

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS

SUMTER WINS SECOND GAME VS. LYNCHBURG

Score Results Are 15 to 5 in Favor of Sumter

The base ball team of the Sumter High School again clipped the Lynchburg "Hi" nine in their return game with Sumter which was played at the Fair Grounds Friday afternoon. Sumter was slow in getting started with their game, allowing the visitors to bring four of their men over the home plate before the termination of the fourth inning of the game, and also during these first four innings, Sumter was held scoreless. Edwards tightened down in inning number five and with the support of his team held the visitors to one score during this inning while the locals on the other hand got loose with the stick and scored four runs. The four scores started the ball rolling for Sumter while the lone score made by the visitors during the fifth inning proved to be Lynchburg's last. Sumter steadily scored her men, Skinner and Crawford doing probably the best work with the stick for Sumter, until the final count gave the score results as being Lynchburg, 5; Sumter, 15. The game was not the best demonstration of the work that Sumter was capable of nor was the game in any manner an errorless one. Battery for Sumter: Edwards and Wheeler. For Sumter: Wilder; first base; Pearson, I. F., Shaw, C. F., Felder, 3rd base, Skinner 2nd base; Rivers, S. S., Crawford, R. F., Umpire, Riley.

Sumter is to play Kingstree in Kingstree on Tuesday afternoon and Columbia on the local grounds Friday afternoon.

TWO NEGRO WOMEN KILLED

Woman and Daughter Are Found Dead on A. C. L. Tracks After Removal of Freight Flat Car From Side Track in Eastern Yard

The bruised bodies of two negro women identified as being Millie Rynos and her daughter "Gal" Rynos, were Monday afternoon about 12:20 o'clock found dead upon a side track of the A. C. L. railroad in the eastern part of the freight yard, not far from the plant of the Sumter Hardwood Company. There were no witnesses to the fatal occurrence and only a meager amount of information was obtainable. It seems, however, that a flat car had been left on this siding and it is believed that both of the women were under this freight car when it was removed from the siding Monday. The bodies of the women were found on the tracks a short time after the removing of this car. They were immediately carried to the undertaking establishment of George H. Hurst and Sons where an inquest will be held at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Bible School and Endeavor Institute.

Sumter Christian church will be the scene of a high class Bible school and Endeavor Institute, held March 29-30, afternoon and evening sessions.

This institute will be conducted by Dr. E. B. Quick of Atlanta, Ga. Dr. Quick is the Bible school secretary of the Christian church in the southeast.

He is the peer of any of the Bible workers or specialists of the south. He is a graduate of Old Bethany College of West Virginia, one of the Southern Association of Colleges and of Yale Divinity school.

With years of practical experience in pastorate and the Sunday school field, he comes eminently fitted as a practical Bible school expert to instruct and inspire Bible school workers here, not only of the Christian church, but also of any church in Sumter or Sumter county. The public is most cordially invited to attend and gain value from the lectures, discussions and question periods.

Special charts setting forth first hand information in the field of religious education will be used. Pastors, superintendents, other officers department superintendents, teachers, Endeavor workers, public school teachers, parents, and all those interested are invited to get a note book and pencil and attend every session. Afternoon session begins at 3 and closes at 5 o'clock. Evening session begins 7:30 and closes at 9:30.

Over hundred stereopticon pictures will be shown at last session Thursday night.

Special Bible School and Endeavor Institute certificates will be awarded to those who attend and take notes on free lectures.

Hagood News and Views.

Rembert, March 29.—News comes of Edgar Dinkins, a yellow negro, that he is dead in New Jersey whither he had fled from justice. Time was when he did considerable business at Hagood and though a church member, disregarded the Sabbath in the sale of stuff.

Judging by appearances there are those who do not believe in a holy God; if so they must think His government a makeshift.

Folks don't think God has anything to do with the hell bowl, etc.

It is so easy to settle everything with "accident." God has as good foresight as hindsight.

People of real worth need not do, not exploit themselves; like the tapir, they cast a shadow round their station while they shine to the rest.

Small grain is looking well. Folks are preparing to have some molasses.

John, who had been waiting on the white buckra in Washington, at home was giving the family the benefit of his experience. When his little brother said, "John, han' me de lasses," he stormed back, "Doan you say lasses, you say molasses." The rejoinder was, "How I gwine say molasses an I ain't had none yet."

"None so blind as those who will not see."

"Convince a man against his will, he's of the same opinion still."

"Seeing, they see not, hearing they hear not, etc." Jesus.

