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FRIDAY, APRIL 9, 1915.

Weather Forecast for South Carolina: Fair Friday and Friday.

Now for our great gala week.

Spring, gentle Spring, has arrived.

We want to make it a big success.

We want to see Lancaster in festive array for Trade Week.

Let all places of business decorate in honor of the visitors.

The streets and back lots should be made neat and clean.

One teacher has volunteered for the night school. Are there others?

We understand that the capital of the state is not so frequently visited by pardon-seekers as formerly.

"An egotist," explains the Toledo Blade, "is a man who won't let you talk about yourself."

Why South Carolina be allowed a gallon a month while the Old North State must be satisfied with a quart?

Colonel Blease will have to admit that since Cotton Smith has been re-elected to the United States Senate the staple has gone up from 6 to 10 cents the pound.

Upon good roads depends every movement for the common good. And the road drag is a device for road improvement. Why, then, is the drag not more generally used?

Flowers and shrubs cost little, but they add much to the appearance of our yards and gardens and give pleasure not only to those who plant them but to every passerby.

If you have not helped the public library during the years it has been in your midst, you have fallen far short of your duty. It is not yet too late to make amends by joining the library association.

It is said that Huerta is heading back this way after being in Spain for quite a while. We venture the prediction that he has too much sense to risk himself on Mexican soil until things settle.

Have you forgotten that this is Clean-up Week? Then remember it tomorrow and make Saturday, April 10, the day upon which Lancaster does a thorough job of spring cleaning.

We hope the new county board of commissioners will get busy on the northern section of the so-called King's Highway, and put it through to the North Carolina line before the next cyclone comes along.

The wise conclusion of the German auxiliary cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich, to intern for the remainder of the war, rather than make a dash for the open sea is one of the evidences of discretion being the better part of valor.

We fear that Clean-up Week has not been characterized by very extensive work in Lancaster. But there is yet another opportunity, as the big day of the campaign comes tomorrow, April 10. We appeal once more to our people—please help with this work so necessary to health and happiness.

Fifty years ago today—just a half century—Southern soldiers grounded their arms in honor and went back to their loved ones to begin work of rebuilding their homes and fortunes. What great changes have taken place since then: The "thin gray line" has almost disappeared, only a few, comparatively, of that matchless army remaining on this side of the River. It is a sacred duty of those who know for what they contended to teach the present generation of young people, of the matchless deeds of heroism done by the Southern army under Lee and Jackson.

THE CIVIC LEAGUE.

In recognition of the first year of service to our community we wish to congratulate the Civic League of Lancaster upon its initial undertaking and at the same time bespeak for it the working co-operation of the people in general, and of the town authorities in particular. It means much to a community to have workers engaged in efforts for civic improvement. Moreover, when these workers are the good women of the town to whom the health and happiness of its citizens are of greater importance than any other consideration, there is a feeling of confidence that their undertaking will be carefully planned and executed. It is a fact rather generally conceded that women have more civic pride than men. Certain it is that they know better how to put into operation many movements to which men give little time and attention. Woman's experience in the home fits her for service to the community. Just as her hand may make of four walls a home, so it may transform an ugly, careless and indifferent town into a City Beautiful!

Those of us who are in close touch with the work of the Civic League are in a position to know what has been done. Many, perhaps, are not aware of the fact that the struggling library which Lancaster has so poorly patronized, was given the first earnings of the League. Their generous contribution helped the library at a very trying period of its existence. The Civic League has twice set apart clean-up days, which though not observed by all who should have observed them, have nevertheless helped very materially. Then, trees have been planted by members of the League, grass has been sowed and the children's playground is being equipped. And all this has been done in the face of adverse weather conditions and with very little help from outside sources. Such has been the initial work of Lancaster's Civic League. When we consider the fact that the monthly dues are only five cents and that the women who constitute its membership have given a number of benefits which merited a much larger patronage than they received, it is evident that earnest effort has been given to the work. It must be admitted, however, that the work has fallen rather heavily upon few more than a dozen active workers. We urge then, that the Civic League be given more consideration by other women, active and capable, and that every force for good join its efforts with those which are being given so wisely for the upbuilding of Lancaster.

