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CIVIL CASES NOW ON.

Unusual Suit Against Wateree Power Company for Mosquito Damage.

The Court of Common Pleas for Kershaw County, summer term, convened on Monday morning with Judge W. H. Townsend presiding. The roster as arranged by the local bar has cases scheduled for two weeks.

Court is now engaged in an unusual case, that of William Z. Hilton against the Wateree Power Company. This is one of several cases growing out of the alleged flooding of farm lands in the neighborhood of Kershaw as a result of the building of a dam across Wateree river near there. Mr. Hilton is suing for \$25,000, and his contention is that his land has been damaged to that extent by the breeding of mosquitoes, causing malaria, and as a consequence he had to leave his farm and move to Kershaw, and that he could not keep his tenants on his place. The trial of the case was entered into Wednesday morning, and on account of the probable length of the case which was still in progress Tuesday afternoon the other jurors were dismissed for the week. Dr. H. R. Carter, who was the chief assistant to Dr. Gorgas, of the United States Army, who cleaned up the Zone in which the Panama Canal was built; was one of the principal witnesses for the defense. Dr. Carter has done tropical sanitation work in the Panama Zone, Cuba, Yucatan and other tropical climates and is regarded as one of the highest authorities on the subject of the malaria bearing mosquito. M. L. Smith, of Camden, and James H. Fowles and W. Andrew Clarkson, of Columbia, are representing Mr. Hilton, while W. B. DeLoach, and I. C. Hough, of Camden, and A. L. Gascon, of Chester, are representing the Power Company.

In the case of H. L. Schlosburg against Northwestern railway for an alleged loss of a case of goods, the jury returned a verdict of \$685.32 for Mr. Schlosburg.

In the case of Consumers Glove Co., against Hirsch Bros., & Co., a jury returned a verdict for the defendant.

Judge Townsend granted a nonsuit in the case of the Carolina Oil Co., against the Texas Oil Co. The suit was for approximately \$2,900, the Carolina Oil Co., alleging that the Texas Oil Co., failed to deliver goods under a contract. Judge Townsend granted a nonsuit on the ground that the original contract provided for approval by the home office of the Texas Oil Co., and that this approval did not appear in evidence.

In the case of E. D. and J. S. Terrell against D. P. C. Murchison and Dan Murchison, suit for claim and delivery a verdict was rendered for the property in dispute or for \$150, the alleged value thereof.

Rev. Rowan Goes to Concord.

Concord, N. C., July 23.—The Rev. Jesse C. Rowan, pastor of the First Presbyterian church at Columbus, Miss., has accepted the call to the pastorate of the First Presbyterian church here.

Mr. Rowan is a North Carolinian and was graduated at Davidson college in the class of 1904.

During his ministry he has been pastor of churches at Camden, S. C., Greenville, S. C., and Columbus. He is 37 years of age, is married, and has four children. At present he is secretary of the Kiwanis club at Columbus.

Flames Destroy Furman Building.

Greenville, July 19.—The James C. Furman science hall at Furman University, constructed in 1911, at a cost of more than \$50,000, was completely gutted by fire which was discovered about 5 o'clock this morning and which raged for several hours before it could be gotten under control.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the board of trustees today it was decided to replace the building in exactly its former state, the work to begin at once, with the expectation of having it in readiness about the time of the opening of the fall term of the university in September. On account of increased cost of building now as compared with the time when the building was erected it is estimated that it will require about \$50,000 to \$60,000 to rebuild it. Insurance to the amount of \$32,000 was carried on the structure, and it is understood it is regarded by insurance men as a virtually a complete loss.

Rev. W. H. Hodges, of the S. C. conference, passed through the city Friday returning home from a visit to relatives in Brownsville.—Bennettsville Advocate.

KERSHAW NEWS NOTES.

Interesting Happenings as Told By The Era of That Place.

On Friday evening, July 14, a large bull dog came to the home of Melvin Truesdale, in the Westville community, and jumped on a sheep, biting it savagely in the head. Mr. Truesdale shot at the dog as it was going through the weeds, missing it. The dog turned on him and he defended himself by striking at the dog with the gun until he got a second shot, which struck the dog in the head as it was passing through the hall of his home. He met the dog as it was coming around the house, and took a third shot at him, which took effect in the dog's head and killed him.

