

Judge DeVore Obtains Harmonious Settlement.

Kingstree, Dec. 13.—The fall term of the court which convened here Monday and adjourned late Friday was one of the most interesting sessions of civil court held in this county in many years, made so by the very nature of the cases tried and the prominence of the litigants involved in the several actions.

Judge J. W. DeVore of Edgefield presided during the term, and more than ever before he endeared himself to the members of the bar, the jurors and the people of the county Friday afternoon when through his timely and kindly admonition one of the knottiest cases ever tried in this court was amicably settled to the satisfaction of the contestants and counsel on both sides.

The case was that of Mrs. Lillian Brown against Sallie E. Davis, and others for the recovery of the estate left by the plaintiff's father, the late George W. Davis. In 1877, as shown by the evidence in the case, George W. Davis married Miss Amanda Hanna. Six months later Mr. Davis returned his bride to her mother and left her. In October of 1877 the plaintiff in this action was born and grew into womanhood. In the meantime, seven years after her birth, her mother, Mrs. Davis, left Williamsburg county and went to Florida, taking up a permanent abode in that state and in 1884 remarried there. About the same time Davis went into Georgetown county and married a daughter of the late Capt. Henry McDonald, with whom he lived happily until his death in 1916. There were born to this union nine children, the seven surviving ones being defendants, with their mother, in this suit.

Testimony was adduced to prove beyond a doubt the marriage of Mr. Davis to the mother of the plaintiff. It was not proven that there had ever been a divorce obtained by Mr. Davis outside this state and hence the action by the plaintiff, Mrs. Brown, to recover her father's estate on the ground that she was the rightful heir. Captain Davis was a prominent citizen of the county and served one or more terms in the state legislature, also for 18 or 20 years had served his district as magistrate. There is a large family connection on both sides and compose the best people in this section of the state. The preponderance of evidence was clearly in favor of the plaintiff according to the law of the state, but for the sake of family harmony and for the respect of his friend, with whom he had served in the legislature, Judge DeVore preferred to see the contention between the heirs of George W. Davis settled outside of the jury room, and as soon as the evidence was all in he called the parties at interest with their counsel, into his private chamber and there did what no one else had been able to bring about—an amicable, satisfactory settlement, which gave to the plaintiff one-half interest in her father's estate. A verdict was drawn and signed by the foreman of the jury heartily concurred in by the 11 other members. Judge DeVore was warmly congratulated upon his accomplishment by counsel on both sides and by members of the jury.

Four Judges to be Chosen.

With the removal by death last week of Judge Frank B. Gary, of the eighth judicial circuit, the fourth vacancy in South Carolina judgeships was brought about. The four vacancies are to be filled by the general assembly at its meeting in January and already a number of candidates are being spoken of as successors to the three jurists who have been taken by death and a fourth judge who resigned.

In addition to the vacancy in the eighth circuit, a vacancy exists in the fourth circuit as a result of the death of Judge Edward McIver, another in the sixth circuit, brought about by the death of Judge Ernest Moore and another in the fourteenth circuit resulting from the resignation of Judge J. E. Peurifoy.

Candidates are already in the field for judgeships of three of these circuits, the fourth, the sixth and the fourteenth, according to the Greenville Piedmont, it is expected that developments of the next few weeks will bring about the candidacies of several prominent attorneys of the eighth circuit who aspire to become the successor to Judge Frank Gary.

In the fourth circuit, composed of the counties of Chesterfield, Darlington, Dillon and Marlboro the most prominent candidate for the judgeship of the circuit is E. C. Dennis, well known attorney of Darlington, and a former member of the house of representatives. Some observers think that sentiment in the circuit formerly presided over by Judge McIver is very much in favor of Mr. Dennis and the likelihood is that he will win the elec-

tion in the general assembly.

Several candidates are being prominently mentioned for the judgeship of the counties of York, Chester, Lancaster and Fairfield, Senator Glenn W. Ragsdale of Fairfield; Solicitor J. K. Henry, of Chester; W. M. Dunlap and J. Harry Foster of Rock Hill. Mr. Dunlap and Mr. Foster are well known attorneys of York county. Mr. Foster has served as special judge on several occasions.

The announced candidates for the judgeship of the fourteenth circuit, formerly presided over by Judge Peurifoy and consisting of the counties of Hampton, Colleton, Beaufort, Jasper and Allendale are W. B. Gruber, attorney of Walterboro; Senator J. Henry Johnston of Allendale and J. S. Thomas, attorney of Beaufort.

