NEW RURAL SCHOOL CLOSES Charlotte · Thompson Consolidated Had Successful Year.

Boykin, S. C., June 10 .- The first commencement of the Charlotte Thompson School, which took place on Thursday and Friday of last week, marks the closing of a distinctly successful school year. The class day both wise and witty. In the will, read by T. J. Brown, Jr., the class of 1924 bequeathed to their younger companions some of their virtues and all their vices. Charles Bruce, in the prophecy, saw in his class-mates many figures prominent in the financial, political, literary and social life of the future. Kate Dixon then read a very creditable class poem, possessed of rhyme and rhythm, in the good old fashioned way.

The Literary Society then took charge of the program for the re- terday. mainder of the evening. Albert Lucile Smith, Bertha Johnson, Mary Bertha Johnson won second place, ing: reading a difficult selection from Bill

"Federal Aid for Schools" was discussed in a spirited debate, the affirmative being upheld by Chapman Pearce and Frank Sowell, and the negative by J. T. McLeod and Hawkins Watson, All debators spoke with ease and assurance, and showed familiarity with topics of national interest. The medal was awarded to Hawkins Watson, whose convincing arguments and simplicity of address easily won the hearts of his audience. He possesses a talent beyond his years and one which should be developed. The program was suitably lightened with songs and instrumental music, generously contributed by Mrs. F. N. McCorkle, Mrs. J. G. Richards, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. guerite Croft. Clifton McKain of Camden.

On Friday afternoon the gradua tion exercises were held on the spacious and shady piazza of the Charlotte Thompson School The prayer of invocation was made by Rev. W. H. Hodges, after which J. T. McLeod welcomed all guests in a gracefully delivered salutatory. Mr. A. B. Murchison, county superintendent of Education then introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Hon. L. T. Mills of the Camden bar, recounting his many services to the boys and girls of Kershaw County. Mr. Mills' address was instructive and inspiring, and his words will doubtless be long remembered by the young graduates.

W. Ancrum Boykin, representing the board of trustees, then made a short talk, expressing his gratification at the work done this year at the school, and patriotically declaring himself one who was "proud to pay taxes," for the support of so worthy a cause. Mr. Boykin then awarded medals to Hawkins Watson, first honor graduate of the class of 1924, to J. T. McLeod, winner of the Murchison medal, offered to the best all-round student in the high school, and to Eva Irby of the seventh grade, who attained a yearly average of 98.5, the highest in the entire school.

Mr. Norman Huckabee, principal of the school, then read the yearly report, a matter of deep interest to both pupils and patrons, and delivered diplomas to T. J. Brown, Jr., Charles Bruce, Albert Dennis, Kate Dixon Bertha Johnson, J. T. McLeod, and Hawkins Watson. The valedictory was delivered by Hawkins Watson whose gift for public speaking never showed to better advantage.

During the afternoon several songs were sung by the high school pupils, accompanied by Miss Olga Rush.

It is with great pleasure that friends of the school, learn that the entire faculty will return next year. Following is the superintendent's annual report:

Yearly Honor Roll-This is the highest honor roll and means that the pupils named have an average of 90 or above on scholarship and at-

First Grade-William Rush. Second Grade-Charles James. Third Grade-Elizabeth Mary Lindsay Pearce. Fourth Grade-Louise James, Mar-

Killing Near Kershaw. Ben Evans is dead, and Len Lewis is in the county jail, as a result of a gun fight near the plantation of R. L. Sowell, near Kershaw, Sunday morning. Both parties are colored, and it is said that Evans and Lewis had been involved in a quarrel previous to Sunday morning, On Sunday morning Evans saw Lewis approaching and asked him to come around exercises and meeting of the Literary behind a negro house that he wanted Society were held Thursday evening to see him. Arriving at the house at Beulah Church. The class roll was Evans fired twice at Lewis but missed called by Albert Dennis, and the his mark and Lewis fired once, the members responded with maxims shot producing death to Evans s short while after. Lewis took fright,

#### Jurors Report Monday.

stating that he was afraid of the

dead man's friends and made his

escape for a short while but his

father sent after him and had him

brought to an officer, and he was

placed in jail.