Concerning the dance it is known that every Christian body has condemned it as an evil. Trying to put down the dance is like trying to put down some other known evils. An eminent physician, a devotee of the dance stepped the issue, when asked by a young lady his opinion of it, with "I have noticed that those who truly love the Lord Jesus love not the dance; and those who truly love the dance love not the Lord Jesus."

The dance is not popular with devout souls.

"If you notice every barking dog the whole pack will be bounding you."—Robt. Burton.

"Mankind never loved but hated a lie."

"Generosity is the great characteristic of heroes."—Thos. Carlyle.

"How full our lives are of good things but we miss their enjoyment through contemplations of trifles, too much cream or sugar in the coffee, lack of salt in the hominy or the littleness, curiosity, meanness of a neighbor."

St. Pierre Lenoir and Miss Drigger, one of the teachers of the Stateburg school were married Saturday, March 18 and still the bells are ringing.

Fertilizer bills promise to be small this year.

The general health of the community was never better. Some folks grunt from habit; did you ever hear them?

We have a big crop of fine girls coming on.

The Methodists of Bethesda church held a centenary meeting, a fine address being made by our justly popular sheriff, C. M. Hurst, yesterday.

On the fourth Sabbath of this month the general public are requested to join in all-day service at High Hill Baptist church and to carry dinner. Addresses will be made by the president of Furman University and others.

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Cotton Ginned in South Carolina

The department of Commerce, through the bureau of the census, announces the preliminary report on cotton ginned by counties in South Carolina, for the crops of 1921 and 1920. The total for the state was made public at 10 a. m. Monday, March 20.

Quantities are in running bales, counting round as half bales. Linters are not included.

County	1921	1920
Abbeville	17,223	24,070
Aiken	13,979	44,197
Allendale	4,580	13,615
Anderson	63,393	88,502
Bamberg	4,154	21,147
Barrow	8,031	28,477
Beaufort	458	346
Berkeley	1,111	8,910
Calhoun	5,484	43,571
Charleston	361	1,561
Cherokee	15,196	20,898
Chester	26,598	37,538
Chesterfield	26,919	41,577
Cherokee	8,295	49,580
Clarendon	2,071	6,869
Colleton	22,866	59,928
Darlington	34,499	45,544
Dillon	1,590	10,228
Dorchester	7,674	25,708
Edgefield	10,379	30,677
Fairfield	21,815	49,382
Florence	543	4,476
Georgetown	44,987	53,637
Greenwood	14,145	41,337
Hampton	3,653	7,156
Horry	3,982	12,586
Jasper	712	923
Kershaw	42,215	42,215
Lancaster	16,505	26,707
Laurens	35,859	64,978
Lee	19,606	55,866
Lexington	9,529	35,945
McCormick	4,392	16,416
Marion	12,041	23,558
Marlboro	50,762	79,793
Newberry	19,222	47,136
Oconee	22,105	25,897
Orangeburg	18,916	38,728
Pickens	22,790	23,672
Richland	8,485	37,594
Saluda	9,675	31,390
Spartanburg	72,738	89,675
Sumter	18,788	63,245
Union	17,848	25,251
Williamsburg	7,612	25,153
York	42,143	48,398
The State	786,029	1,652,177

Buying Power of an Acre

New York Herald.

When all is said the problem of the farmer comes down to the question of how he can exchange the produce of his acres on something like a fair basis for the products of mills and factories. In simple practice this means of course that the farmer seeks to get a fair price for what he has to sell, and then to buy at fair prices the things he cannot supply for himself.

The department of agriculture has compiled a table showing the average purchasing power of an acre of farm crops for the years 1909, 1920 and 1921, showing on what basis the exchange of goods and food between city and country took place in these periods. It is surprising to find in this table a direct contradiction of the widely accepted belief that the farmer got the best end of the bargain when he was selling his crops during and after the war.

In a list of eighty-nine different articles commonly bought in the city markets by farmers the buying power of an acre of crops for 1909 was only 97 per cent. In 1920 the average cost of the articles, reduced to percentage, was 95 while in 1921, it was 100. Before these two years there was only a minor change in the buying power of an acre of crops. In 1914 it was as near true as it probably ever will be that a dollar in farm crops exchanged on an even and fair basis for a dollar in city goods.

Working up from the 1914 base the department of agriculture shows that in 1920 when farm prices were at the peak, the purchasing power of an acre had declined to 65 per cent. of the 1914 level. In 1921, with the recession in all prices in the city as well as on the farm, the decline in the value of an acre of crops outstanding the drop in city prices. Last year an acre of crops declined in purchasing power to only 52 per cent. of the 1914 figure.

