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ROADS AND TAXES.

While our road to Columbia was in such a bad fix during the dry weather the repair bill for broken springs and other work on my car made necessary by the bad roads was more than my taxes," said a prominent citizen of Lexington to the editor of The Dispatch-News the other day.

There is hardly a doubt that the tax imposed by bad roads is greater than would be the tax necessary to put the roads in first class condition. If anyone, however, believes that good roads can be wished on the people by talking about them he is sadly mistaken. Before we can have roads we must be willing to pay for them. It is our belief that the people are willing to stand the expense necessary to build the roads, because they have been convinced that in the wind up it is cheaper.

If the automobile were confined to a few rich pleasure riders perhaps it wouldn't make so much difference. But as things now are the automobile is used by practically everybody. The great bulk of the taxpayers are users of automobiles and they have come to find out that they are paying the taxes—in the form of upkeep of their machines—without enjoying the many benefits that good roads confer—and they are willing to spend the money necessary to build the roads.

For these reasons it is, as State Senator Christensen recently pointed out, rather disappointing to find the General Assembly commission and Governor Cooper advocating a bill for passage at the next session of the general assembly which makes no provision for the levying of taxes or the issuing of bonds for road building. If such a measure is passed the State will simply lose another good year in which to get a start.

More and more, too, the truck is coming into use as a means of transportation, gradually taking the place of the horse-drawn vehicle and by degrees relieving the congestion of the railroads. The full benefit of the truck, however, can never be realized until we have built the roads which will withstand the increased year which their use means. In any system of building we had as well take cognizance of the truck and plan to build roads that will withstand them.

It has been thoroughly demonstrated that we cannot build and maintain good roads under the present system, and no amount of patchwork will remedy the condition. It will take money to build the roads. The people are willing for the money to be spent. What is needed is aggressive and progressive leadership. Sooner or later this will be had.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

Monday, November 3, the date set for the Compulsory Education Law to become effective for all schools in the county, will mark the dawn of a new day for education. A splendid spirit of cooperation and progress has resulted in the erection of modern attractive buildings in practically one half the districts in the county. Terms have been lengthened and better teachers secured in many instances. Certainly the people in these communities can not afford to and will not let this most commendable work cease and those who have not done so will very soon fall in line and place a good school taught by thorough, competent, and broad minded teachers in reach of every child. If the city is worthy of the opportunities offered by a nine months term not the rural child equally deserving?

However we may erect buildings, lengthen terms, and employ capable teachers and if we stop there, unfortunately, the black flag of illiteracy will still wave. One of the attendance officers of the county who has forty schools in his territory registered approximately 22,000 white children. Of this number 180 between the ages of seven and fourteen did not attend school a day last year. A larger number than the above attended for such a brief period that it was impossible for them to receive much benefit therefrom. Those who attend irregularly not only fail to derive any appreciable good from their attendance—their irregularity thoroughly disorganizes their classes and they become a deadweight to the progress of

the entire school. Unquestionably the people are impressed with this truth as never before. Their expression through the county is evidence of the fact that the interest in education far surpasses that which has existed in the past. Even parents who for various reasons have not sent their children to school have practically all expressed their approval of the attendance law and a record breaking attendance will certainly begin next Monday.

THE STATE FAIR.

Reports from Columbia are to the effect that the State fair this year is bigger and better than ever. The exhibits are reported by those who have so far attended as the best ever seen in many respects, the display of fine hogs surpassing anything heretofore shown at the fair. Time spent at the fair if properly utilized ought to be a profitable investment for every farmer interested in better farming. There can be had an excellent demonstration of what the best farmers in the State are doing in the way of growing better hogs and cattle. A sight of the best specimens of livestock and cattle and the contact with the men who are successfully developing those industries should be a help to every farmer who has any ambition to excel in his chosen calling.

If you have not done so already, take a day off and visit the State fair. Uncle Sam's batting average in the League of Nations is considerably below that which we maintained on the western front.

The fastest time recorded for crossing the continent is something over 25 hours, but that's slow compared with the speed with which the contents of a man's pay envelope can get away.

