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## TO ARRANGE PROGRAM AND MAKE PLANS FOR COUNTY SCHOOL FAIR APRIL 17TH.

### Teachers and Committee to Meet at Court House Saturday When Tentative Plans will be Made and Other Details Looked After. Full Attendance Requested.

The teachers of the county have been asked to meet at the county court house Saturday morning at 10:30 o'clock for the purpose of discussing affairs and making arrangements in connection with the coming county school fair. A general meeting will first be held, where the details of the fair will be discussed, followed by a meeting of sub-committees about 11:30 o'clock. Miss Gray has asked that the teachers of the county make a special endeavor to attend this meeting for absence from the discussions at this time will prove a serious handicap at the fair.

Several weeks ago a meeting was held when the more important committees were appointed. These have already begun work and in many cases tentative plans have already been outlined. The following are the committees appointed at that time:

Township committee: Laurens, Miss Gene Aiken; Youngs, Miss Erin Addison; Dials, Miss Henry; Sullivan, Miss Bessie Wallace; Waterloo, Miss

Myrtle Culbertson; Cross Hill, Miss Ethel McDaniel; Hunter, Miss Mary Higgins; Jacks, Miss Bessie Williams; Scuffletown, Miss Leah Martin.

Prize Committee: Miss Mae Dell Barre, Miss Nannie Simpson, Miss Lucia Miles, Miss Edith McCutcheon.

Parade Committee—Messrs B. L. Jones, C. S. Rhoad, Y. H. Fender, J. W. Huff, W. P. Culbertson, W. P. Yarboro, A. C. Daniels, A. E. Fuller.

Executive Committee—Messrs. James H. Sullivan, B. L. Jones, H. K. Aiken, W. R. McCuen, B. Y. Culbertson, Allie Lee, Geo. L. Pitts, W. P. Yarboro, Misses Wil Lou Gray, Margaret Cunningham, Mynona Riley, Jayne Garlington.

Program Committee: Misses Wil Lou Gray, Laurie Aull, Lois Irvin, Messrs James Sullivan, B. L. Jones, Arthur Lee.

It has been decided to classify exhibits at the fair according to townships. This was done both for convenience and to stimulate a healthy rivalry between the different sections of the county.

## LIFTS QUARANTINE AGAINST NEWBERRY

### Satisfactory Assurances were Received from Newberry that no Further Spread of Disease was Feared.

The quarantine against the city and county of Newberry, ordered by the Laurens board of health Sunday February 8th, was ordered lifted Saturday morning after almost a week's duration. This action was taken after the board of health had received satisfactory assurances from Newberry that the smallpox situation there was under control with no new cases developing and after communication with the state health officer, Dr. J. Adam Hayne, who recommended the step provided the compulsory vaccination order had been carried out here.

The movement to lift the quarantine was begun Friday afternoon when the board of health met to hear a note from the Newberry board of health addressed to the mayor asking that the quarantine be raised. The mayor presented the letter to the board of health with the recommendation that the request from Newberry be granted. The board thereupon got into communication with the state health officer who advised that the quarantine be raised. The order lifting the ban was then made and went immediately into effect.

### FORTNER A CANDIDATE.

## To Make Race for Railroad Commissioner. States Positively that He will be in the Race.

Representative C. D. Fortner of Spartanburg, in discussing his candidacy for railroad commissioner in the campaign, this summer, said yesterday:

"I understand it has been sought to put out the report that I will not be in the race for railroad commissioner this summer. I desire to state positively that I will be in the race, and I expect to win. I shall discuss fully the various questions before the people of this State as they relate to the office of railroad commissioner. I intend to ask for the votes of the people upon my own merits and upon my record in the general assembly as a member from Spartanburg county. My record on several important measures, some of which I have introduced, is fresh in the minds of the people at this time. I am receiving the most encouraging reports from every section of the State and I expect to win."

