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IN MEMORIAM

Elizabeth Bowen

For a child to be universally mourned she must have been beloved by all who had known her. The heads of all who knew her were bowed in genuine grief, the hearts of all who loved her were wrung with unutterable sorrow when they learned that little golden-haired, blue-eyed Elizabeth, daughter of R. Edward and Mary E. Bowen, had fallen into everlasting slumber.

On Tuesday evening, for the first time in her life, she was touched by the hand of disease, and on Saturday morning, when the sun flooded the hills with the golden light of day and the winds brought the first cold blast of winter, her drooping eyes were closed for the last time, and her soul, with the spirit of the last flowers of autumn, passed into the Great Beyond. Yesterday, a perfect Sabbath and a perfect day, we who loved her laid the little body of her to rest at Liberty in view of the spot where, five years before in September past, her body and spirit first blossomed into our hearts and lives. We laid her to rest, and Nature, in whose arms she sleeps, in the silent hours of the night, while the world slept and the angels watched, silently and tenderly drew a soft blanket of downy white about her and kissed her into blissful dreams of Heaven. As we watch the drifting snow we can but think that it is a tribute of love from Nature, typifying the purity and holiness of this angel child.

Her soul is released from the fetters of clay. It is not given us to know why she was taken, but surely the Master has some mission in the vast Unknown for her spirit to perform which she could not accomplish while imprisoned in the flesh.

James Earle Hagood

Ruling Elder James Earle Hagood was born at Old Pickens on April 23, 1853. His parents were James Earle Hagood, Sr., and Esther Robinson, his wife. His father was clerk of the District Court of Pickens, which then included the territory now known as Oconee county and Pickens county.

In 1873 his father removed from the Piedmont region to Charleston, taking his family, and they resided there until 1903, when they returned to the present county seat of Pickens county. In 1893 James Earle Hagood, Jr., made his home in Easley, S. C., where he lived until his death on the 13th of November, 1916. He made a profession of his faith in our Lord Jesus Christ in his early manhood in Charleston and was received into the Methodist Episcopal church, South. In December, 1889, he was received by letter into the Presbyterian church at Pickens court house, and on October 8, 1893, he was received by letter into the communion of the Presbyterian church at Easley, S. C. On September 22, 1890, he was elected to the eldership of the Easley church, and was ordained December 3 of the same year. For a number of years he was superintendent of the Sunday school.

On September 4, 1895, he was married to Miss Dora Folger. He is survived by his widow and one son, Ben F. Hagood. Mr. Hagood was greatly beloved, not only by the inner circle of his family and relatives, but by a large circle of friends. He had qualities that made him popular with all who knew him. In 1910, in the city of Greenville, he was stricken with paralysis and his vigor has stealthily and steadily declined until he was finally called into rest November 18, 1916.

Mr. Hagood loved the church. Rarely was his place vacant at any service to the very last, and in recording the deep sense of our loss the session places on record with profound confidence its well-founded hope that he is now entering with fuller joy into the services of the church triumphant.

By order of the session,
C. D. WALLER, Moderator.
W. M. HAGOOD, Clerk.

Honor Roll Dayton School

Following is the honor roll of Dayton school for the month of December:

First Grade—Queenie Burrus, Rema Burrus, Elizabeth Couch.

Second Grade—Ruth Couch.

Third Grade—Lola Tompkins, May Tanner, Clarence Tompkins, Carl Tanner.

Fourth Grade—Bessie Burrus, Bertha Burrus.

Fifth Grade—Roy Burrus, Priscilla Findley, Clyde Tompkins.

Sixth Grade—Willie Burrus.

Seventh Grade—True Tompkins, Delia Thompson.

Eighth Grade—Vernon Leslie.
ADA H. MILLER, Principal.
GERTRUDE FOSTER, Assistant.

MR. MILLER AND MR. EVANS Exchange Spicy Letters

John Gary Evans, chairman of the state democratic executive committee of South Carolina, recently wrote a letter to Joel H. Miller of Easley, in reply to a newspaper article by Mr. Miller. Mr. Evans requested that his letter be made public. In accordance with Evans' request, Mr. Miller has given the whole correspondence to the press, and it makes spicy reading, in addition to presenting a review of the action of the state democratic executive committee in refusing a hearing on the charges of fraud which were offered in connection with the recent primary.

