

## ASSUMES CHARGE OF PRISON.

ARTHUR K. SANDERS OF HAGOOD NEW SUPERINTENDENT.

Columbia, March 1.—After 18 years of continuous service, D. J. Griffith resigns as superintendent of the State penitentiary today and Arthur K. Sanders of Hagood, Sumter county, assumes charge. Col. Griffith did not offer for re-election. Mr. Sanders, who is a member of the house of representatives, was elected on the second ballot by the general assembly.

L. L. Bultman of Columbia will this morning succeed P. H. Lesene as bookkeeper for the penitentiary. No other staff changes have been announced.

Arthur K. Sanders was born in the upper section of Sumter county, what is now known as Hagood, July 3, 1860. After the war educational advantages were limited in the rural sections and Mr. Sanders experienced the same difficulties others had in laying a foundation for a college education. The Citadel not having been reopened and the State university being in the hands of the negroes during the reconstruction period, he entered as a cadet at the Carolina Military Institute, Charlotte, N. C., 1874, under the late John P. Thomas. Mr. Sanders was graduated in the class of 1879, with the rank of adjutant in the corps of cadets. After graduation Mr. Sanders adopted farming as a life work which he has followed continuously since.

Mr. Sanders entered politics in 1883, being elected a member of the house of representatives from Sumter county. At that time he was probably the youngest member ever elected from his county. During the political revolution of 1890 he was nominated on an anti-Tillman ticket and after one of the hottest campaigns ever conducted in that county was elected. After a bitter fight he was unseated by a partisan house, 56 to 53. Mr. Sanders was re-elected to the house in 1894 and again in 1896. In 1899 he was elected by a large vote a director of the penitentiary and was continued in that position for 16 years, during 14 of which he served as chairman of the board. In 1914 Mr. Sanders again entered county politics, being elected to the house on the first ballot by a complimentary vote, resigning his place as director of the penitentiary when seated. He was re-elected to the house again last summer. Upon the announcement of Col. D. J. Griffith that he would not seek re-election as superintendent of the State penitentiary, Mr. Sanders entered the race and with five opponents in the field was elected on the second ballot.

His practical years of experience as director have made him thoroughly familiar and conversant with the needs of the institution. He has always taken the position looking to the human side of the poor criminal. During his service on the board he was often sent as a delegate to the national prison convention, thereby catching the spirit of modern penology.

Mr. Sanders' long experience in the legislature has added to his equipment for his new position. He has always been a staunch Democrat of the original school that redeemed South Carolina in 1876. Common sense, good judgment, poise, charity and kindness are elements in his character.

Mr. Sanders was married in 1887 to Miss Eva J. McLeod of Sumter county, who died about 18 years ago. Mr. Sanders has four children, all grown; Mrs. R. M. Hildebrand of Hagood, Mrs. A. L. Jackson of Sumter, Dr. F. B. Sanders of Chesterfield and Henry M. Sanders of Hagood.

## TO BUILD BIG PLANT.

SOUTHERN POWER COMPANY TO HAVE PLANT ON WATEREE.

Will be Biggest Hydro-Electric Concern in South and Will Cost \$6,000,000—To Furnish 100,000 Horse Power Daily.

Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 28.—The Southern Power company announced today that contracts were let today for the immediate construction of a hydro-electric plant on the Waterree river in South Carolina, to cost approximately \$6,000,000. The plant is to be completed by November 1, 1918, and will develop 100,000 horse power. The new plant will connect with the other six plants operated by the same concern and will be the largest plant of its kind in the South. The other plants are Great Falls, Fishing Creek, Rocky Creek, Catawba, Look-out Shoals and Bridgewater, construction of which is uncompleted.

The contract was let in New York by J. B. Duke to the Hardaway Contracting company of Columbus, Ga. This company recently completed the Fishing Creek plant and is engaged in construction of the Bridgewater plant. The Waterree dam will approximately 2,500 feet in length. There will be five units of 20,000 horse power each.

## A Song for Boys' Corn Clubs, Pig Clubs, Etc.

For sometime there has been need for a good rousing song for the boys' corn clubs, pig clubs, etc., all over the South. This need has at last been supplied by Mr. C. R. Hudson, State Demonstration Agent in North Carolina. The first verse of the following song may be sung by any group of club boys and the other verses may be selected to suit the needs of any particular club. We advise our boy readers to save this song and practice it in their club meetings.

O, come on, boys, join in a song  
With much hilarity!  
For we will show what we can grow  
With "Crop Diversity!"  
Ho, ho, ho! Ho, ho, ho! For Crop Diversity!  
The plan is sure, it will endure,  
And bring prosperity.

(Corn Club.)  
We'll grow the corn within our State.  
To furnish all we need;  
Then we'll not buy at prices high;  
But have a lot of feed.

For if we toil on our good soil,  
We'll have the corn we need.  
(Dairy Club.)

Good grass will grow throughout our State  
On mountains, hill and lea;  
And cows eat grass while on they pass  
And chew at night, you see.  
Ho, ho, ho! Ho, ho, ho! Our cows will pay  
us well;

For the supply what urban buy,  
And make our pockets swell.  
(Pig Club.)

Our pigs will grow into big hogs  
On pastures where they roam;  
So we won't buy side-meats so high,  
But grow our pork at home.  
Ho, ho, ho! Ho, ho, ho! Oh, we won't have  
to buy!

We'll grow fine hams to eat with  
yams,  
For these will satisfy.  
(Poultry Club.)

Poultry and eggs are wholesome food  
For brain and strength of arm;  
Then we'll live well and only sell  
The surplus from the farm.  
Ho, ho, ho! Ho, ho, ho! Oh, we shall all live  
well;

Then cotton an' tobacco can  
Just go, too, for a spell.  
(Rotation and Diversification.)