The search after methods to furnish the farmer credit to carry his crops is revealed by these figures as futile unless the larger credit is accompanied either by enhanced farm prices or lower prices for mill and factory products which the farmer has to buy. Higher farm prices can come only with an increased demand for farm products. This demand, fortunately for the farmer, has already begun to appear in the larger purchases for export. The buying power of an acre of crops in 1922 will show a marked improvement over both the inflation years of 1920 and earlier, and the deflation year 1921.

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The man with the HOE says—

Do not waste any wood ashes from the grate. Stray them over the garden. They are rich in potash fertilizer. It will reach into the ground, unlike nitrates, will remain there in suspension and the plants can get the full benefit. You are throwing away money when you throw away wood ashes. They are especially valuable for radish and tulip beds.

Sawdust is not a good fertilizer and should not be spaded into the garden until it has rotted so that it almost disintegrates. It is a favorite breeding place for certain kinds of insects. Burn it and use the ashes.

Turnip tops make almost as good greens as mustard. Sow the early turnips thickly and then thin out for greens.

Give seedling tomatoes air whenever it is possible to make them stocky. No plant goes spindling faster than the tomato. Open the window a little way on any day when the temperature is above freezing but do not expose to cold winds. Fresh air will grow possible give a long way toward making fine, strong tomato plants in the seed boxes and frames.

Transplant tomatoes twice if it can be arranged. This checks the growth and prevents their growing leggy. They are much sturdier and stockier when twice transplanted before going into permanent quarters.

Soaking spinach seed in hot water for several hours before planting is an old gardener's trick. It speeds up germination.

Eggplant seed must not be kept too wet when it is germinating. It also should not be allowed to get cold. They do not require as much moisture in their early stages as other vegetables.

Swiss chard will give a much earlier crop if a few seeds are started in early March and transplanted. It can be handled readily and it is never so tender and appetizing as in the early spring. Chard should always be cut when young, as allowing the leaves to become mature checks the production.

Beets are one of the most healthful of vegetables, containing more elements which the human system needs than almost any other.

Give the asparagus bed a good dressing of manure. It will hasten the appearance of the "grass" and make it more tender. The custom of salting the bed may be omitted. It does not produce any noticeable results one way or the other.

Celery seed for successful germination, must never be allowed to get on the dry side. It requires more moisture to germinate successfully than many other seeds. Don't wash out the seeds or let the seed box become waterlogged, however.

Half egg shells make good seed pots in which to start cucumbers.

Plant a few kohlrabi now for an early crop, but remember it must be transplanted carefully and usually does better when allowed to remain where it is sown.

How to Raise Cotton Under Boll Weevil Conditions

The following list of suggestions on this vital subject were received through the mails by the Chamber of Commerce, and that office has passed the list on to us. We herewith pass them on to you:

1. Prepare your land in October by blowing up with dynamite.
2. Lay it off in rows 12 feet apart, and plant your cottonseed in December.
3. When your cotton comes up, thin it to one stalk in a hill 25 feet apart.
4. Spray each stalk twice a day with Hoyt's German Cologne.
5. Cover your cotton with mosquito netting when it is two weeks old—this netting is to be stretched over poultry wire.
6. Spread "tanglefoot" between all cotton rows and replace it every day.
7. Burn off all nearby woods, and cut down dead trees and burn them.
8. Dust the following mixture over your cotton twice a day: Epsom salts, calomel, cream of wheat and the white of an egg.
9. Have two hired hands for every acre in cultivation. Furnish them with barbers' tweezers to be used in pinching the heads of any boll weevils which may show up.
10. Mortgage your farm and buy nitrate of soda and spread plentifully around the roots of the cotton.
11. If any of the bolls should get punctured have the puncture vulcanized at once. Any good automobile man can do this for you.
12. Begin picking your cotton in February and try to have it all ginned and sold by March 15th. This will enable you to go to work and grow corn, peas, potatoes and hogs for home consumption. This kind of consumption does not need the service of a doctor.
13. Pay your preacher. Trade for cash. Settle all of your old debts, and live happy ever afterwards.

"Boll-leggers demand an eye for an eye"—headliners. Some of them demand an eye for a drink.

The speed cap is the only outfit who has to break a law in order to discourage breaking it.

JUNIOR-SENIOR RECEPTION

Seniors of High School Are Entertained by Junior Class

The members of the Senior Class of the Sumter High School were on Thursday evening the guests of the boys and girls of the third year high school at their annual Junior-Senior Reception which was held at the Girls High School.