On Saturday afternoon, July 8th, lightning struck a double room tenant house on the lands on W. C. Adams, tearing the chimney completely down. A negro woman in the house was knocked down, falling underneath a bed; and a negro boy in the house received one brick on his head and another on his great toe, which bursted the toe open. No other damage was done.

Mrs. Maggie C. Magill has bought a lot from Mrs. M. A. Hilton immediately opposite the school house grounds and will erect a two story nine room dwelling on it. The contract for the building has been let to J. A. Faile, who is to complete the building as speedily as possible.

One of the most enjoyable affairs of the season was the picnic and fish fry given by Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Houser at the Catawba river, about 20 miles from Kershaw, Wednesday evening, complimentary to Mrs. J. V. Mace, of Columbia, and Miss Louise Hamel. The party left Kershaw about 6 o'clock in the afternoon and spent a most delightful evening, returning about 11 o'clock.

The Era recently announced that Chris Meloniss, accompanied by his helper, John Omeras, had gone to New York to be absent about two weeks to fulfill an important engagement. It is now our pleasure to state that Chris returned last week bringing with him a charming bride from his native country, Greece, whom he has installed as queen of his home. The young lady was Miss Antiope G. Sevastir, of Mytilene, Greece, who was twenty-four days in making the passage, over to meet her future husband. They were married at Putnam, Conn., by a priest of the Greek church, Christopher Greece, on Monday, July 10th and reached Kershaw last Thursday. Chris has made many warm friends in Kershaw and has received many congratulations upon his good fortune. John has not returned yet, but it is rumored that he too, will bring back a bride when he returns, which event is expected to happen soon.

Rattler's Bite Was Not Fatal.

While out squirrel hunting with a friend, Ernest Chinnors, a huge rattlesnake bit Trenholm, the oldest son of Mr. N. C. Boykin, of the New Hope section, near Summerville, on Tuesday afternoon. The snake was five feet long, eight inches in diameter and had fifteen rattles, according to the boy's father, who relates the story to the editor of The Eagle.

The two men were walking, young Chinnors in the lead. He stepped over the snake unharmed and before the warning could be given young Boykin was bitten on the leg. They were about two and a half miles from home. As quickly as possible the wound was cut out with a pocket knife and the leg tightly corded. Two cat squirrels which they had killed were cut open and bound around the wound until they reached home. After reaching home he was rushed to Summerville by automobile. There the doctor applied freshly killed chickens to the wound. After remaining in the Summerville infirmary a day or so he was taken home, but later was taken to Charleston for treatment. At last accounts the patient was doing well with the exception of pains from the wound.—Dorchester Eagle.

Meeting of American Legion.

A special meeting of James Leroy Beik Post, American Legion, will be held Friday evening, at eight o'clock, at the Legion Hall. All members are especially invited to be present. This is a meeting which no member can afford to miss.

J. W. SANDERS,
Post Adjutant.

Mr. and Mrs. John Goodale and children, of Camden, spent Sunday in the city with friends.—Sumter Item.

SOIL SURVEY BULLETIN.

Of Kershaw County Now Ready For Distribution.

Improved farming methods are resulting in increased yields of corn, the second important crop of Kershaw County, S. C., according to a soil survey made by the U. S. Bureau of Soils in cooperation with the State agricultural college. A report covering the survey has just been published in bulletin form and points out the characteristics of the numerous types of soil found in the county. The average yield of 16.5 bushels of corn an acre in 1919 is less than the inherent fertility of the land would seem to warrant, says the report. Low production is due to inadequate preparation, cultivation, and fertilization, and to the poor quality of the seed planted. The best soils under good cultivation yield 1 to 1.2 bales of cotton, the average of which is almost equal to that of all other crops combined.

In addition to discussing the various types of soils, the bulletin contains much helpful information. For example, data in regard to temperature and frost are included. A study of this part of the bulletin would indicate safe dates for planting various crops and be helpful in deciding upon others and which could be matured in the growing season of the county. A colored map shows the location of each soil type and when studied in connection with the discussion of the different kinds of soil, is especially helpful to those who may be considering the purchase of a farm in a different location or to those who are moving for other reasons from one section of the county to another.

The bulletin may be obtained free upon application to the Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

An Indispensable Kansan.

