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## WORK BEGINS ON THE MONUMENT

Will Be Completed In a  
Few Days.

TO BE THIRTY FEET HIGH

Date For Unveiling Exercises Has Not  
Been Decided Upon—Prob-  
ably the 22nd.

In a few more days the handsome monument to the memory of those who struggled for the South in the War between the States will be completed. The work of placing the different pieces in position is being done under the supervision of Mr. Moon, who is representing the builders of the monument, the National Marble and Granite Co., of Marietta Ga. Mr. Moon has had great experience along that line and the work is being done with care as well as with rapidity. The various sections of the monument have arrived and the whole thing is expected to be completed within a week.

The memorial from the base to the top will measure about thirty feet. The crown of the main shaft will be a delicately carved figure of a typical Southern soldier. Beneath this figure of marble will be several sections of granite bearing appropriate inscriptions and increasing in size to the base, which will be about eight feet square. The monument as a whole presents a very handsome appearance and is well worthy its position on the main square of the town that did its share of aiding in the great struggle for Southern rights.

The work of raising the funds necessary for the purchase of the monument was done by the Laurens chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy. The entire amount has not yet been raised and those who wish to contribute can do so. The committee in charge of preparing a fitting program for the unveiling exercises have not completed all arrangements yet. The date of the exercises has not been determined upon but in all probability will be the 22nd of this month.

**The Fountain.**  
On the opposite side of the court house from the monument, the Civic League is having erected a handsome granite fountain. The work on this will be completed within a few days. The Civic League is to be congratulated on erecting a long needed addition to the public square.

## DEATH OF MR. FED A. FRANKS.

Good Man and Citizen Goes to His  
Eternal Reward.

After a very serious illness of about two weeks' duration, Mr. Fed A. Franks died at his home at Nannie, a few miles west of the city, Tuesday night, August 30. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon from Chestnut Ridge church, the services being conducted by the Rev. William E. Thayer of Laurens, assisted by the Rev. Mr. DuBois of Gray Court.

Mr. Franks had been in feeble health for several months and about two weeks before his demise he suffered a severe attack of illness which, as stated, resulted in his death Tuesday night at 2 o'clock.

He was about 52 years of age and is survived by his wife, who was before marriage, Miss Lizzie King, daughter of the late Capt. A. A. King, and an only child, Caroline Franks, aged 8 years. Besides these he leaves one brother, Mr. J. Harley Franks of Nannie and two sisters, Mrs. A. N. Bramlett and Miss Nannie Franks of this city.

In the death of Fed Franks the county, his community and Chestnut Ridge church have lost a true citizen, kindly friend and neighbor and a valued churchman.

## LAURENS LEADS NEW YORK.

Cotton Market Here 200 Points Ahead  
of The "Big City" Market.

The seasons first bale of the fleecy staple was sold on the market in Laurens yesterday, bringing the handsome price of seventeen cents a pound. The bale came from the farm of Mr. T. L. Somerel, one of the most progressive planters in Laurens county. The total price paid for the cotton was \$88.00, the cotton weighing 523 pounds. Together with the amount received for the seed Mr. Somerel received a little over \$100 for his bale.

The fine price paid for this bale was the market value here and not stretched a point on account of its being the first bale. This price shows the Laurens market to be one of the best in the State.

## Manager Wholesale Drug Co.

Mr. J. E. Medlock of the Laurens Drug Company has just received a letter from his brother, Mr. W. A. Medlock of the Standard Drug Company, Meridian, Miss., stating that he had been elected as manager of the Acme Drug company, a large wholesale house in Raleigh, N. C. Mr. Medlock has accepted the position and will assume his new duties October first. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Medlock of Dials and is a graduate of Wofford college and of the Atlanta college of pharmacy. For a time he was connected with the Laurens Drug company and in all he has been in the drug business for about ten years.

## RUSSEL ROPFR IS SERIOUSLY INJURED

As Result of Accident Laurens Youth  
Loses an Arm and Has Both  
Legs Broken.

