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## MANY TOURISTS ARE HERE

### Winter Season at Its Height With Our Winter Visitors

The winter season is in its zenith. Hotels are filled, and March reservations are up to the limit. Within the next six weeks many events, social and sporting will be crowded for the early part of April brings the break. Easter coming this year on the 12th of April, the chances are that not until that date will the tide of tourist travel turn northward.

The Friday morning paper chase club organized a short time ago by members of the younger set is exceedingly popular. Starting on alternate Fridays from the Court Inn and the Kirkwood merry parties of horse-back riders scamper over hill and dale ending with picnic luncheons under the pines.

This week, Wednesday afternoon was the time selected and after the chase Mr. Karl P. Abbott entertained the riders with a dinner in the Kirkwood Grill. Friday morning the route lay east of Camden, and a picnic at the Precipice with Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Partridge and Miss Marion Ticknor as hosts was the sequel.

Participants in the fun and attending the luncheon were: Miss Alice Clifton, Mrs. Frank Hopkins, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Balfe, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Berkey, Mrs. Raymond Balfe, Miss Elizabeth Grieve, Mr. T. R. Tunis, Mr. Conklin, Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Whitaker, Major Clifford, Mr. Alan Steyn, Mr. Charlie Little, Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Higbie and Mr. Frederick Severance.

Hannah's Cabin is attracting many parties for luncheon and tea the Holly Tree continues a favorite drive and the Studio Bridge parties on Tuesday and Friday mornings and the afternoon teas are always crowded.

Among those entertaining at Hannah's Cabin within the week were: Mrs. Adrian Farley, Mrs. James M. Etheberg, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Boldgett, Mr. and Mrs. Russell J. Bailey, Mr. Oscar Widmann, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Weeks, Mrs. W. B. Scarborough, Mrs. K. B. Wilcox, Mrs. W. I. Kepp and Miss Ransom.

Dr. and Mrs. William Howard Wilmer and Dr. Loren Johnson have arrived from Washington for a visit at the Court Inn.

Last Friday afternoon a large number gathered at Hobkirk Inn to hear Professor George A. Wauchope of the University of South Carolina in an interesting talk on "Literary America" at the weekly meeting of the Current Fiction class. Today the final meeting will be held with Professor Edward C. Coker, professor of astronomy at the University as speaker. He will give a lecture on "Nature in Ancient and Modern Poetry." Mr. Worth Colwell of New York who is a guest at Hobkirk Inn will give a brief resume of current plays and Mrs. Blakeney Zemp will sing.

On Tuesday afternoon at Goodie Castle Dr. William S. Rainsford will give an address on Evolution in the New Testament. Dr. Rainsford spoke this week to the students at Winthrop College.

Mrs. Anna Campbell of Wyalusing, Pa. is spending the winter with her sister Miss D. Eleanor Brown at her Lytleton street cottage, and on Saturday afternoon Miss Brown, assisted by Mrs. Campbell and Miss Wallis gave a charmingly informal tea for neighbors in honor of the birthday of Miss Margaret Dunchee, who is with Miss Schermerhorn for the season.

Mrs. E. E. Mandeville is entertaining her niece Mrs. Florence Bassett of New Haven, Conn., and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Balfe of the Kirkwood have as guests Mr. and Mrs. Peter Berkey of Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. William Landreth of Philadelphia are again at the Court Inn, where recent arrivals also are: Mr. and Mrs. F. H. LaPierre of East Orange, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. Van Boskerck and the Misses Ruth and Lucy Van Boskerck of Plainfield, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Morton of Philadelphia, Mrs. W. J. Mills of Holyoke, Mr. Samuel H. Coombs of Brooklyn, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Waring of Derby, Conn., Mr. and Mrs. Henry G. Leach of New York, Mrs. J. F. B. Mitchell of Flushing, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. McKay of Rochester, and Miss Marion F. Jackson and Mr. George A. Jackson of Jericho, Long Island.