The correspondence, which, as is shown by Mr. Evans' letter, is published in accordance with his request is as follows:

Easley, S. C., Nov. 16, 1916.
Hon. Jno. Gary Evans, So-Called Chairman State Democratic Executive Committee, Spartanburg, S. C.
Sir—I have your letter of November "11," which, I presume, means 11. I quote your letter in full, because I expect to turn my letter over to the press for publication, as suggested in your letter, and in this manner the record will be complete. You address me as follows:

"Mr. Joel Miller, Easley, S. C.:
My dear Mr. Miller—My attention has been directed to an article published by you in 'The Anderson Tribune,' entitled 'Card From Mr. Miller.'
"In this article you state: 'I have investigated this question with many others from the different counties of the state. What did we last see to our surprise? That there were about 1,500 sworn complaints that came before the state executive committee to be investigated.' What did they do? I will tell you what happened and what we did."
"In the first place, when the chairman of the state committee moved for a protest and contest in the election for governor, not a single voice was raised, not a sworn complaint was presented, not a single affidavit or any other complaint, verbal or written, was presented upon which the state committee could take any action. On the contrary, Mr. Ritchie signed the report presented by the sub-committee to the general committee in which it was declared that Mr. Manning had been nominated by the democratic primary. Mr. Ritchie stated that when the question was presented that he could not vote for it for the reason that he had seen evidence of improper practices used in the election. He did not produce any evidence at this time upon which the committee could act, and the question being upon the adoption of the report, the chairman ruled it out of order and any other question that had not been properly presented. The chairman further ruled that if Mr. Ritchie desired he could give his reason for not supporting the resolution. The resolution was adopted and neither Mr. Blease nor any friend of his on the committee ever offered any evidence of fraud upon which the committee could act.

"I believe that you are honest and mean to do what is right, but I am satisfied that you have been deceived as to the truth of this matter. I am sure that if you had informed yourself, instead of blaming the committee you will condemn Mr. Blease and his so-called friends who have tried to deceive you and other honest men of this state as to the truth of the facts in this matter. I hope you will correct your statements, as there is no foundation for them, and in justice to the committee you will make this letter public.

"With best regards,
"Yours very truly,
"JNO. GARY EVANS."

In reply to your letter, I beg to say that you most assuredly misstate the facts, but I am not surprised at that. The truth of the matter, as you know, is as follows:

Six members of the state democratic executive committee voted as a protest against the nomination of Mr. Manning. The statement submitted by Mr. Ritchie was the statement of all six of these gentlemen, and reads in part as follows—and I quote from the Columbia State, which denounced you in 1896 as bitterly as ever man was denounced, but which seems to be your spokesman now.

In the Columbia State of Wednesday morning, September 20, 1916, it is stated: "When the committee reported, Mr. Ritchie said that he had signed the report, but could not vote for its adoption. He read a statement alleging, on information and belief, the use of whiskey and money in favor of Mr. Manning. Six members voted against declaring Mr. Manning the nominee. . . . Those voting against the adoption of the report were" . . . the

members from Anderson, Clarendon, Laurens, Newberry, Union and York. In the statement read by Mr. Ritchie—and I quote again from the Columbia State—it was stated:

"I take it that no democrat would want to take his nomination if a great majority of the electorate should honestly believe that he was taking a tainted nomination. I have here affidavits and letters from different parts of the state, from men of unquestioned integrity, which set forth that money, whiskey, coercion and intimidation were used in the primary election held on the 12th day of this month, and in several instances that names were placed on the club rolls on the day of the primary, and that boxes were opened before the time provided by law so that a number of men might vote and that ballots were fraudulently changed in order to bring about Mr. Manning's nomination for governor. These affidavits and letters are here in the original and will be read to the committee if it so desires; and every mail brings additional evidence of the same character."

Those affidavits were in your committee room in the possession of those six members, and this statement of Mr. Ritchie's, which was adopted by the other members of the committee which formed the minority of six, offered this proof to your committee, as is shown by the facts, and your committee, or a majority thereof, refused to receive it. I repeat—these affidavits and letters and telegrams, to the number of more than 1,400, were in the committee room at the time, in possession of these six committeemen, and were offered to your committee, and refused to receive them or to hear them read in your presence, and you as state chairman ruled out all references to them.

Notwithstanding the fact that even the Columbia State says there were charges of fraud, you say that nothing was presented upon which the state committee could take any action. Certainly not. You and your crowd would not have taken action against Manning if our Savior had been present and said there was fraud. Of course Mr. Blease has never offered any evidence of fraud because he has sense enough to know that, no matter how strong a case you might make out, you and your crowd would have decided against him. Your actions heretofore had shown that, and why should he go before your committee when he knew that it would be a whitewash, and that you all would hold up your hands and holler "Oh yes, we have investigated the matter and there is no fraud."