It is reported that many persons are quite willing to act as volunteer revenue officers—providing they are not compelled to destroy the confiscated stuff—too quickly.

Those Mexican bandits who are reported to have received \$150,000 in gold as ransom for a kidnapped American consular official at least show their true appreciation of the worth of an American. It would be possible to ransom the whole outfit in Mexico for that much money.

SPECIAL ATTENTION

SUBSCRIBERS

This is to notify all of the old subscribers due the Lexington Dispatch before the consolidation of which time there were numbers of balances due G. M. Harman individually, that he will accompany the County Treasurer on his rounds in the county as usual and will specially expect all those due said balances to meet me promptly, and settle.

G. M. HARMAN, Prop. Lex. Dispatch proper.

Accounts due the paper since the consolidation should be paid at the office or to Mr. Sligh or Mr. Walker, one of whom will accompany the treasurer on his rounds.

SLIGH & WALKER, Props. Dispatch-News.

EVEN THE MUD-TURTLE IS PLEASED WITH DISPATCH-NEWS

We have had numerous friends call in on business and pleasure and to compliment us on our paper, but one of the latest to call was a mud turtle, which came in Thursday and nestled quietly away in the corner. He, too, seemed well pleased with the Dispatch-News, or with the office at least, for it was with some difficulty that we persuaded him to leave. As a general rule we are glad to have all callers, but we hope to be down on the creek fishing when we meet the next turtle.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS.

All persons having claims or demands against the estate of James Edward Mathias, deceased, will present them, duly proven, to the undersigned on or before January 1, 1920, and all persons whatsoever owing the estate of the said James Edward Mathias, deceased, will please come forward and make payment thereof, without further notice.

SAMUEL B. GEORGE, Executor. Lexington, S. C., Oct. 16, 1919.

FINAL DISCHARGE.

Notice is hereby given that on Friday, the 28th day of November, I will apply to George S. Drafts, judge of probate for Lexington County, for final discharge as administrator of the estate of Thos. E. Wingard, deceased.

WILLIE A. WINGARD, Administrator Estate Thos. E. Wingard. Lexington, Oct. 29—4t.

ESTATE NOTICE.

The estate of the estate of Mrs. C. B. Mims, deceased, are hereby notified to render to the undersigned an account of their demands, duly attested: and all persons indebted to the said estate are notified to make payment likewise. All on or before January 1, 1920.

G. D. MIMS, Executor-Estate of Mrs. G. D. Mims, Deceased. October 29, 1919.

FINAL DISCHARGE.

Notice is hereby given that on Friday, the 12th day of December next, I will apply to George S. Drafts, judge of probate for Lexington County, for final discharge as administrator of the estate of Henry Dent, deceased.

C. M. EFIRD, Administrator Es. Henry Dent. Lexington, Oct. 29.—4t.

EXECUTORS' SALE.

Under and by virtue of an order issuing out of the Probate Court of Lexington County, the undersigned as Executors of the Estate of L. Jeff Shealy, deceased, hereby give notice that the following personal property of the said L. Jeff Shealy, deceased, will be sold at his late residence on Wednesday, November 5, 1919: 2 mules; 2 wagons, 1 buggy, 1 cow and 1 calf, farming implements, and other personal effects.

Terms: CASH. DRAYTON M. SHEALY, ADAM M. SHARPE, Executors. October 20, 1919.—2t.

ESTATE NOTICE.

The creditors of the estate of L. Jeff Shealy, deceased, are hereby notified to render to the undersigned, or to their Attorney, Cyrus L. Shealy, Lexington, S. C., an account of their demands, DULY ATTESTED; and all persons indebted to the said estate are notified to make payment likewise.—All on or before Jan. 1, 1920.

DRAYTON M. SHEALY, ADAM M. SHARPE, Executors, Est. of L. Jeff Shealy. October 20, 1919.—4tpd.

AUCTION SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.

Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, Nov. 12th, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder all the personal property of the Ballentine estate consisting of livestock, wagons, buggies, farming implements, household and kitchen furniture etc. Sale will be held at my place near St. John's church beginning at 10 o'clock. Terms cash.

J. S. BALLENTINE. 3t—p.

EXECUTORS SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

Under and by virtue of the authority in us vested by and under the last will and testament of Mrs. Carrie Adams, deceased, the undersigned will sell before the Court House door during the legal hours of sale at Lexington, S. C., on the first Monday in November A. D. 1919 at public outcry the following described real estate, to wit: All that piece, parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in Lexington County, South Carolina, containing one hundred and forty six acres, more or less, with all improvements thereon, the same being the Home Place of the late Mrs. Carrie Adams, adjoining lands of A. L. Bedenbaugh, Luther Oxner, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Smith, J. B. Adams, John Z. Swygert, J. A. Caughman and perhaps others.

This is highly improved, fertile land. It has a fine home on it and a large, well arranged arn and out houses and tenant houses. Terms of sale, Cash, purchaser to pay for papers and revenue stamps.

A. L. BEDENBAUGH, C. I. MORGAN, PIERCE LEAPHART, Executors. Oct. 21, 1919.—2t.

WANTS

FOR RENT—The farm of the late Dedrick L. George. Located on 12 mile creek, 1 mile from Lexington. 30 acres of land open suitable for grain, corn and cotton, good pasture, 8 room dwelling, good barns and out buildings, 2 wells of water, good orchard, electric lights and telephone in house, on free delivery line. Apply at once to Mrs. D. L. George, Lexington, S. C. R. F. D. 5. 3t

PERSONAL PROPERTY SALE.

I will sell at Public Auction at my place on Monday, November 10, 1919, beginning at 10 A. M. four (4) good young mules, two (2) milch cows, some hogs, two (2) two horse wagons, two (2) buggies, one (1) Ford touring car and other things.

R. F. D. 2, Gilbert, S. C. 2t-c

Announcements

FOR MAYOR.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for mayor of the town of Lexington and pledge myself to abide by the result of the coming primary election.

J. Arthur Harman.

We beg to announce as a candidate for Mayor in the coming election Sam J. Long, believing that he will fill the office with credit.

MANY FRIENDS.

We hereby announce L. P. Lowman as a candidate for mayor of the town of Lexington.

MANY FRIENDS.

FOR ALDERMEN.

The friends of B. R. Harman respectfully submit him a candidate for Alderman in the coming town election.

FRIENDS.

The many friends of Mr. Sexton George, believing that he will give the town good service, beg to announce his name as a candidate for alderman in the coming election.

MANY FRIENDS.

We offer as a candidate for Alderman in the town election the name of Sidney Steele, believing that he will render a faithful account of his trust.

VOTERS.

We offer as a candidate for alderman of the town of Lexington the name of J. E. Kammer, believing that it will meet with the approbation of his fellow townsmen.

FRIENDS.

Knowing his business ability, we the friends of H. A. Roberts propose his name as a candidate for alderman in the town election.

TAXPAYERS.

Notice of Election

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the town hall in the Town of Lexington on Monday, the 10th day of November, 1919, for the election of a Mayor and six aldermen for the town of Lexington, to serve as such, for a term of two years beginning on the said 10th day of November, 1919. Polls will be opened at eight o'clock a. m. and will close at four o'clock p. m. The following named parties have been appointed as managers of said election and empowered to hold said election under the laws regulating the same, to wit: M. D. Harman, J. J. Bickley, and James E. Rawl.

T. R. KEISLER, Mayor. Attest: JOE M. CAUGHMAN, Town Clerk. October 20, 1919.—2t.

CLASSIFIED COLUMN

RATES: One Cent a word each insertion. No ad taken for less than 25 cents.

If you have anything for sale—whether land, livestock or whatnot; if you need help or want to rent a farm; if you have lost anything or if you have something else to advertise try the classified column of The Dispatch-News.

