

**PICKENS HEARS CAMPAIGNERS**

CANDIDATES FOR STATE OFFICE SPEAK TO LARGE AUDIENCE.

Visitors Meet Warm Reception at Home of Citizens, Who Cheer Heartily Every Reference to President Wilson.

Pickens, June 22.—The sturdy yeomanry of the county which has the largest percentage of white population in South Carolina gave the State campaign a good hearing today. Some 500 people heard the candidates and in the audience were many women, their rosy cheeks and striking appearance bearing eloquent testimony to the fine climate which makes this favored section. Nestling in the foothills off the Blue Ridge and surrounded by a fine farming country, traversed by good roads and breathing as fine a type of citizenship as can be found anywhere, Pickens today lived up to its reputation as a hospitable community which welcomes the stranger with outstretched hand.

On the walls of the court house where the meeting began were several glaring posters telling of the evils of whiskey and stretched above the judge's stand was a large banner intertwined with the stars and stripes, witness of the prohibition sentiment and the patriotism of this section.

The meeting began shortly before 11 o'clock in the court house. Furman Morris, county chairman, presiding. The Rev. W. D. Hiett, in his prayer referred to the crisis with which we are passing and prayed for the unity of the soul and husbands who had responded to the call of their country and for divine guidance for the nation in this great and solemn hour.

John E. Swearingen, superintendent of education, led off with his appeal of education, a subject which is near to the hearts of the people. He was followed by W. Santa Dove and George W. Wightman for secretary of State; H. T. Carter and D. W. McLaurin for State treasurer; G. McD. Hampton, W. H. Kelly, W. P. Throver, James Chandler and Albert E. Fant for railroad commissioner.

The crowd by this time having become too large for the court house the meeting was adjourned to the home of the candidates for governor and lieutenant governor addressing the people from a stand erected at the rear of the building.

John E. DesChamps was first up for governor, and he made a plea for unity among the people and for those things which will uphold the State and do away with factionalism.

John T. Dumeau said that there were surprises in store for his opponents and talked about the "system."

Gov. Richard I. Manning said he was doing all he could to insure the safety of the health of the National Guardsmen and reviewed his administration.

Former Gov. Blease stressed taxation as the paramount issue of the campaign and charged that the present administration was run extravagantly and that taxation was becoming too burdensome because of the creation of so many offices and boards which he said are useless.

Robert A. Cooper discussed education and the need for impartial enforcement of the law.

The candidates for the county offices were on hand as were several of those for congress in this the Third district and for solicitor of this circuit. Among the congressional candidates present were Fred H. Dominick of Newberry, Henry C. Twyman of Greenwood and A. H. Duggall of Anderson.

The quietness which has characterized the campaign from the initial meeting at Spartanburg continues. The people seem to be very much interested in anything which pertains to the Mexican situation and the mobilization of the National Guardsmen and they are quick to show their admiration for President Wilson by applauding any reference to him and they appear to agree very generally with the proposition that South Carolina stands ready to back him to the limit.

For lieutenant governor E. C. L. Adams and Andrew J. Bethea made brief speeches.

The meeting will be held at Wall-halla tomorrow.

At Work on Green Swamp Road.

Supervisor Pitts now has the chain gang at work on the Green Swamp road and will work it out for some distance from the city limits. The gang has already completed its work on the Sumter-Bishopville road and this road is now in the best condition it has ever been in, having been worked up to the county line by the Sumter gang.

London, June 24.—Pope Benedict has made a personal appeal to President Wilson and Carranza to prevent war. This report comes in a semi-official wireless dispatch from Rome.

**SCOUT TELLS OF FIGHT.**

SAYS THAT AMERICAN COMMANDER MOVED FORWARD AFTER BEING WARNED BY GOMEZ.

Mexicans Fired on Americans, Killing Thirteen and Capturing Seventeen, According to Report—Prisoners Taken to Chihuahua.

Chihuahua, June 22.—The 17 American soldiers, negro troopers of the Tenth cavalry, who were captured in the battle at Carrizal, were brought here today with Lem Spillsbury, a Mormon scout employed by Gen. Pershing, and were interned.

Spillsbury said that Capt. Charles T. Boyd commanded the Americans and, with Lieut. Henry R. Adair, was among the killed.

Capt. Moore, who was with the American detachment, was wounded in the shoulder, but escaped.

In announcing this afternoon a story of the battle which he said Spillsbury told him Gen. Jacinto Trevino, commander of the military district of the Northeast, declared that at any time and at any place the American troops move other than toward the border, he will comply to the letter with his superiors' orders and will attack them, as Gen. Felix Gomez did at Carrizal.

