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**WELL DONE KIWANIANS.**

Congratulations to the Camden Kiwanis club for the successful trade area basketball tournament conducted last week at the high school gymnasium.

We do not know who was the originator of the tournament idea, but it developed into an all-club proposition and this fine cooperation, the skilled handling of the program by the tournament committee headed by Joe E. McKain, made it an outstanding event in the Camden sport calendar of 1942. True, the Kiwanis club did not make a great deal of money on the venture—but never-the-less the affair was a success in a big way. It was the first concentrated and definite program of the kind presented in Camden and it is the earnest hope of this paper that it will be an annual event.

This writer attended many of the games and we are impressed with the sportsmanship of the players and of the rugged loyalty of the fans. Sixteen teams competed from eight high schools of the Camden trade area.

Starting on Wednesday afternoon the tournament progressed to the finals played on Saturday night. Baron DeKalb boys took the boys title from a hard-fighting Central high team while the Central girls defeated Baron DeKalb girls for the girls title honors.

The games were started promptly on time. There was complete accord and harmony throughout between coaches and between players. The rooters made lots of noise and were free to applaud the work of the players, even tho some outstanding boys or girls may have been on an opposition team.

It is competition like this, conducted in a manner of which the Kiwanis club can well be proud, that breeds the best in the American boy and girl.

Arthur Robinson worked as referee in all games of the tournament and did a fine job. Robinson was impartial in his officiating and coaches and players united in asserting that this work could not have been improved upon.

Again we say to the Kiwanis club that you fellows did a fine job. You are Builders.

**HE MUST BE A "BIRD"**

A few days ago the police locked up a black negro who goes by the gentle name of Dove. He is a regular customer at the police court—this time it was for stealing wood from a householder's yard at night, to which charge he plead guilty. He was in the clink sitting pretty, waiting for his wife to raise the fine and get him out. Finally the fine was paid and out he went, but an hour later a prisoner in the lockup complained to the police that when Dove left he took his good overcoat, leaving an older one on the hook. That night the police were called to the edge of town where a gambling game was going on and a complaint was

**ROAD CLOSED**



**Civilian Council Makes Fine Choice**

Ralph N. Shannon, the newly elected chairman of the Kershaw County Council for Defense is a native of Camden and received his early education in Camden schools.

Mr. Shannon, club man, an ardent and skilled golfer, Rotarian and business man, is well qualified to take over the important job of leading in the civilian defense program in the county. He comes from a long line of soldiers and first families, his ancestors having fought in the early wars of the nation, also the war between the states and he himself was a captain in a field-artillery unit and served in France during the world war.

From a business perspective, Mr. Shannon is vice-president and director of the First National Bank of this city, is a director of the Palmetto Oil Company, of Bishopville; a director of the Springs and Shannon, Inc., organization of this city. He is a 10-year member of the Camden Rotary club and of the local post of the American Legion. He has served as vestry member of the Grace Episcopal church here for some years and is at present honored with that office. He is a graduate of the University of the South at Sewanee, Tenn., and holds the honor of being a member of the board of trustees of that institution.

Mr. Shannon's popularity through the city and county will prove a valuable asset to him in his work as civilian defense chairman. Of pleasant personality and engaging manners, he holds the trust and respect of the entire community and should prove a successful and enthusiastic leader in the preparedness program.

**Central Cagers Have What It Takes**

To epitomize a girl's basketball squad that did its playing on a sand clay court and went into the recent Camden tournament and in competition with teams from schools boasting gymnasium facilities would indicate that the girls from Central high school in Lee county have what it takes.

To picture this Central high girl's team one can take petite Esther Lee. Now Esther is only 13 years old but she knows a lot about basketball and also what the attributes of a good player are. Esther went into the title match with the Baron DeKalb team last Saturday night and while her work was mainly in feeding her taller sisters of the Central battle line, she did let go with a long shot that sent the ball slithering through the hoop without even a caress.

This Central sextet took the girl's honors in the Camden tournament, rising above seven other high school teams in the event to grab the choicest plum.

Said Esther Lee, "When we were invited to enter the tournament we wondered if we would have much chance as all our playing is done on a sand clay court in the school yard. Our coach, D. C. Hancock, told us that we would be able to play twice as fast on a wood floor, so we decided to make a try at it. We are glad we won."

And the hunch of Coach Hancock was correct for her charges played fast, heady ball—in fact, were just about the best all-around girls team to be seen on the local floor. The interesting feature of this team is that only two of the players are from the eleventh grade. Most of them are in the lower grades and range in age from 13 to 15 years. A Miss Caughman appears to be the scoring star, for in the game against Baron DeKalb she gathered 10 points.

The Central high also has a boys team which was runner-up in the recent tournament here. The Central boys would have won and made the finals a clean-sweep but for the lapse of judgment in the closing seconds of play against the Baron DeKalb boys. Central was leading 12 to 11 with but five seconds to go. Instead of freezing the ball and stalling, the boys let down their defense long enough to lose the ball. A frantic shut-your-eyes, pray and shoot shot went safe and the Barons won the game.

