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## INTERESTING ITEMS FROM THE COUNTY

### News Letters From Many Sections.

## CORRESPONDENTS GIVE LOCAL NEWS

### Happenings of Interest to Many People all over the County and to Those Who Have Left the Family Hearthstone and gone to Other States.

Mt. Olive, Sept. 18.—Rain is much needed in our section. The late corn is suffering. Cotton is opening very rapidly. Hill & Cooper's ginnyery is kept busy.

A number of our people attended services at Poplar Springs last Sunday. Mrs. John Wells of Coronaca is on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Culbertson.

Mrs. Minerva Hill, who has been sick for the past week is better.

Miss Bessie Cooper is on a visit to her grandparents at Ekom.

Madden, Sept. 19.—The third drought of the year, 1911 is upon us. Even the September gales have as yet not appeared.

Misses Kate and Azile Wofford will represent us this year at Winthrop. Judging their future records for scholarship by their past, we shall confidently expect them to do themselves and their county honor.

Mrs. Fannie Bailey of Clinton, accompanied by her niece, Mrs. Mary Dunaway of Rame, Ga., was the pleasant guests of Mrs. M. T. Allison last week. Mrs. Dunaway is the daughter of Rebecca Bolt, who was reared near Chestnut Ridge, but years ago she and her husband cast their lot in Georgia. The friends and relatives of the mother gladly welcomed the daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Finley visited the latter's brother, Mr. Ben Cunningham, recently.

Mesdames Luther and Thurman Finley attended church at Mt. Pleasant Sunday.

Mr. Proffitt and daughters also went down to the baptizing at Mt. Pleasant Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Finley went over to Ekom to see Mrs. Finley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O'Dell.

Mrs. Linwood Martin went up Sunday to see her brother, Mr. M. H. Fowler.

Surveyors are out today running off the Henry land. There have been several good farmers down to look at the place. We hope it will fall into the hands of an up-to-date farmer.

Mr. John R. Finley has returned from a visit to his brothers at Westminster and Honca Path. He found Mr. Jim Finley quite low but seemed to be some better when he left.

Eden, Sept. 18.—The farmers in this community are very busy now picking out their cotto.

Mrs. J. A. Armstrong and daughter, Cora visited in Eden community Saturday and Sunday.

Master Clay Crisp of Enoree is the guest of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Y. Hipp, this week.

Dr. J. W. Beason was in Woodruff Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Childress and Miss Sallie Childress, of Fountain Inn, have been visiting Mrs. L. R. Brooks.

Mrs. Emily Woods was the guest of her brother, Mr. J. L. Mahaffey, the latter part of the week.

Mr. Carl Reeves left last week to take charge of his school in Waynesboro, Virginia.

## BENEFIT SHOW.

Manager Wilson of the Moving Picture Show Will Give Proceeds of Next Friday to Civic League.

Next Friday afternoon and night the proceeds taken in at the opera house picture show will be donated by Manager Wilson to the Civic League. The ladies of the league are working very hard to make a sum sufficient to pay the balance on the fountain erected by them on the court house square. There is a balance due of two hundred dollars and as the sum is rather large and the cause a very worthy one as many as can should attend one of the performances. The prices will be the same as they have always been.

## FAIR CATALOGUES ARE OFF THE PRESS

### Books are Now Being Distributed over the County Containing the Premium List.

The premium list catalogue of the County Fair Association is off the press and is being distributed all over the county. The book contains a complete list of all the ribbons to be competed for and besides has the rules and regulations under which the fair is to be governed. There is a total of 182 classes for which entries are to be made and from the present indications nearly every class will have a number of competitors.

In addition to the ribbons offered by the County Fair, a number of special prizes have been offered by private parties and business men for exhibits. Prizes have been offered for special exhibits in the stock and cattle class and some have been offered in the agricultural class. These prizes will be enumerated in this paper next week or some time before the fair takes place. This, as all are quite aware, will be on Thursday the 19th of October.

