

The Watchman and Southron.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 1908.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

The D. J. Chandler Clothing Co.—Serge Suits.
H. Frank Wilson, Master—Sales.
Hibert's Drug Store—Fresh Candy.

PERSONAL.

Miss Edythe Loryea, of St. Matthews, is visiting the Misses Barnett. Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Buyck, of St. Matthews, spent Thursday in the city. Mrs. H. W. Cuttino and Mrs. J. M. Tindal, of Tindal, were in the city Thursday.

Misses Tillie and Sadie Flud, of Stateburg, were in the city Friday. Mr. Lewis Levi, of Manning, spent Friday in the city.

Mr. J. B. Crouch and Mr. George Dew, of Wedgefield, were in town Friday.

Mr. J. M. Tindal, of Tindal, was in the city Friday.

Mr. J. B. Tallon and Mr. C. E. Smith, of Oswego, were in town Friday.

Mr. J. M. Woodley, of Dalsell, was in town Friday.

Mr. J. Knox Corbett, of Tucson, Arizona, is in the city visiting his parents.

Mr. J. H. Robinson, of Oswego, was in town Friday.

Mr. George Stone, of Stone, S. C., spent Saturday in town on business.

Messrs. Martin Dorn and H. B. Bobbitt, of Oswego, were in town Saturday.

Capt. J. E. Atkins was in town Saturday.

Messrs. W. B. and E. B. Colclough and Sam Folk, of Dalsell, were in town Saturday.

Messrs. W. L. Saunders and L. H. Ramsey, of Stateburg, spent Saturday in town.

Mr. E. E. Fraser, of Mechanicville, was in the city Saturday.

Mr. Joe Strauss, of Clio, was in the city Saturday.

Miss Annie Burgess, of Stateburg, visited friends in town Saturday.

Mrs. C. M. Galloway, of Columbia, and Miss Willie May Bates, of Birmingham, Ala., are in the city as the guests of Miss Moneta Osteen.

Mrs. S. A. Langston, of Grinsville, Ga., sister of the late A. G. Murphy, is on a visit to her niece, Mrs. M. Carr.

Miss Annie Patton and Miss Kaytie Soper, who have been visiting Mrs. D. F. Kelly for some time, returned to Five Rock, N. C., Saturday.

Mr. C. J. Ryan, of Orangeburg, is visiting his sister, Mrs. S. R. Smoak.

Mr. Phillip Ard, of Staten Island, N. Y., is visiting his mother and other relatives in this city.

Miss Sadie Gray, of Columbia, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. P. Jefferson, in this city.

Mr. J. B. White, of Cameron, spent Sunday in town.

Rev. William Haynsworth, of Privateer, was in the city Monday.

Mrs. J. B. White, of Cameron, is visiting Mrs. T. E. White, on South Marvin street.

Mr. A. K. Sanders, of Hagood, is in the city Monday.

Mr. J. E. Rembert, of Rembert, was in town Monday.

Mr. E. E. Rembert, of Hagood, was in the city Monday.

Mr. W. H. Bryan, of St. Charles, spent Monday in the city.

Mr. J. M. Woodley, of Dalsell, was in town Monday.

Mr. R. E. Muldrow, of Mayesville, was in the city Monday.

Mr. F. E. Thomas, of Wedgefield, spent Monday in the city.

Mr. S. A. Harvin, of Privateer, was in the city Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fields and daughter, of Charlotte, N. C., are in the city visiting their daughter, Mrs. R. B. Belser.

Mrs. Wm. C. Broughton returned this morning from a visit to her son, Mr. Alex. M. Broughton, in Summerton.

Miss Olivia Smith, of New Haven, Conn., and Miss Vivian Curtis, of Paxville, S. C., are spending the day with Mrs. C. S. Curtis.

Mr. Frank Barron, of Manning, is spending a few days in the city.

Dr. Charles Ryttenberg, of New York, is spending a few days in the city.