### Carnival in Clinton.

The Tropical Amusement Company, the carnival company, which was to have showed here last week and which landed in Clinton instead, is still at that place. In all probability it will remain there for the rest of this week. Whether or not any further attempt will be made to show in Laurens is not known.

## IN THE RACE TO THE FINISH

### Solicitor R. A. Cooper Gives Out Statement in Columbia in Answer to Inquiry of Reporter.

Columbia, Feb. 23.—Solicitor R. A. Cooper, of Laurens, who has been in constant and continuous attendance upon the engrossing department during the present session of the General Assembly, and who has been one of the hardest-worked solicitors in the department, returned to his home in Laurens Saturday to go to Abbeville for the opening there Monday of the spring term of court in the Eighth Circuit.

Solicitor Cooper is one of the positively announced candidates for governor. During the last session of the General Assembly he stated that it was his intention to make the race. Since the announcement of his candidacy he has been invited to make addresses in many places and particularly in the Piedmont section, where he is best known, and he has been through a good section of the Piedmont during the past summer and fall. He says that he has received the greatest encouragement in his race, not only from the Piedmont, but from every section of the State, and that he is confident of the result this summer.

In reply to the question, "Do you care to take any statement with reference to your campaign at this time, Solicitor Cooper before leaving Columbia Saturday afternoon, said:

"I am positively in the race to the finish, and shall seek the office on my merits, and on my record as a member of the General Assembly of this State and as Solicitor of the Eighth circuit for the past nine years. Public office, whether it be that of governor or any other office, is a public trust, and the authority vested in any office should be exercised for the public good. A candidate should be supported on the ground of his fitness for public service, and upon this ground I shall ask the support of the Democrats of the State. I shall at the proper time state my position on every issue in such a way that my views will be known to all."

### A NEW DEPARTMENT.

## H. Terry Will Open up a Coat and Suit Section on the Second Floor.

Mr. H. Terry has announced that this spring he will add a coat and suit department to his store. He is now having a large room on the second floor of the building which he occupies fitted up for this department. Mr. Terry is now in the north buying his spring and summer goods and while there he expects to purchase suits and coats.

### Meeting of U. D. C.

The J. B. Kershaw chapter, U. D. C., met with Miss Bessie Roland Monday afternoon March 2, at 3:30 o'clock.

## WILL SEPARATE FREIGHT OFFICES?

### Bill Goes Through House Providing For Separation of Railroad Offices in This City.

According to unverified reports from Columbia, the county delegation has succeeded in pushing through the house, the bill introduced by Mr. Blackwell providing for the separation of the C. N. & L. and C. & W. C. freight offices in this city. It will be remembered that this bill received an unfavorable report from the railroad committee earlier in the session, but it seems that the delegation secured its passage in the face of the adverse report. Whether or not it will pass the senate is a matter for conjecture.

The bill for the separation of the two offices which have been run in conjunction for many years was introduced at the instance of a petition of a number of Laurens merchants. The petition set forth that because of the combined offices competition between the two railroads was at a minimum and as a result of these conditions Laurens was not receiving the service from the office and yards that the volume of business transacted warranted. Several committees have appeared before the delegation in Columbia in the interest of the bill.

## CRIMINAL COURT OPENS MARCH THE NINTH

### Heavy Docket Including a Number of Murder Cases of Wide Interest.

The spring term of the court of general sessions will convene March 9th, being the second Monday in the month. Judge I. W. Bowman, of Spartanburg, will preside. The jury commissioners met in the office of the clerk of court Thursday and made up the petit jury panel for this term and the grand jury for the year.

The term will last but one week, but from the heavy docket it would appear that a number of cases will have to go over. Quite a number of murder cases will have to be tried and several will likely take up considerable time. Chief interest will probably attach to the trial of Tom Young, Greenwood Rogers and Junk Caldwell, colored, charged with the murder of Mr. Geo. F. Young at his home near Renno January 12th, when Mr. Young was killed and his house burned over him apparently to conceal the crime. Another case which will attract considerable attention in the upper part of the county will be that of the state against Cornelius Edwards charged with killing the Sharp brothers near Barksdale, following a dispute over family affairs.

