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Supt. Cheatham Urges Full Attendance at Opening of Schools

The next session of the City Schools will begin on Monday, September 11th, at nine o'clock.

All parents are urged to have children enter on the first day and attend regularly during the year. Regular attendance means more to the child than most people think. We hope to have an unusually good year this session and invite the co-operation of parents and good citizens.

The board has employed a corps of sixteen very strong teachers. These teachers, some strangers, but all with excellent preparation, are going to give the schools good service. All we ask is that the public do its part and the school will surely do its part. This community in the past has been unanimously in favor of good schools. As a result your schools have made progress. With continued support, the schools will show greater progress.

All children who have no promotion cards or entrance cards to grades above the fourth will report to the Superintendent in his office in the High School building Friday, Sept. 8th at nine o'clock.

Children who have conditions to make up should not buy any books until told to do so by the teacher. All other children are expected to have their books on the first day.

All new pupils who will enter any of the first four grades will report to Miss May Robertson, Principal of the Graded School, Monday, Sept. 11th at nine o'clock, for further instructions.

All children must report to the grade indicated on their card.

The State Board of Health requires all children attending the public schools to be vaccinated. New pupils must present a certificate of vaccination from a physician.

All pupils between eight and fourteen years of age are required by the Compulsory Law to attend the public schools in this district during the fall session. All children in the district between the ages of fourteen and sixteen who have no regular employment are also required to attend. The penalty is five dollars for each day the child is absent. The attention of parents and guardians is called to this law.

Only the first grade will remain at the Mill School. All other children will report to the Graded or the High School.

Grades one, two, three, four, and a section of the fifth grade, will attend at the Graded School; others will attend the High School.

Towards the close of last session, some children would loiter on the grounds about the buildings. This is forbidden both by school rules and the city ordinances.

Parents are cordially invited to visit the class rooms often. They should also get acquainted with their children's teachers, and tell the teacher and the Superintendent of any defects that the child might have. It will mean a great deal to both teacher and child. Co-operation is the "key-word" for this next session.

The child's good is the chief thing that we have in view, and to accomplish this we will expect a continued loyal support of the parents and friends of the school.

R. B. Cheatham,
Superintendent.

A SUNDAY SCHOOL CHOIR.

The Methodist Sunday School is hereafter to have a special choir for the Sunday school. This choir will be composed of young people and will be under the direction and instruction of Mrs. James A. Hill, which guarantees the success of the enterprise.

PREACHING FOR THE PRESBYTERIANS

Rev. James P. Pressley will preach at the Presbyterian church Sabbath morning. Mr. Pressley is pastor of the Seceder church at Due West and in coming to Abbeville will receive a warm welcome.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Anderson, of Florence, Mrs. R. L. Edmunds and Miss Florence Edmunds of Sumter, are in Abbeville visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Anderson. They made the trip through the country in a big seven passenger car. This is their first visit to Abbeville and they are receiving a warm welcome and are being shown the sights of the city.

COOPER MEN RALLY TO MANNING'S SIDE

Defeated Candidate for Governor Whose Vote Will Decide Next Election Comes Out Very Strongly for the Re-Election of Governor Manning and His Leaders All Over the State Pledge Him Their Very Active Support.

Laurens, Aug. 31.—The Hon. Robert A. Cooper last night gave the following statement relative to the gubernatorial race: "I am deeply grateful to the many friends in all sections of the state who gave me their support in Tuesday's primary. Notwithstanding the loyal support of true and tried friends, I have been defeated and the second primary will be had with Gov. Manning and former Governor Blease as contestants. Among those who gave me their support are from supporters of these two gentlemen and I am not unmindful of their preferences. I recognize the right of every citizen to cast his ballot for the man of his choice, I know, too, that I have some friends who think I should make no statement at all at this time, and I respect their judgment highly, but I cannot and do not propose to evade a stand for what I conceive to be the best interest of my state. Without attempting to give my reasons in detail, I believe I can best serve my state at this time by supporting Governor Manning. A man in public life should act according to the dictates of his conscience and judgment without regard to the effect which his course may have upon his personal political future, and should also forget any wrong which may have been done him when what he conceived as his duty to his state is at stake. I do not presume to dictate to the friends who voted for me. They have a sovereign right to their ballot. I make this statement as to myself for the reason set forth above and further that I may not be accused of political cowardice or of sulking in my tent."

