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COMMUNITY COOPERATION IN THE BUILDING OF GOOD ROADS

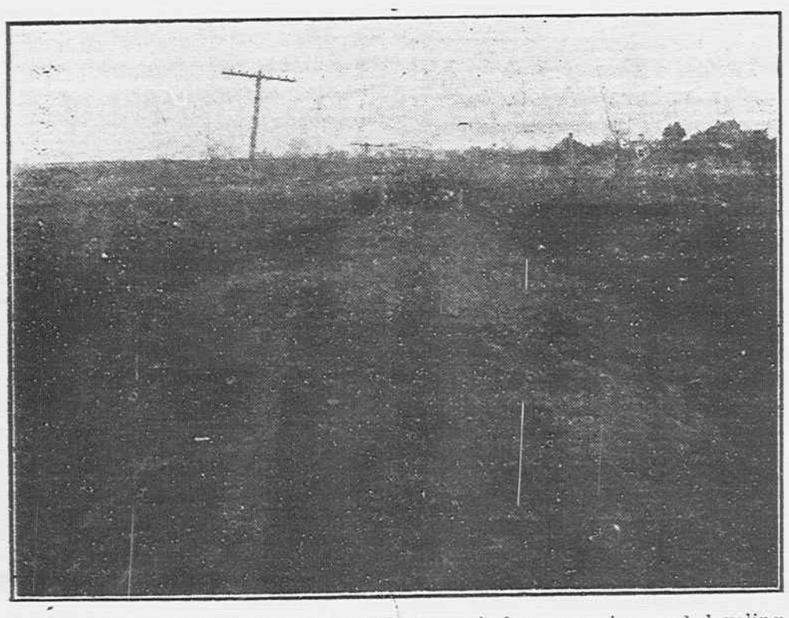
Community interest and cooperation is the way to build roads. It has been demonstrated beautifully in this county during the past year. The Herald and News has advocated it for some years, but we have had the practical demonstration of the good effects and good results of such work in the building of the Appalachian highway to Whitmire, and the building of the road to the steel bridge out from Newberry via Dead Fall, and more recently in the building of the road to the steel bridge out from Prosperity.

The Herald and News man in company with Supervisor Sample made a trip down to this latter road a few days ago and it is really the best piece of work that Supervisor Sample has yet accomplished on this cooperative plan. The road has been widened and is made thirty feet, and he has had the hearty cooperation of the people along the line as well as the people of the town of Prosperity and even of the people of Saluda county. The Prosperity people realized the value to the business interests of the town of a good road and did much more than the business men of Newberry did for the building of the road to the upper steel bridge. And the same was true of the building of the Appalachian highway, the people of Whitmire did a great deal more for this road than did the people of Newberry.

We hope to secure the names of all who contributed to the work that has been done on the lower steel bridge road from Prosperity so that others may see what has been accomplished and who did it. The day we were down there the whole community was out with teams and labor and were working themselves. When you see men like Murk Bedenbaugh and Tom Bedenbaugh and their sons and L. L. Dominick and E. T. Hayes and others out on the road, not supervising, but themselves breaking rock and hauling the top dressing it means that they are interested and mean business, and that is what we saw. The road where finished at that time was a beauty in construction. Before scraping and leveling for Newberry and will be an object lesson to other communities. For this reason we are pleased to submit herewith some cuts showing different sections of this road and the people at work on it.

The roads generally are in very fine condition and nothing could be more pleasing to The Herald and News than to commend the good work that Supervisor Sample is doing and the cooperation of the good people along the way of the roads. It is known of all men that if The Herald and News has one hobby it is better roads and the split log drag.

Finished road thirty feet wide. To the right a patch of pines is the Saluda school house. Further in the distance to the right is the residence of Mr. Murk Bedenbaugh. To the left is a negro house on Mr. Tom Bedenbaugh's place.



Showing road in incomplete condition. Before scraping and leveling. Residence of Mr. Bowers in the distance.

Showing the chain gang at work near the former residence of Mr. J. B. Stockman

THE NEWS OF PROSPERITY.

Interesting Debate by High School. Sorosis Entertained—Personal Mention.

Prosperity, March 27.—Almost every automobile in town was brought into use to hike the crowds over to Augusta to see the ruins made by the recent fire.