A number of the catalogues have already been sent out but a number of them are still left. Those who desire having them can call on either Mr. C. A. Power or Mr. W. R. McCuen and they will hand them out as long as they last. A certain number of them will be sent to the different committees for distribution.

Present indications are that a very large number of exhibits will be bright in and showed that day. Indications are also that a great many people have very worthy products on their farms which they have not as yet made up their minds to send in. President Byrd and the other officials of the fair are very desirous that these people who have been heretofore lukewarm in the matter wake up and get their stock and agricultural products in readiness for exhibition. The only way in which Laurens county can have a fair is for the people to bring their exhibits and that is what is expected.

The bridge over the stream leading to the fair grounds in Garlington Meadow has been rebuilt by the city council and no fear need be entertained as to safe crossing being made. So get everything sleek and well groomed and be prepared to show it to your neighbors on the 19th.

### Had Leg Broken.

Little Carl Thompson, the five year old son of Mr. R. E. Thompson was painfully hurt Monday when he fell from a tree and broke his leg. Carl, as is usual with all boys had the idea that every tree must be climbed and it happened that this particular one was a little slippery, causing him to lose his footing and fall. The wound, while it is painful is not serious and Dr. Hughes, who re-set the broken bone states that he will soon be alright again.

### Picnic at Barksdale.

The children of the Barksdale Graded School and their teachers of last year, Misses Garlington and Tenge, enjoyed a very pleasant picnic last Friday afternoon. Considering the busy season, a large number of children came. Many games were played, after which a nice lunch was served. Miss Tenge will be the assistant at Barksdale for another year and Miss Garlington will teach in the Graded schools of Columbia.

### Entertainment at Trinity.

The Foreign Missionary Society of Trinity church sold ice cream and cake on the church grounds Saturday afternoon. A large crowd was present, and \$15 was realized for the society.

### Narrowly Missed Serious Fire.

The ice cream parlor and candy store of N. M. Palles, known as the Laurens Candy Kitchen, had a blaze to start in the rear of the building Monday morning shortly after midnight and only the prompt response of the fire company saved that section of the city from a disastrous fire. The fire most probably started from a carelessly thrown match or cigarette in one of the flower stands. The blaze had evidently smoldered for several hours and Policeman Dodson happened to see it as it began to blaze. The bell was rung and the department responded promptly and the fire was soon out. The blaze did very little damage but the water damaged the goods and furniture to a considerable extent.

## COURT ADJOURNS.

### Court of General Sessions Adjourned Friday Afternoon.

After being in session since Monday morning, the Court of General Sessions adjourned Friday afternoon. Roy P. Powers, charged with breach of trust, was acquitted after a long trial Thursday afternoon. Boyce Hughes, who was charged with assault and battery with intent to kill Laurens Hughes, was also acquitted. These were the two most important cases of the week.

Friday morning, just before adjournment, the court heard the plea of the father of Roy E. McKnight, who was arrested several days before at Florence, Ala., charged with obtaining money under false pretenses from a Clinton bank. The father made a plea on behalf of his son, stating that the boy was not mentally responsible for any of his misdeeds. He showed papers to prove that his son had been in the asylum several times and asked that he be allowed to go free this time and return to his home in Virginia, where he would again be placed in confinement. It being very clear that the young fellow was not in his right mind, he was allowed to go.

### Death of Mrs. H. L. Senn.

After a long illness, Mrs. Lida Senn died at her home a few miles from the city at 5 o'clock Saturday morning, September the 9th. Before her marriage, Mrs. Senn was a Miss Sims. She is survived by her husband and four small children, her mother, Mrs. F. C. Sims, two sisters, Mrs. T. B. Childress and Miss Ada Sims, and one brother, Mr. Irvin Sims, all of Laurens.

The remains were laid to rest in the Rocky Springs cemetery Saturday afternoon at 6 o'clock, the ceremonies being conducted by the Rev. W. E. Thayer, of the First Baptist church of Laurens.

