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PERSONAL

Dr. J. H. Hahnsworth attended the meeting of County Superintendents of Education in Columbia today.

Dr. J. W. Babcock of Columbia, is spending several days in the city.

Mr. E. E. Austin is out of town on business for several days.

Mrs. F. B. Greene and son, of Columbia, are visiting Mrs. T. E. McKnight on Chestnut street.

Mr. J. F. Glenn and Mrs. Murr Hall are visiting relatives in York.

Dr. E. R. Wilson, Mrs. Thomas Wilson and Miss Mary Wilson have returned from Hot Springs, Ark.

Mr. B. C. Ashcraft, editor and publisher of the Monroe, N. C. Enquirer, is spending the week in the city attending court.

Mrs. S. Ginsburg, of Buffalo, N. Y., and Miss Edith Rytzenberg, of New York City, are visiting relatives in the city.

Mrs. Exum Honors Mrs. McWillie Boykin.

Notable among the social events of last week was the card party given by Mrs. C. P. Exum in honor of her sister-in-law, Mrs. McWillie Boykin, who has recently moved to Sumter from Atlanta.

The rooms were beautifully decorated with yellow jonquils and other spring flowers and seven tables were arranged for bridge. A salad course with coffee was served after the game.

Sanitary Inspection.

The city board of health has ordered a house to house inspection of the entire city during the month of April. The health officer will make a visit to each residence and place of business within the city limits and the premises will be carefully inspected to ascertain if they are in sanitary condition and if the occupants are obeying the health regulations of the city of Sumter. Those who have not given the matter attention should have a clean-up day at once and get their premises in spic and span order in readiness for the visit of the inspector.

Comparatively few people make use of the public library. If more made use of it regularly more interest would be taken in the institution and it would receive more substantial support. It is to be hoped that some public citizens will remember the library in their wills and testaments, even though do not bestow largesse upon it during their lifetime.

BRAZIL WANTS BIGGER GERMAN BOATS

Rio de Janeiro, Feb. 20.—It is announced that Brazil will ask the Allies for torpedo boats of greater dimensions and armament than the seven former German torpedo boats of 200 tons recently allotted her by the supreme council at Paris.

POULTRY PROFITS DEPEND ON HEALTHY CHICKS

Mr. Williams, a very successful Oklahoma poultry raiser, recently said to Dr. LeGear: "Since I have been using your poultry prescription, not only have I cut down Chick loss, but I find that my pullets lay a month or two earlier." A few pennies wisely spent in feeding Dr. LeGear's Poultry Prescription to Baby Chicks insures rapid development and early fall and winter laying. Get a package from your dealer. Satisfaction or money back.—Dr. L. D. LeGear Med. Co., St. Louis, Mo.—Adv.

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K. of C. TO RECEIVE FOURTH DEGREE

Members from Sumter Going to Columbia Sunday, May 2

A large number of members of the Knights of Columbus of this city will receive the major or fourth degree in Columbia Sunday, May 2.

The exemplification will be an epoch-making event in the history of the K. of C. in the Carolinas and the South Atlantic States. More than 150 members will receive the degree, including about fifteen from Sumter, fifty from Columbia and others from Augusta, Ga., Charlotte, N. C., and various cities of Georgia and the two Carolinas.

The degree will be exemplified under direction of Richard A. Magill, of Atlanta, Ga., who is master of the fourth degree for Georgia, Florida and the two Carolinas.

After the initiation a fourth degree assembly will be formed, composed of a number of cities in this section.

Every person who is dissatisfied with the census report on the population of Sumter and has definite knowledge of the failure of the enumerators to list certain persons should place these facts in the hands of Secretary Reardon of the Chamber of Commerce. During the time the census was being taken and again before the enumerators had made up their final reports for transmission to Washington requests were made through newspapers that any citizen who had reason to believe that the census was not complete and correct—if they knew of the omission of any residents—should make complaint to the enumerators. Few complaints were made and it was taken for granted that the census enumerators had done their duty. There is one more chance to prove that the census is incomplete and incorrect, but the assertions must be backed up by facts, and those who criticize the report must give names and places in support of the claim that the enumerators failed to find all the residents of Sumter.

