

The Herald and News.

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YOUNG'S GROVE.

Young's Grove near Prosperity is a great place for campaign meetings. This section of the county is noted for its large white population of sturdy and prosperous small farmers. It is thickly settled and most of the farmers own their own farms and these farms are not for sale. About the only way to acquire land in that section is when some one dies and the property has to be sold for division, and then it generally remains in the family. Land is valuable because of the large white population. It is rough and rocky but produces well. The population is composed of a combination of German and Irish and they live at home and all of them make what they need for the farm on the farm, and as a result always have a little cash.

The meeting place for the county campaigns is in a beautiful grove which is being gradually cut away for planting purposes, but there still remains plenty of shade to make it a fine place to hold a meeting. A stand is provided for the speakers and seats for the listeners. At the meeting there on Friday there was the largest crowd we have ever seen at a similar meeting at this place. That was due in some measure to the rainy weather making it too wet for farm work, but there is generally a good crowd present. The people seemed anxious to hear the candidates and gave all of them good attention.

The meeting passed off pleasantly and every one seemed to be in good spirits and there was not much complaint to be heard of the weather or the damage to the crops. The candidates are making about the same speeches, though some of them vary them a little to suit local conditions.

It is impossible for us to write of a trip to the country without a word or two about the roads. If the split log drag had been used on the roads a few days ago they would have been much improved. As it is they are not so bad. Supervisor Sample has done some fine work on the road from Cook's mill to the river and is going to work from the mill on to Prosperity and from the mill to Holly's ferry. He had intended to get there during August when the people could have given him cooperation as they did on the section from the mill to the river, but owing to the heavy rains the farmers will be busy in their crops during August and that may delay the work for a brief time, but we are sure he is going to complete the work on this section of the road as soon as he can get the cooperation of the people in hauling the top dressing. The road to Holly's ferry needs some work and we heard Mr. Sample say some time ago that it was his intention to do this work during August. Fact is, The Herald and News would like to see every road in Newberry county have some top dressing of gravel put on it and properly drained and then it would be good in any sort of weather.

Talking about the barbecue that veteran cue maker Mr. Pat Blair was there and he looks just like he did when we saw him at the first barbecue we attended at this place, and that has been a little while ago. He tells a good "chigger" tale about this one. He says that they, the "chiggers," were so brave at this one on Thursday night that they got in his shoes and in the shoes of the others who were helping and in such numbers that they broke the shoe strings and he does not think that enough were left to give one to each candidate. That is, one "chigger". We do not know about that, because they never bother us.

The Herald and News stands for better roads, better schools and better rural conditions. We have stood for these things for a long time and

we are pleased to find the people interested in helping to bring them about.

P. S.—The above was written just after our return from the meeting and before we had made the acquaintance of Mr. "Chigger," but we are forced to the painful conclusion that our friends did not take care of all of them for we have made the acquaintance of some half dozen or more and they are of a good healthy variety.

Mr. N. E. Taylor informs us that his daughter, Mrs. Hettie Bowers, had the misfortune to leave her hand bag in a buggy in which she was sitting, and she does not know whose buggy. The hand bag contained a couple of handkerchiefs, a baby rattle and a \$5.00 gold piece of the coinage of 1886, which she prizes very highly as it was a birthday gift. If the owner of the buggy found this hand bag as described she will pay a reward, if required, for its return. Phone Mr. Taylor, 3712, or leave the bag with the Bank of Prosperity.

Gov. Manning and his newspaper supporters seem to think that Mr. Cooper is under obligation to explain why he is running for governor. We should say that he is running because he wants to be elected and that he feels that he is competent and qualified to fill the position. The Herald and News is not advocating the election of any candidate for governor but it seems to us that it is an exhibition of considerable nerve, for Manning and the newspapers to be of the opinion that Mr. Cooper should explain and to call on Mr. Cooper to give them a reason for being in the race. Mr. Manning has no legal right to two terms and until the law is changed it is the privilege of any citizen of this great state to offer his services to the people for the position of governor. Mr. Manning even demanded that Mr. Cooper give his reason for being in the race. It is nerve. If the people want Mr. Manning for another term let them say so. If they want Mr. Cooper or Mr. Blease let them say so. That is the purpose of the primary.

That was a very important announcement that Mayor Wright made in the last paper and that we are carrying today. Clean up should not only be the slogan of every citizen, but it should be the slogan that is acted upon. Especially after these rains and the long wet spell should every one take a great and a personal pride in cooperating with the board of health and all the balance of the citizens in keeping his premises clean.

The health of the citizens of the town is at stake, and a little cleaning up would do a whole lot of good as a preventive of disease and sickness. It should be done today—not tomorrow—but today is the time to do this work. A little prevention is a good thing.

The notice of Chief Rodelsperger is all right, that he is going to enforce the ordinance about the muffler on the auto car. As long as the ordinance is on the books it should be observed. Some of these cars do make a whole lot of noise and it should be stopped. But there is an ordinance, or if it is not, it should be an ordinance, and that is to require every driver to keep to the right and on the right hand side of the street or the road. There will be less danger to the pedestrian crossing the street and to the drivers of cars if such a regulation were enforced and everyone made to take the right of the road.

The rains continue and the crops are suffering. Cotton in sandy land will be almost an entire failure and in many other places the grass has taken possession and it will be impossible to clean the crop. The old corn where it has not been washed away by the high water promises to be a fair crop. We heard a good farmer say the other day that he usually gathered about 75 bales of cotton and some of the land produced a bale to the acre but the prospect

now was that he would not make twenty bales and that some of it was so grassy that he could never get it cleaned. Well, we hope it will not be as bad as some seem to think and that it will come out right. We believe there is a good providence who still reigns.

