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THE FIRST ANNUAL TRAP SHOOT HELD NEXT WEEK

Shooters From Many States Will Take Part in Country Club Events—Other News.

Preparations are well under way for the First Annual Trap Shooting tournament which is to be held on Tuesday, the tenth of January, and last until the fourteenth at the grounds of the Camden Riding and Driving Club.

Buffalo Smith and Jack Fanning are staging the affair, and as both are experts in this sort of thing, having participated in shoots in every part of the country, it is bound to go off well. Fifteen hundred dollars worth of silver trophies will be given, including four special cups for women.

The program includes a South Carolina Handicap, in which shooters from every section of the state will participate. Monday will be preliminary day, Tuesday Special Day, and on Wednesday the firing will begin and continue through Friday.

Among the entrants are John Philip Sousa, Forest McNeil, of Houston Texas, and Frank Troch, both of whom were on the American Olympic Team last summer at Antwerp. Dudley Dickenson of Kansas City, John Knoll of Nashville and Luther Squires of Cincinnati. Several shooters from the Columbia Gun Club will also attend. Among them are U. R. Brooks, president of the organization, T. I. Swygert, P. F. Laborde, Rhodes Cooner, George Shillito, Frank Shillito, Dr. J. J. Watson and J. B. Murphy.

Contestants for the women's special cups will include Mrs. Judd Huff of Pittsburg, winner of the Ladies Grand American Handicap at Cleveland, Mrs. O. L. Houston, of Mississippi, and Mrs. Fred Echin of Kansas.

The fine weather this week is greatly enjoyed by the numerous golfers here for their favorite sport. Both links are alive with players. Irving Stringer, the genial professional in charge at Sarsfield says some fine tournaments will soon begin. A few of the old-timers seen at Sarsfield include Louis Sledge, C. E. Goodspeed, H. G. Marvin, W. B. Nesbit, F. L. C. Coes, E. P. Carver and H. A. Sharpe.

An interesting four some was played on the Kirkwood links on New Years Day when W. C. Boucher of the Montclair Club and John A. Cissell of Elizabethtown, New Jersey, defeated W. P. Whitlock of Montclair and Forest Henderson of Glen Ridge, N. J. 2 and 1 in a 36 hole match.

Recent arrivals at the Kirkwood are Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Austin Jr. New York, W. C. Belcher and Benjamin M. Belcher of Montclair, Colonel F. R. Day E. S. A. Columbia, S. C. Thomas P. Deal Jr., Boston, Miss E. Coursen and Miss Keller of Stockbridge, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Ayres and Francis Ayers Jr., of Scarsdale, N. Y., Miss A. M. Lawrence, Charlotte, N. C., Miss Margaret E. Burnham Portland, Me., Mrs. Charles A. Perry, Brookline, Mass., Mrs. Mart T. Cox and Miss Cox South Orange, Mrs. K. B. Wilcox, New York, Mr. A. E. West, Port Huron, Michigan, and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Sheldon New York.

At Hobkirk Inn this week arrivals are Mrs. Gerald M. Stanton and maid of New York Mrs. Coles Phillips, governess and children, New Rochelle, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Brooks, Miss Irene Taylor, Samuel Brooks, Mary Brooks and Angus Brooks of St. Johnsbury Vt., Captain and Mrs. Joseph Fairbanks, and Mrs. Reginald Gault and children of Montreal.

The Court Inn has an unusually large list of guests for so early a date. Among them are: Commander S. H. Read, U. S. N., Great Barrington, Mrs. S. Russell of New York, Mr. F. L. Coes, Worcester, Mass., Mr. E. P. Carver Boston, Dr. and Mrs. M. L. Turner, Washington, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Patton New York, Hoyt C. Mosher, Chicago, Mr. W. H. Cottingham and Mrs. Cottingham Cleveland, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Stevens of Akron Ohio, Miss Anna Stearns Saraha Lake, and Mrs. H. H. Abbott, Miss Virginia Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. Max Farrand, Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Peterson, Miss Peterson Mrs. Belle des Granges, Mr. and Mrs. O. Smith, Miss Isabella Lawrence, and Mrs. H. W. Casler all of New York.