SCOUT NEWS

The weekly meeting of the Scouts of Sumter was not held on the usual night, Wednesday, on account of the basketball game, but was held on Thursday night instead.

The attendance was very large, as all the Scouts wished to hear the fine talk given by Dr. Hirsch. They showed their enjoyment by hearty applause and a few words of thanks from Patrol Leader Buck.

It was brought before the meeting that every scoutmaster in the United States received a letter from Hon. Myron T. Herrick (former ambassador to France), wishing that every citizen of the United States would give a contribution, no matter how small, to the Marne Statue fund. The United States wishes to present a statue to France which will be situated on the Marne river. The week of March 22-27 had been set aside as Marne memorial week throughout the United States. Every Scout in the city of Sumter is giving five cents to the cause.

It is to be stated that Scouts Cuttino, Dwyer and Upshur have successfully passed their tenderfoot test and will be initiated at the next meeting.

The Scouts of Sumter have offered their services to the city, but as yet no call has been made. We also wish to state that we are always prepared. We were glad to have a visitor, Mr. Chas Cuttino, and we hope to have many more.

LOUIS LYON, Jr., Scribe.

A Silk Hosiery Bargain.
The Sumter Dry Goods Co. will give you a pair of their \$3.50 pure silk thread hose (Quaker Maid) for \$2.90 during their Easter week-end selling. Special for this week only.—Adv.

"EVENING OF MUSIC"

Postponed Concert to be Held Monday, April 5th

The concert which was postponed on account of the influenza epidemic will be rendered next Monday evening by Mme. Rita Wilbourne and her daughter Willette Wilbourne in the Gilr's High School Auditorium. The program to be given will be of unusual interest opening with earlier composers, such as Handel and Beethoven and followed by some of the well known arias from the old and more modern operas, together with some interesting folklore of many countries.

Versatility characterizes the performances of Willette Wilbourne, whose accomplishments as a "wunderkind" secured the admiration of Mary Garden, the Metropolitan star, and others. Miss Wilbourne is a singer, a pianist and composer. She will close her part of the program with her own composition, entitled "The Desert" and the "Staccato Etude" by Rubenstein, pronounced as one of the five most difficult compositions for the piano.

Mme. Wilbourne, contralto, is an artist in the true sense of the word and has been so acknowledged by many of the noted impresarios in this country and abroad as one of the few natural contraltos. She will render as a special number, "The Purple Hour," by Augusta Holmes, in which her talent shows to advantage, a composition that requires both temperament and dramatic art. This song is one of the cycle entitled, "The Hours."

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

State Sunday School Workers Meet in Greenville

Spartanburg, March 29.—The greatest array of specialists in religious education ever brought together in South Carolina has been secured for the State Sunday School convention, at Greenville, May 4, 5, 6, according to a statement from the program committee. With the convention theme, "Facing the New Day in Religious Education" in mind, the committee has secured seven outstanding leaders in North America to bring to the largest gathering of religious workers held annually in this state messages of information and inspiration. The program is considered the strongest ever presented at a gathering of this kind in the State.

Dr. E. Y. Mubins, president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, at Louisville, Ky., has been secured for the Bible Half Hour each day. Dr. Mullins is one of the greatest Baptist scholars of the day.

Prof. M. A. Honline, of Dayton, Ohio, educational superintendent of the International Sunday School Association, formerly connected with the Bonebrake Theological Seminary at Dayton, will give a number of lectures on different phases of religious education. He is one of the leading child psychologists of the continent. He is a member of the faculty of the International Training School at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin.

Dr. W. F. Chalmers, of Philadelphia, is the outstanding Sunday School leader of the Northern Baptist Association. He is possessed of a pleasing platform delivery, and is a popular convention lecturer. His work at the convention will be along the line of religious education for the young people.

