will make a

good ending. In conclusion we call to the attention of every thinking taxpayer in the progressive, but already most heavily taxes City of Sumter, (possibly now according to population, one of the most heavily taxed cities in the United States, muchless South Carolina) that it might be most interested to allow an act of injustice to cut off one of their longest and most remunerative townships, thereby increasing their own burden of taxation.

ENLARGING HIS HOTEL

Mr. Krumbholz to Make Forty Room Addition to "The Kirkwood."

Mr. T. Edmund Krumbholz, manager of The Kirkwood, is having lumber placed on the ground preparatory to making extensive additions to his hotel property. Architect R. W. Mitchham has charge of the plans and the work will be completed in time for next winters guests. Forty new rooms will Thompson, which occured last Friday be added this year, with a possible addition of forty more another season.

It is one of the largest tourist hotels in the city and we are told that the man agemennt has already enough buests booked for another season to fill the entire house. Something around \$80,-000 will be spent on the improvements of that place and was a young woman this year. These improvements were planned for last year, but it was found that the work could not be completed Thoroughly educated and refined, she game was interesting from beginning and it was put off till this summer.

BIG SPRINGS TO OPEN

Big Springs, near Bethune, will make present as important matters will be cora College, as matron. After this of friends are extended. date the hotel will be open the year Mrs. Thompson is also survived by round, when everything will be done her father and one sister Mrs. J. R. to make the visitors stay pleasant, with West, of Cassatt. first class service from the kitchen to the bedroom,-Advertisement.

of the Rector from the city.

F. H. Harding, Rector.

COMMANDERY INSTITUTED

Correspondent Sets forth Fully Why Large Body of Prominent Masons Here Thursday Evening of Last Week

May 20th was a red letter day in "Taxpayer" in the Sumter Item of last Masonic circles in Camden, for at 7:30 Friday writing under a Rembert date P. M. Camden Commandery No. 12 line of May, 7, gives the following Knights Templar was constituted, its put into operation six months ago the tion desire to annex to Kershaw. Coun- and this was the realization of the were to share in the profits of the combrightest hopes and dreams of enthnastic masons of this city, who in impossibilities have brought things to all operatives assembled on the grounds

township is totally incorrect und there- der, Columbia; J. I. Mickie, generalissimo, Darlington; Joseph Eindsay, We favor good roads and are willing grand recorder, Chester; C. R. Christthe Rev. F. H. Harding of the local commandery, as grand prelate.

Assembling at 6:30 P. M. at the Masonic Hall, they marched one hundred E. Spencer, of Columbia, Mrs. Mamie tion of benefits. We ask what intelli- and twenty-five strong to the Baptist Church. Their splendid uniforms certainly created a sensation and brought forth many complimentary remarks from the crowds on the wayside that had gathered to see them go by. The will be at Gillmore burying ground by and show us, by their action, that church had been beautifully decorated they neither desire our presence or our for the occasion, not only with the Masonic paraphernalia, and emblems, but their lady friends/had added a wilderness of bloom, and the choir had prepared special music for the occasion. The ceremontes and installation of

officers were beautiful and impressive that being in Sumter county when the and all who were fortunate enough to be there were glad it had been given nothing, as they have found a way out out to the public. After the services they marched back to the Masonic hall and from there to the Woodmen Hall to a banquet. Mr. John W. Wilson tically old of Rafting Creek Township had superivsed this part of the program and that is sufficient proof that the feast was indeed bountiful. The tables Sumter and on to Camden is one of the were beautifully arranged and a numto the toast "Our Commandery," telling Spending a large sum of money to of the material it held, and of its hopes Each of the State officers spoke, but with no set speeches their remarks were delightfully informal, and they showered bouquets on Camden in general, and the Camden Commandery in particular. The Hon. M., L. Smith was then introduced and gave a magnifcent address on "Knighthood." " This eloquent address received great applause and also a standing vote of appreciation. Mr. L. T. Mills was then called upon and made some closing remarks in his usual happy style. He threw bouquets to the ladies, and complimented Eminent Commander R. T. Goodale, whose untiring efforts, zeal any other one person, for the great Rev. M. M. Benson, of this city. achievements and fine showing that Camden is able to make in Masonry.

Death of Mrs. Broadus Thompson

Friends in Camden were grieved to hear of the death of Mrs Broadus after a brief Hiness at her home in the business men. He is also survived by Boykin neighborhood, and the funeral services were held at Mt. Olivet church Saturday at 6 P. M.

