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## ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT

Forty-One Young Ladies and Gentlemen End High School Career

Graduating exercises of the Camden High school were held Friday evening in the school auditorium and were witnessed by an enthusiastic audience and the largest the auditorium has ever held.

An attractive musical program was included in the exercises and the annual address before the graduating class was delivered by Dr. J. C. Guilds, president of Columbia College. Dr. Guilds has been heard in Camden before to the pleasure of many and on this occasion many expressions of appreciation were made upon his very practical and impressive address.

The salutatory address was delivered by Miss Harriet Whitaker and Miss Carolyn Wooten presented the valedictory. Following the usual custom of the Camden school the four-year average of their work was used as a basis for the award of these honors and so closely was their rating compared that only twenty-three hundredths of a point was reached in deciding the class leader for the four-year period.

On this occasion Miss Carolyn Wooten was formally presented with the state high school Latin medal and cup given by the South Carolina High School League. The handsome cup is to be kept in the school for one year only but the medal is for permanent ownership. Miss Wooten was also awarded the Scholarship medal which is open to both the grammar and high school having maintained an average throughout the year of 98. The medal is to be worn one year and is given by Rev. F. H. Harding. Yet another honor came to Miss Wooten in the award by the High School Latin medal, given by Rev. F. H. Harding, with an average of 98.7.

Mr. T. K. Trotter presented the medals from the auditorium stage and other awards during the evening were as follows:

Fourth Grade Scholarship, to be worn one year by William Thompson who maintained an average of 96.

Fifth Grade Scholarship, given by Weinberg Brothers and to be worn one year by Samuel McCaskill, whose average was 97.

Sixth Grade Scholarship, to be worn one year by Grace Robinson. The average in this instance was 94.18.

Eighth Grade Scholarship, one-year medal awarded by Mrs. L. Libman, won by Duncan Lang whose yearly average was 96.5.

Ninth Grade Scholarship, given by Judge W. C. Benet, to be worn one year by Evelyn Bruce. Average 96.9.

Seventh Grade Scholarship, Haskell medal, to be worn one year by Elizabeth Zemp, who made an average of 95.6.

Tenth Grade English, deLoach one-year medal, won by Louise Jennings. Average 96.2.

Annie Johnson Boykin High School English medal, to be worn alternately for one year by Ellen Stewart and Jewel Rabon, both of whom made an average of 97.

First Grade Scholarship, M. H. Heyman one-year medal, won by Jack Mogulescu, who made an average of 95.

Roll of Graduating Class  
Frank Mackey, Edward Clarkson Rhame, Carolyn Wooten, Martha Rutledge Singleton, Charles Pinckney Lorick, Jr., Sarah DeLoache DePass, Margaret Catherine Billings, Maud Eva Dabney, Sara Boulware Gettys, Mary Cunningham Cureton, Margaret Thompson DeLoache, Elizabeth Jumelle Hille, James Leon Rabon, Lillian Isabel Stokes, Edith Evelyn Ward, Mary Eleanor Goodale, Drua Frank McLaughlin, Clyde Flowers, Susie Smyrl Watkins, Boykin Wilson Rhame, Jr., Lillian Ruth Robinson, Ward Beecher Hough, Hubert Lawrence Brown, Harriet Burnett Whitaker, Julian Chapman Graham, Mary Jane Gettys, Robert Andrews Bruce, Fredrica Alexandra Kirkland, Charles Wallace Russell, Elizabeth Moore McDowell, William Richard Clyburn, Laurie Campbell, Leo Moseley, Mary Frances McCoy, Butler Arnold Moore, Cora Blanch Hall, John Sylvester Brown, Patsy Evelyn Stewart, James Richard McCaa, Mary Pearl Jones, Molly Wynn Moseley.

Memorial Coin Winners.  
Memorial coins offered by Mr. M. H. Heyman for the pupils making highest scholarship average for the month of March in each section of grades from one through four.

Grade 1, Section A—Lyles Munn; B—Rebecca Rush; C—Virginia Davis.

Grade 2, Section A—Murray Graham; B—Martha Moseley.

Grade 3, Section A—Charlotte DuBose; B—Etta Scaffa.

Grade 4, Sec. A—William Thompson; B—Edward McCaskill; C—Annelise Moseley.