Miss Jessie Lorick of Columbia college and her school-mate, Miss Grace Killingsworth, are spending the week-end with Mrs. J. D. Lorick.

Mrs. Alice Witherspoon has returned home greatly benefitted by her trip. Her friends are glad to see her looking so well.

Misses Mary Shealy of Little Mountain and Martha Wessinger of Chapin have been the guests of Miss Anna Julia Harmon.

Miss Evelyn Wise has returned to Little Mountain after a visit to Miss Doris Kohn.

The March debate on Friday evening was rendered with much credit to the Prosperity High school. The subject being, "Preparedness is the best policy for the United States," which was won by the negative.

Mrs. Pat Mitchell has as her guest Misses Loree Smith of Old Town and Janie Ward of Chapin.

Mrs. J. L. Wise and Misses Victoria Crosson and Mary Kinard spent Saturday and Sunday in Batesburg.

Mr. J. C. Schumpert was a business visitor to Columbia Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Bedenbaugh of Pomaria, are spending a few days with Mrs. J. M. Werts.

Mrs. J. A. Dominick of Kinards, visited her sister, Mrs. Wyche last week.

Mrs. O. B. Simpson and Miss Edna Fellers spent Monday in Columbia.

Misses Adelle Fellers of Old Town and Ida Fellers of Colony were guests last week of Miss Edna Fellers.

Invitations have been received to the graduating recital of Miss Annie Fellers of Chicora college, which will take place April fifth.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Schumpert are spending today in Saluda.

Misses Bernice Derrick and Alberta Wise of the O'Neal section spent the week-end with Mrs. T. L. Shealy.

Mrs. M. C. Morris entertained the Sorosis on Friday afternoon. The study of Hamlet lead by Mrs. Wyche. Mrs. Morris read an interesting paper on "Woman's part in History," written by Miss Poppenheim of Charleston.

A delightful two-course luncheon was served.

The Monticello School Improvement association gave a first class minstrel by local talent at the school house March 31 at 8 p. m. Admission 10 and 15 cents.

A Mexican Battle

Lumas Jones and Mistress Lumas Rosa Jones came into police court and brought their family jar along with them. It was badly cracked and not much hopes of the breach being closed by the healing effects of time. Lumas and Rosa had a Mexican battle with each other at their home. They fought hard and lond and filled etheral space with cuss words of unpleasantable degree. Lumas stood his ground well and hopes of Rosa's driving him from his impregnable position dwindled. Then of a sudden, Rosa let go a volley of grape and shrapnel in the shape of brick bats and then Lumas got panic stricken and hit a speed that would have made Napoleon's retreat from Moscow seem like a snail race. 'Round and 'round the house she chased him, fast and faster the brick bats flew. Lumas ran across the border for protection and got it at police headquarters in the way of a protective tariff, scheduled as follows: Fighting, $5; cursing and abusive language, $5 or 15 days. Rosa's ad valorem was: Fighting with brick bats, $15 or 30 days; using abusive language, $10 or 30 days.

Joint Council Meeting.

The spring meeting of the joint council of the Beth Eden pastorate will be held at the parsonage on Saturday, April 1, at 11 a. m. The council together with any of the members who may desire to come are requested to bring their wives and baskets that we may enjoy a social hour with our new pastor, the Rev. L. P. Boland and his good wife.

Member of Council.

"DUTCH WEATHER PROPHET" MAKES SOME FORECASTS

April Will Bring Cold Spell, Says the Prophet, But Easter Will Be Warm.

April will be wet, thereby tracking true after tradition, just as March has done by blustering. Such at least is the opinion of William P. Houseal of Columbia, known somewhat more than locally as the "Dutch weather prophet."

Mr. Houseal said yesterday:

"Seasons of abundant precipitation will prevail throughout the spring and summer. The intervals governing these periods are from 21 to 24 days apart. It has usually been believed that these changes were governed altogether by the lunar periods of seven days or multiples of this number up to 28. The pulsations of the sun, in connection with the propelling power of the planets in their varying positions with the earth and the sun, are no doubt the cause of the varying periods of precipitation, heat and cold.

Bad for Fibre Crops.

