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Bamberg's First Annual Fair Was a Complete Success

Bamberg county's first annual fair week has come and gone; and in its wake it has left an unprecedented era of pride and confidence; pride in the splendid achievements of the past and present, and confidence in a glorious future progressiveness. For in the past there have been those who constantly mentioned a county fair for Bamberg, its possibilities and benefits, all knew we should have one; some knew we could have one; but nobody was big enough to take the lead and start the ball rolling. It required stout heart and noble effort, but this year the utopian dream was put into staunch reality; ideas ripened into accomplishments and air castles came down to earth. And though with but a few weeks to spare in which to perfect plans and arrangements Bamberg county's farmers exchange week has been a notable success from every angle and easily eclipsed anything ever before attempted in this county; it bids fair to quickly blossom into one of the state's greatest annual county fairs. For we came; we saw; we conquered; all skeptics must be convinced, and join with an abiding faith in the old slogan, "We can." The result speaks progress and development, and reflects unstinted praise, just pride, and magnificent credit upon those public spirited citizens who put across the movement. Every city official labored zealously for the success of the movement, and the organizers deserve the congratulations and commendation of every one enjoying any degree of civic pride in our county and community. Those who threw cold water on the undertaking and those individuals, organizations or institutions who did not put forth their efforts in this week for the betterment and uplifting of this community must now realize that they failed to avail themselves of a fine opportunity, and join hands next time, because while slow in starting, a continuation is now practically assured, thinking not of that slowness in the past, but working in the future with Longfellow's sentiments, "Let the dead past bury its dead."

Bamberg county has splendid schools, magnificent farms and other fine assets. And with our own ingenuity and resourcefulness, and the inspiration and confidence now ours, other county fairs will be made to look to their laurels. It does not require a statesman's foresight to conceive of regular nice exhibit buildings if such be necessary, and the exhibits themselves can be easily furnished. We have worth while industrial enterprises, great commercial interests, progressive banks and the richest farm lands in this section of the country capable of producing bountiful and varied crops. We have a dandy race track, a band, two grid-irons and several schools, both white and black, with creditable foot ball teams. There are moving pictures and parades of any and all kinds can be staged. Every description of instruction, interest, information, amusement and benefit can be and will be furnished right here on the spot, something for everybody, regardless of age, size, race, color, nationality, peculiar tastes, or previous condition of servitude. What was accomplished this year was all bundled up and done in a hurry, and this too makes the grand success attained all the more remarkable. So successful and so creditable were the efforts of those concerned that a brief concise review of events and doings of the fair week will not be amiss. This will be short.

In the large Farmers tobacco warehouse building some of the finest swine ever exhibited in this state, or in any other state for that matter, were to be seen. The poultry exhibition was good and beautiful; there were also pigeons and rabbits. Next year cages and other provisions will be made for this part of the show. The Denbow warehouse was literally filled with exhibits and displays of various kinds. The marketing plan was featured first, fresh quotations being obtained and furnished daily, and many producers profitably disposed of quantities of country produce. Every exhibit of the various private concerns and business can not be mentioned. Carlisle School had a creditable booth. The fancy work display was lovely. The negro exhibits showed up unusually well, fancy work, canned goods, embroidery and everything. Voorhees school did well. Everything on the farm, from the home and in business was there. The

METHODIST W. M. S.

Officers Elected for the Ensuing Year.
Mrs. W. O. Guess President.

The regular monthly meeting for December of the Woman's Missionary society of Trinity Methodist church was moved up slightly and was held at the church Tuesday afternoon. The subject under discussion at this meeting was the Jap-Korean question. The meeting was unusually well attended, the ladies' parlor of the church being filled with members. A rising unanimous vote of thanks and commendation was extended to the retiring president, Mrs. W. J. Snyder, for her splendid executive ability displayed in handling the affairs of the society since she assumed the leadership some months ago. The removal from the city of Mrs. Snyder necessitated her resignation. Accordingly, the election of officers was entered into, and the following named ladies were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Otis Guess; vice president, Mrs. J. W. Stokes; treasurer, Miss Llewellyn Cleckley; recording secretary, Mrs. Clarence R. Brabham, Jr.; corresponding secretary, Mrs. E. O. Kirsch; superintendent social service, Mrs. G. Frank Bamberg; superintendent publicity, Miss Bessie Lee Black; agent of Voice, Mrs. Reba Murphy; parsonage aid treasurer, Mrs. D. J. Delk; superintendent of juniors, Mrs. L. C. Smoak.

