

SPORTS

SPORTS PASTURE BROWSINGS

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The basketball season is swiftly waning. Just a little more than one month from now the schools in these parts will be chasing the old apple again, but before that time some good court games are to be played in Columbia and at other of the schools in the Association. We should like to awaken our people to a real appreciation of basketball; for it is one of the best paying pastimes in the East and that because it furnishes what the people want—action. In basketball there are forty minutes of real action where real officials have charge. If sufficient interest were aroused in the game it might not be amiss for some entrepreneur to look forward to building a nice arena in Columbia for staging contests, then we might get chance to see some of the world's best teams in action. At present we have no plan to develop first rate teams, therefore, we cannot have first rate basketball. Let's browse on these thoughts.

It would be a real treat if Columbia could get to see the famous Original Celtics in action; or Leona; or the famous Renaissance five; or the far famed Vandals; or DeHart Hubbard's lightning quintet. As many sports lovers as we have in this town it doesn't seem possible that we should be content to be without any form of sports.

When, and if, the next church is built it would be splendid if, in keeping with the suggestion made by Jack Williams in his column "The Sporting Millions" of the People's Recorder, the congregation that elects to build would have the architect who draws the plans make provision for a gymnasium for it is being realized increasingly that the church needs an athletic program for its young people.

There are lots of sporting diversions that are to be found in other sections of the country that we don't have for our people here. In Columbia billiards and pool are associated with gambling, when in fact both are games that require a deal of dexterity on the part of anyone who would play them skillfully. A class A billiards and pool parlors should really take well in Columbia. Another interesting and body building game is bowling. Bowling calls for a deal of physical exertion and exerts no little influence on developing the muscles. Bowling Alleys should prove very attractive in Columbia. These are just suggestions that may some day make of Columbia a more attractive city in which to live. If ever we are fortunate enough to get a Y building these things should be provided as matters of course.

If memory serves me correctly I saw a Tom Thumb Golf course on Auburn Avenue in Atlanta last September, operated for Colored People, just as the Course on Gervais Street is operated for whites in Columbia. It's about high time that Negroes in this city should become more conversant with the sporting matters that make up life to a greater degree. Then as this column has pointed out before Columbia might afford at least one active tennis club. There are enough men and women here who need to reduce their waist lines to become interested in the formation of such a club.

Another matter that should receive attention at the hands of Columbia's citizens is that adequate play grounds for colored children. It is futile to expect children to grow into normal, healthy manhood and womanhood without having adequate physical exercise which they cannot get at the schools because of crowded conditions and lack of apparatus; then we wonder why the little fellows have their street fights! Their pent up energy must find some outlet.

A real thrilling basketball game is in the making according to Reed Jackson. The writer was in Orangeburg last week and received a challenge from Paul Jewell, on behalf of the Orangeburg Profs to be given to Reed, to play his "Big Five" at some time in the near future at Orangeburg and in Columbia. Mr. Jackson says that the said challenge is accepted forthwith and that his charges are just rearing to go. Jewell has a promising looking aggregation down in the Burg and we've got to romp some to stomp them, but we'll get 'em!

Besides Jewell they have Montague from Oberlin, Sheffield from ditto, Harvey, from ? Shulte, from N. W., and others from I don't know where but be that as it may they claim basketball as their major pastime. I can vouch for Jewell for he and I once were team mates in Boston. He's a corking good forward.

Allen's basketball team (boys) played her return game with Claffin in Claffin's gymnasium last Saturday. Claffin romped away with a 56-19 victory. It was Allen's first time to ply on an indoor court but the youngsters gave a splendid account of themselves. Bythewood, Knight and Bull were Claffin's high scorers. Porterfield and Horry played good ball for the losers.

About as pretty a spectacle as one might wish to see on the basketball court was the floor work of Knight of Claffin and Porterfield of Allen who opposed each other. Each was the high scorer for his team but it was remarkable how they kept up with each other and still more remarkable how they managed to get away from each other.

Benedict lost to the strong Phyllis Wheatley Club of Greenville. It is reported that the score was 29-19. Must have been a good game. The game that was to have been played between Allen and Benedict last Monday has been postponed because Allen had just entered upon a week of prayer. The postponement is indefinite.

State's girls gave the lassies from Paine a 28-7 beating last Saturday on the formers court. Paine didn't look so good. She has a chance to improve however.

Benedict and Booker T. Washington locked horns Monday afternoon. Booker T. substituted for Allen, because of Allen's not playing on account of the week of prayer. Booker won but by a 14-9 score. For Benedict Lipscomb and Sullivan played nice defensive ball. Lipscomb did some nice offensive work also. Koon and Davis played a good game for the High School lads. Benedict looked pretty good for a first year team and showed promise of real development later in the season.