The jurors drawn to serve at the court of general sessions will have to report Monday morning, so stated Clerk of Court James H. Clyburn yes-

The senatorial campaign party also Dennis presiding with great dignity, opens another week of their itinerary and Kate Dixon acting as secretary. here Monday. Court being in session Four declaimers entered the contest, that day it has not been definitely stated where the meeting will be held, Pittman and Martie Rush. The medal but there is a probability that the was awarded to Mary Pittman, whose court will adjourn for that day, or reading of "The Gift of the Magi," at least a part of the day so that the by O. Henry, showed careful training. court room can be used for the meet-

### Dogs Must Be Vaccinated.

We call attention to the city ordinance recently passed, which requires that all dogs be vaccinated against hydrophobia. Dogs should be brought to the city headquarters between the hours of six o'clock in the afternoon until seven in the afternoon, beginning next Monday, June 16th, and all dogs must be vaccinated within two weeks from the date stated above. An officer of the city will be in charge of this work, and the owners of dogs will be charged a fee of eighty-five cents each.

Mr. Dan Mackey left Sunday for Hopkins where he will spend some time as the guest of Billie Bradford.

Fifth Grade-Needham Pittman Elizabeth Workman, Virginia Young. Grade-Maureen Sowell, Sixth Elizabeth James.

Seventh Grade-Eva Irby, Thelma Pearce, Nellie Dixon, Mae James. Eighth Grade-Sara Bruce, Frank Sowell, Howard James, Lillian James. Ninth Grade-Le Noir Sanders, Laurie Workman, Allen Norris, Ellen

Boykin. Eleventh Grade-Hawkins Watson, T. McLeod, T. J. Brown, Jr

Class Leaders: First Grade-Wiliam Rush, 92.

Second Grade-Charles James, 95. Third Grade-Elizabeth Gillis and Mary Lindsay Pearce tied with an verage of 92.

Fourth Grade-Louise James, 97. Fifth Grade-Needham Pittman, 91. Grade-Maureen Sowell,

Seventh Grade-Eva Irby, 98.25. Eighth Grade-Alexander Clark n, 95.

Ninth Grade-Ellen Boykin, 98.4. Tenth Grade-Parker, 86.6. Eleventh Grade-Hawkins Watson,

Those winning medals were as fol-

Debater's Medal, permanent owner hip, won by Hawkins Watson.

Expression Medal, permanent own ership, won by Mary Pittman. Scholarship Medal open to Grammar and High school students, permanent ownership, won by Eva Irby,

seventh grade, with an average of Allen B. Murchison Medal for best all-round student in the high school, permanent ownership, won by J. T. McLeod. Honorable mention given to

T. J. Brown, Jr. Scholarship Medal, best average during high school course, permanent ownership, won by Hawkins Watson

with an average of 96.2. The following had no absence

during the year: Third Grade-John Frank Sowell. Fourth Grade-Marguerite Croft. Fifth Grade-Elizabeth Workman

(absent one day). Sixth Grade-Elizabeth Maureen Sowell.

Seventh Grade-Alfred Pearce, Al vin Workman, (absent one day). Eighth Grade-Sara Bruce, (absent one day).

Ninth Grade Chapman Pearce. Tenth Grade-Martie Rush.

BETHUNE NEWS NOTES.

Our Correspondent.

Bethune, S. C., June 11,-The Big week.

large and up-to-date ginnery to be after the jury was sworn. the property of W. H. Ratcliffe and

Dr. E. Z. Truesdale left Wednes-

Rev. J. M. Forbis left Monday to the following day of his niece, Miss Juanita Forbis, in Spartanburg.

The Epworth League held a picnic at Brewer's gold mine near Jefferson

from Coker College last week and is at home for the summer.

Miss Frances Severance is at Winthrop College taking the short course given for girls. Mrs. Maude Watts difficulty will be experienced in lois the representative from the Woman's Demonstration Club.

Miss Stella Bethune is in Trenton, Tenn., the guest of Mrs. Jasper John

Mr. Mayo Davis returned home last week from Auburn University in Ala- lished. Initials on the side of the bama, for the vacation.

of McBee, were guests last week of that the sedan belongs to the Rev. their cousins, Katherine and Margaret Truesdale.

Jones, students of Clemson College, Summit, Lexington county. have returned home.