Memorial coins offered by Mr. David Wolfe to the pupils in grades five six and seven, each section, making greatest improvement during the last month of school.

Grade 5, Section A—Mary Jane Mackey; B—Clarence Christmas; C—Guy Rush.

Grade 6, Section A—Eloise Rhoden; B—Leonard Hasty; C—Estelle Sheheen.

Grade 7, Section A—Mattie Shaw;

## WILL GO TO WINTHROP

Many From This County To Attend Annual State Short Course

The annual state short course for Home Demonstration Club members will be held at Winthrop College June 3rd to 11th. Six girls and seven women will go as delegates to the short course from Kershaw County. The girls who attend the short course are those who have done the best club work in the county during the previous year. Those who have won this scholarship this year are Janie Brannon from the Midway club, Ethel Durfee from the Lugoff club, Myrtle Pate from Antioch club, May Burgess from Charlotte Thompson club, Eliza Alice Sowell from Timrod Club, and Helen Brannon from Midway club, who will represent the county in the state health contest.

Six women who show outstanding qualities of leadership are selected each year to attend the short course, which is the source of many new ideas and an inspiration to those who attend. The women who will attend this year from Kershaw County are Mrs. B. R. Truesdale, elected a delegate from the County Council of Farm Women, Mrs. J. Team Gettys of Lugoff, Mrs. Joe Cooper of Cassatt, Mrs. Alice Horton of Bethune, Mrs. Shelby Truesdale of Westville and Mrs. Alex West of Cassatt. Mrs. B. J. Truesdale of Westville had recently been elected to fill Mrs. Moody Hough's place as market secretary and will go to attend a special conference on marketing methods.

Miss Alma Burges of Summerton, S. C., the newly selected home demonstration agent for Kershaw County, will also attend the short course and will return to Camden on June 11, to begin her work in the county.

B—Alvin Riley; C—Emerson Langley.

Class Leaders and Second Honors

Grade 1-A—Jack Mogulescu, 95; Minnie Sue Bruce, 93.

Grade 1-B—Billy Nettles, Rebecca Rush.

Grade 1-C—Virginia Davis, 92; Walter Harris, 88.

Grade 2-A—Murray Graham, Elizabeth Goodale.

Grade 2-B—Carl Scarborough, 89.45; Fleta Horton, 87.45.

Grade 3-A—Charlotte DuBose, 97.25; Katherine Brayshaw, 96.5.

Grade 3-B—Etta Scaffa, 91.5; Roscoe Johnson, 88.5.

Grade 4-A—William Thompson, 96; Fletcher Moore, 95.

Grade 4-B—Vivian Stokes, 89; Billy Baum, 86.

Grade 4-C—Annell Moseley, 93; Purvis Shirley, 91.

Grade 5-A—Samuel McCaskill, 97; Katherine Kennedy, 96.

Grade 5-B—Mamie Long, 84; John Smith, 81.

Grade 5-C—Edna Ray, 86; Ruth Goodale, 79.

Grade 6-A—Grace Robinson, 94.18; Grayson Shaw.

Grade 6-B—Ruby Burns, 88; Janie Brewer, 87.

Grade 6-C—Derrell Sanders, 88; Emma Stevenson, 86.

Grade 7-A—Elizabeth Zemp, 95.6; Willie Hille, 94.5.

Grade 7-B—Special Report: Henry Lee Clyburn has had but one mark against his attendance during the seven years in grammar school and that was one absence on account of sickness.

Grade 7-C—Mabel Flowers, 91.1; Marguerite McCaskill, 90.

Grade 7-D—Sarah Shiver, 91; Margaret McLeod, 86.5.

Grade 8-A—Duncan Lang, 96.5; Rochelle Sheorn, 94.

Grade 8-B—Betty Cureton, 93; Catherine Boykin, 92.

Grade 9-A—Mary Boykin, 94; Louise Trapp, 92.

Grade 9-B—Evelyn Bruce, 96.9; Virginia Hille, 95.1.

Grade 10-A—Willie Porter, 95; Louise Jennings, 94.1.

Grade 10-B—John Richardson, 94; Cora Williams, 90.