Emma Glover and her two sons, Bob and Wesley Glover, will be tried for arson in connection with the burning of Mr. M. B. McCuen's barn near Princeton several months ago. It will be remembered that Lace Glover, the husband and father of these negroes, was killed by Sheriff Owings and Deputy Abercrombie when they attempted to arrest him on the same charge a few weeks ago.

### The Grand Jury.

The following are the grand jurors drawn for the coming year, the first six being holdovers from the past year:

J. C. McMillan, Jacks.  
Jim Wade Hill, Cross Hill.  
J. R. Philpot, Laurens.  
J. B. Hunter, Youngs.  
J. O. King, Cross Hill.  
W. B. Sims, Waterloo.  
J. W. Wells, Dials.  
A. R. Thome, Waterloo.  
J. L. Crawford, Hunter.  
Jerry C. Martin, Waterloo.  
Thos. P. Poole, Scuffletown.  
W. H. Anderson, Laurens.  
A. W. Sharpe, Sullivan.  
J. T. Crews, Laurens.  
J. Will Dillard, Hunter.  
C. H. Armstrong, Laurens.  
Ernest C. Hipp, Hunter.  
J. W. Martin, Laurens.

### The Petit Jury.

The following petit jurors were drawn:  
Laurens—A. B. Barksdale, D. C. McLaurin, L. B. Blackwell, J. H. Nabors.  
Dials—W. E. Gray, W. J. Hunter, W. C. Mahon, John F. Gary, L. R. Babb, W. Z. Ball, W. H. Barksdale.  
Youngs—B. G. Sprouse, H. A. Holcombe, S. E. Thackston, S. D. Martin.  
Scuffletown—John M. Wallace, G. F. Pulley.  
Jacks—T. P. Weir, T. W. Dillard.  
Cross Hill—R. W. Bozman.  
Hunter—J. B. Speake, A. D. Brown.

## REVIVAL MEETING AT BAPTIST CHURCH

### Dr. Millard A. Jenkins to Lead in the Services. Noted Singer to Conduct Music.

What promises to be one of the greatest meetings ever held in this city will begin next Sunday. The pastor and his co-workers have been planning several months to make this a season of great blessing to all the people of the community. They sincerely hope that all Christians—irrespective of their church affiliations—will feel that this is an opportunity to do good such as rarely comes to them. Through the press they desire to issue to the people of the city and surrounding country a cordial invitation to all the services.

Dr. Millard A. Jenkins, former pastor of the First Baptist church of Athens, Ga., will reach here next Saturday and will be heard the next day, and on until the meeting closes. Dr. Jenkins is one of the clearest and most convincing thinkers and preachers of God's truth in the pulpit of the South today. He is a man honest in thought, fearless in expression, but tender in application.

Prof. Rad O. Bell, director of music of the Central Baptist church of Atlanta at present, and who was accorded the honor of conducting the music for one of the conferences at The Broughton Tabernacle, where visitors from two continents were present will have charge of the music. A new song book has been purchased and the singing will be a very attractive feature. Prof. Bell will appreciate the help of all the singers in the city.

## LOWNDES J. BROWNING IN LAURENS MONDAY

### Says He is Meeting with Much Encouragement in His Candidacy for the Governorship.

Hon. Lowndes J. Browning, of Union, was a visitor in the city Monday meeting old friends and making new acquaintances while getting first-hand information on the political situation in this county, especially as it affects his own candidacy for the governorship. It will be remembered that he announced himself as an avowed candidate for governor some weeks ago.