John Flinn will do most anything to help the newspaper out with an item. He nearly killed himself in an auto wreck, was quarantined three times and had a wedding at his house. We wouldn't like to spare John from this community.—Jewell (Kan.) Republican.

Condition of Cotton.

J. W. Jay & Co., cotton commission merchants, of New York, in their report on the South's cotton crop for June and July has the following relative to the crop in South Carolina:

"South Carolina—Average two weeks late. Cultivation fair. Stands fair to good. Too much moisture in scattered localities. Plant normal to slightly undersize. Fruiting irregular, but in most cases reported poor to fair. Must have dry weather to restrict weevil activity. Planters not optimistic as to final yield. Outlook poor. 46 counties, 9 report heavy weevil damage; 6, slight; 4 report weevil held in check by dry weather. In remainder, weevil present but no heavy damage reported."

New Nurses and Doctors.

The state board of medical examiners met in Columbia Wednesday and announced that forty-one nurses, seventeen doctors, one homeopath and one osteopath had passed the medical examination and were now licensed to practice. Among those from this county were H. J. Blackmon, of Kershaw, as a doctor, and Mary R. McLeod, of Lugoff.

Old-Timer Captured.

J. Braswell, a white man about 65 years of age and said to be from the mountains of North Georgia, who is said to have been operating moonshine stills in the Buffalo section for several years, was captured Tuesday in the Sandy Grove section of the county by Magistrate A. L. Cook, of Kershaw, assisted by Constable Wade Stokes. The still was found upon what is known as Black Creek and the officers found two barrels of mash made of peach and corn meal. Braswell was tracked from the still in his bare feet and was found at a peach orchard where he was gathering peaches. The still had been in operation the night before, but the out put had been removed. Braswell was brought to Camden and placed in jail.

Card of Thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Garrette, of Travelers Rest, S. C., and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. D. Parker, of Greenville, S. C., wish to extend to the good people of Camden, S. C., their sincere thanks for their sympathy and every act of kindness, in recovering the body of our dear son and brother, W. C. Garrette and the beautiful floral offerings. May God's richest blessings rest on each one.

1,000 MEMBERS MORE.

Last Chance to Sign With 78,000 Growers Next Monday.

Two million pounds more of tobacco were signed up with the Tri-state pool in South Carolina last week. "A Thousand Members More" is the slogan for the few days that remain until July 31st, when the last contract from South Carolina will be signed.

The closing up of all auction warehouses in a number of the large market towns is aiding the landside of contracts which pours into headquarters.

The business men and bankers of Florence set the pace in the campaigning last week during which forty to fifty business men of the headquarters town solicited contracts for the Association with highly successful results.

One hundred contracts mailed in from Lake City last week have added to the thousands of acres of Association tobacco which now surround the biggest market of the State.

Mullins is another market which is now surrounded by cooperative growers who have been backed steadily by leading bankers and merchants of the town for more than a hundred contracts were signed there recently.

Opposition to the Association withered throughout South Carolina last week, as field workers from four States advanced on the east side of the Pee Dee River under the leadership of W. E. Lea, Field Service Representative of the Association for South Carolina, and on the west side of the river with L. E. Rogers directing the attack.

Manning is another town which is heavily backing the cooperative marketing movement. The recent transfer of R. D. Clark has made Manning another strong cooperative center.

With 78,000 members in the Association, with forty million dollars behind the Association, with town after town closing the Auction houses, with a landside of new members joining daily, the slogan of "A Thousand Members More" should become a fact by the night of Monday, July 31st.

Next Monday marks the last chance for the farmers of South Carolina to sign the contract which has been called their New Declaration of Independence and the purest form of democracy practiced in America.

Death of Former Citizen.

Mr. John Glass, who many years ago was a valued member of the old South Carolina Railroad family, died at his home 6438 Magnolia Avenue, Chicago, on July 21, aged 58. Mr. Glass, was well known in Camden. Succeeding Mr. Jones as South Carolina R. R. Agent, he lived in Camden many years where his children were born. His first wife was Miss Doar of Summerville. Leaving Camden he went to Aiken and Augusta with the Railroad Company, after which he joined the force of the Manufacturers Record. Quitting the railroad service, where he was most expert as bookkeeper, stenographer, and telegrapher, he was with Parmelee in New York for a while. He then became of such importance to the Manufacturers Record, that he opened for them a western office at Chicago, which he successfully managed up to the time of his death. He leaves a second wife, whom he married in Chicago, two sons, John and James and one daughter, Marion, who married a Mr. Scott. His two sons are doing well in Chicago. Many will remember the first born, Kennerly, who died in his infancy at Camden.