CARD FROM A. H. DAGNALL.

I wish to thank those who so loyally supported me for Congress, and I regret that it will be impossible for me to see and thank every voter personally. I shall always feel grateful to those who considered me worthy to represent them in Congress.

A. H. Dagnall.

GETTING PROMOTED.

The friends of Gottlob Neuffer will be delighted to know that he has been recently promoted to the office of sergeant in the Machine Gun Company of the First Regiment of South Carolina National Guards now located on the border. Any promotion that comes to the Abbeville boys is gratifying news to their friends at home and every one congratulates Gottlob on his good luck.

SETTLING DOWN.

The young people of Abbeville have had a delightful summer, the time being spent in dancing, picnics, parties and house parties. The town has been filled with pretty visitors and the summer will long be remembered as one of the pleasantest. The young people are returning to their homes and Abbeville girls and boys are busy getting ready for college or school. Abbeville will send an unusually large delegation away to the different colleges of the state.

ATTENDING THE WEDDING.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Thomas attended the marriage of their friends, Miss Genevieve Hunter and Mr. Paul Watkins of Anderson, last week. Miss Hunter has visited in Abbeville and the many friends made while here, wish her every happiness.

CHARMING OUR PEOPLE.

Our people have recently had a rare treat in music in that Miss Hattie Brinkley, who is in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. Brinkley, has sung in the Baptist church and in the Methodist church on the past two Sabbaths. Miss Brinkley has a sweet, well trained voice and her music charmed all her hearers. Miss Brinkley sang also at the meeting of the Bridge Club at the home of Mrs. Frank B. Gary.

MILLINERS HAVE ARRIVED.

Miss Louise Chilcote of Baltimore, and Miss Eloise Bacon of Virginia, arrived in our city last Sunday. Miss Chilcote will resume her work at Philson and Henry's, having been with them for the past season, and Miss Bacon will be milliner for The Haddon-Wilson Co. We give her a very warm welcome to our city. They are both boarding at Mr. W. D. Barlow's.

Baby County's First Election

McCormick, Sept. 5.—McCormick county participated in her first State general election last Tuesday, distributing approximately 1,150 votes among the various candidates for each office. Several of the candidates for county office failed to file their expense accounts at the time specified by the rules of the Democratic party but were allowed to remain in the second race by the Democratic executive committee of the county.

Approximate total for the State ticket in McCormick county is as follows: For governor—Blease, 340; Manning, 532; Cooper, 188; Duncan, 3; DesChamps, 15. For lieutenant-governor—Adams, 262; Be-thea, 763. For secretary of State—Dove, 536; Wightman, 495. For State treasurer—Carter, 728; McLaurin, 313. For railroad commissioner—Cansler, 357; Throver, 105; Fant, 377; Hampton, 160; Kelly, 56. For Congress—Wyatt Aiken, 245; Dagnall, 93; Dominick, 154; Horton, 64; Tillman, 597.

For solicitor, 11th circuit—Asbill, 303; Cox, 206; Timmerman, 623.

Those who will make a second race for county office are:

Edmunds and Miller for sheriff.

McCaun and Talbert for clerk of court.

Chamberlain and Lyon for supervisor.

Sandes and Bell for probate judge.

Thos. J. Price was elected as superintendent of education.

F. C. Robinson was elected to the senate without opposition.

Middleton defeated his opponents and was elected as representative.

W. H. Parks was elected county treasurer without opposition.

C. W. Pennell was elected auditor without opposition.

SOCIETY MEETING.

The Ladies Society of the A. R. P. church will meet Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. R. N. Tiddy at five o'clock. A full meeting is desired.