We regret that we could not attend the barbecue at New Hope on Saturday. It will be impossible for us to be at all the barbecues during the next four weeks. We always enjoy getting out in the country but to attend all of the barbecues would make it necessary to have nothing

else to do. There is one scheduled for every week day almost except Monday.

In the sudden death of Mr. Geo. C. Glasgow the county and State have lost a good citizen and his family a devoted husband and father. He was a good man and cut down in the vigor of his matured manhood makes it sad.

FOR SALE—A lot of land containing three-fourths of an acre in the town of Newberry, for price and terms apply to D. W. Wicker, Newberry, R. F. D. 5. 8-1-1t.

JANE GREY



—IN—
"MAN AND HIS ANGEL"
Opera House, Tuesday, August 8th

A Statement As To County Finances

(Political Advertisement.)

Newberry, S. C., July 26, 1916.
Mr. J. C. Sample, County Supervisor,
Newberry, S. C.

Dear Sir:
I beg to answer the inquiries contained in your letter to me of July 22.

"It has been circulated around over the County that I, as County Supervisor, am responsible for the County funds running short. I would like to get a statement in writing from you in regard to the financial condition of the County and the cause of this condition."

Answer. The only money available for the use of the County Supervisor is the taxes collected from a 4-1-2 mill levy, amounting to some \$32,000.00; fines from the Clerk of the Court and magistrates, license fees, etc., amounting, on an average, to \$2,000 to \$4,000 making the total money available \$34,000 to \$36,000. This does not include the commutation tax which varies widely, viz., \$5,690.00 in 1914; \$1,944.00 in 1915; \$2,604.00 in 1916. The taxable property of the County is some \$7,250,000.00. Therefore, if the necessary expenses for running the County, the current and as fixed by statute, are \$40,000.00 to \$45,000.00, not including commutation tax, and the average income from taxes and all other sources is \$34,000 to \$36,000, the County will fall behind each year the difference between the income and the necessary expenses in any given year.

"Is it not a fact that at the beginning of this year we only had about nineteen (19) or twenty (20) thousand dollars, after paying last year's back indebtedness, from which to pay forty-five (45) thousand dollars appropriated for the year?" Answer: That is correct.

"Is it not a fact that I have bought lumber cheaper than it has been bought heretofore by other supervisors?" Answer. Your price for white and post oak lumber is \$15.00 per thousand. I do not recall that you have paid more than that. Prior to a year or two ago the customary price was \$20.00 per thousand. My recollection is pine lumber has been selling for about the same, or, perhaps, for a little less than formerly.

"If the money that was appropriated for the last year and this year had been available would we not have had

enough to run the affairs of the County for cash and paid all of the old soldiers pensions?"

Answer. I would say, yes. I am quite sure the total expenditures came within the total appropriations.

"Were the proper officials notified of the financial condition of the County and asked to remedy these conditions?" Answer. They were, both verbally and in writing, before and during the sitting of the legislature of 1916.

"Can the County Supervisor run the County into debt without the consent of the delegation from Newberry County?" Answer. He cannot legally do so. The statute law makes it a criminal offense for the County Supervisor to contract debts against the County in excess of the appropriations.

"Is this the first time the County finances have run short?" No. This is the case every year, except, perhaps, like in the year 1914, when an unusually large commutation tax was collected and there were funds paid the County from extraordinary sources.

Hoping that the above answers are full enough, I am,

Yours very truly,
"H. C. Holloway."

So, Mr. Voter, you see from the above statement, if the County is in debt, it is not my fault. I have complied strictly with the law.

I wish to say if reelected to the position of supervisor I propose to spend every cent I can get hold of to better the condition of the roads and bridges as you know the roads and bridges have not had justice heretofore.

During the short time that I have held the position of supervisor I have worked on the roads in every section of the County. This policy of impartiality as to the maintenance of the roads will be continued.

There will be false rumors and misrepresentations in circulation. I ask any one who hears anything of a derogatory nature in circulation as to myself either personally or officially to make the proper investigation and he will find the truth by which I am willing to stand. I ask a fair and square deal and I have faith in the people of Newberry County to believe that they will accord that to every one.

J. C. Sample.

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 - 2—\$450.00 Stieff Uprights, dark Mahogany (used several years) each 350.00
 - 1—\$450.00 Stieff Upright, Oak case (used several years) 225.00
 - 1—\$375.00 Shaw Upright, polished Mahogany (used 12 months) 250.00
 - 2—\$550.00 Bennet Bretz Self-Player Piano, dull Mahogany (used to 12 mos.) each 400.00
 - 2—\$300.00 Kohler & Campbell Upright Pianos, polished Mahogany used short white 200.00
 - 2—\$300.00 Harvard Upright Pianos, Mahogany case, (used short white) each 200.00
 - 1—\$350.00 J. & C. Fischer Upright Pianos, Walnut case (used short white) 185.00
 - 1—\$350.00 Mathushek Upright Piano, Mahogany case (used short white) 200.00
 - 1—\$300.00 Adam Schaff Upright Piano, Walnut case (used short white) 155.00
 - 1—\$450.00 Mason & Hamlin Upright Piano, Ebony case (used short white) 200.00
 - 1—\$450.00 Chickering upright Piano, Ebony case used short white 200.00
 - 1—\$300.00 Ernest Tonk upright Piano, Walnut case (used short white) 150.00
 - 1—\$450.00 Stieff upright Piano, Ebony case (used several years) 195.00

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