Recent arrivals at Hobkirk Inn include: Mr. Walter Ives, Miss L. J. Bacon of New York, Mr. and Mrs. John Reid, Jr., New Rochelle, Miss Florence Converse, Boston, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bigelow, Belpport, L. I., Mr. and Mrs. William O. Boswell, Rochester, Miss Anna M. Barrett, Boston.

Dinners have been numerous and dancing a favorite pastime in the Kirkwood Grill, and among the many arrivals at the hotel recently are: Mrs. A. Parker Bremer, Boston, Mr. George Rossen, Mr. W. R. Perkins, Mr. L. D. Hubbard, Montclair, Mr. S. D. Forbes, New York, Mr. and Mrs. George B. Leland, Dr. and Mrs. William M. Green, Brooklyn, Mrs. E. B. Donahue, Edward Donahue, New Rochelle, Mr. and Mrs. William B. Lynch, Mr. and Mrs.

## MISSING 25 YEARS

### Philadelphia Man Identified in Memphis Hospital

Memphis, Feb. 16. — Henry C. Koehnemann, who mysteriously disappeared from his home more than a quarter of a century ago, and was identified here in a hospital, where he was known as Henry C. Schweinck, was awaiting the arrival of his son, Henry C. Koehnemann, Jr., who left Philadelphia on being apprised of his father's whereabouts.

The elder Koehnemann, or Schweinck, as he was known here where he was employed in a mirror capacity with a railroad company, was stricken with paralysis some time ago and taken to a local hospital. For days he was unconscious and his death was momentarily expected. His condition caused an insurance company with whom "Schweinck" carried a policy, to make an effort to locate his relatives. Detectives were called in and a two weeks investigation resulted in establishing his identity as Henry C. Koehnemann, once prosperous and prominent business man of Philadelphia, who had slipped from sight more than 25 years ago from that city.

Two sons, Henry C., Jr., and Joseph, who were notified of the finding of their supposedly dead father, could scarcely credit the story until indisputable facts were given them by police officers working on the case.

## Aull Named Secretary

John K. Aull, of Newberry, has been appointed as secretary to Cole L. Blease, United States Senator-elect from South Carolina, according to announcement made in Columbia Monday by Mr. Blease. Mr. Aull served in the same capacity during Mr. Blease's term of office as governor of the state. He also served as official court stenographer for the Fifth circuit and is well known in Camden. He has many friends here and throughout the state who believe that Mr. Blease has made no mistake in his selection.

## He Will Be Missed

Engineer W. L. McNair, who has been pulling Southern trains Nos. 117 and 118 into and out of York, during the past five years, has given up his run on account of the curtailment of the trains at Camden, and will take work on some of the other lines of the Charleston division of the Southern, most likely between Augusta and Branchville. Mr. McNair has made many friends in York, who regret that the change is necessary.—Yorkville Enquirer.

## Buys Bungalow

Mrs. Emma C. Villepique has purchased of N. C. Arnett a modern new bungalow at 913 Hampton street. This home is occupied at present by Mr. Wylie Hogue. This is one of the three very attractive bungalows recently erected by the Highland Avenue Company. The fourth is now under construction.

## Services at Flint Hill

On Sunday, February 22nd, services will be conducted at Flint Hill Baptist church by Rev. Jenkins. A cordial welcome awaits all who attend these services.

## A Double Marriage

Mr. Chimmie E. Davis, formerly of Bishopville and Miss Zada M. Shirley of Camden, also Mr. James Grubbs and Miss Lucile Dixon, both of Camden, were quietly married by Notary Public D. H. Davis at his residence near Lucknow, Lee county, Wednesday February 19th.

## Community Market Serves Many

The Community Market is held every Saturday morning from 9:30 to 12 at the Kershaw Motor Co. Here the busy housekeepers of Camden may find country sausage, hams, chickens, fresh eggs, cottage cheese, fig preserves, and a variety of other good things to eat. At one time the market was well patronized, but for some reason the Camden people have neglected it recently. Perhaps they do not know what they are missing, for the prices here are reasonable and the quality of the products is excellent.