TO BE ONE OF US.

Miss Belle Thomson has come to Abbeville and will make her home with us in the future. She is one of the most widely known and most successful welfare workers in the state and Abbeville is fortunate in having her come here. She will make her home in the Superintendent's house at the mill village, with her sister, Miss Cora Thomson, who will teach the mill school. Miss Thomson is pretty enough to look after the welfare of some good looking young man. Many of our young men are clamoring for her to take some notice of them, even to reading the Bible to them on a moonlight night, which would be in the way of uplifting work.

Rev. and Mrs. Pratt Off on Vacation

Rev. and Mrs. H. Waddell Pratt left last week for Washington, D. C., where they will spend some time with relatives and friends. From there they will go to Lexington, Va., for a visit. They will be away for a month.

PROTRACTED MEETING.

Rev. Jas. L. Martin, D. D., has accepted an invitation to hold a protracted meeting at Townville, Anderson County, to begin next Sunday, September 10th.

SERMON AT METHODIST CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY

The subject of Rev. J. L. Daniel's sermon next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, will be "Righteousness in Politics." The public is cordially invited to come and hear this sermon.

BURN THE OLD FRANKLIN.

Norfolk, Va., Sept. 4.—Condemned as unfit for service, the receiving ship Franklin started on its last voyage today when a tug started to towing it to East Port, Maine, where the hull will be burned on the beach to allow the purchasers to get the copper rivets and sheeting from its timbers.

Kansas City's Wheat Market is Depressed.

Kansas City, Sept. 4.—Rumania's declaration of war depressed the local wheat market today. All options opened lower. December opened at 141 1-2, 63-4 cents below Saturday's close.

Death of Mr. B. C. McIlwaine

Mr. B. C. McIlwaine died at his home in the Long Cane section Friday morning, Sept. 1st, 1916, at four o'clock, after a long and weary illness. Funeral services were held at Long Cane church Friday afternoon at four o'clock, conducted by his pastor, Rev. D. H. Corbett, and the interment was in Long Cane cemetery.

Mr. McIlwaine was the son of James McIlwaine and his wife, Permelia Eakin, and was born at the old McIlwaine homestead. He continued to live there after his marriage, and it was at his childhood home that he died last Friday. As a young man he happily married to Miss Mary Darrough, and of their children the following survive him, Mrs. M. L. Tolbert, Mrs. T. N. Hannah, Mrs. John Hardy, Miss Sallie McIlwaine, Miss Alma McIlwain, and Messrs John and James McIlwain.

The following brothers and sisters are living, Mr. G. E. McIlwaine, of Due West, Mr. J. A. McIlwaine of Abbeville, and Miss Emma McIlwain of Due West.

Mr. McIlwaine was one of the most substantial farmers of the county and in his death Abbeville has sustained a distinct loss. He was a member of Long Cane church and was interested in its welfare, helpful in its councils, striving always to do that which was good in the sight of the Lord.

His family have the sympathy of a large circle of friends.

VISITING IN AUGUSTA.

Mrs. M. H. Wilson, Mrs. James Ferguson, Mrs. Sims Allen and Mr. Henry Wilson are off this week for Graniteville, where they will visit for a few days with Mrs. Lila Wilson Buford.

PROF. THOMSON HERE.

Prof. J. W. Thomson spent several days in Abbeville this week, the guest of his brother, Dr. S. G. Thomson. The Professor has many old friends in Abbeville, who are always glad to see him.

WHY NOT RAISE CATTLE?

