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Positions for Stenographers and Typewriters.
There are at present twenty vacancies in stenographer and typewriter positions in the Fifth Civil Service District, paying from \$340 to \$1,000 per annum. The Civil Service Commission has announced an examination for stenographer and typewriter to be held here December 7, 1915, as the result of which the above vacancies will be filled. No applications have been received by the District Secretary at Atlanta, Ga., from this city or immediate territory. Application blanks and information may be secured from the local secretary at the postoffice building, or from the secretary, Fifth Civil Service District, Atlanta, Ga.

Boykin-Exum.
The marriage of Miss Lula Cooke Boykin to Clifford Poinsette Exum of Sumter was solemnized Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. W. D. Boykin, 1525 Bull street. No cards had been issued and only the near relatives and a few intimate friends were present. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. W. B. Gordon of Camden, the venerable rector emeritus of Grace Episcopal church, who has been a lifelong friend of the bride's family. The drawing room was beautifully decorated with white roses and smilax, a bank of ferns and white tapers in silver candelabra forming a background for the wedding group during the ceremony. White maline and smilax adorned the chandelier and vases of bride roses were arranged on the mantel and elsewhere about the room. The bride entered with the bridegroom and was joined by her mother who gave her in marriage. She was lovely in a coat suit of dark green broadcloth banded with fur and a charming little French hat of green velvet trimmed with fur and roses and she carried an armful of bride roses. The bridegroom's best man was Hampton Forrester of Sumter.

After the ceremony wedding cake and wine were served in the dining room by the bride's two pretty young sisters, Misses Henrietta and Ida Boykin. The bride's table, exquisite in appointment and decorations, had in the centre on a lace spread a long handled basket tied with a great bow of white maline and filled with bride roses. The table candles were pale green and were held in three branching silver candelabra and the chandelier overhead was decorated in smilax and white maline, delicate streamers of which were brought drawn down and caught to the table with airy bows. Cut glass dishes held white and green mints.
The wedding presents proved, both by the quantity and the variety of places from which they came, the widespread popularity of the young couple.
The bride, who has for several years made her home in Sumter, has already many friends there to give a cordial welcome back as a permanent resident. Mr. Exum is in the cotton business in Sumter, to which city they will go immediately after their honeymoon which they are spending in Augusta. The out-of-town guests at the wedding were: Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Exum of Bennettsville, Mrs. Laurence Kirkland of Sumter, Hampton Forester and Lynch H. Deas of Sumter.—The State.

Mr. and Mrs. Exum arrived in the city on Friday and have started house-keeping at their home, 212 West Hampton Avenue.

Run Over by Automobile.
On Sunday afternoon William Brunson, a son of Mr. W. T. Brunson, was run over by — Bethea in a stripped E. M. F. car. The accident occurred when Bethea turned around at the corner of Main street and Hampton Avenue and Brunson was riding on a bicycle in the opposite direction. The wheel of the car passed over Brunson's foot, bruising it painfully, but not seriously injuring him. His bicycle was badly damaged and his clothing was torn in several places.

MAYESVILLE NEWS NOTES.