Mr. Windham Manning has returned from New York after a stay of several weeks.

Mrs. Joel I. Allen, of Dillon, who has been spending some time in the city, went to Columbia yesterday.

Miss Lula Haynsworth is spending a few days in Columbia.

Have Come Back to Sumter.

Capt. F. Welch and family, who have been living here for some years, have moved to Sumter. Capt. Welch has been a conductor on the Atlantic Coast Line Railway for many years, but illness compelled him to give up his place. He is very popular and his friends hope that he will soon be restored to complete health.—Orangeburg Times and Democrat.

DEATHS.

Mr. Sol J. Ryttenberg died in Asheville, N. C., Wednesday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock, aged 33 years. He had been in ill health for several years and after a protracted stay in Arizona and Colorado without deriving material benefit, took up his residence about 75 months ago in Asheville. For a time it was hoped that the progress of the disease had been arrested and that his life would be spared for a few years at least, but recently his condition gradually grew worse and while his death yesterday was sudden it was not altogether unexpected.

The news of his death was received here, where he was born and reared, with sincere sorrow by hundreds, for Sol Ryttenberg was held in loving esteem by all who knew him, and he enjoyed a popularity in this community that few other young men have been able to win. As a boy and young man he was a leader among those of his own age and no enterprise or undertaking was complete unless he had a part in it. He was a true and sincere friend, a considerate, thoughtful, kind-hearted gentleman, who was esteemed and loved for his genuine worth. His circle of friends was large and if he had an enemy in Sumter no one knew it. During his enforced absence from home he has been sadly missed and now that he has journeyed to that far country from whose bourne no traveler returns his family and friends are bowed down with grief. But their sorrow is tempered by the comforting thought that his life, though brief, was worth while and will long be held in tender and loving remembrance.

Sol J. Ryttenberg was the son of the late Harry Ryttenberg, of this city. He is survived by his mother, four brothers and three sisters. His remains will be brought to this city for interment, arriving by the 7:30 a. m. train tomorrow, accompanied by Messrs. I. C. Strauss and Henry G. Hill, who went up to Asheville last night upon receipt of the telegram announcing his death.

The funeral of Sol J. Ryttenberg, which was held at 3:30 o'clock Friday afternoon at the home of his mother, Mrs. Rose Ryttenberg, on West Liberty street, was largely attended, many friends of the young man having come from other parts of the state to unite with his kindred and friends here in paying a last tribute to his memory. The services at the house and the grave were conducted by Rabbi J. Klein. The floral tributes were especially numerous and beautiful, there being such a quantity that the grave was completely hidden beneath the flowers.

Mrs. H. L. E. Wells died at 2 o'clock Friday at her home on Haynsworth street after a protracted illness, aged 55 years. She is survived by her husband, two sons and two daughters. The funeral services were held at the Presbyterian church at 4:30 o'clock, Saturday afternoon.

MARRIED.

Mr. W. S. Benton and Miss Janie Spann were married by Rev. W. J. McKay at 7 o'clock p. m. Thursday. Mr. Benton has been a resident of Sumter for the past year, his former home being Fayetteville, N. C. Mrs. Benton is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Spann.

Mr. W. H. Stoudenmire and Miss Vida McClam were married at the Bartlett Street parsonage by Rev. F. M. Satterwhite at 10 o'clock last Wednesday night.

Mood-Cobb.

Yesterday morning at 9:30 o'clock at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. C. C. Clark, of 116 East Ashley street, Mrs. Clarke's second daughter, Miss Ethel Marguerite Cobb, was united in marriage to Dr. Henry Ashleigh Mood, of Sumter, S. C. The wedding was a very sweet and pretty one, the decorations being especially beautiful. The Rev. Father Maher, of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, performed the very impressive ceremony of the Catholic church.

Immediately after the ceremony Dr. and Mrs. Mood left amid showers of rice and hearty good wishes on the Arapahoe for Charleston.

The bride, who is especially pretty, was married in a handsome going away gown of Copenhagen blue rajah silk, one of the popular "see piece" suits, worn with a most becoming hat to match. She carried a magnificent bouquet of bride's roses.

Miss Leah Clarke attended her sister, and was lovely in white. Only the intimate friends and relatives of the bride were present and the entire bridal party accompanied the young couple to the boat, where they had a delightful time on deck. Many good wishes attend the bride and groom in their new life together, and in Sumter, S. C., a cordial welcome awaits the pretty bride, whose many friends there are glad to know that she is to be a permanent resident. Dr. Mood is a distinguished young physician and his future is very bright indeed.—Jacksonville, Fla., Metropolis, April 29th.

THE RACE MEET.

SPRING MEETING OF SUMTER TURF ASSOCIATION.

The Largest Number and the Best Horses Ever Brought to Sumter Will Race at the Track—Races Open Tomorrow.

The Spring Meet of the Sumter Turf Association opens today and the indications are that the meet will be not only the most successful yet held on the local track, but one of the best attended and most interesting held in this State in recent years. A number of the leading race horse men of this and adjoining States are here with strings of pedigreed racers and trotters, many of which have national reputations. Counting the horses owned by the Sumter horsemen there are more than forty horses at the track now and all of them are in the pink of condition. They have been carefully handled by experienced trainers and every horse is fit for the race. Lovers of fine horseflesh are anticipating close and exciting contests for there are some as good horses entered as one would care to see. The purses are large enough to be attractive and it can be counted on that the horses will be made to do their best in every race.

The men who have the management of the Turf Association are to be congratulated in advance on the assured success of the meet, and those who attend the races will be well repaid.

The programme for tomorrow, the opening day, is as follows:

- Introductory Scramble:
- 1-2 mile dash, all ages. 10 lbs. below scale.
 2. 240 class, trotters or pacers, best 3 in 5.
 3. 5-8 mile dash, all ages—Selling, winner to be sold for \$500—2 lbs. allowed for each \$100 down to \$100.
 4. 3-4 mile dash for all ages—10 lbs. below 1 to scale.
 5. 1 mile dash, for all ages—12 lbs. below the scale.
- The races start at 3 p. m.

LOCAL NEWS PARAGRAPHS.

Items of Interest Gathered in and Around the City.

Every section of concrete pavement that is put down strengthens the sentiment in favor of putting down concrete sidewalks throughout the business section of the city.

The farmers' meeting next Friday grows bigger and bigger with each day, according to the reports that are coming in.

Maj. W. Loring Lee has been appointed by Gov. Ansel to serve as a member of the commission, authorized by act of the legislature, to relocate the line between Lancaster and Kershaw counties. The line has been in dispute for many years and several efforts to locate it have failed.

Mr. Thomas S. Sumter announces that he is a candidate for magistrate in the Third Magisterial District in which Sumter and Concord townships are included. Mr. Sumter is thoroughly familiar with the duties of the office having served as magistrate at Stateburg for several terms.

There was frost in this section Thursday night and although it was light and the damage was not heavy young cotton, watermelons and similar tender plants suffered. Mr. J. N. Phillips, the most extensive watermelon planter hereabouts, says that he will have to replant his entire crop of melons. What the cold wind yesterday afternoon did not do to his melon plants the frost finished. Cotton on his farm was also nipped and he fears he will be forced to replant.

The Lyceum course, in point of quality of the attractions furnished, was a decided and gratifying success. Financially, it was not a success, owing to the lack of patronage, and Messrs. I. C. Strauss, H. C. Haynsworth and S. H. Edmunds, who personally guaranteed the cost of the course, have had to go down in their pockets to make up a rather large deficit. This is past and done with, however, and the question now is, do the people of Sumter want the Lyceum to be a permanent institution? If so, are they willing to support it to such an extent that it will pay its own way?

One of the reasons not mentioned by Judge Gray why he will not accept the Democratic nomination for president is that a man from Nebraska has run away with it.—Pittsburg Ledger.

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SUICIDE THURSDAY NIGHT.

Claude Simpson, Section Master on Northwestern Railroad Shoots Himself With a Shot Gun. Death Was Immediate.

Claude Simpson, white, who was in the service of the Northwestern Railroad in the capacity of sectionmaster, committed suicide in the back yard of his home on Bradford street, this city between 9 and 10 o'clock Thursday night, shooting himself with a single-barrel shotgun. The gun was held close to, or against, his body, and the load tore a hole about an inch and a half in diameter immediately below the lower end of the breast-bone. Death was almost immediate.

Simpson, who was about 25 years old, had been threatening to kill himself for sometime and had made these threats in the presence of his wife and others. It is stated, however, that he made such threats only when under the influence of liquor, and that when sober denied the intention to end his life.

His wife was a witness of the suicide and her testimony before the coroner's jury states the facts fully and concisely:

"Mrs. L. G. Simpson, being sworn, says that on April 30th, about 9 o'clock p. m. Mr. Simpson said he wished to go up town. He started, but came back. He fixed up his time book, handed me his watch and said, 'I intend to kill myself.' He loaded his gun but I took it from him. He went out and then went back in the house and staid about five minutes. I took the gun from him twice. He took the gun and went in back yard. I was on the back piazza when he fired the first shot, and was standing in the door when he fired the second shot. He fell at the second shot. He hollered, 'O Lord!' when he fell. The gun was on the clothes wire when it fired. He died very soon after being shot. We never had any trouble except when he was drinking. He was drinking last night."

Dr. S. C. Baker, who made the post mortem examination, testified respecting the nature and location of the wound. He said that the wound showed that it was made by an ordinary shotgun, held close to the body and that it could easily have been discharged when held in the deceased's own hands.

The jury returned a verdict of suicide.

Mr. Simpson had been living in this city for about a year. His wife, who is

a daughter of Charles Grooms, of the Brogdon neighborhood, says that her husband told her he was born in the North, but was raised near Mayesville.

Memorial Day on Friday.

Owing to the impassable condition of Oakland (Cemetery) avenue, it has been decided to hold the memorial exercises on the Graded School square.

The young ladies invited to decorate the graves will please assemble at Armory Hall at 4 o'clock, where wagons will be furnished to carry them out to the cemetery.

Veterans, Daughters of Confederacy, Sons of Veterans, Band, Sumter Light Infantry and Sumter Graded School Military Company will please assemble at corner of Washington street and Hampton avenue at 4.15, and the exercises will begin at 4.30.

Order of exercises:
Prayer—By Rabbi Klein.

Band.
Introduction of Orator—By Mr. L. D. Jennings.

Address—By Hon. George B. Cromer, of Newberry.

Salute by the Military in front of the monument.

All who will furnish flowers for this occasion will please send them to Armory Hall a little before 4 o'clock on Friday afternoon.

ANNUAL CONVENTION T. P. A.

Game Cock City to Entertain Knights of Grip This Week.

The annual state convention of the South Carolina division, Travelers' Protective Association of America, will be held in Sumter, the "Game Cock" City, on Thursday and Friday, May 7 and 8.

At the convention held in Anderson in May, 1907, there were present delegates representing 394 members. During the past year there has been a phenomenal growth in the membership of the South Carolina division, which now numbers about 800, and at the convention to be held in Sumter this week there will be present fully double the number of delegates who attended the convention in Anderson. From all information the Sumter people are preparing to give the visiting delegates a royal welcome, and no doubt need exist as to each and every one attending this convention having a jolly good time.

It is urgently requested that the officers and directors of each post in the South Carolina division, T. P. A., see to it that they and their delegates to the State convention be in Sumter on Thursday morning at the latest. It is desired that this be made the greatest convention ever held in South Carolina and to do so each delegate must do his part.—The State.

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