Mr. T. Mc. Roper was called to Welch, West Virginia, last Friday by a telegram stating that his son, Russell Roper, had been seriously injured in some kind of an accident, presumably in the machine shop in which he was employed at the time. A letter from Mr. Roper, the father, received Sunday, stated that young Roper's injuries were very serious, for as a result of the accident he lost one arm and both legs broken just above the ankles. The arm was severed near the shoulder. It is supposed that he suffered other injuries and his condition is more or less critical.

Young Roper has been absent from Laurens since last October. His relatives and friends join the hope that he may ultimately recover, regretting sincerely that he has been permanently injured in the loss of his arm.

## SCHOOL OPENS AT CROSS HILL.

Other Items of Interest—Many Vis-  
itors Going and Coming.

Cross Hill, Sept. 6.—The Cross Hill High school opened Monday morning, Sept. 5, with quite a large attendance. The efficient teachers are: Prof. Parrott, principal with Misses Griffin and West of Newberry, Miss Desportes of Ridgeway and Miss Neville of Clinton as assistants.

We are glad indeed to say that Miss Connie Martin who has been ill for several weeks is rapidly improving. Mr. B. H. Matthews of Clinton spent Sunday here with his father, Mr. Jack Matthews.

Miss Euphemia Young of Due West is the guest of Miss Anne Austin.

Miss Emma Clardy of Laurens is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. C. Raser.

Miss Lydia Rudd left for Atlanta last Wednesday. Miss Rudd will purchase her fall and winter millinery while there.

Mr. Simmons of Anderson visited Mr. Earle Raser last week.

Mr. Orr Watson of Greenwood has been visiting his aunt, Mrs. N. I. Williams.

After a pleasant visit to relatives here, Mr. Leroy Campbell has returned to his home in Anderson.

Mr. Barrie Parrott is home again after a pleasant stay with relatives in Clinton.

Miss Bennie Proffitt gave a very enjoyable card party Thursday night in honor of her guest, Miss Cuerton of Greenville. Delightful punch was served on the porch.

Miss Jennie Boyd of Greenville is the charming guest of Miss Sara Beeks.

Miss Jessie Turner is visiting relatives in Coronaca.

Mr. Williams Watson of Greenwood was here on business Friday.

Miss Allie Hollingsworth of Laurens is visiting her sister, Mrs. Edgar Hitt.

The Misses Dennis of Newberry are the charming guests of Miss Idalia Hollingsworth.

Mr. H. L. Raser and daughters, Misses Annie and Mary, of Donalds are the guests of relatives here.

Mr. D. H. Counts of Laurens was here on business last week.

## PRINCETON PARAGRAPHS.

Revival Services Conducted By Rev.  
R. F. Lee Held.

Princeton, Sept. 5.—The people of our community have been on the go for about three weeks. We had a series of meetings at the Baptist church for one week conducted by Rev. R. F. Lee of Greenville. Had good preaching and several additions to the church. Mr. Lee has been called as pastor of our church for another year.

The singing school which was taught for two weeks by Prof. W. E. Reynolds of Greenville closed Friday night with a musical concert.

Miss Mamie Posner of Columbia is visiting her sister, Mrs. Speer.

Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Machen have returned to their home in Greenville after a week's visit to relatives here.

Mrs. Dr. Mattison and daughter, Miss Olivia of McCormick and Mrs. Sanders and daughter, Miss Marie of Cleburne Texas, spent last week with Dr. Britt.

Mrs. W. E. Harrel and children of Columbia are visiting her father, Mr. J. W. Taylor.

Mr. W. J. Bramlett who now holds a position in Greenville is at home on a visit.

Mr. J. C. Milford of Greenville passed through Princeton Friday.

Mr. Roland Campbell of Anderson spent Friday night with his cousin, Mr. W. H. Carter.

Mr. J. E. Hoovis of Ware Shoals and Miss Margaret Robertson of the Flat Rock section were married Sunday morning at the Methodist parsonage. Rev. Mr. Speer officiated.

The many friends of Miss Annie McCuen, who has been very ill will be glad to know that she is much better.

Miss Jean Knight of the Toney Creek section is visiting her cousin, Miss Mary Arnold.

Messrs Clarence Black and Clarence Burts of Honea Path spent Sunday here.

Mr. J. L. French of Greenville is visiting relatives here.