School Reopens After Thanksgiving Holidays—Cotton Crop About Gathered—Town Hall Renovated—Personals.
Mayesville, Nov. 29.—The Mayesville school resumed exercises this morning after enjoying the Thanksgiving holidays, Friday being observed as holiday also. This school has an unusually large attendance this session and excellent work is being accomplished under the direction of Principal H. H. Brunson and his efficient assistants.
From the present outlook, all of the cotton crop in this section will be gathered within the next few weeks or by Christmas. The gins are running only two days in the week now and very little cotton is being ginned except on Saturdays. The clear, dry weather has enabled the farmers to gather this crop with very little trouble this fall and with the exceedingly short crop, there is little of the staple to be harvested. The good weather has also given the planters a fine opportunity to gather the large hay crop which has been produced hereabouts. Good acreages in oats have been put in and there are good stands wherever this grain has come up.
The ladies of the missionary society of the Presbyterian church held their annual reception on Friday afternoon at the manse. Quite a pleasant afternoon was spent and a neat sum was collected for missionary work.
The town council has completed the renovations and improvements on the town building and now Mayesville has as neat and up-to-date a town hall as to be found in any of the smaller towns. The front will be used for a court room and for public meetings, the jail is in the rear of the court room, and the fire apparatus is housed in a fire-proof shed adjoining the main building. A large fire bell has been received and will be put in position within a few days.
Miss Elma Mayes, who is teaching in the Stateburg neighborhood, spent the holidays at home here.
Misses Lillian Cook and Jennie Forde, of the Mayesville school, went to Hartsville for the holidays.
Miss Drusilla Gee, of the school faculty, spent the holidays at Manning with her sister.
Principal H. H. Brunson went to his home at Orangeburg for the holidays, returning Sunday night.
Dr. J. A. Mayes of Savannah is in town on a business trip.
Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Greck, of Florence county, spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Mayes.
J. R. Mayes, Jr., of Baltimore, who is connected with the Southern Express company, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mayes.
Dr. Hawkins W. Corbett, who has been practicing in a Baltimore hospital since his graduation, has returned home and will engage in his profession here, being associated with Dr. W. M. Bradley.
Miss Juanita Wilson, who is attending Chicora College for Women, was at home for the Thanksgiving holidays, returning to college this morning.
Mrs. W. W. Gardner has returned from a visit to her sister, Mrs. Adrian Miller, in Augusta.
Mrs. J. H. Burgess, Mr. and Mrs. Harvin, and William Burgess of Manning visited Mr. and Mrs. R. F. DesChamps during the holidays.

F. A. Sineath Hurt.
This morning while arranging the stock of goods of J. M. Chandler in the store where they have located temporarily Mr. F. A. Sineath, one of Mr. Chandler's clerks, was painfully hurt by a blow from a piece of iron which fell from the elevator, which was being used. Mr. Sineath was knocked unconscious, but was found upon fuller examination at the Toumey Hospital, where he was immediately rushed, that he was not seriously injured. The iron struck him a glancing blow in the front of the head, inflicting an ugly gash which required several stitches. However, it was stated that he was not in a serious condition and would be out in a short while.

In The Police Court.
The following cases were heard in the Recorder's court today:
T. L. Laulet, cursing, \$15 or 30 days.
Wm. Cabbagestalk, petit larceny, of cow hide from W. B. Boyle Co., \$30 or 30 days.
H. M. Brown, reckless driving of auto \$50 or 30 days.
Clifton Lee and Charlie Young, disorderly conduct, \$10 or 20 days.
Charlie Mack, carrying concealed weapons, \$15 or 30 days.
Leon Frierson and Jerry Moore, disorderly conduct, bond of \$10 each forfeited.

Kern Re-elected Leader.
Washington, Nov. 29.—After re-electing Kern as majority leader, the Democratic senators caucus adjourned until Wednesday. Cloture rule was not taken up.

WILT RESISTANT COTTON.

United States Advises Planting Wilt Resistant Cotton Seed.

Washington, Nov. 26.—The United States department of agriculture points out that highly selected seed of wilt resistant varieties of cotton can now be had in quantity from local growers who have been cooperating with the department, and that by purchase from these reliable sources farmers may avoid risk of loss from mixed seed or that untrue to name.
The wilt disease of cotton, which has been very prevalent this season, has caused heavy losses to many Southern farmers. It has proved a serious problem in some sections where not only has the disease materially reduced the yields but has spread to fields not known to be previously infected. Already this disease is present in thousands of acres of the best cotton lands of the South and may prove destructive for an indefinite number of years. These facts should serve to direct attention to the valuable work that is being carried on for the improvement of certain varieties of resistant cotton for the control of this disease.

Much of the wilt resistant cotton grown in the South is of doubtful quality and resistance, which is probably due to the common practice among farmers of securing seed from their neighbors who have successfully grown cotton on diseased fields. The farmer who thus purchases seed, supplies others, in turn, the following season. In this method of distribution there are so many chances for deterioration and mixing at the gins and elsewhere that the originally highly resistant cotton loses its good qualities. The reputation of the best resistant cotton may, in this way, be at stake because the deteriorated strain often retains the name of the original variety. In order to maintain resistance in cotton careful breeding is necessary. Every farmer who has cotton wilt on his farm does not have the time or is not properly qualified to carry on systematic breeding work, but he may take advantage of the work that is being done by the use of well bred seed.
Several years ago department specialists realized that to supply the demand good wilt resistant seed must be produced on a larger scale. A cooperative agreement was entered into to breed and grow these seed. This cooperative breeding work has been carried on in South Carolina, Georgia, and Alabama, with results which demonstrate the value of high grade seed.