Gen. Trevino said that all diplomatic arrangements are outside of his sphere.

Spillsbury's story, as announced by Gen. Trevino, was to the effect that 50 negroes, comprising Troop H, of the Tenth cavalry, Capt. Boyd and Lieut. Adair and he, composed the American detachment that encountered the Mexicans.

He said that he saw on the field the bodies of Boyd and Adair and at least 11 of the negroes.

Spillsbury's account, as given out, follows:

"We left Casas Grandes on Sunday morning, arriving outside of Carrizal early Wednesday morning. Capt. Boyd immediately dispatched a courier to the jefe politico of the little village, advising him that we were on our way to Villa Ahmuada.

After we had waited some time, Lieut. Col. Rivas came out and warned Capt. Boyd that he had better turn back. Capt. Boyd then explained that he was in pursuit of some bandits who he had heard had looted Santo Domingo and also was bound to catch a negro deserter who he had heard was in Villa Ahmuada.

"In reply to this Lieut. Col. Rivas notified the American that if he attempted to advance he would have to pass over the dead bodies of the Mexicans. He advised Boyd that he had better not argue the matter.

"Rivas returned to the village to report to his superior officer, Gen. Gomez, who sent out a note inviting the Americans to enter Carrizal for a conference. Capt. Boyd declined the invitation.

"On this Gen. Gomez went out in person and insistently urged the Americans to retire, pointing out that his orders from his superior necessitated his acting on them without further parley. Gen. Gomez repeated these words as he walked away. Boyd merely answered, 'All right.'"

Gen. Trevino's announcement then goes on to quote Spillsbury as saying that after Gen. Gomez had retired to his troops, who were lined up outside the town, Capt. Boyd ordered his men to advance, whereupon Spillsbury expostulated with him, arguing that a fight was sure to follow. Spillsbury is reported as saying, that Capt. Boyd "obstinately seemed to think the Mexican general was only bluffing," and the firing quickly began. He is quoted further:

"Capt. Moore and Lieut. Adair fell mortally wounded. Capt. Moore was wounded in the shoulder and immediately the negroes became demoralized. At the same time the men holding the horses fled with the mounts, leaving behind 17 negroes and myself. We were forced to surrender.

"I saw the bodies of Boyd and Adair and at least 11 negroes on the field of battle."

Mexican authorities asserted today that the prisoners had been well treated en route to Chihuahua.

Gen. Trevino says that he received some days ago an announcement from Gen. Pershing that he received Gen. Trevino's warning not to move east, south or west. Since that time four negroes other than those taken at Carrizal have been captured and also a white American.

**BATTLE AT FLEURY.**

Paris, June 24.—A violent struggle between the Germans and French is in progress for the possession of Fleury. The Germans shelled and wrecked the village, which is three miles northeast of Verdun. Huge masses of Germans were hurled against the French. The French have started an offensive northeast of Fleury. The Germans were repulsed between Hills 302 and 321 and driven from the trenches they recently won from the French between Fumin and Chenois wood.

**DEFENSE AIM OF AMERICA.**

NO INTERVENTION IN MEXICO CONTEMPLATED.

United States Secretary of State Explains Purpose to Latin-American Nations.

Washington, June 22.—Secretary Lansing today sent a memorandum to the diplomatic representatives of South and Central American nations reviewing the situation existing between the United States and Mexico and announcing that if hostilities should eventuate the purpose of the United States would be to defend itself against further invasion, and not to intervene in Mexican affairs.

The memorandum, dated June 21, follows:

"I enclose for your information a copy of this government's note of June 20 to the secretary of foreign relations of the de facto government of Mexico on the subject of the presence of American troops in Mexican territory. This communication states clearly the critical relations existing between this government and the de facto government of Mexico, and the causes which have led up to the present situation.

"Should this situation eventuate into hostilities, which this government would deeply regret and will use every honorable effort to avoid, I take this opportunity to inform you that this government would have for its object no intervention into Mexican affairs with all the regrettable consequences which might result from such a policy, but the defense of American territory from further invasion by bands of armed Mexicans, protection of American citizens and property along the boundary from outrages committed by such bandits, and the prevention of future depredations by force of arms against the marauders infesting this region and against a government which is encouraging and aiding them in their activities.

"Hostilities, in short, would be strictly a state of international war with out purpose on the part of the United States other than to end the conditions which menace our national peace and the safety of our citizens."