IT HAS PAID OTHERS AND WILL PAY YOU

HELP WANTED

SALESMAN WANTED—To solicit orders for lubricating oils, greases and paints. Salary or commission. Address the Lenox Oil and Paint Co., Cleveland, O. 1tp.

WANTED—Man with a small family to live with me and rent land during 1920. If interested call on or write Mrs. Willie A. Wingard, Lexington, Rt. 2. 1tpd.

LOST AND FOUND

TAKEN UP—A red mare mule was taken up near Cayce by undersigned. Owner can get same by paying cost. A. D. Ellisor, Brookland, S. C. 1tp.

TAKEN UP—Pig weighing about 75 pounds. Owner can have same by proving property and paying costs. S. J. Roof, Lexington, Cromer Settlement. 2tc.

STRAYED—From my place on two Notch Road, on Route four, three white and black spotted pigs, weighing about 60 pounds. Finder will confer favor and will be paid all damages by Perry L. Dooley, Route 4, Lexington, S. C. 2tp.

LOST—School day at County Fair, between fair house and poultry house, pocketbook containing five dollar bill and small change. Finder please return bill to box 64, Route 4, Lexington, S. C. 1tpd.

FOUND—Near Augusta road, about three miles from Lexington, two bicycle wheels. Owner can have same by proving property within 15 days and paying expenses. Roy Megett, Gilbert, S. C. 2tpd.

STRAYED—Black and white spotted male pig, weight about 25 pounds. Notify Clarence Price, Gilbert, Rt. 3. 50c—2tp.

AUTOMOBILES.

FOR SALE—Two second hand Ford cars in good condition. Lexington Auto Co., Lexington, S. C.

FOR SALE—Two Ford touring cars in good shape. T. S. Garrett, at Mrs. B. D. Clark's, Lexington. 2tp.

MISCELLANEOUS.

FARMING IMPLEMENTS FOR SALE—The following implements of the late John M. Caughman, including disc harrows, plows, plowstocks, cultivators, etc., are now offered for sale. Parties desiring to buy same at a bargain, apply to J. S. Caughman or Joe M. Caughman.

FOR RENT—One horse farm one mile from Chapin, on Lexington road. Apply to P. B. Lindler, Chapin, S. C.

LIVE STOCK AND PETS

FOR SALE—Jersey cow with young heifer; cow gentle and good milker. Will sell with or without calf. J. J. Gunter, Lexington, Rt. 2. 3t-p.

FOR SALE—Young talking Parrots only \$12.50 each. Only few left for this season. Guaranteed to talk, whistle and sing. Guinea Pig, \$1.95 per pair, order direct from Ad. Bowman's Rabbit Farm, Lexington, S. C.

FOR SALE—One good work horse about 7 years old. Jas. F. Lown, Lexington, S. C. 3tp.

BAY MARE FOR SALE—Good buggy horse and a good trotter has been driven in foul and won. Apply to J. E. Bouknight, R. F. D. 2 Columbia, S. C. 2tpd.

FOR SALE—One good grade cow with two months' old calf. Both for \$100. J. W. Crosland, Gilbert, S. C. 4tp-52

HOGS FOR SALE—Thoroughbred Duroc boar, 15 months old 1 thoroughbred sow ready bred to the above named boar. 2 half Poland China sows bred to the above. 15 good pigs 3 months old. 1 thoroughbred Duroc gilt 7 months old. If interested apply to, L. W. Gardner, Pelion, S. C. 4t-ch

PERSONAL.

WIDOW and maiden worth over 50,000 anxious to marry honorable gentlemen. Write, Mrs. W. Warn, 2216 1-2 Temple, Los Angeles, Cal. 4t-3.

BUSINESS NOTICES

VERY SPECIAL—Ladies all wool fine plush dresses, \$12.50. Ladies Tricotine dresses, \$12.50. Fine beaded Georgette dresses, \$19.50. One lot ladies fine cloth coats, \$9.95. One lot ladies very fine broadcloth coats, \$26.50. Ladies very fine all silk hose \$1.95. Ladies Union Suits, 50c and \$1.00 each. Hundreds of coats and dresses arrived this week. Our store is surely the wonder store. Prices lower than 5 years ago on many articles. Furtick's Sample Store, corner Gervais and Gates.

