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MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

The Abbeville County Memorial Hospital is in need of funds to complete the building and obtain equipment. So much faith has the management of the hospital in the public-spiritedness and liberality of the citizens of this city and county that it is pushing the work of the building although the funds for meeting current expenses are getting mighty slim.

Just to show what other towns are doing in the way of building hospitals we are printing below an account of what happened in Greenville. Greenville has a population of 47,000 and \$146,000 was raised in that city for a hospital. Abbeville City and County have a population of around 10,000. \$50,000 could be raised here with ease. About \$11,000 has already been raised. At least that much more is needed. We believe that the people here will respond.

An account of how Greenville was inspired to build a hospital follows: "Greenville needed a hospital. The Salvation Army needs funds to enlarge its own hospital work. The South Carolina city then had an inspiration.

"We have the money; the Salvation Army has demonstrated that it knows how to run a hospital—let's give them the money and let them build and operate our hospital."

And that is what Greenville has done; for business men of that rapidly growing city are not afraid of an idea, because it happens to be new or out of the beaten path.

That is why Greenville has become an important industrial center in the South, with a population recently estimated at 47,000, with an annual payroll of \$6,000,000, and the recent expenditure of \$900,000 for good roads. Ideas are its generative power.

Will Cost Big Sum.

The new Greenville hospital is to cost over \$150,000. In the home service campaign for the Salvation Army in May \$146,000 was raised for the project; \$100,000 of this was contributed by the cotton mills, the heads of which conceived and put into execution the hospital idea.

Brig. A. W. Crawford, commander of the Salvation Army in the department of the Southeast, considers the Greenville idea the most practical compliment that has been paid the Salvation Army.

Edward Young Clarke of Atlanta, director of the money-raising campaign, who cooperated it, the plan, declares it to be the most unique tribute ever offered in recognition of the technical efficiency of Salvation Army workers.

The original quota for the Greenville quota for the Greenville zone was set at \$20,000. That was before the hospital idea was put into effect. The final total, \$146,000, exceeded the entire amount raised by the great Atlanta district by almost 100 per cent. The Atlanta total being about \$76,000."

NEW REAL ESTATE FIRM.

Not being able to keep busy in the business of selling furniture, wagons, buggies, and Edisons, Corpulent Kerr decided to follow the illustrious example of his beloved uncle and go into the real estate sharking business. Calling in Col. E. C. Horton, who was likewise burdened with unprofitable time left on his hands by the running of a newspaper, selling second

hand Fords, and throwing in the collection at the Baptist Church, Corpulent laid before the house a plan to set a trap for suckers, and Col. Horton took the other end.

Looking to the end sought Col. Kerr, who appointed himself president of the new company, to be known as the Kerr-Furniture-Rolling-Stock-Talking-and-Medium-Publishing Company, issued on last Friday morning the following commission to Vice-President Horton:

"Reposing full faith in your ability to bid, but with reservations on your being able to know how to do it, I hereby commission and empower you to hitch up your Ford and travel to the Pennell Land Sale, and having arrived, to look wise, talk a good deal, and when the bidding starts run down all tracts and buy the highest priced one offered. Having performed this duty you will immediately travel back to Abbeville, where we will issue a check in payment therefor, sending it around by Greenwood and Atlanta, and seeing our banker upon its return, when having deposited the interest in the interest taker, we will draw our note for the purchase money, and let it work day and night."

No sooner said than done. In fact Col. Horton was on the ground while it was still damp and had dug a hole to stand in to keep from slipping down. He smoked nineteen cigarettes before anybody else got to the place of sale, and there lingered on until Judge Ellis and Judge Hollingsworth, both psalm-singers, the one looking pious, the other not, also arrived. He could hardly stand still until the fireworks opened but when they did he was there with the oil to pour on the troubled water. He collared one of the first tracts offered and joined the bird-gang for home.

Col. Kerr had been on the anxious lookout for him for seven hours when he got back. He had stood on every corner of the square several times during the day, had stepped in several great balls of blue mud, had smoked so many cigars that it looked like Mt. Calvary was on fire, and then he had also taken a "Co-cola" with Will Barnwell and every other unsuspecting wretch whom he had been able to follow in to a drinking establishment.

At length the "buddies" were together, the report made, and the president took the matter under consideration. What would uncle Jim say when he learned that his nephew was also of the landed gentry. Cogitating and then meditating, he finally announced that he would adjourn the meeting until 9:55 the next morning when the officers would go into executive session. That hour finally, after a night of wild dreams, interspersed with sleepless moments, arrived. Col. Horton was there. He had drawn up a few plans during the night himself, and had thought of putting them on the typewriter, but had not done so as he was somewhat under the domination of his superior officer, and wanted him to talk first. When the minutes of the former meeting had been read the president announced that he would like to have a profert of the land, but Col. Horton said he had failed to find out whether they had this at the sale. Growing mighty wroth at this, the president ordered the vice-president to start the Ford to smoking, and he would go down to the place and find one for himself.