"On this basis the indications lead to the forecast that the spring and summer of 1916 will not lack for sufficient moisture to produce herbaceous crops, that is, it will be a 'vegetable year,' similar to 1915. Field crops are included in this forecast.

"A prediction for a big cotton crop is left out of the question; it will not be a good year for fibre crops. An economic problem enters largely this year in the production of a large cotton crop. Being a careful student of meteorological and economic conditins must come to the conclusion that they produce normally, the same results. In a forecast last year it was predicted that the cotton crop for 1915-16 would show a decrease of one-fourth as compared to the previous year. It was a plain case of too much moisture for the fibrous cotton plant, the most sensitive plant physcially that grows on the earth. The cotton crop for the present year, governed by practically the same meteological conditions will be the same size approximately as last year.

"While precipitation will be abundant, it is not apprehended that freshets of a serious character will prevail this year.

"The winter has not entirely gone, although the trees of Columbia are beginning to don their dress of refreshing greem. The temperature around April 14-17 will be a reminder of similar days in March when in some sections of the country the weather was the coldest since 1871. Forty-two years ago, April 19, recorded temperatures in South Carolina as low as March 16, 1916, and killed the fruit and vegetables entirely. Similar meteorological periods are recurring at this time, the intervals being the same for the years as for the days—the numbers 21 to 24.

"This period of lower temperature will be followed at Easter by much warmer weather; indeed, the 'Dutch weather prophet' makes the forecast for ideal weather at that season, contrary to the almost universal opinion that there is 'always a cold spell at Easter.' It is not true that cold weather always prevails at Easter. The records will prove that the weather at Easter, one year compared to another, is as variable as it is at any other season."

School Gardens.

Each grade at Spears Street school has a garden plot on the school grounds which is being cultivated by the children, directed by the teachers. Mr. L. W. Floyd has recently shown his interest in this work by giving them a sack of commercial fertilizer.

There are forty-three garden plots being cultivated by the pupils of the Mollohon Mill school. Any one would be inspired to see the interest of these children and teachers in their work.

To the Serious Public:

Mrs. Cotman of Arkansas and Miss Hay, organizer for the National Suffrage association, will speak on the invitation and request of local suffragists desiring information, in the court house on the evening of April 12 The public is invited.

Mrs. N. B. Wheeler has as her guest Mrs. Brickley of Lexington.

RUMORS OF COMING CANDIDATES CAST THEIR SHADOWS BEFORE

In addition to the rumor that Mr. Jas. B. Hunter of the Newberry bar would enter the race for solicitor of this circuit it has been rumored for some time that Mr. B. V. Chapman also of the Newberry bar and at present a member of the legislature from this county would be in the race for the same place.

There is already one candidate from Greenwood for the position, Mr. Geo. T. Magill, and one from Laurens, Mr. Homer S. Blackwell, and it is rumored that Mr. Howard Moore of Abbeville would be in the running and that a Mr. McCord of Greenwood would also enter. That would give each county a representative and Newberry and Greenwood two each to hold up the banner.

Then we heard it rumored that the Hon. Arthur Kibler would enter the race for senator from this county and Hon. Neal W. Workman has already said that he was considering the question of making the race and would very probably be in. Then we had heard that the Hon. H. H. Evans might also seek the senatorial toga.

As for the house of representatives, there will be a score or more. Hon. Geo. S. Mower, Hon. C. T. Wyche, Dr. J. Wm. Folk, Mr. J. S Dominick, Mr. Joe B. Derrick, Mr. Sam W. Young, Mon. John W Scott, Mr. Jas. H. Johnson, Mr. John C. Neel, Mr J. A. C. Kibler, Mr. John M. Suber, Dr. W. C. Brown, H. O. Long, W. H. Sanders, and several others have been mentioned, and there have been rumors that their friends would urge them to run. All these that we have mentioned and others would make good representatives. There is a strong sentiment in some sections among the people of sending a delegation of farmers to the next house We had all lawyers the last time. This is not said to influence any to enter or to stay out. We are talking of rumors now, and harmless rumors, with no intention to injure any one by repeating them, for a rumor so long as it is pleasant can be repeated without detriment to any one. And of course it is pleasant and a compliment to any citizen to be considered for so important a position as member of the legislature.

Come on in, boys, the water is fine and the swimming good.