A Hudson touring car enroute to Durham, N. C., from south Florida, was wrecked below here early Friday morning when it struck a slight embankment in the road, skidded and then turned completely turtle. The occupants, two men and two women, managed to crawl out, with the exception of one lady, who was pinned under the wreckage. She was painfully bruised and will remain here until she is able to resume her jour ney. The other members of the party left Friday afternoon.

Miss Cecelia King and little sister Annie, are spending some time with their brother, Mr. Mark King, at

A miscellaneous shower was given Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. T. H. Josey in honor of her niece, Miss Hallie Newsonie, a June bride-elect, who is to be married to Mr. L. L. Hayes, of Latta. The gifts were useful and lovely and presented to the brideelect in a novel way. Assisting Mrs. Josey were Mesdames A. Newsome and Will Josey. Ice cream and cake were served.

Mrs. Louise Robertson, of Edgemore, is spending some time with relatives here.

Miss Helen Garland, who is in training at Columbia hospital, was the guest of Mrs. E. Z. Truesdale this week.

Miss Josie Blackmon, of Darlington, is spending the summer with her sister, Mrs. L. O. Johnson.

Miss Thelma Cassady was at home to a number of boys and girls of the juvenile set Tuesday evening complimentary to her fifteenth birthday. An evening of pleasure was spent at the close of which refreshments consisting of cake and ambrosia were served.

## Will Have Band Stand.

ter, U. D. C., Monday afternoon it band stand on Hampton Park with a to serve in the capacity of a guide bronze plate inscribed to the memory and he traveled to Augusta Saturday. in the Red Shirt Campaign of 1876." at Dillon's direction and all were The matter will be discussed at the brought to the Capital City. appeal for "White Supremacy" and covered four stolen cars claimed by the restoration of honor and chivalry North Carolinians. in the Legislative Halls of our proud old Commonwealth.

Seventy-nine counties of Iowa have

AUTO THIEVES CONVICTED

Happenings of Interest As Told By Dillon and Ervin Get Seven and Five Year Sentences.

Columbia, June 6,-J. C. Dillon Springs hotel was opened to the pub- was given a seven year sentence and lic the first of June. It is being con- D. E. Ervin a five year sentence for ducted by Mrs. Luine McLendon, larceny of an automobile in the court daughter of the owner, Dr. J. E. Mc- of general sessions yesterday. At Lure, A number of young people the suggestion of A. F. Spigner, from Kershaw camped there last solicitor, cases against the wives of the two men, Mrs. Dorothy Dillon and The foundation has been laid for a Mrs. Roy Ervin were nol prossed

to the grand jury May 28, after being given a hearing before C. J. Kimball, day afternoon to enter the post-grad- city recorder, in connection with the uate medical school and hospital of theft of an automobile belonging to New York City. Dr. S. M. McCas- M. B. DuPre, city councilman, from kill, of Camden, is practicing medi- in front of the Masonic temple May cine here in Dr. Truesdale's absence. 14. The two men were also charged with the theft of an automobile be-

Dillon and Ervin were bound over

officiate in the marriage ceremony longing to H. D. Edenfield; but yesterday they were tried only for the theft of Mr. DuPre's coupe.

#### (From Monday's State)

Motor car owners losing machines Miss Helen Pope Ward graduated by theft will be interested in the recovery of eight gas wagons now held at police headquarters. The condition of the large majority of coupes bers have been filed away, but efforts will be made to restore the outline of figures to obtain motor numbers. The identity of one machine, a double door Ford sedan, seems to be estabdoors were "painted over" to conceal Misses Mary and Beth Norwood, the lettering but the outlines show Mr. Hodges of Aiken. He is the pastor of a Methodist church in that Messrs, J. H. Smith and Emmett city. This machine was found at

> Each machine stored at police headquarters bears evidence of having been worked on to conceal the identity of the owners. Numbers are defaced. Spot lights have been removed and placed on other cars. Various shifts of parts add to the difficulty in establishing the real

> At the police station are stored five Ford coupes, two touring cars and one double door sedan. The coupes and sedan are in fine condition, but the touring cars show evidence of hard usage.