John Glass was a loyal friend, and a most brilliant man, and he will be missed by all who knew him. His death was caused by some chronic throat trouble, which culminated in a violent hemorrhage the morning of the 21st.

Shows His Appreciation.

Mr. T. E. Krumholz, the genial manager of The Kirkwood, who came down from Kennebunkport, Maine, to arrange for the rebuilding of the burned portion of the hotel, has returned to his summer hotel, The Rockwood, and he sends the following letter of appreciation to Mayor H. G. Carrison, Jr.:

"I returned safely, and now write to express to all of those who so much assisted in the saving of The Kirkwood.

The work done by your people has certainly been wonderful and in order to show my appreciation and expressing my further thanks I am enclosing herewith, a check for one hundred dollars, to apply for anything you might see fit in recognition of the good work done by the Camden Fire Department."

"HUMAN INTEREST" NEWS

Odd Tales as Culled From Many Newspapers the Country Over.

Washington, July 27.—In New York, where anything may and many things do, happen, a woman was shot five times by her husband because he caught her going out with other men. Most people shot even once will complain about it, but Mrs. Margaret Maher not only refused to swear out information against her husband, but defied the judge, who ordered her, in the public interest, to do so. "I deserved to be shot!" she answered.

If you have a supposed "dad" or other innocent-appearing shell brought as souvenir from "over there," make sure it isn't loaded. A Watertown, New York, man had a shell used as a door weight, and the sun heated it and it exploded and killed eight children.

Two woman stowaways who managed to conceal themselves until they reached this country from Russia, claimed to be opera singers and able to support themselves. They were ordered deported back to Russia. Whereupon both of them said that sooner than return they would kill themselves, as death was infinitely preferable to the dishonor, torture, and degradation which would be their lot if they went back to the land of Bolshevism and Soviet government.

A Malden, Mass., man was cruel to his horse, failing to provide it with proper shelter and food. The wise judge, before whom the man was brought, ordered the horse turned out to graze, and the man to be confined for two days and nights in the horse's stall in the stable to see how it felt to be a horse!

President Harding hasn't come right out in meeting and said that daylight saving without a clock change, tried out on official Washington, D. C., is a failure exactly, but he has said, to the utter relief of every one concerned, that as far as this administration can rule it, daylight saving in Washington is dead in the future, unless Congress acts.

Deed at Spring Hill.

Mrs. Salina E. Wilson, widow of the late Captain Joseph S. Wilson, died at her home at Spring Hill in Lee county Monday. She was 80 years of age and was widely and favorably known. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. G. A. Moseley, of Camden and Mrs. B. F. Jones of Edgefield. Mrs. Wilson was a life long member of the Methodist Church and the funeral was held at Spring Hill on Tuesday at noon, conducted by the Rev. W. H. Hodges of Camden.

Had a Stolen Car.

Sheriff G. C. Welsh arrested Jesse Snow, a negro, in West Wateree Saturday for stealing a dodge touring car, the property of George Norman, of Columbia. The car was stolen in Columbia Friday night and the negro drove it into the Longtown section that night. Saturday he started to Camden and the car gave out of gasoline near the Mobley place and he offered to pay five dollars to leave it there for the day. In the meantime the Sheriff had gotten a wire to look out for him and caught him riding a lumber wagon. He was placed in jail, but denies the theft. He will be returned to Richland county for trial. Snow is a real black negro.

To Speak at Bethune.

To the Voters of Kershaw County: You are cordially invited to hear the candidates for Governor and State Superintendent Education at Bethune, on July the 31st, at eight thirty o'clock p. m. Everybody come and enjoy the speaking.

K. T. ESTRIDGE,
President Bethune Democratic Club.

Killed By Live Wire.