It was decided to make the January meeting a pledge meeting to be held in the church and to be conducted by Mrs. E. O. Kirsch; the hostesses selected for this meeting are Mesdames C. R. Brabham, Jr., J. C. Moye and J. J. Cleckley. The following named respective members were elected and agreed to conduct the other ten monthly meetings during 1922 in the order mentioned, no meeting being scheduled for the month of August, 1922: Mrs. G. C. Padgett, Mrs. J. W. Stokes, Mrs. H. N. Folk, Miss Gene Price, Mrs. Robert A. Delk, Mrs. J. J. Jones, Mrs. C. F. Gilchrist, Mrs. F. M. Moye, Mrs. L. C. Smoak and Mrs. J. T. Burch.

Art and antique booths were notably worth while and highly entertaining. The various clubs were nicely represented. At night the Midway furnished much fun and amusement for those who ventured out.

The occasion was ushered in early Tuesday morning with a very timely and appropriate speech by Mayor LaVerne Thomas. Then the sumptuous barbecue was enjoyed by thousands. On Wednesday the handsome parade of floats was witnessed by more people than ever before gathered together on Main street. The excellent horse races were the leading things Thursday. Wednesday afternoon there was a fine basket ball game between the girls of Bamberg and Orangeburg high schools. Free moving pictures were shown for the visitors daily at the La Victoire Theatre. Attempts were made to arrange a foot ball game between Carlisle and some other contestant, but the plans could not be perfected, and the Carlisle dress parade was also called off. More time will be afforded to arrange these matters in advance next year. And it is hoped that all schools will join more heartily in the week and that the Carlisle band might render some selections. Fine speeches on farm topics and boll weevil conditions were delivered to large and appreciative audiences on Wednesday and Thursday by two respective representative speakers from Clemson college, Dr. W. W. Long, and N. E. Winters. The big street dance scheduled for Thursday night probably would have been a huge success, but was abandoned out of respect for the memory of one of Bamberg's oldest residents who passed away that day.

Friday was entirely given over to the colored people who took advantage of the opportunity to reflect credit upon their race and conducted their affairs well. They pulled off a good parade, staged some good horse races and in the afternoon had a foot ball game at Rhoad park between Voorhees and Walker Baptist institute, an Augusta negro college. Negro boys of the Jenkins orphanage band of Charleston furnished the music for the week. All in all, it was a great, banner, gala week, one long to be remembered in Bamberg county, and from which we will go on and on to a greater Bamberg county fair each year to come. Organize; do it now.

BLACKVILLE BUREAU

Blackville, Dec. 6.—S. J. Eaves, formerly a resident of Barnwell county, but who moved to Augusta a good many years ago, died at his home in Augusta today after a two weeks illness of pneumonia. He was about 65 years old and a consistent member of the Baptist church. He is survived by his widow, who was Miss Sallie Still, of Barnwell county, and a number of deserving sons and daughters. U. M. Eaves is his only surviving brother. Funeral and interment will take place in Augusta tomorrow.

Clarence Pickling has returned from a business trip to Richmond. Mr. Harrison, from Varnville, was in Blackville today on professional business.

Mrs. Emma Halford, of Sumter, and little grand daughter, Miss Betty Halford, of Columbia, are visiting relatives in Blackville and Barnwell. Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Oakman, of Augusta, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Free last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Youngblood and family visited relatives at Kline last week.

The congregation of the Methodist church are delighted to have their same pastor, Rev. T. L. Glennan, returned to them for another year.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Cullum are receiving congratulations on the birth of a lovely little daughter on December 6, who will be called Allie Marie. Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Fanning are rejoicing over the possession of a fine son, who has been in authority in that home for three weeks.

Lartigue Sweat, of Boston, Ga., is the guest of his mother, Mrs. Agnes Sweat.

H. M. Tant, and his bride, who was Miss Ruby Darnell, of Norway, visited friends in Blackville last week. Friends of Master George Sanders will regret to learn that he is ill with scarlet fever, and hope for his speedy recovery.