The patrons of our school are having the school building enlarged.

## Civic League Meets Friday.

There will be a business session of the Civic League in the hall of the Chamber of Commerce Friday at 4:30 o'clock. This is an extremely important meeting and every member is urged to attend.

## FEATHERSTONE STRONGLY ENDORSED BY LAURENS BUSINESS MEN AND CLERGY

To the Editor of The State:

It having come to our notice that rumors to the contrary are current, we, the undersigned citizens and business men of the city of Laurens, desire to bear testimony to the moral character, business ability and integrity of C. C. Featherstone.

Having known him in business and socially for over twenty-five years, beg to say that he is a man of capacity, of correct habits, of a high sense of honor, whose word is as good as a bond, and whose ideals represent the highest and best type of citizenship. He is progressive, public-spirited and loyal to all that he believes to be true. He has worked his way up in spite of the handicap of modest pecuniary endowments by the practice of perseverance, industry and self-education in the school of experience. The breath of scandal can annoy but not besmirch a record such as his.

To counteract the gross injustice that some would do him, we feel called upon to bear witness to facts whereof we know. We, his neighbors, know nothing and are satisfied there is nothing against his habits, character or standing that would make him an unworthy occupant of the responsible position to which he aspires. We are satisfied, that if elected, he will always conduct himself in such a way as to reflect credit upon himself, his family, his country and the entire State.

W. A. Watts, president of People's Loan and & Exchange bank.

O. B. Simmons, president of Bank of Laurens.

N. B. Dial, president of Enterprise Bank.

J. J. Pluss, president of Palmetto Bank.

C. W. Tune, secretary and treasurer of Laurens Trust Company.

D. A. Davis, president of Davis-Roper Company.

S. M. Wilkes, of S. M. & E. H. Wilkes & Company.

H. K. Aiken, of the Laurens Drug Company.

P. A. Simpson, of Todd, Simpson & Company.

R. E. Babb, of Simpson, Cooper & Babb.

J. C. Owings, of Owings & Owings.

R. A. Cooper, solicitor Eighth circuit.

W. L. Gray, of Laurens Hardware Company.

John W. Ferguson, attorney.

John F. Bolt, clerk of court.

L. P. McGee, pastor First Methodist Church. (I have known him for some ten years. Have known him personally for nearly a year.)

W. E. Thayer, pastor of First Baptist Church. (I have known him personally for nearly three years.)

C. F. Rankin, pastor of First Presbyterian Church. (I have known Mr. Featherstone for two and one-half years and heartily endorse the paper above.)

## From Board of Stewards.

Whereas, certain defamatory reports are being circulated in Columbia, Spartanburg and elsewhere throughout the State derogatory to the moral and christian character of C. C. Featherstone:

Therefore, be it resolved, That we, the board of stewards of the First M. E. Church, South, of Laurens, S. C., of which Mr. Featherstone is a member, do hereby take pleasure in asserting:

That we have been intimately associated with C. C. Featherstone as a member of our board for over twenty years, and that his character has been that of an upright Christian gentleman, and consistent and loyal member of our church.

That he has been for fifteen years superintendent of our Sunday school and twice in the last ten years a delegate to the general conference of the M. E. Church, South, as the representative of his church from South Carolina.

That we brand as maliciously false any and all reports circulated inconsistent with the above resolution.

John F. Bolt, chairman of the board; W. L. Gray, J. F. Tolbert, H. Terry, J. J. Pluss, O. B. Simmons, L. G. Ballie, Jr., Aug. Huff, R. E. Babb, S. G. McDaniel, J. L. Hopkins.

Laurens, S. C., September 1, 1910.

## TO THE DEMOCRATS OF SOUTH CAROLINA:—

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the friends in every county who have given me their loyal and unwavering support in my candidacy for governor and to request a continuance of their efforts until the polls close in the second primary. The time before that election is short and I will not have the opportunity to communicate with many of them personally. From the indications of the first primary and the assurances received already from every section of the State, I am confident of being the next governor of South Carolina but the victory can not be achieved without the assistance of my friends in each county.

I wish to say that from now until the second primary I will have headquarters in Columbia, where matters pertaining to the campaign will be attended to and where my friends may communicate with me.