Camden depends on the rural districts for support in all her undertakings, and it should be her duty, as well as her privilege, to support this worthy enterprise.

Henry D. Waters, Buffalo, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond F. Farr, Mrs. W. A. Taft, Arlington, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bristol, Montclair, Mr. T. E. Passanmore, Philadelphia, Mr. and Mrs. Louis G. Tiff, Springfield, Mrs. T. K. Robinson, Miss Louise Robinson, New York, Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Page, Brooklyn.

## DROPS DEAD BOXING

### Wofford Student Said to Have Expired From Weak Heart

Spartanburg, Feb. 16.—Manton Ingram Steele, 18, of Olanta, S. C., a member of the freshmen class at Wofford College, died suddenly this afternoon in the main dormitory while boxing with Harry Turner, also a freshman, of Blacksburg.

The verdict of a coroner's jury, empaneled at 7:30 o'clock tonight, was that the deceased came to his death from heart failure while boxing, absolving his boxing opponent from blame.

Steele recently recovered from an attack of influenza, and the physician conducting the post mortem examination expressed the opinion that the sickness had weakened his heart action.

The opponents had exchanged about a dozen blows on the arms and chest when Steele apparently lost his balance and collapsed, but was caught in the arms of F. A. Stack, of Pinewood, another student, before his head struck the floor, according to testimony at the inquest.

While versions of the affair differed in a few minor details, all witnesses agreed that the boxing was a friendly affair, and that no malice existed.

The deceased was the son of J. A. Steele, prominent farmer of Olanta. In addition to his father, he is survived by his mother, one brother, Allard Steele, and three sisters, Miss Pearl Steele, Miss Ida May Steele and Miss Lonie Steele, all of Olanta.

## A Daughter Born

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Masabeau on February 10th, a daughter, who has been named Margaret Louise.

## Company Inspected

The annual Federal inspection of Company M, 118th Infantry, South Carolina National Guard, was held at the Kershaw Guards armory Thursday evening, February 12th. The inspection of the company was made by Captain Lamar Weaver, of Durham, N. C. Captain Weaver is an inspector in the machine gun companies of the North Carolina National Guard.

Inspection of property was made by Assistant Adjutant General Rufus W. Grant, of Columbia, S. C. The company was complimented highly on the progress they had made in the last year. The armory has been remodelled and new lockers installed since the 1924 inspection. The following officers were present for the inspection: Adjutant General Robert E. Craig, First Lieutenant Irwin Compton, of Rock Hill, First Lieutenant Gard Bird, of Hartsville. A delightful luncheon was attended by the above mentioned officers and Mayor H. G. Garrison, Jr., Dr. Sidney C. Zemp, Hon. L. T. Mills, Capt. A. M. McLeod and First Lieutenant M. M. Reasonover.

## First Week Jurors

Below will be found a list of jurors drawn Tuesday to serve for the first week of court of common pleas to begin the second Monday in March, being the ninth day, with Judge Featherstone presiding:

Arthur W. Robinson, Camden; Adolphus Rose, Blaney; T. W. Hammond, Stoneboro; J. M. Butler, Blaney; E. P. Truesdale, Camden; J. M. Hornsby, Camden; E. P. Cunningham, Camden; J. E. Davis, Bethune; Henry Branham, Blaney; J. A. Williams, Kershaw; R. C. Bennett, Kershaw; W. A. Boykin, Boykin; W. F. McCaskill, Camden; E. W. Yarbrough, Bethune; Lewis S. Roberts, Kershaw; T. A. McLeod, Lugoff; W. M. Lollis, Camden; F. J. Tidwell, Cassatt; B. L. Stokes, Camden; N. D. Baxley, Camden; C. B. Smith, Camden; R. B. Faulkenberry, Kershaw; John Kirkland, Jr., Blaney; G. W. Baker, Kershaw; Zelle Catoe, Kershaw; W. H. Smith, Bethune; L. S. Mayers, Camden; V. M. Stokes, Camden; F. R. Hall, Lucknow; R. L. Moore, Camden; B. R. Truesdale, Camden; C. O. Stogner, Bethune; O. A. Fletcher, Kershaw; A. M. Rodgers, Lucknow; J. E. Branham, Camden; G. S. Catoe, Bethune.