While no candidates have announced in the eighth circuit, composed of the counties of Abbeville, Newberry, Laurens and Greenwood and formerly presided over by Judge Frank Gary, there are a number of able lawyers in this circuit and a lively contest for the judgeship of the circuit is promised. Among those who will be mentioned for the place will probably be W. P. Greene, of Abbeville, who has frequently served as a special judge and often has been spoken of as a candidate for the bench in the event of a vacancy.

Election of four judges will serve to heighten interest in the coming session of the legislature and the contests for the four vacancies will draw the attention of the entire state.—Carolina Citizen.

Dr. Z. T. Cody Writes About Ku Klux Klan.

The following editorial on the Ku Klux Klan, from the pen of Dr. Z. T. Cody, editor of the Baptist Courier, will be read with general interest:

"There is a great deal of nervousness about the Ku Klux Klan. The attitude of some of our great dailies towards it takes for granted that it is nothing but a secret order for lawlessness. This last is the attitude of the mayor of New York and it seems of many other officials. From time to time the papers carry accounts of the lawless deeds of men wearing the Klan regalia, and these deeds are credited to this order. It is also a fact that great many of our citizens, who seek only the best for our country, look askance at the Klan and fear the course which, they think, it will almost certainly take.

"We do not know anything of this order that any other outsider does not know. If this editor knows a single member of the Klan he does not know it. The only things that he certainly knows of that have been done by Klan people have been certain contributions made to evangelists in meetings. All of us look on that as to their credit. The Klan is reported to be a Protestant organization and made up only of white people. It is certainly the object of suspicion by Catholics and colored people. We take for granted that it is its name, with old associations, that has aroused the negroes. Much of the evil and wide publicity that has been given the Klan appears to be from Catholic sources, and is therefore, the product of prejudice. We believe that the Klan ought not to be judged by any such propaganda. Unfortunately the government's chief of detectives, Mr. Burns, is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and while, perhaps, he would seek to be impartial, yet any investigation made while he is head of the secret service would not command respect; and very likely, the clamor for investigation comes, directly or indirectly, from the secret politics—religious organizations of which Chief Burns is an honored member.

"This organization ought to be judged on what it is, rather than on what its enemies write of it either out of unreasoning prejudice or with sectarian malice. It ought not, we think, to be finally condemned on its most unfortunate name. But it must be said, that it is to be held responsible for choosing a name that is inextricably interwoven with lawlessness, and, along with the name, the regalia. If the Klan is finding that the public is discriminatingly charging it up with all manner of crime it has itself largely to blame for this. If the Klan is finding that evil men use its regalia when they are on lawless errands the Klan ought certainly to have known beforehand that it was opening again this opportunity to mischief and crime. As for ourselves, we do not believe that the order is guilty of the things here and there, done under its disguise. But it has, without doubt, revived a method of intimidation that is fraught with all manner of evil and of trouble; and, this is no small matter. We believe that it was a grave mistake. Even though the motive of those who created the Klan was noble, as we believe it was, yet

they have brought back to life a method of dealing with questions that cannot be kept to ways or ends that are noble.

"As between the Ku Klux Klan and the Knights of Columbus this country has less to fear from the former. We believe that the United States has in it nothing more un-American than the secret political-religious organization that is now trying to use the law to break down the Klan which evidently it dreads.

"But after all, we may well ask is a secret organization, whether Protestant or Catholic, the proper instrument with which to deal with political and religious questions?"

Week of Prayer Program at Baptist Church, Jan. 3-7.

Prayer Meeting service, Wednesday evening, January 3.

Thursday Afternoon, Jan. 4.
Mrs. J. L. Mims, Leader.
Subject: Japan.

Devotional: Mrs. J. W. Peak.
Talk, S. B. C. Schools in Japan: Mrs. Abner Broadwater.
Prayer for all Christian school work in Japan.

Recitation: Elizabeth Padgett in Japanese costume.

Reading, "Buddha or Christ." Mrs. W. E. Lott.

Hymn for the year: "How Firm a Foundation."

Friday Afternoon, Jan. 5.
Leader: Mrs. E. C. Asbell.

Subject: Europe and Africa.
Devotional: Mrs. W. B. Cogburn.
Talk, America's Debt to Europe: Rev. A. T. Allen.

Prayer for Missionaries in Europe. Vocal solo: Mrs. M. B. Tucker.

Talk, What Does the Bible Say About Africa?: Miss Eliza Mims.

Prayer that the Cradle Home of Christ may not be forgotten by His followers: Mrs. J. W. Thurmond.