Mrs. Thompson was before her marriage, Miss Sarah McGarrity of Chester, a daughter of Mr. H. K. McGarrity, of unusually fine character, sweet disposition and pleasing personality. ty to which she came as a bride about five years ago. She was loved by all who knew her, and her passing is a its formal opening on Friday, June 4th, distinct loss, not only to her loved ones, with a banquet and dance that night but to a wide circle that came under and music will be furnished by a well her sweet Christian influence. She known orchestra. The hotel will be leaves a husband and one little girl under entire new management, with about three years of age, to mourn Miss Swygert; former dietician at Chi- their loss and to whom the sympathy

Library Notice.

Patrons are requested to note change There will be no services at Grace in hours at the Library. The morning and Oscar Anderson caught for the Episcopal Church this afternoon or hours remain the same, 9:30 to 12:30. ments of this kind going on h. Cam- Sunday, May 30th, due to the absence Afternoon 6 to 7:30. Please remember that the Library closes promptly at urday, May 29th, on the Wateree 7:30.

MILLS SHARE PROFITS

Experiment Works Out Fine For Owners and Operators

Darlington, May 20,-Today the result of the cooperative plan of the Darlington Cotton Mills, which was pany, was announced, the operatives getting \$20.89 on every \$100 earned. to hear a report of the experiment and learn what they had made. The meeting, president of the board of operamills, restated the plan, which has been in operation since October, and read the report of the special auditor, who has examined the books of the company. The report shows that one-balf of the net profits of the mill for the last six months, which is the portion of the operatives, amounts to 26,89 per cent, Mr. Twitty announced that checks for the individual operatives would be issued on Saturday. Mr. Fleming, president of the board of operatives declared that the company had fully lived up to it promises and that all operatives were thoroughly satisfied and pleased.

Mr. Twitty then introduced Dr. John C. Clinkscales, of Wofford College, who delivered a splendid address on thrift. Dr. Clinkscales urged the mill workers to save their money. For an hour he beld the attention of the great crowd of workers.

The result of this plan has been a source of great satisfaction to the company and Mr. Twitty said that it was instrumental in increasing the production of the min from 60 to 90 per cent and the efficiency of the labor from 70 to 90 per cent.

A very noticeable result has been the heartening of the help and the engendering of a better spirit of fellow-ship The labor has not only received the high wages that prevailed but has been looking forward to the sharing of the comnany's profits. The Darlington Mills have had a year of upprecedented prosperity. The entire mill village has been practically rebuilt. All the houses of the operatives have been transformed into attractive bungalows with all the city conveniences. The success of the cooperative plan during the six months' trial promises still greater success. Mr. Twitty is enthusiastic over the success of his experiment and workers reflected their satisfaction in their happy faces and enthusiastic upplause when results were announced this afternoon.

WELL KNOWN CITIZEN DEAD

Mr. J. M. McCoy Passes Away in The Mt. Zion Neighborhood.

Mr. J. M. McCoy, a well known and aged citizen, of the Mt. Zion section of the county, died at the home of his son, and faithfulness had brought about the Mr. J. B. McCoy on last Friday and the happy result of the evening. In fact burial was at the Mt. Zion churchyard all of the speakers seemed to give on Saturday, services being conducted credit to Mr. Goodale, more than to by Rev. Forbes, of Bethune, assisted by

Mr. McCoy was one of the oldest mem hers of the Masonic lodge of this city and some years ago was made an honorary paid up member for life. At the time of his death he was about 74 years of age having been born in 1846.

He was the father of Mr. W. T. Mc-Coy, one of Charlotte's most prominent Messrs. J. B. McCoy of this county and C. R. McCoy, also of Charlotte, and one daughter, Mrs. Jennie Barnnon, of the Mt. Zion section.

Base Ball at The Mills

Hermitage Mills base ball team and Pacific Mills tied scores on the latter's grounds Saturday, May 22nd. The was quite an addition to the communi- to end. Up until the fifth inning the score was 1 to 0 in favor of Hermitage Dodgen for Hermitage played the entire game. Fetner from Columbia Record twirled the ball for the Pacific Mills, striking out eight men, Dodgen striking out four. The Pacific Mills have a strong team. Both teams played clean sportsmanlike ball.

Hermitage Mins second nine defeated Watree Mills second nine on the former's grounds by a score of 8 to 7. Marshall Boone pitched for Hermitage Mills and Lloyd and Brown pitched for the visitors. This was the first game of the seasons for these teams, Both teams played well. Bill Player Permitage. Robinson caught for Wateree. These teams play again on Satgrounds.