You were afraid of it and you dodged it. So be a man and acknowledge it. You say that you believe I am honest and mean to do what is right. I thank you and regret that I can not return the compliment. You may be honest, and you may mean to do what is right, but your humble servant is convinced to the contrary. As matter of fact, I prefer to believe your Columbia State of 1896 in regard to you than your Columbia State of today in regard to you, because I am convinced that the facts show that the first judgment of the Columbia State in regard to you was the more nearly correct.

You say that if I had informed myself, that instead of blaming the committee I would condemn Mr. Blease. No, sir. When he found that he was robbed, he sat silent and made no protest or contest—did not open his mouth—and only when the reform convention was called and he was requested to address it, did he ever say yea or nay in reference to the election.

You say you hope I will correct my statements. There is nothing to correct. Every one of them is true. Your committee refused to investigate fraud when the charges were made openly and directly to you by six of your members, and this fact you can not dodge, however you may attempt to do so.

I have no apologies to make to you or anybody else. There was fraud in the primary, proof of which was offered you as the head of the party in this state, and you and your committee refused to investigate it. Manning accepted it, and took the office under such a cloud as no other democrat has ever taken an office in this state. That is the truth, and your denial at this late day, in the face of the positive evidence as written by your own spokesman, the Columbia State, will not convince anybody to the contrary. You know that if you had investigated those charges of fraud, Manning's election must have been declared illegal by your committee if there was one spark of honesty, left among a majority of your members, as it is known to be illegal by a majority of the white democrats of this state.

I have been your friend, and have supported you in the past, but must regret that I can never do so, in view of your arbitrary rulings, against fairness and justice and honesty, in the past campaign.

Yours very truly,
(Signed) JOEL H. MILLER.

HON. W. E. FINDLEY



William Elbert Findley, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Findley, was born in Pickens county, near Glassy mountain, May 20, 1881. He attended the schools in the community, then entered the University of South Carolina and graduated with the degree of A. B. in 1905. He taught in the university and studied and in 1907 took his A. M. degree. He then entered the law office of the late Julius E. Boggs of Pickens, where he studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1908. He was married to Miss Essie, eldest daughter of the late Dr. George W. Earle of Pickens in November, 1909. This union has been blessed with three bright children—two boys and a girl.

Mr. Findley has large farming interests which he looks after himself, besides his law practice. He is regarded as a safe lawyer. He seeks to put law on a high plane. He has a discriminatory mind, presents his cases clear before the court, and makes a splendid advocate at the bar.

Being strictly honorable, upright and of the cleanest morals, he will seek to represent his people in the legislature to the very best of his ability. We are fully satisfied that the interests of Pickens county will be safe in the hands of Mr. Findley. It will be of interest to our older people to know that he is a great grandson of Col. W. Elbert Welborn, so well and favorably known by our older people, and like Colonel Welborn, he is especially fond of horseback riding.

Luther W. Pickens

Luther W. Pickens, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Pickens, was born in Anderson county about forty years ago. When he was a boy his father moved to Easley, where young Pickens grew to manhood. He graduated from the Easley high school and has since been storing his mind with useful knowledge. He is a student of men and books. He is familiar with the current literature of the day, and he is without doubt one of the best informed men of his age in the county. Mr. Pickens is one of the descendants of Gen. Pickens of Revolutionary fame, and Gov. Pickens of Civil War fame, and there is no reason why Luther should not become as useful in his day as they were in theirs.

When quite a young man Mr. Pickens was married to Miss Esther Johnson of Easley. His wife died several years ago. He has one little boy. He has never married again. Mr. Pickens is a business man, having merchandised with his father and brother in Easley. He also lived in Macon, Ga., for some time, where he was engaged in business. Mr. Pickens is very popular among our people, as was evidenced by the large vote he received. He was elected in the first primary. We have no fear but what the interests of Pickens county will be looked after and cared for by Mr. Pickens, Mr. Findley and the old true and tried Senator W. T. O'Dell.

Six Mile News

Rev. Stringfield preached a very instructive sermon at Six Mile Sunday last. It is understood that Mr. Stringfield and family will move within a short time to our village and we welcome them.