Friends of Miss Bertha Delk will be glad to hear that she is improving after a very serious illness.

Wade Johnson, of Charleston, visited relatives here recently.

Madison Neeley, of Olar, was in town this afternoon.

Miss Eleanor Izlar has returned from a visit to Miss Minnie Hilton, of Augusta.

Davis-Lee U. D. C. chapter was delightfully entertained by Mrs. Hal D. Still Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Charley Martin was the charming hostess to the Wednesday Afternoon Book club last week.

This week's cold snap has added "dead pig" to the bill of fare in many homes here, and the odor of "chillings" permeates the air.

SNYDER GOES TO MCCOLL.

Associate Headmaster of Carlisle Resumes Pastoral Work.

The many friends of Rev. W. J. Snyder and his attractive and much beloved family will be interested to know that he is to resume pastoral work in the South Carolina conference. At the recent session of the conference in St. George, Rev. Mr. Snyder was assigned to the pastorate of the Methodist church in McColl. He is now arranging to move to McColl in the next week or two to assume his new duties.

A little more than a year ago Mr. Snyder was assigned to the position of associate headmaster of Carlisle school by the Upper South Carolina conference, of which he was a member. At that time he was connected with the business management of Lander college. His last pastoral work was done at Batesburg where he was and is held in the greatest affection.

Mr. Snyder and his family have made hundreds of staunch friends during their stay in Bamberg. He is recognized as being one of the ablest preachers in the conference. The need for pastors in the Methodist conference is very acute, and it was considered that the pastoral services of this able minister of God could not well be dispensed with longer. He is an efficient and indefatigable worker in any undertaking, and the McColl church is indeed very fortunate in having him assigned to that field of endeavor. The many friends of Mr. Snyder, his most estimable wife and attractive children keenly regret their removal from Bamberg, and wish them every happiness and success in their new home.

Lives of great men oft remind us that their lot was not sublime.

STATE NEWS

The annual conference of the Cumberland A. M. E. church was held in Aiken last week.

S. J. Link, merchant of Abbeville, shot himself in the head in his store Thursday. No motive for the deed is known. He was 55 years of age and highly respected.

The annual conference of governors convened in Charleston Monday morning. Thirty-two state executives have signified their intention of attending the conference.

Col. Holmes B. Springs, of Greenville, whose name has been frequently mentioned as a candidate for governor, has stated positively that he will not be in the race next summer.

The officers of Camden and Lancaster Friday made a raid and captured a complete liquor outfit, and fifty gallons of mash buried underground. A quantity of meal, sugar and molasses was confiscated.

Millions of pounds of tobacco have been signed in the Pee Dee for marketing through the cooperative marketing association. It said that the association now controls a big portion of the tobacco production of the state.

The South Carolina Methodist conference adjourned in St. George Sunday. It will meet next year in Marion. One of the notable results of the conference was the decision to insure the lives of all preachers of the conference for \$2,000 each.

The following were named as delegates from the South Carolina Methodist conference to the general conference in Hot Springs: Dr. D. M. McLeod, Dr. J. W. Daniel, Rev. C. E. Edwards, Rev. Peter Stokes, Leland Moore, B. Hart Moss, J. W. Ivey, and Charlton Durant.

The joint legislative committee has announced that its main proposal when the general assembly convenes will be to recommend a reduction in taxes in this state of at least one-third. It is expected that an eight-mill levy will be recommended. A saving of some \$2,000,000 will result to the people from the proposed reduction.

Monday Morning Matinee.

The mayor had his hands full again Monday morning, and this surplus cash of various and sundry offenders and breakers of the city ordinances certainly must be refreshing to the city treasurer in these times when some people can't even pay their light bills and city taxes. Each defendant paid the fine fixed. There were six cases in all, mostly of a minor nature, and the proceeds netted the city a total of \$35.