BASKETBALL IN GREENVILLE
In 1925 there were quite a number of people in Greenville who had never seen a basketball game.
When the Phyllis Wheatley Center was erected, Coach Staggs sent out a call for players and about fifteen boys reported for the first practice, only three of whom had ever had any previous experience, these were Jodie Garlington, Davis (Chink) Means and William Sewell, Jr. Assisted by these boys Coach Staggs soon rounded out a team that proved to be very good, playing only six games and winning all of them.
The next season found all of these boys except one out of town and the coach managed to piece together a team that played fairly good winning three and losing three.
The season of 1927-28 brought

games and lost four.
This season finds Staggs with another team and he is out to beat last years record. The team is composed of Garlington, Smith forwards; Davis, Bates and Lenhardt, guards; and Dorton, Barksdale, centers.

GARLINGTON STARS AS P. W. A. DRAWS BENEDEICT

Greenville, Feb. 7. In one of the cleanest played games ever witnessed on the local court the strong Phyllis Wheatley passing five defeated the Benedict five by the score of 29-19.
The P. W. A. boys started off with a rush and gained a 10 point lead before the Benedict team could register a single basket, with Davis, Smith and Capt. Garlington carrying most of the P. W. A. attacks, the Greenville team was leading at the half 14-7.

To begin the second half Coach Staggs started most of his second string of men and the Capital City boys played them on just about even terms but failed to overcome the large lead gained by the first string of men.

Lipscomb and Gardina starred for the visitors while Davis, Smith and Garlington were the stars for the home team, Garlington kept the fans in an uproar with his wonderful passing and on several occasions brought them to their feet with beautiful shots from very difficult and long angles.

The Benedict Alumni, turned out with bells on and were yelling their heads off for the boys of their Alma Mater to bring home the bacon, but they failed.

Coach Staggs is doing everything in his power to give the people of Greenville first class basketball and they are showing their appreciation by turning out in large numbers.

HONEA PATH TAKES TWO

The most thrilling games ever witnessed were seen last Friday and Saturday when the basketball girls of Honea Path accompanied by Misses Wilkerson and McElroy, left for Seneca. The game was called with the Seneca graded school Friday at 2:30 o'clock. At the end of the first quarter the score was 0-0. During the second quarter Honea Path's Doves made four field scores while the graded school made only two. During the third and fourth quarters, the Honea Path shooters, Stann and Watkins made four field goals. The graded school made one score from the free throw line making a total of five. The game ended with the scores 8-8 in favor of the Honea Path Doves.

On account of the illness of Miss C. C. Vance's mother, she was unable to go and one substitute was carried, Lucy Williams. On Saturday the Honea Path Doves played the Seneca Junior college. Despite the enthusiasm existing on part of the opposing team and the spectators the game ended with scores 2-11 in favor of Honea Path.

The Honea Path Doves were victorious in both games. Miss Williams, the coach of the Honea team and Miss Wilkerson, Honea Path's coach refereed the game for the graded school. Miss Wilkerson and Mrs. Thomas refereed for the college. The girls of Honea Path were royally entertained. Too much praise cannot be given Miss Wilkerson for the instructions given the girls in basketball.

CLAFFIN WINS FROM ALLEN 56-19

Tempering their guns for another championship, the Claffin basketball machine swamped the Allen quintet Saturday afternoon in the Claffin gym.

Both teams showed good form but the passing and shooting combination of the Claffinites was too fast for their opponents, and they could not bring up the short side of an unbalanced score.

Taking advantage of a bad break at the beginning of the game Knight made the first basket and with Bythewood, made a brilliant spectacle for the onlookers. At no time during the game did the Allenites threaten the hardened Panthers. Porterfield was the outstanding player for Allen.

SIMS HI OF UNION BEATS P. W. C. FIVE OF GREENVILLE

Sims Hi Tigers decisively outplayed P. W. C. from Greenville here last night winning 25-10. The game was played in fancy style. Both teams using a deadly passing system, but the tigers had the edge when it came to looping in the basket. Young and Beatty sank light field goals and three shots, while Bates and Gardner, lead for P. W. C. The Tigers are making ready for Asheville Y. M. C. A. team for next dash.

Coach "Cyke" Williams seems to be initiating the Tigers into some of his old tricks for the City on the Hill. Be on the look-out for the Tigers with their next opponents and see the famous five in motion.

LEESVILLE NEWS

Despite the unfavorable weather on last Tuesday night in Hampton auditorium a very large and appreciative audience, including many white friends attended the recital given by Allen university's orchestra, and members of the octet and quartet groups.
The lecture, "The Negro's Salvation," by Dr. D. H. Sims, the president, was very much enjoyed by all who heard him. His discourse was delivered in such a manner as to enable each person to grasp his thoughts. He and his students will be given a hearty welcome when ever they re-

turn and render such a creditable program as the one given last week.