With sheep and goats, and wheat and oats,  
Potatoes, geese and rye;  
Vetch, clover, peas, alfalfa, bees—  
"Rotation" is our cry.  
Ho, ho, ho! Ho, ho, ho! the state will be our  
pride;

For we'll rotate be up-to-date,  
With crops diversified.

So with these things we'll build us  
homes,  
In our old State so grand;  
We'll educate, emancipate,  
And own our homes and land.  
Ho, ho, ho! Ho, ho, ho! We shall be always  
free;

We'll build a State, happy and great,  
Through Crop Diversity.

## DISTRICT DEPUTY VISITS ELKS

J. H. Myers of Sumter, district deputy grand exalted ruler, officially visited Columbia lodge, No. 1190, B. P. O. Elks last night. Mr. Myers made a ringing address to the lodge members. Columbia lodge is closing a remarkably successful year. The exalted ruler, Capt. Joel J. Marshall, commanding Company H, Second South Carolina regiment, now on duty at El Paso, has been absent over six months and the administration of the lodge has fallen on J. Arthur Smith, esteemed leading knight. The district deputy grand exalted ruler was well pleased with the work of the lodge as shown last night. Officers will be elected at the next meeting of the lodge to be held Tuesday evening.—The State.

## Mrs. Leon Scott is Hostess.

Mrs. Leon Scott was the hostess on Saturday evening to a number of her friends, three tables of auction being arranged for the occasion.

After playing until a number of progressions had been made, a halt was called to the game and refreshments of cream and cake were served. Upon counting up the score, it was found that Dr. Warren Burgess had made the most points and he was awarded a book, as first prize. Miss Minna Richardson was given a deck of cards as the consolation prize for the lowest score.

## THE CREDIT EXPERIENCE GUIDE

A representative of the Merchants' Mercantile Agency of Pittsburgh, arrived in Sumter yesterday and began delivering the credit experience guide to hundreds of merchants and other business establishments of Sumter and Clarendon counties. The book contains a little more than fifteen thousand names of men and women, white and colored, of every line of business and of every occupation, profession and calling.

For more than four months experts of this world-wide credit rating company, under the auspices and with the endorsement of the Sumter Chamber of Commerce and the Sumter Retail Dealers' Association, have been quietly working in Sumter and Clarendon counties getting from business men of Sumter, Mayesville, Manning, Summerton, Pinewood, Alcolu, Jordan, Davis, Lion and St. Paul, and from country merchants and banks of other sections of those two counties, the names and credit ratings of the customers of these towns, including the names of hundreds from other Pee Dee counties such as Richland, Darlington, Florence, Lee, Williamsburg and other counties where people do business with the merchants furnishing the information regarding their experience with the more than fifteen thousand people who trade with them.

In addition to the credit experience guide in the hands of the subscribers thereof, the Sumter Chamber of Commerce has arranged with the Merchants' Mercantile Agency for the making up of a complete and more detailed card index system of the fifteen thousand people who are rated in the book. This card index system which will be handled at Chamber of Commerce by a regular credit bureau manager, will be the means of keeping tab on the fifteen thousand customers of the business men subscribing to the credit guide.

This index system will be added to daily, from time to time, by reports sent in by hundreds of merchants as to new customers and newcomers, and the index system will furnish to members of the Sumter Chamber of Commerce, and the Sumter Retail Dealers' Association fresh information about the credit standing of thousands of people all over Eastern Carolina and the Pee Dee section, together with the names of the business establishments who have made the reports in the credit experience guide, and future reports of credit standings.

Members of the Sumter Chamber of Commerce, of all lines of business, will enjoy special benefits from the up-to-date card index system of credit ratings because the index system will contain the names of thousands of people who move into South Carolina, and particularly newcomers to Sumter, Lee and Clarendon counties. Any member of the Sumter Chamber of Commerce may, as many times every day as they like, phone the Chamber of Commerce for the latest information about any person, firm, or corporation seeking credit with them, and may call for verification of the reports in the credit experience guide, or for tracing up the credit standing at the time the application for credit is made.

New comers to Sumter will be reported, old customers will be verified



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## as to their credit standing.

Some former customers who by virtue of hard luck have been unable to promptly meet their obligations will be reported as having paid up and entitled to credit.

Every safeguard will be thrown around customers to protect their credit standing, and the Chamber of Commerce will gladly cooperate in every way in protecting the good name of every person who honestly tries to meet his or her obligations.

It will pay every business firm or individual to join the Sumter Chamber of Commerce in order to receive the benefits of this up-to-date credit rating system. Members from the rural districts and smaller towns will be given the same privileges and welcome as business and professional men of Sumter.

Licenses to marry have been issued to the following couples: J. R. Griffin and Mannie Chavis, Thaddeus Mack Solomons and Ella Carolina, Mayesville; J. L. McCoy and Lullia Lowndes, Sumter.

Abbeville, Feb. 12.—John R. Wilson committed suicide this afternoon by shooting himself in the head with a pistol. He was 73 years of age and was in ill health, which is the only cause known for his action. He made his home with his son. His daughter-in-law was out in the yard and heard the shot, but Mr. Wilson was dead when she reached him.

Berlin, Feb. 27, via Sayville.—The Frankfurter Zeitung says it has received from a private source in France by way of Switzerland, a report that more than 200 persons were killed and 700 wounded by an explosion of ammunition depots on February 2. According to this report, more than 80,000 tons of ammunition were destroyed.

Those who like to have a little "toddy" on hand are rushing to get their gallon a month before the new "quart a month prescription" law goes into effect on April 25.



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