For the entertainment of the members of the graduating class of the school, a delightful little program was carried out by the personnel of the Junior class which consisted in the interpretations by a number of familiar characters taken from our best known fairy tales. At the conclusion of this very enjoyable feature, a number of very pleasing games were played under the direction of Miss Beesie Meares' teacher of physical culture, these games furnishing much wholesome amusement for everyone. Two famous fortune tellers, Miss Isabel Williams and Mrs. T. S. Siddall, added much to the success of occasion by their participation of the past and the brightening of the future of the lives of many of the young folks.

The boys and girls of both junior and senior classes then enjoyed the playing of "Conversation" for a short time. Refreshments consisting of ice cream, cake and fruit punch were served during the evening.

A. F. G. to Place Man in Sumter

The American Fruit Growers, Inc., one of the greatest truck distributing organizations in the United States, with selling agencies in all of the large centers of the country, has decided to place a representative in Sumter to handle the truck grown by the Sumter County Truck Growers' Association. He will superintend the grading, packing and shipment of the truck and this service means a great deal to the farmers who are undertaking to grow truck for market for the first time. The American Fruit Growers, Inc., will act as a selling agency for the Sumter Truck Growers' Association and all of the facilities of the nation-wide organization will be used in the interest of the local truck growers.

Bicycles Sold at Auction

Several bicycles were Saturday morning sold at public outcry at the city hall, the prices brought ranging from \$5 to \$19.25. L. B. H. Barr acted as auctioneer. These bicycles had been filed by the city of Sumter for twelve months or more no owners having made any claim for them.

Marriage License Record.

Marriage licenses have been issued to the following colored couples:

John Henry Smith and Anna Wilder of Tindal.

Arthur Nixon and Martha Shaw of Mayesville.

James Rembert and Sarah Williams of Greeseville.

Thomas Rose and Mary Burns of Mayesville.

Albert Albone and Alice Jenkins of Statesburg.

Andrew Pinckney and Maggie Bennett of Dalzell.

Sam Downing and Frances Edwards of Shiloh.

James Wilson and Sadie Smith of Shiloh.

Perry Lloyd and Rebecca Howard of Dalzell.

Richard Green of Sumter and Anna Belle Kendrick of Claremont.

Tabb Johnson and Susie Mack of Sumter.

Willie Carolina and Mary Lou Wilson of Mayesville.

Major Roberts and Mrs. Mattie Williams of Sumter.

To Serve Chaingang Sentence.

Rural Policeman Mims, of Pinewood, brought two white men to the Pinewood section to Sumter Friday morning for commitment to the chaingang forces of Sumter for the serving of their respective sentences of 30 and 60 days. These brothers, Mitchell and Ford, were given their sentence after being tried and convicted in Pinewood on the charge of drunkenness. One of the men was given the additional sentence of 30 days for the carrying of concealed weapon.

Small Fire.

The home of Mr. W. H. Bowman, No. 227 Church street, was visited by small fire which was discovered in its infancy and soon extinguished. The fire, which was found at about 2 o'clock in the afternoon, proved to be only a shingle fire on the roof over the kitchen. The fire department was summoned but the fire had been practically put out at their arrival. The damage occasioned was very small.

Attention Veterans

Attend a meeting of Camp Dick Anderson at the court house on Saturday the 1st day of April at 10 a. m. for the purpose of selecting delegates to the reunion at Richmond, Va. Bring your dues also.

W. O. Cain, Com.

E. S. Carson, Adjt.

There might be less bigamy if the guilty were required to live with their mothers-in-law.

Kids playing baseball ought to boost the window glass trade.

BIG FIRE AT LYNCHBURG

Two Horses Burned in Barn

Lynchburg, March 24.—The large barn and sheds of D. P. Dennis were consumed by fire Wednesday night about 8 o'clock, and while the settlement is in town the flames spread so rapidly that very little was saved. Two horses were burned to death and two valuable pules badly injured by the fire about 700 bushels of corn, a large amount of fodder in the loft and several tons of fertilizer were consumed.

There was some insurance, but the amount is not known. The origin of the fire is not known, but is supposed to be due to carelessness on the part of some one smoking cigarettes while feeding the stock earlier in the evening.

Meeting of Business Women.

A very enthusiastic group of business women gathered Friday evening at the former parsonage of the First Baptist church. Several games were first played, the object being to make each girl acquainted with all the others present. After some time was spent in this manner, Mrs. W. E. Thayer very graciously spoke words of welcome to these young women, presenting to Miss Caro Truluck for the use of the business women, the keys to the building, with the message that the same was turned over to them to be used as a meeting place, and for whatever activities they might plan for the future.

The meeting was then presided over by Miss Truluck, and a thorough discussion had as to the purposes and aims of the organization. It was decided to meet each Friday night. The following were elected to serve as temporary officers until the organization was completed, and constitution and by-laws adopted: President, Miss Kristianson; Vice-President, Miss Lillian Tisdale; Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Elizabeth Smoot.