They arrived and an inspection of the terra firma, duly contracted for, commenced. Corp. Kerr found 893 post oaks which he said were fine for making mahogany furniture, and enough poplars to make lining lumber for his next lot of mahogany wardrobes. He also saw spokes growing in about 50 young hickories, and if he had had his net with him he would have caught the song of the jay-bird to send to partner Edison. He went down and found that the water in the branch was just like Tate Springs and Uncle Jim's well water, Col. Horton calling attention to a hole deep enough for a baptismal pool, while the Corpulent was thinking of "going in washing", and saving forty gallons of water which at the Abbeville rate would save him one-fifth of a cent, and he would have saved that amount but for the fact that he had on Sergeant Kerr's socks, which were a little small and he feared that if he got his feet wet he might not be able to get them back on.

Attention was then directed to farming operations. Being informed that there were more than a plenty

of rabbits on the farm, Corpulent Kerr immediately decided and passed a resolution which he offered himself to cut off ten acres for a rabbit farm. He said that cotton was the highest priced commodity now offered on the market, and as the rabbits grew cotton on their tails, without either work or fertilizer he could see a profit of some nineteen or twenty dollars without going any further. Also he said that he was about to give a dinner to Cousin Tom Davis, and that he would need something to make a chicken pie, and he saw where the chickens were coming from. He figured out that the large rabbits could be killed in the fall, their cotton picked and enough meat stored away to make salmon balls for six months. In fact he said this did not take in the price of the hides with which he proposed to go into the fur business, as well as sell the eyes to the doll baby manufacturers.

Col. Horton saw some trouble in the figures meeting, but he could not get a chance to talk, nor put forward any of the plans which he expected, as it was considerably after night when the first speaker stopped to draw his breath. And he was so hoarse from long talking that he could not hear anything that brother Horton had to offer. Then again a good many of the neighbors hearing the disturbance and thinking that the Hospital authorities had moved the Fire-banders down in that settlement had appeared on the scene with their tuning forks and were ready for business. Seeing which the Ford was cranked, and the rest of the farm will be inspected the next time the people in the community gather at Bob Bowie's for a barbecue.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, County of Abbeville.

TAKE NOTICE that on the 26th day of Nov. 1919, I will render a final account of my actings and doings as administrator of the estate of Claudius Robertson, deceased in the office of Judge of Probate for Abbeville County, and on the same day will apply for a final discharge from my trust as such.

All persons having demands against said estate will present same for payment on or before that day, proven and authenticated or be forever barred.

E. J. HAMPTON,

10-24-3t-3w.

Administrator.

Give a Party—Go to a Party.

WANTS

FOR SALE:—Barb wire, four-point Hog wire, \$5.00 per roll, while it lasts. B. T. COCHRAN & CO. 10-24-1t.

WANTED:—You to know that we sell Goodyear and Fisk Casings and Tubes. We have full line all sizes, of both. C. D. BROWN, JR. 10-24-1t.

FOR SALE:—Ford Roadster, Hudson Six, Buick Six, Buick Four, Overland 79. MARTIN AND PENNALL, 10-14-tf. City Garage.

FOR RENT:—Two-horse farm, Old Wilson Place at Clatworthy's Cross Roads. Write J. C. WILSON, Greenwood, S. C., Route No. 2. 10-21-3t. Pd.

LOST:—Friday afternoon between Mrs. Langdon Wilson's and McMurray's Drug Store, one small Ladies Wrist Watch. Finder please return to Press and Banner Office and receive liberal reward. 10-21-3t. Pd.

FOR SALE:—25-horse power oil engine; No. 1 American Log Beam Saw-mill; 24 inch grist mill; power corn sheller and feed grinder. Any one interested phone or see. Phone 5-212. R. C. GILMER, 10-17-3t. Pd. Star Route.

FOR SALE:—Auburn Beauty Six Touring Car, only run 2,000 miles. Fully equipped. A bargain for anybody. Apply C. L. SAULS, Box 336, Abbeville, S. C. 10-7-6t-Pd.

FOR RENT OR LEASE:—Eureka Hotel Barber Shop, complete with chairs and all fixtures. Willing to thoroughly renovate same for reliable party. Apply to Eureka Hotel Office. 10-3-tf.



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Abbeville, S. C.



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J. S. STARK