## JEWISH NEW YEAR.

### Next Saturday Will be Celebrated as The Beginning of a New Year.

Next Saturday the 23rd., will be the Jewish New Year and on that day and the next the orthodox Jews all over the world will hold special services and observe the days with other festivities in keeping with the day. As has been their custom for many years Mr. Pollakoff will close his store on that day and he and his family will go to Augusta to spend the two holidays.

### Stockholders Meeting.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Palmetto Bank was held Saturday, Sept. 16th., when a report of the condition of the bank was submitted and found very satisfactory. The same board of directors was reelected as also were the officers. A dividend of 4 per cent was ordered to be paid on the 1st of January and \$2,500 was paid over to the surplus fund, making the same \$15,000.

## SPECIAL SERVICES.

### Baraca-Philathea Class of Second Baptist Church have Entertainment.

Last Sunday night a very large congregation was present at the Second Baptist Church to enjoy the special services held by the Baraca-Philathea Class. During the evening there was special talks by the pastor, Rev. A. O. Allison and by Mrs. Allison, both of them making delightful and instructive talks. Besides these addresses those present enjoyed several recitations and songs that were especially selected for the evening.

### Big Ear of Corn.

Mr. W. F. Shockley brought into the city Saturday one of the largest ears of corn that has probably been seen here in many a day. The whole ear, corn and cob, weighed one and three quarters of a pound and was eleven inches in circumference. It had around 1,690 grains of corn on it. Mr. Shockley states that he has about two acres of such corn and in fact some of the ears are bigger than this one. He just happened to pick this one up as he started into town.

### Pullmans Discontinued.

Announcement has been made by Ernest Williams, General Passenger Agent of the C. & W. C. R. R., that the Pullman service on the Augusta to Spartanburg line will be discontinued after Sunday September 24th. The last car will leave Augusta Saturday, the 23rd, and the last car will leave Asheville Sunday the 24th.

## GLASS BLOWING BEGUN.

### Bottles being Turned Out Like Clock Work at the Laurens Glass Factory. Many Interested Spectators.

The Glass Factory has been the scene of much activity during the past week. Not only have the workers been there in large numbers but the sight-seers have thronged the building both day and night. A large number of people have been going over to watch the operations.

Actual manufacture of bottles was begun Wednesday morning although some minor work had been done for the past two days. Wednesday morning the first regular shift was put on and they worked for eight hours. They were succeeded by another shift and after they had worked eight hours still another shift was put on. Every two or three hours work is stopped to allow the men to rest for fifteen minutes.

The first carload of bottles from the factory was sold to the Sanders Bottling Works, the local concern. It is estimated that when the factory gets under full way that a carload of bottles will be manufactured each day.

## IN POLICE COURT FOR SELLING COCAINE

### Dr. C. L. Poole Fined \$100 after Conviction on One Count and Forfeited \$100 on Another Count.

The city was considerably stirred up Monday afternoon when Dr. C. L. Poole was carried before Mayor Babb and fined \$100 for selling cocaine within the city limits. Again yesterday morning he was called for trial on a second count but preferring to forfeit his bond of \$100 he failed to appear. His operations thus cost him \$200 in fines.

Chief of Police Bagwell worked up the case and deserves most credit for the minuteness with which the evidence was gathered and guarded. He was assisted by Rural Policeman Sullivan and Policeman Dodson. Mayor Babb also interested himself largely in the case. The officers have been working the cases up for about three weeks.

The evidence in the first case went to show that Jake Walker, a negro, on the night of September 2nd, went to Dr. Poole's house and bought three small packages, supposed to be cocaine or "dust", as Jake called it. After leaving Dr. Poole's house Jake delivered two of the packages to two other negroes, Mat Mills and Sam Cannon, who had gone part of the way with him to the house. Chief Bagwell, being on the lookout for the "dust" purchasers, later arrested the negroes and took the powder away from them and several days later carried it to Columbia and had Mr. J. E. Mills, a chemist, analyze it. Mr. Mills was present at the trial Monday afternoon and testified that he had given the powders an exhaustive examination and had arrived at the conclusion that in two of the packages were cocaine hydrochlorate and in one was sulphate of quinine. No testimony was brought out to explain the absence of cocaine in the last package.