The fine showing of the Central lads and lassies in the tournament should result in the school board out that way putting up an addition to the school building with a good gymnasium as part of the project.

**For Alderman Ward Five**

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of Alderman from Ward Five, City of Camden. I will appreciate the continued support of the citizens in my Ward.  
 JOE E. MCKAIN

As a means of saving steel some states are considering a plan to issue license plates good for five years.

Members at the Hague peace conference, in 1899, decreed that aircraft should not be permitted to take a combative part in war.

**Unique Character Is Given Summons**

In the death of Marlon (Duke) Williams, age 57, at the tourist home of John Langford known as Green Gables, Camden has lost a unique and interesting character.

Mr. Williams was found dead when someone went to call him. He had expired during his sleep.

Little was known of him here, with the exception of his skill in the art of shoeing horses. He was well known to every lover of the steeplechase, jockeys as well as race horse owners.

Williams was able to take a piece of steel and weld it into a shoe that would correct a horse addicted to caulking his leg. He was also able to tell, by scrutiny of a horse's foot just the way the horse used his legs during a race.

He was an interesting conversationalist and had a personality that won him many friends. He was employed by the Christiana stables of which Jack Healy is the manager.

Inquiry indicated that he came from Rockville, Parke county, Indiana, and had been born there February 8, 1884. So far as is known, he is survived by one brother, Manford Williams and a sister, name and address unknown.

The body was taken to the Korngay funeral home and later to Columbia where it was placed aboard a train to be taken to Terre Haute, Indiana and thence to Rockville, twenty-three miles distant, where burial will take place.

made that Dove had been one of the players, but when he lost he grabbed the money which was on the table and bolted for the door, whereupon a player took a pot shot at him with a pistol, but missed. The police rounded up eight men in the place and charged them with gambling, with an extra dose for the pistol shooter. When the police reached the lockup they found the two prisoners already in there drunk, and they disclosed that when Dove came back and exchanged overcoats he had hidden a pint of whiskey, which the two prisoners had found. Now Dove is back in the clink under a couple of charges and as the policeman locked him up he remarked that "Dove is a bird."—Cheraw Chronicle.

A man 40 years old was considered well past his prime only a few centuries ago.

**Rev. Collins Guest Speaker At Rotary**

Rotarians of other clubs attending last Thursday's Rotary luncheon were Carroll Jones, of Columbia, and Norman Armstrong, of the Kendall chain and whose classification is a "tree skinner."

New members were welcomed into the club—Dick Kirk, the cotton raiser; K. C. Eiters, the cotton grower, and Sidney T. Zemp, the pharmacist; bringing the club membership to 47. Before the program, W. Robin Zemp was given ten minutes to recite for the benefit of the new members the many reasons for Rotary, and to explain to them the Rotary code of ethics, and incidentally the reason they were selected to become Rotarians and the contacts they will make here and at the meetings they are expected to attend at clubs in other cities—not merely as a privilege, but a duty in order to make up attendance since attendance on Rotary meetings is a cardinal principle and here's the reason why: You can't fraternize with an absentee member, so serve your club, for he profits most who serves best.

The program for the day was in charge of Lee Mays and his guest speaker was Rev. Henry Collins, who deplored the brevity of Robin Zemp's dissertation—he wished it might have been longer. The speaker then told of the situation of our country on account of war and of our complete unity and hopes and prayers for the end to come soon and leave us a country and a world we pray to live in. He said progress is conditioned upon our grappling with difficulties—Milton, Dante, Helen Keller and the presidents Roosevelt—all had difficulties which each of them were able to overcome with marked success. We are facing difficulties today unknown in the history of the world. Let us not shun them but face them with faith in God, faith in the Nation and faith in the eternal righteous and lastly, faith in ourselves and we will find that of it will come a stronger and a mightier world.

The Rotary club urges you to contribute generously to the Red Cross war fund, buy defense stamps and bonds in order to keep 'em flyin'—keep 'em rolling and keep 'em fightin'.

**Girl Dies From Internal Drowning**

Newark, N. J., Jan. 31.—Twelve-year old Margaret Boylan died today in her mother's arms a few hours after drinking 110 small glasses of water while playing party.

Dr. Harrison Martland, Essex county medical examiner, issued a tentative verdict of "death from internal drowning." He said the girl drank about five quarts of water.

Sergeant Thomas J. Birmingham of the Newark police casualty squad, reported that Margaret, her brother, Phillip, Jr., and her sister, Kathleen, 14, had held a contest last night in the kitchen of their home at 19 Cottage street to see who could drink the most water.

Phillip drank 140 whiskey glasses and Kathleen 120, they told Birmingham. Margaret drank 110 glasses in a short time. She died shortly before midnight.

Doctor Martland said Phillip had a slight heart palpitation today but Kathleen showed no ill effects.