Leaflet: Camping T— in Africa: Miss Kellah Fair.

Hymn "Am I a Soldier of the Cross."

Saturday Afternoon, Jan. 6
Young People's Session.
Mrs. A. T. Allen, Leader.

Sheriff's Sale Under Execution.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF EDGEFIELD
(In the Court of Common Pleas.)
The Farmers Bank of Edgefield, S. C., Plaintiff, Against W. A. Croom and The Dixie Highway Hotel Company of Edgefield, Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of the power and authority of an execution in the above entitled action issued out of the Court of Common Pleas in and for said County and State in behalf of Plaintiff above named, I have levied on the personal property herein below described and owned by the Defendant, The Dixie Highway Hotel Company of Edgefield, and will, before the Court House door in the Town of Edgefield, said county and state, during the legal hours of sale on Salesday in January, A. D., 1923, same being Tuesday, the second day of said month, sell the following described personal property owned by the said Defendant, The Dixie Highway Hotel Company of Edgefield, to wit: All the furniture, fixtures, linen, towels, slips, sheets, pillows, pillow cases, bed covers, spreads, blankets, comforts, mats, matting, linoleum coverings and runners on floors, carpets, rugs, tables of every kind, beds, bedsteads, chairs of every kind; bureaus, wardrobes, chiffoniers, stools, grip racks, fiber rush suites, table, fibre rush settees, desks for writing, dining tables and all other tables; refrigerators, ranges and cooking stoves, dressers, mattresses, cooking utensils of every kind and description; table-ware of every kind and description; china, glass wares, cutlery, table cloths, napkins, kitchen knives, table knives, all forks, spoons, silver ware, pots, pans, window shades, screens, detached counters, store cabinets, kitchen cabinets, office cabinets, shelving, hat racks, office desk, dishes and crockery of every kind and description, also all other personal property of every kind and description whatsoever, whether mentioned above or not and which is now in use or for use in the Dixie Highway Hotel or in any of the stores under the Dixie Highway Hotel, situate in the Town of Edgefield, County of Edgefield, State of South Carolina.

Levied on as the property of the Defendant, The Dixie Highway Hotel Company of Edgefield.

Terms of Sale: CASH.

W. R. SWEARINGEN.

Sheriff of the County of Edgefield, State of South Carolina.

December 13th, 1922.

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County Treasurer's Notice.

The County Treasurer's office will be open for purpose of receiving taxes from the fifteenth day of November, 1922 to the fifteenth day of March, 1923.

All taxes shall be due and payable between the fifteenth day of October, 1922 and December the thirty-first, 1922.

That when taxes charged shall not be paid by December the thirty-first, 1922 the County Auditor shall proceed to add a penalty of one per cent., for January and if taxes are not paid on or before February the first, 1923, the County Auditor will proceed to add two per cent., and five per cent additional, from the first of March to the fifteenth of March, after which time all unpaid taxes will be collected by the Sheriff.

The tax levies for 1922 are as follows:

	Mills
For State purposes	7 1/2
For Ordinary County	8
For Past Indebtedness	3 1/2
For Constitutional School tax	3
For Antioch	8
For Bacon School District	14
For Blocker	8
For Blocker-Limestone	4
For Colliers	4
For Flat Rock	8
For Oak Grove	3
For Red Hill	8
For Edgefield	10
For Elmwood No. 8	8
For Elmwood No. 9	2
For Elmwood No. 30	2
For Elmwood L. C.	3
For Hibler	8
For Harmony	3
For Johnston	19
For Meriwether (Gregg)	2
For Moss	3
For Brunson School	4
For Ropers	2
For Shaw	4
For Sweetwater	4
For Talbert	8
For Trenton	14
For Wards	8
For Blocker No. 33	4
For Blocker R. R. (portion)	6
For Elmwood R. R. (portion)	6
For Johnston R. R.	3
For Pickens R. R.	3
For Wise R. R.	3
For Corporation	30 1/2

All male citizens between the ages of 21 and 60 years, except those exempt by law, are liable to a poll tax of One Dollar each.

All owners of dog are required to pay the sum of \$1.25 for each dog of the age of six months or older. This is not included in the property tax but a tag must be purchased from the County Treasurer for each dog during January of each year.

The law prescribes that all male citizens between the ages of 18 and 55 years must pay \$4.00 commutation tax. No commutation is included in the property tax. So ask for road tax receipt when you desire to pay road tax. Time for paying road tax will expire February 1, 1923.

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