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## As We See It.

The expected has happened and South Carolina sends a delegation to Denver instructed to vote for William Jennings Bryan, "first, last and all the time." There is great rejoicing among those newspapers and individuals who have advocated Mr Bryan's endorsement by the South Carolina Democracy and it is perhaps as well that they should rejoice. Certainly they are entitled to something for their enthusiastic support of their pet candidate and all the enjoyment they can extract prior to the election, we opine, will be that much clear gain. That Mr. Bryan will also be the choice of the Denver convention there is little room (we almost said hope) for doubt. But to what end? We may be mistaken, and we sincerely hope we are, but as a presidential possibility Mr. Bryan seems to us a futility.

## EDUCATIONAL PROGRESS

### In Williamsburg County—Some Interesting Facts.

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Beginning her work in this county on Monday, May 18, Miss Nance. State organizer of Rural School Improvement association, met enthusiastic audiences at Cades, Lake City, Pergamos, Scranton, High Hill, Prospect, Leo, Lane, Trio, Greelyville and Kingstree. Those who have seen her work need not be told that enthusiasm was increased, nor that on her next trip to us much larger crowds will hear her. During the week she addressed about 1,200 people, all told, and the common verdict is that she is doing an indispensable work.

Last year Williamsburg county captured two of the fifteen prizes offered by the School Improvement association and will furnish this year seven contestants for the thirty-five prizes offered by this association. The Pergamos neighborhood will move from a school building valued at \$50 to a neat two-room house built entirely by themselves, costing \$1,000. Scranton, a village of some 200 inhabitants, has erected, by local effort entirely, a \$4,000 brick building, and the coming session will find their school occupying this house in place of a little one-room house not worth \$50 previously used. The Indiantown section has recently consolidated some of its schools and have now in process of construction a \$2,000 house. At Trio, where they have no school house, a movement was launched at Miss Nance's meeting to procure a good building. Greelyville will erect during the summer a \$7,000 school building. At Leo we have probably the neatest little one-teacher school house in the county, costing \$500, and built by the patrons of the school.

A number of other schools will make improvements that might entitle them to prizes, and Prospect expects to be one of these.

Miss Nance's visit here has given an impetus to educational

matters that can not be overvalued. She promises to come again in the fall, and at that time will be taken to sections where she could not go during this short visit.

Respectfully,  
J. G. McCULLOUGH,  
Co. Supt. Education.

## ECHOES OF RECENT PYTHIAN CONVENTION.

### MOST SUCCESSFUL EVER HELD IN THE DISTRICT, SAYS THE SOUTH CAROLINA PYTHIAN.

The seventh semi-annual convention of the Second District, Knights of Pythias, of South Carolina, convened in Kingstree on May 5th. The exercises began at 12 o'clock with a public session in the Thomas Opera House. This large auditorium was filled with delegates, visiting Knights, local Knights and citizens of the town. A notable innovation on such occasions was the presence of many ladies and the high school department of the graded school. The exercises were presided over by F Will Fairey, P C C, who first introduced Rev J E Mahaffey, who opened the meeting with prayer, after which the opening ode was sung by a special choir with the entire audience standing.

Mayor L W Gilland was next introduced to the convention and extended in behalf of the town a most cordial welcome to the visiting Knights. Other very pretty and hearty speeches of welcome were made by Mr R K Wallace on behalf of the Masons, by Mr Philip H Stoll on behalf of the Woodmen of the World, and by Mr A C Hinds on behalf Kingstree Lodge, No. 91, K of P. The "Star Spangled Banner" was then sung by a double quartette and made a most pleasing interlude.

Bro W E Lea, D D G C, was then presented and made a graceful and happy speech in response to the addresses of welcome. The quartette next sang, "My Old Kentucky Home." The presence of Lieut. Gov. T G McLeod was then noted in the hall, and he was brought to the stage and presented to the audience. He made a happy speech in his inimitable way.

The afternoon session was called to order at 3 o'clock by Bro M H Jacobs as Chancellor Commander of Kingstree Lodge, and after the opening ceremony the gavel was given to W E Lea, D D G C. The roll call of lodges and report of delegates was the first business. Every lodge answered the roll call and the reports showed that every lodge in Second District was in a healthy and growing condition. This District is composed of twenty-two lodges and the fact that every lodge was represented at this convention was occasion of much favorable comment and heartfelt rejoicing among the Pythians. The convention was fortunate in having quite a number of good speakers present and some splendid addresses were made.

Bro E H Aull, editor of the *South Carolina Pythian*, was present and made an interesting talk about the paper that he is publishing for the Grand Lodge, and asked the support and generous criticisms of the members of the order. Bro, T G McLeod made a bright speech on Pythianism in 1908; Bro J A Summersett, P G C, spoke earnestly on the Duty of Pythian Knights; Bro C D Brown, G K R and S, spoke on suspensions and the growth of the order. He congratulated the Second District as being the banner district, in that there were only 17 suspensions in the 22 lodges, while in the entire State there had been 500 suspensions. Bro H M Ayer made an earnest and interesting address on the Symbols and Mottoes of the order. Bro Frank P Cooper, of Charleston, spoke of Pythianism generally and told of his efforts to get up a ship load of Knights to go to Boston to the Supreme Lodge this summer.