Grade 11-A—Carolyn Wooten, leader; Harriet Whitaker, second.

Middle School Perfect Attendance Roll

Grade 1-A—Lucille Riley.

Grade 1-B—Viola Brewer, Gladys Marshall.

Grade 2—Ansel Goodale, Helen Taylor, Willis Wright.

Grade 4-A—Joe Phillips, Virgil Gardner.

Yearly Honor Roll

Grade 1-A—Jean Wilson, Lyles Munn, Jack Mogulescu.

Grade 2-A—Emily Sheorn, Lena Stevenson, Edna Strak, Helen Tindal, Jack Brown, McKain Richards, Robert Shaw.

Grade 3-A—Katherine Brayshaw, Charlotte DuBose, Ruth Moseley, Jerome Hoffer, Roland Moore, J. A. Rast.

Grade 4-A—Cecil McCaskill, Luther Shaw, William Thompson, James Clyburn, Fletcher Moore, Mary Ellen Kirkland, Mary Lee Blakeney, Lorine Strak.

Grade 5-A—Reuben Pitts, Meta Mogulescu, Katherine Kennedy, Elizabeth Gardner, Virginia Drawdy.

Grade 6-A—Grayson Shaw, Mar-

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## SUPERINTENDENT NAMED

Frank W. Chapman of Laurens To Be in Charge of Light Department

The Camden City Council has selected Mr. Frank W. Chapman of Laurens, a native of Newberry, as a successor to the late Mr. W. B. Allred as superintendent of the Camden Water and Light Department. The selection was made by Mayor C. P. DuBose and committee after careful investigation of a mass of applicants.

Mr. Chapman, however, could not be termed as an applicant, as Mayor DuBose and his committee went to Laurens to see Mr. Chapman and investigate his services in that city. They found his record so efficient that they made him an offer and he accepted the position offered in Camden and will soon begin upon his new duties.

If letters of recommendation count Mr. Chapman must be a very valuable man, judging from the following letter from Chairman W. R. McCuen, of the commissioners of public works of Laurens:

"The Commissioners of Public Works, of which I am a member, was elected four years ago at which time we elected Mr. F. W. Chapman as superintendent. When we took the water plant over, we had no filterer and the electric line was practically down. The auditor's record showed that the plant was running a deficit of \$12,400 per annum. Since Mr. Chapman has come with us, we have built a new plant and we have a filtration plant second to none in the South. Our line loss at the time we took charge was running about sixty-five percent to sixty-seven percent loss. We are down now to about thirty-one percent. For the first twelve months Mr. Chapman was with us, we were able to pay running expenses. The second year we showed a nice profit. Last year our profit showed about \$18,000. We are expecting to increase this from year to year, as our plant is being put on a more efficient basis day by day.

"When I was prevailed upon to accept the place on the commission, I never anticipated, although I am an optimist, ever doing what we have done and the people never expected it of us.

"I hardly know just what to say that would be justice to Mr. Chapman, but would prefer you coming here and letting us show you. He is one of the few efficient water and electric men in our state, and I as a commissioner, regret exceedingly to even think of his looking elsewhere, but I must be fair to him and state that any town would do well to secure him and Laurens could not afford to lose him. As to his character that is unquestionable and his habits are good. A man that can be relied upon under any and all circumstances. He has a splendid family and they both take leading parts in all activities. He is one of the scout leaders of our county and his wife is organist at the Methodist church. Come and look the matter over. If we can help you in getting someone else, allow us and allow him to 'stay-put.'"

## Graduates From Winthrop

Among the students graduating from Winthrop College this term are the following young ladies from Kershaw County:

Home economics course with bachelor of science degree: Miss Cynthia T. Team, Lugoff.

Arts and science course, with bachelor of Arts degree: Miss Virginia Randolph Clarke, Camden; Miss Merje Horton, Kershaw; Miss Mary Emma Hough, Camden; Miss Mary Estelle Williams, Camden.

Two-year business administration course: Miss Mary Neal Campbell, Camden; Miss Harriet Shannon Steedman, Camden.

## Mrs. Boykin Goes To Florida

"In Kershaw County," says Mrs. S. O. Plowden, district agent, in a communication to The Chronicle, "the home demonstration agent has found it necessary to discontinue her services and will make her home in Florida, we hope for only a short period, until her return to this community. Mrs. Elizabeth DuBose Boykin has been most faithful and efficient in the discharge of her duties and leaves the county in a well organized and improved condition."