## Prayer Service for Students

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church will observe a day of prayer for college students on Sunday, February 22nd. Members of all the churches of Camden are invited to meet at the Presbyterian church at 4 p. m. Sunday to participate in these services.

## TO ABSORB INTEREST

### City Council Makes Announcement of Interest To Property Owners

The Camden City Council makes the welcome announcement that through the earnings of the Camden Water and Light department they are enabled to absorb the interest on property owners paying assessments due April first amounting to around \$8,000.

This is brought about by the fact that through the efficiency of Superintendent W. B. Alred, who took charge of the plant several years ago in a rundown condition and through his excellent management and the help of the committees from this and previous city administrations he has brought it up to its present standard. It might be here noted that the rates charged consumers of water and light are in line with towns nearby. Mr. J. H. Osborne is the present chairman of the water and light committee appointed by the city council.

The total bonds on the water and light plant amount to \$150,000 five per cent bonds. This plant is depositing in the savings department of the four banks of Camden monthly a sufficient amount to retire bonds at maturity and also enough to pay interest on bonds.

During the past three years this department has spent \$15,000 on improvements such as new reservoir, filter and pumps and has also spent \$2,000 on new fire alarm system.

## Purchases Residence

C. P. DuBose and Company, realtors, report the sale of the six room cottage located at 805 DeKalb street to Mr. J. Karesh. This cottage has been thoroughly worked over and new fences added making it a very attractive residence.

## Services at Synagogue

There will be services at the Jewish synagogue on Sunday, February 22nd at 3:30 p. m. conducted by Rabbi F. K. Hirsch, of Sumter. All are cordially invited to attend these services.

## To Preach To Daughters

The members of the Hobkirk Hill Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution will attend the services at Grace Episcopal Church Sunday evening at 8 o'clock when the Rev. I. del. Brayshaw will take as his subject "George Washington as a Christian Statesman." A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend this service.

## Banks To Close

The four banks of Camden will be closed on Monday, February 23rd, on account of Washington's birthday. The date falls on Sunday and the banks have a legal holiday on Monday.

## To Give Musical

The members of the Catholic church are preparing to give a fine musical treat to the people of Camden at St. Mary's Hall on Tuesday evening, February 24th, at 9 o'clock, when some of the best musical talent of Sumter and Columbia will take part.

The five ladies taking part are members of the Afternoon Music club of Columbia. Miss Little and Mrs. Curran Jones are pianists. Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Cormack, sopranos and Mrs. Crooks, contralto. Walter Miller is a bass soloist and Remo Molinaroli is the talented young Italian cellist.

## OWENS ABANDONS APPEAL

### Left Tuesday For Columbia To Begin Five Year Sentence

Belton Owens, 63 year old Kershaw county farmer and bridgekeeper, has begun serving a five year sentence for the killing of Jack Smith on the Wateree toll bridge December 1.

Owens came to the penitentiary with his son-in-law and a friend and turned over to Sergeant M. J. Wallace commitment papers. Owens said nothing about abandoning his appeal, Sergeant Wallace said.

Owens had obtained his commitment papers and left, G. C. Welsh, sheriff of Kershaw county said last night in a telephone conversation with the State, but the sheriff was unable to state if Owens had abandoned his appeal. When the bridgekeeper was found guilty of manslaughter Saturday, February 7, and sentenced to five years, by Judge C. C. Featherstone, he gave notice of appeal to the supreme court and was released from jail under \$3,000 bond.—Thursday's Columbia State.