Dr. Poole was the only witness put up by the defense and he denied the whole story as put up by the negroes. With this testimony before them the jury was addressed by Mr. W. R. Richey, Sr., for the defense, and Mr. R. E. Babb for the city. The jury retired and in a very short time returned a verdict of guilty. Thereupon the fine of \$100 was imposed and paid.

Yesterday morning at 9 o'clock Dr. Poole was summoned before the mayor on a like charge. He did not appear for trial on this charge but forfeited \$100 which he had put up as a bond.

Chief Bagwell said yesterday afternoon that he did not expect to push any of the other cases which he had against Dr. Poole.

## Meeting of Presbytery.

Enoree Presbytery will meet this week with the Presbyterian church of this city. A large number of delegates are expected to attend and a very profitable meeting is anticipated. Although no program has yet been announced it is understood that morning and evening sessions will be held. The public is invited to attend all of the sessions. A number of well known ministers will address the Presbytery.

## Fifteen Gamblers Caught.

Rural Policeman S. W. Lowe caught fifteen gamblers September 17th on the Garlington place, east of Cross Hill.

## LYCEUM COURSE TO BE BEST EVER

### Supt. Jones has Made a Selection of the Very Best Attractions that He Could Get.

According to Supt. B. L. Jones the Graded School Lyceum course this year is going to be one of the very best that the city has ever had and will be equal to that of many larger cities. A number of excellent numbers are on the program this year and a most interesting course is promised. Mr. Jones has written the following about the course:

The good people of Laurens have in the past patronized our Lyceum attractions so well that we feel satisfied in believing that our School Lyceum has come to stay and is a part of the life of the school and community.

For the coming season we have arranged for what we believe to be the strongest Lyceum Course ever offered to the people of Laurens. He have not spared ourselves any reasonable expense in securing the very best talent available. Our lecturers are unusually strong and all the musical numbers consist of artists of unusual merit and recognized ability.

We have contracted for the following:

Skovgaard Concert Party,  
George P. Bible,  
The Philadelphia Concert Party,  
Toronto Male Quartet,  
Byron W. King,  
The Cafertelli Concert Party.

Tickets are now on sale and you will confer a great favor on Supt. B. L. Jones by notifying him at once that you desire to become a member. Don't wait for him to see you.

## Real Estate Sales.

A number of real estate deals have been made within the past few days, a very lively interest in Laurens dirt being taken just at this time. The following sales have been closed through J. N. Leak, the Gray Court and Laurens real estate man:

The old "Cullen place" near Boyds Mill, sold to Dr. Donnan for \$1,567.  
57 acres near Friendship Church, known as the Jane Owens tract at \$35 per acre. This was sold to C. L. Henderson. Mr. C. L. Henderson also bought the Clark Smith place, owned by J. S. Bennett, for \$30 per acre.  
Charlie Wilson bought from John Graydon 25 acres at \$25 per acre.  
D. A. Davis sold to Burdett Bros. 425 acres for \$9,500.  
J. M. Woods sold to Mr. Davis 25 acres for \$2,000.

## Bazaar Date Again Changed.

On account of several difficulties which were found to interfere with their plans the committee which has in hand the setting of the date for the Ladies Bazaar has again postponed the day of holding it. As remembered several weeks ago it was announced that the bazaar would be held on the 9th and 10th of October. It has now been decided to hold it on the 25th and 26th of October instead. These dates fall on Wednesday and Thursday and will most probably be found most suitable for everybody to attend.