Mr. Browning spoke very pleasantly of his acquaintances in this county, where, he said, he enjoyed some very close and intimate friendships. He referred in a very cordial manner to the two gubernatorial candidates from Laurens, Messrs. Cooper and Irby, and stated that he did not expect to poll a large vote in this county where these two gentlemen had such large followings, but he said he expected to "pick up" a few in the first primary and a few more in the second primary if he had the good fortune to get that far.

Asked as to his views on the primary question, Mr. Browning stated that he was not in favor of any restriction of the primary in the way of depriving white citizens of South Carolina of their votes, but that he was convinced of the need for providing safeguards in order to prevent such frauds and illegalities as were practiced on both sides in the last primary. He also added in the way of an aside, that he was not in favor of allowing North Carolinians, Georgians and Bull Mooses to vote in South Carolina democratic primaries.

Mr. Browning was chairman of the Ways and Means committee of the lower branch of the legislature during the session of 1912 and took a prominent part in the deliberations of that body. He is a pleasant and affable gentleman though an aggressive contender for principles and will probably be a formidable candidate in this summer's campaign.

### Lecture at Methodist Church.

Miss Daisy Davies, representing the Home and Foreign Mission Department of the Southern Methodist church will lecture in the Methodist church at 3:30, March 4th. The public is cordially invited. Miss Davies comes to Laurens highly recommended and it is hoped a large audience will greet her.

R. C. Dillard, C. E. Todd, C. O. Glenn, Waterloo—G. W. Moore, J. M. Miller, W. M. Henderson, S. E. Williams, P. W. Finley.

Sullivan—Thad S. Crawford, H. R. Davis, C. L. Pitts, J. Frank Davis, J. S. Thomas, W. M. Pitts.

## MUSICAL CONCERT FRIDAY NIGHT

### Choral Society Will Give Delightful Entertainment. Splendid Program.

Those who last year attended the concert given by the Laurens High School Choral Society very pleasantly remember the program rendered on this occasion. The society will give its second concert in the school auditorium next Friday evening, February 27th, at eight fifteen o'clock. The program which will be rendered as this time follows:

- Program.
- Part One.
1. Blow, Blow, Thou Winter Wind Whiting
  2. Evening Prayer Raff
  3. O Turn Thee—"Gallia" Gounod
  4. Eldorado Pissuti
  5. Carmen Wilson
  6. The Two Grenadiers Schumann
- Selections From The Operas.
- Part Two.
1. "Cavalleria Rusticana" Mascagni
  - (a) Almighty God
  - (b) Bridal Song
- Part Three.
1. "Patience" Sullivan
  2. "Der Freischuetz" Weber
  3. "Faust" Gounod
  - (a) Selections
  - (b) Soldiers' Chorus

The first number, "Blow, Blow, Thou Winter Wind" is a light, pleasing, characteristic composition by Arthur Whiting, one of the standard composers of America. Following this Raff's "Evening Prayer" will be rendered. The next selection will be "O Turn Thee" from Gounod's "Gallia." In this number Mr. S. B. Lapsley will sing a solo, which will be followed by a chorus. The fourth number will be Pissuti's "Eldorado," a selection which will please because of its unusual character. Wilson's "Carmen" follows. This composition is so familiar that comment on it is unnecessary. Part One will close with Schumann's "Two Grenadiers," which always pleases.

Part Two, as well as Part Three, is composed of selections from the operas. In Part Two there will be selections from "Cavalleria Rusticana," and "Il Trovatore." From "Cavalleria" will be given "Almighty God," and "Bridal Song," which contains the famous "Drinking Song," which Caruso has sung very successfully. From "Il Trovatore" will be given a number which contains various selections, including "Home to Our Mountains." Part Two will close with "Miserere" from the same opera. In this number Mrs. Earle Wilson and Miss Mary Todd will sing the solos and a duet. Every one remembers how well these singers sang this number in the concert last year, and doubtless will be delighted to learn that they will sing it again.