A resolution was offered recommending that the permanent password be abolished and that the semi-annual password be restored. This resolution was tabled. The usual

resolutions of thanks were passed for the hospitable entertainment by the people of Kingstree, and to the retiring deputy and in support of the *South Carolina Pythian*.

Resolved, That this District Convention congratulate the order in South Carolina on the establishment of the *South Carolina Pythian* as a means of intercommunication and improvement of the order. We congratulate the editor and the board of publication on the faithful manner in which they have carried on the work so far, and we commend Grand Lodge for its enterprising establishment of the journal, petition its continuance and liberal support.

A committee consisting of Phi Stoll, H M Ayer and Douglas McIntyre was appointed to look into the matter of printing the minutes of the convention, expressions having been made showing that the lodges desired the minutes printed.

At 9:30 o'clock a delightful banquet was served at the Farmers' Supply Hall, and at least 200 plates were laid. The hall was beautifully decorated and the table was a thing of beauty. This was under the management of Chancellor Commander Commander H A Meyer. Bro Frank P Cooper was made toast master and he delighted all with his wit and the elegant manner in which he presided. The toasts were to Kingstree, responded to by Philip Stoll; South Carolina, responded to by T G McLeod, of Bishopville; Our Order, by J Elmore Martin, of Charleston; Friends, by L D Lide, of Marion; The Press, by H M Ayer, of Florence; Our Guest, by E H Aull, of Newberry; Goat, by E D Smith, of Florr; Woman, by J A Summersett, of Columbia.

All in all the convention was the best ever held in the district, and every delegate returned to his lodge with new ideas and new inspirations.

Bro Philip Stoll, of Kingstree Lodge, No. 91, was recommended for appointment as District Deputy Grand Chancellor and Conway was selected for the next convention.—*South Carolina Pythian*.

## Pointed Paragraphs.

The best thing you can do is to do your best.

Only a man after her own heart interests a young widow.

A little dimple has caused many a man to have heart trouble.

It's hard to keep up appearances and save money simultaneously.

The more justice to some the less they want to talk about it.

There are times when the truth is about as inspiring as a cold fried egg.

A milliner feathers her nest by putting feathers on other women's hats.

A man may overtake a lot of people on the road to ruin, but he never meets any one.

When a woman tells her husband she wishes she had been born a man he is apt to echo the wish.

The difference between a "job" and a "position" is sometimes not even a matter of remuneration.

When an honest man is in hard luck he doesn't want charity so much as an opportunity to dispense with charity.—Chicago News.

Opportunity, with ability, makes responsibility.—Bishop Hunt.

He is great who confers the most benefits.—Emerson.

There's a prayer that should be said And a Book that should be read.

Every day. —Anon

Would that the soul could gratefully recognize her own rainy days; could droop, like Nature, with patient acquiescence, with wise passivity till the wells of strength and freshness are restored!—A. C. Benson.

If the water be too pure, fish cannot live in it; if people be too exacting, fellow-beings cannot stand beside them.—Japanese Proverb.

May every soul that touches mine— Be it the slightest contact—get therefrom

Some good, some little grace, one kindly thought.

One bit of courage for the darkening sky. —Anon.

What the Bible brings to you will depend, in a large measure, on what you bring to it: you may have a crumb, or a loaf, or a granary full to bursting, just as you choose.—Dr. Behrends.

L... game of chance— and fail to have stacked the cards against most of us.

If you imagine this is a cold, unsympathetic world, tell people you disagree and listen to their suggestions. —News.

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B. CHANDLER.

## For Coroner.

The friends of M. Burrows announce him a candidate for the office of coroner for Williamsburg County subject to the Democratic primary.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of coroner of Williamsburg county, subject to the regulations of the Democratic primary. M S BUFFIN.

That all my friends for their past, I respectfully announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of coroner, subject to the Democratic primary. I am a veteran, having served four years in the war, and during the term of my office I have tried to do my duty. I respectfully ask your support in the coming primary. R K GAMBLE.

## For Sheriff.

I hereby announce myself a candidate in the coming primary for re-election to the office of Sheriff of Williamsburg county, subject to the rules and regulations of the Democratic party and pledge myself to abide the result of the primaries. I earnestly ask the support of the Democratic voters, and if elected, pledge my constant efforts to discharge the duties of the office to the satisfaction of my fellow-citizens. GEO. J. GRAHAM.

## For Auditor.

We are authorized to announce the candidacy of J. J. B. Montgomery for re-appointment to the office of county Auditor, subject to the rules of the Democratic primary.

## For Treasurer.

We are authorized to announce the candidacy of J. Wesley Cook for re-appointment to the office of County Treasurer, subject to the rules of the Democratic primary.

## For Supt. Education.

We are authorized to announce the candidacy of Mr J G McCullough for re-election to the office of County Superintendent of education.

## Surveying Notice!

At present my postal address is as below. Those needing my assistance should direct letters accordingly.

Laurence H. McCullough, SURVEYOR, Nesmith, - - South Carolina 5-28-tf.

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