**FACULTY MEMBER ACTING HEAD.**

G. T. Pugh, Professor of English, Succeeds Dr. W. W. Daniels.

Columbia, June 22.—G. T. Pugh, professor of English at Columbia college, was yesterday made acting president of that institution, to fill the vacancy created by the recent resignation of Dr. W. W. Daniels, who had been head of the school 15 years. Recently the board of trustees elected D. W. Daniel, head of the English department of Clemson college, to this position, but the Clemson professor felt compelled to decline after due deliberation. Dr. Pugh was made acting president yesterday at a meeting of the executive committee of the board. Dr. Pugh is out of the city, and his acceptance has not yet been received.

The new head of the institution is one of the younger group of college professors of the State. He is a graduate of Wofford college, and later received his doctor of philosophy degree from Vanderbilt. He has been a member of the Columbia college faculty 11 years, having previously taught in the public schools of the State several sessions. He is a native of Newberry county.

Members of the executive committee of the board of trustees are: F. H. Hyatt, Dr. W. J. Murray, P. A. Hodges and L. L. Hardin.

**MACKENSEN ON JOB.**

Germans Send Best General to Meet Russians.

Petrograd, June 23.—Three German armies composed principally of troops from the west front, have taken the offensive on a sixty mile line in the Koval region in the effort to stem the Russian advance. It is reported that Gen. von Mackensen, one of the most brilliant German leaders will take charge of the Volhynia and Galicia armies. The right flank of Gen. Brusiloff's Russian armies is meeting with serious resistance, but the left wing in Bukovina is moving forward rapidly. Gen. Pfanser, who defended Cernowitz and his army are reported surrounded by Russians. There are artillery duels on the northern end of the line.

**TO GUARD EMPLOYEES.**

Postoffice Department Will Keep Post Office Open.

Washington, June 23.—Congressman Ragsdale today wired J. E. McBride, an employee of the Florence postoffice, that should he take part in the call for troops for Mexico, his position would be open for him upon his return. This decision of the Washington authorities will doubtless be received with interest in South Carolina.

**FIREMEN'S CONVENTION ENDS.**

CLOSING DAY DEVOTED TO EXCITING RACES.

Tie Recorded Between Columbia and Charleston in Exciting Reel Event—Sumter Second in Hose Wagon Race.

Orangeburg, June 22.—The 12th annual convention and tournament of the South Carolina Firemen's association came to an end this afternoon after the largest attended and most successful convention and tournament in the history of the association. Orangeburg did itself proud and the firemen were loud in their praises of the city on the Edisto and her magnificent citizenship. President Louis Behrens said: "I am delighted with the result of the convention and tournament. Everything passed off nicely and no accidents."

Today was given over entirely to tournament and races were pulled off both this morning and this afternoon. Large crowds witnessed both exhibitions. The races began at 10:30 o'clock this morning and the first contest was a hand reel race, which was entered by Charleston, Newberry, Sumter and Columbia. The first and second prize money was divided between Charleston and Columbia, their time being 31 seconds for the 100 yards. The third prize was won by Newberry, that company making the 100 yards in 22 seconds.

There were 15 entries in the foot races. The distance was 100 yards and the first prize was won by George Thayer of Columbia and second prize by Harvey Starling of Columbia, their time being 10.2 and 10.4 seconds respectively.

In the grab reel contest, run 50 yards, grab reel and run 50 yards, water through 50 feet of hose, the following entered: Charleston, Columbia, Newberry and Sumter. The first prize was won by Charleston, the time being 51 seconds. Newberry and Sumter missed at pipe and Columbia failed at plug, therefore the second prize money was not won.

This afternoon the consolation race was won and was participated in by ten companies. The first prize was won by Kingstree, that team getting water in 28.4 seconds, the record time for South Carolina. The second prize was won by Sumter, that team getting water in 29 seconds. The other teams and time was as follows: Bennettsville, failed at plug; Marion, 30 seconds; Georgetown, failed at plug; Darlington, 34.2 seconds; Bishopville, failed at plug; Laurens, 32.2 seconds; Abbeville, 32 seconds; Orangeburg, 42.2 seconds.

The money awarded in prizes amounted to \$1,000. All the prizes were paid to the winners in cash on the grounds. The loving cup, given by President Louis Behrens, was awarded to the Greenwood team today, that team having won the grand hose wagon race of yesterday.

The official judges of the races were: John T. Wise, E. A. Bultman and Dr. W. R. Latta. Official scorer, Dr. William R. Lowman; official starter, Mr. Stewart.