Mr. W. C. Pearce, of Chicago, field superintendent of the International Training School for Sunday School leadership at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. For thirty years he has been a prominent Sunday School worker, traveling in every State of the Union, in all of the provinces of Canada, and in Europe, Asia and Africa in interest of Sunday School work.

Another International worker at the convention will be Dr. William A. Brown, formerly Missionary Superintendent of the International Association. For the past two years he has been connected with the missionary work of the Methodist Episcopal church. He will conduct the early morning consecration services at the State convention, and speak of evangelism before the entire convention and at the conference periods.

Mrs. W. M. Walker, of Birmingham, superintendent of the beginners department of the Advent Episcopal Sunday School, comes as a specialist in work with children. She has had primary and beginners' departments. She is an instructor in the Birmingham graded union, city children's division superintendent, and has been an instructor in schools of method in many places in the South during the year.

For the music Prof. F. O. Sellers of New Orleans, has been secured as the director. Prof Sellers is an instructor in the Baptist Bible Institute at New Orleans in Sunday School work and music. In addition to directing the singing at the convention, he will take part on the convention program. Rev. Daniel Iverson, of Charlotte, N. C., will be the pianist at the convention. He will speak also at the administrative conferences.

Workers in every department of the Sunday School will receive from these speakers much that will help them in making their schools more efficient. The greatest blessings will come to them, however, by personal contact with those who are giving their lives that all the people of every State may be brought into the Sunday Schools and churches and have their lives enriched through the teaching service of the Sunday School.

PLATE GLASS WINDOW SMASHED

Negro Burglar Ran Through Palace Market Window to Escape

There was quite a flurry of excitement on South Main street last night as the result of an unsuccessful attempt to capture a negro man who had entered the market for the purpose of robbing the cash register. Within the past few weeks the market had been entered five times and the cash register rifled of the change left in it at night. The robberies were repeated with such regularity that Mr. Horres, the proprietor of the market, decided to trap the robber, so last night he and two of his employes concealed themselves in the market and waited for the robber to make his nightly visit. They were not disappointed, the thief made his appearance at the back door before ten o'clock, and entering, proceeded to rifle the cash drawer. When he was called upon to surrender the negro executed an unexpected and surprising manoeuvre. Instead of surrendering or trying to escape by way of the back door, by which he had entered the market, the negro made a dash for the front and bolted bodily through the plate glass window as if it had been no more substantial than a cobweb. There was a tremendous crash as the shattered glass fell to the pavement and the negro was gone. One of the watchers in the market fired at the fleeing negro with a shot gun as he dashed through the window, but he escaped unscathed. The only damage that the load of shot did was to smash two plate glass window panes in the window opposite to the one through which the negro escaped. It is stated that the negro was recognized and although he has evaded arrest thus far, he will be taken if he returns to his usual haunts around Sumter. All told the thief secured about forty-five dollars from the market.

Chautauqua Tickets.

The sale of Chautauqua tickets has begun. Any boy who wants to win a free ticket to the whole week of events can see Mr. Todd at Y. M. C. A. and get some tickets. Free tickets, free medals and a free supper. All of these are being planned for the boys who care to get out and hustle during a few spare hours.

Cotton Market

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Close
May	40.03	40.00	39.60	39.62	39.75
July	37.12	37.25	36.80	36.82	36.92
Oct.	33.90	34.21	33.78	33.82	33.75
Dec.	33.18	33.45	33.02	33.03	33.03

Yes'd'ys

Bridge Party for Miss Bowman

The first of a series of social events that have been planned for Miss Mabel Bowman, who is soon to become the bride of Mr. Riley A. Bradham, was a delightful bridge party, given by Miss Natalie Norman in the parlor of the Claremont Hotel on Thursday afternoon. The parlor was made attractive with decorations of palms and ferns and vases of yellow jonquils, the color scheme of white and yellow being carried out in many details. A salad course with tea was served by Mrs. C. F. Whitted and Mrs. H. N. Forester, who assisted Miss Norman in entertaining.

The first prize, a leather date pad, was won by Mrs. Wilson Green, while Mrs. L. R. Wilson drew the consolation, a leather bound book of poems. Miss Bowman was presented with a dainty piece of lingerie.