The work in South Carolina has been in cooperation with the South Carolina Experiment Station and under the personal supervision of a representative of the Department and Station. It was begun in 1911 and excellent progress has been made by the cooperative breeders. From the fields of Dixie and Dillon cotton which the breeders had planted in 1911, pedigreed strains of these varieties, which are highly resistant and productive, have been developed and their select seed increased to the extent that in 1914 several thousand bushels were produced and sold for planting this last spring. That these seed have given good results and have been the means of a great saving to many Southern farmers is indicated in reports received from the purchasers. The South Carolina breeders have grown several hundred acres of pedigreed Dixie and Dillon cotton the present season and are so well pleased with their results that they plan to devote a large acreage to the work the coming season. Since these breeders will probably have a large supply of seed for disposal as planting seed in 1916, every care has been taken to safeguard those who may secure these seed. Careful inspections have been made of the fields during the growing season and comparative tests have been conducted on infected lands at several points in the South as a check upon the resistance and productiveness of the different varieties and strains. In addition to determining their relative merits as wilt resistant cottons it has been established that all the resistant strains appear only slightly susceptible to anthracnose and this season they are almost entirely free from this disease.

The success of this cooperative breeding work, not only in South Carolina but in Georgia and Alabama as well, will enable many farmers to control the wilt disease on their farms. Those who may desire to purchase seed for planting next season should apply at once to the State experiment stations, or to their county agent. It must be remembered that where root-knot is associated with wilt in infected fields the problem of control becomes more difficult and that it is not advisable to plant even the most resistant cotton. The presence of root-knot increases the loss from wilt and where both are prevalent it is practically impossible to produce cotton successfully. It is important therefore to determine the presence or absence of root-knot, in

We Are Extremely GRATEFUL

For the many offers of assistance received since the destruction by fire of our stores Thursday morning, and take this method of thanking our friends, as it would be practically impossible to reply to each individual.

Our loss is very heavy but we regret the inconvenience to our friends and patrons in this and adjoining counties more than the loss in dollars and cents.

Our Temporary Quarters

We have rented the store formerly occupied by the Burns Hardware Co. opposite the Post Office where we will be found doing business on Monday morning.

Just a Little Patience

We will have to ask our friends in the city especially to be patient for a few days at least, until we have had a chance to get in a stock of Groceries, but if necessary they can send us their orders and we will have them filled. Just call the old familiar

Phone 46

And some one representing us will answer.

O'Donnell & Co.

connection with the control of the wilt disease and where this pest is present to practice rotations with small grains, corn, iron cowpeas, and other immune crops, as recommended in Farmers' Bulletin 625.

Fatal Football Season.
Chicago, Nov. 29.—The football season just ended claimed sixteen lives, one more than last year. Eight were high school players.

WANTED—My friends to know that I have installed a modern gasoline filling station at my store and will be pleased to furnish gasoline at Sumter prices. J. H. Myers.

FOR SALE—Fulcaster Wheat; Appier oats; Appier oats with vetch, mixed; Bancroft oats; Fulghum oats (more prolific and matures three weeks earlier.) All cleaned and faulty grains and grass seed removed. C. P. Osteen, Sumter, S. C.

Marriage License Record.

License to marry has been granted to Joe Sanders and Rebecca Robertson, Wedgefield.

Laredo, Nov. 28.—Sixty persons, including several Americans were reported killed in a railroad wreck between Tampico and Monterey.

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Our Fourth Shipment Horses & Mules Received

Friday Morning

Eleven Full Made Young Mares, two pairs now in Foal, good brood types and all good workers. These animals will take the place of Mules for any farm work.

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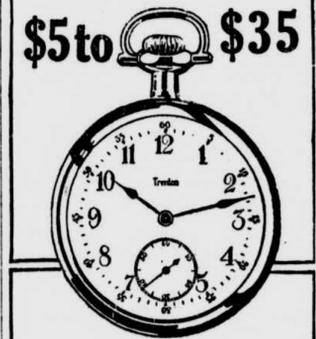
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