Why not make McCormick county the banner cattle raising county of the State? This we can do if every farmer will put his shoulder to the wheel. If every farmer who is able would get a registered cow or two and a registered hog or two of the best strain, it would only be a few years before we would change our name from the baby county to the banner county of the State. Our grazing lands are as good or really better than some of the pasture lands that are now growing some of the best registered cattle in the country. There are thousands of acres of waste lands that if fenced in and the best stock put on it, would bring more in my opinion, than the cotton crop of the county would bring, and I venture to say at least the profits would be twenty per cent greater. Negro labor is a thing of the past and the quicker our people realize this fact and change their methods of making a living the better it will be for them. I was talking to a gentleman several weeks ago in the eastern part of the state that said sixteen years ago he realized negro labor was gone, so far as making money out of him, was concerned. He wired in his eleven hundred acres, went west and bought a car of Hereford cattle, put these on his lands, let cotton and negroes go, and today he is one of the wealthiest men in his county with a couple of hundred of as good cattle as can be found anywhere.

Greenwood county bought nine thousand dollars worth of registered cattle last fall and the most of these were bought by men who have been in the business for some time, and know a good thing when they see it. Greenwood county farmers received in prizes at the State Fair last fall, some fifteen hundred dollars, and this went to farmers right around Ninety-Six.

Our lands are as good, or better, for grazing purposes. Why not get right down to building fences on our vacant lands, get good cattle and good hogs—sell in place of buying—let the west go, keep our money at home, and live off the same place.—J. W. Miller in McCormick Messenger.

A DANCE FOR THE YOUNGER SET MONDAY

On Monday night Miss Mary Hill Harris gave a dance to the younger set. This was one of the most pleasant dances of the season and a delightful time was spent tripping the light fantastic toe.

TICKET FOR SECOND PRIMARY IN ANDERSON

County Executive Committee Declares Results and Announces the Names of Candidates for Second Election.

Anderson, Sept. 5.—The county democratic executive committee yesterday afternoon announced the names of the candidates on the county ticket to go into the second primary election, which will be held on Tuesday, September, 12th.

The county ticket for the second election will be as follows:

For Congress.

Wyatt Aiken.

Fred H. Dominick.

For House of Representatives.

(Five to be Elected.)

W. W. Seett.

T. L. Clinkscales, Jr.

J. C. Ducworth.

Asa Hall, Jr.

Harvey Kelly.

J. A. Duncan.

F. E. Alexander.

A. B. Shirley.

J. M. Paget.

J. H. Hutchison.

For County Treasurer.

G. N. C. Boleman.

J. R. C. Griffin.

For Superintendent of Education.

J. B. Felton.

G. T. Williams.

For Coroner.

J. E. Beasley.

J. G. Hardin.

DEATH OF MRS. LOIS WILSON DEES

Mrs. Lois Wilson, wife of Mr. John T. Dees, of Pikesville, N. C., and only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Wilson, of Abbeville, died Monday, September 4th, 1916, at half after seven o'clock, at the Greenwood Hospital, after a short illness. Mrs. Dees was taken to the hospital several days ago for an operation and for a while she was expected to be getting on nicely. Saturday the news came of a turn for the worse and from Monday there was no hope of her recovery. The members of her family were with her when the end came.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at five o'clock in the Presbyterian church and were conducted by Rev. H. C. Fennel, of Lowndesville. The following gentlemen acted as pall bearers: Messrs Paul Wilson, Dr. Whit Cheatham, Frank Nickles, T. V. Miller, Calvert Thomson, Albert Henry, and J. Allen Smith, Jr. The interment was at Long Cane cemetery.

Mrs. Dees was in her twenty-sixth year. A year and a half ago she was happily married to Mr. Dees and has since made her home in North Carolina. She was in Abbeville on a visit when taken sick.

As an only daughter, the hearts best love of her parents, had been lavished on her and the tenderest sympathy is felt for the disconsolate mother and father, for the husband, and for the brother, Mr. Courtney B. Wilson. A wide circle of friends and relatives also grieve that one so young must pass from time to eternity.

POSTPONE EXECUTIONS.

Berlin, Sept. 4.—(Wireless).—An official statement issued today says: "The German emperor has ordered postponement until after the war or the execution of all sentences imposed for the punishment of French prisoners, both civilian and military on account of acts committed up to September 1 of this year."

The Overseas News agency adds: "The newspapers state that this action was taken as a result of a reciprocal argument with the French government."

OIL MAN DROWNED.