The firemen reluctantly left Orangeburg tonight. A number of the visiting firemen were heard to remark that the Orangeburg track was the best they have ever run on, and that the grandstand was the largest ever constructed for a firemen's tournament. Seating capacity for 5,000 was provided. The people of Orangeburg have thoroughly enjoyed entertaining the South Carolina Firemen's association and will with pleasure look forward to having the fire laddies in the City on the Edisto again. They are a real live bunch of good fellows.

The big social feature of the South Carolina Firemen's association was held last night on court house square. An excellent band concert was given by the Second regiment, South Carolina National Guard band, of this city. This was the largest attended band concert ever held in Orangeburg, 15,000 people being present. Refreshments were served to delegates and visiting firemen and the occasion was one that will long be remembered. The firemen and the citizens and visitors joined in an old time acquaintance meeting and everybody felt good and had the best of a time. After this concert and social meeting, a dance was held at the Elks' club auditorium.

**Arrested for Maltreating Prisoner.**

Magistrate Haynes and his deputy, Galloway, were arrested last week and brought before magistrate L. R. Dixon on the charge of maltreating a negro woman, while a prisoner in their hands and being conveyed to jail. The woman preferred the charges which were of such a grave nature, that counsel for Haynes and deputy, Kelley and Levy, moved for a change to Magistrate Skinner's court over Lynchess river, because as was alleged they could not get a fair trial before Magistrate Dixon. Mr. Dixon granted the motion, and the case was transferred and parties let out on bond.—Bishopville Leader and Vindicator.

**MAULDIN REFUSES INJUNCTION.**

DISMISSES PETITION IN PARKER MILL SALE MATTER.

Another Case Heard—Application for Receivership in Federal Court Now Before United States Judge.

Greenville, June 22.—Circuit Judge T. J. Mauldin today dismissed a petition for an injunction against the sale of the Hampton Cotton Mills company properties by the Parker Cotton Mills company after hearing the return of M. C. Branch, president of the Parker company, and W. E. Beattie, treasurer, and after hearing much testimony in the case.

Argument on the return was started on Tuesday and occupied two days, the decision being made on the morning of the 3rd.

The rule to show cause why the sale should not be enjoined was issued by Associate Justice Watts some time ago in Columbia upon petition of W. H. Rose, Richard D. Lee and Alex E. King. The judge in his order stated that he found no evidence of fraud.

The return to the rule issued upon petition of A. H. Heyward of Macon, Ga., and H. C. Welborn of Lexington, N. C., asking that the sale be enjoined and that a receiver or receivers for the Parker Cotton Mills company be named, was begun in the federal court here today before Judge Johnson, who issued the rule to show cause. W. E. Beattie took the stand today in the return.

It is expected that this argument, precipitated in the federal court by out of State stockholders, will require at least another day in the presentation of oral testimony and of affidavits. Judge Johnson may deliver his opinion on Saturday morning.

**EFFORT TO RAISE COMPANIES.**

Would Get up Second Militia Company and Volunteer Company—Cavalry Troop Also Being Raised.

Efforts are being made in the city for the organization of two infantry companies and a cavalry troop, which will respond to the call, if war with Mexico becomes a reality. Enlistments and promises of enlistment have not seemed to respond very rapidly up to this time, but those who are interested in the movements do not want to do anything which will injure the present company in its efforts at enlistment to its full war strength.

Bernard Manning has secured authority from Adjutant and Inspector General Moore to organize a second militia company in Sumter to be held in reserve and to be mustered in after the Sumter Light Infantry has been recruited up to its full war strength.

The other infantry company is being gotten up by Messrs. George Levy and Raymon Schwartz and is a purely volunteer company, its services to be offered when formed, in case of war with Mexico and only during the war.

Mr. I. H. Moses in a trip to Columbia yesterday discussed with adjutant General Moore the organization of a troop of cavalry. He has secured authority to organize such a troop and is enrolling all who wish to enlist in the cavalry. Mr. Moses was a first lieutenant in the company which went from Sumter in the Spanish-American war. Enlistments for the cavalry troop are wanted not only in this county, but from surrounding counties.

**NEW MAP OF STATE ROAD.**

Will be the Most Elaborate Ever Issued.