Sincerely,

C. C. FEATHERSTONE

Columbia, Sept. 1, 1910.

## AUDITOR DORROH GOES TO HOSPITAL

Submits to Operation for Appendicitis  
and His Condition is Re-  
ported Satisfactory.

County Auditor, William T. Dorroh is at a Columbia hospital recovering from an operation for appendicitis which was performed Saturday night. Owing to his somewhat advanced age, his family and friends have felt more or less apprehension as to the result of the ordeal through which he has been called upon to pass, but according to the latest reports his condition is entirely satisfactory and it is expected that he will steadily improve from day to day. This news will also be gratifying to his numerous friends and relatives throughout the county, for Mr. Dorroh, besides being an honored ex-Confederate soldier, is one of the county's most popular citizens and office holders.

As will be remembered, Mr. Dorroh who was a candidate for election to the office which he has filled since last September, was unable to attend the campaign meetings during the last week of the county canvass, and last week unmistakable symptoms of appendicitis developed. Consequently, on the advice of his physician he was taken to Columbia Saturday afternoon for surgical treatment. Dr. W. D. Ferguson and Mr. Ross Dorroh accompanied the stricken man.

The operation was entirely successful, and as stated above, he is getting along finely and is in a fair way to rapid recovery.

## RURAL CARRIERS MEETING.

Laurens County Association Met Here  
on Monday.

A meeting of the Laurens County Rural Letter Carriers' association was held at the postoffice on Monday with quite a number of the members present. President Arch C. Owens of Gray Court presided and interesting reports from the annual meeting of the State association at Newberry were given by Messrs J. E. Johnson, of Gray Court, G. Y. Hellams of Barksdale and A. C. Owens all of whom attended the State convention. They were unstinted in their praise of the manner in which the people of Newberry extended the hospitality of the city to the visitors and each agreed that the convention was a fine success from first to last.

Mr. C. W. Simpson and Mr. Willie Balaentine, carrier and substitute, respectively of Ware Shoals route No. 2, attended Monday's meeting.

Besides carrying routine matters, good and bad roads were informally discussed and the well known attitude of the carriers themselves and the carriers associations throughout the State were touched upon.

The association adjourned to meet at call of the president.

## FOR MONUMENT FUND.

Col. Joseph N. Brown Gives \$10 Addi-  
tional, Making \$35 For Him.

Mrs. B. B. Holte President Monument  
Association.

Laurens, S. C.

Dear Mrs. Bolt:

Yours with The Advertiser received. I am rejoiced to learn of the advanced progress of the work of your association and that we will soon see that your patriotic work will be accomplished. I enclose check for ten dollars an additional subscription to your fund. It will afford me great pleasure to attend the unveiling of the monument, but I cannot make an address. The members of my dead comrades would overcome the power of speech.

I leave for the White mountains next week to be absent until October, to take over my Hay Fever season. With kind regards to you all, As ever,

Cordially your friend,

Joseph N. Brown

Anderson, S. C.

Subscriptions to the monument fund.

Col. J. N. Brown, \$10.00

Miss Bena Meddeth, \$25.00

A Plea for J. D. Mock.

Editor The Advertiser:

I hope you will allow me a small space to speak a word for Mr. J. D. Mock. Here is an old one-legged veteran soldier who has done his duty in war and peace. He is a man of limited means. He has no property from which he can derive an income for the support of his family. He left a leg in Virginia. Doesn't it look hard to turn the old soldier out to hobble around and scramble for his bread in his last days? Even if he were not a cripple, it would be hard to turn out the old soldier who has done his duty. His competitor is a worthy young man, but he can well afford to wait two more years. They say he has waited four years. So has Mr. Baldwin who was ahead of Mr. Young four years ago, and he generously stood aside for the old man this year. Joe Johnson waited and ran four or five times, before he was elected.

The gray haired crippled survivor of the dark days of the sixties will not be here long give him this one more chance. The young man ought to lend a hand this time for the old soldier. Then we will help the young man two years hence.

Old Vet.

Laurens, Sept. 5, 1910.

Notice Protracted Meeting.