The above was written for the last issue of The Herald and News. Since that time Mr. Evans announces for the house of representatives and Mr. Derrick's friends announce him for the senate.

AUDUBON SOCIETY AT BOUNDRY STREET SCHOOL

The public would be surprised to see the great and growing interest in the work of the Audubon society at the Boundary Street school. When Miss Mabry, principal of the school, started the work among the children last year, there was manifested a noticeable indifference to the idea of studying birds and an aversion to the suggestion that birds ought to be cared for and protected rather than shot at and killed.

But there has been wrought a complete reversion of opinion. One has only to be present now at an Audubon exercise and visit the exhibit room where several scores of different kinds of birds' nests, cocoons, and other specimens from nature, compositions on birds, illustrations, etc., have been collected and to see the many bird houses built by the children themselves is to appreciate their present remarkable enthusiasm for the subject of bird study and bird preservation.

Each grade in turn from the third to the seventh has the pleasure of rendering a program for the weekly meetings. All the grades have prepared valuable and interesting exercises consisting of bird lore, poems and stories about birds, the habits of different kinds of birds, the value of birds, and the history of certain species of birds, some of which have been completely exterminated on account of the recklessness and thoughtlessness of man.

Next Friday the seventh grade will present a study of the leading point being the superiority of birds over all other agencies yet found to combat the dreaded Mexican boll weevil.

THOROUGHBRED CATTLE FOR THE FARMERS

The Commercial bank displayed its herd of cows, that was shipped in last week, on the public square on Saturday. There are eleven fine heifers and the big Red Poll bull and the heifers are a fine specimen of the thoroughbred cow and the only kind that the farmer of this section should use. It combines the quality of beef with that of the milker.

Several of them have been taken but there are some left. The Commercial bank has gone to the trouble to get these heifers and is offering them to the farmers of the county at actual cost in an honest and praiseworthy effort to help and encourage the farmers of this county to improve their stock and to engage in the cattle business.

If the efforts of the bank meet with the approval and encouragement it should President Kinard says he has made arrangements to secure some more of these heifers at cost for any farmer who may desire to improve his stock and his condition generally.

NEGRO SHOOTS ANOTHER IN LOWER NUMBER NINE

Sunday afternoon about 7 o'clock Sheriff Blease received a phone message that a negro shooting had taken place in lower No. 9 township on the Holly Ferry road. He and Deputies Taylor and Melton immediately left for the scene and in a short time were there.

Wade Davenport had shot Tom Wheeler twice, one ball entering above the thigh and going into the cavity and the other going into the abdomen. The two negroes had been to Mt. Hebron church and while walking along the public highway began a quarrel about some tobacco and Wheeler made after Davenport with a drawn knife and Davenport returned the attack with two shots from his pistol.

Wheeler was taken to a Columbia hospital and it is said his chances of recovery are very slim. Davenport was arrested by the sheriff's party and is now in jail.

Wheeler served a three years' sentence on the chain gang some years ago for being an accessory to a murder committed by his father.

EWART-PERRY COMPANY STOCK SOLD TO MR. S. SOLOMAN

The sale of the Ewart-Perry company stock was had on Saturday. There were quite a number of persons present who seemed interested in the sale and the bidding for a time was quite livelp.

The stock was purchased by Mr. S. Solomon of Marion, for $4,400. It has been turned over to the Western Sales and Salvage company who will begin a sale of the entire stock on Saturday, April 1. They will sell the stock at from 40 to 50 cents on the dollar and this will liven things in Newberry for a time at least.

The Early Closing of the Stores.

Will the merchants again begin the early closing of their stores for the summer months? It is hoped that all the Newberry merchants will agree to do this, thus giving rest and time for some recreation for those in their employ.

This has been done for two years and has proved to be quite satisfactory. Should the stores begin closing early, and it is believed that they will, the Civic association urges the cooperation of every woman in town with regard to doing their shopping during the morning hours, or early in the afternoon so as to help the good cause along and not to interfere with early closing.

A Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our many thanks to our good Dr. W. G. Houseal, for his quick attention and his kind faithfulness to our little girl that was so badly burnt, and do pray God that he will get many stars in his crown, which we now he will.

Respectfully,
Annie Haseldon and Mother.

Miss Leo Shealy is spending some time time with friends and relatives in Ballentine.