Columbia, June 22.—The new State road map, which is issued annually by the State department of agriculture, is now in the hands of engravers and is expected to be delivered to motorists and others interested in roads of the State within the next ten days. Col. E. J. Watson is anxious to have those maps out before summer traffic starts for the mountains and the sea shore. The maps are to be the most complete and elaborate ever issued. A unique feature will be the location on them in red of all the chief Revolutionary fields in this State. Another point of interest will be the appearance of all of the old Indian trails of a pre-Revolutionary period, traced in red. An inset in the corner of the map will show a complete representation of the State system of stage coach roads in 1838.

Col. Watson reports that the old State road from Columbia to Charleston has been marked in red, white and blue signs of the national highway system as far as Holly Hill and that it will be completed all the way to Charleston by the end of this week. The Appalachian highway has been marked with red and white as far as Rockingham, N. C.

**Sumter-Bishopville Road Good.**

This scribe motored from Manning to Bishopville recently and now wonders why Clarendon cannot have a mile or two of road as good as that from Sumter to Bishopville.—Manning Herald.

**CAMPAIGN FOR SANITARIUM.**

FIELD AGENT AROUSES INTEREST IN MOVEMENT.

Mrs. Annie I. Rembert at Rock Hill Outlines Purpose of Fight to County Superintendents of Education.

Columbia, June 23.—Mrs. Annie I. Rembert returned yesterday from Rock Hill where she appeared before the county superintendents of education in convention at Winthrop in the interest of the State tuberculosis sanitarium. Mrs. Rembert, as field secretary for that institution, is conducting a State-wide campaign to awaken interest in the tuberculosis hospital and to educate the people of South Carolina as to its possibilities, its opportunities and purposes.

At the recent meeting of the State press association in York Mrs. Rembert's talk gained from the newspaper people a unanimous indorsement and the promise of assistance through the furnishing of wide publicity and the observance of a special State tuberculosis day to be named later.

Besides Mrs. Rembert's effective and informing address before the education body at Winthrop there were other speeches upon the educational feature of this work undertaken by the State board of health. Isaac Percher, superintendent of education for Berkeley county, stated that the people in his county were in many cases ignorant of the communicable feature of the disease and that they had little idea of its prevention and its cure. He hoped that when plans for an educational campaign were perfected, Berkeley county would be the first to benefit thereby.

The superintendents from Saluda and Georgetown cited instances of this necessity for just such a movement, and signified their willingness to cooperate with the State board of health in an educational campaign.

A bill now pending in congress for federal aid in the suppression of tuberculosis was discussed. Mr. Hillman, president of the association, giving an interesting talk on the subject.

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING.**

Various Matters of Public Interest Discussed—City to Borrow Funds.

City Council held a called meeting on Thursday afternoon when various matters of public interest were discussed.

Dr. J. A. Hayne, secretary of the State Board of Health, was present, after having made an investigation of the health situation in the city. He reported that the cases of typhoid, in so far as he could ascertain, were due to unscreened surface closets.

Upon the recommendation of the city health officer it was decided to build in each ward in the city two double closets, of a sanitary type, for public use. These are to be erected in back lots and will be looked after by the health officials.

Mr. C. L. Cuttino requested that the big oak trees on East Hampton Avenue be removed before the street was paved and sidewalk laid. Mr. Isaac Schwartz requested that a sidewalk be placed on the south side of West Hampton avenue for the first block from Main street. Council was to inspect the conditions and decide on their action as to these requests.

Council decided to give Harby Avenue the right of paving over West Calhoun street between Harby avenue and Salem avenue.

The City Clerk and Treasurer reported that a note of the city's for \$60,000 was coming due on July 3rd and asked for authority to make arrangements to borrow money to meet this note and also for current expenses and ordinary expenses of the city. He called the attention of council to the fact that \$20,000 had been spent recently for permanent improvements. The improvements were final payment on the city hall lot, for the auto fire truck, for storm drains and water systems. This was \$15,000 more than was spent last year for improvements. He stated that \$5,000 more was needed and thought it best that \$25,000 be borrowed. This could be placed in the local banks at four per cent on the city's checking account. He was authorized to get the rates on loans of \$75,000 and \$85,000.

He asked that he be allowed to run a checking account with a New York bank to pay notes and interest on notes, as New York exchange was needed in arranging of loans, etc.

**Name Not Changed.**

Columbia, June 23.—The petition to the railroad commission to have the name of Styx on the Southern railway changed from Styx to Ford was dismissed yesterday by the commission. It was argued that it would be inadvisable to make the change at this time, as much confusion would result in consequence of the mobilization of the National Guard at the Styx encampment.

London, June 24.—A British liner has been captured by a German submarine and taken into Zebrugge. The ship is believed to be the Brussels.