FRESH MEAT—I wish to announce that I have opened up a first class meat market at the old town market, where I will on Saturdays only have on hand a fresh supply of first class beef and pork to supply my customers. If you have first class beef cattle or hogs for sale you will do well to see me before selling, as I will pay good prices. All orders received will be given best attention. Justice Wingard. 1tp.

REAL ESTATE.

ONE good two horse farm for rent or lease. Two good mules for sale if party renting place has his own stock. Miss Margaret J. Hegman, Rt. 2, Lexington. 2tp.

FOR SALE—The estate lands of S. P. Craps, divided into two tracts 48 and 55 acres, will be sold to the highest bidder at the home place on November 15, 1919. A good house and plenty water on each tract, near Cedar Grove church and school. Terms cash. Heirs of estate of S. P. Craps. 3tc.

FOR SALE—Two four room cottages, one seven room cottage. One two story eight room dwelling. All of them exceptionally well located and offered at a bargain. See for yourself. L. S. Trotti, c/o Brookland Bank, New Brookland, S. C.

FOR SALE—Three farms. These are the best I have ever had to offer. Lexington is the county to farm in and be happy. L. S. Trotti, c/o Brookland Bank, New Brookland, S. C.

FOR SALE—5 1-2 acres, about mile from Brookland, in what is known as "Happy Town" for good farming land. Bargain for quick buyer. Apply to D. E. Amick, Lexington, S. C. 2tpd

FOR SALE—125 acres of land, three miles southwest of Peak, S. C. Good dwelling, two tenant houses, two wells, a lot of original timber, long leaf pine, oak and plenty of litter; good pasture with live stream. This is very cheap. For further information apply to J. O. Chapman, Peak S. C. 2tc.

FOR SALE—REAL ESTATE—I have for sale a desirable house and lot in the town of New Brookland. Lot is 42 x 136 feet. Rents well and in good locality. A bargain for immediate CASH sale. Price is low. See me. Cyrus L. Shealy, Attorney, Lexington, S. C. 2tc.

FOR SALE—125 acres heavily wooded and timbered land, four miles from Chapin; also some choice residence lots and small farms near Brookland. C. M. Dempsey, "The Land Man," Columbia, S. C. 4tp-1

FARM LANDS FOR SALE—600 acres sub-divided into 50-acre tracts. Good land with plenty of long leaf pine timber, near Gilbert, S. C. Prices and terms right. Dr. P. A. Smith, Gilbert, S. C.

FOR SALE—100 acres, on Augusta road, six miles from Lexington; 35 acres cleared balance woods; fine orchard, good water, six room house and outbuildings. George C. Kammer, Gilbert, S. C. Rt. 3. 3t-p-99c

FOR SALE—Fifty acres land in woods five miles south of Gilbert. A good bargain for cash. Call on or write, John L. Croust, Gilbert Rt. 1. 6t-1p

FOR SALE—100 acres land near Steedman, in three-fourths mile of railroad; good dwelling and necessary outbuildings; 50 acres cleared, balance in woods. Two mules, good two-horse wagon, farming implements, corn and fodder. James Hall, Jr., Steedman, Rt. 1. 8tp-1

SALE OF LAND On the first Monday in November, 1919, being the third day thereof, immediately after the public sales we will sell before the Court House door at Lexington, S. C., to the highest bidder for cash, the following tract of land, to wit: "All that piece, parcel or tract of land, situate, lying and being in Lexington County, in the State aforesaid, containing Seventy and three-fourths acres, more or less, and bounded by Purvis Sumner, Viola Hayes, Ellen Summers, Walter Leaphart, and J. F. Smith, as shown by plat thereof made by L. L. Lown, surveyor, August 22, 1919." This place has a new three room dwelling house with double chimney on it, well watered and located five miles west of Lexington and within a quarter of a mile of the Columbia-Augusta National Highway. A. D. MARTIN T. C. STURKIE