The first case was against W. H. Smead, charged with being drunk and disorderly. He was fined \$5 or sentenced to 30 days. Joe Kelly, a Denmark negro, was tried for being drunk and disorderly, and paid a fine of \$5 rather than hit the road for 30 days. W. D. Blume, charged with being drunk and disorderly, was fined \$10 or a sentence of 30 days. Lessie Peoples, a negroess, was fined \$5 or a sentence of 30 days for disorderly conduct. Hager Rivers, another daughter of Ham, was convicted of disorderly conduct, and paid \$5 in preference to doing 30 days. Rosa Smith, another negro woman of well known character about town, forfeited her bond of \$5 in the case against her for alleged disorderly conduct and operating a disorderly house.

St. George Casualties.

B. Hart Moss, a prominent Orangeburg lawyer, and for years one of the leading members of the bar of that city, sustained a severe injury while attending the recent South Carolina conference of the Methodist Episcopal church held at St. George. In almost total darkness Mr. Moss unfortunately walked into an open ditch in St. George and suffered a double fracture of his thigh. He has a number of friends in Bamberg who regret to learn of his misfortune and trust that he will soon be entirely recovered.

The Rev. J. K. Inabinett, of Garrettsville, also attending the conference on the same night in his capacity as a minister, suffering a similar accident to that of Mr. Moss and at identically the same spot. Mr. Inabinett was rendered unconscious, but fortunately no bones were broken and he was quickly revived and all right again except for a few minor bruises.

Somewhere on the route back from St. George one or two cars coming in this direction went into a ditch, one of them being that of C. R. Brabham, Jr., of Bamberg. The accident was not costly and nobody was hurt.

To Let Contract For Edisto River Bridge and Causeway Dec. 14th

WANT TO SUSPEND TRAINS.

Morning Passengers Nos. 9 and 10, Branchville to Augusta.

Of considerable interest to Bamberg is the announcement of the South Carolina railroad commission that an application has been filed with the commission by the Southern Railway company begging the privilege of suspending the operation of trains Nos. 9 and 10, between Branchville and Augusta.

The commission has set December 14 as the date on which a hearing will be held in regard to the matter, at which time representatives of the railroads and other interested parties will be heard in regard to the suspension of this train service.

Trains Nos. 9 and 10 are the early morning trains operating through Bamberg on the Southern. The 6.25 train brings to Bamberg the biggest first-class mail of the entire day, including the daily newspapers from Charleston and Columbia. While it may be possible to route the Columbia papers so as to reach Bamberg at 9.01, if these trains are taken off, it will mean that the Charleston papers will not arrive in Bamberg until 10:50 a. m. In fact, in the event of the suspension of these trains, Bamberg will be practically isolated so far as the daily newspapers are concerned until mid-forenoon, to say nothing of the fact that the town will be without first-class mail until 9 o'clock.

It was only recently arranged, through the efforts of Postmaster Knight to have a first-class mail delivery in Bamberg on the 6:27 train. The patrons of the postoffice have been greatly pleased, at this early morning mail service, which brings the bulk of the morning mail to Bamberg, thus affording business houses the opportunity of getting their mail when the various places of business are opened in the morning. It is not imagined that the public will relish the fact that this mail, so recently added, is to be suspended if the railroad commission allows the taking off of these trains.

The inconvenience to the traveling public will be equally as great. At present one may make an early trip to Augusta, Columbia, or Charleston, which will be impossible if this train service is suspended. These trains are also used more than any other in taking patients to the city hospitals, as they permit those interested to make a trip and return the same day.

SPECIAL CRIMINAL COURT.

Convenes in Bamberg Next Monday to Last One Week.

It has not been officially announced yet what judge will hold the special term of criminal court for Bamberg county for one week, which will convene here next Monday, the 12th. There are a number of big murder trials to come up at this term. All those likely to be tried, however, have already been indicted by the grand jury, so that it will not be necessary for that body to be called together at this time and the members of the grand jury do not have to report for duty at this term of court. The 36 petit jurors drawn for service are as follows:

John H. Wilson.	Fred Hutto.
J. R. LeCroy.	L. D. Kinsey.
Victor Whetstone.	Geo. W. Kearse.
R. E. Jennings.	H. R. Pearlstein.
W. E. Hightower.	B. M. Roberts.
C. E. Priester.	H. J. Carter.
W. L. Linder.	T. A. Hightower.
U. M. Carroll.	G. B. Kinard.
C. M. Varn.	John Padgett.
Grady McMillan.	J. O. Ritter.
Herbert Herndon.	Charlie Ayer.
G. E. Smoak.	F. M. Mcye.
Perry L. McMillan.	J. A. Folk.
Dave L. Smoak.	S. R. Copeland.
W. T. Sandifer.	G. W. Bessinger.
R. L. Lancaster.	Charlie M. Carter.
Arthur T. Freeman.	Earl Freeman.
L. L. Hightower.	W. H. Steedly.