Delightful refreshments, consisting of sandwiches, pickles, tea and coffee were served by the Baptist ladies.

The young women heartily appreciate this opportunity of getting together in a worthwhile organization, and each and every business woman in the city of Sumter is urged to keep the date of the next meeting in mind, next Friday night, at 8 o'clock.

A Triple Birthday Party.

A beautiful birthday party was given by Mrs. C. M. Phifer, at her residence, 32 Harby Avenue on Saturday afternoon, to her three little girls, Mary Louise, Loretto Porcher, and Carolyn Nylene, during the hours of from 4 to 6, the home was particularly attractive. The color scheme, pink and white was very effectively carried out, especially so in the dining room, where candelabras, candles and pink hydrangeas were in profusion. The table with a handsome luncheon cloth of luncey and three white cakes gleaming, with pink candles represented respectively the ages of the little folks, ten, eight and six. The little wishes for the hostesses, that came from the bright faces, as each candle was blown out, added much merriment to the delightful occasion.

The Bean Bag game was the source of great entertainment, little Miss Jean Benton scoring the highest, was awarded with a dainty basket of bonbons. Master N. B. Hicks showing his skill, being the successful winner of the boys' prize. Refreshments, consisting of ice cream, cake and nuts were served and as the time of departure drew nigh, Miss Hattie White was handed a silver tray, filled with beautiful favors, one of which she presented to each little guest. She also added greatly to their pleasure by her gifted manner, in telling them interesting stories.

Such a large number of unusually attractive children gathered that it was suggested to the pictures of them. Those who assisted Mrs. Phifer, were her mother, Mrs. Lillington, Mesdames Thayer, Archie China and White, Misses Helen China, Anna Leeze Walsh and Mable Hurst.

Methodist Church Sends Bishop to New Zealand.

Manila, P. I., Feb. 15 (By Mail)—Bishop Edward Locke of the Methodist Episcopal church, in charge of church work in the Philippine Islands, accompanied by Mrs. Locke, have left for Australia. After spending three months in Australia they will go to the United States for several months and return to Manila later this year.

Bishop Locke goes to New Zealand as a fraternal delegate from the Methodist Episcopal church of America to the annual meeting of the Wesleyan Methodist church of New Zealand.

After several months in New York, Bishop Locke will go to Los Angeles, California, where he will dedicate the new church building for which he assisted in raising funds while pastor in that city.

They laugh at colds who never took 'em off when tricked by the first warm day of spring.

Give Mr. Harding time. A president with a blow on his hands can't keep a chin on his shoulder.

A man killed himself because his wife talked too much. Read this to your wife.

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HARTSVILLE TELEPHONE RATES CASE

United States Court at Richmond Affirms Decision at Charleston in Telephone Case

Richmond, Va., March 24.—The United States circuit court of appeals today affirmed the decision of the district court at Charleston, S. C., in the appeal of the mayor of Hartsville, E. A. Miller, as an individual subscriber for telephone service from the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph company headquarters in New York, from an increase in rates authorized by the railroad commission which was empowered by state statute to grant increases.

The district court held that the increase was valid and this was affirmed by the United States circuit court. The controversy was over a contract said to have previously been made with the telephone company for service which gave free communication to Darlington, a short distance away, and under the commission's subsequent order a toll for a 12 mile radius was charged.

Very soon we'll be wanting winter to play an encore.

Scientist says there is 257,000 horsepower in a spoonful of water. That isn't water.

Lord Reading wants to quit in India. Wish writing would.

Profit in Asparagus.

Bamberg, March 25.—The Bamberg Truck Growers' Association has begun to function. Yesterday the association received returns on fourteen crates of asparagus shipped from this place a few days before to a Northern market. The asparagus, brought seventy-five cents per bunch, or a total of \$125 for the fourteen crates. The asparagus came from the fields of C. R. Bradham, Sr., J. J. and J. T. O'Neal; local planters, have also shipped some asparagus from Bamberg on which returns have not been received yet. This was also shipped through the marketing association.

When you stall in the midst of traffic, however, there is no particular profit in telling your engine troubles to a policeman.

LIVESTOCK ASSOCIATION STEPS TAKEN AT MEETING TO OBTAIN FEDERAL FUNDS TO FINANCE NEW INDUSTRY

A meeting was held today in the Chamber of Commerce rooms that had every indication of being the beginning of a new era in this section of the state. The first step was taken toward making live stock raising and dairying a staple industry that will be entitled to and will receive consideration and credit as great as heretofore extended only to cotton growing