The position will be filled the first of June by Miss Alma M. Burgess of Summerton, S. C. Miss Burgess has been a successful teacher of home economics for the past three years. She is a graduate of Flora McDonald college and has a degree in home economics from that institution. She has spent a summer in Greenville studying and visiting home demonstration clubs in that county. The club members of Kershaw county will be glad to welcome Miss Burgess and give her the same splendid cooperation they have given former agents.

## TWIN GIRLS LINKED.

Pathetic Story of Unfortunate Comes From Indiana City.

South Bend, Ind., May 26.—Two girl-babies, perfect in every respect save that they are linked together facing each other, who were born here Saturday, are being sustained by bottle feeding and give every indication that they are growing like normal babies.

"The babies are here, a doctor's duty is to do what he can for them," was the comment of Dr. Thomas A. Swantz, attending physician for the twins, Lucy and Bessie Medich. He said an operation to separate them would prove fatal.

Mr. and Mrs. Nichola Medich are deeply shaken by the strange birth. The mother, torn between mother love and the anguish over the handicap of her daughters, has expressed the hope that the babies will pass from mortal scene to which they are so ill adapted.

Unlike the famous Siamese twins, who were joined in such a way as to permit locomotion, these twins are joined at the pelvis girdle and never would be able to walk or move in anything like a normal manner.

The babies seem to live separate lives. Sometimes one sleeps while the other is feeding. Physicians say that should illness come to one it would affect the other. Some twins, however, have been known to survive for years.

X-ray studies show that each child is complete as to heart, lungs, stomach, and other internal organs, except that they share one colon.

## Camden Man Making Good.

Mr. Lawrence A. McDowell, formerly of Camden, but who for several years has been making his home in Tampa, Florida, has been made advertising manager of the Tampa Daily Tribune, one of the leading daily papers of the south. The Tribune occupies a most enviable position among the big dailies of the country, right now ranking about sixth in the total volume of advertising carried, and uses a force of seventeen men in the advertising department alone. The Tribune has a daily circulation of 40,000 and a Sunday circulation of 60,000. Very naturally The Chronicle feels interested in Mr. McDowell's promotion, for it was in this plant where he first started in the newspaper business. He has numbers of warm friends in Camden and throughout the county who will be pleased to hear of his promotion.

## Death of Mr. Sinclair

Mr. James Sinclair, aged 85 years, died at his home on South Fair street, on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, after an illness extending over a period of one week. Although advanced in years, he had been in remarkably good health up to the time of his last illness. Mr. Sinclair was a native of the Sandy Grove section of the county and was twice married. His first wife was Miss Bethanie Barnes, who predeceased him about 30 years ago, and by this union there were four sons, Messrs. John D. Sinclair, Thomas Sinclair, of Camden; Washington Sinclair, of Lancaster; and Sam Sinclair, of the Antioch community. He was married the second time to Miss Francis Watkins, also of the eastern section of the county and to this union the following sons and daughters survive: Mrs. Lillian Bullock, Wesley Sinclair, Henry Sinclair, William Sinclair, all of Camden, and Mrs. Kate Stein, of eastern Kershaw. He is also survived by his last wife.

The funeral and burial occurred at Sandy Grove church Thursday afternoon at five o'clock. Mr. Sinclair was a Confederate veteran, one of the first to enter the service from this county, and served gallantly throughout the war, being several times wounded. He was held in high esteem by a host of friends who deeply regret his passing.

## Nego's Wit Saves Child.

Danville, Va., May 30.—James Albert Neal, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Neal, of Stuart, owes his life to Vincent Griffith, a negro boy whose quick wit saved him. The baby was playing at a second story window in the Neal home. Griffith and other negro boys were standing in a group not far away in the street below. Suddenly Griffith heard a cry and looking up saw the baby in the act of falling from the window sill to the concrete pavement below. Quick as a flash Griffith ran to intercept the child with his arms outstretched as an outfielder would race for a long fly. Griffith got there first, the boy fell on top of him and he seized the boy, who did not sustain a bruise. Dr. Akers also saw the baby and was trying to intercept the child. A hasty examination revealed that James was more frightened than hurt.