Garcie Lee, who has been in college at Greenville, is reported very sick with measles. Mrs. Lee, his mother, went to Greenville to attend him during his illness. His friends hope for him a speedy recovery.

S. E. Mauldin and family will move in a few days to the Mountain View section.

Lawrence Dillard, who is teaching the Ruhama school, was with homefolks last Sunday.

George Kennemur of Reeds Springs, Mo., who has been spending several weeks with relatives, has returned home.

Pickens Contributes Liberally

It took Hon. A. J. Boggs only a short while to collect fifteen dollars in Pickens as this good town's part in wiping out the Democratic campaign fund deficit. If every town has done as well in proportion the deficit should be wiped out by now. The money has been forwarded to Congressman-elect Dominick, who will turn it over to the treasurer of the campaign fund. Following are the contributors:

W H Chastain	\$1.00
R R Roark	1.00
T H Stewart	.50
N A Christopher	1.00
R T Hallum	.50
H E Seaborn	.50
R E Bruce	1.00
R A Craig	.50
J N Hallum	.50
J D Yongue	1.00
J A H Townes	.25
Jas. P. Carey	1.00
T B Newberry	.50
J A Bowen	.25
O S Stewart	1.00
John C. Carey	1.00
A J Boggs	4.00
Total	\$15.00

Several of these gentlemen also contributed to the campaign fund before the election.

Honor Roll Norris School

Following is the honor roll of Norris school for the month of November:

First Grade—Helen McWhorter, Frank Clardy, George Clardy, Ruby McQueen.

Advanced First Grade—Henry Entekin, Lance McWhorter, Grace Kirby.

Second Grade—Rosa Bell Rice, Lottie Alexander, Edward Bowen, Bud Johnson.

Third Grade—Clyde Entekin, Minnie McQueen, Pauline Gaines, Lizzie Blackersby, Louise Boozer, Annie Belle Entekin, Raymond McWhorter.

Fourth Grade—Catherine Bowen, Resie Baker, Pearl Owen, Ruby Owen, James Dunn.

Fifth Grade—Cecil Young, Alton Mullinax, Norene Johnston.

Sixth Grade—Lizzie Entekin, Lillian Johnston, J. P. Garvin, Huston Alexander, Olive Alexander.

Seventh Grade—John Entekin, Ellen Tate, Eunice Baker, Clifton Mullinax.

Eighth Grade—Lola Baker.

Ninth Grade—Willie Kelley, Garland Leopard.

Tenth Grade—Josie Garrett.

L. E. KIRBY, Principal.

Pickens Mill Notes

(Too Late for Last Week)

Dear Sentinel: I thought I would write you just a line or two to let you know that our village is on the map.

On the evening of December 9 the young people gave an entertainment in the new school auditorium. The farce, "Packing the Missionary Barrel", by the following young ladies: Misses Ellen Adams, Essie Evans, Clovie Evans, Pearl Swayingham, Bessie Parsons, Leona Swayingham, Katie Pace, Lillian Pace, Mamie Porter, and Miss Esther Edens, was well given. "Dat Famous Chicken Debate" by Messrs. Joe Bagwell, Charley Johnson, Clarence Holder and Elford Porter, was much enjoyed. Music by the band was another interesting feature.

We had the pleasure, last Sunday, of entertaining the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union in its quarterly meeting. These women were greatly saddened by the death of their leader, Mrs. C. E. Watson. Mrs. Watson had been assigned a large part on the program for the day, and her death—occurring on the day previous to the meeting—cast a gloom over the entire meeting. However, the children brightened up things with their songs and recitations.

Mr. George D. Brown, superintendent of mill schools, visited our village last week.

Little Lois Pace, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pace, is quite ill of pneumonia.

A CORRESPONDENT.

The Sentinel's Honor Roll

New subscribers last week:
E W Pickens, J M Dodson, E N Jones, G C Chastain, W P Sidwell, J T Adams, C L Ragsdale, J N Ragsdale, J N Gilstrap, H S Rapp, J H Porter, J R Porter, S N Bolding, C O Simmons, L P Stephens, C E Dalton, J D Blandon, J L Cantrell, W R Merck, W P Dacus, Mrs Ina Dacus, R E Whitlock, Oscar McDonald, J T Turner, J A Mullinix, Jesse M Bolding, J T Atkinson, J W Bryant, R A Mauldin, Mitchell Chappell, Robt. Gillespie, Butler Smith, H E Miller, S A Roper, Ray Lynch.