MANNING MAKING GOOD

If Governor Manning continues as he has commenced he will go down in history as one of the best governors the State has ever had. We are free to say that we did not advocate his nomination in the first primary for two reasons. One was that we did not believe it possible to elect a man of Manning's type governor of the State, and in the next place, if elected, having been more or less in politics for quite a while we did not think that he could cut entirely loose from politics and run the State on common sense business lines—according to his own notions of what was right. It turns out that our fears have been groundless, and that he is doing his own thinking and acting, based on what he thinks is for the people's good rather than what the politicians think he ought to do. We understand that hereabouts there is some dissatisfaction among original Manning supporters, with the governor for some reason or other. This was to have been expected, unless he should strive to make himself popular, rather than run the affairs of the State in the interest of the people according to his own views regardless of how it affected him politically. Of course he will lose friends in some quarters, for carrying out his campaign pledges to do all in his power to suppress the illicit sale of liquor. And if he should appoint a Bleasite to some position, as he has done, howls will go up of course. But just continue the course you are pursuing, Governor Manning, and the people will endorse your administration. What the State has needed for these many years is a man at the head of affairs whom politicians cannot manage.

OUR DUTY TO OTHERS.

Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman in his afternoon sermon Wednesday at Charlotte, where he is holding a series of meetings, used this striking illustration of our influence on the lives of

others: "Two hundred and fifty years ago a peddler selling books gave a pamphlet to one who was supposed to be an ordinary young man, but he was Richard Baxter, and under the influence of that pamphlet he wrote 'The Saint's Everlasting Rest.' This fell into the hands of Philip Doddridge, and he wrote 'The Rise and Progress of Religion in the Soul.' This book fell into the hands of Wilberforce and he wrote, 'A Practical View of Christianity.' This book came to Leigh Richmond, and under the power of it he was led to write 'The Dairyman's Daughter.' This in turn fell into the hands of Thomas Chalmers, the mightiest Scotch preacher of his day, and after he became a minister it was the means of his conversion and of his mighty spiritual transformation. A peddler on the one side and Thomas Chalmers on the other; what a marvelous story! Why in the world should there be an apparent indifference on the part of church people to the unsaved about us?" asked the speaker.

Already Lancaster has many more miles of paved sidewalks than any other town its size in the State and when Main street is paved we will have taken another long step forward.

Pneumonia and gripe has been the order of the day recently. We will next have to give our attention to fever in its various forms. Let the slogan then be "Clean up the premises and swat the fly."

Straw hats are beginning to make their appearance.

Who struck Paterson, New Jersey? Billy Sunday, of course.

HEATH SPRINGS' SIDE OF IT.

Our Correspondent Replies to Supt Wessinger.

Editor News: We have no desire nor taste for controversy, but it seems to us that Superintendent Wessinger's "Explanation" calls for some notice from us. The facts set forth with reference to the standing of Heath Springs school as shown by the results of Field Day were given by way of comparison simply to call attention to the unique place the school holds among the schools of the county. This we had a right to do and did with no thought of boasting or "self-laudation." No reflection on any other school in the county was intended and there was no thought of making an "improper impression in regard to the motives as well as the ends attained" by the other towns and country schools. The news notice in The State did, by an admission, make a wrong impression, but the paper was in fault and not the writer. The same figures were given as those sent to The News but a part of them were omitted, making a false impression. A correction was sent but was never published.

We hardly thought that the facts set forth in this way were so forcible that the use of ridicule and other such things would be thought necessary to overbalance them. Superintendent Wessinger uses rather "drastic" measures to bring us under, inasmuch as we appear to him to occupy such an insignificant place. We do not think to call forth "thus much fire from Brutus," with so small an offense. His aim seems to be to pluck enough "feathers" from our wing to make us "fly an ordinary pitch." Wasn't it rather ungracious to take us by "the nape of the neck" and use the shingle on us so freely just because "we was little?" But not satisfied with that he "opens fire" upon us with ridicule, the biggest weapon he has; and then drenches us with advice which we do not need.

Granting that the mill school is not in the same class as the other three mentioned, is not the difference still very great? But in counting Lancaster's prizes did not Superintendent Wessinger include the mill school?

Has it been shown that Heath Springs or other schools did not participate in the event of Field Day primarily for the welfare of the schools of Lancaster county? Does Lancaster stand alone in that?

The prizes given to Heath Springs were well distributed, showing that attention is being given to all departments of modern educational training. Manual training, domestic science and household art are given a place in every up-to-date curriculum in school or college today. As to the high school units, both Prof. Hand and Mr. Swearingen, I am told, say they care little about "units," so good work is done. The rules do not demand so many units of a two-teacher school, anyway.

Was Heath Springs in competition with only one school—Kershaw—for the trophy? We understood that every rural school with an exhibit, however small, had a right to compete for the cup.