Prof. J. T. W. Mims attended the Roland Hayes recital in Augusta on last Friday night.
Rev. C. A. Dunlap delivered a very impressive sermon last Sunday at Cary A. M. E. Church. After the discourse the Holy Communion was given.

Sunday school and church services of St. Matthews and Friendship churches seem to have taken on new life.

Prof. J. T. W. Mims called a meeting for the purpose of organizing a Sunday school superintendents' and teachers' interdenominational association. It was agreed upon by a unanimous vote.

Miss C. Singleton, a member of the Hampton faculty, was the week end guest of her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Rhamey in Augusta. While in that city she attended the Roland Hayes recital on Friday night, and worshipped at Bethel A. M. E. Church on Sunday morning.

The Hampton high school faculty will be the guest of Rev. Wilson, pastor of St. Matthews C. M. E. church on February 8th. The occasion is a reception in honor of his marriage.

SIMS HIGH ORIOLES ROMP TO VICTORY OVER FINLEY FIVE

The Sims High Orioles proved to be too fast for the Finley High quintet Friday night, Jan. 24, at Mt Beth St. School building. Freeman and Windham were the leading basketeers, Freeman leading with 16 points and Windham following with 15. In the first half Freeman proved to the spectators that she was too fast for Drummer, guard, and ran wild with her, with Rice following. The close guarding of Fant and Martin was too much for Woodard and Walker, and with the work of Maddox and Woods in center the first half ended 21-12.

In the second half Windham and Farr had to much speed for the guards and ran away with them. With Gossett and Eubanks in the center, with their jumping and passing, the ball passed from their hands into Windham's and Farr's and on into the basket. The passing system was goal. The game was a clean, fast one, which everyone enjoyed.

EDGEFIELD NEWS

Those who attended the Roland Hayes recital from this place were Mr. and Mrs. James O. Thompson, Misses Emma Bryant, Eliza M. Logan and Mrs. Ruth Bailey.

Rev. J. A. Gamble of Trinity A. M. E. delivered a soul stirring sermon to a splendid audience Sunday Holy Sacrament was administered also.

The body of Mr. Julian Martin was brought from Detroit here for burial. Rev. J. A. Gamble officiating.

Misses Lillie Stevens and Eugenia Perry were joint hostesses of at the Golden Rule Club of Macedonia Baptist Church. Quite an interesting meeting, although the weather was very inclement. A delicious salad and sweet course was served.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Simpkins were dinner guests of Prof. and Mrs. W. E. Parker Sunday.

The Ridgespring faculty was the Sunday guests of Misses Rutherford, Saunders and Logan.

Mrs. L. Goodwin of Columbia was the week end guest of her husband, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Simpkins motored to Aiken last week to see their son-in-law, Mr. John Ramey, who has been quite ill. We hope for him a speedy recovery.

The third fourth and fifth grades of Edgefield Hi are planning a Washington's Day program for the benefit of the school.

Mrs. Ellen Butler and Miss Ojetta Simpkins are able to be out again.

YEMMASEE NEWS

The Yemasee graded school gave a Mock Trial on Monday night, Jan. 27, at the school house. The program was enjoyed by all present. The feature of the evening was the Trial of the client.

The new school building was dedicated on Friday evening, Jan. 31st. The dedicatory address was delivered by Prof. A. H. Gordon of Georgia State Industrial College, Industrial, Ga. Prof. Gordon was very instructive as well as interesting in his discourse. The audience was well pleased at the remarks made by the speaker. He is man of vision and a deep thinker. The school was very glad to have Prof. C. V. Bing and C. A. Ford of Allendale present at the dedication. They are school mates and intimate friends of Prof. Wm. Cooper, who is principal of the Yemasee graded school.

Mr. Jew of Penn School, Mrs. Helen Schepher and Miss Edna Moultrie of Beaufort were visitors of Miss Bamfield Sunday evening.

LAURENS NEWS

After three days of snow and slippery streets the Sabbath broke over Laurens as a spring day. The Holy communion services were held in all of the churches while all pastors in charge were in their pulpits at the usual hour.

Prof. J. M. Johnson and Miss Lillie Smith of Bell Street Hi School faculty were the dinner guests of Prof and Mrs. Thos. Sanders last Sunday.

The friends of Mr. Luther Stephens will be pleased to know that Mrs. Stephens is getting along fine in the Greenville hospital.

Mr. Prince Kennedy has returned from a visit to his wife who is in the State Sanatorium in Columbia. We hope for Mrs. Kennedy a speedy recovery.