## Rally at the Mill.

Supt. B. L. Jones has announced that a religious and educational rally will be held at the school auditorium at the Laurens Mill Sunday night. A sermon will be preached and a very appropriate song service will be rendered. Both of the mill churches will close their doors that night so a large attendance is expected. Everybody is invited to be present.

## Passing Worthless Checks.

Chief of Police Bagwell arrested here yesterday Harris Rose, a Jew, on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses at Walhalla, Oconee county. A magistrate came down and carried the man back as far as Greenville last night. The prisoner claimed that he will be able to prove his innocence.

Rose is somewhat of a hustler and a dry goods drummer. While under arrest yesterday afternoon he got the permission of the Chief to visit the trade under escort. The Chief gave his permission and Rose strolled out under guard. Pretty soon he came back and showed his order book where he had taken order for about \$400 worth of goods. A little matter like a warrant don't bother him.

## RELAY CORNERSTONE TOMORROW MORNING

### Ceremonies to be by the Masons.

### EVERYBODY INVITED TO BE PRESENT

### Congressman Jos. T. Johnson and Solicitor R. A. Cooper will Make Addresses—The Exercises will be Held in the Open and a Large Crowd is Anticipated.

With Masonic ceremonies, the cornerstone of the remodeled court house of Laurens county will be laid tomorrow, Thursday, at 11 o'clock. Mr. R. A. Cooper will be the presiding officer. To these ceremonies every person in the county is invited and inasmuch as it is a county affair it is expected that a large crowd will be present. The principal addresses of the day will be by Solicitor R. A. Cooper and Congressman Jos. T. Johnson of this district.

The program for the exercises as arranged, by Master of Ceremonies R. A. Cooper will be as follows:

Song—"When Earth's Foundation First Was Laid."  
Prayer—By Rev. W. E. Thayer.  
Placing of stone in position by the Master of Ceremonies.  
Song—"Let There be Light."  
Address by Hon. R. A. Cooper.  
Address by Hon. Jos. T. Johnson.  
Song—"Hail Masonry Divine."  
Benediction.

## Contents of Stone.

The cornerstone will contain all of the pieces that were taken from the stone placed under the old building and in addition various records concerning the old building, names of the present county officials, data given by the architects and contractors of the remodeled court house, copies of the current issues of the county papers, a coin or two and probably one or two other items. There will be no fluids, bottles of every kind being eliminated from the ceremonies.

As will be remembered Contractor Rounds found the old cornerstone several weeks ago. In it was found a Bible and a bottle containing a few old coins. The inscription in the Bible showed that the original structure was built in 1837, the contractor being Dr. J. W. Simpson. Gen. T. P. Jones presented the Bible that was placed in the stone. Both of these men were prominent Laurens county men at that time and their descendants still reside in the county. Dr. Simpson was also the contractor when the two wings were added to the building in 1858.

Laurens must have had a court house for many years previous to 1793 for fairly authoritative history says that the grand jury called for a new building in that year and that it was built, one Mr. Reuben Pyles being the builder. This building cost \$7,778.67 and was probably the one replaced in 1838.

## Special Invitation.

W. H. Washington, secretary of Palmetto Lodge to which the dispensation was granted extends a cordial invitation to all Masons to be present and take part in the ceremonies.

## The Same Everywhere.

In speaking of the sale of The Happy Hour Theatre several days ago, The Spartanburg Herald had the following to say about Mr. H. H. Grant, who ran the picture show here for some time and who was very highly thought of in the city:

Mr. H. H. Grant, who established this theatre, has sold out and will return to his home in the north. Mr. Grant has made many friends in Spartanburg, as he is a high-toned gentleman and treats everybody right. He furnished only the best vaudeville and never deceived his patrons, and his many friends regret to know he is leaving here, but wish him well wherever he locates.

## Still Another One.

And the Red Iron Racket still grows. By looking at their advertisement in today's paper, it can be seen that they have opened up a store at Greers. This will make six stores. Those hustling people have started all of them are now doing well. Store at Greers has just been up and promises to be a very big one.