Even Nature provides for the future. Its one of the laws of the Universe to provide for the future. What provision are you making for old age—are you putting anything aside—have you started to put money in the bank? You'll need it some day. Take a lesson from the squirrels—store up a few dollars for the Winter season. THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK, Lancaster, S. C. UNITED STATES DEPOSITORY.

But "the most unkindest cut of all"—Superintendent Wessinger says we did not contribute to the expense fund. Is Heath Springs the only school in the county that failed here? Why point the finger of scorn at Heath Springs but imply no dereliction as to other schools that are not in the list of contributors?

As to the "friendly advice" that we go to work to drive out the appalling ignorance about us, that was truly "gracious." But it comes too late—long after we had begun the fight. That is just what we have been doing for years, and accounts, in some measure, for our high stand on Field Day. The latter fact is only incidental to the former. It is a hard fight but we are trying to occupy the front ranks in the "fray" and are simply holding our colors aloft and calling to others to follow in the fight!

—Correspondent.

LANCASTER GRADED SCHOOL.

Pupils Scoring High for the Month of March.

CENTRAL SCHOOL.

Grade I. Loula Boyd Beaty, Louise Cauthen, Ruth Cross, Cooper Davis, Doris Hilton, Elizabeth Murchison, Ida Bell Wilson, Henry Connor Bost, Talmage Ferguson, Oralee Huggins, John P. Hunter, Elliott Mothershed, Eugene Robbins, Marion Sistare, James Thomasson.

Grade II. Ivy Poovey, Eustace Morris, Eldridge Lazenby, Marion Blanks, William Frost, Mary D. Witherspoon, Ruth Mackey, Irene Poovey, Elizabeth Laney, Elizabeth Lazenby, Mary Hough, Hannah Cross, Eugenia Adams, Charles Stogner.

Grade III. Edward Croxton, Walter Davis, Mildred Ferguson, William Hough, Eugenia Hughes, Beulah Mae Laney, Colin Murchison, Marian Poliakoff, Jennie Lee Sherard, Thurlow Carter Thomasson.

Grade IV. Catherine Carnes, Eva Cook, Mary Agnes Funderburk, William Funderburk, Dorothy Porter, Gertrude Poliakoff, Mary Evans Riddle, Katherine Sistare, Ruth Threatt, Sara Williams, Elizabeth Witherspoon.

Grade V. Ruth Dobson, Sybil Lingle, Jewel Hinson, Sadie Parks, Ira Adams, Margaret Thomasson, Clayton Rogers, Lucille Roddey, Marie Settlemyer, Kathleen Ferguson, Charles Burgess, Cecil Dobson, Florida Stogner, William Marion Reed, Mary Alice Dabney, Ned Gregory, Mildred Hirsch, Frances Frost.

Grade VI. Beulah Burnett, Ethel Cauthen, Mildred King, Lewis Murchison, James Porter, Malvina Sowell, J. C. Sowell, Laura G. Williams.

Grade VII. Charlotte Beckham, Monica Carnes, Margaret Ferguson, Lily McManus, Ida McDow, Matthew Poliakoff.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Grade VIII. Mary Ellen Blackmon, Mary Elliott Carnes, Freddie Knight, Lucia Murchison, Caroline Porter, Ernest Moore.

Grade IX. Ruth Stogner, Cleo Sowell, Toy Gregory, Leighton Horton.

Grade X. Myrtle Horton, Drenman Craig, Julian Ross, Wm. Greene Williams, J. W. Craig.

SCHOOL NO. 2.

Grade I. Sibyl Lee McHaffey, Loma Whitley, Roy Talbert, Elbert Clark, Robert Harris.

Grade II. Robert Funderburk, James Walden, Leo Starnes, Miles Wells, Erii Loye, Willie Beckham, Cleo Barker, Loretta Hunter.

Grade III. Bleeke Langley, Hobson Davis, Oscar G. Funderburk, Nancy Wilson, Ollie May Warren, Lizzie Bell Adams.

Grade IV. Reck Ghent, Annie Mae Whitley, Lena Whitley, Elliott Chapman.

LAND FOR SALE—15 acres, house, big 2-story store house, barn, well, orchard, in southern part of Westville; also 8 acres in Westville fronting on Main Camden Road, about 300 yards south of Luther Bell's Store. All of the above for \$2,250.00, or the 8 acres for \$110.00. See me quick. T. M. BELK, agent. 53-3tc

Such is Life. Morgan Robertson, writer of sea stories, and most excellent ones, died in Atlantic City a few days ago. The announcement of the death of Robertson emphasizes the difference between the support a writer of good stories of today gets over those of a few years ago. Just a few weeks ago a large publishing house undertook to bring the books of Robertson into prominence and to bring an increase in royalties to the writer of sea stories. Many of the popular writers of this decade, who live like princes of former days, added a word of endorsement to the stories, the publishing house was advertising them extensively, and just as the campaign to relieve the disappointed and neglected writer was getting underway he died. Few readers know of Robertson's books, but now that he has gone we need not be surprised to see his works soon take place among the big sellers.—Salisbury Post.