The invitation from Mt. Pisgah Presbyterian Church to Rev. A. H. Levant, pastor of St. Paul Baptist to preach for them on the afternoon of February 23rd has been accepted. Rev. Levant's choir is to furnish music the public is invited.

Darling McDaniel member of 8th grade in Hampton Hi motored his aunt, Mrs. Corrie Carroll, to Columbia Sunday, trying out his new chevrolet sedan.

Mrs. Mary C. Whitener, accompanied Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Mathis to Greenwood on Thursday. It is always pleasant to visit Rev. Mathis' members in Greenwood.

The enrollment of Hampton Hi is increasing every week, the teachers are doing double session work. Never the less they are putting over a creditable program.

Rev. McFadden, pastor of Mt. Pisgah Presbyterian church and family were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cannon Sunday.

The quarterly conference of Bethel A. M. E. Church was held at 3:30 o'clock Sunday. Reports from all clubs were creditable. A nice audience greeted the new presiding elder, Rev. Mims and expressed its willingness to help make this a banner year.

On the sick list are: Mesdames Anna E. Owens, E. S. Nelson, Bana Dealy, Sallie Blackstock, Lucinda Davis, Mattie Griffin, Mr. Willis Fowler. Remember the list that has been standing all winter.

The business club of Bethel met at the home of the president, Mrs. Lida Williams on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Duckett motored to Ware Shoals Sunday accompanied by Miss Magarie Walker and Mr. John Dean.

Services were held at Bethel A. M. E. with an unusual large crowd worshipping. Rev. White took for his subject: "Cross Bearing" Luke 9:23.

Mesdames Annie L. Owens, Alict Moore, Saannah Dean, and Nettie Lenke are all convalescing after being confined to their homes.

Mrs. Lavanna Anderson left a few days ago for Cincinnati, Ohio to be at the bedside of an ill sister.

One of the greatest meetings for literacy was held at St. Paul Baptist Church on Sunday afternoon. Prof. W. A. White is to be thanked. He is also chairman of the committee and is doing everything in his power for the interest and uplift of the communities. He really carried things over the top with the aid of Miss K. V. Wofford as Superintendent of education there is no such word as fail.

COKEBURY

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at St Paul for Mrs. Mary Washington. Out of town relatives were her daughter, Mrs. Julia Washington, Evansville, Ill. Mrs. Carrie Hampton, Ware Shoals, grand daughter, Mrs. Lucile Shaw Dayton, Ohio, Mrs. Minnie Montgomery, Nashville, Tenn., Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Adams, Columbia, Mrs. E. R. Anderson, Rev. Lykes, Greenwood, Mrs. Lilly Williams, Greenwood, and a host of friends from all around. The

ANDERSON NEWS

Sunday was a delightful day at St. Paul. The attendance and collection of the Sunday School was good. The B. Y. P. U. was very interesting. A Bible test was given that was enjoyed by all. Some of the members are wondering what is the matter with the pastor these days; he is preaching such wonderful sermons. Keep on Pastor Campbell and give us the gospel.

Mr. Collins Smith was visiting in the city last week.
Patrons of Mrs. Minnie Roundtree will find her serving at home since the loss of her shop by fire.
Mr. John James of Cleveland who was called home on account of the death of his mother, Mrs. Emeline James, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Marion on Salem St. He has returned to his home.

Misses Alma Johnson and Ernest Stokes were the house guests of Mrs. Dunlap Saturday.

Miss Josephine Butler, who was operated on at the Anderson County Hospital is doing nicely. We trust she will continue to improve.

Mr. Frank Johnson has completed a lovely new home on Thomas street.
The home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Lee Davis has been made brighter by the presence of a dear little baby girl whose name is Geneva.
Mrs. R. E. Asbury was able to be at her post of duty Monday morning. We trust her hand will soon be so she can use it. Her mother, Mrs. Byrd, of Greenville came last week to be with her daughter.
Mrs. Mary Spann spent a month at Clemson with relatives. She reports a pleasant stay.

Mrs. Pearl Riddle, Mrs. Pearl Holland, Bro. Andy Majors, Mrs. Josie Harper, Mrs. Addie Agnew, Mrs. Charity Guyton, mother Thornly are on the sick list this week. We hope they will soon be out again.
Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Frances, Miss Gunn, Miss Reynolds, Miss A. E. Webb, Mrs. M. V. Marion, Miss Claudia Burris and Mr. Julius Foster motored to Augusta, Ga., Friday to attend the recital of Roland Hayes.
Mrs. Annie Bolden returned Friday night from Camden where she visited relatives.
Miss A. C. Johnson is visiting in Greenville.

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