Notice is given that a series of meetings will commence at Old Fields church next Friday morning at 11 o'clock. Rev. D. J. Brinn will be in charge of the services. The public is cordially invited to attend all the services.

## LAURENS CRIMINAL COURT NEXT WEEK

Judge Wilson Will Hold the  
Fall Term.

PRETTY HEAVY DOCKET

Number of Murder Indictments to  
Come up at This Session—  
Other Cases.

Court of general sessions for Laurens county will be convened next Monday morning, this being the fall term of the criminal court for Laurens. Judge John S. Wilson will preside.

Owing to the fact that attorneys for John Henry Anderson, the condemned negro murderer, have taken another appeal in his case, it is not likely that this somewhat celebrated case will be before the court at this term.

However, the court will face a heavy week's work Monday, there being a large number of murder indictments as well as a full docket of minor cases that will come up for disposition at this session. It is supposed that the Irbys-Fuller case will be tried, as it has been continued through two courts already.

Probably the trial of W. T. Gregory, charged with the murder of Cal Farr at Clinton in July, will excite more general interest than any other case at the coming term. Jack Day of near Belfast is another white man who will have to answer to a charge of murder. Then there is a bunch of negroes from Youngs township charged with complicity in the murder several months ago of Will Hand.

## THE NEWS FROM MADDEN.

People Going Here and There But All  
Is "Calm and Serene."

Madden, Sept. 5.—The Advertiser for this office failed to show up last week and the consternation was great. No Advertiser? No edition news? Disappointment was rampant.

Well the rain is over, trains are running on schedule time and to quote "Bill Arr" we are calm and serene now.

Mrs. W. P. Turner of Cross Hill, is on a visit to her old home here.

Mrs. J. D. Colbertson and children have returned from a visit to her mother in Anderson.

Mrs. Mollie Teague has returned from a visit to her son, Mr. E. E. Teague in Switzer.

Miss Jessie Thompson was quite ill last week, but is much better at this writing.

Mr. J. D. Colbertson is greatly enjoying the looks of his store and dwelling by a fresh coat of paint.

Mrs. Josie Martin and Miss Susie Livingston were charged delegates to represent the Women's Missionary society of New Prospect at the Women's union to be held at Highland Home.

Miss Azile Wofford will represent "The Alva Laurens Starbuck Band."

## TO THE MEDICAL FRATERNITY.

Rev. Mr. Thayer Speaks of the Phy-  
sician and His Opportunities.

On Sunday evening, Rev. W. E. Thayer, pastor of the First Baptist church, following up his special sermons, preached particularly to the medical fraternity, his subject being "The Physician, a Factor in the Kingdom of God." A synopsis of Mr. Thayer's sermon pronounced as one of the best of the series so far, could not do justice to the subject as presented by the speaker.

On next Sabbath evening Pastor Thayer will take as his theme, "The Lawyer, a factor in the Kingdom of God." The members of the Laurens bar have been especially invited to attend this service.

## School Closes Monday.

The next session of the city schools begin next Monday morning. The out of town teachers composing the faculty for another year, are expected to arrive in the city this week. As will be remembered, several new teachers were elected by the trustees for this season, while Supt. Jones and Principal Parkinson, together with a number of the old faculty, will be at their posts at the opening of the coming term.

## Clinton Schools Opens.

Clinton, Sept. 6.—The public schools opened Monday with all the teachers in their places and an enrollment of two hundred forty-six, forty-nine of them in the High school.

The teachers according to grade are as follows: first grade, Miss Edith McCutcheon of Bishopville; second grade, Miss Irene Prince of Anderson; third grade, Miss Mabel Sumner; fourth grade, Miss Jessie May Mahaffey; fifth grade, Miss Tallulah Neville; sixth grade, Miss Margaret Parrott; seventh grade, Misses Margaret Parrott and Laurie Aull; high school department, Misses Laurie Aull and Sara Copeland, and Mr. E. H. Hall, who is superintendent. Mrs. Annie Oxner, of Newberry is in charge of the school at Lydia mills.

The contract has been awarded for an additional wing to be built on the graded school and work is already under way on it. Until it is completed the high school department will be conducted in rooms over Bailey Brothers' store.