## Springdale Club Popular

The excellent condition of the golf links is attracting a good crowd daily. The club is also very busy with teas, luncheons and dinners.

## BETHUNE NEWS NOTES

### Items of Interest as Told by Our Regular Correspondent

Bethune, S. C., Feb. 18.—Mrs. Kitty Blackwell, who lived several miles above here, died Saturday morning after being confined to her bed about a week. She was born and reared in this community and before marriage was Miss Kitty Webb. Mrs. Blackwell was preceded to the grave by her husband, Mr. Wiley Blackwell, who died about two months ago. Since this time she has been making her home with her adopted daughter Mrs. Arthur Brannon. Mrs. Blackwell was eighty-four years of age. Funeral services were held in the Presbyterian church, conducted by Rev. W. V. Jerman, Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. Interment took place in old Bethel cemetery one mile above here.

The following little guests have been cordially received in their respective homes: Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Gardner February 12, a son; Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Best, February 13th, a son; Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hedgepath, February 16th, a daughter.

Mr. W. A. McDowell returned last week from a visit of several weeks to his daughter, Mrs. Lawrence McDowell in Tampa.

Mrs. M. O. Ward entered the Columbia hospital Wednesday where she underwent an operation Friday. She was accompanied to Columbia by her aunt, Mrs. Louise Robertson, who remained with her until Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Hester returned from Chester Thursday, where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Hester's father, Mr. Earle of that place.

Dr. E. Z. Truesdell made a professional visit to Columbia Friday.

Mrs. T. H. Horton of McBee is spending some time with Mrs. B. W. Best.

The February meeting of the School Improvement Association was held Friday afternoon. A splendid program was given by the pupils of the fifth grade under the efficient management of their teacher, Miss Beulah Taylor.

Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Forbis spent Friday and Saturday in Darlington as the guests of Mrs. Bright Williamson.

Miss Carrie Yarbrough of Chicora College was the week end guest of her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Bethune were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. King in Hartsville Sunday.

Mrs. Beulah Josey spent Friday and Saturday in Columbia.

Mr. J. A. McCaskill and daughter Mrs. M. G. King and Mrs. L. S. King spent Monday in Columbia shopping.

Mrs. A. J. Smith was hostess to the home demonstration club Tuesday afternoon.

Announcements have been received of the marriage of Miss Cleo Clyburn to Mr. F. L. Eady of Hemingway, in Charleston on February 12th. Miss Clyburn is well known here having lived here several years ago.

Mr. M. G. King and family have moved into their handsome new bungalow on Walton street.

## Camden's Pageant Progressing

Rehearsals have begun for the pageant, Camden Yesterday and Today. Mrs. W. L. Goodale is directing the solo dances; Miss Louise Johnson, the Virginia Reel; Miss Eleanor Mitchell, the minuet; and Mrs. L. T. Mills, Miss Katherine Wallace, and Miss Ada Phelps, group dances. Miss Mary Blackwell is dramatic director.

The costume committee in charge of Miss Margaret Burnett and Mrs. Taylor held an enthusiastic meeting in the school auditorium on Wednesday afternoon. The following chairmen will select their workers and begin work immediately:

Mrs. Lou DuBose, symbolic costumes. Miss Charlotte Thompson and Mrs. J. T. Hay, Indians and Quakers. Mrs. H. G. Marvin, Revolutionary. Mrs. F. I. Proctor, Colonial. Mrs. Bratton deLoach, costumes of 1791—date of Washington's visit to Camden.

Mrs. William King, Military. Miss Sue Young, ante-bellum South. Mrs. Margaret Mayfield, costumes of 1825, date of LaFayette's visit. A lovely and valuable costume that was worn by an ancestor of Miss Dolly Singleton's at the ball in Camden in honor of LaFayette was received this week from the Charleston Museum. It was sent to Mrs. C. P. DuBose for her daughter, Miss Singleton, who will dance the Lancers in the forthcoming pageant.