> City and county officers are awaiting the arrival of a special agent, who will endeavor to locate motor numbers on the various machines and, if possible, trace ownership in an in-

> telligent manner. The battery of motor cars recovered at Columbia Summit and Augusta tells the story of a poor card played by J. C. Dillon and D. E. Erwin May 12 Business had been good with the two men when some gun play in a rooming house on south Main street brought Officers Yon and Richburg into action Dillon was arrested by Officer Yon, and Officer Richburg found Erwin seated in a Ford sedan. The machine and Erwin were sent to police headquarters, where it developed that the car belonged to George R. Lombard of Augusta, City and county officers learned that the wives of Dillon and Erwin were at Camden and they motored to that place, where they found two new Ford coupes and the women. The cars and the women were brought to. Columbia. The three machines were identified by owners and they were

delivered to the owners. At a meeting of the executive of stolen cars a good turn and he was decided to make the following at Summit Friday on the strength of rcommendations to the members: information given by Erwin. The That the chapter build a concrete next move came when Dillon offered of Wade Hampton and his associates Five machines were picked up there

tea this afternoon at the D. A. R. During the week just passed Chief Chapter Hall, but we do not believe Strickland, Detective Shorter, Sheriff magnificent oratory and passionate white man named Posey and had re-

Officers returning from Augusta coupes in Augusta.

Held on Three Charges.

W. F. McMillan a white man, said to be from Rocky Mount, N. C., was arrested near Lugoff Sunday of last week and placed in jail on charges of reckless driving having liquor and a concealed weapon in his car.

McMillan ran into a car occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Workman, of Lamar, while traveling on the Camden-Columbia highway. Constable Stokes Pitts, of the Hermitage Cotton Mills, was the first officer to reach the to Mr. M. Baruch, treasurer of the scene and when McMillan was told Camden hospital and proves to be a to back his car out of the other car, nice source of revenue to this instiinstead of stopping he put on more tution. Several years ago the mill speed and beat it towards Columbia. Mr. Stokes gave chase and caught for the sale of fishing and hunting him after a run of a few miles. In the meantime another white man of Rocky Mount, traveling in another car and a friend of McMillan's, tried has been employed to look after the to block the way of the officer and he too was arrested, charged with reckless driving. Both men were said to have been under the influence of whiskey when the accident happened.

about the head and face, but not seriously injured.

ing a pistol and reckless driving and Many of these cars come from as far placed under \$300 bond for his ap- as Charlotte and Columbia and quite pearance under the liquor charge, a number of good catches have been and touring cars indicates that some and also had his Ford-attached for reported. Business began to pick up damages to the other car. His friend when Lee Little caught a frout last cating the owners of the cars. Num- drew a fine of \$50 for reckless week weighing a little more than driving.

#### Baseball at Wateree.

The Waterce Mills baseball team weighing nine and a half pounds. will play Darlington on Wateree's Business will very likely pick up field Saturday at 3:30. This will be again as soon as this big catch is the second meeting of these two noised around. The letter to Mr. teams the first game at Darlington Baruch, under date of June 7th, is as ending 2-0 in favor of Darlington in follows: a pitcher's battle between "Lefty" Taylor and Clyde Baker. This game herewith our check for \$200.00 entire promises to be a fast one. The Dar- proceeds from the sale of fishing perlington supporters are coming over mits through May 31st. in full force and are planning to bring their band with them.

the first Community Sing of the sea meet real needs of the hospital and son to which the public is invited. In connection with the "Sing" there will be selections by the Wateree Band of twelve pieces.

Fifty gallons of fish stew will be trator of the estate of his father, It looks like a big day at Wateree automobile in which he and Mrs. Saturday, June 14th.

early yesterday morning tell an amusing story on Detective Shorter. to be worth \$350,000, of which \$250,-They said the officer and Dillon were 000 is in real estate and \$100,000 linked together with iron cuffs and in personal property. Mr. Keesler when they left a car at Aiken a was secretary-treasurer of the Mucrowd gathered. One enthusiastic tual Building & Loan Association, citizen of Aiken wanted to know all and dealt extensively in real estate about the men in chains and he was on his own account. Mrs. Keesler, told the "little fellow had not done the widow, has qualified as guardian much, but that big fellow had mur- of the minor daughter. dered a man." The inquirer took a long look at the officer and in a short time rushed up to a member of the Columbia party and said, "Look here, we told you about last week-a treat that bad man yonder has a big pistol for every reader of The Chronicle. on him. You had better look out." Look for the coupon in today's paper. The officers enjoyed the laugh.

ed after aother and night and day journeys were in order.