For Alderman Ward One I hereby announce myself for re-election to the office of Alderman for Ward One, City of Camden. Your continued support will be appreciated.  
 C. V. MASSABEAU

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**Essex Riders Won From Palmettoes**

A three-goal rally in the sixth and final chucker gave a hard-riding Essex Troop, One Hundred and Second Cavalry, foursome from Fort Jackson, a 7 to 5, decision over the crack Palmetto riders of the Camden polo club here Sunday afternoon.

Several thousand spectators braved a 40-degree temperature to watch the contest. Hundreds of soldiers from the Fort rooted vigorously for the Cavalry team.

Ironically it was a Palmetto team member who pulled the game out of the fire for the Essex foursome, Joe Bates, of Wateree, who plays the back position for the Palmetto foursome, was guest player with McGrath, Brown and Edgerton, of the Cavalry unit and it was Bates' two goals in the sixth that tied up the game and put the troopers to the front. Lieutenant Brown added a third for a clincher.

In the early stages of the game it looked as if the Palmettoes were going to stage a rout at the expense of the invaders. Tupper and DuBose each scored in the second chucker after both teams had registered a scoreless first. The Cavalry was also blanked in the second. McGrath of the Essex riders scored in the third as did DuBose of the Palmettos and the score at the half way point was 3 to 1 for the Palmettoes.

In the fourth DuBose scored for the Palmettoes and McGrath for the visitors making the count 4 to 2 at the end of the chucker. In the fifth Boykin of the Palmettoes scored but the Essex gang came back with two goals by Brown and Edgerton.

The sixth opened with the Palmettoes holding a 5 to 4 lead but Joe Bates went sour on his old team mates and slashed over the goal that tied up the game. A few minutes later Bates scored again and for the first time in the game Essex was ahead. Brown scored in the closing minute to give Essex the game 7 to 5.

**Relatives Autos Kill Pedestrians**

An unusual paradox in criminal procedure was recorded by a coroner's jury called to inquire into the death of Booker T. Knox, who was killed when struck by an automobile driven by Henry Wood on state highway 34, two miles from the junction of U. S. highway No. 1 last Saturday night. Mitchel Portee, owner of the automobile which had been left parked in the center of the highway, was ordered held on a charge of manslaughter. According to the sheriff, Portee had left his car parked in the center of the paved highway, and it was this situation that caused the accident, resulting in the death of Knox. Wood had swung far to the right to pass the abandoned car and just as he passed it, Knox stepped out in the traffic lane and was struck and killed.

Another unusual co-incidence in connection with the death of Knox was the killing of his father about a year ago on the same highway and within a few miles of the accident of last Saturday night; and strange as it may seem, the driver of the vehicle that killed the senior Knox was named Wood, and was a cousin of Henry Wood, whose car was responsible for the death of Booker T. Knox. All of the parties involved are negroes.

**Suspends Tuesday Issue Temporarily**

Lancaster, Jan. 31.—Another item in the life of Lancaster changed by the presence of war and uncertain business conditions will be noticed when the Lancaster News, local paper, issues but one issue a week for the time being.

Due to several factors affecting the newspaper business the Tuesday issue of the heretofore semi-weekly paper will be suspended. The Friday issue will be larger and fuller. Subscription prices will remain the same.

**List Of Players On Toronto Ball Team**  
 (Continued from first page)

ing the training period. Manager Burleigh Grimes has announced the schedule for exhibition opening with the University of South Carolina here on March 26. The next home game is with Clemson college on March 30. Wilmington comes here on April 5; Albany on the 7th; Columbia Reds on April 9, and Scranton on April 10.

Business manager Lee McPhail states that two or three more games will be added to the list for early April.

Work upon the Camden ball park is progressing rapidly. Sunday the groundkeeper from Dreyfus field, the home of the Columbia Reds was in Camden and went over the Camden ball park with Commissioner James Raley of the public works department, outlining to the latter steps to be taken to improve the present layout. The Columbia expert was favorably impressed with what has already been accomplished and states Camden had a baseball plant equal to any in the state.

**COMING ATTRACTIONS At The Camden Theatre**

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6**  
 Wallace Beery—and his lady blacksmith—Marjorie Main

**"THE BUGLE SOUNDS"**  
 Added: Latest World Wide News

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7**  
 —Ray Bolger — Ann Shirley

**"FOUR JACKS AND A JILL"**  
 Added: Winslow of Navy and Comedies

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7**  
**LATE SHOW—10:30**

Bud Abbott — Lou Costello  
 Allan Jones — Nancy Kelly  
**"ONE NIGHT IN**

**IN THE TROPICS"**  
**MONDAY and TUESDAY**  
**FEBRUARY 9—10**

Robert Taylor — Lana Turner  
**"JOHNNY EAGER"**  
 With Edward Arnold—Van Heflin

**WEDNESDAY, FEB. 11**  
 Gracie Allen—William Post, Jr.  
 Paul Kelly — Virginia Grey  
**"MR. & MRS. NORTH"**

**THURSDAY AND FRIDAY**  
**FEBRUARY 12-13**  
 Kay Kiser — John Barrymore  
 Ginny Simms — Lupe Vales

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