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LAURENS, S. C., MAY 10, 1916.

The Advertiser has nothing to do with the different conclusions drawn by Mr. Albert and Mr. Dial from their figures on the city water and electric light plant. However, since the Advertiser has always contended that the city is, or was, paying dearly for its power and water service, its silence now might be misunderstood. So, it is sufficient to state that the city nearest to Laurens with a similar form of contract, but with a cheaper cost of power, netted over \$7,000 in one year over and above the allowance for street lights, water hydrants and extensions.

The organization of a Chamber of Commerce in this city may mean much to it. For it to accomplish a great deal, however, the support and cooperation of every active man in it will be essential. The older citizens should not expect the younger ones to shoulder the burden of the organization, nor should the younger ones leave it to their elders. Nor should both of them place all the burden of keeping the organization alive on the secretary. A five secretary will not be live very long if he is not given support. As in mechanics, a "five" wire loses all of its electrical force the moment the current is cut off. An active commercial body remains active so long as its membership takes interest in its work. So it is to be hoped that the enthusiasm now aroused over chamber of commerce work will grow even stronger as the organization grows older.

It cannot be said that Laurens has had a live Chamber of Commerce for the past few years, but the secretary of the old Chamber of Commerce, Mr. W. R. McCuen, has been far from inactive during that period. There are a great many little things that he has interested himself in as secretary and his work has brought forth valuable results in numerous instances. Such things as placing road signs at the principal highway crossings, having the telegraph poles taken out of the road between here and Clinton, stirring up interest in good roads generally, boosting the county fairs, agitating clean-up days and many other things that slip the memory at present have had his active support and their success has been largely due to his efforts. So, while we are organizing a new Chamber of Commerce, we ought not to lose sight of the fact that we have had a little Chamber of Commerce work going along all the time.

DRIVE STRAIGHT AHEAD.

Commissioner McLaurin has a perfect right to enter the primaries as a candidate for lieutenant governor, or he has an equal right to conduct an educational campaign for the warehouse system in his own spare time. But, to use the political machinery of the Democratic party as a vehicle for his warehouse propaganda is clearly without his rights. The Democratic party is a political party, pure and simple, and its campaign is a political campaign, not economic nor even educational in the true sense of the words. If Mr. McLaurin wishes to make the warehouse question a political one, the machinery is already at hand, provided he is able to manipulate it. If he is unable to reach the ears of the people as warehouse commissioner and if he has confidence in himself and his cause, he ought to run for governor. There is no reason why he shouldn't. He has never said he wouldn't.

The warehouse question can be made and has been made a political one, but Mr. McLaurin classes it as economic and it is. If it is such a paramount economic question, however, and Mr. McLaurin is the able economist that his friends make him out to be, it does seem that it ought not to be necessary for him to resort to political machinery to reach the ears, confidence and support of the people. Mr. McLaurin has been a busy speech-maker and constant contributor to the newspapers. The warehouse question has had more space in the newspapers during the past two years than any other subject, excepting the war. Mr. McLaurin to the contrary notwithstanding, and it does look like it is about time it ought to command a hearing on its own merits, if it has any merits and if the people have confidence in its head.

MEMORIAL DAY EXERCISES.

Will be Held Next Sunday at the City Cemetery.

Memorial exercises in honor of the soldiers of the Confederate army, will be appropriately held Sunday after-noon May 14th, at six o'clock at the cemetery. All the school children are requested to assemble at the school building Sunday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock and from there they will march in a body preceded by the high school military company and the Boy Scouts, to the cemetery, where they will be met by Col. H. Y. Simpson who will be master of ceremonies.

After the roll is called, Rev. J. R. T. Major will offer a short prayer, after which the children will decorate the graves of the Confederate veterans.

Everyone is invited to be present at these exercises.

BAPTIST PREACHING SERVICES.

Dr. Alderman Next Sunday and Rev. C. A. Baker During June and July.

The pulpit of the First Baptist church will be filled next Sunday by Dr. Alderman of the First Baptist church of Spartanburg. There will be services both in the morning and evening. Dr. Alderman is one of the state's leading preachers and no doubt a large congregation will be out to hear him.

During the months of June and July Rev. C. A. Baker will act as supply pastor for the First Baptist church. Mr. Baker will arrive with Mrs. Baker about the first of June. He is a recent graduate of the Louisville Baptist Seminary and is an eloquent and entertaining preacher.

Engagement Announced.

Owings, May 3.—Mr. and Mrs. William Joseph Hunter announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Nita, to Mr. George Holland Anderson, of Washington, D. C. The wedding will take place on Tuesday, the twenty-third of May, nineteen hundred and sixteen.

CAMPED NEAR ENOREE.

The Trauham Guards Spent Day and Half on Practice March.

Following the suggestion of the Adjutant General, the local company of National Guards, spent Saturday and Sunday of last week on a practice march, spending the night in camp on the river near Enoree. The company of forty-three men made the trip to Lanford by rail and from there marched to the camping ground. The return was also made partly by rail and partly on foot. The two days of the march were spent enjoyably and profitably, the men returning in as good condition as they have been for some time. The company is making preparations for the second inspection of the year, which will take place the 25th of this month. The inspection this time will be by Adjutant General Moore.

Shorter Sunday Hours.

At the last meeting of the city council a motion was made and passed limiting the drug stores of the city to three hours of business on Sunday, from 8:30 to 10:00 in the morning and from 2:30 to 4:00 in the afternoon. The selling of anything except drugs will be strictly prohibited.

At Gray Court-Owings.

On last Friday night a mock wedding was given at Gray Court-Owings school. The evening was full of laughter. The stage for the occasion was decorated most beautifully. About sixty dollars was realized. This added greatly to the sum for our opera chairs. The building will soon be completed, due to the harmonious efforts of the ladies of the improvement association.

Miller Declines With Thanks to Friends.

I notice in The Advertiser some of my friends have suggested my name for the State Senate. I am very grateful to all of them for their confidence confided in me and now take occasion to thank them again and every citizen that has ever supported me, and nothing but the very kindest feelings for those that voted against me in all the past when I was a candidate, and respectfully decline to make the race.

Respectfully, John H. Miller.

Cross Hill, S. C., May 4, 1916.

Shooting at Clinton.

Claude Weathers has been lodged in the county jail on the charge of assault and battery, he having shot a young man named Dunaway at the Clinton Cotton Mills Saturday night. Weathers claims that Dunaway was using profane language in the presence of his mother and he objected, precipitating the difficulty. Dunaway was shot twice with a revolver, once in the throat and once in the hip, but neither of them appear to be serious as he is improving.

CROSS HILL NEWS.

Cross Hill, May 8.—Last Saturday morning about 10 o'clock Mr. N. B. Davenport died after several weeks' falling health. Several years ago he had lost his sense of hearing and a few days before his death he was also deprived of sight. The funeral and burial services were held at Liberty Springs Sunday afternoon conducted by Rev. W. D. Ratchford. He was in his 74th year. Mr. Davenport was a native of Newberry county and was a prosperous farmer. When the war began in 1861 he volunteered for service and joined Company B, James' Battalion, but a year later was transferred to Company E, 7th Cavalry under A. C. Haskell. His record in the army was commendable, faithful to duty and the cause for which he fought. A few months after the war he married Miss Nannie Simpson, a daughter of the late Dr. Simpson of this place, and soon bought and settled here. He is survived by his wife and five children, three sons and two daughters. He was a member of the Baptist church, a good citizen, and a man possessed of an easy competency.

Miss Josie Kinard of Ninety Six is teaching a class here in expression. She has a good class and the work is progressing well.

Miss Adams of Tennessee is also here in charge of a class in music. She gives instruction in voice, piano, and mandolin. Miss Adams came well recommended and her work is starting off with the promise of success.

Rev. Dr. Martin of Abbeville preached two able sermons at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning and evening.

Rev. W. D. Ratchford attended the Sunday School convention at Charleston last week.

Mrs. Cora Pinson spent several days last week in Greenwood county visiting relatives.

J. C. Burns & Co's. Red Iron Racket stores are selling the goods.

SHILOH NEWS.

Shiloh, May 8.—The largest crowd seen at Shiloh church in several years was there Sunday afternoon for the Children's Day exercises. The church was beautifully decorated, white and green being the color scheme.

The children acquitted themselves nobly thus rewarding the untiring efforts of the teachers, Misses Martin, McKee and Wolf.

A pantomime that had been planned for four girls was not complete as one of the participants was absent on account of illness. The other three, Misses Alma Gray, Fay and May Helms made a fine showing.

You buy same goods for less money at Red Iron Racket Stores.

PALMETTO LODGE NO 19, A. F. M.

A regular communication of Palmetto Lodge No. 19, A. F. M., will be held Friday night, May 12, 1916 at 8:15 o'clock. The members are urged to be present, as there will be important business. Work in the E. C. degree. Visiting brethren welcome.

By order of E. O. Anderson, Thos. I. Swygert, Secretary. W. M.

Report of Condition of the ENTERPRISE NATIONAL BANK

At Laurens in the State of South Carolina, at the Close of Business on May 1st, 1916.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$291,439.15
Overdrafts, unsecured	4,223.85
Securities other than U. S. bonds (not including stocks) owned and unpledged	2,000.00
Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve Bank	\$7,500.00
Less amount unpaid	3,750.00
Value of banking house	22,466.16
Furniture and fixtures	4,000.00
Real estate owned other than banking house	1,039.18
Net amount due from Federal Reserve Bank	5,831.34
Net amount due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago, and St. Louis	\$6,283.74
Net amount due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities	946.66
Other checks on banks in the same city or town as reporting bank	4,655.35
Outside checks and other cash items	\$ 382.14
Fractional currency, neckles, and cents	1,911.62
Notes of other national banks	4,605.00
Legal-tender notes	10,716.90
Total	\$363,868.95
LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus fund	25,000.00
Undivided profits	\$22,599.82
Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid	7,233.72
Net amount due to approved reserve agents in other reserve cities	1,681.70
Dividends unpaid	133.50
Demand deposits:	
Individual deposits subject to check	80,923.21
Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days	7,269.74
Cashier's checks outstanding	1,542.52
Total demand deposits	\$89,735.47
Time deposits:	
Certificates of deposit	62,977.42
Other time deposits	48,948.28
Total of time deposits	\$111,925.70
Rediscounts with Federal Reserve Bank	20,026.48
Total	\$363,868.95

State of South Carolina, County of Laurens, ss:
I, C. H. Roper, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
C. H. ROPER, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of May, 1916.
W. G. LANCASTER, Notary Public.
Correct—Attest: N. B. Dial, S. M. Wilkes, C. E. Kennedy, Directors.

COURT ADJOURNED FRIDAY.

Verdict Against Laurens Motor Car Company for \$1,075.

The Court of Common Pleas adjourned Friday evening after a two week's session. The time of the court was taken up largely with petty suits over settlement of accounts. Two cases of considerable importance were tried however. Jim Davis, colored, had a suit against the Clinton Cotton Mill for personal injuries alleged to have been sustained while in the employ of the defendant company and because of their negligence. The jury remained out on this case almost an entire day and finally the judge ordered a mistrial.

In the case of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Knight vs the Laurens Motor Car Company, the plaintiffs secured a verdict of \$1,075, a total of \$1,575 having been asked. The suit grew out of the loss by fire of a barn and contents, including a new automobile. Melton Boyd, an employee of the company, so it was testified, while out on a pleasure trip with several friends, stopped at the home of the plaintiffs to replenish his supply of gasoline. While in the act of drawing the gasoline, an explosion occurred, due it was thought, to the lantern carried by Mr. Boyd. The barn and contents, including the automobile, were destroyed. The plaintiffs contended that as the defendant company entrusted their employees with their cars they should be responsible for any damages done to others as a result of this liberty. The jury sustained the contention of the plaintiffs and awarded a partial verdict.

W. G. Bagwell not to Run.

It will be noted that Mr. W. G. Bagwell's name is not in the political announcement column this week. Mr. Bagwell has been in falling health for several weeks and has decided to withdraw from the race. This news will be received with regret by a large number of friends who had expected to support him.

CHILD DIES OF RABES.

Franklin Strickland, Bitten by Mad-dog Several Weeks Ago, Died Yesterday.

Franklin Strickland, the four year old son of Mr. E. G. Strickland, who was bitten by a mad-dog several weeks ago while playing in the yard of his home several miles from the city, died yesterday afternoon after a day of great suffering. As noted in the last issue of this paper, the child was greatly improved last week, but Sunday it became apparent that a reaction was setting in. Monday he became worse and yesterday morning his physicians gave up hope of saving his life. All day yesterday his physicians worked faithfully with him in the hope of prolonging his life. His parents are deeply sympathized with in their bereavement.

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ANNOUNCEMENT.

We are authorized to announce the name of W. P. Harris as a candidate for the House of Representatives subject to the rules of the Democratic Primary.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

- For Sale—One open buggy slightly used, practically new. Wells Clardy, Laurens. 42-11
- To Rent—Small Cottage on Martin street, a few blocks from public square Apply to Owings & Owings. 42-11
- Lost—Probably on Chautauqua grounds last week, a wrist watch, it's not ours, but return to us and get reward. The Advertiser. 42-11
- Lost—Between Laurens and Union one leather traveling hand bag. Finder please return to 221 North College street, Charlotte, N. C., and get reward. Or notify L. F. Haag at Charlotte. 42-11-pd
- Berkshires—Registered Berkshires, one sow two years old, boar eight months old. Will sell or exchange for good milk cow. W. E. Knight, Laurens, Route 5. 42-11-pd
- Peas—50 bushels good sound speck-

led peas for sale, \$1.50 per bushel. Write or see John C. Smith, Waterloo, S. C. 41-5t-pd

For Rent—One 10-room brick house, all modern conveniences, 300 yards from public square. Nearly one acre splendid garden. Large shady front yard. Rate reasonable. W. G. Lancaster. 41-3t

For Sale—Everything in machinery from a ginning outfit to a condenser belt. C. W. McCravy, With Gibbes Machinery Co. 39-tf

Pigs—Pure Durock pigs for sale. 8 weeks to 6 months old. Satisfaction guaranteed. Pigs from prize winning stock. Kinard's Durock Stock Farm. 37-7t-pd

Rooms to Rent—Apply at 232 Jones Street, Laurens, S. C. 42-1t-pd

Lost—Sunday, April 30th, Between Reedy river and Mountville, one set of auto tools, one set of 30x3 1-2 auto chains and one 30x3 1-2 Michelin inner tube. Notify S. B. Goodman, Mountville and get reward. 42-2t

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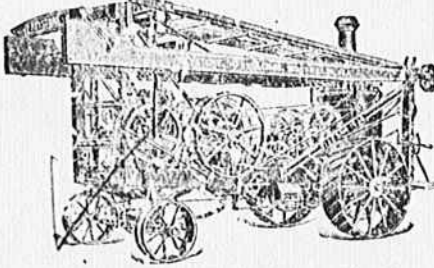
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