Renewals:
G R Grant, A W Blainebone, (col), Jas. A Edens, Jake Gillespie, D Z Pressley, M O Looper, M T Smith, S C Arnold, T J Mauldin, Mrs. E R Porter, C M Mauldin, A P Alexander, J R Burgess, Mrs. Leona Higgins, W F Haynes, Rev. W C Seaborn, Frank Rosemond, (col), Robt. Stewart, Mrs. E M Jones, W A White, P T Nelson, C W Hunter, A P DuBose, W H Crane, Mrs. J N Morgan, W H Ellenburg, J A Parsous, J J Aiken, W B Heister, Isaac Nimmons, W B Nimmons, J J Chastain, J H Chapman.

MARRIAGES

Married, by Judge J. B. Newberry, at his residence, December 17, Miss Minnie Watson and W. J. F. Smith of Pickens route 5.

Married, by Judge J. B. Newberry, at his residence, December 7, Miss Agnes Fortner and Mr. J. C. Connor, of Greenville route 7.

Married, December 24, 1916, at the Presbyterian manse, Liberty, by Rev. John C. Bailey, Mr. Wyatt Farr and Miss Janet Couch.

Married, December 24, 1916, at the Presbyterian church, Central, by Rev. John C. Bailey, Mr. W. P. Reynolds and Miss Ola Pressley.

Last Sunday, December 24, 1916, at the home of the bride's parents, Miss Lillie Nix, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Nix, was happily married to Mr. Grady, Reece, Rev. B. G. Field officiating. Many congratulations were tendered the couple.

A double wedding occurred at the Pickens court house last Wednesday, December 20, when Judge J. B. Newberry married, with one ceremony, Miss Fannie Gunter and Mr. John Taylor of Easley, and Miss Owie Wyatt and Mr. William Stansell, also of Easley.

Married, at the home of the bride on December 24, Mr. David E. Pressley to Miss Bessie Dickard. The bridegroom is the youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. D. Z. Pressley, while his bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dickard of Liberty route 3. Rev. W. M. Walker performed the ceremony.

Married, December 17, 1916, at his residence in Central, by J. B. Johnston, N. P., Mr. W. A. Cothran and Miss Viola Herd. Mr. Cothran is a prosperous young farmer of Calhoun. Miss Herd is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herd of Central. They have the best wishes of their numerous friends for a long and prosperous life.—Easley Progress.

The many friends of the contracting parties will read with interest the marriage of Mr. Clarence Skelton to Miss Carrie Kelley and Mr. Martin Mitchell to Miss Angie Kelley, which took place at the home of the brides December 10, 1916. The brides are sisters and are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Elisha Kelley of Central route 2. The two couples were married under the same ceremony in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends. The double ceremony was performed by Rev. J. R. Davis who, with the happy couples' many friends, wish them a long and prosperous life.

A most beautiful wedding occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Lewis, near Pickens, December 17, at 9.30 a.m., when their daughter, Miss Lillie, became the bride of Mr. John Bolding, Rev. C. R. Abernombie officiating. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Bolding of the Mountain View section and is a young man of very bright and noble traits. The bride is the third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Lewis and is a charming young lady, numbering her friends by her acquaintances. The waiters on this young couple were Mr. Robert Welborn, Miss Bessie Lewis, Mr. Sargent Griffin and Miss Irene Bolding. Several other friends and relatives were also present. Mr. and Mrs. Bolding received many nice presents, and immediately after the ceremony they all went to Mountain View for services, and after services were dismissed they returned to the home of the bride's father for dinner, where all kinds of delicious foods were served. In the afternoon there was some good singing, led by Prof. R. M. Bolding. Mr. Bolding has just completed a nice dwelling house near J. M. Garrett's store, where they will make their future home immediately after Christmas. The happy young couple has the congratulations of their many friends.

ONE PRESENT.

Liberty Is Dairying Center

A Liberty special to the Greenville News says: Liberty is becoming quite a center for the dairying industry. There are now five dairies whose products is shipped from here. The largest of these is the Liberty Dairy and Stock Farm, H. C. Shirley being the proprietor. This dairy is about one and a half miles from town and is situated in the center of a 700-acre tract. Mr. Shirley has 60 head of cattle, many of which are registered Jerseys. He has a steam engine which is used in operating the cream separators, the pumping of water and other things about the dairy. He is a great believer in silos and the feeding of silage and clover for dairy cattle. Mr. Shirley has been operating this dairy for eight years, being the pioneer along the dairying line in this section.