The beautiful bed of hyacinths on the campus in front of the Central graded school is the admiration of every passerby and all civic workers are glad to commend their work of beautifying the school property.

HEATH SPRINGS NEWS.

Mrs. D. W. Hendrix and Mrs. Mattie Johnson went to Lancaster Tuesday night to visit their brother, Mr. Thomas Hunter, who is very ill with pneumonia.

Miss Mamie Caskey is still very sick at her home.

Dr. Fennell of Rock Hill was here on professional business Wednesday. Mr. J. D. Caston had the misfortune to lose a good horse Monday. The coupling pole of the wagon broke and the horse, becoming frightened, ran away and killed himself.

Mr. H. W. Mobley, magistrate of Pleasant Hill township, has been confined to his home several days with gripe.

Mrs. N. E. Small and Robert have gone to Jefferson to attend the marriage of Miss Julia Gardner.

Mr. J. E. Caskey came up Wednesday night to see his sister, Miss Mamie Caskey.

Mrs. B. C. Horton spent Thursday afternoon in Kershaw.

Master Paschal Mobley, son of Mr. J. Edgar Mobley, has been quite ill with gripe for several days.

Dr. S. L. Allen of Lancaster was here on professional business Wednesday.

WANTED

If you have one or more Furnished Rooms to rent next week phone or write BILLIE OWENS Agent Greater Sheesley's Shows. CENTRAL HOTEL, CITY.

DR. T. P. NESBIT Dentist Office in Telephone Building. Waxhaw, N. C.

Death of Mrs. P. T. Hague. News was received here this week by a cousin, Miss Annie Witherspoon, of the death last Monday at Morganton, N. C., of Mrs. Pattie Thornwell Hague, daughter of the late James Henley Thornwell, D. D., Sr. Mrs. Hague's mother was the late Mrs. Nancy White Witherspoon, daughter of the late James H. Witherspoon, Sr., who was married in this county to Dr. Thornwell. Mrs. Hague is survived by an only sister, Mrs. Jennie T. Anderson of Morganton, N. C., and an only brother, Mr. Charles Thornwell of Rome, Ga.

Citation for Letters of Administration.

State of South Carolina, County of Lancaster.

By J. E. Stewman, Judge of Probate.

Whereas J. S. Barton has made suit to me to grant him letters of administration of the estate and effects of Mary Barton, deceased;

These are, therefore, to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said deceased, that they be and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Lancaster on the 27th of April, next, after publication hereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said Administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand, this 9th day of April, Anno Domini 1915. J. E. STEWMAN, Probate Judge.

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ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE.

All persons indebted to the estate of James W. Funderburk, deceased, including store accounts, and all others, are hereby notified to settle with the undersigned; and those holding claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same duly verified to

KATE FUNDERBURK, Administratrix of the above estate. S. L. McManus will wait on you at the store in her absence. March 19, 1915. 3-19-5t.wkly

Lancaster & Chester Ry. Co.

Table with train schedules: Lv. Lancaster . . . 6:00am-3:30pm, Lv. Fort Lawn . . . 6:30am-4:08pm, Lv. Bascomville . . . 6:47am-4:28pm, Lv. Richburg . . . 6:58am-4:43pm, Ar. Chester . . . 7:40am-5:25pm. EASTBOUND: Lv. Chester . . . 9:00am-6:45pm, Lv. Richburg . . . 9:45am-7:27pm, Lv. Bascomville . . . 10:00am-7:38pm, Lv. Fort Lawn . . . 10:30am-7:55pm, Ar. Lancaster . . . 11:00am-8:25pm. Connections—Chester with Southern, Seaboard and Carolina & North-western Railways. Fort Lawn, with Seaboard Air Line Railway. Lancaster, with Southern Railway. A. P. McLURE, Supt.

DR. C. B. PRATT DENTIST Hours, 8:30 a. m. to 12:30; 1:30 to 6:00. Phone 255. Office over Lancaster Pharmacy.

S. L. ALLEN, M. D. Office over Lancaster Pharmacy. Office Hours 8 to 9 a. m., 1 to 2 p. m. Phone 187.

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