## Hospital Auxiliary Will Meet

The Camden Hospital auxiliary will meet at the hospital on Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock. A full attendance is desired.

## JUDGE SCORES BARFIELD

### Sease Tells Man Acquitted That He Was Guilty of Murder

Florence, Feb. 18.—"I have been connected with the criminal courts in this state for the past 25 years, as attorney, as solicitor and as judge, and if there ever was a murderer, you are a murderer," Judge Thomas S. Sease told Loye Harrison, alias John Barfield, after he had been acquitted by a Darlington county jury of the murder of LeRoy Youmans, prohibition officer, and while he was sentencing him to six years for violation of the prohibition law.

"And deep down in your heart you know it, that you deliberately murdered that officer. You went prepared to shoot your way out if you were caught," the judge added.

Naturally Judge Sease's remarks to Harrison after he had been freed by a jury have occasioned much comment. In view of the widespread interest in the case the following is taken from the Darlington News and Press.

"When the jury had not agreed Wednesday, Judge Sease urged upon them the importance of reaching a verdict of some kind, and ending the case, pointing out that mistrials do more to bring the courts into disrepute than any other one thing. He begged the jury to surrender pride of opinion, and to return to their room determined to reason with each other, and to reach a decision in the case, the decision of which was a matter of grave importance to the county. Within an hour the verdict of acquittal was announced.

"When the verdict had been rendered, the court said: 'Let the defendant stand up. I have nothing to say of the verdict of the jury, except to say that I do not agree with it. They doubtless have done what they thought right but I am the keeper of my own conscience. I have been connected with the criminal courts in this state for the last 25 years, both as solicitor and as judge, and if there ever was a murderer you are a murderer. And deep down in your heart you know it, that you deliberately murdered that officer. You went prepared to shoot your way out if you were caught.'

"At this point the defendant undertook to reassert his innocence, but the court said: 'No sir, I will not hear you. You said that before, but the evidence has convinced me beyond any reasonable doubt that you deliberately murdered that brave officer, and now you ought to be sentenced to electrocution instead of being sentenced to imprisonment for conspiracy and making liquor. I am going to give you the limit because I am not going to allow brave officers of the law to be treated as you did and get off with small punishment in this court?'

"The court thereupon passed sentence of ten years for conspiracy to violate the law and making liquor, the indictment for which the defendant had previously pleaded guilty. Upon further consideration, however, this sentence was reduced to six years, the court saying that it preferred to give the defendant the benefit of the doubt in its mind as to whether the crime charged was a felony at common law, or a misdemeanor."

## Wronged Husband Kills Man

Charlotte, Feb. 16.—Jos. E. McDonough, an engraver of Greensboro, formerly of Fort Wayne, Ind., is dead today and Thomas I. Watson, a traveling salesman, also of Greensboro, is in the county jail on a charge of murder as a result of a shooting in a room at a local hotel here late last night. The shooting occurred in a room occupied by McDonough and Watson's wife, in the presence of Detective S. P. Day, of the Charlotte police force and A. F. Young, manager of the hotel.

Watson, according to the detective fired over the officers' shoulder from the door of the room after accompanying the policeman to the room to identify the couple for whom a warrant had been issued charging a statutory offense. One of the bullets entered McDonough's heart.

## One Time Financier To Hang

Chicago, Feb. 14.—Russell T. Sott, who at the age of 30, was the head of a \$10,000,000 Canadian corporation organized to build a \$30,000,000 international bridge between Detroit and Windsor, Ontario, today was sentenced to be hanged April 17 for the murder of Joseph Maulder, a 17-year-old drug store clerk, during a hold-up in April, 1924.

The annual meeting of the South Carolina Live Stock association will be held in Columbia Friday, February 20, with an afternoon and evening session at the Jefferson hotel.