Abraham Mayes, who was to have been electrocuted in Columbia Friday for alleged assault upon a Branchville woman, has been given a reprieve until February 3, that the governor may investigate more fully his appeal for commutation of sentence. The judge and nine of the jurors have petitioned the governor to commute the sentence to 40 years imprisonment.

The regular meeting of the Francis Marion Bamberg chapter of the U. D. C. will be held on Tuesday, December 13, at 3:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. C. J. S. Brooker and Mrs. Sallie Owens.

Notice has been given by the state highway department that on December 14th bids will be opened for the construction of a concrete reinforced bridge over the Edisto river and for the construction of the causeway leading to the bridge through the swamp, a distance of .858 mile. The estimated cost of these projects is over \$50,000.

The construction of the bridge over the Edisto river between Orangeburg and Bamberg counties the cost of which will be one-half divided between the two counties and one-half by the federal government, will be one of the biggest pieces of engineering ever done in this section of the state. The bridge will measure 613 feet in length. It is to be built in five spans, of reinforced concrete, one of the longest bridges in this section.

The causeway contract is to be let at the same time. This will commence at the edge of the swamp joining on to the Bamberg road. As heretofore stated, the road will follow the present right of way until the canal is reached. It there leaves the old right of way and goes straight across the swamp to the bridge site.

When these projects are completed, there will be an unbroken highway from Buford's Bridge to Orangeburg, and as links are now being built from Buford's Bridge to Sycamore, and from Orangeburg to Calhoun county line, there will soon be a completed highway from Sycamore to the Calhoun line.

The building of the road through the swamp and the construction of the long causeway through the swamp will take many months, and will give employment to a large force of hands.

The bridge construction will require 725 cubic yards of wet excavation, 140 cubic yards of dry excavation, 787.2 cubic yards of class "A" concrete, 105 cubic yards of class "B" concrete, 70.1 cubic yards of class "A" concrete (seals), 166,795 pounds of steel reinforcement, 1,226 square yards of bituminous pavement.

The road work involves the necessary clearing and grubbing of right of way, 2 acres of clearing and grubbing for surfacing pits, etc., 1,997 cubic yards of common excavation, and 4,530 lineal feet of mixing and shaping and sand-clay work.

Lees-Williston Road Contract.

In this connection, it is interesting to note that on December 22 the contract will be awarded for the construction of the Charleston-Augusta highway through Barnwell county, beginning at the county line near Lees and continuing to the county line just beyond Williston.

When this link is built, the Charleston and Augusta highway will be completed practically from Augusta to Bamberg, a distance of more than 60 miles, Aiken county having built this road several years ago from Williston to Aiken. Since then a magnificent highway has been built from Aiken to Augusta, though this was not done under federal aid, nor has this road been accepted by the state highway commission, but so far as travelers are concerned there will be a completed highway from Bamberg to Augusta.

As Bamberg county contemplates the building of the Charleston-Augusta highway from Bamberg to Edisto river next year, this road is being carried to Charleston rapidly, and will soon be a reality. The chain gang is now completing the road Denmark to Bamberg according to government specifications and with federal aid, and Contractor Mayfield has already completed the road from Denmark to Lees.

On Tuesday of last week the ladies of the Baptist W. M. S. were favored with an address by Mrs. George R. Davis, of Orangeburg. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. White, and a few business matters were dispensed with prior to the address.

Mrs. White then introduced the speaker, saying that in truth she needed no introduction, having been here on a former occasion. Mrs. Davis spoke very earnestly of our work at home and abroad, our needs, etc. She also stressed the work of our younger women, and their usefulness, and spoke in the highest terms of our own "Virginia Hill" who is soon to go to the "Foreign Fields." Mrs. Davis's talk was altogether instructive and uplifting, and inspires us to strive for greater and nobler things.—Cor. Sec.