Thomasville, Ga., Sept. 4.—To be drowned in a tank of gasoline was the unusual fate of Joel M. Walker, it is supposed was taking the measurement of the tank when he fell in and was drowned. The tank was an 8,000 gallon one, and it would have been impossible for anyone to get out alone. It was some hours before he was missed and when found had been dead some time.

RURAL POST INCREASES

Washington, Sept. 5.—Since the first experimental rural postal delivery service was established under Postmaster General William L. Wilson, of West Virginia, on October 1, 1896, simultaneously on three routes, from Charleston, Uvilla and Hallowtown, West Virginia, the service has grown to require 42,718, carriers, covering 1,073,099 miles and costing \$49,825,000 in 1915.

Miss Essie Lee Little and Caspar Little have returned to Birmingham, after spending some time with their parents in the city.

Opera House Under New Management. Pictures Nightly

News of the change in management of the Abbeville Opera House will be received with much interest by hundreds of movie fans in Abbeville, who will be delighted to know that the new management will run high class pictures six nights in the week.

Messrs Berchart & Cason of Birmingham, are the lessees, who, it is understood have purchased the moving picture apparatus and other fixtures and have negotiated a five year lease on the building.

Mr. J. N. Cason will be the manager of the theatre and promises the public of Abbeville and community the benefit of many years of successful experience in the moving picture business. Mr. Cason comes to Abbeville highly recommended as a gentleman and business man. Welcome.

COSTS LOTS TO HEAR RESULTS

Telegraph Tolls on Election Results from El Paso Rather High for the County Executive Committee.

Anderson, Sept. 5.—It cost the county democratic executive committee exactly \$83.15 for telegraph tolls to receive the results of the election from the Anderson county soldiers new in camp near El Paso, Texas. Instead of abbreviating the telegrams the managers of election for the four military organizations used superfluous words, and this ran up the tolls to an amount at least twice more than was necessary. County Chairman Tolly said today that he sent specific instructions to the military organizations about reporting the results, but that his instructions had been disregarded. He will furnish the organizations blank forms for reporting the results in the second primary election.

There were approximately 125 votes cast on the Anderson county ticket at El Paso, and news of the election results from that place came pretty high. And one report, that from Co. K did not arrive by telegraph until this morning—too late to be included in the results because the county executive committee has already met and declared the results. The votes cast by the members of Co. K. were few and would not change the results for any office.

THE BOOK CLUB.

The regular meeting of the Book Club will be held this morning at half past ten o'clock, at the home of Mrs. W. P. Greene.

HOME FOR A HOLIDAY.

Miss Georgia Edwards is at home where she will spend two weeks visiting her mother, Mrs. J. G. Edwards. Miss Georgia has held the position of private secretary to President Johnson of Winthrop, for the past year.

FORDING IT TO CHICK SPRINGS

Messrs Albert Rosenberg and Lowery Wilson, forded it up to Chick Springs last Sabbath and spent the day.

A NEW CLERK AT WHITE'S.

Alvin Nance of Monterey, is in the city and will clerk for the L. W. White Company for the fall season. He is a brother of Harold Nance, who is so well remembered here.

WHAT HE SAW IN NEW YORK.

Allen King is at home from the Northern markets, where he went with the Messrs Rosenberg, and assisted in the selection of their fine stock of goods for the fall trade. Mr. King says that he saw a lot of things that one doesn't see in Abbeville, chief among them being many young women who wore "sox" held up by fancy garters and not the modest hose affected by the ladies of this old town.

A TRIP TO THE MOUNTAINS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Stark, Miss Fannie Stark and Mr. John McKee motored to the mountains of North Carolina last Thursday. They made the trip in a beautiful Haynes car and had a most delightful trip without any "punctures" or "blow-outs." They stopped in Hendersonville, Asheville, Black Rock and Saluda.

OFF TO COLLEGE.

Miss Gertrude Calvert leaves in a few days for Red Springs, N. C., where she will enter school. Her friends wish her good luck.