Just as The News goes to press it is learned that John E. Porter, Jr., son of John E. Porter, Sr., of this city, was killed by a live wire in Greenville about 1 o'clock this afternoon while working as lineman for the Southern Power company. Mr. Porter had been with the company only a few months and the news of his tragic death came as a great shock to his family and friends in Lancaster. The body will be brought to Lancaster for burial. His mother died only about three weeks ago.—Lancaster News.

Dead From Dog Bite.

Anderson, S. C., July 20.—A negro named John Winfield, living on the farm of H. T. McFall, near here, died this morning from convulsions as a result of a bite by a mad dog three weeks ago.

HEAVY ENROLLMENT.

Books Show That Number of Voters This Year Will Be Nearly Double.

The advent of women into politics has made a heavy enrollment into the ranks of voters throughout the state. Every effort was made to get all qualified voters both male and female on the club rolls. For Camden the enrollment went to 921, although it is thought that some few were left off on account of their own negligence. Some few voters, such as members of the Kershaw Guards, teachers, students and ministers may be added to the rolls in the discretion of the executive committee.

Unfortunately no provision was made in this city for an extra voting precinct and all voters will have to vote at the same place. This will take steady work on the part of the managers and their helpers and it is the duty of every voter to try to vote as early as possible to avoid a rush at the last moment, for the polls will open at 8 a. m. and close promptly at 4 p. m.

The books that have been returned so far show the following enrollment with a total of 2,759, with sixteen more books to hear from:

Cassatt	78
Wateree Mills	271
Camden	921
Kershaw	265
Swift Creek	35
Salt Pond	69
Lockhart	67
Raley's Mill	124
Shaylor's Mill	53
DeKalb	63
Harmony	33
Sheppard	34
Blue Tree	42
Antioch	47
Hermitage Mill	116
Blaney	187
Sandy Grove	45
Indian Ford	55
Three C's	125
Roland	35
Doby's Mill	76

Blaney, August 14th.
Rabon's Cross Roads, August 15th.
Cleveland School House, August 16th.
Cassatt, August 17th.
Bethune, August 21st.
Raley's Mill, August 22nd.
Kershaw, August 23rd.
Westville, August 24th.
Camden, August 28th, 11 a. m.
Cotton Mills, August 28th, 8 p. m.

State Campaign Dates.

Georgetown—Friday, July 28.
Manning—Saturday, July 29.
Camden—Monday, July 31.
Lancaster—Tuesday, August 1.
York—Wednesday, August 2.
Winnsboro—Thursday, August 3.
Chester—Friday, August 4.
Union—Saturday, August 5.
(Rest eight days.)
Newberry—Monday, August 14.
Greenwood—Tuesday, August 15.
Laurens—Wednesday, August 16.
Abbeville—Thursday, August 17.
McCormick—Friday, August 18.
Anderson—Saturday, August 19.
Walhalla—Monday, August 21.
Pickens—Tuesday, August 22.
Greenville—Wednesday, August 23.
Gaffney—Thursday, August 24.
Spartanburg—Friday, August 25.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

There will be a meeting of the Kershaw County Democratic Executive Committee at the Court House at Camden, S. C., on Monday, July 31st, 1922, at three thirty in the afternoon for the purposes of examining and purging the rolls and making such changes and additions thereto as may be lawful and proper.

M. M. JOHNSON,
Chairman Kershaw Co. Dem. Ex. Com.

D. V. DIXON, Secretary.
Camden, S. C., July 26th, 1922.

Catholic Church Services.

Services at the Catholic Church on Sunday, July 29th, will be as follows: Mass at 10 o'clock, special sermon on Gospel. All are cordially invited and welcome.

Two Hundred Trucks Available.

Charles H. Moorefield, State Highway engineer, Monday advised the Bureau of public roads that the highway department could place 200 trucks in operating condition at the disposal of the federal government in case of emergency caused by the railway strike. The bureau asked Mr. Moorefield how many trucks South Carolina could furnish and made a brief survey of the situation, finding that 200 could be used within short notice.

The bureau of public roads was asked by the postoffice department to furnish trucks to carry the mails, if necessary, it was indicated in the inquiry. The inquiry was also based upon a co-operative spirit between the state and federal government.

Omaha, Neb.—Because it represents the defenders of right and justice, the American Legion was asked to lay the cornerstone of the Rappillon, Neb., county court house, which will cost over a half million dollars.