Mr. Frank Coursen and his sister Miss Ella Coursen and Miss Keller of Stockbridge, Mass., who are among the returning guests are glad to become each season to Camden are

Notable Operatic Star Here for Winter.

One of the more recent additions to Camden's tourist colony is Mrs. McDonald, of Paris, France. Mrs. McDonald, nee Marie Marie Talema, as she is better known is quite a distinguished Operatic artist, having letters of commendation of her work from many of the leading critics of France and Canada, and is now teaching voice. She will likely organize a class in Camden for the winter. The following tribute to her work is taken from the Montreal (Canada) Star:

"The Paris Opera has sent us from time to time many artists both brilliant and gifted. One of the latest arrivals in Montreal is Mlle. Marie Talema, a notable singer and actress whose work in grand opera has won the high praise of many of France's most distinguished critics.

Mlle. Talema comes with a special commendatory introduction from no less a composer than Massenet, who finds in her art a quality both spiritual and dramatic—a gift which is the inheritance of few.

She has created some memorable roles, notably that of Marianne in "Louragan" of Bruneau, one of the moderns whose work, with that of Charpentier and other revolutionaries has left its imprint on French musical development.

Mlle. Talema is credited by several of the best known of Paris authorities with a unique gift—that of correcting both singing and speaking voice by what may be termed "lip culture."

By studying the formation of the lips in the utterance of words, the pupils is gradually brought to a correctness of diction invaluable for those who contemplate much public utterance, either as speakers, as singers, or as actors in opera or drama.

In the United States army thirty-two persons were sentenced to death by court-martial during the last fiscal year, but in no case was the sentence carried into effect. Only nine of the cases were for military offenses.

stopping this winter with Miss Whitredge at her charming home on the Hill.

Mr. Robert Shaw, of Long Beach, who with his family, is occupying Mrs. Miller Boykin's cottage this season, was host to a number of friends at a supper at the Club House on Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Merrick of Philadelphia are also passing the winter with Miss Whitredge.

Mrs. Reginald Gault and children, Osra and Peter are among recent arrivals from Montreal at Hobkirk Inn, where they have a cottage for the rest of the winter. Mr. Gault will join them in a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Leonard Graham are occupying their new and attractive home on upper Lyttleton Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank K. Bull have opened their beautiful and attractive home Holly Hedge.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Robinson are in their Cottage, and Mrs. Frederick Robinson has taken one of Mrs. Kerrs cottages near the Kirkwood for the season.

Other cottagers include Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shaw, and Mrs. E. K. Lucas. Mrs. Mart C. Cox and Miss Susan Cox of South Orange, New Jersey are in the White Cottage adjoining the Kirkwood Hotel.

Mrs. K. B. Wilcox, who for several years has made Camden her winter home has arrived at the Kirkwood.

New Years Day witnessed a large crowd at the first-races of the winter at the Riding and Driving Club. The Club is planning a series of these matinee races, as well as many other features of interest during the next few weeks.

The wonderful weather of the past few days makes horse back riding one of the most popular past-times in Camden. Among those seen daily enjoying this sport are Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Ayres, Francis Ayres, Jr., of Scarsdale N. Y., Mr. Benjamin Belcher of Montclair and Mrs. Cynil Lee, and many others.

Special Camden Car.

Travellers from New York to Camden will be glad to learn that a special Camden car is being operated over the Seaboard Air Line Railway for the convenience of tourists and others making the trip to Camden. The car will leave the Pennsylvania railway station in New York at 2:05 p. m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays of each week and will arrive at Camden, S. C. at 10:30 a. m. It consists of one drawing room, two compartments and ten sections.

HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING DESTROYED BY FLAMES

Only Five Thousand Dollars Insurance Carried on Sixteen Room Structure.