Detective Shorter tells of an interesting conversation with J. C. Dillon, who faces a seven year term in the penitentiary for stealing machines. The detective said he applied the coupon now, while it's on your numerous questions to the prisoner and Dillon spoke freely of many ex-Dillon, Erwin and the women held periences. Dillon told the officer that their peace until last Thursday after coupes and sedans were his favorites Dillon and Erwin had been sentenced. and that he seldom picked up a tour-Erwin seemed inclined to do victims ing car. He said the closed cars were the best sellers. In answer to a board of the John D. Kennedy Chap- offered to show officers where cars question, Dillon said he was often could be found. Three were located caught in the act of trying to move a car when the owner would approach him and say, "Hold on, this is my machine." The prisoner said he would "Beg, pardon" and add, "I made a mistake. My car is parked over

always tried steering wheels before do you no good unless your name is he made a move to throw the switch. on the roll book. The book for the He said if the wheel was locked he Camden Club is located in The Chronthere will be one dissenting voice or a Heise and Chief Dunnaway of the let the car alone as he would not take icle office and you can come in any single vote against it The stand is to rural police force motored to Char- the time to work the lock. Detectiva hour of the day and enroll. Do not be built on the identical spot where lotte on the hunt for stolen cars. The Shorter told the prisoner of the heavy) neglect this important matter. the original one stood and from which officers learned that Sheriff Rowell loss a young Columbian had susthe voices now silent rang out in of Marion county had arrested a tained when his Ford touring car was stolen and how anxious he was to recover it. Dillon learned where the Endeavor will hold its regular meetcar was parked when it disappeared ing at 8 o'clock Sunday night at the Yesterday it was said four more and then said, "That machine is in Presbyterian Sunday School audicars are to be brought from Augusta Jacksonville and I can go there and torium and Dr. William Barron of and that two stolen machines are in lay my hands on it." Dillon took an Columbia will make an address. The active part Saturday in locating public is cordially invited to be

MONEY FROM FISHING.

Cotton Mill Turns Nice Amount Over To Camden Hospital.

Local sportsmen have been contributing quite a nice sum in past months to the Camden hospital through the sale of fishing permits on the Hermitage mill pond. The letter quoted below is from Mr. R. B. management inaugurated a small fee permits on the mill pond. This season the fee was raised to one dollar per month, and Mr. Burrell Gardner property and enforce the rule of the permits. There is now a fleet of some thirty or forty fishing boats linked up to a cable on the eastern side of the pond, and it is quite an Mrs. Workman was slightly cut interesting sight to see the number of cars parked among the oaks and pines during the afternoon while the McMillan was fined \$75 for carry- local sportsmen are after the fish. nine pounds. Tuesday afternoon a gentleman from Charlotte went him a little better when he landed one

"We take pleasure in sending you

It is a pleasure to us to contribute in this way to so worthy a cause, and trust that these amounts which In the evening Wateree will have we send you from time to time may render necessary service to suffering humanity.

## Value of Keesler Estate \$350,000.

Charlotte, N. C., June 4 .- Edward The biggest part of the program, Y. Keesler has qualified before the however, will be the "fish stew." clerk of superior court as adminisserved the community. Everyone is Edward L. Keesler, who was almost reminded to bring a bowl and spoon. instantly killed May 24 when the Keesler were riding was overturned near Camden, S. C.

The value of the estate is estimated

## Free Drink Coupon Today.

Today is the day of the big treat Find it and clip it. It is good for a City and county officers enjoyed free bottle of Chero-Cola at any dealrest yesterday after being on the run er's. This treat is meant for you, and since Thursday. One thing develop- is made through special arrangement with the Chero-Cola Bottling Company, local bottlers of this wellknown drink. All you do is clip the coupon and take it to any dealer. Then enjoy this delicious beverage absolutely free of charge. Tear out mind. Use it today, or any other of the days shown on the coupon.

# All Will Have to Enroll.

The enrollment books have been opened throughout the county at the various precincts and reports say that at nearly all precincts the voters are slow to enroll. The same is true at Camden, for very few have put their names on. Parties desiring to go away and who expect to be away for some time had better see that their names are on the books before they close, or they will be deprived of their vote. The absentee voting law will allow Dillon told the detective that he you to vote by mail, but this act will

> Christian Endeavor Meeting. The Senior Society of Christian