Nearly 40,000 American soldier graves in France and Belgium cemeteries were decorated Monday in keeping with the American Memorial day for its soldier dead. England decorated the graves of United States soldier dead buried in that country, on Sunday.

## BAD FIRE AT KERSHAW.

Valuable Business Block Prey of the Flames Tuesday at Noon.

Fire at Kershaw beginning at noon Tuesday destroyed the building of the Bank of Kershaw, Southern railway platform and freight depot, and two cotton warehouses belonging to the Kershaw Banking and Mercantile company, together with cotton on the platform and in warehouses estimated in value to total \$48,000.

In the bank building were located the postoffice, the E. and K. Myers millinery establishment, Hilton's barber shop, masonic hall, insurance office of J. K. Neal, dental office of Dr. S. G. Rutledge, office of Dr. S. J. Blackmon and law offices of J. Cope-land Massey. Mr. Massey's office was valued at \$5,000 with only \$800 insurance. The bank building was valued at around \$30,000 and is said to have been fairly well insured.

The fire started on the cotton platform, spreading underneath, and fanned by a strong wind it was feared the whole business section would be burned. Fire departments from Lancaster and Camden reached the scene in about half an hour, and together with the Kershaw firemen had the blaze under control about two o'clock. The firemen were handicapped by Kershaw's water supply giving out. Under normal conditions the water supply would have been adequate, but we learned that one of the auxiliary pumps had been taken apart only the day before for overhauling. Water from a Southern railway engine tender came in good when it was pressed into service to prevent further spread of the flames. Plate glass windows in buildings facing the bank building and on the eastern side were badly shattered from the heat.

A great number of Lancaster and Camden citizens accompanied the two fire trucks to Kershaw and rendered valuable service in helping their neighbor in time of stress.

## Plan To Rebuild at Once.

Kershaw, June 2.—The Bank of Kershaw, whose building was destroyed in the fire here yesterday, which swept the Southern railway freight station, the cotton platform, on which 300 bales of cotton was consumed, the freight warehouse, the bank building with its various stores and offices, plans to rebuild almost as soon as possible, it was announced today. The postoffice was also a victim to the flames.

It is also presumed that the Southern railway will rebuild its freight depot and warehouse and that provisions will be made to rebuild the post-office.

The first estimate of the loss given yesterday was between \$175,000 and \$200,000. The figures set today are about \$150,000, although this figure does not include damage by smoke and water to adjacent buildings, which were not actually destroyed.

## Deputy Dies From Injuries.

Newberry, June 2.—L. M. Player, deputy sheriff of Newberry county, who was shot by Junius Hunter Sunday afternoon while making a raid near Leesville, died at the Leesville hospital tonight. Junius Hunter was killed at the time.

## Bomb Sender Quickly Sentenced.

Muskegon, Mich., June 1.—Circuit Judge John Vanderwert today sentenced A. K. Bartlett, Blue Lake township constable, to life imprisonment for the murder of Augustus Krubaech, his daughter Jeannett and her fiancé, Wm. Frank, killed by a bomb Thursday. Judge Vanderwert expressed regret that the state law does not provide for capital punishment.

Bartlett was secretly arraigned shortly after 8 o'clock this morning and then was taken into circuit court. The prisoner wore his old army uniform, being a World war veteran. Judge Vanderwert talked with him in private a few minutes and then imposed sentence.

Bartlett, who admitted mailing the bomb on account of enmity, showed no emotion and bowed to the judge as sentence was passed. He was immediately started on his trip to Marquette.

## Baseball at Wateree Saturday

Wateree plays the fast Sonoco Products company team of Hartsville at Wateree Saturday. This game promises to be a good one as Hartsville is reputed to have a fast club. Last Saturday Wateree was again defeated by Columbia Mills in a free hitting game in which the pitchers on both teams were hit hard. The score was 13 to 7.

Wateree will attempt to break into the win column Saturday and although Wilson and Pearson have left the team, they still have a good ball club. The game will start at 4 o'clock. The public is cordially invited. The Wateree Mills band will furnish music during the game.