Fire last Saturday evening about eight-thirty o'clock completely destroyed the large building recently used by the Camden High School grades as a school house. The origin of the fire has never been determined and probably never will be known, as the building had not been used during the holidays. When first discovered the entire building seemed aflame inside, and in a few moments the whole top of the structure was ablaze. The fire department responded promptly, but the fire had so far advanced they were unable to do much good.

It was a three story, sixteen-room building and was formerly the old Reynolds homestead. It was erected nearly one hundred years ago and was one of the landmarks of Camden, situated in a large grove of oaks and pines. It was one of the quaint old homes of the city—the large lot covering nearly one half of one of the city's large squares.

Up until a little over a year ago it had been used continuously for a long period of time by members of the Reynolds family. It was purchased by the School Trustees of District No. 1, at a cost of \$20,000 to be used as a high school building. It was the intention of the trustees to build a modern school building for the advanced grades of the school, but owing to the high cost of materials and the fact that the bonds recently voted had never been sold the old home was being used temporarily until the new building could be built.

The fire comes as a severe loss to this district, aside to the inconvenience it has placed the patrons of the school. The building was valued at around \$20,000 and could not be replaced at that price at the present time, and we understand that only \$5,000 insurance was carried on the building, written under a "binder" arrangement.

For the present the pupils of the Grammar grades are attending school one-half hour earlier than formerly—beginning at eight-thirty in the morning and quitting at one in the afternoon. The high school pupils then take up at one o'clock and continue in school until 5:30 in the afternoon. The new arrangement is working a hardship both on pupils, parents and teachers, but they are all going ahead and making the best of a bad situation, in the meantime hoping that something will be speedily done to erect a new building or give relief in some manner.

A meeting of the citizens was held at Grace church Sunday evening to discuss the situation, but aside from a discussion, nothing definite was decided upon, except the above arrangement of both schools using the grammar school building.

Postponed to January 12th.

On account of inclement weather the meeting of the Cotton Association scheduled for Monday, January 3rd, was postponed until Wednesday, January 12th. It is hoped to have a large attendance at this meeting.

L. O. Funderburk,
County Chairman.

Legion to Meet

The monthly meeting of James LeRoy Bell Post No. 17, American Legion will take place at 8 p. m. Friday, January 7, at offices of Messrs. Smith and Alexander.

E. C. von Tresckow,
Adjutant.

MILITARY COMPANY WAS MUSTERED INTO SERVICE

Men of Company Tendered Feast by Ladies of City and Proprietors of Olympia Cafe

After the mustering in of the Kershaw Guards into the Federal Service last Friday evening, all members of the Company together with a number of invited guests, assembled at the Olympia Cafe where a grand spread was laid for sixty-three men.

Addresses by Mayor Dunn, Col. Day, of the U. S. A., Mr. L. T. Mills, Dr. S. C. Zemp and Mr. E. C. von Tresckow featured the evening.

All expressed themselves as being greatly delighted with the service rendered by the Olympia and it was a grand feast. The money for the supper was raised by the ladies of Camden and was a gift from them and the proprietors of the Olympia Cafe to the new company. Fifty-eight members of the Guard were present with five invited guests of honor.

The equipment for the new company has been ordered and is expected to be here by the first of February. In the meantime regular drills will commence tonight, and will be held each Friday night until an armory can be secured, the company assembled at the opera house for the present.

"The boys have several places in view to be used as an armory, but they have not definitely decided what place they will purchase.

Mr. Clarke Named as Master.

Attorney B. B. Clarke, of Camden, has been appointed as Master for Kershaw county, succeeding Attorney L. A. Wittkowsky, who has tendered his resignation to the Governor. Mr. Wittkowsky has held this office for more than twenty-five years and given general satisfaction. A recent law enacted prevents the master in this county from practicing in the civil courts and Mr. Wittkowsky gave up the office. Mr. Clarke has moved his law offices from the Bruce building and is now occupying the office of master at the court house building, where he will continue the practice of law.

Has Started the New Year Right.