Those present were Mesdames: Tretto Otey, Wilson Greene, R. C. Williams, Lynch Deas, Hammond Bowman, John D. Lee, H. A. Mood, L. R. Williamson, McWillie Boykin, Horace Harby and Misses Mable Bowman and Edna Tobin.

Sumter Companies Chartered.

Columbia, March 31.—Two Sumter companies were today chartered by the Secretary of State. One of them is the Victory Building & Loan Association, capitalized at \$150,000. C. G. Rowland, R. K. Wilder, Mrs. Mary B. Warren, C. M. Hurst, C. J. Lemmon, F. Levi and R. J. Eland are the directors.

Rowland Brothers, of Sumter, were also chartered, with a capital stock of \$10,000, the company proposing to deal in automobiles and machinery. S. K. and J. J. Rowland and J. D. Durham are the directors.

Fire Hose Purchased

A special meeting of the city council was held Tuesday night to receive bids for new fire apparatus and a supply of hose.

Bids were filed by representative of the American LaFrance Co and theagraves Co., on motor pump apparatus, but consideration of these bids was postponed until tonight. Bids on fire hose were submitted by a number of firms. Others were placed for two thousand feet of hose as follows:

500 feet Ohio brand at \$1.50 per foot, Bilateral Hose Co.; 1,000 feet Stonewall Brand at \$1.30 per foot, C. C. Fire Hose Co.; 500 feet Arrow D. J. Brand at \$1.40 per foot Fabric Fire Hose Co.

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The Chautauqua Season

The annual Red Path Chautauqua week this year will open April 27th and close May 4th. An attractive program is offered.

A Good Easter Ad.

The large Easter ad. of the Sumter Dry Goods Co. has some worth while reading in it for the Easter Shopper. Better read it.—Adv.

Sumter

There was a County Teachers' Day, March 2nd, at the Girls' High School. The meeting was presided over by Dr. J. A. Rice made a production by Dr. Rice made a teachers on "The er." He showed "though essential, portant thing in ing. The teacher acter through her ner, and every mo. These are the thim member long after lesson taught from human beings who ner, or cling to her tion for teaching be school career, but m before.

The most important the discussion of Field had given \$100 to be purposes in prizes or the teachers saw fit was also promised. A cussion, it was decided of the long day's cont to have a declamation the schools in the coun was set for the first Fri

The rules of the con

1. There shall be fo for the high school (and tenth grades) g boys, intermediate g mediate boys.

2. Not more than o test may contest for a school.

3. There shall be a prize and honorable contest.

4. The names of t be registered with as possible.

5. The school points shall be g

6. A committee C. S. Hutchinson arrange all d or contest, etc.

7. The e grades shall and the

There be meeting April 24th

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White—Oral K. Christmas, of Sumter. Colored—Oliver Wise and Marie Washington, S. C.

Ezekiel Sanders, of Columbia, and Annie Ellerbe, of Sumter, S. C.

Joe Keels and Leola Glover, of Abbeville, S. C.

Seaborn Pinckney, and Maybell Bush, of Sumter, S. C.

Mr. J. Y. Todd and family returned last night from Chester.

What Is Thrift?

The correct definition for this word is the buying of the greatest values for the least money.

This week, which is "Easter Eve," thrifty shoppers can save a tidy sum on their purchases at our store. 85 beautiful Dresses, "Smart Style" Coat Suits, Novelty Skirts, Sport Coats, Middy Suits, Shirt Waists and Petticoats, will all be under-priced for Thursday, Friday and Saturday's selling.

Dainty Ribbons, Laces, Handkerchiefs, Hosiery, Gloves, Corsets, Camisoles, Neckwear, Footwear and Lingerie, all on display and at attractive prices for this festive occasion.

15 Dozen (180 pairs) of our popular Quaker Maid Pure Thread Silk Hose. Our \$3.50 quality for \$2.90 will be on sale the remainder of this pre-Easter week. "A word to the wise, etc."



THE SUMTER DRY GOODS CO.