## TWO MEN MADE ESCAPE

Thrust Revolvers in Face of Jailor and Make Him Unlock Door

Ellis C. Elders, white man of about twenty-five years, and Arthur Montgomery, aged seventeen, also white, escaped from the Kershaw County jail here Friday morning at 7 o'clock by thrusting revolvers in the face of Jailor W. T. Player, commanding him to unlock the door. Other prisoners in the building refused to escape. Both men fired several shots in escaping from the building but no one was injured.

Elders commandeered an automobile from a negro and made him drive him to a swamp near the old Southern depot. A long search by officers and citizens failed to find the man.

Montgomery is supposed to have boarded an automobile and gone towards Charlotte. The revolvers used by the prisoners are supposed to have been smuggled into the jail by a white woman who visited Elders Tuesday. Elders was charged with the theft of an automobile while Montgomery is wanted for alleged bootlegging.

Elders is said to be a dangerous character and gave his occupation as a mill worker. Sheriff Welsh has offered a reward of fifty dollars for the capture of Elders.

A description of Elders is that he weighs about 150 pounds, five feet 11 inches, light hair and light complexion, one bad tooth. He was first arrested at Charleston and brought to Camden. He does not stay in one place very long and is said to go under several different names.

Bloodhounds were brought here and took the trail which led through the swamp, but the man is thought to have made his way across the swamp and caught an automobile on the highway leading to Sumter.

## Meeting of Press Association

Columbia, May 28.—The annual meeting of the South Carolina Press Association will be held on July 13, 14, 15 and 16, it was announced here tonight by Harold C. Booker, secretary. Members of the association will assemble at Darlington the night of the 13th, where they will be guests of the community at a banquet. On the morning of the 14th they will leave by motor on a tour of the Pee Dee section, being guests of the Bennettsville Kiwanis Club at luncheon, and will arrive at Myrtle Beach that evening. The business sessions will be held at Myrtle Beach July 15 and 16th.

The program for the business meeting is being arranged by President Robert Lathan and will be announced shortly.

## Jurors For First Week.

The Court of Common Pleas for Kershaw County will convene in Camden on Monday, June 21st, with Judge W. H. Townsend, presiding, and the following jurors have been summoned to appear on that day to serve for the first week:

B. C. Truesdell, Boykin; A. J. Lolis, Camden; J. A. Trapp, Camden; W. D. Cook, Kershaw; Claude T. Faulkenberry, Kershaw; S. B. Padgett, Bethune; D. O. Houser, Camden; Alex Shaw, Cassatt; W. P. Bowers, Cassatt; L. E. Bowers, Kershaw; J. E. L. Brannon, Cassatt; G. E. Rabon, Lugoff; D. F. Roberts, Kershaw; J. L. King, Bethune; J. M. Gardner, Kershaw; W. L. Branham, Lugoff; J. M. C. Jackson, Lugoff; Burwell Truesdale, Westville; Fletcher Jackson, Lugoff; D. A. Boykin, Camden; J. R. West, Cassatt; Wiley Sheorn, Camden; G. C. Nelson, Blaney; R. Eubanks, Jefferson; D. S. Trapp, Camden; R. E. Hammond, Bethune; W. E. Kelley, Lugoff; J. G. Heath, Blaney; E. B. Branham, Lugoff; L. K. McCaskill, Kershaw; R. N. Shannon, Camden; S. R. Kirkland, Camden; S. H. Kirkland, Camden; George Arledge, Lugoff; H. B. Baker, Bethune; W. T. Brown, Blaney.

## Making Good in Statesville.

Mr. James M. Stewart, formerly of Camden, but now residing in Statesville, N. C., was here last week to attend commencement exercises of the Camden High School, his daughter, Miss Patsy Evelyn Stewart, being one of the forty-one graduates. Mr. Stewart was at one time connected with the old Camden veneer plant, but later moved to Statesville, where he is now manager of the Armfield Veneer company in that city, and is considered a most valued citizen of Statesville and his friends in Camden and Lancaster will be glad to know of his success. Statesville is a city with fifty-seven manufacturing plants with a weekly payroll amounting to a large sum. Statesville is located in Fredell county, a good farming section but is not dependent upon the farmers or any one crop with so many varied industrial enterprises.