Mr. C. P. Hilton, a popular young man of Westville, has started the New Year right by deciding that with the old year should end his bachelorhood days on the last day of the old year, December 31st, 1920, Mr. Hilton with Miss Annie May Truesdale, also of Westville, and a young lady of attractive personality motored to Camden, and in the presence of two other lady friends he and Miss Annie took the vows that made them man and wife, and the New Year, 1921 finds him with her who is to bless and cheer his life. The ceremony that united the happy young couple was performed by Probate Judge W. L. McDowell.

Married

Mr. Henry Thomas Pitts and Miss Minkey Raley, both of Bethune, S. C., were married at the home of Probate Judge W. L. McDowell on Sunday afternoon last, January 2nd.

Mr. Lester John Smith and Miss Thelma Warwick, both of Columbia, S. C., were married by Probate Judge McDowell on January 3rd, 1921.

Cotton Ginned in County.

A report to the Bureau of the census shows that 34,753 bales of cotton was ginned in Kershaw County up to December 13, 1920, as compared with 28,602 bales for a like period in 1919. For the state the figures are 1,364,367 bales and in 1920 as compared to 1,360,024 in 1919.

Hermitage Mill News.

Sunday, January 3, was a "Isaiah" day at the Hermitage Mill's Baptist church. Sunday morning, Sunday school was well attended. A mother's class was organized, also a young ladies class. Regular services were held. Rev. W. D. Williams, meeting his appointments, Sunday afternoon the young ladies and men met at the home of Mrs. Florence Shirley for choir practice. Sunday night Mr. W. D. Williams was ordained. Rev. Furcron of Waterloo Mills preached the ordination sermon. Rev. Will Stewart, of Camden, read the ordination charge to the pastor and presented the Bible.

Rev. Furcron read the charge to the church. Special music was furnished by the choir. A lovely duet was sung by Mrs. Pearl Crolley and Mr. W. T. Mattox. A solo was sung by Miss Hester Crolley, assisted in the chorus by the choir.

Rev. Williams stood a splendid examination and his entire congregation wishes to congratulate him.

New Directory Soon To Be Issued

Manager J. A. Hough, of the Camden exchange of the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph company announces that the new telephone directory will soon be issued. The new list will be corrected up to January 15th, and he states that all those who wish to make changes in their listing or to have their names placed in the new directory should communicate with him at once. Those who are contemplating installing telephones in their homes or offices should act at once in order that their names may appear properly in the new directory. Manager Hough states that there will be a number of the new names added to the list and that the growth of the exchange here is a strong indication of the progress of Camden.

All Old Officers Remain.

At a meeting of the County Board of Commissioners held Tuesday it was decided to let all the old road men, such as road engineer, bridge keepers and superintendent of the chain gang—remain on the job. There was a good deal of interest manifested in this meeting as it had been planned to elect an entire new set of road officials, and a good many citizens were present and several voiced their protest at making any change. This we think was the proper spirit, for Engineer Kirkland has made some remarkable changes in the manner of working the roads and had just begun building some roads that were very creditable, and to have made a change at this time would have put the county back into the same old way of road repairing.

Child Dies from Fireworks Poison.

Steve Turbeville, aged three years, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Turbeville of Sellers, died at 11 o'clock Sunday night at the home of his grandparents here, as a result of swallowing a piece of the firework known as a "son-of-a-gun." The fatally had come to Florence to spend the holidays. Early in the afternoon the child became ill and it was discovered that he had eaten a piece of the firework. A strong emetic was given with good results and the physician believed the danger had passed. The little boy played as usual for the rest of the evening. He was taken ill again at 11 o'clock that night and died before the doctor could reach the house.—Florence Times.

Will Offer for Probate Judge

Greenville, Dec. 29.—At the earnest solicitation of hundreds of friends throughout the city and country, Mrs. Fannie Davis Scott, widow of the late Probate Judge Walter M. Scott, who was killed in an automobile accident last Sunday, tonight announced that she will accept the office of probate judge to fill the two years of her late husband's inexpired term, if elected by the people at the special election to be called by the Governor.