Part Three will open with "Selections" from Sullivan's "Patience." In this number both Mrs. Wilson and Mr. Lapsley will sing solos. This selection will be followed by the "Prayer and Hunters' Chorus" from Weber's "Der Freischuetz." The next number, the most brilliant of the entire program will be "Selections" from Gounod's "Faust." It contains three beautiful tenor solos, which will be sung by Mr. Lapsley; and the following well known selections: "Flower Song," and "O Night of Love." This number closes with the "Prison Scene" from Act IV, which ends most brilliantly. Part Three closes with the stirring "Soldiers' Chorus" from "Faust."

One, judging from the description of the program which is given above, easily perceives that the program is sufficiently varied to please both the cultured musician and the ordinary lover of music. The chorus consists of about fifty voices, and is much better than it was last year. This year four part selections will be rendered, while last year only two part numbers were given. Besides the people of Laurens are looking forward to the second concert of the Choral Society. All these facts indicate a crowded house on Friday evening.

Tickets for the concert will sell at the following prices: Adults fifty cents; students and teachers twenty-five cents. The proceeds will be used for the benefit of the school.

## FEW BILLS BENEFIT THE WHOLE STATE

### Less Than 10 Are of State-wide Import.

## ADJOURNMENT NOW IN SIGHT

### Close of 1914 Legislative Session Depends on Dispatch of Business by Senate. House Ready and Anxious to Adjourn.

Columbia, Feb. 22.—The legislative session of 1914 is drawing to a close. It is not now a question of whether this or the other bill will pass, but when will the assembly adjourn. It is altogether and entirely a question for the decision of the honorable Senate. The whole matter of adjournment hinges on the final action on the appropriation and general supply bills. Over on the Senate side the appropriation bill has been passed on to third reading for amendment on final reading, if there are to be changes. The House is anxious, in fact, it is getting peevish, waiting for the honorable Senate to pass the appropriation and supply bills, quit and go home. Of course, there is no hope—not the least—of passing even a fractional part of the measures that are on either calendar, therefore the idea is to get through with the necessary money bills and quit. The law makers have been on duty for the full forty days contemplated by the Constitution, and for which pay is allowed, and whatever extra service or board bills have to be paid beyond the forty days is charged to patriotic duty, and many members think—and with reason—that they have been "on the job" quite long enough and are ready to quit.

The work of the present session emphasizes the wisdom of biennial sessions for law-making bodies, in that the State can easily do without jags and radical changes for two-year intervals.

### Little of State-wide Import.

Whether it be for political reasons, a lack of political courage, a disposition to restore peace and harmony or a real laissez faire policy there will be no radical legislation at this session—nothing to mark the year. There have been up to date formal ratifications of one hundred and seventy-one Acts and joint resolutions, most of them have been about school bonds, roads, county offices, the right to buy or sell county lands, commutation taxes, rural police, bonds, school trustees and the like. Out of the entire hundred and seventy-one Acts that have been duly ratified less than ten have any semblance of being State-wide in import. The only bills that are included in this list with a semblance of State-wide consequences are:

The Act to allow home insurance companies to meet rates made by outside insurance brokers.

Extending the right to condemn lands so that cities wanting water sheds can condemn lands.

Permitting the consolidation of the Charleston and Western Carolina Railroad with the Atlantic Coast Line system.

Allowing convicts time for good behavior—this will not be worth while.

The McQueen Anti-Hazing Act.

Providing for a general and adequate system of disbarment proceedings.

Mr. Beamguard's amendment to the General Drainage Act.

Mr. Clifford Thompson's Act as to warning boards at railroad crossings. This is a list of the general Acts that have found their way, thus far, in the full forty days to the Governor's office.

Of the hundred and seventy-one Acts ratified three have been vetoed and the vetoes have not yet been acted upon.

### Anxious to Adjourn.

Yesterday the talk in the House was that it would clean its calendar of all second reading bills, both House and Senate, and let it be distinctly known that it invites adjournment, yes, that it begs for it.

The House holds as unfinished business on the Senate side the McQueen-McQueen warehouse system

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