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LAURENS, S. C., APRIL 25, 1917.

WELCOME, COMPANY A.

Laurens welcomes the officers and members of Co. A, 1st S. C. Regiment and extends to them the freedom of the city. This city feels honored in having such a manly and patriotic set of men in its midst.

DRAFTING DEMOCRATIC.

The conscription plan of raising an army is essentially democratic. Every citizen of military age, by the decision of his representative, offers himself to the government for whatever service the government may see fit to use him in.

A PATRIOTIC DUTY.

The agitation for increased acreage in food crops in the south this year should not be confused with former efforts along the same line. We believe that ever since cotton became the predominant crop in the South and its cultivation on the same land year after year has tended to rob the soil of its fertility.

There is no doubt in our mind that victory or defeat, it will be to the financial advantage of the Southern farmer, the Laurens county farmer, this year to raise supplies for himself. Cotton may go to unheard of levels and again, if the submarine menace continues it may be a burden on the market.

But, as already said, the profit to the Southern farmer is not the paramount issue at stake this year. The allies are in great need of food supplies and the submarine menace is making the need greater.

passed the stage of profit to ourselves. It has reached the stage of patriotic duty and as a measure of preservation against German militarism. It is an important thing to realize that this is a matter of great seriousness and we should not blind ourselves to the consequences.

To show the importance that the farmer is expected to play in the war, Representative Lever has introduced an amendment to the conscription bill providing that farmers shall be exempt from military service.

CITY LOSES SUIT TO POWER COMPANY

Judge Peurifoy Directs Verdict in Case Which Attracted Wide Interest. Judge Peurifoy directed a verdict for \$3,143.58 in favor of the Reedy River Power Company, plaintiff, against the City of Laurens, in the case completed Saturday afternoon where the power company was suing the city for non-fulfillment of the power contract alleged to have been entered into between the two parties in 1908 and which became operative in January of 1909.

The city was represented in the case by Messrs Richey & Richey, city attorneys, Haynesworth & Haynesworth, of Greenville, and H. K. Osborne, of Spartanburg.

The suit of the power company followed the cancellation of the power contract by the city council in April, 1916, on the night that the new council went into office. In its answer to the complaint of the plaintiff the city set forth its reasons therefor—That the contract alleged to exist between the power company and the city was not the contract authorized by the city council in 1908, but "was different in terms" from the one authorized; that, further, the alleged contract is in the nature of a bonded debt and should have been ratified by the registered electors before becoming effective; that the bonded debt so formed, with other indebtednesses, exceeds the eight per cent of the assessed valuation of taxable property allowed by law; that the city had no power to enter into a contract for a further term than the term of their office.

The trial lasted through all of Thursday, Friday and most of Saturday and voluminous testimony was introduced on both sides. Judge Peurifoy ruled early in the trial that the contract was not in the nature of a bonded debt. The major portion of the testimony after this ruling had to do with the allegation of fraudulent manipulation of a meter on which the company based its statements for power consumption.

Unless the supreme court reverses the ruling of the presiding judge, the contract between the two parties will continue in effect until January, 1919. Thursday a verdict for \$2,000 was rendered for the plaintiff in the case

of Willie Lee Henderson, by her guardian ad litem, G. M. Henderson, vs the Lydia Cotton Mills. This was a suit charging ill treatment and abusive language used against the plaintiff by the defendant's agents. The court sat on equity cases Monday morning and adjourned Monday afternoon.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR MEETS.

Christian Endeavorers to Meet Here Sunday May 20th.

On Sunday, May 20th there will be held in the First Presbyterian church, a convention of the Laurens District Christian Endeavorers. This district embraces the counties of Laurens, Newberry, Greenwood and Abbeville. There are more than a dozen societies within the territory named, and all are expected to be largely represented.

Building New Ware House.

J. S. Bennett & Son, wholesale grocers, are erecting a large warehouse on the railroad lot next to the freight station. The building will be of sheet iron and will be about 80 x 40 in area. This concern has been doing business in one of the Laurens Bonded Warehouse Company's buildings, but has given up its quarters there to get into its own building.

A few pairs of shoes still left at \$1.00 a pair. Clardy & Wilson.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

- Lost—Coca Cola pocketbook with four five dollar bills in it. Finder will be rewarded if returned to Police-man Reams, City Hall. 41-11-pd
Lost—On public square ring with diamond and two pearls on wood setting. Finder please return to Miss Vaughn Miller at the telephone exchange and receive reward. 41-11
Gin Days—Friday, May 11 will be the last gin day. If you have a bale we will gin it. If less than a bale we will buy it. We want your seed. J. D. Culbertson, Madden, S. C. 41-11
Extra Fine Plants for Sale—Marlinna Tomato, the earliest; and Brimmer, the largest size tomatoes grown; Pimento Pepper Plants, 10 cents per dozen, 3 dozen for 25 cents. Large size Cabbage Plants, 20 cents per hundred. Salvia Flower Plants 15 cents dozen. Mrs. J. G. Sullivan, South Harper street, Laurens, S. C. 41-11-pd
For Sale—100 bushels Big Boll improved cotton seed. J. T. A. Ballew, Mountville, S. C., Rt. 1. 41-21
Jolisses and Symp—A good lot in barrels, ten gallon and five gallon kegs at prices to more than please—less than present wholesale. J. H. Sullivan, Laurens, S. C. 41-11
Vinegar For Sale—I have about 50 gallons of apple vinegar for sale, 20c per gallon. G. C. Anderson, Gray Court, S. C., Rt. 4. 41-11-pd
Seeds—Fresh stock of that wonderful Sudan Grass Seed, German Millet, Velvet Beans, Early Amber and Orange J. H. Sullivan, Laurens, S. C. 41-11
For Sale—Two good cows, fresh in milk. Apply S. R. Dorroh, Laurens, S. C., Rt. 4. 41-11
Implements—Prices right on Cotton Hoes, Heel Sweeps, Plow Stocks, Back Bands and other "mule millinery". J. H. Sullivan, Laurens, S. C. 41-11
Lost—Saturday, key ring with six or seven keys in leather case. Reward if returned to me. John Grant, at Peoples Drug Store. 41-11-pd
Fine Seed Corn—White and Golden Dent, Hickory King, Snow Flake White, Marboro Prolific, Garrick, Georgia White, six years, Cocke's Prolific Seed Corn. Prices right. J. H. Sullivan, Laurens, S. C. 41-11
Wanted—Left-over planting seed. Very small lots 3-4 cents per lb; ton lots \$66.00 per ton. Special price on car lots. Delivered at Maddens, S. C., up to May 10th. J. D. Culbertson. 40-21-pd
For Sale—I have two second-hand mules, in good condition. Price \$125 and \$150. See me quick. W. D. Boyd, Mountville, R. F. D. No. 2. 39-31-pd
Notice—My pure bred Morgan stallion will make the season at my farm two miles from Laurens on Greenville road. Fee \$12.50. Weight 1170; good saddle horse. M. W. Hellams. 38-51-pd
Notice—I have 300 bushels of Weber Big Boll long staple cotton seed for sale for planting, at \$1.50 per bushel. It beats Mexico big boll in seed cotton and brought me from 61-2 to 8 cents more per pound. Call on me or write me. M. A. Sumerel, Laurens, R. F. D. 2. 38-61
For Sale—Wannamaker's Pedigreed Cleveland Big Boll Cotton Seed at \$1.10 per bushel. A. P. Fuller, Mountville, S. C. 38-51-pd

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FEW QUARTS ORDERED.

Judge of Probate has Had Only Two Applications for Whiskey Permits.

Up until yesterday Judge of Probate Thompson had only received two applications for whiskey permits under the new prohibition law which went into effect last Wednesday. Newspaper reports from other counties indicate that there have been but a very few permits secured all over the state.

Judge Thompson has made arrangements for the white people and negroes to secure permits at different places. He has had a special window on the north side of his office fixed up for the use of the latter.

The Judge states that he will make a charge of 10 cents for permits where the affidavit is made out in his office and 25 cents where the affidavit is made elsewhere.

Teachers Meeting.

The next monthly meeting of the Laurens County Teachers Association will be held in the graded school building here on May 5. The program will consist of round table discussions on the kind of reports to have at the end of school.

Miss Lucile Cox will discuss "How No Reports Hindered Me", and Miss Louise Harris, "How Reports Helped Me". Dr. D. W. Daniel has been invited to lecture.

As there will be an annual election of officers at this meeting a full attendance is desired. Teachers living in the county, whose schools are closed, are also urged to attend.

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Card of Thanks.

Mrs. Jas. A. Fowler, Miss Caroline Fowler, Mrs. Sue E. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Toy A. Drummond wish to thank each kind friend and neighbor, who so generously came to our assistance in our recent great sorrow and bereavement. Their loving deeds, sympathy, sweet prayers and love's last offerings—beautiful flowers, letters of condolence, will abide with us through the coming years.

Teachers' Examination.

The regular spring teachers' examination for Laurens county will be held in the Court House, Laurens, S. C., on Friday, May 10th, beginning at 9 o'clock. The examination will include Algebra, Arithmetic, English Grammar and Composition, History of the United States and of South Carolina, Geography, Civics and Current Events, Agriculture, Pedagogy and Physiology. Applicants will furnish their own stationery.

JAMES H. SULLIVAN, County Supt. of Education.



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