Mrs. Scott was assistant to her husband during the six years he served as judge of probate and her friends state that she is well qualified for the place. If elected, it is believed that she will be the first woman county official in South Carolina.

Mrs. Scott who was slightly injured in the accident which cost her husband his life, said tonight if chosen by the people she would accept the office chiefly as a token of esteem for her husband. Her decision came after much pressure had been brought to bear upon her by newspapers and the public.

You will regret it if you miss Charles Ray in "An Old Fashioned Boy," at the Majestic Theatre, Monday matinee and night.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NOW IN NEW QUARTERS

Mr. C. P. McDaniel, New Secretary and Treasurer Has Taken Up Work in Bruce Building.

The Camden and Kershaw County Chamber of Commerce are moving into their new headquarters this week, which is located in the Bruce Building opposite the post-office. It is planned to have all moving completed by the first of next week and everything in working order, and truly when everything is straightened out they will have the most attractive office in the city of Camden. An attractive sign will be placed on the building on the 11th street side which will indicate that the entrance is on Broadway. There will also be a sign at the Broadway entrance. In the selection of this location it is hoped that it will be convenient for the tourists to find in view of the fact that the Chamber will maintain a complete information bureau relative to the various roads throughout South Carolina, as well as the entire south, and it is hoped that the citizens will refer all tourists to the Chambers headquarters as it is desired by the Secretary-Treasurer to meet all strangers in Camden and extend to them a welcome on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce.

New Secretary on Job
Mr. C. P. McDaniel of Albany, Alabama who was elected secretary of the new organization some weeks ago arrived Monday and is now in charge of the work in the Chamber, and under his direction the officers and directors of the organization hope to accomplish many good things for the city of Camden and Kershaw county. Mr. McDaniel comes to Camden highly recommended as a commercial secretary and the officers and directors feel that they have been very fortunate in securing his services.

When interviewed by a reporter of the Chronicle yesterday, Mr. McDaniel made the following statement:
"I really have no statement for publication at this date, as I have been very busy trying to get things lined up in order that I may get started on something definite at the earliest possible moment.

"From the survey I have made of Camden so far, I see many things that can be accomplished by Chamber of Commerce, or I should have said OUR Chamber of Commerce, for I sincerely trust every citizen will always refer to the Camden and Kershaw County Chamber of Commerce as OUR Chamber of Commerce. I have always liked the word OUR for it bespeaks possession.

When we get located in our new headquarters I expect to have the office open from 7:30 in the morning until there are no signs of business at night and I want every member of the organization to feel free to visit the office at any hour of the day. I also want every member to feel free to give me suggestions along any line for the organization belongs to its members and they should take an interest in offering suggestions."

"Forum" Meeting.
At a meeting of the officers and directors held on Monday morning it was planned to have a forum meeting sometime this month, which would be in the nature of a "get-together" meeting. It is also planned to have some definite program to submit to the membership at this meeting. Announcement of this meeting will be made at a later date. The meeting will be very important and all the members are urged to watch for the announcement and be prepared to attend.

Secretary Treasurer.
At the meeting Monday Mr. McDaniel was elected to serve as treasurer in connection with his duties as secretary, which gives Mr. McDaniel the title of secretary-treasurer.

The Chronicle wishes to take the opportunity at this time to again urge the citizens of Camden and Kershaw County to lend their undivided co-operation to the Chamber in their efforts toward the upbuilding of our already beautiful city and county, for we can look in the very near future and see "Beautiful Camden South Carolina,"—"Camden, The Manufacturing City of The South."

Married.

Mr. J. H. Ford and Miss Anne Outlaw of Lee County, near Bishopville were married in this city on Wednesday of this week, the Rev. M. M. Benson, of the Baptist church officiating and night.

THE THREE CHIEF RECOMMENDATIONS OF CAMDEN SOUTH CAROLINA ARE ACCESSIBILITY—CLIMATE ENVIRONMENT IT HAS COTTON MILLS, BANKS, CHURCHES HOTELS AND ALL KINDS OF FIRST CLASS BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS