

The Watchman and Southern

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PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. S. J. Blackwell, of Salem, was in the city on Friday.

Mr. William Reynolds has returned home from the University of the South, at Sewanee for the summer vacation.

Miss Anna Bryan has returned home, after a visit to friends in Summerton.

Miss Edith McFadden, of Harvin, is on a visit to her sister, Mrs. R. A. Burgess.

Mrs. R. A. McCallum and daughter and Mrs. Anderson are spending the summer at Mt. Pleasant.

Miss Gladys Turner and Mrs. Frank Patton and daughter went to the mountains of Western North Carolina this morning to visit relatives.

Miss Willie Delgar spent Tuesday in Florence at the Firemen's Tournament, going over to the Gate City by auto.

Mrs. L. E. Wood has gone to Asheville, to spend a couple of weeks.

Miss Bertha Chandler, of Bennettsville, is visiting friends in the city.

Miss Edna Mayes, of Mayesville, is visiting relatives in Sumter.

Miss Helen Doyle, of Georgetown, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Betham on West Hampton Ave.

Miss Pearl and Kate Wingate and Lillian McIntosh, of Kingstree, spent the week-end with Miss Georgie Betham.

Mrs. Robert T. Phillips has gone to Columbus, Ga., to spend several weeks with her mother.

Miss Nell Phillips is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. L. Baker, in Atlanta.

Miss Julius Wannamaker and daughter, Miss Fannie, who spent the week-end with Mrs. T. E. White on E. Harvin street, returned to Orangeburg last night.

Misses Florence and Eloise Steel, and Miss Polly Parker of Rock Hill and Misses Ruth and Gertrude Wilson of St. Charles are visiting Mrs. D. K. McCallum.

Mrs. B. D. Wilson, of Washington, is visiting relatives in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry P. Moses and infant son have gone to Denver, Colorado, where Mr. Moses will stay several weeks and Mrs. Moses will spend the summer with her relatives.

Mr. Marshall Westcott, of Wilmington, N. C., is in the city spending a few days.

Magistrate J. L. Gillis, of Rembert, was in the city today.

Hon. A. K. Sanders, of Hagood, a candidate for the legislature, was in the city on Saturday.

Mrs. R. E. Wilder has returned from Savannah, where she has been visiting for several weeks.

Married.

Those who knew her in this city will be interested in the announcement of the marriage in Darlington of Miss Selome Hill to Mr. Ben Slavis, a young business man of Charleston. Miss Hill made her home in Sumter for sometime and made many friends during her stay here.

Married at the Methodist parsonage at Summerton, by Rev. C. C. Darric, June 14th, Mr. Ollie J. Abrams, of Summerton, and Miss Mary E. Corbett of Paxville.—Manning Times.

Berry Sprout.

Manning, June 25.—Berry Sprout, aged 18, died at his home at Foreston, at 5.30 this afternoon from acute appendicitis. He won the debaters' medal at the recent commencement of the Manning high school.

STORM DOES BIG DAMAGE.

Much Corn in Concord and Brogdon Sections Blown Down by Wind.

The storm of Thursday night seems to have done a great deal of damage to the corn in the Zoar, Concord and Brogdon sections of this county. The young corn was blown down and much of it was broken off at the roots. This will be killed, while other corn which was merely bent over will come out again.

At Mr. J. K. Newman's place in one field he made an actual count of the damage done and in one field sixty stalks were broken off to the row, while 213 were left standing. In another field 197 stalks were left standing to the row, while 78 were blown down and broken off. In still another field the count showed 164 stalks left standing, while 34 were blown down to the row.

This shows nearly thirty per cent of the corn destroyed by the wind.

TO AID CITY NURSE.

Civic League to Carry on Canvas to Continue Ward During Summer.

The committee of the Civic League in charge of the nurse work met last week to look into the condition of the funds. The league finds it has not sufficient in this fund to run the work for the summer and so has to start a canvass for this purpose. Perhaps there is no time in the year when it is more necessary to have a visiting nurse than July. To have to drop the work even for a time would mean to lose much that has been gained in the putting down of disease and improvement in sanitary conditions. The people of Sumter are far too interested in this work to let it lapse, but they tire of giving regularly and the constant dropping off of subscribers makes it difficult to pay the nurse's salary from month to month.

In response to a recent appeal in The Item the nurse, Miss Gibson, has received some fine mosquito nets which she is glad to have to protect her patients from mosquitoes and flies. The league has a refrigerator in perfect condition belonging to this department which it wishes to sell. Apply for information to Mrs. R. S. Hood.

Moore-Brogdon.

Bennettsville, June 27.—The Methodist church was the scene of a very beautiful wedding last Wednesday evening when Miss Estelle Lucile Moore, the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Moore, became the bride of Julius Leon Brogdon, a prominent planter of Sumter county. The ceremony was performed by the bride's pastor, the Rev. Peter Stokes, in the presence of a large assemblage of relatives and friends. Ferns and palms were used in the decoration of the church, making a most pleasing background for the bridal party.

Just before the ceremony Miss Grace Mitchell, accompanied by Mrs. H. Y. Falcon on the violin, played "Romance," and Mrs. C. E. Strom sang "Protestation."

To the strains of the Lohengrin wedding march, the following ribbon girls entered: Misses Theima Moore, sister of the bride; Wilma Howerton; Lillie Moore and Gertrude Breeden. The bridesmaids and groomsmen entered next, Miss Emma Holland of Ninety-Six with Lee Jones of Columbia; Miss Ora McFall of Pickens with William Lawrence of Sumter; Miss Eva Huestes with Pringle Brunson of Sumter, Miss Ruth Patterson with William Brogdon, Miss Mal Belle Moore of Latta with Robert Jones of Sumter. Next came the matron of honor, Mrs. Bossard Britton of Sumter. The maid of honor, Miss Marie Jones of Sumter, entered next. Little Isadora Hamer, as ringbearer, preceded the bride, who was given in marriage by her father, B. D. Moore. The groom entered from a side door with his brother, Jake Brogdon of Sumter, and joined the bride at the altar, where the ring ceremony was used.

The bride was lovely in a gown of white crepe meteor trimmed with lace and pearl ornaments and the veil was caught in cap effect around the face, lilies of the valley peeping out from the folds.

Mr. and Mrs. Brogdon left immediately after the ceremony for Hendersonville for several weeks, after which they will be at home in Sumter.

The guests from a distance were: Darby White, Rowland Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jones, Miss Ruth Jones of Sumter, Mrs. Andrew Legette, Marion Legette of Latta, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Newton of Tatum, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Howerton and Alfred Howerton of Columbia.

In anticipation of the approaching marriage, Mrs. E. C. Newton of Tatum on last Friday afternoon gave a miscellaneous shower in honor of the bride-elect. Mrs. Newton served a dainty ice course to her guests.

Miss Ruth Patterson entertained the bridal party Tuesday evening at a pretty reception. The house was beautifully decorated for the occasion, carrying out the color scheme of green and white. Delightful refreshments were served during the evening.

Another prenuptial in honor of Miss Moore was a linen shower given Monday afternoon by Mrs. Lawrence Newton, at which the bride received many dainty pieces of linen. Mrs. Newton served cream and cake to her guests.

A Distressing Accident.

The distressing accident which one of the Bishopville horses suffered in a practice run caused a good deal of excitement. The horse became unmanageable and dashed through the wire fence, which was tipped with bars, and as a result was severely cut about the shoulders and breast. It was feared he would be incapacitated for further service but his owners say he will come around alright after a while. The horse had just been purchased and this was his first trial.—Florence Times.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

Itinerary of County Campaign Arranged and Assessments on Candidates Fixed.

The County Democratic Executive Committee met in the court house at 11 o'clock Saturday, June 26th, with the following members present: Sumter Ward 2—J. H. Clifton. Sumter Ward 4—Geo. W. Dick. Concord—T. B. Brunson. Borden—C. M. Emanuel. Dalzell—A. C. Thompson. DuBose—T. S. DuBose, Jr. Earle—H. D. Tindal. Farmers—P. M. Pitts. Hagood—A. K. Sanders. Manchester—T. G. Geddings. Oswego—E. M. Oliver. Pleasant Grove—M. D. Weaver. Privateer—W. O. Cain. Reids—F. M. Brown. Rafting Creek—J. J. Brown. Stateburg—A. F. Neyle. Shiloh—S. W. Truluck. Taylors—I. M. Truluck. Wedgefield—M. L. Parler.

The meeting was called to order by County Chairman J. H. Clifton, who stated that the first business before the committee would be to fix the time of the county campaign and arrange the itinerary of the campaign meetings. After discussion the following schedule was agreed to:

- Privateer, Tuesday, August 4.
 - Shiloh, Wednesday, August 5.
 - Mayesville, Thursday, August 6.
 - Remberts, Tuesday, August 11.
 - Dalzell, Friday, August 14.
 - Wedgefield, Tuesday, August 18.
 - Sumter, Friday night, August 21.
 - Sumter, Saturday, August 22.
- The next matter taken up was the assessments to be levied on the candidates for the purpose of raising funds to pay the expenses of the primary. This was discussed at some length and the following assessment were agreed to by unanimous consent.
- Supervisor \$25.00
 - Treasurer 25.00
 - Auditor 25.00
 - Superintendent of Education . 20.00
 - Judge of Probate 10.00
 - Coroner 10.00
 - House of Representatives . . . 25.00
 - Senate 50.00
 - Magistrate, 1st Dist. 2.50
 - Magistrate, 2nd Dist. 2.00
 - Magistrate, 3rd Dist. 10.00
 - Magistrate, 4th Dist. 4.00
 - Magistrate, 5th Dist. 7.50
 - Magistrate, 6th Dist. 5.00
 - Magistrate, 7th Dist. 2.50

In addition to the above fixed assessments all candidates are required to pay 25 per cent extra assessment, which additional assessment will be refunded to the defeated candidates at the close of the primary. That is, the candidates who are assessed \$10 will be required to pay \$12.50 when they file their pledges, but the unsuccessful candidates will be refunded \$2.50 each at the close of the primary. The candidates who are assessed \$25.00 will be required to pay \$31.25 when they file their pledges, and the unsuccessful ones will be refunded \$6.25; and so on through the list.

Candidates are required to pay the assessment and file the usual pledge on or before 12 o'clock Monday, August 3rd.

Farmers club reported that the club had been reorganized and that the following officers had been elected: President J. C. Dawkins; Vice President, W. J. Stafford; Secretary G. W. Bradford; Executive Committeeman, P. M. Pitts. The polling place of the club is Second Mill.

Reid's Club reported that the club had been reorganized, as directed by the County Executive Committee. The club presented a request that the club be permitted to change its polling place from Greenland Savannah school house, the place previously named by the County Executive Committee to Reid's school house, the regular polling place of the club for the past several years. The request was granted and the committee voted that the polling place of Reid's club be at the Reid school house.

Manchester Club reported that the club had been organized, as directed by the County Executive Committee, and that the polling place of the club would be at the school house at old Manchester depot.

The polling places of the several clubs were reported by the respective executive committeemen and were thereupon fixed and declared by formal vote of the committee as follows:

- Sumter, Ward 1 Club—Ward 1 in City of Sumter.
- Sumter, Ward 2 Club—Ward 2 City of Sumter.
- Sumter, Ward 3 Club—Ward 3 City of Sumter.
- Sumter, Ward 4 Club—Ward 4 City of Sumter.
- Borden Club—Borden.
- Concord Club—J. W. Brunson's mill.
- Dalzell Club—Dalzell.
- DuBose Club—DuBose's store, at DuBose station.
- Earle Club—T. E. Hodge's store.
- Farmers Club—Second Mill.
- Hagood Club—Hagood.

- Manchester Club—School house at old Manchester depot.
- Mayesville Club—Mayesville.
- Oswego Club—Oswego.
- Plagah Club—Gillis' store.
- Pleasant Grove Club—Pleasant Grove school house.
- Privateer Club—Privateer station.
- Reid's Club—Reid School house.
- Rafting Creek Club—Rembert's station.
- Salem Club—Warren's Store.
- Stateburg Club—Hair's store.
- Shiloh Club—Shiloh.
- Trinity Club—E. T. Mim's store.
- Taylors Club—Lone Oak school house.
- Zoar Club—Britton's Store.
- Wedgefield Club—Wedgefield.

The question of the definition of club districts was brought up and Chairman Clifton stated that he had referred the matter to State Chairman John Gary Evans and requested a ruling. He read the reply of Chairman Evans, who ruled that voters, not residents of cities, must enroll in the club nearest to their places of residence, irrespective of township lines, the distance being calculated by the shortest practicable route. That is to say, if a voter residing in Stateburg township is nearer to the Hagood club than to the Stateburg club, then he must enroll in the Hagood club and vote there. This opinion of the State Chairman was in direct contradiction of the construction placed on the rule by a majority vote of the Sumter County Executive committee at its last meeting, when it was held that club districts must be restricted to townships and that a voter must enroll in the club in the district in which he resides. Under the ruling of the State Chairman the duty of the County Executive Committee is performed when it shall have fixed and declared the polling places of the several clubs of the county and that the districts of the several clubs and the membership thereof are automatically determined by the distance of the places of residence of the voters from these club precincts. A voter must enroll in the club nearest his place of residence.

A motion was made and seconded that the Chairman be directed to prepare and publish a list of the polling places of the several clubs, as fixed and declared by the committee at this meeting, and that the voters of Sumter county be notified in the same publication that they are required to enroll in the club nearest their place of residence and that in enrolling they are required to sign their names in full.

Mr. W. O. Cain offered as a substitute that the club districts as laid out by this committee at its last meeting be adhered to. The substitute was voted down. The motion as originally made was then put to a vote and adopted.

The question of nominating candidates for Coroner to fill the unexpired term of Mr. S. F. Flowers, deceased, was brought up, and after discussion it was decided that since the office could not be filled by appointment save for the period between the time the vacancy occurs and the next general election, therefore it was just and proper to place the office of Coroner in the forthcoming primary.

The meeting then adjourned subject to the call of the Chairman.

DUCKER-BELL MARRIAGE.

Beautiful Home Wedding at the Residence of the Bride on East Calhoun Street.

A beautiful home wedding was solemnized on Thursday afternoon last, the twenty-fifth, when Mrs. Wilhelmina Y. Ducker, became the wife of Mr. Harry D. Bell of Charleston. The marriage took place at 3.30 o'clock, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Dr. Wilson, pastor of the Lutheran church of this city. Only the immediate family being present to witness it.

The bride was most becomingly attired in white silk crepe with lace. The parlor was beautifully decorated with ferns and white candles, the color scheme being pink. Immediately after the ceremony the bridal party repaired to the dining room where a sweet course was served.

Mrs. Bell is a young woman of sterling worth, and has a host of friends; the groom is a popular young man and is a traveling salesman of New York. They left on the five o'clock train for Charleston, where they will spend several weeks with relatives. They carry with them the best wishes of their many friends. After the middle of July, they will be at their home No. 5 East Calhoun street.

Mr. and Mrs. Bell were the recipients of quite a number of handsome and useful gifts. The out-of-town guests, were Misses Louise and Mr. George Bell, of Charleston, and Mr. E. A. Bultman, of Orangeburg, and Mrs. John W. Fowler of Wilmington, N. C.

The number of June weddings is another mark of great confidence in the Wilson administration.—Wilmington Star.

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WISACKY NEWS NOTES.

Burial of Mrs. Alex Skinner—Failure of Tobacco Crop—Negro Found Dead—Rivers' Cooling Waters Enjoyed by Bathers.

Wisacky, June 26.—It is hot, extremely hot, and getting quite dry. Our crops are not suffering, but a good rain would be very helpful. The oat crops turned out well and were saved without any damage from rain. The corn crops are all laid by in good condition and planted in peas. Our oat land sowed in peas. Cotton crops are in fine condition and looking well. I never saw better prospects at this season of the year.

Our young folks, and some of the old ones too, male and female, are enjoying the cooling waters of Lynch river. They say it is fine sport.

Mingo Lewis, one of our best colored farmers, was found dead in his horse stables a few days ago. There was no injury found on his body, and it is presumed that he died from some natural cause.

Mr. W. W. DesChamps has sent his family to Henderson for the summer. He and his wife will soon follow. They will be greatly missed from our town.

Rev. Tom Tuck is assisting Rev. Bethea in a protracted meeting at Lynchburg this week. They are hoping for good results. I trust all of their hopes will be realized.

I had the sad privilege of being present and taking part in laying to rest our friend and fellow comrade, S. F. Flowers, last Wednesday. He was a gallant soldier throughout the late war, always at his post and ready to do his duty, and we trust has gone to be with the Saviour forever.

The tobacco crop in this section is a failure. Most of it has been planted in cotton or something else. I saw some fine weed near Lynchburg yesterday.

Mrs. Alex Skinner was buried at St. Lukes' cemetery today. Rev. Bethea was assisted in the service by Rev. G. E. Edwards, pastor of Bishopville church. She had been sick for a long time.

The candidates are having a warm time.

FOURTH OF JULY CHEAP EXCURSION RATES, VIA

The Atlantic Coast Line, The Standard Railroad of the South.

On account of Fourth of July Excursion round trip tickets will be sold at very low fares at all stations on the Atlantic Coast Line, on July 2, 3 and 4, to all points within a radius of about three hundred and twenty-five (325) miles from the selling point, limited returning to reach original starting point prior to midnight of July 7th, 1914. Rates are not made to points north of Washington.

For full particulars regarding fares, schedules, etc., apply to O. V. Player, Ticket Agent, Sumter, S. C.

T. C. White, Gen. Pass. Agent. W. J. Craig, Pass. Traf. Mgr. Wilmington, N. C.

SUMTER BOYS FIGHT FIRE.

Quench Merry Flames in a Twinkle at Dr. Ellerbe's Kitchen in Florence.

Florence Times, June 25. The fire boys from the Game Cock city were called upon to give a practical demonstration of their efficiency about one o'clock today when the kitchen annexed to the home of Dr. A. C. Ellerbe was discovered to be on fire.

By a happy coincidence the Sumter boys were staying at Dr. Ellerbe's. They had just returned to their rooms from the race course, when smoke was seen issuing from the roof of the kitchen. Fanned by a stiff little breeze the flames were dancing merrily when the alarm of fire was given.

True to the instincts of their calling the fire-fighters were instantly on the alert, and when they found that the blaze was right at hand they descended upon it like a thousand bricks. In a twinkling the fire was out.

The Fourth of July will come on Monday, the 6th, this year, at least that seems to be the day that the merchants will observe as July 4th this year.

Death of an Infant. Mary Ethel, the little 7-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. S. McLeod, died last Sunday, June 21, and was buried at Bethel church near Oswego.

Real Estate Transfer. Susan Peters to J. S. Collins, lot on Council street, \$4,000.

Candidates' Cards.

Announcements of candidates will be printed in this column until the close of the campaign for \$5. No cards accepted on credit.

The Senate.

I hereby announce that I am a candidate for election to the State Senate from Sumter County, subject to the rules of the Democratic party.

K. D. EPPS.

House of Representatives.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the House of Representatives, subject to the rules of the Democratic party.

D. D. MOISE.

Believing that my four years experience and my study of the State's affairs have put me in a position for effective service, I am a candidate for re-election to the House of Representatives, subject to the rules of the Democratic party.

R. S. BELSER.

I am a candidate for the House of Representatives from Sumter County, subject to the rules governing the Democratic primary.

A. K. SANDERS.

For Supervisor.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of County Supervisor subject to the rules governing the Democratic primary.

W. S. THOMPSON.

I am a candidate for re-election to the office of County Supervisor, subject to the rules of the Democratic party.

P. M. PITTS, Supervisor.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Supervisor for Sumter County, subject to the rules of the Democratic party.

L. E. WHITE.

County Superintendent of Education.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Superintendent of Education of Sumter County and pledge myself to abide by the rules of the Democratic primary.

J. H. HAYNSWORTH.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of County Superintendent of Education for Sumter County, subject to the rules of the Democratic party.

S. D. CAIN.

For Coroner.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Coroner of Sumter County subject to the rules governing the Democratic primary.

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